

**Digest of Charlton County Herald - January 1927**  
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January 6, 1927

MR. NOAH CREWS DIED. A memorial poem, in memory of Noah Crews, father-in-law of Mrs. Luther Crews, shows that he died December 17, 1926.

DEAN BABY DIED. Card of thanks for expressions of sympathy shows that the baby of Mr. and Mrs. G.A. Dean died.

SCHOOL TEACHERS. In the social items of the paper, it indicates that Mr. Morris is principal of the high school and teachers included Kathleen Moon and Sarah Frances Hayes. Miss Faulk was teacher at Sardis. Miss Fannye Rodgers was teaching at St. George.

THE CITIZENS BANK. Statement of condition of the Citizens Bank at close of business on December 27, 1926: Resources, \$524,006.36.

WEDDING. Miss Roslyn Woodson and Mr. Clyde T. Chancey were married Tuesday in Jacksonville. The groom is a native of Folkston and is connected with the Seaboard.

HOMELAND. Homeland begins the new year out of debt, and a nice brick town hall to their credit. The growth along the highway is going to make this a nice home town.

PASSIEU HOME DESTROYED BY FIRE. The cottage occupied by the family of C.J. Passieu was totally destroyed by fire last Saturday morning. The furniture and clothing was also burned with the exception of a few small pieces of furniture. There was no insurance. Mr. and Mrs. Passieu have rooms in the Alexander home.

AD. Paxton Theater. Doors open at 7:30, movie begins at 8:00. Shows from Monday through Saturday. F.W. Goss, manager.

AD. I have purchased the stock of goods in the Rodgers Building and will carry the complete line. I will appreciate your coming in to see me. --W.E. GIBSON

MR. J.B. LEWIS DIED. Mr. J.B. Lewis who was injured in an automobile accident several weeks ago, died in a hospital in Waycross Wednesday.

LITTLE MYRTICE RUTH CORBITT BORN. Born to Mr. and Mrs. E.M. Corbitt, a fine baby girl on January 4, and has been named Myrtice Ruth. Mrs. Corbitt will be remembered as Beryl Bauman.

January 13, 1927

LITTLE JIMMY KNOWLES DIED. Little Jimmy Knowles, about eleven years old, the son of Mr. and Mrs. J.H. Knowles, fell from a pecan tree at the home of Mr. Jim Huling last Friday afternoon. No one thought of the little fellow being seriously hurt, as he walked to his home. But he collapsed and a physician was called. The child was injured internally and he soon passed away. The entire community sympathizes with Mr. and Mrs. Knowles in their little son's tragic death.

BAPTIST YOUTH ORGANIZE. The young people of the Baptist Church organized the Sunbeam Band and Royal Ambassadors last week. Mrs. Sol Mills will lead the Sunbeam Band and Mrs. E.H. Wright will be the leader of the Royal Ambassadors.

NEW BANK BUILDING. The Citizens Bank announces that on January 20th they will open to the public their new banking quarters. You are invited to be their guests on that day.

NEW PHARMACIST. Mr. Thompson, with his family, has arrived in Folkston and is pleasantly located in the Charlie Wright residence. Mr. Thompson is the pharmacist for the H.J. Davis Drug Store. He is a graduate of the School of Pharmacy and holds a

Georgia and Florida pharmacist license

January 20, 1927

WEDDING. Mr. Ardell Jones and Miss Vandella O'Quinn were happily married at Mt. Zion Baptist Church last Sunday morning. Mr. Jones was formerly employed by the Citizens Bank and now by the DuPont Powder Co.

THE CITIZENS BANK. The Citizens Bank, the strongest financial institution in its class in Georgia, threw open the doors of its new building Thursday morning with a large number attending the opening ceremony. W.C. Hopkins and T.W. Wrench were the first depositors. Souvenirs were given all visitors and many were guests of the bank at lunch at Roney's Cafe.

MR. C. JOHNSON KILLED. Mr. C. Johnson, turpentine operator at Bachlott, was instantly killed Wednesday by No. 87, the southbound Coast Line, at the crossing in front of his Bachlott home, and the Buick roadster which he was driving was totally demolished.

LITTLE LOUISE CASON BORN. Born to Mr. and Mrs. A.J. Cason January 5th, a fine baby girl who has been named Louise.

IMPORTANT EVENTS OF 1926. A review of 1926 events shows outstanding things accomplished in Charlton County were the new \$50,000.00 school building; Main Street was asphalted; eight new stores; a new bank building; twenty new residences and a new theater.

THIRTY YEARS AGO, beer was five cents a glass and the lunch was free. Eggs were three dozen for a quarter and milk five cents a quart. The butcher gave the liver for the cat and treated the kids to bologna. The hired girl was satisfied with \$2.00 a week and did the washing. Women did not powder or paint, smoke, play poker or do the Charleston. The men wore boots and whiskers, chewed tobacco, spat on the sidewalks, worked eleven hours a day and never went on strike. A kerosene lamp and a stereopticon in the parlor were luxuries. No one was operated on for appendicitis or bought glasses. Folks lived to a good old age just the same, and walked miles.

TODAY, everybody rides in automobiles or airships, plays poker, shoots craps, plays the piano with their feet, go to the movies, smokes cigarettes, drinks home made hootch. They never go to bed the same day they get up, and think they are having a wonderful time. This is the age of short skirts and long profits, excess taxes and prohibition. Still and for all, she's a great old world and we're all tickled to death to be here.

LITTLEFIELD FAMILY MOVES HERE. Mr. J.C. Littlefield has moved his family from their Burnt Fort home to the pretty home recently purchased from Mr. Fred Askew. We welcome this charming family to Folkston.

WEDDING. A charming wedding took place on New Year's day at the home of Col. and Mrs. Edward J. Mayo, Seabreeze, Fla., when their granddaughter Dorothy Whitney Mayo became the bride of Paul E. Garrison. The groom has been making his home there for several years, being among the successful businessmen of the city.

AD. Special Saturday only: 7 bars of Octagon soap for twenty-five cents. Cash only. ----  
John S. Tyson, Jr.

January 27, 1927

FOLKSTON PHARMACY OPENS. The Folkston Pharmacy opened its door to the public last Saturday. From morning till late in the evening the store was filled with customers. The store was decorated with flowers and ice cream and drinks were served. A flower was given to each lady that came.

FOSTER CREWS KILLED. Foster Crews, 17 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. H.M. Crews of Uptonville, was struck by an automobile Sunday evening. His skull was fractured and he had other injuries from which he died Monday afternoon. Funeral services were held at Sardis Tuesday afternoon. Besides his parents he is survived by five brothers and six sisters. The death of this young man is especially sad as at the time he was struck down he was hastening to Conner's Mill to meet his father who was on 21, and have him go to Jacksonville to his daughter, Mrs. A.N. Hayes, who was critically ill in a hospital. He was struck down near Connors Mill. The car did not stop and the injured boy was picked up by friends and rushed to a Waycross hospital.

BOXING MATCH. We do not know whether the boxing exhibition at the Paxton Theater Tuesday night was good or not. This was the first of this kind we had ever seen. Those that know said it was all right. The first was a full round bout between two ten-year old Waycross boys. They didn't hurt each other at all.

BETTER LIGHTING SYSTEM. Mr. Morris and Mr. Bowen of Jacksonville, who are to give us a better lighting system were in Folkston Saturday. Some of the material has already arrived and larger machinery has been shipped. In a short time we hope to have lights whose brilliancy will not be questioned. The citizens of Folkston have been very patient in hoping for better lights. The lights recently are certainly "bum" from early evening until ten o'clock when the load is lifted. We then have better lights.

TELEPHONE SYSTEM FOR FOLKSTON. We understand that this week work will begin on installation of a telephone system in the city of Folkston. Mr. J.K. Larson is at the head of the system.

MR. DANIELS DIED. Mr. Daniels, age 84 years, died at noon Sunday at the home of his son. The body was taken to Kettle Creek Cemetery where the funeral and burial took place.

SMITH BABY DIED. Everyone sympathizes with Mr. and Mrs. Smith in the loss of their nine-day-old baby. The little one died Sunday afternoon and was buried in the Folkston cemetery Monday. Mr. Smith is the new barber who recently moved here.

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SCHOOL AUDITORIUM. The contract has been let for the chairs for the auditorium in the new Folkston consolidated school building. The chairs will be of two sizes, for children and adults, provision having been made for seating 576 persons. The contract has also been let for the painting of two scenes, an indoor and an outdoor scene, wings and front curtain. This will give Folkston a modern and adequate auditorium.

NEW MASONIC LODGE TEMPLE. The Masonic Lodge will convene for the first time in its new temple on next Saturday. It is one of the finest structures of its kind in the state being large and commodious with two handsome stores underneath. The upstairs is fitted and furnished with the best equipment. We congratulate the building committee composed of Wm. Mizell, Jr., E.B. Stapleton and J.B. Lloyd.

ST. GEORGE INCREASES POPULATION. St. George population was increased this week by 80 people. The Postal Telegraph Co. having an extra gang installing poles and lines; an extra gang of Western Union Telegram Co. installing the automatic signal system for the railroad and a large force of men for the railroad replacing the present rails with much heavier rails and resurfacing the roadbed. These extra gangs are expected to be located here for two months.

McQUEEN CHILD VERY SICK. Little Mack McQueen, the little two-year-old son of Col. and Mrs. A.S. McQueen, is a very sick baby, but under the care of a trained nurse he is holding his own. We hope he will soon be entirely well.

NEW BUILDING ON MAIN STREET. Dean and Gowen are beginning the erection of a brick building connecting the Folkston Grain & Grocery building with Wright's Garage. The new building will be used by Mr. J.V. Gowen as his office also for more room to store the large supplies this company keeps on hand to supply their customers.

FIELDS OF PINES. The editor of the Herald had a pleasant ride to Newell last Sunday, past Mt. Zion Baptist Church, the Brockman pecan grove and other old historic places and the thousands of acres of land from which the DuPont Powder Co. is blasting out the stumps and shipping the wood to a retort where oils are extracted. The most beautiful sight we saw was the large acreage of young pine trees the fire had never touched. They were all of one size and shape and looked like a picture. When our people quit burning the woods, every old field will grow up in valuable pines.

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WOMAN'S CLUB MEETS IN MASONIC BUILDING. One of the most interesting meetings of the Folkston Woman's Civic Club was held this week in the new Masonic Hall only recently completed. Mr. L.E. Mallard on behalf of the Masons welcomed the members. During the program on "Georgia", Mrs. Rosa Toy's original poems "On the Highway" and "To Georgia" were enjoyed.

GRAND JURORS. Grand Jurors for March term Superior Court: Matthew Smith, W.R. Catoe, John S. Tyson, Jr., R.E. Condon, B.A. Altman, Festus N. Stokes, J.H. Rogers, Wm. Mizell, Sr., M.M. Crews, J.A. Prevatt, Ben Rodgers, J.S. Joyner, J.W. Spencer, A.A. Allen, Elbert Crews, J.H. Johnson, F.B. Higginbotham, Alex Bryant, Fred T. Osterman, M.G. White, R.S. Bryant, G.W. Chisholm, J.P. Mizell, E.F. Dean, Sr., J.D. Burnsed, S.A. Crews, H.S. Mattox, Wm. Mizell, Jr., G.W. Holzendorf and C.J. Clements.

TRAVERSE JURORS. Traverse Jurors for March term: N.M. Gibson, Chas. H. Gibson, L.Q. Nobles, R.L. Lollis, W.H. Griffin, Mose Crews, J.S. Prevatt, S.G. Gibson, C.W. Waughtel, J.K. Hopkins, P.G. Brooks, N.H. McDonald, Curtis Dixon, O.E. Stewart, G.H. Jacobs, Johnny Johns, George J. Stewart, John D. Mizell, A.C. Crews, J.C. Littlefield, H.J. Davis, J.C. Boughner, A.J. Howard, W.G. Stephens, L.T. Wasdin, W.A.J. Box, Everett Johns, S.F. Canady, L.H. Wasdin, A.D. McCord, J.D. Roddenberry, E. Bell, Moses Hendrix, S.T. Cockrell, J.M. Wilson, A.N. Askew, Edd Bryant, T.L. Pickren, J.V. Gowen, Brantley Gay, Noah Stokes, N.J. Raulerson, Lewis Roberts, O.L. Knabb, N.J. Norman, M.M. Toy, R.L. Crews and Eaton Crews.

PARTNERSHIP DISSOLVED. The public is hereby notified that the partnership composed of Charles H. Gibson and E.H. Wright operating under the name of Wright Motor Co. has been dissolved.

---Charles H. Gibson.

SCHOOL NEARING COMPLETION. The work on the new school building is progressing rapidly. The editor of the Herald was in the building Tuesday and found

every man at his place, some putting in windows, others laying the floors. The concrete steps and concrete vestibule floors were being put down. A painter was at work painting beautiful scenes for the stage curtain. The plasterers have finished and the slate roof is also finished. Contractor Barbour informed us the building would be ready for the school to occupy by March 15th.

A.C.L. RAILROAD. Automatic train signals for the control of train movements have been installed for one half the distance between Waycross and Folkston and are now in operation.

February 17, 1925

PIANO FUND RAISER. Don't forget! The Woman's Club is putting on a picture show to raise money to pay on their piano in the Masonic Hall. Help these ladies and enjoy the show on March 1st.

OLIVER PRESCOTT KILLED. Oliver Prescott was shot Monday afternoon by a negro man named Doc Pierson. A shotgun was used by the negro, which almost tore the top of his head off. Prescott lived a short while but was unable to speak, breathing his last as he was being put on the porch of his father's home. From the information we have received, it appears that Prescott and Mack Howard went to the negro's home to collect some money and as Prescott stuck his head in the door the negro fired at him. The murderer and his wife escaped and to date have not been caught. A lot of mystery surrounds this brutal murder. Oliver Prescott was 22 years of age, son of Mr. and Mrs. H.O. Prescott, one of the most prominent families in the county. One of a family of nine children, his death was the first separation. About a year ago Oliver was married to Miss Julia Walker. Besides his parents and widow he is survived by eight brothers and sisters, Bertie, Everett, Owen, Mary Jane, Claud, Maud, Marcell and Homer. The body was buried in the Prescott cemetery Tuesday.

