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R. E. "Bob" Stevens Proves Leader Among Men as Time Has Brought Honor on Honor

Native of Wayne County. He Has Been With Smith Hardware Company 27 Years

HE IS ACTIVE IN ALL COMMUNITY PROJECTS

Active Legionnaire, Leader in Elks Club, Golf Enthusiast, And Fine Fellow

Robert E. "Bob" Stevens is one of the leading young business men of Goldsboro, active always in any movement that means the betterment of the section.

For 27 years Mr. Stevens has been associated with the Smith Hardware Company of this city, serving as a valuable member of the firm through war, depression and boom.

He is a native of Wayne county, son of the late John A. Stevens and Julia D. Stevens, of the Stevens Mill section of Grantham township. He moved to Goldsboro in 1897 and attended school here, graduating from the local high school in 1909.

After a year at State College in Raleigh he became associated with the Smith Hardware Company and has been there ever since, now being an official in the company.

"Bob" is a central figure in several civic and fraternal clubs. He is a prominent member of the American Legion and has served two terms as Commander of the Wayne Post, and besides that he has served as State Vice-Commander. He served as Exalted Ruler of the Elks Club for three years, and at present he is chairman of the Wayne County Chapter of the American Red Cross.

On almost any fair Sunday you will find him on the local golf course engaged in his favorite sport. His business ability, his unbounding enthusiasm, his integrity of character, his progressive thinking have enabled him to rise from an errand boy to one of the leading stockholders of the firm of which he is a member.

He is much sought after in the promotion of civic projects because of his fine qualities and his attention to the handling of details essential to the success of any movement.

Mr. Stevens married Miss Bessie Clayton in 1911, and both he and his wife number their friends by the hundreds in this section.

Mrs. Susan Flowers To Be Buried Today; Died At Age Of 77

Prominent Fremont Woman Died After An Illness of Many Months In Fremont

Mrs. Susan Flowers, 77, member of prominent Fremont family, died at her home Wednesday morning after an illness of several months. She is survived by one son, Leslie Flowers, and one brother, W. H. Flowers, both of Fremont.

Funeral services will be conducted at the home Thursday afternoon by the Rev. J. H. Worley of Selma and the Rev. S. H. Styron of Pine Level. Free Will Baptist ministers. Interment will be in the Fremont cemetery.

pallbearers are: Active, Jesse Bogue, Frank Bogue, Albert West, Thaddeus Mumford, Larry D. Hooks, and Frank Hinnant; honorary, Z. M. L. Peacock, Conon Person, D. A. Powell, F. B. Aycock, Dan Lassiter, B. M. Best, H. C. Selby, George L. Hooks and Oscar E. Turlington.

George H. Becton Is Chairman Of County Committee For Year

Vann B. Herring and W. C. Gainey Are Other Members of Committee; Mintz Secretary

George H. Becton, prominent farmer of Fork township, has been named chairman of the Wayne County Soil Conservation Association for the coming year.

He was elected in a meeting here at the Farm Agent's office Monday night, and named to serve with him on the county committee are: Vann B. Herring, New Hope township vice-chairman; County Agent C. S. Mintz, secretary; and W. C. Gainey, Bridgen township, regular committeeman. Alternates are L. A. Lancaster of Saulston, and S. H. Lewis, Buck Swamp, who has served as committeeman for four years.

M. H. Malpass, 42, Dies Last Sunday

M. H. Malpass, 42, of Route 4 Mt. Olive, died in the Goldsboro Hospital Sunday afternoon. His widow survives. He entered the hospital on Thursday. The body was taken home for funeral and burial.

Local Leader



"BOB" STEVENS

Civic Minded Citizens Offer Land for Proposed P.W.A. Park

Proposed Park Would Add Greatly to the Recreational Facilities of County

PROFFERED LAND IS SOUTH OF GOLDSBORO

Plans Are Outlined By K. C. Rooyall, Who Heads a Committee Studying Project

Proffer of a site consisting of 135 to 140 acres of land adjacent to the Goldsboro city limits has heightened the chances of this community's receiving a W. P. A. recreation park, according to announcement of Kenneth C. Rooyall.

