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Miss Sarah Anna Smith, 87, Dies After Short Illness

Miss Sarah Anna Sophia Smith, 87, died Monday in the Gordon Crowell Memorial hospital after a short illness. She was removed to the hospital from her home, "Magnolia Grove", a week ago after suffering a stroke of paralysis. From the first her condition was regarded as critical and she did not regain consciousness after being admitted to the hospital.

Miss Smith was born at "Magnolia Grove", the ancestral Smith home, on August 2, 1867. Her parents were the late John Barnett and Barbara Dellinger Smith, prominent and influential citizens of Lincoln county in their day.

Survivors are one brother, Tenney B. Smith, who since the death of his wife has made his home with his sister, five nephews, B. C. Lineberger, Lincolnton, Lester T. Lineberger, River Bend, John Smith, Murphy, N. C., John N. Smith and Ted E. Smith, of San Diego, California, the latter two sons of the late Ed Smith; and seven nieces, Mrs. Peter Nagy, and Mrs. Jay Heny, of San Diego, daughters of Ed Smith, Miss Pauline Waters, of Petersburg, Va.,

Mrs. Erwin M. Hunt, of Denton, N. C., Mrs. Sam Hupman, of Mebane, N. C., Miss Marie Lineberger, of Kings Mountain, and Mrs. C. F. Swaffar, of Glendale, California.

Miss Smith was from childhood a member of the Iron Station Presbyterian church and when her health would permit took an active part in the work of the church.

The Smith home, one of the most historic in Lincoln county, was through the years the gathering place of friends from far and near and Miss Smith, with her parents and other members of the family, was always the ideal hostess. Since their deaths she had continued to find pleasure in extending that hospitality for which the home is noted.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock from the Iron Station church by the Rev. Burton Sherrod of Stanley in charge. The body was taken from the Warlick Funeral Home to the church to lie in state for one hour before the service. Interment was in the Smith cemetery at Iron Station.

Loans For Crop Damages Ready At FHA Office

Farmers in Lincoln and Gaston counties whose crops were damaged by recent freeze can apply to the Farmers Home Administration for emergency loans to continue operations, John J. P. McLeod, said today.

Emergency loans may be made to establish farm owners and farm operators who are primarily engaged in farming, whose crops were damaged by the freeze, and who are unable to obtain credit needed to continue their normal farming operations. Loans are scheduled for repayment over a minimum period of time consistent with the borrower's ability to repay. Funds advanced for crop production purposes are repayable when the income from the sale of the crops produced with the loans is received.

Farmers should file their applications for emergency loans at the county Farmers Home Administration office located in the Court House in Lincolnton, and at the basement of the Post Office in Gastonia. Loan funds may be used to take care of normal expenses of continued operation, but are not to be used to pay existing debts.

Services Conducted For Mrs. George E. Rudisill

Mrs. George E. Rudisill, 71, died early Tuesday morning in the Gordon Crowell Memorial hospital. She had been ill for several days following a heart attack.

Mrs. Rudisill before her marriage May 13, 1906 was Miss Bertha Finger. She was born in Maiden, Catawba county, February 13, 1884, the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Finger.

She and Mr. Rudisill, with their family had made their home in Lincolnton for the past twenty seven years. Mr. Rudisill formerly served as sheriff of Lincoln county.

In addition to the husband the following children survive: Mrs. H. C. Hawn, Winston Salem; Mrs. Brad Bangle, Goldsboro; Mrs. A. H. Saunders, Charlotte; Mrs. Steve Beam and Mrs. Baxter Delinger, both of Lincoln county; Yates Rudisill, Howard Rudisill and Hunter Rudisill, all of Lincolnton. Surviving also are fourteen grand children, one brother, Lester Finger, of Mt. Holly, and four sisters, Mrs. S. D. Honeycutt, Lincolnton; Mrs. J. C. Heffner, Maiden; Mrs. Dewey Williams, Maiden; and Miss Pearl Finger, Kinston.

