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DEPUTY ORDINARY BEGINS SERVICE. Owing to the recent illness of Judge H.G. Gibson, Ordinary of Charlton County, whereby he is unable to attend to his duties regularly, Jesse W. Vickery has been appointed and made bond and began service Monday. He is well informed as to the duties and will make a fine Ordinary-Pro tem. He can be found at the Ordinary's office daily.

NEW ATTORNEY IN FOLKSTON. Col. Martin Selson of Atlanta came to Folkston last Saturday and has located here to practice his profession as attorney. He is a graduate of the Union University of Albany, N.Y.

TEACHER RESIGNS. At the Board of Education meeting held in December, the resignation of Ernestine Prescott as teacher of Uptonville was presented and accepted. HOMELAND CITY ELECTION. The annual election at Homeland is being held today. There are no candidates except the "old guard" which will hold over. Recorder Ackerman having declined to stand for reelection, the ticket is being completed by the people as they see fit, B.W. Kennison having been drafted to run.

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LOCAL MASONS ELECT OFFICERS. Folkston Lodge No. 196 F&AM elected and installed the following members as officers for the new year: L.E. Mallard, W.R. Allen, V.J. Pickren, E.B. Stapleton, William Mizell, Jr., W.H. Mizell, H.S. Mattox, V.A. Hodges, W.D. Thompson and Jim Crews.

NEW FARM SUPERVISOR. Charlton County is lucky in securing the services of H.D. Bunn from Ware County as its new farm supervisor. He assumed charge of the work here on January lst. Since the government has granted funds for the development of farm marketing, Mr. Bunn feels assured that Charlton County can come under this new program and farmers should take advantage of it.

PEARCE STAPLETON NOW A LICENSED DRUGGIST. Friends of C.Pearce Stapleton have received news of his graduation and being licensed to practice pharmacy. The tedious examination, which Pearce successfully passed, was held late in December by the Georgia State Board of Pharmacy. He is a graduate of the Folkston High School in the class of 1931. It is not known yet if Pearce will take charge of his father's prescription counter or will enter business for himself.

FOLKSTON CITY OFFICIALS SWORN IN. Folkston's newly elected officers were installed in office Tuesday night at the courthouse. There were three new officers, but only two new faces, V. A. Hodges having served with the body previously. Cashier James Wrench and oil magnate John Southwell are now in the councils of government. City Clerk Wilson swore them in. The government was organized with the election of the Town Marshal J.M. Barnes receiving three votes. Attorney George Gowen was chosen

### city attorney.

CARL THOMPSON DIED. Carl Thompson, 25, of St. George, accidentally shot in the back of the left leg after a hunting trip Sunday near his home, died Wednesday in a Jacksonville hospital. Thompson and a companion had returned home from the hunting trip and he was accidentally shot while his companion was attempting to unload a shotgun. The wounded man was rushed to the hospital but complications resulting from the wound caused his death. He was born and reared in St. George. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Mattie J. Thompson; a son Floyd; his mother, Mrs. E.P. Thompson; four sisters, Mrs. Bart Dale, Ethel Thompson, Hazel Thompson and Mary Thompson; five brothers, Barton Thompson, Ray Thompson, B.L. Thompson, John Thompson and Ely Thompson. He was buried in Boone's Creek Cemetery.

UPTONVILLE ADULTS GO TO SCHOOL. The Uptonville Vocation Class of adults has a good time going to school at night. Last week the class studied the theory of propagation of fruits and nuts.

THE CITIZENS BANK. Statement of condition of the Citizens Bank of Folkston and Nahunta at close of business December 31, 1935. Resources: \$461,430.88.

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NEW TEACHER. Miss Helen Bruschke has been added to the faculty of the St. George school. She teaches sixth grade and some science and home economics. ST. GEORGE HONOR ROLL. The Honor Roll at the St. George school for December is Marguerite Osterman, Fred Johns, Alta Mae Bradley, Ruby Combs, Clella Mae Crawford, Eula Mae Crews, Ellen Hodges, Earl Hutson, Annette Smith, Marie Bussey, Betty Ratcliff, Rudolph Raulerson, Mary Sikes, Earl Stokes and Myrtie Hutson. NEW BABY. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Nazworth of Winokur are the proud parents of a fine baby boy born Monday, A.M.

#### January 24, 1936

FORMBY POTTERIES NEW LOCAL VENTURE. Employing eight or ten men is a new local industry that will soon begin operations of turning out clay turpentine cups and other pottery specialties. The first venture in making products is to be 160,000 turpentine cups already ordered. The factory building is already constructed on the highway in Homeland just north of Roberts store. It is an all-metal building, a part of the whole to be built. The kiln is being built now to cure the cups and pottery. Material for the crusher that will soon be installed and the mixer also to be used is be put in position for use. G.M. Formby has been spending the past six months investigating the clays near here and has discovered fine ball clay, the first discovered in this state, with plenty of material for bricks and tilings. Within the next sixty days a three-shift working force of at least ten men, which will be clay diggers, timber cutters and wood haulers will be busy. The advance order for cups is something to start the factory to going. Room has been left in front of the factory structure for showrooms and display yards. MRS. THAD SIKES DIED. Mrs. Thad Sikes died at her home near St. George Thursday. She was laid to rest in the Emmaus Cemetery. She is survived by her husband, Mr. Thad Sikes and several children.

NEW SCHOOL BUILDING STARTS. L.E. Moore, resident engineer for P.W.A. (Public Works Administration) projects in this part of the state was here Monday and gave orders for work on the new Junior High School building to begin. The contractors have

trenches dug, forms placed for the foundation work and other arrangements made for the pouring of the concrete. This building is a modern structure, planned for the special kind of work to be carried on in it. The cost is to be \$33,947. This includes heating, plumbing and lighting. There are eight rooms and the cost is about \$4,200 per room. GLEN GOWEN LAID TO REST TUESDAY. Folkston and Charlton County was saddened Sunday when news came of the tragic death of Glen Gowen of which a coroner's report was a self-inflicted wound. The deceased is a son of the late B.B. Gowen and Mrs. Nona Gowen. His mother before marriage was Nona Hayes. His entire life was spent in Charlton County near the old home place where he was born. He obtained his education at Folkston high school. For the past several years he has been engaged in operations of naval stores at Mattox. He was a member of Bethel Methodist Church. His untimely death came in the prime of life, he being 21 years old. He is mourned by a host of close personal friends. He is survived by his stepmother, Mrs. B.B. Gowen, a teacher in the Folkston school and who formerly was Miss Josie Dobbs; two brothers, Kline Gowen and Frances Gowen; two half-brothers, Barney, Jr. and Farris DeWitt Gowen; sisters, Miss Alma Gowen, Mrs. Frank Mills, Jr., Mrs. Jim Mizell, Mrs. Jake Layton and Miss Jane Gowen. The funeral and interment was at Traders Hill Cemetery. Oxley Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements. [Note: See addition to obituary on next page.]

NEW BABY. The news is that Louis Roberts has a new siren sounder for his Ford. It is weightier than most alarm calls, weighing ten pounds. It is a girl wonder and Louis thinks it's the picture of perfection. She has been named Lillian Berdeni Roberts and promises to be a good assistant in the sales department of the Ford agency. The mother is doing well.

COMMUNITY CENTER PROJECT. The beginning of a new adult educational program is contained in the Community Center Project organized under the Works Progress Administration (WPA) in cooperation with the National Youth Administration. Plans are for centers to be at Folkston, St. George and Moniac. The Folkston center is on the first floor of the Telephone Building while those at St. George and Moniac are at school buildings. Classes will be offered in Basketry, Rug making, Crocheting, Homemaking, Health, Parenting education, Gardening, Orcharding, Sewing, Recreation and Preschool. Two full time workers, Mrs. J.B. Pearce and Mrs. Olivia Crawford are connected with the project.

KERMIT E. McDUFFIE DIED. This community was grief stricken when news came that Kermit E. McDuffie, 27 years old, of Uptonville, died Tuesday in a Waycross hospital of pneumonia. Several weeks ago he was stricken with pneumonia and shortly afterwards he was taken to a Waycross hospital where he stayed until Tuesday when the Death Angel called. The deceased is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W.L. McDuffie; two brothers, H.P. McDuffie and H.E. McDuffie; four sisters, Mrs. F.K. Trogdon, Thyra McDuffie, Monnie McDuffie and Verona McDuffie. Miss Thyra McDuffie is a teacher at the Folkston High School and Miss Monnie is a teacher in the Moniac School. He was a member of the Missionary Baptist Church. His untimely death came in the prime of life. He is mourned by scores of friends. His funeral was at Folkston Baptist Church and interment was at Folkston Cemetery.

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WEDDING. A wedding of much interest is that of Miss Annie Jane Vickery to Mr. Bill

McQueen which took place at Fernandina Monday. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse W. Vickery and the groom is the son of Col. and Mrs. A.S. McQueen. Friends are wishing for the happy young couple a happy and prosperous future. NEW CCC CAMP. News comes this week that Charlton will in the near future have a side CCC camp at the site at Homeland Park where the original CCC camp was located. There will be some sixty boys transferred from the Camden County camp. The side camp is being established for the purpose of seeding the firebreaks with carpet grass. The seed has been obtained by the T.P.O. It is not known as yet who will be in charge of the work.

BOX SUPPER AT TRADERS HILL METHODIST CHURCH. Everyone is cordially invited to come and bring a box to the box supper to be held at Traders Hill Church Saturday night. The purpose of the supper is to repair the organ, buy lamps and new song books for the church. We do not wish to interfere with the regular services at Philadelphia or elsewhere. Attend your service and come to Traders Hill afterwards. After getting books and repairing the organ we plan to organize a singing class.