W. L. Rawlings, Emmett Robinson, J. A. Vinson, H. Well and Brothers and others have offered to give the land situated just south of Goldsboro between the Seven Springs highway and South John street extension.

Approximately \$60,000 of W. P. A. funds are available for such a project as the park. Mr. Rooyall said as he spoke for the joint committee of the Chamber of Commerce and Merchants Association appointed some time ago to look into the matter.

The proposed park would include tennis courts, children's playgrounds, and athletic field and golf course and other recreational facilities.

A report will be made to the board of Aldermen soon and probably to the county commissioners with a view of going further into the matter.

Grover Hoods Give Dinner Observance 31st Anniversary

Friends And Relatives Of Grantham Couple Enjoy Meeting With Fine Couple

Mr. and Mrs. Grover Hood entertained at a buffet dinner at their spacious country home in Grantham township on Sunday, October 30, in celebration of their 31st wedding anniversary.

The central table in the dining room was covered with a handsome Irish lace cloth, an anniversary gift. The centerpiece was a bowl of tiny yellow chrysanthemums. The guests were seated at tables in the living room, music room, hall, and sun porch. Each table was decorated with yellow and lavender dahlia. The hosts were presented with beautiful and useful gifts by the guests.

The guests included: Mr. and Mrs. Ben T. Hood and daughter, Mrs. and Mrs. J. M. Kenney and son, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Harrell and daughter, and D. J. Hood, all of Raleigh; Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hood and son and daughter of Blue's Creek; Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Herring and son, and Miss Ollie Mae Wester of Rocky Mount; Mrs. Kirby Rose and Miss Lillian Rose Beasley, of Smithfield; Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Davis of Princeton; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Grantham; Mr. and Mrs. Joel Rose, Mr. and Mrs. Durwood Hood, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Hood, Hugh Rose, and Morris Hood, all of Grantham; Dr. and Mrs. D. J. Rose, Mr. and Mrs. John Jinnette, of Goldsboro; Dr. and Mrs. James J. Rose of Pikeville.

Belfast School Is To Observe Special Education Week

All Of Next Week To Be Given To Observance of American Education Week

The Belfast School is to observe American Education Week beginning Monday, November 7th and continuing through Friday. Parents and friends are invited to attend the school on any of these days, spending as much time as they choose in observing the school at work. Each day during the week there will be a program depicting some element of educational training or development. These special programs will be featured at 2:30 p. m.

The first and third grades combined will sponsor the program for Monday. On Tuesday, the second and fourth grades will be the sponsors. Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, the fifth, sixth and seventh grades respectively will sponsor the programs.

The purpose of American Education Week as observed in our school, is to acquaint the public with the public school system as it operates in the development of the youth of the country, mentally, morally and physically. We are also desirous of acquainting the public with the needs, as well as the progress of our individual school unit. The entire school is anxious to have every patron and friend of public education to attend as many of these programs as is convenient. A cordial welcome awaits everyone.

Chesi Chairman



"BERT" GRIFFIN

The Goldsboro Community Chest needs a greater number of people supporting the work, said Dr. Griffin this week as he and his workers made ready to launch the campaign for \$18,000 to carry on the work of cooperating agencies during next year.

He emphasized the need of people realizing that they are giving through the Community Chest and not through the Chest.

Father A. Raine Freeman of Kingston will be the main speaker on Monday night as forces mobilize at the Hotel Goldsboro for a final meeting and instructions for the drive which will be on next week.

Mr. Griffin has pointed out that 80 people last year contributed 70 percent of the amount raised for the Chest; 28 contributed 51 percent. He urges that others ought to do more. There were 1,000 contributors in 1937.

He says this should not be a one-man job, but that everybody should take it upon himself to work for the Chest—give and get others to give.

