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## Funeral Services Are Held For Harold Smithwick

Funeral services for Harold Smithwick, age 30 years who was killed near his lumber mill by a falling limb of a tree Monday morning, were held from his residence at 4 o'clock Tuesday afternoon and interment was in the family burying ground. Rev. D. G. Saunders, pastor of the First Christian church of Belhaven, conducted the services. The deceased met a tragic death while supervising the work of cutting trees for his mill near Ponzor, when a limb of a tree which had been knocked off by a log being hoisted to the cars by the skidder, struck him on the head, crushing his skull and causing instant death. The news of his sudden death was a shock to this entire section. He had been a life long resident of the Ponzor section and was a successful farmer and lumberman and had many friends. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Margaret Carter Smithwick, three children, William, Doran and Gerald his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Smithwick; three brothers, Ray, Bruce, and Fred Smithwick, of Ponzor, and two sisters of Norfolk, Va. The prebearsers were: H. V. Latham, H. E. Boyd, Hilton Carawan, Carl Davis, William Satterthwaite, and E. J. Clayton. Honorary prebearsers: O. F. Walker, J. E. Edwards, W. W. Bulluck, Cleveland Smithwick, George Satterthwaite, Ben Daniels, Jesse Davis and Macon Howard.

## DRY FORCES ISSUE CALL TO VOTERS

Prom reports the dry forces are going to the polls tomorrow with the aim of voting for those officers whom they think best suited to govern the affairs of county and state. An effort has been made to secure statements from candidates expressing to the public their views in regard to the enforcement of the dry laws of North Carolina. An appeal to the people from the dry forces is as follows: "Let the dry forces of North Carolina vote for men and women who will pledge to support the dry laws of North Carolina. Vote for officers who will not drink, who will not take bribe, but who will enforce the laws now on our statute books and any others that may be enacted. Help clean up our state by voting for governors, congressmen, legislators, judges, solicitors, sheriffs and other officers who will strive to enforce the dry laws of our state. Let every citizen go to the ballot box and vote."

## E. CAROLINA CHAMBER OF COM. FAVORS SALES TAX

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce in Kinston recently a resolution was passed unanimously, placing the organization on record as favoring the continuation of the general sales tax for an other biennium. In discussing this matter, President Elliott and Secretary Bartlett, stated that the directors feel that the general sales has brought about a reduction in general taxes on real property. It was also decided at this meeting, that an intensive membership campaign be put on immediately in every county within the territory, with the hope of increasing the membership very materially in the regional organization. Local units will be called upon to cooperate in this intensive membership campaign. H. A. TOLAN APPOINTED ACTING POSTMASTER AT LEECHVILLE H. A. Tolan has been appointed to act as Post master of Leechville until a permanent appointment has been made. The post office is located in Mr. Tolan's store.

## CORN-HOG MEET AT PANTEGO WELL ATTENDED

A meeting to discuss the corn-hog program was held in the Pantego school auditorium last Friday evening before a large number of interested farmers. W. L. McGhee, county agent, was in charge of the meeting. Fred P. Latham gave a talk and explained in detail the procedure of the plan. He urged the farmers to cooperate to the fullest extent and to confine their reports strictly to the requirements, stating that a committee would call at the various farmer's homes who had signed up and would check the statements made in the reports. A committee was named to assist with the work in this section as follows: Fred P. Latham, chairman; Norman Winslow of Terra Ceia, vice chairman; William W. Bulluck, of Leechville and Foy Mason of Bath. A treasurer for the county will be appointed very shortly. It will be his duties to handle the checks from the federal government when payments are made. According to Mr. McGhee this meeting was one of the best of its kind ever held in the county.

## STORM TAKES HEAVY TOLL OF SHEEP

Ocracoke, May 29.—Less than one-fifth of the number of sheep penned in former years were expected to be in the flocks Monday when the annual penning took place. Hundreds were drowned during the high tide of the September hurricane last year, and with all forage killed by the tides, many more died of starvation during the past winter. Ocracoke sheep penning, when the flock are corralled, marked and sheared, is an annual event on Ocracoke island in which the majority of the natives take part.