NEW BABY. Mr. and Mrs. Harford Russell are the fond parents of a nine-pound son born January 27th.

ADDITION TO GLEN GOWEN OBITUARY. In our account of the death of Glen Gowen last week it was not reported that he was survived by a wife. This was due to the fact that we were unable to learn more than street talk that Glen was married. We now have an authentic report that he was married in Waycross Saturday night before his death Sunday to Miss Addie Crews. We were glad to get this information and make a report of it.

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McQUEEN ELECTED ORDINARY. Four Hundred eighty-eight voters went to the polls and voted 253 for Col. A.S. McQueen and 235 for Jesse W. Vickery for the office of Charlton County Ordinary. For the other county offices there was no opposition: Clerk of Court W.B. Smith, Sheriff J.O. Sikes, Tax Collector, Mrs. J.M. Roddenberry, Tax Receiver, H.H. Crews and County School Supt. John Harris.

MRS. HENRY MANSEL DIED. Mrs. Henry Mansel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Grooms, died Monday in a hospital in Douglas where she was being treated for Bright's disease. They had been living in Coffee County for two years. Funeral services were held at the family home near Douglas. The body was brought here and interred in Bethel Cemetery, she having been a convert and member of Bethel Methodist Church. Surviving her is her husband, Mr. Mansel and one son, Lonnie, seven years old; three sisters, a twin Mrs. Eleta Mobley, Mrs. Beulah Hickox and Mrs. O.K. Prevatt; one brother, Malcolm Grooms.

GOWEN LATH MILL IN OPERATION. The Gowen Lath Mill, operated by Gowen Brothers began operation Monday near Highway No. One west of Folkston. V.A. Quarterman is boss of the works and has fifteen men working with him. RUNAWAY CAR. Saturday afternoon the serenity of the loafers' bench on Main Street was disturbed when an automobile came tearing down the sidewalk in front of W.E.

Gibson's store. Several were employing the restful easy seat and hurried to a harbor of safety without even looking to see what was coming, the noise being sufficient to cause due alarm. Stanley Mattox, who was politicking, was the first to step aside, and that with rapidity. However H.C. Wunderlich failed to escape and was hurled to the sidewalk when the car struck the post, bruising him painfully but not seriously. He was out Wednesday. The car was driven by Burwell Crews who set up the claim that the brakes were bad and he couldn't stop it. The runway between the awning post and building was just ten feet but the car made the passage nicely, the bench being the only drawback. It was torn to flinders.

HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL. This is made up of those whose average is ninety or better in all their work. First Year: Beryl Barnes, Irene Gibson, Baynard Gowen, Sara Kathryn Mizell. Second Year: Virgil Colson, Mildred Huling, Jewell Mizell, Mildred Prescott. Third Year, Jane Jones, Elizabeth Passieu, Beulah Lee Waughtel, Geraldine Waughtel. Fourth Year, R.A. Boyd, Annie Belle Lowther, Martha Cockrell.

# February 14, 1936

SINCLAIR STATION TO BE CONSTRUCTED ON STROUP LOT. Folkston is to have a new service station of the latest model, the Sinclair type. Harry Gibson was here Wednesday and completed arrangements for the structure which will be erected on Main Street on the C.E. Stroup property. Richard Stroup will be the serviceman in charge. It is to be constructed at once.

CONSTRUCTION OF NEW JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL BEGUN. The foundation of the new Junior High School has been poured and the main structure is progressing nicely. The framework indicates the size of the structure and style of architecture.

FOLKSTON HAS NEW ORGANIZATION. On January 26th, under the supervision of Mrs. Hebard, a small group of ladies met and organized a Garden Club for Folkston with Mrs. William Mizell, Jr., President; Miss Gertrude Proctor, Vice President; Mrs. James Wrench, Secretary and Mrs. H.J. Davis, Treasurer.

JOHNSON CHILD BADLY BURNED. Little Frank Johnson of St. George was badly burned last Saturday when he fell and stuck his hand in a boiler of grits which his mother had moved from the heater to fry some meat for dinner.

GUIMY BABY DIED. The six-week old infant of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Guimy of St. George died Friday night of pneumonia. Friends sympathize with them in the loss of their little one.

HOMELAND CITY COUNCIL SWORN IN. The new council elected to serve Homeland for 1936, which happened to be the old council with the exception of Recorder Ackerman, was sworn in Wednesday by Mayor Wrench. The council is composed of Mayor T.W. Wrench, Mayor Pro Tem J.P. Garrison, A. Roberts, C.W. Waughtel, Fred Kottman, M.M. Toy and B.W. Kennison, Recorder.

# February 21, 1936

G.S. RODDENBERRY DIED. G.S. Roddenberry, 51 years of age, and life long resident of this county died at his home Monday with pneumonia. His illness covered a short duration. He is a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. N. Roddenberry. He was one of Charlton's lovable characters and one of the few knowing the ins and outs of the Okefenokee Swamp. He is survived by his wife who before her marriage was Miss Susan Colson; five daughters, Miss Irene and Miss Katie Roddenberry, Mrs. Willie Chesser, Mrs.

Walter Murray, Miss Mary Sue Roddenberry; six sons, Tommy, James, Newton, Malcolm, Dan and Jesse Roddenberry; two sisters, Mrs. D.L. Keene and Mrs. B.F. Scott. The funeral and interment was at Sardis Cemetery.

W.B. CARTER DIED. The sudden death of W.B. Carter, better known as Will Carter, occurred Saturday at his home near Uptonville due to heart trouble. He had been ill but not considered very sick for several days. He got up Saturday morning, went to build a fire and dropped dead before finishing. He was buried fro:\m Racepond Church and the body was interred at Traders Hill Cemetery. He leaves a wife and several children. LITTLE FRANK JOHNSON DIED. Funeral services were held at the Baptist Church in St. George Friday for little Frank Johnson who died at his parents' home Thursday. Interment was in Oak Grove Cemetery.

# February 28, 1936

At the regular meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, Miss Ruth Smith, Supervisor of Charlton County Welfare Board presented the program. Charlton is one of approximately ten counties in the state that qualifies for a six months trial, giving us a Welfare Worker whose salary is taken care of without cost to the county. HERCULES TO GET TELEPHONES. Improvement of the local telephone system was noted this week when it was found that new poles had been put on the right of way from the courthouse to Hercules quarters.

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SCHOOL REPORT IN GRAND JURY PRESENTMENTS. Through the use of local and P.W.A. funds, a modern Junior High building is under construction in Folkston. We have sufficient funds to meet current payrolls. Pending settlement of the financial tangle of the state government, there is uncertainty of meeting future obligations promptly. Immediate payment of past due taxes would be of greatest help at this time. Enrollment shows Folkston at 627; St. George 122; Moniac 121; Uptonville 46; Winokur 22. Average daily attendance is 90.34 percent.

FORMBY POTTERIES PRODUCING TURPENTINE CUPS. The pottery plant has been completed and announcement made by the manager that turpentine cups are being turned out of the kiln this week. The first venture is to fill an order of 160,000 turpentine cups locally. This order will be rushed through the plant as early as possible. The plant is also equipped to make other wares that finds it way to local markets such as vases, flower pots, mixing bowls, plates, cups, saucers and ornamental chinaware. Ten to twelve men are already employed as well as clay diggers, woodcutters and haulers. G.M. Formby, who first discovered that fine ball clay was here, through the aid of A. Roberts, is very enthusiastic.

COUNTY WELFARE WORK. At the Chamber of Commerce meeting last week Miss Smith, Supervisor of the County Welfare Work, outlined a program of welfare work that is needed so as to make it a permanent organization and a unit of the State Welfare Board.

HADDOCKS MOVE BACK TO CHARLTON. Mr. and Mrs. J.S. Haddock, former citizens of Folkston, moved back here this week. By-The-Way, as he was known in Kingsland,

has been engaged in the pressing club business there for a number of years. VOCATIONAL EDUCATION CLASSES LEARN OF VALUE OF TREES. Much interest is being shown by the adult classes in Vocational Education throughout the county under the supervision of C.W. Waughtel. In Uptonville, the first goal for the class is learning to grow and manage fruit trees. The next goal is to gather 100 pounds of slash pine seed in September, tagging the Mother Trees in August. A small nursery will be started on one of the farms, probably using the old tobacco beds. A large amount of these trees have been engaged. The next goal is to plant new and rare garden fruits and vegetables.

JOHNSON SKIDDER DESTROYED BY FIRE. The skidder at the Johnson Mill out at the Okefenokee Swamp was destroyed by fire Monday. The skidder was a total loss, without insurance.

GARDEN EXCHANGE. If you have plants to give away or want plants, please tell Miss Gertrude Proctor, Home Demonstration Agent, or leave a message in her office at the courthouse.

NEW CRAFT AT COMMUNITY CENTER. Miss Ruth and Evelyn Highsmith gave lessons in braiding palmetto hats Thursday at the community center. This is almost a lost art. Anyone wanted to learn this work may now attend the classes at the center. HONOR ROLL AT WINOKUR SCHOOL. Those on the Honor Roll at Winokur School are: Sixth Grade, Catherine Thrift, Hazel Smith, Idell Crews. Fourth Grade, Brunson Thrift, M.D. Thrift, Jr., Christine Howard,. Third Grade, Gertrude Nazworth. Second Grade, Buster Crews, Wilbur Smith, Inez Thrift. First Grade, Alcene Thrift. HOMELAND CHICKEN THIEF. The Town of Homeland has offered a reward for the capture of the chicken thief who has been making life miserable for its citizens the past few weeks. They have offered \$25.00 for the capture of someone in the act of committing the crime of robbing poultry roosts or \$10.00 for information leading to the arrest of a thief.