Mr. Griffin is chairman of the drive. W. Frank Taylor is president of the Chest. Mrs. Edwin Borden, III, is chairman of the women's division. W. A. Ott is chairman of the out-of-town gifts. Emil Rosenthal and J. H. Smith in charge of the work as lieutenants under Mr. Griffin; and Leslie Weil chairman of the speakers committee.

The Goldsboro Hospital, the Community Building, Boy Scouts Red Cross, Girls' and Women's Activities, and the Bureau of Social Services share in the Chest funds.

Duplin Child Is Killed By Friend In Gun Accident

Children Playing With Shotguns, One Goes Off Accidentally, Killing Ford Baker

D. Ford Baker, eight year old son of Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Baker of Rosehill, Duplin county, was instantly killed Sunday afternoon when he was accidentally shot by a playmate, Charles Curtis Fussell, II.

Neil Joseph and Leslie Farfour Return From Visit to Home Land

These Two Popular Young Business Men of Goldsboro Enjoy Trip to Lebanon

MR. JOSEPH TELLS HERALD OF VISITS

Then Enjoy the Trip to Visit Their People; But Enjoy Getting Back to America Also

(By ISABELLE BADDOUE)

Returning from a four months' visit to his native country of Lebanon, a small Asia Minor republic, just southeast of Palestine, Neil Joseph tells of his travels that would be the envy of any one who dreams of foreign places. Mr. Joseph, prominent local merchant, was accompanied by his nephew, Leslie Farfour, on this third trip to his native land since he came to America twenty-seven years ago.

They sailed on the 25th day of May aboard the Queen Mary and after four days and eight hours arrived at South Hampton, where they took the train to London. After spending three days in London, sightseeing at Buckingham Palace, Westminster Abbey, the old palace of Queen Ann, Henry the Eighth, the Tower and its famous dungeons, they crossed the English Channel to Calais. In Paris they were met by a friend, Dr. Younis, who acted as guide, showing them places of interest in the beautiful city. Mr. Joseph tells his colorful story.

Concorde, Les Champs Elyses, the Louvre, the Tower of Eifel, and of course the Eiffel Tower.

"From Paris we went to Marseilles where we spent two days and among the beautiful scenes, we viewed the Notre Dame De La Garde on the top of the hill, looking down to the sea and over Marseilles.

"We sailed from Marseilles, passing through Italy on to Alexandria, Egypt. We were fortunate enough to see on our way the volcano at Mount Vesuvius and the city of Pompeii. We saw the palace of Farouk, King of Egypt, and the Corniche, where the people bathe on the sea shore.

"The people there speak Arabic, French and English. I was fortunate in being able to speak all three.

"From Egypt we went to Palestine where the boat anchored, for we did not dare to go into the city because of the war between the Arabs and the Jews.

"We went on to Beirut, the capital city of Lebanon. We were met by approximately 150 people including the Boy Scout division, headed by Scoutmaster Eduard Murad, the guard of the Archbishop Szalay, and representatives of the Ministers. Leslie and I were thrilled at such an unexpected reception.

We went directly to Hamana, my native town, which is situated at the top of the mountain, one hour's drive from Beirut. We spent over three months in Lebanon, visiting our relatives and viewing the beau-

Roving Reporter Takes Peep-in on Grantham, Biggest Wayne School

Mountain Lad Is Now Leader In School Work in Carolina

Leon Couch, Principal At Grantham, Emerged From Mountain Fastness

HE HAS FORGED AHEAD IN SCHOOL TRAINING

Taught At Eureka For Several Years and Now Heads the Large Grantham School

Mr. Leon Couch, principal of Grantham high school, has through earnest effort acquired a well-rounded education.

After completing high school at Tom's Creek, Virginia, Mr. Couch received his A. B. degree at Emory and Henry University, Emory, Virginia. He was awarded a scholarship to Duke University for 1927-28, and studied there until he accepted a position as assistant principal of Walsenburg high in Greene County.

In 1931 he came to Eureka as principal and served there until 1937 when he was elected principal at Grantham. Each summer he attends the summer school at the University of North Carolina where he is studying for a Ph. D. degree.

