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Renovation Completed At Methodist Church

Gatesville.—With the installation of new lighting fixtures the Gatesville Methodist Church completes the renovation of its building. The total cost of the project was estimated at twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00). This includes three additional class rooms, two rest rooms, a new roof, a chancel added to the existing sanctuary, new pews and chancel furniture, new lighting fixtures, and a new heating system. These improvements have been made possible by generous gifts from the members and friends of the church. In addition, aid was received from the Duke Endowment and the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church.

The Building Committee of the church took the lead in making plans for the building improvements. The members of the committee were: J. K. Wyatt, chairman, F. P. Smith, J. S. Liles, A. E. Wester, R. E. Rawles, T. W. Costen, Mrs. J. E. R. Perry, Mrs. J. L. Sawyer, Mrs. W. C. Hinton, Mrs. J. B. Hathaway, Mrs. J. W. Brown, Mrs. R. L. Turner, and Mrs. E. V. Willis.

The Finance Commission of the church has led the program of financing the project. At the beginning of the program, the chairman of this commission was F. P. Smith. He has been succeeded by R. L. Turner. Other members of the commission are, Mrs. C. W. Hinton, J. K. Wyatt, Dr. L. C. Hand, Jr., Mrs. C. N. Plyler, T. W. Costen, and Mrs. E. V. Willis. Many of the items going into the church were given as memorials, or gifts. Promotion of this phase of the program was under the leadership of the Committee of Memorials with S. P. Cross as chairman. Other members of this committee are Mrs. E. V. Willis and Mrs. C. N. Plyler.

Though the building renovation is now completed, the church under the leadership of the above committees and its pastor, the Rev. Henry A. Bizzell, Jr., continues a vigorous campaign to complete payments on the church debt and to provide for further improvements on the building.

Revival Ends At Reynoldson

Gates. — Reynoldson Baptist Church, in cooperation with the Southern Baptist Convention simultaneous revival, held services each evening last week at 7:45 with the Rev. S. H. Roberts, pastor of Macedonia Baptist Church, Asheville, doing the preaching.

Services closed with the Sunday night 8 o'clock service. There were 12 public decisions and special music was rendered each evening by members of the choir. The Rev. Clarke Wiseman, pastor of the Great Fork Baptist Church, rendered two solos Saturday night, accompanied by Mrs. P. Owen Parker, choir director and organist of the Great Fork Church.

The Rev. Roberts and the Rev. Oscar S. Edmonds and family were dinner guests in the following homes during the week: Monday, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. White, Jr.; Tuesday, Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Parker; Thursday, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Riddick; Friday, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Taylor; Saturday, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Savage; Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Otho Mizelle.

Hobbsville Gets The New Look

Hobbsville.—Hobbsville is really taking on "the new look." Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Hobbs have completely renovated their kitchen. They have installed hot and cold water, youngsters' sink and cabinets, also a complete new bath.

Mrs. Mat Hollowell is redecorating her bedroom, hall and dining room.

Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Hobbs are building two new rooms on their home. When those are complete their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hobbs will move in with them.

SUNRISE SERVICE.—There will be a Sunrise Service held at the Eure Baptist Church Easter morning at 5:37 a. m. Dan Page of Chowan College, Murfreesboro, will be guest speaker.

Sunday school will be held at 10:00 a. m. and preaching service at 11:00 a. m. Dan Page will deliver the message.

The public is cordially invited to attend the services.

New Books Now Available at County Library

Gatesville.—Listed here are the new books for the Gates County Public Library. Non fiction—adults: Ice Floes and Flaming Water, Freuchen; Treasure-Divling Holidays, Crile; John Ruskin, Evans; Sir Walter Scott, Pearson; The Revolutionary War, Street; Down On The Farm, Holbrook; His Very Self and Voice, Byron; The Web of Life, Storen; Georgia, Leckie; The Tumult and the Shouting, Rice.

Fiction—adults: Forbidden City, Jernigan; Tomorrow the New Moon, Barker; Louisiana Cavalier, Weber; The Well of the Silent Harp, Barke; Money to Burn, Cadell; The Kentuckians, Giles; Blue Hurricane, Mason; The Cornerstone, Oldenbourg; The Measure of the Years, Colver; The Healer, Slaughter; I Take This Man, Loring.

Easter Seals Selling Good

Gatesville.—The sale of Easter Seals for crippled children is now going on and will continue through Easter Sunday, April 10. Mrs. Sawyer, Seal Sale Chairman, states that the response to the sale already is gratifying and she appreciates the cooperation she has received.