### March 13, 1936

MRS. NOAH STOKES DIED. Yesterday morning this community was saddened when the news came that Mrs. Noah Stokes of Toledo had been called to her reward. She had been ill with pneumonia the past several days. Wednesday it was known that her condition was gradually growing worse. She was a member of the Primitive Baptist Church and was a life-long citizen of Charlton County. Besides her husband, she is survived by one daughter, Miss Dorothy, 16; one son, Hershell, 20 months old; four sisters, Mrs. W.J. Richardson, Mrs. A.E. Morgan, Mrs. T.H. Purdom and Miss Pencie Crews; four brothers, Walter C. Crews, Allen J. Crews, Nathan C. Crews, George C. Crews and her father, William C. Crews. Funeral services will be conducted this afternoon at the Boone's Creek Cemetery.

FOLKSTON GARDEN CLUB. The Garden Club of Folkston met at the home of Mrs. Hebard last week and the following new members were added: Mrs. Wiley Wainwright, Mrs. John Harris, Mrs. Page, Mrs. Sawyer, Mrs. Brown, Miss Brockman and Mrs. Lizzie Roddenberry.

MRS. ALLICE CHESSER DIED. Mrs. Allice Chesser, wife of W.L. Chesser of near Slaughterville, died Monday morning after a short illness of pneumonia and her son Norman Chesser is a patient in the Waycross hospital seriously ill with pneumonia. She is survived by her husband and three sons, Morgan, Norman and Angus Chesser; her

mother, Mrs. Robert Jones; a brother, Hugh McLean; three sisters, Mrs. J.B. Gay, Mrs. W.R. Dinkins and Mrs. Mark Birch and a half brother, Sam Jones.

MRS. VIOLET INEZ MARTIN NEWELL DIED. Funeral services were held Tuesday for Mrs. Violet Inez Newell, 29, who died in Waycross Sunday after a short illness of pneumonia. Funeral services were at Trinity Methodist Church with burial at Oakland cemetery. She is survived by her husband O.E. Newell; a son, Rodney and a daughter, Sylvia; her parents [Mr. and Mrs. E.L. Martin] and brothers and sisters.

WATCH OUT FOR COUNTERFEIT MONEY. Two counterfeit dimes have shown up in Brunswick during the past few days. Counterfeiters have now resorted to small change in their operations.

CLASSIFIED AD. Young camphor, holly and cherry laurel, cultivated chinkipins and seedling pecan trees, five cents and up. Now is the best time to plant. C.W. Waughtel. UPTONVILLE HONOR ROLL. First Grade. Junior Barber, Virgil Crews, Pauline Crews, Irma Murray, Hazel Crews, Phillip Wainwright, Fannie Moore. Grade Two: Pearl Crews, Alton Dinkins, and Alonzo Cason. Grade Three, Ethel Crews, Josephine Crews, Bessie Crews.

MISS LOYSELLE SMITH DIED. Folkston and Charlton County was saddened Sunday when the news came of the death of Miss Loyselle Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W.B. Smith. She was 23 years old. Born at Folkston she spent her entire life here except for three years. She was a graduate of the 1929 class of Folkston High School, receiving the highest honors of her class. She was also a graduate nurse from Walker Memorial Hospital, Wilmington, N.C. She was a faithful member of the Presbyterian Church. Her untimely death came in the prime of her young life. She is survived by her parents and one brother, Everette Smith. Funeral service was held at the family residence with interment in Folkston cemetery. Oxley Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

#### March 20, 1936

SWAMP SURVEY. The Okefenokee Swamp is now being surveyed for establishment of a Game Refuge.

J.H. JOHNSON FAMILY MOVES TO FOLKSTON. The Walker Place in the southeast section of town was purchased last week by J.H. Johnson, prominent lumberman of this county. He will start reconditioning the present building next week, making it modern in all respects. It will be occupied by the family. They have decided to move from the farm which is five miles from Folkston, making it more convenient for Mr. Johnson in attending to his lumber business. A farmer has already been secured and is now at the Johnson farm.

JOHN W. TAYLOR DIED. John W. Taylor, 55, former citizen of Charlton and brother to Richard Taylor, was accidentally shot on last Saturday morning at his home near Savannah. Details of the shooting are meager but the wound resulted in his death shortly after. The first report was that he was cleaning a pistol when it was discharged. He held a position with the county here during the tick eradication period and went to Camden, then to Chatham on the same work. His body was brought here and buried at Sardis. Funeral service was held at Sipple Chapel in Savannah. He is survived by his wife and several children.

I.V. CARTER DIED. News of the sudden death of I.V. Carter, 23, driver of the Racepond school bus came Thursday morning from Waycross where he had been taken with an attack of pneumonia fever, along with his father, John B. Carter. Both were taken very sick Saturday night and it was deemed best to take them to the hospital. His funeral will take place Friday at Racepond. Survivors besides his parents are Mrs. Dewey Dowling, Mrs. Inez Todd, Thelma, Mildred and Margaret Carter and three brothers, Arthur, Alton and Leon. He had been driving the school bus for the past several years and was considered a fine driver and an agreeable companion of the pupils.

AIRPLANE HANGAR DESTROYED BY FIRE. Late Thursday afternoon, as we were closing the forms for the press the city fire gong gave alarm that fire was abroad in the land. The City Fire Dept. went into action in short order, only to find the airplane hangar just outside the city limits was all ablaze, caught by a woods fire coming in from the back side. The workers managed to save the bungalow owned by C.S. Buchanan which was about forty feet from the burning hangar. The hangar was completely destroyed.

E.L. MARTIN DIED. E.L. Martin of Folkston, who has been in the Waycross hospital one week with pneumonia died last Friday and was buried at the Folkston cemetery Saturday morning. He was 65 years old, was a native of Hoboken and had spent his entire adult life in Folkston and Charlton County. He was a member of the Missionary Baptist Church. He is mourned by many personal friends. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Wealthie Ann Thomas Martin; three brothers, W.A. and M.L. Martin of Offerman, W.C. Martin of Jesup and one son, G.O. Martin.; two daughters, Mrs. H.J. Mays and Mrs. J.A. Hathaway. Funeral and interment was held Saturday at the grave. conducted by his pastor, Rev. E.G. Kilpatrick. Pallbearers were Wilbur Thomas, Abe Mattox, H.S. Mattox, R.W. Harrison, K.G. Bass and E.G. Allen. The passing of Mr. Martin makes the third death in the immediate family in the past year, the father, son and daughter. NEW BABY. Mr. and Mrs. C.M. Walker of Jacksonville are receiving congratulations on the trip made to their home by Mr. Stork Wednesday afternoon, presenting them with a six and a fourth pound girl. She will be called Sandra Gale. Mrs. Walker will be remembered as Miss Beatrice Johnson. Both the mother and baby are reported doing nicely.

NEW SCHOOL TRUSTEE. At the Board of Education meeting last week the resignation of H.M. Crews as trustee of the Uptonville District was received and accepted and W.M. Crews was appointed to serve until the next election.

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HOMELAND CITY COUNCIL. Mayor Wrench, Aldermen Garrison, Toy and Kottman were at Homeland council meeting this week. Bill for renewing of bottoms in 24 chairs were read and ordered paid at \$4.70. Mrs. Carrie McLeod was appointed Tax Collector. The tax rate was set at 2.5 mills.

WEDDING. A marriage of interest to many friends took place here Sunday at the home of Judge H.G. Gibson when Hugh Dorsey Anderson and Miss Thelma Watkins, both of Jacksonville were united. The ceremony was performed by Judge Gibson. The groom is

highly regarded in this county and is the grandson of Judge Gibson.

NEW COUNTY AGENT BEGINS DUTIES. Wilburn D. Jones arrived here this week to take over the Farm Demonstration Agent for the county succeeding A.B. Hursey, who moves to Sylvania. Mr. Jones served as the Farm Rehabilitation Supervisor in 1935. Mrs. Jones is the former Kathleen Wildes, daughter of Mack Wildes.

ENGAGEMENT. Mr. and Mrs. L.E. Stokes announce the engagement of their daughter, Juanita, to Richard Stroup. The wedding will be in early April.

MR. WALLICE L. WAINWRIGHT DIED. Wallice L. Wainwright, an old citizen of Charlton, son of the late Henry Wainwright, died at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Jack Lloyd, in Homeland Tuesday night. He was buried Wednesday at Antioch Cemetery. He leaves two daughters, Mrs. Jack Lloyd and Miss Minnie Wainwright and one sister, Mrs. J.J. Stokes. He had been in bad health for several months and for the past several weeks has been in very poor health, unable to take nourishment. Many friends of long standing mourn his going as he was well known and a farmer living near Folkston for many years.

WEDDING. Nuptials of Miss Carrie Johnson and Mr. Charles Bush was announced the past week as having taken place in Brunswick last July. The bride has been living with her mother, Mrs. W.R. Wainwright, since the wedding and it was only the past week when the announcement was made. The second surprise came with the announcement of the birth of a fine 6 ½ pound boy born Tuesday. He has been christened James Leonard.

SCHOOL CLOSINGS. Unless something happens to change plans, the closing dates for schools will be as follows: Moniac, April 3; St. George, May 25; Uptonville, May 26; Folkston, May 27. Various plans for closing exercises will be made to suit local needs. All will be as simple as possible. Chief feature of the closing exercise at Folkston will be the exhibit of work done by the pupils. Each group will have a booth in the gymnasium. Visitors will be conducted through these by pupil guides. The only public program will be high school graduation on Wednesday night.