BRIDGE AT BURNT FORT. At the county commissioners' meeting it was decided to meet with the Board of Commissioners of Camden County at Burnt Fort on February 22nd to discuss the question of building a bridge across the river at that point.

FOLKSTON BAND ORGANIZED. Meetings were held last week to discuss organizing a band for Folkston. There will be about 30 in the band, including several who already have their instruments.

NEW BABY. Born to Mr. and Mrs. C.M. Scott on February 16 a fine baby boy.

NEW BABY. Born to Mr. and Mrs. J.H. Barnes February 12, a beautiful little baby daughter.

February 24, 1927

BUCHANAN HOME BURNED. Sunday afternoon about five o'clock the pretty two story residence occupied by Mr. and Mrs. C.S. Buchanan and owned by Dr. Buchanan was discovered to be on fire in the attic, but the flames had gained such headway that it was impossible to save the building. A volunteer band helped move the furniture and save the buildings across the street as a stiff breeze was blowing. Practically all the furniture was saved. We understand there was no insurance.

LESTER PRESCOTT INJURED HAND. Lester, the seven year old son of Mr. and Mrs. O.M. Prescott, badly injured his hand Saturday afternoon with a dynamite cap. The accident occurred at the home of his aunt, Mrs. T.D. Prescott of Waynesville. It is said that he and his little brother Proctor, were playing about the tobacco barn when Lester found the caps. Not knowing what they were, he took one to an anvil, taking a nail and hammer to make an investigation. Presently it exploded, practically ruining his hand and

burning his stomach. He was rushed to a Waycross hospital.

MASONIC ORDER CELEBRATES NEW BUILDING. The formal opening of the Folkston F. & A.M. temple celebrating the completion of the new building drew many distinguished Masons from Georgia and Florida lodges Tuesday evening.

A WORKING AT MRS. HOWARD'S. Quite a crowd attended the working given by Mrs. A.J. Howard on route one. All enjoyed the bountiful dinner which she served them.

WEDDING. The announcement of the marriage of Mr. Benjamin Scott and Miss Vera Gowen will be of interest to the many friends of this young couple. Last Friday they motored to Waycross where Mr. Charlie Mattox officiated in the ceremony that united them in matrimony. Mr. Scott is the son of Mr. and Mrs. B.F. Scott and is connected with his father in the naval stores industry besides having an extensive wood and cross tie business of his own. Mrs. Scott is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Gowen of Hilliard.

POULTRY GROUP ORGANIZED. A large assembly of people interested in organizing a poultry association met at the courthouse Wednesday. Mr. H.H. Crews was elected president and Dr. A.D. Williams, secretary.

NEW BABY. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Abe Mattox, a fine baby girl February 19th.

NEW BABY. Born to Mr. and Mrs. R.L. Lollis on February 17, a fine baby boy.

AD. Dasheens for sale. \$1.50 per bushel. -- J.M. Wilson.

SCHOOLS CLOSE. The schools of Charlton County, which have terms of six months, will close on February 25th.

OTIS NOBLES HOME NEARING COMPLETION. Another pretty new residence going up rapidly is that of Mr. Otis Nobles on West Main Street.

OLIVER PRESCOTT'S MURDERER CAPTURED. Doc Pearson, the negro who shot and killed Oliver Prescott, was captured in Jacksonville. He is in the Folkston jail.

NEW HOME FOR PREVATT FAMILY. Mr. and Mrs. Owen Prevatt have moved into their pretty new home on West Main Street. This residence has recently been completed and is an attractive home.

BANDMASTER WEST SCHEDULES PRACTICE. Mr. West, who is to train and lead the Folkston Band, was here Thursday and stated that the instruments which had been ordered had all been shipped and by next Thursday would be here. Next Thursday night he wants all to meet him at the courthouse for a practice.

STEAM CLEANING BUSINESS. Mr. Leighton has a force of men installing machinery and equipment for an up to date steam pressing and cleaning establishment, also fixtures for shower baths.

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WEDDING. Mr. Henry Gibson and Miss Jewell Barker were married at Hoboken February 21st, Rev. B.F. Jones officiating. Mr. Gibson is a prominent young businessman of Folkston, also a civil service employee. Mrs. Gibson is a 1926 graduate of the Charlton County High School and was primary teacher in the Sardis School. She's the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.A. Barker of St. George.

CHAUTAUQUA COMING. March 24-26 is the date the Radcliffe Chautauqua will be here for the three days entertainment, amounting to six programs. Now while we are

sorry the Chautauqua is to be here again this year, because every year it has been a loss to the guarantors, we are going to do our part toward helping put it over.

LITTLE ELIZABETH JANE GOWEN BORN. Born to Mrs. B.B. Gowen on February 19th a fine baby girl who has been named Elizabeth Jane.

STOVE FOR SALE. Mrs. E.H. Wright has a good cook stove for sale. A bargain. See her if you need a wood stove.

NEW HOME FOR HADDOCK FAMILY. Mr. and Mrs. J.S. Haddock have moved to their pretty new bungalow recently completed in the Renfroe Addition.

MR. JIM MILLS INJURES FOOT. We understand that Mr. Jim Mills is resting as well as could be expected with his foot, which he so badly cut last week with an ax, while chopping cross ties. Mr. Mills was alone when the accident happened and the passing of a neighbor saved him from a more serious injury as the foot was bleeding profusely.

March 10, 1927

PEARSON GETS DEATH SENTENCE. At court last week, Doc Pearson, who shot Oliver Prescott, was found guilty of murder and sentenced to be electrocuted on April 20th. An appeal for a new trial has been made.

SANDWICH SALE FOR CHURCH. The ladies of the Presbyterian Church sold sandwiches at the noon hour at the courthouse Monday and Tuesday.

March 17, 1927

WILD DUCK FOOD PLANTED. William O. Coon, of Washington, D.C. spent several days this week in Charlton County planting wild rice, wild celery and other kinds of wild duck foods in the various lakes and other waters of this county. There are millions of wild ducks and water fowl passing through Georgia every year stopping a short time and finding so little feed then rush on to a more fertile feeding ground. A great many lakes and streams will be planted with these seed.

WEDDING. Miss Ellen Huling and Mr. Walter McClain were married at the home of the bride on February 8, Judge H.G. Gibson officiating. The couple will make their home in Hastings, Fla. where he is a prominent contractor.

NEW J.P. FOR WINOKUR DISTRICT. The Grand Jury recommended that Eddy Crews be appointed as J.P. of the Winokur District to fill the vacancy made by the death of Noah Crews.

PRESBYTERIAN LADIES MEET. The Sr. Auxiliary met in the Presbyterian Church Monday. Their pastor, Rev. R.A. Shedd of Waycross also attended.

CHAUTAUQUA TO BE IN PAXTON THEATER. The Chautauqua committee has made arrangements for the programs to be given in the Paxton Theater next week.

NEW BABY. Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Pearce are the proud parents of a fine baby boy born March 12.

LITTLE ALBERT GOWEN INJURED. Little Albert Gowen fell from a donkey last Saturday and dislocated his elbow, which kept him out of school for a few days.

TELEPHONE COMPANY. The Union Telephone Co., Mr. J.K. Larson of Hoboken, president, is proceeding rapidly with the installation of the telephone system in our town. Most of the material has been delivered, the poles have been set up, the lines are being strung and other fixtures are being placed. The office will be upstairs in the Old Bank Building owned by Dr. J.W. Buchanan.

(No issue on microfilm for March 24, 1927)

March 31, 1927

WEDDING. Miss Ruth Haddock and Mr. Jesse Mattox surprised their friends here by

motoring to Waycross Sunday where they were happily married. Mr. C.C. Mattox, uncle of the groom, officiated. Mrs. Mattox is the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Haddock of Hilliard. She has been in Folkston for some time, working in Roney's Cafe. Mr. Mattox is a valuable employee of Passieu Motor Co.

PARTNERSHIP DISSOLVED. This is to notify the public that the partnership composed of H.J. Davis and A. L. Barbour, who operated under the name of Davis & Barbour, has been dissolved. --H.J. Davis

RONEY'S CAFE BURNED. Fire completely destroyed Roney's Cafe early last Saturday. (illegible print.)

BANDMASTER WEST TO HOLD REHEARSALS. At last the band has begun to practice and hereafter a meeting will be held Tuesday and Thursday evenings for instruction and practice. Mr. West has been detained in Florida for the past several weeks visiting the prison camps, preaching to the convicts and conferring with the pardon board as he is one of the chaplains. However, he says he is now ready to instruct the boys and girls how to "blow their own horn."

EXCITING DAY FOR PREACHER. When Rev. L.E. Williams went to his garage Sunday morning to get his car, he found it pushed out of the garage. The culprits had intended stealing it but the doors had been locked. They took one tire, rim, lugs and tube. Mr. Passieu let him have a Ford coupe and he and Mrs. Williams went to St. George where he filled his regular appointment. When they were coming home, and it was mighty dark, they were held up by revenue officers who had been warned to look out for a Ford coupe. Sunday was an exciting day for Preacher Williams.

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April 7, 1927

MRS. J.W. SPENCER DIED. Mrs. J.W. Spencer, wife of J.W. Spencer of St. George, one of the best known and most loved women in St. George, was claimed by death at an early hour on March 20th. She had an attack of heart failure. She retired Monday night as well as usual and had not complained of any pain. She gave one short gasp and was gone. Mrs. Spencer was born in Kalida, Ohio in 1860, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Foley. She was married to J.W. Spencer at Columbus Grove, Ohio March 29, 1882. There was born to that union one son, W.A. Spencer who was killed several years ago by being thrown out of a building at Savannah; one daughter, Nurdie May Spencer, who died at New Castle, Penn. in 1904. She leaves to mourn her besides her husband, two sisters Mrs. Anna Smith and Mrs. Lulu Shrider. Had she lived until 4:00 P.M. Tuesday they would have been married 45 years. The funeral was held at the Methodist Church conducted by Rev. L.E. Williams.

AMERICAN LEGION POST ORGANIZED IN FOLKSTON. This post will be known as Charlton County Post. The following were installed as officers: A.S. McQueen, H.W. Scher, Sr., G.A. Dean, Jr., W.D. Thompson, J.D. Raulerson and W.R. Allen. Miss Bernice Pearce was elected official piano player.

WEDDING. A surprise shower was given for Mrs. Thelma Hannaford last Monday night by her Folkston friends. Miss Gowen's marriage to Mr. Hannaford took place Tuesday morning at the Methodist parsonage. Mr. and Mrs. Hannaford will live in Melbourne, Fla.



CHARLTON COUNTY POWER CO. Mr. E.J. Jones, manager of the Charlton County Power Co., informs us that the foundations of the new electric light and ice plant are being rapidly completed by the contractor.

WEDDING. On April 3, Miss Mittie Wainwright and Mr. Jesse Hilton were married at the home of the bride's parents at Uptonville, Rev. L.E. Williams officiating. The bride is the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Grady B. Wainwright. Mr. Hilton is from Blackshear and is employed by the Atlantic Coast Line at Uptonville.

GOLD MEDALS FOR VETERANS. The Folkston Woman's Club will sponsor a Tag Day Saturday to enroll the county's three living Confederate veterans in the Book of Memory at Stone Mountain. These veterans are Mr. Jesse Grooms, Mr. Seaborn Mills and Mr. John Vickery. If they are successful in raising \$15.00, these veterans will be presented with gold medals on Memorial Day, April 26th. Mrs. Wm. Mizell, Jr. and Mrs. L.E. Williams are county chairmen of this project.

April 14, 1927

LITTLE JAMES DONALD WILDES DIED. James Donald Wildes the little eight year old son of Mr. and Mrs. A.C. Wildes died at the home of his parents on April 6th after a lingering illness of more than a year. He is survived by his parents, seven brothers, one sister and one step-sister. The precious little body was tenderly laid to rest in Corinth Cemetery. About a year ago last November Donald was helping drive cattle and running, sucked a sand burr down his throat and into his left lung. He was rushed to a specialist in Jacksonville who probed for and removed the burr. Later he removed two of the little points. The lung was so badly injured that he never recovered. Death mercifully relieved his suffering.

BOXING CONTEST. Will the little boys who would like to be in a Battle Royal in the Boxing Contest Thursday at the Paxton Theater, see Mrs. Paxton. Don't forget to ask your parents.

GOLD MEDALS FOR VETERANS. The "Tag Day" proved to be a "Tag Hour", for in exactly one hour's time the Woman's Club had raised their quota of \$15.00. The gold medals have already been received and the U.D.C. have invited our veterans to be present on Memorial Day. Mr. Jesse Vickery has consented to take our veterans, as he has for a good many years.

NEW DRUG STORE FOR ST. GEORGE. The fixtures are now being installed in the new concrete building in St. George leased to Dr. J.R. Vinson. The doctor expects to have the new drug store ready for business by the middle of the week.

WEDDING. Mrs. Emily Allen-Powell and Mr. Joe Mikell were happily married by Judge H.G. Gibson Thursday of last week. Mrs. Mikell has lived in Folkston practically all of her life and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Allen. They are located in rooms in Mrs. E.H. Wright's residence.

April 21, 1927

REV. E.L. WAINWRIGHT DIED. The funeral of Rev. E.L. Wainwright, who died in Macon April 13th, was conducted in the Methodist Church in Folkston. He is survived by his widow and four children, his father, W.R. Wainwright; his mother, Mrs. Lizzie Wainwright; four brothers, C.S., Roscoe, D.R. and Escher; one sister, Mrs. E.A. Kent. He was buried in the city cemetery.