## MERCHANTS ATTRIBUTE TRADE INCREASE TO NRA

Columbia, S. C.—"Merchants realize that it is the NRA that is building up buying power and putting more and more money in the hands of the people who patronize retailers," said C. S. Lemon, president of the South Carolina Merchants' Association in describing his personal survey, just completed. "I have come into intimate contact with business conditions in all parts of the state, and I can truthfully say that the average gain during the last 9 months has been from 29 to 60 per cent and in some cases more. The way merchants have backed the NRA has been a revelation. So far as I know, not one single South Carolina retailer has had to be penalized for violation of his code. A wonderful spirit of optimism prevails among the merchants and the people, and it is the sort of optimism which temporary setbacks cannot adversely affect."

## WOMAN'S AUXILIARIES MEET IN LAKE LANDING

Quite a number of people from here attended the Get-Together meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary which was held at St. George's church in Lake Landing Thursday. The program began at 11 o'clock with hymn No. 586 followed by scripture reading and prayer by Rev. A. H. Marshall. Address of welcome by Mrs. W. W. Payne. After the business session lunch was served on the lawn. There were talks and addresses by Mrs. W. S. Carawan of Columbia; Annie Weston Fayne of Lake Landing and Mrs. F. C. Outland of Washington. "We have brought the component parts of each industry together around a common table, just as we have brought problems affecting labor to a common meeting ground."—President Roosevelt.

## FISHING GOOD AT OCRACOKE

Ocracoke, May 29.—Despite the fact that a three day north easter struck the coast last week-end, over 60 fishermen from this and other states came to the island and quite a number of channel bass, enormous weakfish, blue fish, king fish and hard heads were caught by the visiting anglers. Col. J. G. Winters, Washington, D. C., fishing from a boat at Flounders slough in the Pamlico sound with Thurston Gaskill, as guide, landed the largest channel bass (drum) of the week. It tipped the scales at 47 pounds. Col. Winters stated that his catch was made on light salmon tackle, smaller than the usual salt water rigs, and that it took him over 15 minutes to bring the fish to gaff. The largest weak fish taken during the week, caught near Bluff Shoals lighthouse, weighed seven pounds, which is considered a good size for this species of trout.

## FLYING FISHERMAN ESTABLISH RECORD

Ocracoke, May 29.—Dr. E. J. Reeves, piloting a small bi-plane accompanied by Albert Griggs, made a record last Sunday or expected to do so as they took off for their home late in the afternoon. They expected to be eating bluefish, they had caught by trolling, in Ocracoke in let, at their home in Durham, over 225 airline miles away, within three hours after their catch was made. Perhaps this is the first time that salt water fish have been eaten so far inland in such a short time after they were taken from the water.

## FUNERAL FOR INFANT SON

Funeral services for Joseph Doyce Cahoon, four weeks old son, of Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Cahoon of near Swan Quarter who died on May 21 were held the following day and interment made in the family burying ground. The services were conducted by Rev. Roe Harris, Christian minister. The infant is survived by his parents, one brother James Marcel and one sister, Rena Arlene. The flower girls at the grave were Minerva Carawan, Selma Gurganus, Mary Anna Gibbs, Maxine Gibbs, Dottie Gray Williams, Nelda Ray Williams and Gray Swindell Cahoon.

## Fairfield News

Fairfield, May 29.—Garvin Cuthrell celebrated his 11th birthday on Monday May 28th at his home. A number of his friends gathered and enjoyed games and jokes. In spite of the rainy weather a very enjoyable afternoon was spent. After the game the guests were led to the dining room which was attractively decorated, where refreshments of peaches cake and hot chocolate were served. Those present were: Faye Harris, Nelson Camp, Ray Zabawa, Joseph Cuthrell, Maxwell Blake, Howard Blake, Elliot Brown Stewart, Thomas Harrison Stewart, Horace McKinney and Little Billy Blake. Miss Sally Lindsay Carter is spending sometime with Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Watson. Miss Margaret Warren is spending sometime with relatives here. Ed Dawson has returned from the Goldsboro hospital and is getting along fine.

## Surprise Birthday Party Given

Gulrock, May 29.—Gertrude Pugh and eight of her friends were entertained at a surprise birthday party May 18th on her 11th birthday by her mother Mrs. A. J. Pugh. A number of games were enjoyed after which delicious home made cake and cream were served. Those present were: Esther Payne, Mildred Mason, Velma Midgette, Elmo Emery, Holland Payne, Winfield Quisley and Joseph Pugh.