MUSIC CONCERT FRIDAY NIGHT. For the past ten weeks the Ganus Music School has been holding classes for grammar school and high school pupils. The courses included instruction in violin, guitar, mandolin, banjo and other instruments. As a conclusion to the work done a concert is to be given in the grammar school auditorium Friday night. The program will include selections by a 75 piece stringed band, piano, accordion, saw and broom solos and other musical numbers. The entire proceeds will go to the incidental fund of the school, which is in a depleted condition.

NOTICE: I will be in my office at the Homeland Post Office on the following days to register persons who are unemployed: April 3, 4, 11 and 17. Lonnie Guinn, Registrar.

### April 10, 1936

WEDDING. The L.E. Stokes home was the scene of a beautiful wedding ceremony Sunday morning at 8:00 o'clock, April 5th, when Miss Juanita Stokes and Mr. Richard Stroup were united in marriage by Rev. E.J. Kilpatrick.

NEW CATERPILLAR TRACTOR. The new diesel-powered Caterpillar tractor and twelve foot road grader recently purchased by the County Commissioners have been placed in service, and are being used to improve the Folkston-St. George road.

WEDDING. Announcement is made of the marriage here on April 3rd of Miss Oree Roddenberry and C.D. Williams, the ceremony being performed by Judge H.G. Gibson.

The bride is the daughter of Miss Ruby Roddenberry and was a teacher in the Folkston School. Mr. Williams is from near Waycross and for the past few months has been employed by Hercules Co. here.

NEW TEACHER. Miss Jessie Overstreet of Lawtey, Fla. arrived in Folkston this week to work as teacher in the local school to succeed the former Miss Oree Roddenberry whose marriage occurred last Friday and who gave up her work as teacher here.

### April 17, 1936

GARDEN CLUB FLOWER SHOW. The Garden Club of Folkston will give a display of flowers on April 29th at the high school building. Blue ribbons will be given to the finest display of mixed flowers, also single specimen. Every lady in Folkston is asked to contribute at least one arrangement of flowers.

WEDDING. The marriage in Waycross on January 10th of Miss Charlotte Stewart and Mr. Allen Nazworth, popular and well known young people, has been announced to the pleasant surprise of their friends. They are occupying an apartment at the home of Mrs. Cason.

BEAUTIFUL AMARYLLIS GARDEN. One of southeast Georgia's outstanding beauty spots is the flower garden of Dr. A. Fleming located just to the rear of his hospital occupying about half an acre. This unusually attractive flower garden is composed of hybrid amaryllis of many varieties developed over several years of patient experimentation by the doctor. They are now in full bloom with brilliant red and white flowers, presenting a scene that is well worth going miles to see.

TEST OIL WELL. The moving of drilling machinery to a site just across the St. Marys River in Nassau County has about been completed and it is announced that drilling operations for the test oil well will soon begin there.

JACK THOMPSON TO MANAGE DRUG STORE IN NAHUNTA. Jack Thompson left Thursday for Nahunta where he will operate a first class modern drug store business in the Hotel Knox building in that city.

JENNINGS HADDOCK BUYS QUALITY CLEANERS. The Quality Cleaners, the well equipped cleaning establishment formerly operated here by Williams & Son of Jacksonville, has been purchased by Jennings Haddock who is now in charge of the business.

HONOR ROLL OF ST. GEORGE SCHOOL: Ist and 2nd Grade, Mary Alice Norman, Edward Raulerson, Marie Bussey, Lotus Barnett, Eloise Bell, Dorothy Crawford, Jannette Crawford, Bertha Parham, Betty Ratcliffe, Rudolph Raulerson, Wilber Lee Smith. 3rd and 4th Grade, Clella Mae Crawford, Eula Mae Crews, Earl Hutson, Annette Smith. 6th Grade, Ollan Parham, Marguerite Osterman, Nellie Smith. 5th and 7th grade, Kerry Bussey, Ann Hopkins, Wander Raulerson, Myrtie Hodges, James Ratcliffe, J.V. Hodges. High School, Donald King.

## April 24, 1936

ST. MARYS RIVER VALLEY A POTENTIAL OIL FIELD. The contract has already been let and machinery is being assembled for a test oil well at a site six miles south of Folkston. The enterprise is backed by local businessmen.

DR. McCOY TO RETURN TO FOLKSTON. Workers are remodeling the first floor of the old bank building, which will be used as an office for Dr. W.R. McCoy, according to J.K. Larkins, owner of the building. Dr. McCoy and family who live in Alma will return to

Folkston to make their home.

MR. LISTON BYRD DIED. Liston Byrd, 21, died Sunday night at the hospital in Jesup where he had been sent a week ago from his home near Winokur, where he lived with his mother at her father's home, Will Davidson. He was buried from Corinth in the church cemetery. Just three weeks ago his wife departed this life from the same disease, pneumonia, just after the birth of a baby, which also died. Mr. Byrd leaves his parents, three sisters and a brother to mourn his death. Mrs. J.M. Crews of Folkston is his half-sister.

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TEST OIL WELL. The work of erecting the steel derrick and putting up other machinery for the drilling of a test oil well just beyond the St. Marys River in Nassau County, got underway Saturday. Mr. Woolsey, an experienced oil well worker from Texas, has arrived and is in charge of the drilling rig. He has a crew on the job and progress is being made. It is estimated that three weeks will be required to complete the work, after which drilling operations will commence. Otis Nobles and Sol Mills have completed their contract to move the 150 tons of modern drilling machinery from a point near Swainsboro, the last load having been moved Saturday. The site of the test well is located 1.8 miles from the St. Marys River bridge at a point about 100 yards west of Route One.

FOLKSTON'S FIRST FLOWER SHOW. Folkston's first flower show was an outstanding event. There were hundreds of visitors to see the enchanting beauty of spring's fairest flowers. Mrs. V.J. Pickren's purple and white larkspur was the winner of the Sweepstakes Prize. This may be an annual event. It was sponsored by the Folkston Garden Club and was held in the high school gym Wednesday afternoon and evening. There were many out of town visitors. The flowers were judged by a committee from Waycross.

OIL BURNING REFRIGERATOR. The Folkston Grain & Grocery Co. was this week named as the local dealer for the Superfex Refrigerator, an oil burning refrigerating unit that is proving economical where electrical current is not available. An interesting feature is the liberal financing policy as the purchaser can make a modest down payment and pay the remainder on easy monthly terms. Mayor Clyde Gowen is manager of the Folkston Grain & Grocery.

McCOY FAMILY TO LIVE IN SCOTT HOME. Dr. and Mr. W.R. McCoy of Alma were visitors in Folkston Tuesday completing arrangements to move back. They have secured an apartment in the old Scott home recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. George Hennig who have returned to their former home in the east.

MR. HENRY DOUGLAS DIED. Henry Douglas, 94, resident of Brantley County, near Hoboken, died yesterday at his home. He was born April 2, 1842, near Waycross. He lived in the Cowhouse Island section of the Okefenokee Swamp. In his youth he moved, sixty years ago, to Brantley County. He was turned down for service in the Confederate Army because of ill health. He was one of the few men known to medical science to actually "sweat blood". Although apparently in ill health as a young man he lived to be one of the oldest residents of South Georgia. He was extremely active until a few weeks

ago. He settled on a farm in Brantley County, which he continued to occupy until his death. He was a member of the Primitive Baptist Church. Funeral and burial were held at High Bluff Cemetery.

FOLKSTON'S FLOWERS. New beauty spots found this week are the Dorothy Perkins roses on Miss Marward Bedell's fence; the sparkleberry trees out at Camp Hursey and the pink poppies in Mrs. Billy Mizell's garden.

SCHOOLS EXTEND SCHOOL TERM. The Board of Education of Charlton County met this week with the local trustees of Moniac and St. George Consolidated Districts, who made requests for extension of high school work in the south end of the county to include full four years work. An agreement between the two districts was approved.

# May 8, 1936

OIL WELL DERRICK ERECTED. Drilling for oil on the Florida side of the St. Marys River will begin within thirty days according to J. Eugene Brown, geologist and oil prospector. Erection of an eighty-two foot all-steel derrick was completed last Saturday. Material weighing about 150 tons valued at about \$45,000. has been moved to a location atop a knoll about six miles south of Folkston where five geologists have said there are structural indications of oil. The test well will be drilled by the St. Marys River Oil Corp. Enough pipe is on hand to sink a well about 9,000 feet.

WEDDING. Mr. and Mrs. K.G. Bass announce the marriage of their daughter, Maybelle Elizabeth Smith to Mr. J. Paul Morton, which took place in Waycross December 25th, 1935.

MRS. KIZZIE M. ANDERSON DIED. Mrs. Kizzie M. Anderson, 79 years of age, died Sunday at her home in Hickox. She was the widow of the late W.R. Anderson, who died twelve years ago on March 12, 1924. She had lived in Charlton and Brantley Counties all her life and had a wide host of friends. For more than thirty years she has been a faithful member of the Baptist Church. During the past two years she has been in ill health and has been making her home with her son, M.L. Anderson, living on the Nahunta rural route. The funeral services were held Monday afternoon at 2:00 at the Hickox Baptist Church with Rev. W.R. Bell of Millwood, Rev. A.M. McCool of Hoboken, and Rev. A.J. Harper of Jesup officiating. Burial was in Hickox Cemetery. She is survived by three sons, W.L. Anderson of Pritchettville, S.C.; R.L. Anderson of Hortense and M.L. Anderson of Nahunta; four daughters, Mrs. A.M. Rozier of Campville, Fla,; Mrs. L.T. Wasdin of Winokur; Mrs. N.E. Roddenberry of Winokur; Mrs. J.L. Raulerson of Hortense; one sister, Mrs. Emmie Dowling of Moniac and one brother, Bryant Crews of Hoboken, who is 92 years of age and is the only surviving Confederate veteran in his county; and by a number of grandchildren and great grandchildren.