MRS. MOLLIE ALLEN DIED. Mrs. Mollie Allen died Saturday at the home of her stepson Mr. George Allen, about two miles east of Newell. Her death was caused from a fall on the porch Thursday. Her suffering was more than anyone realized. She left one son,

W.R. Allen; one daughter, Mrs. Noah Jordon; six grandchildren and several brothers and sisters. On December 25, 1926 she was 75 years old. For years she was a devoted member of the Primitive Baptist Church. Sunday morning she was laid to rest by the side of her husband, G.W. Allen and son Pat in the Allen Cemetery, Rev. W.O. Gibson conducting the service.

MISS OSTERMAN ARRIVES ON EARTH. Word has just been received in America of the birth on January 10th of a daughter, Rose Marguerita, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Osterman of Port Elizabeth, South Africa. Mr. Osterman was sent to South Africa in charge of one of the schools maintained by the English government for the training of white children. While there he married the daughter of a captain of the English army.

THE CITIZENS BANK. Statement of Condition of the Citizens Bank at close of business on March 23, 1927: Resources, \$482,966.27.

FRED ASKEW IS NEW RESTAURANT MANAGER. After April 22nd the City Restaurant will be operated under the management of Fred Askew with the same efficient helpers. (No issue of April 28, 1927 on microfilm)

#### FOLKSTON PROGRESS

Friday, April 29, 1927

FACTS ABOUT FOLKSTON; ITS RECENT BUILDING ACTIVITIES AND REMARKABLE GROWTH Recent Development of Renfroe Addition; Many New Homes About ten years ago L.E. Mallard, Wm. Mizell, Jr. and B.M. Roney acquired what is known as Renfroe's Addition to Folkston, being a subdivision on the East side of Folkston, and an old survey dating back about 20 years. These men began actively to develop this old subdivision and since their purchase approximately 15 buildings have constructed, and it is now one of the most desirable residential sections of Folkston. These men first had lots cleared of underbrush, and streets opened and graded. The houses recently constructed in this section alone are worth fully \$75,000.00 at a low estimate. The present owners and occupants of these houses are as follows: D.W. Lane, C.J. Passieu (house being constructed), Mrs. J.W. Walker, E.H. Wildes, Mr. Leighton, Arley Rowell, J.W. Haddock, Mallard & Haddock, H.B. Readdick, J.A. Wainwright, F.D. Askew, J.C. Littlefield, V.J. Pickren, L.E. Stokes, a 50,000.00 grammar school building and the new Presbyterian church. Other new houses recently constructed in other sections of the city are: Owen K. Prevatt and Otis Nobles on the west side; S.M. Mills who has built a handsome home on the Dixie Highway and near it a modern concrete building for his bottling works; Jos. P. Mizell, who recently completed one of the finest residences in the entire city; T.J. Colson who has recently completed three dwellings for rent property; E.W. Shivar, G.H. Jacobs, A.S. McQueen and C.M. Scott have recently built new homes and Dr. A. Fleming has moved into his modern office building. Another attractive residence erected in recent months is the modern apartment building of Mrs. Annie E. Wright which is a conveniently located and attractively designed home.

FOLKSTON PROGRESS, April 29, 1927

FACTS ABOUT FOLKSTON, ITS RECENT BUILDING ACTIVITIES AND REMARKABLE GROWTH Folkston, county seat of Charlton County, was named in honor of a prominent family, Dr. A.P. Folks and Dr. W.M. Folks of Waycross belonging to this connection. The town of Folkston was established when the old Plant System built the present A.C.L. line from Savannah to Jacksonville and has had a steady growth since its establishment. Recently there has been a building program in Folkston nearing

a "boom" and the city has developed more during the past few months than at any time during its entire history. In addition to the magnificent brick block recently constructed on the main street there have been scores of new dwelling houses constructed in every section of the city and the new \$50,000 Grammar School Building for the Folkston Consolidated School District is now complete and is being occupied. Folkston is the real gateway to Florida being on the divisions of the A.C.L. Ry. and on the Southern. The Central Dixie Highway literally splits the town open. More passenger trains pass through Folkston daily than any other city of her size in the state of Georgia. During the winter months there are 65 and at all time 50 passenger trains passing through Folkston daily furnishing connections with all the important cities of the United States. The present Mayor is E.B. Stapleton and the Board of Aldermen is made of the following citizens, William Mizell, Jr., C.J. Passieu, B.M. Roney, V.A. Hodges and Dr. A. Fleming.

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### **April 29, 1927 - Folkston Progress**

The first issue told of various phases of county, the history, people, institutions and the following is an outline of articles and ads. Refer back to film for details.

Page One:

Brief Historical Sketch of Charlton County and its Public Officials.

Picture: Citizens Bank, Courthouse, Main Street looking east from railroad.

Facts about Folkston, recent building activities, many homes in Renfro Addition. Copy of this in file.

Homeland Garage article Citizens Bank, long article lists officers, employees.

Page Two:

Dean & Gowen, one of this section's largest dept. stores. Says they are biggest concern in town. long article.

Picture: McDonald House, Presbyterian Church.

Ads: E. Alexander who has fancy and staple groceries, located at rear of McDonald House.

W.E. Banks has grocery store

Whole page ad on Dean & Gowen dept. store, ready to wear, dry goods, hardware, paints. etc.

Page three:

Folkston Progress. Published every Friday at Folkston by Progress Printing Co. Alex S. McQueen, editor. Subscription \$1.50 per year in advance.

Outline of Purpose of printing this paper.

Picture: fuzzy one of Dean & Gowen by Citizens Bank.

Wright Motor Co. sells Chevrolets, short article.

Ad: Folkston Dept Store, H.W. Scher, Prop.

H.J. Davis, gen merchandise, dry goods, etc

Page 4:

Continues Brief Historical Sketch, writes of each county officer, H.G. Gibson, Ordinary; Clerk of Court Raulerson; Sheriff Mizell; Tax Collector, Mrs. Roddenberry; Tax Receiver, H.H. Crews; county surveyor, Mr. Wildes, 2 or 3 paragraphs on each of these people.

Picture: Rodgers Building and part of Davis building.

Ads: Folk Pharmacy, modern new soda fountain

Folkston Grain and Grocery has big ad, poultry feed, groceries, etc, Folk Gr and Gr is a dept. of Dean & Gowen.

Page 5:

Burnt Fort is Noted for Scenic Beauty article, J.C. Littlefield sold property.

Folkston Dept Store Has Fine Prospects. New concern. Harry W. Scher who comes to Folk from Waycross. 4 pp.

Passieu Motor Co., Local Ford Dealer. 4 pp.

Excellent hotels, Arnold, McDonald, 3 pp each.

Stapleton Pharmacy new Fountain, long history of Stapleton

Page 6:

Whole page ad of Passieu Motor Co., Lincolns, Fords, etc, repair, gas and oil, tires.

Page 7:

Back to Brief Historical Sketch, tells of Coronor, Supt of Schools, Member of Gen. Assembly, Board of Commiss, Police J.H. Barnes. Each one takes abt 3 pp.

Picture: Dean and Gowen store

Mallard House that church bought.

New Meth Church, Rev. LE Williams. Stucco.

Ads: Folkston Steam Pressery.

T.L. Pickren Family Gro Store

Cash Garage, V.J. Pickren, prop. tires. tubes, batteries, gas

Second Section of first issue of Folkston Progress

Page I:

Naval Stores Industry Important in Commercial Activities of Charlton County, big long article, highlights

W.C. Hopkins for 1 pp

J.C. Littlefield for 3 pp

J.V. Gowen for 2 pp

Gillican©Chibley for 1 pp

Jesse W. Vickery for 2 or 3 pp

This article continued on another page.

Picture of:

Front view of new grammar school bldg

William Mizell home

H.J. Davis home

Charlton County Has Splendid School System. Very detailed concerning schools, who's on Board of Education, who's on board of trustees of each individual school. Really, really good article. 10 schools now in county. 3 consolidated schools.

Professional men of Charlton County:

Dr. A. Fleming, 4 pp

Dr. A.D. Williams, 2 pp

Dr. J.R. Vinson, St. George

Next page:

Telephone System is Being Installed by Union Tel Co, 5 pp,  
stringing wires

T.L. Pickren, leading merchant, 6 pp

Folk Pharmacy a Growing Concern, 6pp on Dr. Thompson

H.J. Davis Store, a Pioneer Business, real good

M. Altman, general merchandise, 1 pp

Cash Garage, 3 pp

Old Business under New Management, W.E. Gibson store in Rodgers building, 5 pp

New Fixtures Installed in Folk P.O., 2 pp

Watson & James Grocery Co. in New Masonic Bldg. Groceries, fruit,  
feeds

Banks Grocery Store 3 pp

Folkston barber shops, 3 pp

Stroup

Michael

Meat Market, J.A. Prevatt 2pp

Whole page ad on Folk Pharm, Dr. Thompson

Another page:

Real Estate Firm Doing Fine Work, selling lots in Renfroe Add.  
4 pp

Watson & James enters Local Field 3 pp

Folkston Pressing Club has Modern Steel Plant, H.S. Mattox

Picture:

Main Street looking west from RR. Bad picture.

Arnold Hotel, blurry

B.G. McDonald Store, One of the city's oldest, 3 pp

Big Oil Concerns Have Storage Stations Here 2 pp

Ad: W.E. Gibson in Rodgers Bldg, complete new stock of Star Brand  
shoes

Naval Stores Industry story continued:

J.W. Rodgers, 2 or 3 pp

B.F. Scott, 2 or 3 pp

Stokes Bros., 2 or 3 pp

W.L. Suggs

Racepond Naval Stores

Picture:

Baptist Church of Folkston, Rev. A.M. McCool, Brick bell tower

Home of C.E. Stroup, probably one Peggy moved and that burned.

Side view of new grammar school bldg

Ad: Wright Motor Co. Agency for Chev. automobiles

Ad: Homeland Garage, Louis Roberts  
Whole page ad for Progress, sent to every family in county.  
Wholesale Grocery Proves Successful, Dean & Gowen  
E. Alexander A Successful Grocer, 3 pp  
Railroad Facilities of Folkston Unsurpassed, 4 pp  
John S. Tyson Jr Has Modern General Store, 3 pp  
Picture: Charlton County High School  
Power Plant and Ice Factory ToBe Completed, E.J. Jones, 4 pp  
Dr. J.W. Buchanan An Outstanding Citizen, 3 pp  
Big Ad, Mallard & Mills Real Estate  
Another page:  
Industrial Activities in Folkston are Growing, Many Small Plants  
Buchanan Man. Co., metal turp cups  
Coca Cola Bottling Co, 2 or 3 pp  
J.H. Johnson and Son sawmill  
Homeland Cigar Factory, 3 pp  
Turpentine Industry: 2 or 3 pp  
Picture: Wright Motor Co., not very good  
Hopkins & Vickery Leaders in Local Business Field, furniture store,  
W.C. Hopkins and W.B. Vickery, 6 or 8 pp  
Prevatt's Market, J.A. Prevatt, meats, butter eggs fish oysters  
Whole Page Ad, Hopkins & Vickery Furn Co, in Arnold Hotel Bldg.  
Another Page:  
Ad, Citizens Bank, resources over half million dollars.  
Continued with Professional Men of Charlton:  
Dr. J.S. Taylor, 3 pp  
Dr. W.D. Thompson, 2 pp  
Lawyers Woods, Burnsed, McQueen, Lorenzo Medlin, each one has at  
least one pp  
Ad: BG McDonald, dry goods, shoes, hats  
End of this particular issue.

## **Digests of Charlton County Herald AND the Folkston Progress (below) - May 1927**

May 5, 1927

1927 GRADUATING CLASS. The class which is to graduate from the Charlton County High School this month is made up of the following twelve students: Louis Elwyn Askew, Jewell Gladys Page, Lewis Jasper Stokes, Margaret Morrison Littlefield, Virginia Cassell, Mary Stokes, Jessie Mae Davis, Hattie Inez Mizell, Ena Elizabeth Gibson, Emily Josephine Gresham, Clyde Gowen and Reuben Raynor.

MRS. M.G. DAVIS DIED. Death claimed Mrs. M.G. Davis Monday night after months of intense suffering. Mrs. Davis is survived by her husband; four sons, Gaston, Frank, M.G., Jr. and Oscar; three daughters, Mrs. Walter Huling, Lilla Pearl and Sarah; her father and one sister. She had been a devoted member of the Baptist Church. Her

funeral was held in the Baptist Church Wednesday morning with interment in the city cemetery.

PETTY BABY DIED. The little five months old baby of Mr. and Mrs. C.C. Petty died Monday night and was buried at Beuford Grove Church Tuesday morning.

MISS LOTTIE BELL THRIFT DIED. Lottie Bell Thrift, 17 years, died in St. Luke's Hospital April 18th after an illness of four weeks. She attended Moniac school. Besides her father and mother, she is survived by seven brothers, Aaron, Nathan, Charlie, Josie, Earl, Lonnie and Paul; four sisters, Mrs. Jule Canady, Mrs. George Sands, Mrs. John Lyons and Mrs. Stanley Harris. Funeral services were conducted in Oak Grove Cemetery Tuesday evening.

NEW BABY. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Victor Thomason, St. George, on April 7th, a baby girl. NEW BABY. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Silas Batten, St. George, on April 17, a baby boy.

FIRE AT HOPKINS HOME. Mr. J.K. Hopkins' house, St. George, caught fire Saturday from sparks but the fire was extinguished before it had caused much damage. Mr. and Mrs. Hopkins were in the yard when they noticed a small blaze near the chimney. Mr. Hopkins called for a bucket of water and put the blaze out with little trouble. They soon discovered a more serious fire on the other side of the roof. This time he called for help as well as water. The Hopkins are getting more than their share of this sort of thing. We understand that during a windstorm a week ago, a large tree fell on their kitchen roof.