She says: "We are striving to make useless little arms and legs function; to straighten young bodies and limbs; to give alert minded little cripples a chance to go to school; to provide the training that will eventually help them make their own way in the world. In short the blessings of "normalized" bodies and minds—that is the cause to which the Society for Crippled Children in Gates County and throughout the world is dedicated.

"The help that has been given to crippled children and adults in Gates County has been of great value and there is no other fund for such handicapped people available.

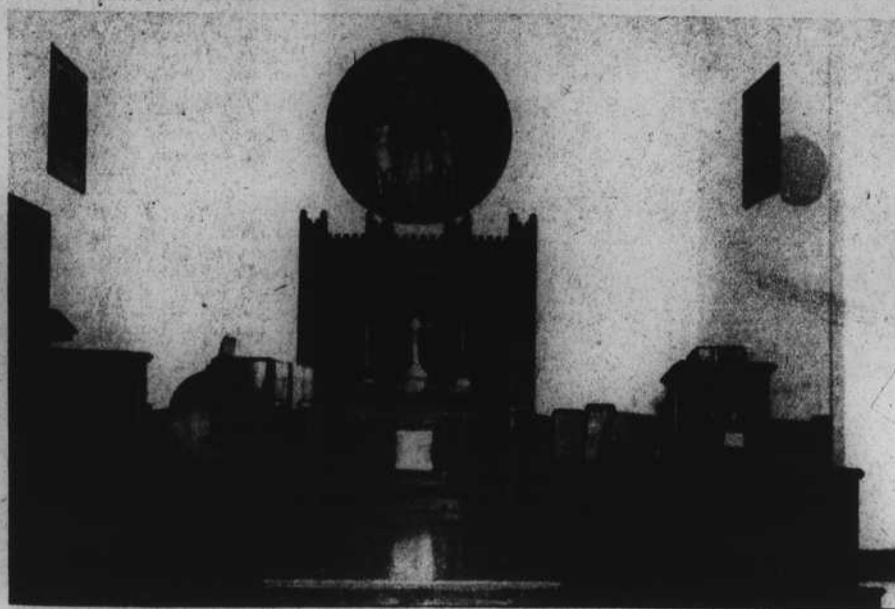
"While this program is a humanitarian one, it pays economically for it costs less to correct a crippled limb in childhood than to support a crippled adult and the earlier help can be given the less the cost.

"It is hoped that those who have not already responded will do so right away. Your cooperation is needed and will be appreciated," Mrs. Sawyer said.

Rev. Jordan Will Be at Sandy Cross

Sandy Cross. — The Rev. Alphonso Jordan of Raleigh will conduct the Easter services at Sandy Cross Baptist Church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

There will be special music of which Mrs. Jordan will take part. The public is cordially invited to attend these services.



RENOVATION COMPLETED—The Gatesville Methodist Church has just completed the work of renovation of its building at an estimated cost of \$20,000. (Carlton Morris photo.)

Churches Hold Group Service Easter Sunday

Gatesville. — The Gatesville churches will hold their annual Easter Sunrise service Sunday morning at 7:30 o'clock in the Methodist Church, with the Rev. Henry Bizzell in charge.

The service will consist of music, scripture, prayer and a brief meditation. The choir, under the direction of Mr. Conrad Plyler, will render the anthem, "In Joseph's Lovely Garden"; and Miss Kathryn Rice, soloist of Sunbury, will sing "Open the Gates." The brief meditation will be given by the Rev. J. L. Walter Moore.

The public has a cordial invitation to attend.

50th Session WMU to Meet April 12th

Elizabeth City.—The 50th annual session of the Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to the Chowan Baptist Association, will meet Tuesday, April 12, at 10 o'clock with the Berea Baptist Church on the Elizabeth City Highway No. 158.

The theme for the day will be "Go Quickly and Tell." Mrs. C. Gordon Maddrey, North Carolina Woman's Missionary Union state president, will speak on the subject, Mrs. W. W. Lawton of Charlotte, a missionary to China and the Philippine Islands, now on furlough, will bring a message on her work with these people.

A most interesting program has been arranged. Each associational officer will bring a brief message on her work in the various departments. This annual meeting is very important and vital in Woman's Missionary Union work. Many from this county are expected to attend.

Mrs. Walter A. Ward, associational superintendent, will preside over this meeting.

The morning session will begin promptly at 10 o'clock. Doors will be closed during the meditations and speaking.

Phelps Gets 5-7 Years On Manslaughter Charge

Gatesville.—Willie Phelps was found guilty of involuntary manslaughter at the March term of Superior court that ended last Friday. Phelps was charged with the death of young Jimmie Monday who was struck down by his auto last fall.