## C. C. DUKE



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## Says Doctors Must Study Alcoholic Problem

As doctors we must begin to think of promoting the cause of temperance. How often do we hear, when we are speaking of a certain man, "A very bright man but he drinks." Of my classmates in college, so far as I know, none of those who drank steadily is now living, and of those who were addicts to even a very mild degree, from the time the addiction became manifest none progressed or maintained his position. One of the greatest surgeons in the world, talking to me, said he had never known a surgeon who had first rank who was in the habit of drinking alcohol. The medical men are many whose memories go back to the time not only of the corner saloon, but of several saloons in the middle of the block as well, where the American citizen who so desired could stop to spend his money and drink the shoes and stockings off his children's feet, and then go home to beat his wife. This was called an expression of personal liberty. Now that the prohibition act has been repealed, both wets and dries have agreed that the old-time saloon must not return, and this agreement of itself is worth what the prohibition experiment has cost us. It has been stated that during the period of prohibition more alcohol was consumed, peddled about as bootleg liquor, than before the Volstead act was passed. For those of us who remember the old saloon days when a town of 10,000 had from 15 to 20 saloons open for business from 5 o'clock in the morning to midnight each with two or three bartenders, it is a little hard to believe that peddling bootleggers could turn loose the same amount of liquor in a community, at least as far as the common man is concerned, as did the saloons. If this were the fact, certainly the liquor cure institutions which fattened off the man who was trying to overcome his infirmity would not have disappeared so completely from the scene of action. My idea in bringing this matter to younger minds, because the future rests with you, is to see whether you cannot get at some answer to the alcohol problem, which has seemed up to the present time to have aroused only sound and fury and controversy.—Dr. W. J. Mayo, in the Bulletin of the Mayo Clinic.

## I. C. C. Team Defeats Pink Hill

The Interstate Cooperage Company's ball team opened their season last Sunday by defeating Pink Hill, 11 to 2. Manager Red Whisman, pitcher for the I. C. C., allowing only seven scattered hits, while his team mates collected 13 hits off of Cone Harrison, I. C. C. right fielder started the scoring in the second inning, when he hit a double with bases loaded. Simmons and Sam Jones led the batting—Simmons getting three hits and Jones 2.

## SQUARE DANCE AT OCRACOKE SATURDAY NIGHT

Ocracoke, May 29.—Carl Jacobson Washington fiddle player, who is well known for his entertainment and square dance music over Eastern Carolina will play for the opening square dance of the Pamlico inn Saturday night. He will remain on Ocracoke for an extended engagement his manager, David Gaskill, in charge of amusements at the Pamlico inn stated this week. The dance pavilion which was on the inn pier until destroyed during the hurricane in September, will this year be in the original location among the inn buildings, prior to the construction of the pavilion on the pier in 1932. One of the biggest attractions at Ocracoke with the exception of the fishing, are the square dances, which are famous far and wide.

## Music Recital

Mrs. Harold Lupton presented a number of music and recital students in a recital at the high school auditorium last Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. The program was as follows: Welcome March, Dorothy Rosner and Mrs. Lupton; Birds in the Woods, Hazel Mae Saunders, Specialty Jim, Frances Radcliffe; The Band in Our School Leah Deo Winstead; Maggie McCarty's First Place, Mamie Belle Windley; Squadsrons of the Air, by Frances Radcliff and Mrs. Lupton; An Indian Camp, Carol Boyd; The March of Prosperity, Thora Ross and Mrs. Lupton; Counting Eggs, Sarah Mae Greene; Military March, Doris Ambrose; The Desert Carawan, Frances Radcliffe; A Morning Call, Dorothy Rosener; Moon Moths, Mary Louise Collins, Hazel Mae Saunders and Mrs. Lupton; The Royal Welch Fusiliers, Leah Dae Winstead and Mrs. Lupton; Stephanie Gavotte, Dorothy Lyle Case; Nothin' to Say, Somethin' to Say, Mamie Belle Windley; Scarf Dance, Leah Dae Winstead; Above the Stars, Carol Boyd and Mrs. Lupton; Rose Scented June, Frances Radcliffe; Dance of the Rosebuds, Doris Ambrose and Mrs. Lupton; Caliban's Isle, Carol Boyd; At the Races, Thora Ross and Mrs. Lupton; Green Eyed Billy, Frances Radcliffe; The Captains, Dorothy Lyle Case and Mrs. Lupton; The Wheels of Time, Sara Mae Greene; Danse D'Etouilles, Mary Lucas.