DAVID QUARTERMAN KILLED. David Quarterman, 49, a former resident of Folkston and brother of V.A. Quarterman, was killed in an accident at the Charleston Navy Yards Monday. He was formerly the foreman of the Gowen Bros. Stave Mill here. Reports are that he was a civilian in charge of construction work at the Navy Yard when a piece of timber, used as an outrigger on a piled river, fell and crushed him. He was born in Brunswick in July, 1886 and spent most of his life there. The funeral was in Brunswick. WEDDING. The marriage of Miss Mary Cockrell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S.T. Cockrell of St. George and M. Slayton Daughtry of Moniac, took place in the Methodist Church in St. George May 3rd. The ceremony was performed by the brother-in-law of the bride, Rev. J.B. Smith of Ringgold.

MRS. ALMA O'QUINN BROWN DIED. Mrs. Alma O'Quinn Brown died at her home Friday after a short illness of pneumonia. She was 36 years old and lived in Brantley County until several years ago, then moving to Raulerson Chapel and lived there until her death. She is survived by her husband, P.F. Brown, two daughters, Alice and Ruth Brown; three sons, Sterling, Clinton and Colan; her father, J.J. O'Quinn; three sisters, Mrs. James Lee, Mrs. Zettie Griffin, Mrs. Evie Roberts; three brothers, Freddie, Clarence and Cecil O'Quinn. She was a member of the Church of God for several years. Funeral service was at Church of God at Raulerson Chapel, burial was in Raulerson Cemetery.

## May 15, 1936

MRS. WILLIAM MIZELL, SR. DIED. Friends in Folkston and throughout this section were shocked by the sudden, unexpected death of Mrs. William Mizell, Sr. who passed away at her home Monday after a brief illness. While she had been in failing health for the past several months her condition had not been considered critical. She suffered a serious attack Sunday and was able to be up on Monday. Another attack came on Monday noon and death resulted a short while later. Before her marriage to the late William Mizell, Sr. on July 15, 1884, she was Miss Susie J. Sandiford, a native of St. Marys. She was born at Charleston, S.C. September 13, 1859 and was 76 years old at the time of her death. She was at the center of a South Carolina family, being orphaned by the Civil War, her father being killed at the Battle of Petersburg. Her mother died a year afterward. As a small child she came to St. Marys to live with her uncle, R.B. Sandiford. Her early married life was spent at Kings Ferry where her husband was engaged in the lumber business with his brother the late Jackson Mizell of Fernandina. Moving to Folkston eighteen years ago she made her home in this city. She was a member of the Folkston Methodist Church. She was the mother of nine children, eight of whom survive her, as follows: four sons, Howard, Albert, William and O.C.; four daughters, Mrs. Ernest Davis, Mrs. W. Chester King, Mrs. Albert Fleming and Miss Helen Mizell. Funeral services were conducted from the residence and interment was in Folkston Cemetery.

MURRAY DRINK STAND CHANGES LOCATION. The beer and cold drink business operated by J.C. Murray, which has been located in the Passieu Motor Co. building, is now occupying new quarters in the Wade Building on the corner, formerly occupied by the office of the Folkston Pecan Co.

SCHOOL CLOSING EVENTS. The closing exercises of the county high school will begin with the Senior Banquet on May 15, the Junior-Senior Reception on May 22, Commencement Service Sunday morning May 24, Graduation Exercise on May 27 at the Grammar School auditorium. The seniors are to wear caps and gowns this year. On Thursday night the Alumnae Banquet will close the year's exercises.

ST. GEORGE SCHOOL. The closing exercises of St. George Consolidated School will be May 25th. There will be a play on May 22nd.

R.F. WAINWRIGHT DIED. R.F. Wainwright, 75, was buried at Bethel Church Monday. He was a native citizen, born just east of old Centreville while his father was in the service of the Confederacy. He united with Bethel Church 55 years ago and celebrated his 56 wedding anniversary Friday, the day before his death, he having died Saturday night after an illness of a week. He was well known throughout this section and had legions of friends. He is survived by his wife; four sons, W.H. Wainwright, W.R.

Wainwright, E.D. Wainwright and C.O. Wainwright; two daughters, Mrs. J.N. Smith and Mrs. W.D. Jones; 18 grand children and 21 great grandchildren. All of the children were present at the funeral and most of the grandchildren. He served several terms as councilman of Homeland and the Board attended the funeral in a body.

### May 22, 1936

DRILLING OPERATIONS WILL BEGIN NEXT THURSDAY. The "spudding in" or beginning of drilling operations of the test oil well in Nassau County will take place May 28th and it will be marked by a big celebration.

GRADUATION CHURCH SERVICE. Sunday morning, May 224th the church service connected with the class graduation will be held in the Grammar School auditorium. The regular ritualistic service of the Methodist Church will be used, the sermon being preached by Rev. J.E. Barnhill. The public is invited to come and make it a solemn service of worship omitting the hum of conversation before the service and following the order of service without announcements having to be made.

EIGHT MEN RECRUITED FOR CCC. On May 7 the War Department called for more CCC enrollees. Charlton County was allotted eight. A telephone call Friday morning gave instructions for the boys to report to the recruiting station in Valdosta on May 10. Those going were James Nelson Parker, Harold Tison, J.A. Hathaway, L.G. Clark, Jr., Lonnie Guinn, George A. Mills, Reuben Crews and Otis Lane. News received here since is that Parker and Tison were recruited to Lakeland; Hathaway and Clark to Louisiana and Guinn, Mills and Crews to Blythe Island. Lane failed in examination, details not yet learned.

ENTIRE LIGHTING PLANT STOLEN. About the most ambitious robbery ever reported in this county took place Saturday night at Connors Mill when the entire lighting plant belonging to R.E. Player, well known turpentine operator, was stolen and carried away. The plant, of the Delco type, consisted of quite a lot of machinery and must have required a large truck to transport it.

LINOTYPE MACHINE INSTALLED. The Herald has this week installed a modern Linotype machine to replace the typesetting machine formerly used in setting up the paper, which was owned by Editor Wrench of the Brantley Enterprise. Mr. Wrench will probably move his machine to Nahunta to use in getting his paper out.

PEANUT-POPPING ENJOYED. The Peanut-Popping given at the home of Mr. and Mr.

PEANUT-POPPING ENJOYED. The Peanut-Popping given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M.D. Thrift at Winokur Friday night was enjoyed by all that attended.

### May 29, 1936

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION. Graduation exercises of the Charlton County High School were held Wednesday. The class was one of the largest in the school's history. Graduates are Jessie Mae Harrison, Joan Barnhill, Christine Askew, Marcella Chancey, Martha Cockrell, Lois Brooks, Ada Tracy, Agnes Tracy, Essie Lee Wilson, Audrey Mae Mizell, Mildred Wainwright, Annie Belle Lowther, John M. Barnes, Colquitt Hopkins, Emmet B. Stapleton, Jr., McAdoo Littlefield, Raymond Highsmith, Everett Highsmith, R.A. Boyd, Jr., Cornelius Johnson and Elliott Allen.

WEDDING. In the presence of a few friends and relatives Miss Mildred Mijjette Wainwright and Herman Fuqua Buford were quietly married April 18 in the home of Ordinary H.G. Gibson. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.A. Wainwright and is a graduate of the 1936 class of Charlton County high school. He is the son of Mr. and

Mrs. S.S. Buford of Hilliard and is employed by the state road department. SINCLAIR SERVICE STATION TO OPEN. The formal opening of the new Sinclair service station will be Saturday says Richard B. Stroup, manager. It was built at a cost of more than \$3,000. and is equipped with all the latest devices for dispensing gasoline and oil. Ray Banks will be assistant manager.

OIL WELL DRILLING HAS BEGUN. A gala celebration marked the beginning of the drilling operation for oil in Nassau County. The St. Marys River Oil Corp., which has installed \$40,000 worth of equipment, began drilling at 1:00 o'clock, according to schedule. Operations will continue without interruption until oil is found or it is demonstrated that the project is a failure.

UPTONVILLE SCHOOL CLOSES FOR TERM. The Uptonville School was brought to a successful close Tuesday with a basket dinner at noon followed by a program in the afternoon. About 150 people attended. Plays were given followed by songs and speeches. The program was brought to a close by a yell from the Uptonville School. The school has had a successful term under direction of Miss Sallie Prescott, Principal. CYPRESS STOOLS MADE BY 4-H MEMBERS. Making stools of green cypress and weaving the seats of dried corn shucks have been taught to all 4-H Club girls in the county. Each club girl has been asked to make two stools for Camp Hursey, one for herself and one for a visitor.

AD: Announcing the opening of a shoe agency at Pickren's Garage, for American Shoe Factory. It will have Shoe Rebuilding, Shoe Lasting, Shoe Dying, Shoe Stretching. All work guaranteed.

THRIFT'S CROSS TIE BUSINESS. M. D. Thrift of Winokur is still in the cross tie business and is getting along fine.

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June 5, 1936

TEACHERS ELECTED FOR 1936-37 TERM. The following teachers have been elected for the 1936-37 term of school: Charlton County High: J.C. Adams, teacher, principal; Mrs. J.D. Roddenberry, Margaret Littlefield, Eunice Chute, Guy Bentley and G.C. Hutchinson. John Harris Jr. High: Mayme Askew, teacher, principal; Mrs. B. B. Gowen, Eleanor Cockrell, Ruth Mallard. Folkston Consolidated: Mary Jane Littlefield, teacher, principal; Daisy Neal, Myra Jacobs, Zelle Ross, Jessie Overstreet, Marion Pearce, Annette Turner and Myrtle Hayes. St. George: William S. Smith, teacher, principal; Ethel Brannon, Helen Bruschke, Aethada Suggs, Marie Boyd. Uptonville: Sallie Prescott. T.W. WRENCH RETIRES FROM NEWSPAPER WORK. Editor T.W. Wrench of the Brantley Enterprise at Nahunta has retired as Editor and Publisher of that newspaper which he has operated for a little more than a year, under a lease agreement. He did not renew his lease on the plant when it expired May 17 and the newspaper was offered for sale, having been purchased by Mr. Clark of Jesup, an experienced printer and newspaper man who took charge Monday. After an active service in the newspaper field, Mr. Wrench plans to retire and will devote his time to truck farming at his Homeland place.