Judge Clifton Moore sentenced Phelps to not less than five and not more than seven years in prison for the crime, but he noted an appeal to the Superior Court and is out on bond.

Sydney Parker, charged with a second offense of manslaughter got off lighter than Phelps. The state took a nol prosee in his case. Another case charging Phelps and Claude Patterson with the manufacturing, aiding and abetting and possessing illegal liquor was continued to the November term of court.

A liquor case against Willard Daugherty Allen was not prosessed. William Carlton Jordan also got off scott free on a gambling charge. The jury returned a directed verdict of not guilty due to insufficient evidence.

Frances P. Hansen drew a sentence of six months on the road in another liquor case. She was charged with possessing and transporting illegal liquor. Her sentence was suspended upon payment of a fine of \$50 and court costs. She was placed on probation for three years and her driving licenses were revoked for 12 months.

Luther Harrell Reenlists in Army

Corapeake. — Cpl. Luther B. Harrell, Jr., and Mrs. Harrell have returned to California where Cpl. Harrell has re-enlisted in the U. S. Army.

Cpl. Harrell and his wife lived in California two years prior to his discharge in January. For the past two months they have been living in Raleigh. Harrell decided army life was for him so back to California he went for his re-enlistment.

Cpl. Harrell is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Luther B. Harrell of Corapeake.

Good Friday Services at Kittrell's

Gates.—Good Friday services will be held in the Kittrell's Methodist Church, Gates, Friday at 12:00 noon, with the pastor, the Rev. Frederick J. Duplissey, in charge.

The services, following the tradition of Good Friday, will be based on the Seven Last Words of Jesus, spoken from the Cross. The meditations will be given by the following ministers: the Rev. Henry A. Bizzell, pastor of the Gatesville Charge of the Methodist Church; the Rev. J. L. Walter Moore, pastor of the Gatesville Baptist Church; the Rev. Oscar S. Edmonds, pastor of the Reynoldson Baptist Church; and the Rev. Mr. Duplissey.

The public has a cordial invitation to attend these services.

File With Clerk

Gatesville.—According to Mayor J. L. Sawyer, all aspirants for office in Gatesville should file with the town clerk, R. C. Hawkins, Jr., instead of the mayor as was stated in an ad last week.

It has always been the custom to file with the mayor in the past, he said, but now the clerk handles this phase of the election.

SUNRISE SERVICE

Gates.—Sunrise Services will be held Sunday morning at 5:45 at the Reynoldson Baptist Church jointly with Kittrell's Methodist Church. Rev. Frederick J. Duplissey of the Kittrell's Church will deliver the sermon. Everyone is invited to attend this Easter Sunrise Service.

THURSDAY SERVICE

Gates.—Thursday night at 8 o'clock at the Kittrell's Methodist Church there will be a Maundy Thursday Service, with communion and music by the choir.

HDC District Meeting At Sandy Cross April 14th

Rev. Morris Minister At Church

Gatesville.—The Rev. Morris Elliott, Minister of the First Baptist Church, will be in town Sunday evening, April 10, to form the church. He has accepted a call from the Bull Street Baptist Church in Savannah, Ga. He asked that his resignation become effective with the last Sunday in April.

The Bull Street church has a membership of 3,300 a little more than double the number in the First Baptist Church here.

A native of Sunbury, Mr. Morris came to Gaffney in 1948. He is a graduate of the Sunbury High School and of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky. He also attended the State Teachers College at Greenville.

Before coming to Gaffney he had served pastorates at Winterville and Ayden, N. C., Newport News, Va., and Leigh Street Baptist Church in Richmond.

Since he came to Gaffney the First Baptist Church has experienced growth in many ways. There has been a steady increase in membership and attendance. A building program has been concited in the erection of a sanctuary, at an approximate cost of \$500,000.

He has devoted a considerable part of his time to evangelistic work.

Mr. Morris has served on the General Board of South Carolina Baptists, having been elected as chairman for 1954. Also he served as chairman of the Committee for the Constitution for the Aged, Darlington, S. C. He served on the program committee of the Southern Baptist Convention and in June, 1954, spoke to the Pastors Conference of the convention in St. Louis. In 1951, he was speaker of the week for the West Florida Baptist Assembly in Panama City, Fla.

4-H Meetings Scheduled

Gatesville. — April 4-H Club meetings start Tuesday, 12th, with the Sunbury Clubs meeting at 9:40 and 10:45, respectively. Wednesday, 13th, Hobbsville Clubs at 9:30 and 10:45. The meetings of Gatesville Clubs has been changed from Thursday to another day to be announced later. Both Extension agents will be attending a district meeting of Home Demonstration Clubs at Sandy Cross Church on Thursday, hence the change.