Mrs. Rudisill was a devoted member of the Emmanuel Lutheran church and a regular attendant at its service when her health would permit. She was a devoted wife and mother and was beloved by a wide circle of friends who admired her outstanding Christian character.

Funeral services were conducted yesterday afternoon at 3:30

o'clock from Emmanuel Lutheran church with the pastor, Rev. J. A. McCullough, Jr., officiating. Burial was in Hollybrook cemetery.

Those from out of town attending the funeral were Rev. and Mrs. Huit I. Carpenter, Faith, N. C.; Mrs. P. A. Carpenter and Mr. Albert Carpenter, Lenoir; Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Thorne, Lenoir; Rev. Hugh Barringer, Gastonia; Mr. and Mrs. Doras Rudisill, Mr. and Mrs. Seth Moses, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Heffner, and Mrs. Lynn Hudson, Mrs. Guy Barringer and Margie Barringer, Hickory; Rev. and Mrs. Lonnie A. Carpenter, Conover; Mrs. C. P. Craver, Mrs. H. V. Overcash, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Holton, Winston-Salem; Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Williams, Mrs. James Haydn, Miss Grace Dawson, Mrs. Arthur Harris, Miss Nell Honeycutt, Miss Dorothy Young, Charlotte; E. A. Rudisill, Mrs. Dot Turbyfill, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Brown Laney, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. James C. Heffner, Jr., Mrs. J. C. Heffner, Mr. and Mrs. Esley Wilkinson, Mrs. D. P. McRee, Mrs. Willie McRee, Henry L. Harbinson, Maiden; Miss Ruth Winsate of Durham; Mrs. J. Lee Mauney of Greenville, S. C.; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Page, Kings Mountain; Mr. and Mrs. Lester Finger and Miss Frances Finger, Mt. Holly; Miss Pearl Finger, Kinston; Rev. Frank Heffner, Rockwell; Mr. and Mrs. George Finger, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Dan Finger, and Mrs. Dora Daimon, Athens, Ga.; and Rev. and Mrs. Clyde Hawn, Alleghany, N. Y.

ACTORS, DONATIONS NEEDED

Plans For Battle Drama Here Continue To Shape Up Nicely

Lincoln County people who are available for roles in the coming "Thunder Over Carolina" outdoor drama were asked this week to communicate this fact to Mrs. James Crissan at the chamber of commerce, or to the drama's author, Charles Loveland, at Radio Station WLON.

Plans continued shaping up nicely for the June 10-to-July 4th production, which will be staged on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights during the period on the Ramsour's Mill Battleground just off the Maiden Road.

The drama will commemorate the 15th anniversary of the Revolutionary War struggle which pitted Lincoln Whigs against Lincoln Tories in one of the bloodiest engagements of the struggle for independence.

GROUPS ASSISTING
Most Lincoln organizations—civic, service, and veterans—have been assigned preliminary tasks in

connection with the presentation; and Lincoln groups and individuals are continuing the drive for operating expenses by taking or mailing contributions to the campaign treasurer, G. Harold Myrick, at First National Bank. Donors this week included: Eastern Star 55, Priscilla Book Club \$10, and Claude Warlick \$2, making a week's total of \$32. A total of \$14 was raised in a pre-Easter "Hot Cross Bun" sale in front of the B. C. Moore store, supervised by Mrs. R. G. Johnson of Lincolnton R-4. A number of Route 4 young people and their parents participated in the sale.

A "bake sale" will be held in front of the B. C. Moore store at 10:30 a. m. this coming Saturday, with proceeds to apply on drama expenses. Any persons caring to donate baked items and pastries for the sale have been asked to bring them to the sale site before 10:30 a. m.

Dry-To-Freeze-To-Wet Triple Play Ymies Farmers, Home Gardeners

The elements still conspire to confound the Lincoln County farmer.

Last summer, lack of rain turned his soil to futile dust. A few days ago, a pre-Easter freeze nipped his early crops. And now the skies have spilled over to drown his efforts at new planting and cultivating.