NEW SCHOOL NAMED. At a meeting of the trustees of the Folkston schools this week, it was decided to name the new school building the John Harris Junior High School.

BOX SUPPER. A Box Supper is to be given at the Traders Hill Methodist Church June 12 at 8:30 P.M. The public is cordially invited to attend. Each girl is expected to bring a box.

FOR SALE: One Delco light plant with sixteen glass batteries complete. Plant is in good shape and can be had at a bargain. Will sell or trade. Reason for disposing of plant is due to the Georgia Power and Light Co. extending high line to my place. W.L. THOMAS.

### June 12, 1936

SERVICE STATION REMODELED. Pickren's Service Station has been undergoing extensive repairs lately. New rest rooms have been installed and the interior of the building has been remodeled, making it almost a new business. V.J. Pickren is owner and Woodrow Pickren is manager.

COLLEGE STUDENTS HOME FOR SUMMER. A number of Folkston students have returned home from college this week, including Mayme Allen, Martha Grace Lang, Martha Stapleton, Chandler Littlefield, Bill McQueen and A.J. Hopkins, Jr. MRS. CARRIE LOWTHER HARRIS DIED. Mrs. Carrie Lowther Harris, age 78, member of a prominent pioneer Lowther family, and life long resident of the Newell community, died at her home there Friday night following a sudden stroke of paralysis Friday afternoon. She was born and spent her entire lifetime on the old Lowther family farm near Newell where she died. She was the last surviving member of the original Lowther family, at one time one of Charlton's most prominent families. She was married nearly forty years ago to Hansel Harris by whom she is survived. She is also survived by six nieces and six nephews, Mrs. B.F. Scott, Mrs. J.L. Prescott, Mrs. Bertha Keene, Mrs. Will Crews, Mrs. Dick Crews, Mrs. Carrie Crews, Berry Lowther, Rufus Lowther, Tommie Lowther, Ansel Lowther, Wade Wainwright and Bartow Wainwright. She was a faithful member of the Progressive Primitive Baptist Church. Funeral services were held at the Lowther family cemetery. Ulmer Funeral Home, Waycross, was in charge of arrangements.

HARLEY LARRIMORE SUFFERS SERIOUS INJURIES. Information was received in Folkston Wednesday that Harley Larrimore, age 17, of near Mattox, was a victim Wednesday of a serious accident at a shingle mill in that section, in which his right arm was completely severed and his shoulder blade severely gashed. He was rushed to the Waycross hospital. There are but slight hopes for his recovery. He graduated in the 1935 Charlton County High School class and has a wide circle of friends who will learn of this with deep regret.

FRED TAYLOR DIED. Fred Taylor, age 26, well-known young man of St. George, was found dead in his room Monday afternoon. Death was due to natural causes, a sudden attack proving fatal. Relatives surviving are a half-sister, Mrs. C.H. Murray, and two half-brothers, Wade and Oscar Davis. Burial services were held at Buford Grove Cemetery in Nassau County.

R.H. MATTOX VISITS HERE. Lt. Commander R.H. Mattox, U.S. Navy, who is serving as Paymaster aboard the USS Raleigh, spent a few days here this week on a visit to his father, H.S. Mattox and other relatives. Lt. Commander Mattox's ship has been enroute from the Pacific coast to the Portsmouth, Va. navy yard and put in at Charleston for a few days so he took advantage of the opportunity to come to Folkston for a visit. OUTSTANDING STUDENTS. The teachers have selected the following pupils from

various units of the school system as outstanding students for the past year. All were checked on 50 qualities considered as necessary for high standing in pupil citizenship. These young people will be taken on a trip to various points of interest later in the summer. Those selected are: High School: R.A. Boyd, Elizabeth Passieu, Mildred Prescott, Annie Belle Lowther, Sara Katherine Mizell, Irene Gibson. Folkston Consolidated School: Fred Crews, Elizabeth Hathaway, Harry Wildes, Cleo Quarterman, J.R. Thrift, Rosa Lee Southwell, Junior Pearce, Helen McLean, Verle Ackerman, Vanice McLean, Harold Gowen, Wilma Loper, S.M. Altman, Loraine Bunn, Hurder Colson, Marion Pickren, Albert Mills, Margaret Harvey, Jesse Howard, Betty Tison. St. George School: Dorothy Stokes, Marguerite Osterman, Marcetta Suggs, Ann Hopkins, Junior Bell, Donald King, Margaret Parham, Nellie Smith, James Ratcliffe, Eunice Parham. Uptonville School: Jewell Conner, Lorainne Crews. Moniac and Winokur have not made selections.

NEW AUTOMOBILE FOR MRS. McDONALD. Mrs. B.G. McDonald is now driving a handsome new Chevrolet sedan purchased last week through Passieu Motor Co. the local Chevrolet dealer.

DINKINS VISIT FLORIDA. Mr. and Mrs. Theo Dinkins spent a day recently at Silver Springs, Fla. viewing the beauties of the water fairyland from an electrically operated glass-bottom boat.

DIPHTHERIA PATIENT. The many friends of Mrs. J.L. Layton will learn with regret that she is confined to her home this week suffering from a serious attack of diphtheria.

### June 19, 1936

RAILROAD PAINT CREW. S.A. Roddenberry, foreman of A.C.L. Paint Gang No. Two, will move his force of eight young white men down from Winokur to Folkston today and they are expected to remain here for some time. While here they will do the necessary painting on the A.C.L. property here in Folkston.

VETERANS BONDS RECEIVED HERE. Charlton County veterans of the World War, numbering about 125, were made happy Tuesday when bonus bonds, representing adjusted pay for their service during the war and amounting to about \$50.000.00 were delivered to them as per schedule. Delivery of the bonds, sent out by registered mail, was handled by Postmaster V.J. Pickren. The disbursing of this considerable sum is expected to result in a general revival of business activity.

HARLEY LARRIMORE IS RECOVERING FROM INJURY. Young Harley Larrimore, who had the misfortune to lose his right arm, is recovering from the serious injuries he suffered in the accident at a shingle mill last week. He has been pronounced out of danger and on the road to recovery.

CANNERY TO OPEN. The small community cannery will again be operated during the summer and fall for the benefit of the community. Those having anything to can are requested to see C.W. Waughtel for further information.

GIBSONS GO TO DETROIT FOR NEW AUTOMOBILE. Mr. and Mrs. C.H. Gibson left Wednesday by train for Detroit where Mr. Gibson will purchase a new Ford V-8 automobile for service in his work as carrier on Route One. They will drive the new car home, visiting Niagara Falls and other places.

NO SCHOOL DANCES. At the Board of Education meeting last week, a committee came before the Board to protest the use of the high school gym for dancing. The Board went on record as opposed to holding of the modern dance in the school buildings at

#### Folkston.

June 26, 1936

CANS TO BE SOLD AT CANNERY. The Charlton County Commissioners have arranged, through C.W. Waughtel, to purchase 1,000 No. Three cans to be sold to the people of the county at three cents each, which is exactly their cost price. They can be bought from Mr. Waughtel in any quantities needed but must be paid for when bought. He will operate the county community cannery under the supervision of the County Farm Agent and Home Demonstration Agent. No toll will be charged.

DR. DANIEL L. MOORE DIED. Dr. Daniel L. Moore, age 62, prominent physician and surgeon of Nahunta, died suddenly at his home there Tuesday. He had been engaged in the practice of medicine for forty years and in this section since 1898. He was one of the most beloved men in Brantley County, noted for his devotion to duty and willingness to serve at any time. He was a devoted churchman and member of First Baptist Church, Nahunta, being a Deacon. He was a graduate of what is now Emory University. He is survived by his wife and two sons, Frank and Carswell Moore; three daughters, Mrs. E.L. Sears, Mrs. C.R. Britt and Mrs. W.R. McCoy. Burial was at Moore Cemetery at Nicholls, Ga. Dr. Moore was well known and had many friends in Folkston and Charlton County.

JOHNSON FAMILY MOVES TO FOLKSTON. Judge J.H. Johnson and family are now residents of Folkston, having moved into their remodeled home here Monday from their former home west of the city.

WEDDING. Of interest to their many friends is the announcement of the marriage of Miss Martha Malvina Quarterman of Folkston to Mr. Frank C. Scott of Taccoa, Ga. The marriage was quietly solemnized June 16th, the ceremony being performed by Judge W.E. Banks. The bride is the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. V.A. Quarterman and is a graduate of Glynn Academy in Brunswick.

HERBERT MIZELL IS NOW CITY MANAGER OF PANAMA CITY. Many friends of Mr. Herbert Mizell will be glad to learn of his election as City Manager and Clerk of Panama City, Fla. He has been there for some years and has won his way through hard work, having been connected with a large paper mill there for some time.

HERALD HAS BIRTHDAY. With this issue the Charlton County Herald is completing its 37th year of service to its readers. It is by far the oldest business establishment of continual existence in Charlton County. Next week the Herald will celebrate its 37th birthday with the beginning of Volume 38.

CLASSIFIED AD. Giant Zinnia blooms for sale. Fifteen cents per dozen or two dozen for twenty-five cents. All colors. Mrs. George J. Stewart.