HARVEY FAMILY MOVES HERE. Mr. J.E. Harvey and family moved from Hortense to Folkston this week. Mr. Harvey will be third trick operator.

May 12, 1927

MRS. H.S. MATTOX DIED. The sudden death of Mrs. H.S. Mattox this Thursday caused from a stroke of paralysis during the night was a shock to her friends. All her children except for Miss Dorothy were home for a family gathering.

NEW BUILDINGS. Domingo Stewart has begun erection of a bungalow across the street from Mrs. J.M. Roddenberry's home. Mr. L.E. Stokes has begun a bungalow on the lot adjoining the house he recently completed and sold to Jim Sikes. R.M. Roney is rebuilding the beautiful restaurant on Main Street which was destroyed by fire several weeks ago.

May 19, 1927

MRS. FRANCES HARDEE MATTOX DIED. The funeral of Mrs. H.S. Mattox who died early Thursday was held at the Methodist Church Saturday. She was buried in Folkston cemetery by the side of her parents Mr. and Mrs. R.A. Hardee who died several years ago. Mrs. Mattox was 58 years old and the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hardee. More than 40 years ago she was married to Mr. H.S. Mattox. To this union were born seven children, one dying in infancy. Surviving her is her husband; two sons, R.H. Mattox and A.B. Mattox; four daughters, Mrs. W.J. Jones, Mrs. Ayers, Mrs. Oscar Miller and Miss Dorothy Mattox, and grandchildren.

LADIES' HAIRCUTS AT BARBER SHOP. We wish to call the reader's attention to Mr. Leighton's barber shop in the Scott building on Railroad Street. He makes a specialty of ladies' bobs.

NEW BABY. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Silas Batten on April 30th, a boy.

NEW BABY. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ivy Rhoden on April 26th, a girl.

May 26, 1927

WEDDING. Miss Neal Joyner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.S. Joyner and Mr. Finley Edwards of Jacksonville were married at the Methodist Church last Friday. Rev. L.E.

Williams performed the ceremony.

TERRIBLE FIRE. At 3:30 this morning, Thursday, the alarm of fire awakened the people of Folkston and it was found that the blaze had gained such a headway in the furniture store of Hopkins and Vickery and the smoke had filled the Arnold Hotel to such an extent that it was impossible to save anything except the dining room and kitchen furniture in the hotel and part of the wearing apparel. All the beautiful furniture of the Hopkins and Vickery store was a total loss. The Arnold Hotel was insured for a small amount. The cause of the fire is unknown. This was the most destructive of fires that has been in Folkston.

FOLKSTON'S STREETS NAMED. At the May meeting of the Folkston Woman's Club the most important business was the naming of the streets of Folkston, this being a request of the city council.

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### **Digest of FOLKSTON PROGRESS**

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May 6, 1927

SCHOOL AUDITORIUM CHAIRS. Opera chairs have been installed in the auditorium of Folkston's new \$50,000.00 consolidated school building the past week. Chairs were purchased from the Southern Desk Co. A representative of the company has been here looking after the installation. The front rows are children's chairs and the back rows are for adults. The auditorium will seat 547 persons. Hat wires and row and chair numbers complete the equipment.

FOLKSTON PRESBYTERIANS ORGANIZE SUNDAY SCHOOL. With the installation of pews in the new Presbyterian Church completed during the past week, local members organized a Sunday School. E. Alexander will serve as Superintendent and Miss Smith, secretary<sup>a</sup>treasurer. Sunday School will be held Sunday morning at 10:00 o'clock in the church and will be followed immediately afterward with church services. Rev. Shedd of Waycross is serving as temporary pastor.

CANAL TO CONNECT SATILLLA AND ST. MARYS RIVERS. Information has been received that plans are being developed for a canal that will connect the waters of the Satilla and St. Marys Rivers. The route will be straight line from about May Bluff to Coleraine, about 8 miles long. The purpose of canal has not been learned.

BASEBALL CLUB TO PRESENT MOVIE. A moving picture comedy entitled "Oh, What a Nurse" will be presented at the Paxton Theater Thursday evening under auspices of the Folkston Baseball Club, proceeds to be used for the benefit of the club.

LITTLE ALBERT STEWART DIED. Little Albert Stewart, two year old son of Mr. and Mrs. George J. Stewart, died at the home of his parents last Wednesday and was buried in the Folkston cemetery. The funeral was conducted by Rev. Shedd of the Presbyterian Church. This darling little boy is survived by his parents, several brothers and sisters, grandmother and several uncles and aunts.

THE PAXTON THEATER. The Paxton Theater, a well equipped moving picture house operated by Judge M.J. Paxton provides high class entertainment for the people of Folkston two nights each week. Judge Paxton erected last year a commodious building



designed especially for use as a moving picture house which is equipped with comfortable seats. The movies are varied by boxing exhibitions and other amusement features.

**BARNES AND BANKS SEE GEORGIA.** Chief J.H. Barnes and Whit Banks carried an insane person to the state sanitarium in Milledgeville last week. The trip was made through the country and these men state they got to see a section of our state they had never visited before.

**MRS. M. G. DAVIS DIED.** Mrs. M.G. Davis, wife of Rev. M.G. Davis, died at her home here Tuesday after an illness extending over a period of several years. She was a consistent member of the Baptist Church and a lady of fine Christian character. Funeral was at Folkston Baptist Church and interment was at Folkston cemetery. She is survived by her husband, Rev. M.G. Davis and seven children. She is also survived by one sister who lives in Harris County, her old home.

**IMPROVED SERVICE AT POST OFFICE.** Due to the efforts of Postmaster B. Fay Mills, patrons of the Folkston post office will have improved mail service by the addition of two outgoing mails. He has received a notice that train 58 southbound at 7:20 a.m. will carry mail from the local office, also train 21 southbound at 7:00 p.m. will receive mail from this office.

May 13, 1927

**PULP MILL COULD BE DEVELOPED HERE.** The establishment of a pulp mill and paper manufacturing plant in Folkston is being agitated by public spirited citizens who point out that an industry of this kind could be developed in this section where the raw material is found in abundance and the supply can be maintained indefinitely.

**1,000 SHEEP SOLD.** A flock of sheep said to number 1,000 head belonging to O.M. Prescott and J.C. Littlefield was sold this week to Hundley and Mills, the price being \$4.00 per head, and this after the sheep had been sheared.

**FIFTY GALLONS BUG JUICE DESTROYED BY OFFICERS.** Acting upon an order of County Judge Johnson, Sheriff Mizell and his deputies destroyed fifty gallons of contraband liquor during the noon recess of county court Monday. The illicit beverage had been accumulated at the jail as a result of recent activities in the suppression of moonshine operations. Judge Johnson ordered its destruction. The outlawed "bug juice" was contained in five glass jars which were emptied into a large hole in the ground in the rear of the courthouse while a group of sad-eyed onlookers viewed the proceedings with wistful expressions.

**PLANT BUSINESS IS GROWING.** An agricultural enterprise is being developed in Charlton County that is reaching considerable proportions and is bringing substantial returns. This refers to the plant industry which has been gradually built up in this county, particularly in Homeland where the total shipment of various plants will reach up in the millions. T.W. Wrench and C.W. Waughtel are the principal plant shippers, although others, including Arthur Roberts, are engaged on a smaller scale. Shipments are confined to tomato, potato and pepper plants this year. Wrench and Waughtel grow the largest part of the output but they buy some of the plants from neighbors. They have had orders this season for all the plants they could supply. Orders come from all parts of the country and plants shipped from this county are becoming known as the best that can be obtained.

**NEW BUILDINGS.** In spite of the rumors of hard times that are occasionally heard, building operations in Folkston continue active. A.W. Askew has just completed a

handsome new bungalow on Folkston's east side and it is one of the most attractive homes in this section. D.L. Stewart has started the construction of a home on the lot next to the club house of the Woman's Club, which will be an attractive residence when completed. L.E. Stokes is building another new house in the Renfro Addition.

**RONEY BUILDING.** Construction on rebuilding of the Roney Building, recently destroyed by fire, is now in progress under supervision of the owner, B.M. Roney, who expects to have it completed within thirty days. The people of this section will regret to learn that Mr. Roney does not expect to re-enter the restaurant business. The building will be for rent when completed.

**NEW PASSIEU HOME.** C.J. Passieu and family have moved into their new home recently completed on the Dixie Highway.

**WATER SYSTEM FOR McDONALD HOUSE.** B.G. McDonald is having a deep well sunk in the rear of the McDonald House and expects to install a complete water system in the hotel. J.B. May has contracted to install the pump and other machinery.

**TELEPHONE SYSTEM NEARLY COMPLETED.** With the construction work practically completed and the switchboard installed, Folkston's telephone system will be ready for active service in a short time. The work now remaining is the installation of instruments in homes and businesses. The wires reach practically every part of the city and service will be available to all who desire it. The system is being installed by the Union Telephone Co., the home office being at Hoboken. The lines extend from Folkston to Nahunta and Hoboken.

May 20, 1927

**TELEPHONES.** Manager Dell of the Union Telephone Co. announces that a crew is at work constructing the line from Folkston to Nahunta and Hoboken. When they are ready to begin operating, the lines to Traders Hill, Gowen's Still and Nahunta will be ready for service.

May 27, 1927

**TELEPHONE SYSTEM.** The Folkston exchange of the Union Telephone Co. will be placed in active service on June 1st. The work of installing telephone instruments is now going forward and all who expect to become subscribers are urged to have their phones put in without delay in order that their names and number may appear in the first directory soon to be issued. The local exchange will have twenty-four hour service. The lines are connected with Southern Bell making long distance service available at all times.

**ARNOLD HOTEL BUILDING COMPLETELY DESTROYED BY FIRE.** Fire of unknown origin completely destroyed the Arnold Hotel in the early hours of Thursday morning. The flames were discovered about 3:30. [The rest of the article is almost the same as is in Charlton County Herald abstracts.]

## **Digest of Charlton County Herald - June, 1927**

June 2, 1927

**FOLKSTON IMPROVEMENTS.** The highway has been changed from a clay road to a fine, hard surfaced highway. Much improvement has been made in the buildings of Folkston. The old block that was such a problem to keep clean is now one of the nicest in town. The bank, Dean & Gowen, Roney's, and the Folkston Department Store,

Masonic Lodge and Watson & James are as nice as any town can boast of. The other side of the railroad would not be known with the new store building of John S. Tyson, Dean & Gowen Feed Store, Ga.-Fla. Investment Co., Wright Garage, Dixie Restaurant, Powers Filling Station as well as McDonald House repainted; the fine school building and a new church in the way of public buildings. Many new homes have been built and almost every house in town has been repainted.

NEW SCHOOL TO BE USED THIS FALL. Next year the Folkston Consolidated School will occupy the handsome new building.

BETTER LIGHTS ENJOYED. We have all noticed and appreciate the great improvement in our lights. The current has been changed from a direct to an alternating current and it is satisfactory to all. We're having brilliant lights and plenty of water, which is best of all. The Charlton County Power Co. has the poles nearly to Homeland erected. Then the people there can enjoy the lights.

June 9, 1927

LIGE COUNCIL KILLED. Lige Grant, better known as Lige Council, was shot and killed by old man Sam Bowling Wednesday night. All the parties are colored.

LITTLEFIELD STILL DESTROYED. Mr. J.C. Littlefield's turpentine still at Newell was totally destroyed by fire Monday morning. They were stilling, and we heard that the rosin boiled over and was the cause of the fire. We understand that the loss is about \$2,000.00.

ALEXANDER LITTLEFIELD IS ALMOST VICTIM OF ACCIDENT. Alexander, the son of Mr. and Mrs. T.J. Littlefield, came so near being the victim of a serious accident that his mother hasn't gotten over the fright. She had driven the car to the door to take the ice out. When she started to back, she heard an agonizing scream. Alexander had fallen off the fender where he had climbed without his mother's knowledge. Fortunately he fell so that the car passed over his body, the wheel bruised his arm a little. Alexander has promised that he will never again steal a ride on a fender.

BOYS TO GO TO CAMP. Four Folkston boys are preparing to go to Fort Moultrie, N.C. to spend four weeks at the Citizens Military Training Camp. They are Edward Branson, Thomas Wrench, Bert Libby and Crawford Banks.

HOPKINS AND VICKERY RECEIVED NEW STOCK. We congratulate Hopkins and Vickery for their ability to get in a fine stock of furniture so soon after everything they had was destroyed by fire. Monday the goods began to arrive, and every day since, more has come.

June 16, 1927

WEDDING. Miss Fannye Rodgers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Rodgers, and Mr. Leslie Norman were married at the Methodist Church last Thursday, Rev. L.E. Williams performing the ceremony. They will live in Macclenny, Fla. where Mr. Norman is engaged in the automobile business.

NEW BABY. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Arch Smith, St. George, on May 26th, a girl.

NEW BABY. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Herman Stokes, St. George on June 1st, a girl.

CITY TELEPHONE EXCHANGE. Mrs. James and daughter have moved from Waycross to an apartment in the Old Bank Building. Mrs. James will have charge of the City Telephone Exchange.

JASPER STOKES WORKING AT BANK. Jasper Stokes, a recent graduate of Charlton County High School, is now with the Citizens Bank to learn the banking business.

WATERMELON THIEVES INJURED. The extreme dry weather and scarcity of

watermelons has caused the growers to look out for thieves. Mr. Bill Davis has a mighty fine patch of melons just beginning to ripen and had noticed where someone was pulling his best melons. Monday night he armed himself with a shotgun and watched for the thieves. They came, three of them, and proceeded to help themselves. Mr. Davis fired at them with bird shot. Some one is picking bird shots out of their body. This should be a warning to watermelon thieves.