Extended wet condition of the soil in recent weeks also has stymied those who would plant home gardens.

Pieter Drum, who owns a rain-measuring instrument, said that at 7 a. m. today, a total of 2.7 inches of rain had fallen on Lincoln within the preceding 26 hours.

At the city pumping station this morning, Charlie Beal said Walker Branch, source of the city's water, was 15 to 18 inches above normal and still rising. The South Fork River at Riverside was near the top of its banks.

Showers were predicted throughout today, with gradual clearing forecast for Friday.

First Aid Course

Friday at 7:30 p. m., at the health department, Luke Grooms, Red Cross instructor, will conduct the first of a series of weekly first aid studies, with all interested persons invited.

Road Project For County

A Lincoln county road project was included among the 22 projects on road improvements in 22 counties the State Highway Commission called for bids on Tuesday.

The bids will be opened April 28. Low bids will be reviewed by the highway commission two days later.

The Lincoln county project includes:

1.28 miles of grading and structures from N. C. 150 and 27 in Lincolnton, about 150 feet east of Lincoln Laundry, North across the county to U. S. 321, about 1.2 miles northwest of Lincolnton.

This project is related to the bypass now under construction around Lincolnton.

EDDIE LOHR PRESIDENT

Politics At L. H. S.; Student Council Officers Elected

Take note, you political oldsters, and make way for the students-turned-politicians.

The city primary elect for the town's adult populace was only a short two weeks away, and so not to be outdone by their elders the Lincolnton high school students had their own election yesterday.

They elected Student Council officers, climaxing a week of heated campaigning by supporters of the rival candidates. The election was run off just like the veterans do it, complete with polling booths, judges, et cetera. Candidates receiving the most votes automatically became the duly elected Student Council officers for the next school year.

Here's the Student Council winners lineup as the result of yesterday's vote-casting: Eddie

Plans Being Made For Anti-Polio Vaccinations In Lincoln County

ON LENOIR RHYNE FACULTY . . .

Arrington Picked To Direct Local Ramsour Battle Drama

Bradford M. Arrington of Hickory, Director of Dramatics at LeNoir Rhyne College will direct the Battle of Ramsour's Mill Drama, "Thunder Over Carolina" written by Charles Loveland, which includes six songs composed by Mr. Loveland.

Performances will commence Friday June 17 through Monday July 11, and will total twelve performances, running Friday, Saturday and Monday of each week.

Mr. Arrington received his training in Dramatics at the University of North Carolina, and was a

member of the Carolina Playmakers. He also took part in the Cherokee play "Unto These Hills" and is very much interested in directing Mr. Loveland's script, "Thunder Over Carolina".

Firemen Called To N. Flint Residence

Firemen were called to a N. Flint street residence this morning, where an oil stove was reported afire. The blaze had been extinguished when the firemen arrived.

VFW Installs New Officers

A free supper and an installation of new officers marked the Monday night meeting of the local VFW post here.

New officers, installed by Paul Lawing, are:

Commander, Dick Mullen, succeeding Jimmie Owen; Senior Vice-Commander, Walt Cashion; Junior Vice-Commander, Clyde Kistler; Quartermaster, Paul Lawing; Judge Advocate, Don Beck; Trustee, John Shrum; Surgeon, L. T. Morton; and House Committeemen, Hamp Childs, Jr., and Paul Lawing.

One good turn deserves another but there is no such thing as perpetual motion.

Democrats Have 14 Primary Candidates; No Republicans File

F.H.A. Office Hours Changed

Effective immediately, the local Farmers Home Administration office will be open Monday, Tuesday and Friday of each week.

John J. P. McLeod, county supervisor, and Mrs. Evelyn W. Cundiff, county office clerk, will be in the Gastonia Farmers Home Administration office Wednesday and Thursday of each week.

Farmers and others desiring to see the county supervisor are asked to visit the local office on Friday mornings.