Born and raised in a mining town, Mr. Couch worked each summer in the mines to finance his education. An ardent admirer of John L. Lewis, he champions the laborer and has very little use for pseudo aristocrats. His friendliness indicates that he likes to meet people and he says he would like to become a connoisseur of foods.

He married Miss Ruth Worthington in 1932, and Mrs. Couch is now a member of the faculty. Mr. Couch is a member of the Kappa Phi Kappa fraternity and a member of the board of directors of the Goldsboro Kiwanis Club. His easy conversation and broad viewpoint have made him a leader in the educational field and a builder in the county school system.

Weldon Contractor Killed In Accident Last Thursday a. m.

C. A. Seifert Of New Bern Is Injured In The Wreck; Others Not Hurt

Raleigh T. Daniels, 62, of Weldon, was instantly killed, and C. A. Seifert of New Bern, seriously injured in an automobile collision at Pike's Crossroads in the northern part of the county last Thursday morning. Daniel suffered a fractured skull while riding with Seifert, Seifert driving, was struck by an automobile driven by a Mr. Adams of Route 1 Princeton. The automobile turned over several times and was badly wrecked.

She Finds Things Humming In This School, Over Which Leon Couch Presides

DECIDES THAT RURAL SCHOOLS ON UP AND UP

(By ISABELLE BADDOUE)

Had to go alone on this week's trip—followed the boss' directions and before I knew it, there I was at Grantham—lots bigger than I expected—introduced myself to Mr. Couch—reporter's delight—talked easily and is very informative—answered routine questions—850 enrollment—conditions extremely crowded—new building expected to solve that problem—hope to move in soon after Christmas—25 in senior class—57 juniors—primary and grammar grades now occupy same building with high school—began tour of school building at library—well equipped but too small to accommodate all students—introduced to girls' basketball coach, J. E. Johnson—a man—unusual combination of ordained minister, teacher, and girls' basketball coach—thinks girls are easy to handle in regards to athletics—last phrase answer to query for explanation—still has same opinion after two years' girl coaching—likes to preach as well as teach—averse to drinking in any form—earnest but not dry, as he smiles continuously—agrees with Mr. Couch that the object is to teach children—not subjects—first year at Grantham but well pleased with situation—girls won good sportsmanship trophy last year in county tournament—boys' coach ill—introduced to Horace Hood who acts as spokesman—Hood very red around the ears—answers questions with many grins and much embarrassment—tenth grade and three years on varsity basketball squad—six members of last year's team remain—Raymond Hicks, James Hood, Allen Westbrook, Gilbert Southland and Billy Hood—Harold Stevens considers good material—Mr. Couch comes back to continue the tour—Horace gets reader by the question—thank him and go down to meet another Mr. Johnson—quite a character—teaching four years at Grantham—obviously well read and up with most modern teaching trends—21 years of teaching in North Carolina—very decided in opinions—teaches math and anything in social science field—likes handicraft and collecting antiques, especially firearms—says he's 55—does not indicate that he is old-fashioned in regards to education—little girl in study hall can't be studying very hard—book upside down—get the once-over from students—glad Horace can't see ME now—would like to listen on and on to Mr. Johnson—one of old school who doesn't hesitate to express opinion for fear of criticism—received degree at Wake Forest in 1914—tell rings—passing through halls impressed with artistic classrooms—well kept and attractive—most active and largest 4-H club in county—go into yard to watch children load buses—over-crowded buses hardly a credit to crowded hall—much in regards to this but hard to realize without actually seeing it—new buses every eight years—one trailer bus averages 120 pupils one day—meet dean of drivers, Gilbert Sullivan—tall, nice looking, but even more bashful than Horace—children noisy before bus starts but quiet on trip—asked him how he kept them quiet—just tells them to hush, he says—some power of persuasion—Mr. Couch remembers teachers' meeting—and I get invited—oh boy! I'm in again—teachers urged to exercise tact in obtaining information as to number of illiterate parents—plan stunt night Thursday—takes to be taken of pictures for Annual—run off about 100 copies of Annual—old friend in faculty—Claire Edman of Raleigh—went to camp together—small world—introduced to Mrs. Couch, faculty member also—very gracious and charming hostess—learn from Mrs. Nuff, wife of boys' coach, that school offers elective dramatic course—students receive credit for course—says new class room will have stage—facilitates teaching and settles stage problem—everybody seems to be anxious for completion of new building—Mrs. Nuff is vivacious and seems to have appropriate personality for teaching dramas—taken out to home economics cottage—was agriculture house in good old agriculture teaching days—Miss Isely instructs 75 girls daily in homemaking, wise way of spending leisure time, and entertaining—cottage looks like model sewing room—curtains, pictures and flower-ers lend living room touch—cooking department tidy though space is limited—Miss Isely also looking forward to new department in new building—capable and pleasant, she typifies domesticity—time to get back to town—give school one last scrutiny and decide that I am surprised—had no idea Grantham was so large and modern—rural schools have indeed come up a long way and there seems to be no end to the constant improvement.