June 23, 1927

MRS. LIBBY J. MAXFIELD DIED. Word has been received of the death of Mrs. Libby J. Maxfield at a Cleveland hospital on June 14th. She had been ill for some time, having suffered a stroke of paralysis some weeks ago. The end came peacefully and she was buried at Euclid Cemetery. Mrs. Maxfield leaves a husband, Frank Maxfield, St. George. OLD SCHOOL SITE FOR SALE. There will be offered for sale to the highest bidder on July 5 the old Traders Hill school house and one acre of land belonging to the Board of Education. -- JOHN HARRIS.

June 30, 1927

LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE MOVED. The long distance telephone has been moved from Mr. T.L. Pickren's store to the new telephone exchange upstairs in the Old Bank Building.

### **Digest of Charlton County Herald - July 1927**

July 7, 1927

MRS. ROSA M. TOY HONORED. Last Sunday Mr. and Mrs. William Mizell, Sr. invited a few relatives and friends to be their guests for Sunday dinner after attending preaching services. When the guests gathered around the beautiful dining table Mrs. Rosa Toy, much to her surprise, was seated at the right of the host after being introduced as the guest of honor. Mrs. Toy is in her eightieth year and as active mentally and physically as a much younger woman. She is active in W.C.T.U. work, also is chairman of Welfare Work in Charlton County. Mrs. Toy is indeed a remarkable woman and richly deserved the honors of last Sunday.

HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING TO BE REMODELED. The Board of Education authorized the Supt. to begin putting the county high school building in condition for the fall term of school. Extensive changes will be made in the interior, new lab equipment and additional library facilities added the first year; the second year a new roof and the third year will be stuccoing of the building. The Board also voted to consolidate the Riverview school with the St. George school and may consolidate the Screven Ridge school with the Folkston Consolidated School.

BODY TO BE REMOVED. Tampa relatives were in St. George last week making arrangements to remove the body of their son-in-law, F.C. Willey, who died some years ago.

WEDDING. Miss Lillie Greer and Mr. H.D. French were married Sunday, M.J. Paxton officiating. The couple left for Fort Ogden, Fla. where they will live.

July 14, 1927

MR. J.W. HADDOCK FATALLY INJURED. Last Saturday an unavoidable accident occurred at the Pan Am filling station where Mr. J.W. Haddock was badly injured and

two cars were badly smashed up. In an attempt to avoid a collision one car tried to drive through the driveway but hit a truck which was parked, which was thrown against Mr. Haddock who was standing just outside the door, crushing his body terribly. He was taken to a Jacksonville hospital. The loss of blood made a blood transfusion necessary and Rev. L.E. Williams furnished the life-giving fluid to strengthen the suffering old man. He died Thursday afternoon. He was the father of J.S. Haddock, Mrs. Harry Johnson and Mrs. Ralph Johnson.

THE CITIZENS BANK. Statement of condition of The Citizens Bank at close of business June 30, 1927: Resources, \$466,675.38.

GOWEN FAMILY MOVES. Mr. and Mrs. J.V. Gowen have moved from their residence in Folkston to their beautiful country home at Traders Hill much to the delight of the children whose greatest pleasure is gotten from the numerous pets the farm has. The Gowen home at Traders Hill has a grove of large trees and is equipped with every convenience for happiness and pleasure. Truly the children are happy there.

July 21, 1927

TWENTY-FOUR HOUR ELECTRICITY. In about two weeks the Charlton County Power Co. will have the new machinery installed in the new power house and will be ready to give their patrons a 24-hour service. The ice making machinery is being placed and tested. After the new plant is put into operation the city will be furnished home-made ice. The artesian well has been finished and a flow of water clear as crystal attained. The well is more than 700 feet deep.

LIGHTNING DAMAGE. Mr. J.P. Mizell's house and fence were struck by lightning more than four times within a few moments this past week. In the bathroom a part of the ceiling was torn off and light wires were burned. It then struck the gate, tearing off a picket and plowing a hole underneath to the road. Other houses were struck also.

ARNOLD HOTEL. Brick and other materials are arriving daily to begin rebuilding the Arnold Hotel, which was destroyed by fire a few weeks ago. The new hotel will be two stories.

NEW BABY. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Main Canady, St. George, July 6th, a girl.

TWO CASES OF TYPHOID FEVER. Mr. Albert Smith, St. George, who has been ill for some time at his home is still in a critical condition. One of the children, Elsie, has been stricken and the cases have been diagnosed as Typhoid Fever.

July 28, 1927

WEDDING. Miss Susan Helen Bedell and Mr. Weyman C. Huckabee were married by Judge H.G. Gibson Wednesday. The couple left for New York City where he is prominently connected with the Y.M.C.A.

SMITH FAMILY STILL VERY SICK. At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Smith, St. George, the situation became so bad that friends were obliged to take charge. Mr. Smith and daughter, Elsie, who had been ill with Typhoid Fever for several weeks are still very sick. Mrs. Smith, the wife and mother, has been under such a strain for so long, has also taken the disease and is very sick. The little girl, age about three, who is never very strong, was having convulsions and a little three-months old baby needed careful attention. Dr. J.R. Vinson took charge of the cases and Mrs. N.J. Norman went into the field and enlisted funds with which to install a nurse. Others are standing by.

## **Digest of Charlton County Herald and the Folkston Progress (below) - August 1927**

August 4, 1927

WEDDING. Mr. A.B. Crews and Miss Katie Guinn were happily married by Judge H.G. Gibson Sunday. They will make their home in Jacksonville.

MR. ALBERT SMITH DIED. The death of Albert Smith occurred at his home on July 26 after an illness of several weeks of Typhoid Fever. He was a native of this county and was 35 years of age. He leaves a widow and five children, from three months to twelve years of age, destitute. Also, a brother, Arch Smith; a sister Sara McClain and Mrs. Ella Smith and his mother, Mrs. Julia Smith.

GAY BABY DIED. We all sympathize with Mr. and Mrs. Brantley Gay in the loss of their baby which died Saturday.

August 11, 1927

POWER COMPANY IS OPERATING. Charlton County Power Co. installed a 24-hour service Monday night, running the old plant until Thursday afternoon. The machinery at the new power house was set in motion and a service that we have reason to be proud of put in operation. The first ice manufactured in Folkston will be out Friday. The Charlton County Power Co. has spent a large sum of money in making this plant complete and while there have been some delays, the service is at last ours.

HELP FOR STRICKEN FAMILY. The county commissioners decided to donate to Mrs. Albert Smith of St. George \$50.00 from the poor funds for a temporary relief, as they found from investigation the family is in great need of funds. Mrs. Smith and two of the children, who have been ill with Typhoid Fever for two weeks, are progressing satisfactorily.

WIRE TO BE STORED. The county commissioners appointed W.C. Hopkins as a committee of one to have all unused barb wire stored in some safe place for future use.

(No issue for August 18, 1927 on microfilm)

August 25, 1927

NEW OWNERS FOR DIXIE RESTAURANT. Mr. W.B. Smith closed the deal last week when he became the owner of the Dixie Restaurant, having purchased it from Mr. and Mrs. James Purdom.

TEACHERS FOR NEW SCHOOL YEAR. The following school teachers have been recommended by local boards for the regular term, beginning Sept. 5th:

CHARLTON COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL: O.P. Wilson, Mrs. J.D. Roddenberry, Miss Mallie Bedell.

FOLKSTON CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL: Mayme Askew, Kathleen Moon, Byrdie Pearson, Mrs. W.A. Wood, Georgia Littlefield, Sara F. Hayes, Marion Pearce, Irene Robinson, Mae Drew.

ST. GEORGE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL: L.S. Vinson, Carrie Gamble, Eleanor Cockrell, Willie Mae Giles, Sara Witcher.

UPTONVILLE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL: Mrs. B.B. Gowen, Irene Armstrong, Jane Quarterman, Gladys Cockrell.

SARDIS: Eva Williams, Winnie Jacobs, Bessie Thomas.

WINOKUR: Gertrude Exum, Rosa Stephens.

MONIAC: Mr. and Mrs. B.R. Burnsed.

RACEPOND: Nettie J. Keene.

RIVERVIEW: Mrs. Kate Crawford.

PRESCOTT: Lethia Thomas.

DR. THOMPSON BUYS DRUG STORE. Dr. W.D. Thompson and H.J. Davis closed a most interesting trade this week when Mr. Davis sold his entire interest in the Folkston Pharmacy to Dr. Thompson. He will be assisted by his brother, Jack Thompson.

V.J. PICKREN TO BUILD GARAGE. Verne J. Pickren last week purchased from his father the lot on Main Street on which his store now stands. We understand he will build a garage which will be a stucco building. He will begin this as soon as he sells out the stock of goods in the store. Mr. and Mrs. Pickren plan to rest while raising white leghorns.

NEGRO SCHOOL GOING UP. The new school building being erected for the negroes is going up nicely. It is being erected according to the state plan. The modern building is to be a two-teacher school when a sufficient number of pupils enroll. Ed Shivar is the contractor.

MRS. EMILY SAPP DIED. Death relieved one who had suffered for more years than the person cares to remember when Mrs. Emily Sapp died at her home near St. George on August 17th. She had been sinking for days, so that her death was not unexpected, and she was surrounded by members of her family. Interment was at St. George cemetery Friday with Rev. F.O. Coffin in charge of the services. She had been a resident of this county all her life, and had been an invalid for many years, being confined to her bed most of the time. She leaves a husband, Jesse Sapp; a daughter, Mrs. Lottie Fleming; three sons, Arch, Charles and Willie Ganey.

Mr. and Mrs. L.E. Mallard announce the engagement of their daughter, Lollie Elizabeth, to Mr. Kelly Arthur Eaton, the marriage to be August 26th in Atlanta.

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### **Digest of Folkston Progress**

August 5, 1927

FOLKSTON PROGRESS SUBSCRIPTION CONTEST. The Folkston Progress subscription contest got underway Monday morning with five candidates in the field and other entries are expected until the contest closes on September 15th. The candidates will be soliciting votes and the race should prove a close one. The candidates are finding it easy to secure subscriptions to the Progress and to sell the advertising cards issued. The following is a list of the entries up to date: Gertrude Wildes, Mrs. J.O. Sikes, Jimmie Mattox, Mary Hagan, Doris Wasdin. Those who decide to come in later will have just as good a chance to win the Ford Roadster or the \$100.00 Victrola as those now in the race.

JONES BUYS DIXIE MARKET. The Dixie Market and Grocery store which has been operating the past year by Dr. and Mrs. W.E. Banks has changed hands and has been purchased by W.J. Jones. Mr. Jones says it is his intention to operate a first class meat market and green grocery. He is an experienced meat cutter.

BURNSSED PASSES FLORIDA BAR. Friends of Attorney B.R. Burnsed who resides in the lower end of the county will be interested to learn he is among the successful applicants admitted to practice law in Florida. He passed a recent examination which

was held in Tallahassee.

ENTERTAINMENT AT THE DRUG STORE. Folkston Pharmacy has had an electric piano installed and excellent music may now be enjoyed with the drinks and ice cream. LAYING BY TIME by James A. Hall, Atlanta Journal. Laying by time, the time when the farm work should be finished and the plow driven home to the barn, was always looked forward to with keen appreciation especially by the youthful workers in the field. It meant the coming of freedom from the toil, heat and leisure to visit relatives, attend camp meetings and otherwise use one's time as might be desired. The field work did not come suddenly to an end. It slowed down gradually, the oldest corn being the first to receive its farewell touches by having the middles run out with a long sweep. A current expression among the farmers was "When the corn grew tall enough to hide a mule's back it should be laid by." In the cotton, however, the hoe was kept busy sometimes after the plowing had ceased, but finally when the cotton leaves had almost obscured the ground and the red blooms began to appear even the spasmodic hoeing which was finally attempted only for an hour or two in the early mornings was abandoned and the well worn hoes were placed in the cotton house or carried home and the work of cultivation for the year was at an end. The crop was laid by.

The changed life of the community soon became apparent. Children could be seen going to school. Picnic parties and visitors arrayed in their Sunday clothes appeared upon the highway. Mules and horses grazing leisurely in the pasture became fat and sleek and the loungers around the country store and blacksmith shop increased in number. Singing and writing schools were organized in the community and these with watermelon cuttings, fish fries and other such events gave a measure of social gratification to the young people. The leisure following laying-by time was used to stimulate the religious life of the population and revivals, usually conducted by the home preachers, were held everywhere. No season of the year brought the relaxation, leisure and new experience which came with laying-by time.

STEWARTS ARE IN NEW HOME. Mr. and Mrs. D.L. Stewart are now occupying their attractive new home, having moved in Monday morning.

GAY BABY DIED. We very much regret to report the death of the ten days old infant of Mr. and Mrs. Brantley Gay which occurred at their home at Traders Hill last Saturday.

BRIDGES NOW SAFER. The highway bridges in Charlton County on the Dixie Highway between Folkston and Waycross have recently been covered over with asphalt paving. This is a decided improvement over the old plank flooring which had caused numerous wrecks in the past.

ARNOLD HOTEL BUILDING. Workmen are making rapid progress with the construction on the new Arnold Hotel building. The new building will be a little larger one than the one recently destroyed by fire but will contain the same number of rooms.

August 12, 1927

DR. McCOY TO MOVE HERE. Dr. W.R. McCoy, who now resides in Hoboken has definitely decided to locate in Folkston and will move his family here soon. They will occupy the home recently occupied by Mr. and Mrs. J.S. Haddock.

WEDDING. Last Friday afternoon at Homerville Mr. C.H. Cason of Waycross and Miss Leona Crews of Folkston were united in marriage by Rev. Folks Huxford in the presence of a few friends. The bride is a daughter of Mrs. Maggie Crews of Folkston and is a charming and popular young lady.

M.G. WHITE PURCHASES COLERAINE TRACT. Mr. and Mrs. M. G. White and



children, who are living in Alma, spent Monday in Folkston. He came down to complete the purchase of the Coleraine tract from P.M. Sanderson. Mr. White purchased the Camden portion of this tract about two years ago and the tract purchased Monday represents a portion of the Coleraine tract located in Charlton.