TWINS FOR THE MURRAYS. The friends of Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Murray will be interested in the announcement that twin babies were born to them Tuesday, a boy and a girl, both normal, healthy and vigorous youngsters. Both the babies and the mother who was formerly Miss Estelle Bennett, are reported to be getting along nicely. The twins have been given the names of Jasper Claude, Jr. and Lillian Claudette Murray. WPA SUPERVISED CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES. Supervised playground activity for children in Folkston will be conducted in the summer months as part of the WPA educational program in this county. It will be supervised by Mrs. T.A. Scott. CURTIS SMITH DIED. Curtis Smith, 40, a former resident of Folkston, died Thursday of last week at a Veterans Hospital at Oteen, N.C. where he has been under treatment

during a protracted illness. News of his death was received with sorrow by his many friends throughout this section. He served as a mechanic in the Aviation Corps. during the World War. His health failed several years ago, since which time he has been in the Veterans Hospital at Oteen. Funeral services and interment were held at his old home place near Lyons in Tombs County.

# **Digest of Charlton County Herald - July 1936**

July 3, 1936

HERALD CELEBRATES ANNIVERSARY. The Herald celebrates its 37th anniversary with this issue. It is the oldest business establishment in continuous existence in Charlton County and has had an eventful career under the able direction of a number of editors who have contributed much to the progress and upbuilding of Folkston and the county. The operation of a country newspaper is quite different from what it was when the Herald was established in 1898. The Herald began with a patent print on every page. The late Honorable William Olliff was its founder. He started the journalistic juvenile out in June 1898 for the purpose of securing for Folkston the county seat of Charlton County. The campaign ended with the courthouse coming to Folkston from Traders Hill. A new courthouse was built and dedicated with the trial of the noted Dyal case in 1904. Col. Olliff, soon after he started his venture, began printing the paper in Waycross. However in that year the paper began changing hands in rapid succession, Col. Olliff selling it to Benjamin Sams, who was a representative of the Savannah Morning News. Col. Olliff continued to edit the paper while Mr. Sams installed a modern "Washington Hand Press", beginning a home print paper. Then L.E. Mallard purchased the plant and ran it for a while, Col. Olliff again becoming its editor. Then B.E. Tyler assumed charge and later Eustace Wainwright was editor and owner, also printing a Homeland edition. Mr. Mallard repurchased the plant and a short while later selling it to Miss Kathleen deGraffenreid, whose father ran the paper until T.W. Wrench became editor and owner in August 1914. Two years later Mrs. W.H. Robinson became owner of the Herald for eight years. Mr. Wrench again assumed ownership and operated the paper until the present editor, R. Ward Harrison, took over in June of last year. The work of the Herald during the first fifteen years has been notable, the Dixie Highway, now Federal Route One was secured. All three former editors, Col. Olliff, L.E. Mallard and T.W. Wrench working to that end. The countywide school tax and building the school buildings was emphasized. Mrs. Robinson proved as good a booster as the masculine editors who preceded her.

FIFTY CCC MEN TO WORK IN CHARLTON. A detail of fifty men from the Satilla Bluff CCC camp near Woodbine has been assigned to work in Charlton County, completing some truck trails and firebreaks for the Charlton Timber Protective Organization. The CCC detail can work only in a radius of forty miles from the camp, which will restrict their activities to just beyond Toledo.

NO CANNING IN MONIAC THIS WEEK. On account of the bad roads and the narrow gauge of his car, C.W. Waughtel, in charge of the county canneries, was unable to get to Moniac this week. He will can at the Folkston plant the rest of the week. The St. George women will meet next Wednesday with a number of small cookers and hand

sealers to can their surplus vegetables. Miss Proctor will be in charge. Mr. Waughtel will be on hand with the No. 3 tin cans.

THREE CHOSEN FOR 4-H CLUB CAMP. County Agent W.D. Jones announces the names of three Charlton County youth chosen to attend South Georgia 4-H Club Camp at ABAC College in Tifton. They are Herbert Crews, Cecil Conner and George Chism. The three young men were chosen for their leadership ability.

MRS. THRIFT VERY SICK. The many friends of postmaster M.D. Thrift of Winokur will learn with regret of the serious illness of Mrs. Thrift who is suffering from a malignant cancer. The condition of Mrs. Thrift is reported to be extremely grave and but slight hopes are entertained for her recovery.

MR. THOMAS LOVETTE PICKREN DIED. Thomas Lovette Pickren, age 74, one of Charlton County's most prominent and highly regarded citizens, died at his home here Saturday. He was stricken suddenly during the night and passed away a short while later before medical aid could be summoned. He had been in declining health for the past several years but the announcement of his sudden passing shocked and grieved his many friends. He was a native of Coffee County, where he was born June 16, 1862. He came to Charlton County from Ware more than thirty years ago. He was for many years engaged in the naval stores and mercantile business here but retired when his health failed five or six years ago. He took a sincere interest in public affairs, served the town and county unselfishly. He was in the State Legislature, Mayor and Alderman of Folkston, City Treasurer, President of the County Board of Education, County Convict Warden, Judge of County Court, Past Master Mason, Shriner, Odd Fellow and a lifelong Methodist. Besides his wife he is survived by five daughters, Mrs. R.L. Free, Mrs. Kathleen Tison, Closs Pickren, Mrs. Robert L. Pearre, Mrs. J.S. Robinson; five sons, A.H. Pickren, Rev. T.E. Pickren, Taylor L. Pickren, V.J. Pickren and Woodrow Pickren; one brother, Jim Pickren; one sister, Mrs. Sam Morgan. Funeral services were conducted from Folkston Methodist Church with burial in the Folkston Cemetery. Oxley Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

REVIVAL WITH RESULTS. The Union revival services at the Methodist Church, which has been going on for the past two weeks, has been well attended and has done great good. One incident of the past week shows the intensity of the power of the Spirit. When the ministers offered to pray for those desiring it, one came to the mourners' bench and confessed repentance. After the service he requested two of the ministers to go to his home and there had them pour out 22 pints of illicit liquor and said never again would he deal with it. This would indicate the work being done and the power of the Spirit.

YOUNG PEOPLE LEAD THE WAY. Geraldine Waughtel and Beulah Lee Waughtel and other young people have Homeland aroused to do something for the common good. The Council has agreed to clean up the lot and have something done with the old stone Baptist Church building. These young ladies are doing some good work developing the younger element and this old building will make an ideal community center.

NOTICE: I wish to announce to the people of the community that I am prepared to do mattress-renovating work and solicit your patronage in this line. Work guaranteed the best and prices reasonable. Will renovate your mattress and furnish ticking at \$3.00 or if the ticking is furnished by customer, for \$2.00. I'll have this work done by a home man who can be depended on to do good work, and return all material entrusted to his care. G.H. JACOBS.

July 10, 1936

BAILEY'S BRANCH SCHOOL HISTORY. The following interesting letter describing the schools in the early days of Charlton's history was sent in by Mr. W.O. Gibson, which we are glad to publish:

Editor Herald:

When I read in the Brantley Enterprise a few days ago of the death of Professor Harvey W. Mitchum. I thought of the management of schools when he was teaching here something more than forty years ago and of the management at the present time and the mention I am making of the difference between then and now relates to the system and is not intended to cast reflection on any individual.

Then each community had its own school. The selection of teachers was made by the patrons and teachers who were employed were those who were competent, regardless of whether or not they attended college and instead of inexperienced girls being employed as teachers, only men and women of mature judgment were placed in charge of schools. Skylarking at night of pupils would have been promptly reproved and had the teachers engaged in such they would have been dismissed and their license would have been revoked. Usually eight hours was considered a school day. Children walked to school, some going a distance of three miles. There were no buses to take them up at the gates of their homes in the morning and put them there about the middle of the afternoon provided they had been so fortunate as to escape death or injury by accidents or wrecks.

I will now go further back than Mr. Mitchum's day and give a description of the first school I ever attended. The time was before the commencement of the Civil War and the location was near the present home of Mr. E.C. Kennison. The teacher was a Frenchman whose name was Peter deYoung. The pupils as their names were then were Seab Mills, Lizzie Mills, Martha Mizell, Everett Mizell, Lucy Mizell and Billie Mizell, John Kennison, Tom Kennison, Sol Vickery, Kate Vickery, Jimmy Hagin, Owen Gibson. Where are they now. Everett Mizell and Solomon Vickery have moldered away in soldiers' graves in the soil of Virginia. S.F. Mills and Mrs. Lizzie Rudolph, John B. Kennison and Thomas V. Kennison are lying in the Mills Cemetery. Mrs. Martha Lang is in a cemetery in Miami. William Mizell, Sr. is resting in the Folkston Cemetery, the town where he spent his declining days after a very active life. Mrs. Kate Wainwright occupies a grave in Sardis Cemetery and James R. Hagin has lain for many years in a cemetery where Bailey's Branch Church was located in the long ago. Mrs. Lucy Lang resides in Waycross, her home for many years and W.O. Gibson is living in this vicinity. These two survivors of that school are well up in the age that must follow the schoolmates of their childhood.

For the information and perhaps the amusement of some of the readers of the Herald, I will give a description of that ancient schoolhouse. In size it was about fifteen feet square and built of pine logs from which the bark had not been removed. The floor was clay, the seats were hewn puncheons. The writing desk was a plank about one foot wide and reached across the back end of the house. It had but one door and the only window was an opening made by removing two of the logs just above the writing desk and the shutter was a piece of plank suspended by leather straps for hinges.

What a contrast between that rude schoolhouse and the present buildings with polished walls and varnished seats.