Grantham Principal



LEON COUCH

Braswell Family Organizes Group For Annual Meets

Big Dinner Held Sunday In Honor Of Memory of Late Henderson and Sarah Braswell

A barbecue dinner was held on last Sunday at the home of Miss Lillian Braswell near Rosewood in honor and remembrance of the late Henderson and Sarah Braswell.

Sixty five relatives and friends gathered around a table placed in the yard. Thanks were given by Mr. Dan Oliver, Barbecue, slaw, bread, chicken, hot dogs, salads, sandwiches, pies, cakes, pickles, tea and coffee were served.

In the afternoon the group assembled in the front yard and decided to make this an annual affair known as the Braswell reunion. Officers to serve for the incoming year are: President, Mr. George Braswell, vice president, Mr. Charles Braswell, secretary, Miss Metta Braswell, treasurer, Mr. Johnnie Braswell, historian, Miss Esther Braswell, program committee, Mr. Jim Braswell, Mr. Claude Braswell and Mrs. Johnnie Braswell.

Pictures were made of various groups. Those enjoying the fellowship of the day were: Mr. and Mrs. George Braswell and family, Randall Metta, Roby and Pearl; Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Braswell and family, Shirley Fay, Jean Ellen, Joan Helen and E. W. Jr.; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Braswell and family, Ernest and Iona; Mr. and Mrs. Grover Braswell and family, James Norman; Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Earp and family, Guida Mae, and Billie Jean; Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow King and family, Marjorie; Mr. and Mrs. Dan Oliver, Miss Louise Oliver, Mr. Ralph Braswell, all of Johnston County; Mr. and Mrs. Claude Braswell and family, Esther Annie Maude, Sarah, Julia Mae, and Claud Jr.; Mr. and Mrs. Norman Merritt and family, William A. Mary Verma, Clifton, Frances and Elizabeth; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Williams and family, Betty Lois and E. G. Jr.; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Braswell and family, Sadie and Shirley; Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Braswell and family, Louise, Roland, Ross and Henry; Mr. and Mrs. Coy Braswell and family, Daisy, Dorothy and Dr. Ed Brown, and Miss Lillian Braswell, all of Wayne county.

The place for the next year meeting will be at the home of Mr. Jim Braswell of Johnston county, the date will be decided by the program committee.

Kinston Man Hurt In Accident Here

Dal Wooten, Jr., 26, of Kinston, son of Kinston's mayor, was painfully injured and his automobile totally wrecked in a head-on collision with a truck of Carl Whitley, milling plant operator, driven by Walter Smith, colored, on the eastern edge of Goldsboro Monday afternoon. Wooten is in the Goldsboro Hospital with a bad laceration on the head and multiple body bruises.

Smith was placed under bond, the amount to be set at a hearing, the amount pending the outcome of Mr. Wooten's injuries.

Patrolman James Bradshaw reported that he found Wooten's car on the right side of the road and Smith's truck more than five feet over the center line on Wooten's side.