WOOL SALE. Charlton County's annual wool sale was held in Folkston last week. The wool crop this year amounted to 7,650 pounds and was sold at 35 cents a pound for \$2,677.50. W.R. Wainwright is usually the local manager of these sales. O.M. Prescott is also a large grower as well as T.H. Thrift, J.B. Jones, Harry Petty and others.

NEW RESIDENCE ON HIGHWAY. A new residence is being erected next to Harden's Garage on the Dixie Highway by Mr. Jacobs which will be occupied by W.H. Harden and family when completed.

August 19, 1927

CONFEDERATE VETERANS. Ordinary H.G. Gibson this week issued the regular quarterly pension checks to the very few remaining Confederate veterans in this county and the widows of veterans whose names are on the rapidly vanishing list. The fact that there are now only three Confederate veterans residing in this county is a striking reminder that in just a few more years the South's gallant soldiers of the sixties will be only a memory. Charlton County's three surviving veterans are J.S. Grooms, S.F. Mills, Sr. and John Vickery. The widows of veterans on the list are Mrs. Polly Privett of Toledo, Mrs. R.T. Thomas, Mrs. Elizabeth Robinson and Mrs. Mary Petty.

L.H. BARNWELL HIRED BY FOLKSTON PROGRESS. Mr. L.H. Barnwell who is now a member of the Progress force is expecting his wife and two children to arrive this week. They will occupy rooms in the Mattox Apartment.

WEDDING. A marriage that will be of interest to many friends was that of Miss Mary Hagen of Hilliard and Mr. C.C. Snowden of Folkston which occurred at the residence of Judge H.G. Gibson last Sunday.

WEDDING. The many friends in this section of Miss Lillie O'Berry, attractive daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe O'Berry, will learn with interest of her marriage to Mr. Paul Williams of Jacksonville which took place at noon Tuesday at the county courthouse, Judge H.G. Gibson officiating.

August 26, 1927

DR. THOMPSON BUYS FOLKSTON PHARMACY. A transaction of much interest is the purchase of Folkston Pharmacy from H.J. Davis by Dr. W.D. Thompson, who has been the active manager of the business since its establishment early in the spring.

WEDDING. An announcement of much interest in Folkston appeared in the Atlanta paper Sunday announcing the wedding of Miss Lollie Elizabeth Mallard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L.E. Mallard, to Mr. Kelly Arthur Eaton, which is to occur this Friday at Wesley Memorial Church in Atlanta.

RUSSELL CHOICE KILLED LAST SATURDAY. As a result of a drunken brawl Russell Choice was shot and instantly killed by Sug Barber at Racepond Saturday night. According to reports Choice was drunk and picked a quarrel which resulted in his death. This is the second killing to occur in Charlton County in the past two weeks, another man having been shot to death under similar circumstances in Moniac.

ATTORNEY WOOD NAMED AS COLLEGE TRUSTEE. Attorney W.A. Wood this week received a commission from Governor Hardman to serve as a member of the Board of Trustees at the South Georgia Junior College at Douglas for a term of six years.

DINKINS BUILDING HOME ON WEST MAIN. Theo Dinkins is having a six room

bungalow constructed on his lot recently purchased in the Buchanan Subdivision on West Main Street. P.C. Hall is the contractor.

## **Digest of Charlton County Herald - September 1927**

(Issue for September 2, 1927 not on microfilm)

September 9, 1927

**SCHOOL HAS BEGUN.** The Charlton County High School classes are in the county high school building, just remodeled. Eighty-one were enrolled this week. Total enrollment of the Folkston Consolidated School is 277.

**TELEPHONES CONNECT CHARLTON.** The recent lining of Folkston, Homeland, Traders Hill and Paxton Place by the Union Telephone Co. has caused the whole community to be placed in talking distance of each other. As a result, we are all practically next-door neighbors. The local exchange has over ninety phones installed and sixteen recent subscriptions to be added at once. Mrs. Dell is the efficient local operator in charge of our exchange. They also handle long distance.

**LEE LLOYD IMPROVING AFTER INJURY.** Mr. Lee Lloyd returned last week from a seventeen day stay in the King's Daughters' Hospital in Waycross. He had his right jaw broken on August 13th at Crandall, Fla. by being struck by a cant hook while snaking logs with a truck.

**HOG RANCH AT BURNT FORT.** Mr. J.C. Littlefield and Mr. Joe O'Berry are partners in a new business--a hog ranch. The ranch is located at Burnt Fort, taking in ten miles of river lands, a mast-covered area just splendid for such a venture.

**THE HERALD HAS NEW OWNER.** The Charlton County Herald has been purchased by me. With this issue I assume charge as its editor. Col. William Olliff brought the Herald into being in 1900. The late Rev. E.L. Wainwright owned it for a while. Two ex-editors are now in our midst, L.E. Mallard and Mrs. W.H. Robinson. T.W. WRENCH

September 16, 1927

**TWO WEDDINGS.** Marriage on August 21st: Mr. Harry Bennett of Jacksonville and Miss Dennis Combs, formerly of Toledo, were married at the courthouse by H.G. Gibson. On August 28th: Mr. E.L. McClane of Lake City and Miss Roxie Johns, Moniac, were married at the courthouse by H.G. Gibson.

**ARNOLD HOTEL BEING REBUILT.** The new Arnold Hotel has been going up rapidly for the past week. The second-story brick and framing for windows is almost all up.

**WEDDING.** Miss Marie Crawford and Mr. Lacy Raulerson were married Sunday at the home of Judge H.G. Gibson. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.M. Crawford. They will live in St. George.

**DR. McCOY PREPARES OFFICE.** Dr. McCoy is fitting up his office in the lower floor of Mrs. Lizzie Wainwright's house on Main Street.

**MRS. C.H. LOYD DIED.** Mrs. C.H. Loyd died at her home in Homeland Sunday night. She had returned from church, and hearing someone around the house became frightened and ran over to her daughter's home nearby. When returning home she fell and became unconscious, breathing her last about one o'clock. Mrs. Loyd was a good woman and will be greatly missed.

September 23, 1927

JOHNSONS HAVE LIGHT. Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Johnson, St. George, have installed a Delco Light system in their home and store building.

POSTMASTER BARKER RESIGNS. Postmaster Barker, on account of the pressure being made upon his time by representing the Good Hope Water, has resigned as postmaster at St. George. Miss Taylor, assistant, is acting postmaster. An examination for new postmaster has been called. The compensation of postmaster at this office was \$853.00 for the last year.

NEW SERVICE STATION. Raynor has had a Pan-Am gas station built opposite the Paxton Theater and it will be completed in a few days.

JULIAN MURRAY PAINFULLY INJURED. Julian Murray had his wrist badly hurt Monday when, in throwing ice tongs at a rat, they tore the flesh painfully.

MISS MATTIE CHANCEY INJURED. Miss Mattie Chancey was painfully bruised Sunday when cranking their automobile. It started, and ran over her. Dr. McCoy attended her and she is getting on nicely now, just bruised up.

JEFF STOKES DIED. Jeff Stokes, son of Mrs. J.J. Stokes, died in Brazil on the 17th, according to a cablegram Wednesday. He was in the Merchant Marines. His remains will be brought home later.

COMMISSARY AT PAXTON PLACE. The Georgia-Florida Investment Co. is having built a large commissary building at the Paxton Place. It's being constructed at the intersection of the old Blackshear and Johnson Road from Folkston. It will be quite a convenience to that section as they carry a good line of merchandise, gas and oil. The structure will be 30 by 40 feet, of wood, and Mr. Jacobs and Mr. Johns are the builders.

WEDDING. James Jackson and Susie Walker of Folkston were married at the residence of the Ordinary last week.

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## **Digest of Charlton County Herald - October 1927**

October 7, 1927

DOCK PEARSON GIVEN LIFE SENTENCE. In Superior Court last week Dock Pearson was sentenced for Murder and given a life sentence.

UPTONVILLE YOUNG FOLKS CLUB. The young people of the Uptonville community met at the school house Friday to organize a club and the following were elected officers: President, Arline Wright; V. President, Gertie Conner; Sec.-Treas., Kline Gowen; Reporter, Annie Gowen. It will be known as the Young Folks Community Club and will meet weekly.

NEW BABY. Born to Mr. and Mrs. G.C. Rhoden, St. George, on September 27, a girl.

ODD FELLOWS MET IN ST. GEORGE. Those in attendance from the St. George section at the Independent Order of Odd Fellows meeting in St. George this week were J.M. Canady, R.L. Canady, H.C. Parham, J.B. Leckie, J.H. Canady, Charley Raulerson, Z.K. Parham, R.H. Taylor, John A. Barker, J.A. Barker and V.D. Thompson.

MR. CHARLES RHODEN DIED. Mr. Charles Rhoden, who has been sick for some time with Typhoid Fever, died in a Jacksonville hospital with complications following the fever. The body was brought to St. George Saturday and was taken to Moniac for interment Sunday. It is said that the funeral was one of the largest gatherings seen here

in some time. Mr. Rhoden was unmarried, but leaves two brothers, Ivy Rhoden and Allen Rhoden, and two sisters.

AD. To farmers and stock raisers: It is no longer necessary for you to wait for cool weather to kill and cure your meat. The Charlton County Power Company is now operating a cold storage plant in which they will store and cure your meat at just the right temperature regardless of the weather. This will enable you to kill your hogs as soon as they are fattened.

NEW FILLING STATION. "Brick are on the way for my new filling station and cash grocery store" said A.L. Barbour this week. "And it will be built on the corner near my home. It will be 20x40 with living rooms overhead. The yard fence will be a semi-circle." This is a starter for more buildings on the highway near this point and soon there should be a bungalow row from Folkston to Homeland.

ELECTRICITY IS HERE. The Herald office is now electrically lighted!

NEW SAWMILL HELPFUL TO BUILDERS. The new Johnson planning mill is proving quite a convenience to the builders of Folkston.

HARRY JOHNSON TO BUILD. Harry Johnson has cleaned off his lot near the Baptist Church and will build him a home at an early date. RESTAURANT BUSY. The Askew Restaurant served over 200 breakfasts to the passengers delayed by the wreck last week.

JOB PRESS BUSY WITH BIG ORDER. A 20,000 syrup label order was placed with the Herald this week.

LOCAL BOYS JOIN NAVY. Owen Dinkins and Ralph Postma have joined the Navy, having passed their examinations on September 13th.

MR. DAVIS IMPROVING. Mr. H.J. Davis returned Saturday from a week's visit to Madison, Fla. where he went to take electric treatments at the sanitarium. He reports good results and a large number present for treatment. Three machines are going constantly.

DR. FLEMING. Dr. Fleming's ad shows that his office is opposite the Masonic Temple and his telephone number is 19.

October 14, 1927

BAPTISTS CALL REV. POINDEXTER. The Baptists are very enthusiastic over the acceptance of the call tendered Rev. J.D. Poindexter. He was here last Friday and reached a decision after talking matters over with the Baptist deacons. He will move to Folkston November 1st.

LINDBERGH FLIES OVER IN SPIRIT OF ST. LOUIS. Waycross made a request of Lindbergh to fly low and circle over their city. He flew low over Folkston, right over the Herald office, almost speaking distance, in his Spirit of St. Louis. {Note: The following is abstract of article in October 10, 1927 issue of Waycross Journal-Herald.}

LINDBERGH IS ASKED TO FLY LOW OVER CITY. GOES FROM JACKSONVILLE TO ATLANTA TOMORROW. The following telegram was sent to Jacksonville by City Commissioner Bob Folks today in an effort to have Colonel Charles Lindbergh to fly low over Waycross enroute from Jacksonville to Atlanta on Tuesday morning, thereby enabling the people of Waycross to see the famous Spirit of St. Louis: To Carey Sutlive, Florida Times-Union: When you interview Colonel Lindbergh in Jacksonville this afternoon kindly give him special invitation from the City of Waycross to circle the business section when he passes over here Tuesday morning. Waycross would like to welcome Lindbergh and since this is impossible would like to see him in his flight over

the city. Wire me time Lindbergh is expected to leave Jacksonville. ROBERT L. FOLKS, City Commissioner. Lindbergh is scheduled to leave Jacksonville at 8 o'clock tomorrow morning and will pass directly over Waycross enroute to Atlanta. Many Waycross people, including a large delegation of Boy Scouts, went to Jacksonville today to take part in the welcome celebration accorded Lindbergh. {Note: Many Waycross Boy Scouts shook hands with Lindbergh at the celebration in Jacksonville.} AD. Smith-Raynor Service Station opens Saturday. We will give, for that day, five gallons of gas and one quart of oil for \$1.00.

October 21, 1927

WUNDERLICH TO TRY GROWING ASSORTED FRUITS. "Speaking of small fruit," remarked my good friend H.C. Wunderlich, "my experience with berries, grapes, etc. has caused me to make up my mind to give my time to a test and it is my purpose to do some experimenting on the property I recently bought to test them out." Here is the man who gave Folkston such fine strawberries the past season and we are banking upon his success for he not only knows how but labors earnestly to improve his property, build up his soil and grow something worthwhile to feed the family and to sell. And it's a pity that more of our people do not have their own vine and fig tree.

WASDIN BUILDING GRIST MILL AND BLACKSMITH SHOP. Winokur is proud to boast of the new grist mill and blacksmith shop almost completed by Mr. L.H. Wasdin.

PEN RETURNED. Master J.V. Vickery lost his blue Parker pen last week, and he did appreciate its return.

NEW PRODUCTS DEMONSTRATED. The electrical display of home conveniences at the Folkston Pharmacy the past week and demonstrated by Mrs. Davis Lane was interesting to the many who visited the store.