Yesterday's (Wednesday) noon deadline for candidates to file for the city's April 26th primary election saw two men post their filing fee and join the candidate field.

Filing a few hours ahead of the deadline were two Aldermen candidates — Gene Wilburn from Ward 3, and M. L. Huggins from Ward 2.

Mr. Wilburn is an automobile salesman with Polhill Chevrolet Co. Mr. Huggins is owner of Service Dry Cleaners and is a former member of the school board.

Two incumbent Aldermen, Bruce Jenkins from Ward 2 and Ralph Cochrane from Ward 1, filed on Tuesday, as did Julie Ward, school board candidate.

CANDIDATE LINEUP
Here's the Democratic candidate lineup for the April 26th primary:

For Mayor: Ira Cline and A. L. (Andy) Tait.

For Alderman, Ward 1: Ralph Cochrane, Bryan (Dusty) Craig.

For Alderman, Ward 2: Pat Buckley, Clyde C. Cornwell, M. L. Huggins.

For Alderman, Ward 3: Bruce Jenkins, Gene Wilburn.

For School Board: Dr. Boyce Griggs, Julie Ward, Frank G. Kuck.

So, the candidate lineup now shows nine men running for the four alderman posts on the city council; two running for the mayor's position, and 3 in the race for the one vacancy coming up on the school board.

NO REPUB TICKET
The Republicans allowed the filing deadline to pass without offering a ticket in opposition to the Democrats. This means that the Democrats, unopposed, will only have to go through the formality of a city election on May 26th.

No opposition was offered by the Republicans to the Democrats in the city election two years ago. The last time the Repubs put up a city ticket was four years ago. Under the new bill recently passed in the General Assembly, the two alderman candidates receiving the highest number of votes in the May 26th election will get 4-year terms, and salary raises become effective for each alderman and the mayor.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE
Election Board Chairman J. Robt. McNeely today again reminded all eligible voters that Saturday, April 16, will be the last day to register for the primary.

Only the registration books, which are different from the county books, are to be used for the primary. McNeely advised that if there is any one who is not sure they are properly registered to contact the registrar in their respective ward.

Citizens Give \$1,471.43 To Help Paralyzed Youth

Lincoln County citizens today had dug into their pockets and contributed a total of \$1,471.43 to help pay future medical expenses for a 17-year-old local high schooler who was paralyzed in a fall seven months ago.

Meantime, efforts were being made to have Jack Dellinger of the Iron Station section admitted to Duke Hospital, Durham, for observation and treatment.

Treasurer of the Jack Dellinger Fund, Robert S. Rudisill, cashier of First National Bank, said contributions still are being received. They may be mailed or carried to

Mr. Rudisill at the bank, and all donations will go for medical expenses exclusively.

Latest contributions include: Gospelaire Quartet singing program \$122.75. Pat A. Mullen \$2. Jean Ramsey \$10. Mrs. Grady Schrum \$1. Harry R. Little \$1. Charles Eury \$140. Macedonia Baptist Church, Route 3, \$77.

Money keeps a lot of people out of mischief just by keeping them busy earning it.

Word Awaited On Date; Volunteers Are Urged

Parents of 1,410 Lincoln County first and second-graders were on a "stand-by basis" today as the county waited announcement of the date when the first Salk anti-polio vaccinations will be administered here.

In Newton, Dr. V. D. Scott, tri-county medical officer, said he has received no information from Raleigh, but he informed Frank Hull Crowell, Lincoln chairman for the Salk inoculations, that this county will be the first of his three counties to receive the serum. Shots will be administered here before they are given in Alexander and Catawba counties.

Tentative date set for beginning of the vaccinations when plans first were made some days ago was Monday, April 25. This still must be considered the tentative date, it was announced today, although information from Raleigh might well alter the starting time.

Julian Taylor, sanitarian of the Lincoln County Health Department, was in Raleigh today on other business for the department, and he was instructed to make inquiries concerning beginning of the Salk program.