Plans for the annual 4-H Church Sunday services in June will be made at these meetings and members assigned parts on the program.

Members having obtained orders and money for metal name plates are requested to hand them in as no more club meetings are to be held during the school year. The Extension agents are offering a prize to the junior and senior boy or girl in each club who turns in the most number of name plates. This is a county-wide project to make a little money for the clubs and at the same time improve the appearance of our roadsides and entrances to farms.

Corapeake Man Dies at 45

Corapeake.—George Ralph Lassiter, 45, prominent farmer of Corapeake, died Wednesday at 6:15 a. m., at Obici Memorial Hospital, after a short illness.

He is survived by his parents, George Solomon and Mary Taylor Lassiter, of Corapeake; a sister, Mrs. C. Earl Armstrong, also of Corapeake; two brothers, Taylor Lassiter, of Suffolk, and G. S. Lassiter, Jr., of Boykins, and two nieces and two nephews.

The body was taken to the I. O. Hill and Company funeral home where services were conducted Thursday at 2 p. m. by the Rev. F. J. Duplissey, pastor of Parkers Methodist Church. Burial was in the Lassiter family cemetery in Gates County.

Letterheads—get them and all kinds of printing from "Your Home Newspaper."

Gates County BRIEFS

Be not afraid of sudden fear, neither of the desolation of the wicked when it cometh.

For the Lord shall be thy confidence, and shall keep thy foot from being taken.

Withhold not good from them whom it is due, when it is in the power of thine hand to do it.—Proverbs 2-25:26,27.

I find life and exciting business, and most exciting when lived for others.—Helen Keller.

Dropped in on my old friend H. I. Jaffe last week and as usual found him in a whirl of rushing around trying to do a half dozen things at the same time. He is busy preparing to leave for Europe on April 15 and in between our spasmodic conversation, he would leap up and answer the phone, rush into his inner office to get a book or two that he wanted me to read or a little gift for my wife. In between rounds, I talked with Mrs. Marshall who has worked for Henry to these many years and knows him like a book. She is all excited about becoming a member of the North Carolina Literary and Historical Society. She is an avid student of N. C. history and would like nothing better than to retire to historic Edenton to live out her remaining years. She was also excited about Inglis Fletcher's new book and Mrs. Fletcher usually sends her an autographed copy of each new edition as soon as it comes off the press. Henry is always telling her he is going to buy her a home in Edenton, but he probably never will as it is easy to see that he couldn't operate for a day without her there to do the heavy work for him.

Next Monday, April 11 has been named a holiday for all county employees it was announced by the Board of County Commissioners at their regular meeting last Monday. It has been the custom to give county employees a holiday on Easter Monday for the past several years.

There is only one thing in the world worse than being talked about and that is not being talked about.—Wilde.

We wonder how a fool and his money got together in the first place.

Mrs. Jones: "Why are you jealous of your husband's secretary?"

Mrs. Bones: "Because I used to be his secretary."

A complete report will be made on the Red Cross fund raising campaign next week. The report was due this week, but some townships have not turned in their quotas at press time.

Most Suffolk merchants will be open from 9 a. m. to 9 p. m. next Saturday for the convenience of Easter shoppers.

Walter Harrell Now in Air Force

San Antonio, Texas.—Second Lt. Walter Harrell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Luther B. Harrell of Corapeake, is now at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas, where he received his flight physical examinations.

Lt. Harrell will leave for Florida of Georgia in the next two weeks where his wife will join him. At the present time Mrs. Harrell is with her mother in Washington, N. C.

Hobbsville Church

Hobbsville.—Easter services will be held Sunday morning at 11 o'clock at the Hobbsville Baptist Church. Special music by the church choir will be rendered. They will sing the anthem, "Lift Up Thine Eyes."

W. V. Brown, pastor, will conduct the services. The public is cordially invited to attend.

HILLBILLY BAND

Gatesville Methodists say they will come up with a real entertaining program on Saturday night, April 16, when they introduce a show of 30 stars from Central Prison, Raleigh. The show will begin at 8 p. m. in the Gatesville school auditorium and will feature singing, dancing, comedy and music. Proceeds will go to the Methodist Church building fund.



MILL DAM GONE—This photo was made moments after the dam at Merchants Mill was blown up by State Highway workers last Friday. Plans now call for a new and higher dam with gates to allow raising or lowering the water level. (Carlton Morris photo.)