October 28, 1927

NEW BRIDGE NEARLY COMPLETE. The concrete construction work of the Dixie Highway bridge over the St. Marys River is about 85 percent complete. It is possible that the free bridge will not be opened until January 1st. This county is paying to the highway department \$1500.00 per month, as part of Charlton's quota for the work, from the bridge tolls.

MRS. TOY AND MRS. LITTLEFIELD FIRST TO FLY OVER FOLKSTON. Last Friday the Jacksonville airplane flew low over Folkston, circled a few times and landed in Askew's pea patch. It was no time until many rushed to see the plane and found that the pilot had landed to treat Folkstonites to a five-minute's air journey and a good business resulted. The plane remained over Sunday and did a land office business, many citizens taking advantage to make the trip up in the air. Mrs. Toy and Mrs. J.C. Littlefield were the first to take the air and all seemed well pleased with their ride. Something over \$200.00 was taken in by the plane, at \$2.50 per.

TWO WHISKY RUNNERS KILLED. Two Fitzgerald men were killed by traffic policeman Jim Sikes last week. Mr. Sikes noticed their wild driving and stopped them, finding out later they were whisky runners. There were 50 gallons of shine in the car and two pistols were taken from the men. The men drew pistols, acting as if they meant to hurt Mr. Sikes and he shot them in self-defense.

MR. ZACH BURNSED DIED. The news of the death of Mr. Zach Burnsed at his home in Norwood, a suburb of Jacksonville, was received here Monday. He was ill only a few days. He leaves a wife and three children. He formerly lived at Homeland where he

married a Miss Thelkeld.

**NAHUNTA-FOLKSTON HIGHWAY NEARING REALITY.** The Nahunta-Folkston highway, which is being planned, follows pretty close to the railroad, a straight shot between points eliminating curves and crossings. It will open up some of the small tracts in the Homeland Colony and will make it easy for the highway to be connected through Homeland.

**PARHAM HOME DESTROYED BY FIRE.** The home of Mr. P.D. Parham, St. George, was totally destroyed by fire Monday morning. The quick response of neighbors saved the baby who was left lying on a bed in charge of a small girl while the mother had gone to the post office. All of the furniture was destroyed. It is thought that one of the small children started the blaze. We understand there was no insurance and as Mr. Parham has a large family, ten in it, the loss was a serious one as no furniture or clothes were saved. The good people of St. George rendered emergency aid for clothes.

**PAN-AM STATION HAS ROUND-THE-CLOCK EMPLOYEE.** Curtis Smith has moved into the rooms at the Smith-Raynor Service Station, which means an all night service as Curt means to be there when wanted and to be ready with genuine Pan-Am gas and oil.

**MR. JOHN MIZELL'S HOME DESTROYED BY FIRE.** Mr. John Mizell's home burned down Wednesday night. No one was at home at the time and nothing was saved. The loss was about \$1,000.00.

## **Digest of Charlton County Herald - November 1927**

November 4, 1927

**GREAT FUTURE SEEN FOR HOMELAND.** Homeland is to be given a boost by promoters. U.G. Staton, president of U.G. Staton Co. of Orlando, and others, were in our city this week looking over properties which the Staton Co. owns in the town of Homeland, which consists of some 600 residence and business lots. Homeland has a post office, three stores and two garages, a depot for passenger, express and freight service on the Waycross line and while only the local trains serve the town, some forty trains are scheduled daily and you can catch them at Folkston. Bus service has a schedule to both Waycross and Jacksonville. A special school bus carries the school children to the Folkston Consolidated School where a dozen teachers are employed. Homeland has a two-story brick town hall and is governed by a mayor and five councilmen. There are fifty odd families living within its limits. The Central Dixie Highway passes through the western boundary and the new highway to Savannah has just been surveyed on the east side. Plans are underway now to connect the two highways through the heart of Homeland. Already the connecting street is graded and clayed to the center of town. The editor lives on the highway within the Homeland limits and this makes it a delightful place to live.

**NEW MINISTER AT BAPTIST CHURCH.** The Baptists are pleased over the arrival of their new minister, Rev. P.D. Poindexter, who arrived Wednesday, and is at home in the parsonage with his young son. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Phillips are occupying half the parsonage, having moved in this week. Rev. Poindexter will be joint pastor here and at Hoboken.

**SMITH CHILD NEEDED DOCTOR.** Sunday Mr. Matt Smith of Winokur was in Folkston,

bringing his small daughter to a physician, she having a bead in her ear and it was giving annoyance. Dr. McCoy gave medical attention.

**WOMEN'S CLUB ENTERTAINMENTS.** The Folkston Woman's Club at their meeting this week decided they would christen Pickren's Garage with a carnival in November. One of the most enjoyable entertainments of the club, was held last week at the Masonic Hall. It was a Halloween event with many masquerade costumes. The Persian costume worn by Miss Marion Pearce was voted the prettiest while Morris Mills carried off the prize for being the cutest.

**VERNE PICKREN'S GARAGE.** The beautiful brown pressed brick front already completed shows what an addition Verne Pickren's cash garage will be to that part of town. The building sets back twenty feet from the sidewalk curb. It is 50x70 feet built of brick, steel window framing and bars with cement floors and fireproof roofing, extension hip roof annex approach in front and a parking place for cars. It's located on the corner of Fourth and Main.

**CHARLTON COUNTY POWER CO.** Mrs. Davis Lane has taken charge of the office of Charlton County Power Co. as manager, and Carl Scott as chief engineer.

**MRS. LATISHA DAVIS INJURED IN FALL.** Mrs. Latisha Davis, St. George, and widow of the late S.L. Davis, was seriously injured last Tuesday when she fell while about the yards. It is feared that the bones of her leg are fractured. Owing to her extreme age and weakness brought on by the shock of the fall, it has been deemed impossible to use an anesthetic. She is at the home of Lewis Batten, surrounded by relatives who are keeping her as comfortable as possible.

**WEDDING.** One of the prettiest home weddings in St. George in many years took place October 27th when Miss Mary Enyedy was united in marriage to Mr. Frederick J. Yontick, Rev. L.E. Williams performing the ceremony. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gabor Enyedy and has lived in St. George the most of her life. Mr. Yontick is a prominent business man of Miami.

**BIG BIRD.** A huge eagle was killed last week on the Cornhouse Creek. It measured about eight feet from tip to tip.

**NEW MANAGER FOR GA.-FLA. INVESTMENT.** Mr. Ruth Dinkins is now with the Ga.-Fla. Investment Co. in charge of the commissary at the Paxton Place.

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**UNCLE BILLY SPAULDING SUBJECT OF ATLANTA ARTICLE.** Col. A.S. McQueen had an interesting article in the magazine section of the Atlanta Journal last Sunday. It had a vivid swamp scene and a view of Uncle Billie Spaulding and his humble abode, Uncle Billy being the subject of the writeup. He was pictured the loneliest man in Georgia, the only human on Floyd's Island which is four and a half miles long and three-fourths of a mile wide. "Uncle Billy" lives on the island to protect a restricted area of the swamp against trespassers, for which he receives a small salary and is allowed trapping privileges. Mr. W.L. Chancey carries him in supplies and on one of his trips Col. McQueen accompanied him. A cat and a flock of chickens are his only company but the wild animals vary the monotony once in a while. He loves to read and has a stack of books and magazines which help while the time away.

**EDITORIAL COMMENT.** There are 45 business interests in Folkston, and we wonder if they all belong to the Chamber of Commerce.

**WONDERFUL NOVEMBER CUSTOMS.** Grinding cane is now in full swing and the most sociable time of the year is at hand. Neighbors visit neighbors to help with the

"bilings". The young folks with candy- pullings drink the golden juice, while the others drop over suggesting the way to dispose of the skimmings. And a good time is had by all!

**MRS. LATISHA DAVIS DIED.** Mrs. Latisha Davis, widow of the late S.J. Davis, passed quietly into the Great Beyond just after midnight November 3 at the home of Mr. Lewis Batten, where she had been surrounded by loving members of her family since the accident which caused her death. Mrs. Davis, while at the home of Mr. Batten, fell nine days previous. The fall broke her leg and the shock undermined the frail body to such an extent that she was not able to rally, her death coming as a relief to her suffering. Interment was at Emmeaus Saturday. Among the out of town relatives were G.W. Batten and James Batten, brothers of the deceased; James Batten and George Batten, nephews; Mrs. Francis Johns, a niece and L.F. Batten, a grandson. Mrs. Davis' only near relative is Mr. N.L. Batten, a son, whose family has resided here for some years but she leaves numerous other relatives. Community Sunday Schools are a fine thing.

**NUMBER OF AUTOS PASSING THROUGH HOMELAND REGISTERED.** Representing the Highway Department, Mrs. C.M. Bethel checked passing cars Monday and Tuesday at Homeland from six to six and the results were 553 and 450. She will check two more days next week on different days.

November 18, 1927

**MRS. JANIE MAY VIRGINIA LANG BEDELL DIED.** The death of Mrs. Lucious Bedell Wednesday afternoon at the family residence in Folkston, ended the life of a patient sufferer and a loveable Christian character whose life has been spent in this and Camden County. Mrs. Bedell's maiden name was Miss Janie May Virginia Lang and she was born in Camden County in 1858. Mrs. Bedell had been confined to her room for years. She was 70 years of age, the wife of Mr. Lucian L. Bedell and the mother of Miss Mallie Bedell who lives with them, but has raised a charming family of girls who are unmarried, but which we failed to get. The funeral will occur at 9:30 at the residence and the burial will take place at St. Marys.

**WANTED: 300 POUNDS PECANS.** The Herald has a request for 300 pounds of Grade A pecans. If you have them, we might sell them for you. They must measure up to the sample as a whole.

**OLD BANK BUILDING SOLD.** One of the largest real estate transfers of late was the sale of the old bank building, the title to 105 feet on Main Street. Dr. J.W. Buchanan was the owner and Mr. J.K. Larkin, the purchaser, is a capitalist and the Herald is glad to have him interested in Folkston. The Union Telephone Co., W.J. Jones and the Texaco Oil Co. have leases on the property which prevents immediate improvements. The purchase price was \$10,500.00.

**VICKERY SELLS TURPENTINE INTERESTS.** Mr. J.W. Vickery closed a deal the past week with the Racepond Turpentine Co. transferring his turpentine leases and 40 acres upon which the still and cottages are located. He retains the Mattox store and the new owners have contracted with Mr. Vickery for their commissary supplies. He intends to build a brick building at once for his mercantile business.

**ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR.** The Folkston chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, was instituted with 27 members last week. The following were elected officers in the organization: Mrs. D.W. Lane, Mrs. L.E. Mallard, Mrs. W.A. Wood, Miss Georgia Littlefield, Miss Mayme Askew, Miss Marion Pearce, Mrs. O.F. Wilson, Mrs. L.E. Williams, Mrs. W.B. Vickery, Mrs. W.J. Jones, Mrs. Verne J. Pickren, Mrs. J.C. Littlefield,



Mrs. E.B. Stapleton, Mr. B.A. Altman.

WEDDING. Mr. M. Altman and Miss Minnie Lloyd of Homeland were united in marriage Wednesday at Waycross by Ordinary Charley Mattox. Both parties have been residents of this community all of their lives and have a host of friends who wish them well in their happy marriage.

BUY PAN-AM GAS. R.E. Player, of Racepond, went to Boston, Ga. on seven gallons of Pan-Am gas which was 135 miles. He filled on Gulf on the return trip, retracing the route to Racepond. He ran out of gas at Fort Mudge. He made the trip with a Chevrolet truck.

BOTH HOWARD TWINS INJURED. It has just been learned that Gordon L. Howard suffered a serious accident some weeks ago in Douglas. His leg was crushed badly. At the same time, word was received that the other Howard twin, Gordon C., St. George, is suffering with a broken arm.

SYRUP-MAKING IN THE BEND. Cane-grinding is well under way in the St. George section. N.J. Norman has already made over 500 gallons. Others who are making a large crop are Dixon Thomas, I.G. Rowe, the Suggs Brothers, Oliver & Bell, the Stokes and others. Across the river the Conner brothers have already delivered syrup to the chain stores in Jacksonville.

ST. GEORGE HONOR STUDENTS. The honor pupils in the St. George high school for October, Eula Batten, Janie Fountain, Vera Gooden, Ida Rang, Louise Barker, Rena Batten, Susan Enyedy, Lillian Norman, Maggie Stokes, Ethel Rang, Wilton Stokes and Lewis Londeree.

FALSE REPORT. The report of a case of diphtheria at Winokur turned out to be a myth. Just a swelled throat, now well.

MISS ENA GIBSON TEACHING AT MONIAC. Miss Ena Gibson has gone to Moniac to teach in that school. Attendance has reached a point where two teachers can not look after the work. Three years ago this was a one-teacher school. Miss Ena is the 15th home teacher now employed in the local system.

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HOMELAND'S PARK AND TOWN HALL. One of the most beautiful natural parks in South Georgia is the sixty odd acres in that of the Homeland town park. It's beautiful with its primeval forests of pines, oaks, wild vines and palms. Some of the trees are three and four feet in diameter. Virgin pines and spreading oaks make it an extremely impressive piece of woodland. That Homeland has such a beautiful park of its own is because of the foresight of some of the citizens in its early days. Originally when given to the town, its value was negligible. But now it is important, likewise its ownership of the two-story brick town hall, the latter being constructed for a school building and when consolidation took place, luckily the town was in shape to finance the buying of it.

WEDDING. Dr. J.R. Taylor and Miss Myrtle Allen sprang a surprise on their many friends last Sunday when they were married at the home of Mrs. A.N. Davis, the bride's sister, in Hardsville, S.C. They motored home Monday and are at home in rooms in the Rodgers block. Miss Allen is the charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Allen.

NEW MINISTER FOR METHODISTS. Rev. C.L. Neese is the new Methodist minister, sent here by the Conference held in Valdosta last week.