TWO SHOTS SEEN
Frank Hull Crowell said today that it appears only two shots will be necessary to provide immunization against polio — instead of the three thought needed before this week's valuation of the serum. A third shot would be in order some seven months in the future as a "booster."

Meanwhile, Mr. Crowell got the "go ahead" from Dr. Scott today to begin preparation for administering of the serum to the 1,410 Lincoln first and second-graders whose parents signed consent slips. There are 1,605 first and second-graders in the county's schools.

Mr. Crowell said he would need the assistance of some 20 or 25 local adults in providing the serum, and he asked that those available to help in the work contact him at Crowell Hospital, Telephone REgent 5-7421. He will need a number of hostesses, a crew of guides, several syringe washers, some janitors, and others.

He said he and Dr. Scott expect word at any moment on the date for the beginning of the shots.

SERUM ORDERED
The serum will be provided free of charge to the 1,410 first and second-graders whose parents signed the consent slips. However, the vaccine will be available

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Mrs. Margaret Abernethy, 79, Dies In County

Mrs. Margaret Susan Abernethy, 79, of Lincolnton, Route 3, died Wednesday at 5 p. m. at the home of a son, Eural Abernethy.

Funeral services will be held at 3 p. m. Friday at the Macedonia Baptist church, Rev. T. H. Roach and Rev. Jack Mace will officiate. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Surviving are two sons: Eural and Duke Abernethy of Route 3, Lincolnton; one daughter, Mrs. Vera Smith of Route 3, Lincolnton; four half brothers, O. O. Abernethy of Maiden, Rt. 1, M. D. Abernethy, Morganton, E. R. Abernethy of Valdese, and D. H. Abernethy of Maiden, Rt. 1. Two half sisters, Mrs. C. W. Caldwell, and Miss Mary Jane Abernethy of Maiden, Rt. 1.

The body will be taken to the home at 2 p. m. today.

Drum's Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Man Is Hurt In Car Wreck

An unidentified man was in the emergency room at Crowell Hospital at press time today after his Chevrolet struck the concrete abutment at the Horse Show Lake bridge on the Lincolnton-Maiden road about 2 p. m. and caught fire. Mr. Hoyle and another man dragged the driver from the flames. The extent of his hurts are not determined.

QUOTA IS \$2,343.00

Two Jobs Faced By Cancer Fund Raising Volunteers

"Volunteers taking part in the American Cancer Society's 1955 educational and fund-raising crusade this month have two jobs to do," Mrs. Velma Drum, Cancer Chairman for Lincoln County, said today.

"One job is collecting money and we really need that very badly, with a goal of \$2,343.00 for Lincoln County, she explained. "but these volunteers also are helping to carry out the society's year-round campaign of education about cancer control. With informative literature and with verbal answers to questions that keep coming up, they are driving home a message all-important to the future health of every person in Lincoln County."

Through such volunteers, people all over the county are learning the facts about Cancer control. They are learning that in many cases Cancer is curable, many are alive today who have been cured of Cancer; it must be treated early. "Cancer is no disgrace, and no one should be ashamed to seek help for it. It is not contagious nor inherited."

Mrs. Drum urged all who have not been contacted to make their contribution today by mailing a check to "Cancer" c/o Mrs. Betty Craig, First National Bank, Lincolnton, N. C.

\$412.77 has been raised on the goal of \$2,343.00 for the Lincoln County unit.

Winners Are Announced In City Wide Easter Egg Hunts

Around two hundred boys and girls, 11 years old and under, enjoyed the annual City Wide Easter Egg Hunt at the Lincolnton High School Athletic Field Saturday morning, April 9.

There were approximately eighty boys and girls of the same age, taking part in the Easter Egg Hunt at Oaklawn School. Both Hunts were organized and directed by the Lincolnton Recreation Department and sponsored by the First National Bank. The Hunt at the High School Ball Park was broadcast over Radio Station WLON.

Winners in the City Egg Hunt at the Ball Park were: One to six year old group: Lucy Hines found the most eggs—20; and Jackie

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