## Mrs. Harris Entertains

Leechville, May 29.—The Country club was entertained by Mrs. W. J. Harris of Leechville on Tuesday, May 15. Subjects of varied interest were discussed. Mothers Day was prominent since all the mothers present reported for each others pleasure their use of the day and their gifts received. A delightful report it was and Mrs. Harris, having more children, had a lengthy report and a beautiful display of gifts—in fact a three star World War mother is sure to be showered on Mothers Day. Everyone brought gifts of roses and when added to the ones arranged by our hostess would have been a prize collection for any rose show. Mrs. Harold Smithwick presented a generous supply of plants for her flower garden, all of which were equally divided and thankfully received by the members. Mrs. Harris was assisted by her daughter, Mrs. Miller Harris, is serving a delicious salad course which terminated another enjoyable afternoon of the Country club members and invited guests. The club adjourned to meet next with Mrs. F. P. Latham. Those present were: Mrs. Joseph Simmons, Mrs. Fenner Watvis, Mrs. Harold Smithwick, Mrs. F. P. Latham, Mrs. R. E. Cox, Mrs. H. A. Tolan, Mrs. H. V. Latham, Mrs. Miller Harris, Miss Helene Tolan, Mrs. H. R. Way and Mrs. Harris.

## REV. MASHBURN SPEAKER AT FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Rev. C. B. Mashburn of Farmville will be the speaker at the First Christian church's week of services, beginning Sunday evening June 3rd at 8 o'clock.

## Readers Comments

To The Editor: Certain Citizens in Hyde county have procured a Restraining Order prohibiting the County from borrowing money for the purpose of adding to the Engelhard school building, it being their opinion that said building is now ample for all purposes, and further, in view of the fact that the taxpayers of the County are already over burdened and greatly in arrears in the payment of taxes and the county is in default in the payment of principal and interest on bonds amounting to nearly \$70,000.00, it is neither proper or lawful for additional bonds to be issued. Immediately upon the service of this Restraining Order upon the Officials of the County the Chairman of the Board of Education and the Superintendent of the Schools, without authority or reason wrote to Mr. A. E. Baum, Principal of the Lake Landing school stating that it would be unable to employ him longer. He has been Superintendent for seven years and is capable and efficient in every respect. This action was on the part of the Chairman of the Board of Education and the Superintendent was without knowledge on the part of the other members of the Board. It should serve as a warning to all teachers of Hyde county that unless their action and conduct can be dictated and controlled by the Chairman of the Board and the Superintendent of Education they may look for summary dismissal, without reason or excuse. The following letter is unusual in the extreme but speaks for itself.

May 22, 1934  
Mr. A. E. Baum,  
Fairfield, N. C.

Dear Mr. Baum:

We do not wish you to labor under any misapprehension; therefore, we write you as follows believing that your good judgment will not keep you from seeing the wisdom in our policy; before the Board of Education of Hyde County and the Board of Commissioners took action or voted on the matter of borrowing money from the State Literary fund, it was your privilege, if you thought it unwise for them to do so, to do all you could to prevent it, and we do not blame you one bit. After the two Board have voted, you as a citizen still have a right and privilege to do all you can toward preventing the getting and using of said money; however we think it unwise to employ in our school system a man who will deliberately attempt to thwart the plans of the two boards referred to above and the State Department of Public Instruction. Yours very truly,  
J. H. Swindall,  
Chairman Board of Education  
G. M. Guthrie,  
Supt. Hyde County Schools.  
(Signed) A. R. CAHOON,  
Chairman L. L. School Committee  
Lake Landing, N. C.

The Belhaven Times and Hyde County Record has been appointed agents for Beaufort County's own daily newspaper—The Washington Daily News.

The Daily News will be distributed free each afternoon for about two weeks to residents of Belhaven and will contain news of interest to the people of this section—the latest Associated Press news, county news and local happenings. It is the only afternoon daily paper circulating in this community.

We are offering both the Daily News and the Belhaven Times and Hyde County Record for a special club price of 15c per week.

A number of subscriptions to the Belhaven Times have recently expired. We hope our readers will take advantage of this offer and renew their subscriptions.