NEW CHEVROLET FOR REV. WILLIAMS. The esteem which Rev. L.E. Williams was held by the people of Folkston was demonstrated upon his return from Conference Monday. He was presented with a Chevrolet sedan and has been enjoying it to the fullest. When a community speeds the departing guest in this manner, one can only

realize the great love and esteem in which they are held.

**SYRUP-MAKING AT THE JESSE MIZELL FARM.** The editor and his brood took advantage of the occasion last Friday evening to attend a cane-grinding and "biling" at the home of Mr. Jesse Mizell and was just as tickled as could be with the delightful hospitality of this good farmer and his splendid wife. We found a bonfire brilliantly lighted, lighting the blue canopy and fifty spirited youngsters making festive the occasion, also plenty of taffy and juice to satisfy sweet tooth and palate. It made us feel as frisky as a colt turned out in spring oats. Mr. Mizell had just built a new shed and installed a new boiler, and took out the fifth boiling of the day, of the most satisfying and delightful flavored syrup as the test of the sample given us proved. The young folks have been enjoying the "bilings" nightly and Thursday night had an oyster roast. There's no occasion more lively and enjoyable than these, with lurid bonfires throwing shadows through the forest while the inner circle is as light as day. Life in the rural districts now is the life worth living! **NEW BABY.** Born to Mr. and Mrs. S.F. Canady, at Moniac, on November 2nd, a boy. Mother and child are doing nicely.

**MR. OLIVER HURT.** Mr. J. M. Oliver was in St. George during the week. While there Friday he burned his hand severely with boiling syrup.

**BARBOUR'S NEW GARAGE.** "Oak Hill" is the name of the Barbour Brothers new garage on the Dixie Highway.

**H.D. THOMAS IS BUSY FARMER.** Our old friend, H.D. Thomas and good lady, was in the city this week shopping and had some labels printed for some of that good syrup Dixon makes. As a good farmer ought to do, he also brought along some rice to be thrashed out at Dean's rice mill. With something like a thousand gallons of syrup to be made up, and a field full of hogs to kill, this farmer keeps very busy. Long live his kind!

**GOOD FRIENDS HELP EACH OTHER.** Mr. and Mrs. John D. Mizell, who have been living in rooms at the home of Mrs. J.M. Roddenberry since the destruction of their home by fire, have moved back home, their house having been rebuilt. It's certainly nice to have your friends take you in like Mrs. Roddenberry did them.

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**MATTOX STORE BEGUN CONSTRUCTION.** The contract work for the handsome, up-to-date brick highway store of J.W. Vickery was no sooner let than work began on it. Mr. Barbour and Larkin went to work to complete the building this year. The site is a splendid one, located on the highway at the Mattox station on the Atlantic Coast Line, in a good farming neighborhood. It also serves a turpentine outfit.

**EDGAR ALLEN IS NEW PARTNER.** Edgar Allen purchased the interest of W.C. Hopkins in the furniture business of Hopkins & Vickery.

**OAK HILL STATION.** The wayside station that makes home folks proud is the Barbour Brothers Oak Hill station on the Dixie Highway north of Folkston. It is a handsome brick one, electric lighted, handling the Standard Gas and Oil, also a line of fruits and lunch goods to serve the hungry that travel his way.

**PICKREN SERVICE STATION.** The new service station of Verne Pickren, now completed, enters the rank of "business-getters" Saturday with a grand opening day.

**NEW SCHOOL.** In the center of the new subdivision of Folkston, Saulville, for colored people, is located on a beautiful tract, a handsome new school building complete and now ready for dedication, the inspection and accepting of the plant by one of the aides in its construction, the Rosenthal Fund representative, who in conjunction with the trustees of the Folkston District, made its erection possible. They gave their approval of the building and paid their agreed amount. The plan is a two-teacher one, well-built with brick as the foundation, and when equipped properly will be a \$4,000.00 investment. The colored people around Folkston are justly proud of this modern school building. Saulville is just east of the limits of Folkston, being put on the market by the Mallard Investment Co.

**COTTON GINNED.** Cotton ginning in Charlton was the lowest of years. Only forty bales were ginned here in the season just closed.

**NEW BAPTIST MEMBERS.** Dr. and Mrs. W.R. McCoy and Rev. J.D. Poindexter and son Edward were received into full membership of the Baptist Church last Sunday by letter.

**AUTOS COUNTED.** The Highway Department check of cars passing on the highway at Homeland as counted by Mrs. C.D. Bethel the past week were: Friday, 541; Saturday, 601; Sunday, 670. this made a total of 1812 cars for the three days, a good record of travel and indicates a normal going southward this fall.

**MRS. TOY ENTERTAINS.** There was a big smile on the Folkston spot of old Earth's face over the Dixie Cafe last Saturday evening. Mrs. Rosa M. Toy entertained a delightful dinner party honoring Mrs. Dona Williams and Mrs. Linnie Clark, mothers of Brother and Sister L.E. Williams. The table arrangement of drapery, gleaming crystal and silver, the lovely centerpiece of roses and cute place cards were beautiful. The feast was a dream of culinary art. The favors were small baskets of nuts and candies. The service at this "homey" cafe is perfect. The best enjoyment of the hour came in reminiscent talks "When We Were Girls" comparing the advantages and luxurious living of girls of today with desolate, spartan lives of girls 60 to 65 years ago. The consensus of opinion was that the contented joy of honest home life, the wholesome, healthful recreation of living close to nature, the real fun at the log school house with puncheon floors, log seats, book racks made of two rough hewn boards, was health and true living in the Lord, in the spirit of those pioneer days. The invited guests were Mrs. Dona Williams, Mrs. Linnie Clark, Mrs. Susie J. Mizell, Mrs. Dora Pickren, Mrs. Amanda Mizell, Mrs. Martha Pearce, Mrs. Anna Wright, Supt. and Mrs. John Harris.

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**SYRUP MAKING TIME.** An output of over 3,000 gallons of pure new Japanese syrup has just been completed by Norman and Coleman, St. George. The sample tried out proves it to be a fine flavor, delightful to the taste and uniform in grade. Norman and Coleman have found a ready sale for their product at a fair price.

**GOOD MEAT PRODUCED HERE.** Edgar Mills, Steve Gibson and Pratt Mizell are meat producers in this county who are putting a product on the market equal to so-called "western meat". When you want a nice juicy steak or roast, try one from Jones Market and you will appreciate what good meat we produce at home.

**NEW RESTAURANT UNDER CONSTRUCTION.** Dr. and Mrs. W.E. Banks will have charge of the new restaurant on East Main Street. Contractor Ed Shivar, with his force, broke dirt Tuesday on the lot adjacent to Jones Market and will erect a model restaurant 25x40 feet for use early in the new year. The structure will be of brick and is being built

by Stapleton, Mallard, Mizell and Littlefield, owners of the property.

**HOMELAND IS BUSY.** Homeland is putting on airs since they have mowed off the streets, plowed up the town square and cleaned about their town hall. They're calling a caucus for Monday evening to put out a ticket for the city election. Well, since Homeland is to be put on the map, why not nominate a progressive ticket. John Loyd, having taken unto himself a wife, is making another move in the right direction. He has the foundation down and the framework started on a neat cottage. This is a good move -- a good wife, a nice home and many hopes for the future and we say good luck to this happy pair.

**KEENE HAS SERVED MANY YEARS ON BOARD.** Mr. W.R. Keene has served on the Board of Education for twenty-years. The gratitude of the public is given to him for work he has put on this task.

**UNLUCKY DAY.** Tuesday the past week was Unlucky Day for two people in St. George. Mrs. Scovill was so unfortunate as to lose an old gold brooch which was a keepsake, as well as valuable. And Mr. Albert Kemp lost an African garnet, the setting in a ring. The stone was valuable, being a rare gem. So far neither the brooch or the stone has been found.

**MRS. RILEY CRAWFORD DIED.** Friends of Mrs. Riley Crawford were shocked to hear of her sudden death Saturday afternoon. She died quite suddenly while seated in a chair. Mrs. Crawford has been in ill health for some weeks but has never been robust, but her death was unexpected and particularly sad as she leaves an infant child as well as little Violet, age 3. Interment was at Mill Creek Cemetery in Nassau County. Besides her children, Mrs. Crawford leaves a husband and mother, Mrs. Belle Bradley.

**NEPHEW VISITS MRS. TOY.** Mrs. Toy very unexpectedly enjoyed a day's visit with her nephew, Mr. Lester C. Peterman of New York City Tuesday. Mr. Peterman is an electrical engineer supplying four carloads of machinery and motors to Hattersburg, Louisiana sent by boat from New York and reshipped from Savannah by railroad to Hattersburg. Not having seen him for twenty-five years the meeting was in the nature of a joyous reunion.

December 23, 1927

**MISS ROGERS IS HEAD NURSE.** Miss Bernice Rogers, member of the Folkston high school graduating class of 1921, has just been made Head Nurse of the U.S. Marine Hospital in Savannah. The school is proud of the success achieved by this worthy young lady.

**HOMELAND CAUCUS NOMINATED TICKET.** There was a goodly number at the mass meeting Monday evening at the Homeland town hall called to nominate a ticket for city officials for 1928. The present incumbent, Mayor K.C. Bass, who has served for the past two terms so efficiently was renominated without opposition and the Alderman ticket composed of Louis Roberts, R.E. Condon, Fred Kortman, J.P. Garrison and Mrs. Carrie McLeod with Mr. T.H. Willey as recorder. With the anticipated activities of development of Homeland next year, these gentlemen are all capable of rendering good service, as well as the lady nominated. Homeland is in a splendid condition financially -- no debts, the town owning a \$2,000.00 city hall, a town square, a sixty-acre park, and money in the treasury. It is certainly in good shape.

**NEW BABY.** Mrs. Fred Askew has a bouncing baby boy. He is to be called Fred, Jr.

**LITTLE ZEDIA MAY LLOYD DIED.** Little two-year old Zedia May Lloyd, daughter of Lee Lloyd, died on Friday evening after a short illness and was buried Saturday in the family cemetery in the Scrubb.

KENNETH CHASTAIN SUSTAINS INJURY. The injury to Master Kenneth Chastain, which was a broken leg received when a gate fell on it, is not doing so well.

HEBBARDS TO VISIT. Word has been received from Mr. Daniel Hubbard that himself and wife will arrive on January 4th from Pennsylvania for a stay in their cottage on Floyd's Island. Ducks in large numbers are reported in the lakes and Mr. Hebbard will entertain duck hunting.

THEATER WARMED UP. A big heater has been added to the moving picture theater, making it more comfortable during the cold spell.

PASSING TRAIN EMPTIES WATER SYSTEM. A passing train Saturday night struck the water spout that supplies water to the Coast Line system, disjuncting it and emptying the storage tanks and making a small flood for a short period.

NEW RESTAURANT. Brick work for the new restaurant being built for Dr. W.E. Banks is going right on up. The size of the building has been increased to 25x50.

NEW ARNOLD HOTEL. A more comfortable place than the office and dining room of the New Arnold Hotel is hard to find. It is roomy and a big heater warms it up quickly.

December 30, 1927

MR. JOSEPH CANADY DIED. One of The Bend's most prominent citizens, Joseph Canady, died from an attack of pneumonia fever last Thursday after an illness of less than 48 hours. Mr. Canady was fond of coon hunting and had been out several nights previous and on Monday night had spent the entire night hunting coons. Returning home in the morning he complained with severe pains and asked that the family be summoned. Efforts were in vain to save him. He died Thursday afternoon. He was buried Friday at Big Prong Cemetery. Mr. Canady left a wife and some four or five children to mourn his death. He was born in The Bend, was a good farmer and citizen and was well known all over the county. He served last year as county commissioner from the Moniac District.

WORKER BURNED TO DEATH. Saturday night one of the shanties at Snowden's Camp east of Folkston was destroyed by fire. It was discovered afterwards that one of the workers had been burned to death. It is supposed that he had been intoxicated and had fallen asleep, and was caught before becoming aroused. He moved here from Hilliard a few weeks ago.

WEDDING. A wedding of much interest to their friends was the marriage of Miss Lena Rivers Brock to Mr. E.M. Mizell on December 23 at the home of Rev. G.H. Jacobs on the highway. Mr. Mizell is the son of Mr. Pratt Mizell and an employee of Ga.-Fla. Investment Co. Miss Brock is one of Charlton's sweetest home girls, the daughter of Mrs. F.E. Brock of Traders Hill.

COUNTY AGENT FOR CHARLTON COUNTY. Last week District Agent Brown of the State Extension Board was in conference with Chairman Littlefield of the county commissioners, and a definite understanding was reached as to the employment of a County Agent.

REPORT ON BRIDGE AND NEW NAHUNTA HIGHWAY. The handsome concrete bridge presents a beautiful picture majestically spanning the St. Marys River, as yet detached from the river banks. It's twenty-four feet in the clear and has a 400 foot span. The Florida fill is almost complete but the Georgia side but half done. Work on the Nahunta highway is proceeding fine. Stumps have been cut out and the road has been graded beyond Newell. The roadbed is thirty feet wide.

RALPH BURCH SETTING UP STEAM LAUNDRY. Folkston's latest industry is a steam

laundry. The venture is one that ought to prove a success. Mr. Ralph Burch, who lives just south of Folkston on the highway is the owner and manager of the industry. He has installed one of the latest Maytag electric washers and has an ironer and dryer coming.

**WEDDING.** A quiet wedding was solemnized Christmas morning when Mrs. Susan Scovill and Mr. J.W. Spencer were united in marriage at the bride's home on Johnson Street. Only the immediate families of the couple were present and after congratulations had been offered the entire party attended morning service at the M.E. Church.

**ST. MARYS RIVER BRIDGE OPEN FOR TRAFFIC.** As many as a thousand cars passed over the river bridge on the 26th, 400 being local cars showing that our people are enjoying the Christmas season.