### Respectfully, W.O. GIBSON

NAHUNTA GETS ELECTRICITY. The Enterprise has announced the past week that power has been turned on in Nahunta, Hoboken having had it a week sooner. The power line was extended from Waycross as a result of the agitation carried on by that paper, and cooperation of people of both communities.

McCOYS TO STAY IN ALMA. Mrs. W.R. McCoy and children left Saturday for Alma where they will make their home in the future after residing here for the past several weeks. Dr. McCoy had planned to return to Folkston to resume his practice but decided to remain in Alma where he will operate a hospital.

CHARLTON BOYS JOIN CCC. Charlton County boys reporting at the recruiting station in Waycross Monday for CCC enrollment were: Nelson Green, Moniac; Elmer Lloyd, Toledo; Gordie C. Howard, St. George; Norman Chesser, Folkston, Traders Hill District; Herman Smith, Folkston, Traders Hill District; Traver Cook, Jr., Folkston; Morris Huling, Folkston and John Woolard, Folkston. News reached Miss Smith this A.M. that all boys were accepted except Morris Huling who was sent on to Thomasville to be accepted there. Two of the boys have written and given the locations of their camps. They are Tarver Cook, Bloomingdale and Elmer Lloyd in camp at Baxley.

JONES PLEADS FOR FARMERS COOPERATION. County Agent W.D. Jones said that this week he received a letter from a canning company in Augusta wanting 5,000 pounds of tomatoes. "I am sure we have more than 5,000 pounds in this county. I could sell most any produce grown in this county. So far I have been unable to get the cooperation of the county in this matter, therefore making it difficult for me to render any service in marketing farm produce."

SWAMP SURVEY CONTINUES. The information has been given out that the survey of the Okefenokee Swamp by the government crew will last at least three months longer. The entire swamp is being surveyed which will include some 6,000 acres. This survey extends from a few miles south of Waycross to a point within a few miles of Moniac. The purchase of this swamp by the government was made possible by a law enacted in 1928 through efforts of Representative Mallard and kept when an effort was made during the past legislature to repeal it. Rep. Wrench was given the honor of defeating the repeal bill.

ST. GEORGE—MONIAC ROAD. The work was begun this week on the road to Moniac leading out from St. George. This is the proposed new highway from Jacksonville to Valdosta and made possible by the last legislature and federal WPA work.

MRS. FANNY COOPER PRICE DIED. The many friends of Mrs. Fanny Price will be sorry to learn of her death on July 5th at her home six miles east of Folkston. Fanny B. Price was born at Edwardsville, Ill. January 21, 1874. She was a member of the M.E. Church in Edwardsville. After receiving her elementary education she finished school in St. Louis where she edited a magazine and was married March, 1897 and widowed fifteen months later. In 1914 she was admitted to the state bar of Missouri where she practiced law for a number of years till she was compelled to give up practice on account of deafness. She devoted most of her time to Social Service work. In 1924 she and her father came to Jacksonville. Sheridan Cooper, who survived her, came to live with them while in Jacksonville. January 15, 1930 after the death of their father, Mrs. Price and her brother, Mr. Cooper, came to Camden County until the first of the year when they moved to Charlton. She was buried in Homeland Cemetery.

SHOE REPAIR SHOP OPENED. Ad for New Deal Shoe Shop owned by D. Tootle, Manager. Ladies' shoes dyed any color. Shoe fixing is his job. Second hand shoes for sale. All work done by machinery. Located just across street from McDonald House. BRICK MASONS FALL. Monday afternoon a hastily constructed scaffolding erected for the brick masons at work on the schoolhouse, broke from its mooring and caused Dock Huling and Albert Moore, masons, to fall about eight feet. Huling falling futherest had no bruises while Moore snagged his leg but not seriously. Both were able to be at work the next day.

WEDDING. Mrs. Lois Frederick and Mr. Earl M. Garrison were quietly married July 4th at the home of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Garrison, Homeland, with the Rev. E.G. Kilpatrick officiating. They will be at home to their many friends in Homeland.

## July 17, 1936

TOMBSTONES. Rock bottom prices. See me for reduced prices on tombstones, freight prepaid and satisfaction guaranteed by a reliable marble company. W.O. GIBSON. KINGSLAND HIGHWAY TO BE PAVED. The Georgia Highway Department let contracts last week with the Federal Government paying eighty percent of the cost. In Charlton County, 6.483 miles of paved road and two culvert type bridges on the Folkston-Kingsland road, beginning at Folkston and ending at the Camden County line will be paved. The Gibson & Robinson Construction Co. from Donaldsonville got the job for \$92,500.00.

THOMAS W. WRENCH RUNNING FOR LEGISLATURE. [Picture of T.W. Wrench] He is for Social Security, cooperating with the Federal Government measure, meaning \$30.00 per month for all that are 65 years and older. He voted for this measure in the state legislature in 1935. Georgia counties are now paying out over \$500,000. annually for paupers and this bill will save half of it.

MR. R.A.J. McDUFFIE DIED. Mr. R.A.J. McDuffie, 54, well known farmer of the Nahunta section, died Friday at his home. Final rites are being held today at Bethlehem Church. Among others, he is survived by a brother, W.L. McDuffie and two sisters, Mrs. Julia Dinkins and Mrs. Archer Dinkins.

MR. EDWARD B. WELCH DIED. A heart attack was fatal to Edward B. Welch, Sr., 57, at his home here Monday morning. He had moved to Folkston about four months ago from Waycross where he had served as mechanical foreman for the Hercules Powder Co., where he had been employed for twenty years. He was dressing, preparing to go to work when he suffered a sudden attack, dying almost instantly. He lived in Brunswick 18 years before moving to Waycross. He is survived by his wife, two sons, Ed B. Welch, Jr. and Rudolph Welch and many other relatives. The body was carried Tuesday to Waynesville for last rites. Funeral services and interment were at Pilgrim's Rest Cemetery.

THE CITIZENS BANK. Statement of condition of the Citizens Bank of Folkston and Nahunta at close of business on June 30, 1936: Resources, \$470,933.30.

## July 24, 1936

T.A. SCOTT INSTALLS MODERN PRESSING CLUB. A modern equipped steampressing machine has been installed in the old Mattox Building by T.A. Scott, the new enterprise beginning operation last week with a large number of orders. CANNERY CLOSED DOWN. Canning operations at the Charlton County cannery ceases on July 24 as per instructions from the Savannah office of the WPA. We regret to learn of this action. As a result of the canning campaign, thousands of cans of vegetables were canned and stored away for winter use. The recent rains have revived some of the late tomato crops as well as the field peas. In view of the drought in other sections the Herald urges all farmers to can up everything possible. Groceries will be high.

MONIAC SCHOOL TEACHERS. At the Board of Education meeting last week Thyra McDuffie, Leila Crews and Ernie Lee Johns were elected teachers for the Moniac Consolidated School.

BAPTIST GROUP ENJOYS OUTING. The BYPU group enjoyed a watermelon cutting at Scott's Landing Monday afternoon. Water sports and games were enjoyed. Those present were Rev. E.G. Kilpatrick, Jewell Mizell, Martha Sue Dean, Kathryn Thompson, Kathleen Stapleton, Irene Gibson, Virginia Battle, Mabel Askew, Elizabeth Passieu, Jimmy Allen, Elliot Allen, Clifton Gowen, Carl Scott, Jr., Walter Mills, J.E. Harvey, J.A. Mills, Robert Harrison.

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MRS. JANE HOWARD WAINWRIGHT DIED. Blackshear, Ga., July 25th---Mrs. Jane Howard Wainwright died late last night at the residence of a son, S.E. Wainwright. She was the widow of the late W.L. Wainwright. The family came here from Charlton County some time ago. She will be buried at Antioch Primitive Baptist Church, of which deceased was a member, near Folkston Sunday morning. Survivors are two daughters, Mrs. Forest Kirkland and Mrs. Archie Minchew; three sons, H.J. Wainwright, S.E. Wainwright and Dawson Wainwright; two brothers, Allen Howard and William Howard. PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH REPAINTED. The Folkston Presbyterian Church is shining brightly with a new coat of white paint recently applied, which adds much to the appearance of the building. It has been completely repainted and repaired throughout. Services are being held twice each month, Rev. Chatman of St. Marys is pastor. MARION MILLS VISITS HERE. Some of our folks were very much pleased to meet up with Mr. Marion Mills, our old friend of Uptonville's busy days, a few days ago while on a brief visit here. Mr. Mills twice owned the Mattox turpentine place and both times J.W. Vickery was a party to the transactions. He was on his way to his old home in Atkinson County to attend a homecoming gathering at which he is chief orator of the day. He now lives at Cross City. Fla. He stopped over with his brother-in-law, Mr. O'Neal, of Homeland.

DR. WILLIAMS IN WINOKUR. Dr. Williams visited the sick in Winokur Monday and his many friends were glad to see him.

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EVERETT GOODING HAS LEG AMPUTATED. Everett Gooding, well-known citizen of St. George who has recently been employed at the Pickren Garage in Folkston was stricken with an attack of thrombosis or blood clot in the leg Tuesday and was taken to a Jacksonville hospital where it was found necessary to amputate his leg. The attack was similar to that from which Col. McQueen suffered several years ago, resulting in the loss

of his leg. This is a rare disease.

FOLKSTON BEGINS WEEKLY GARBAGE REMOVAL. Beginning Tuesday on the east side of the railroad and Wednesday on the west side, and each Tuesday and Wednesday thereafter, the city has contracted with Lee Austin to remove garbage and trash from residences and places of business. Citizens are asked to provide suitable containers and have the garbage placed in a convenient place for removal. By order of the Mayor and Councilmen. O.F. WILSON, Clerk

HONOR PUPILS ON GEORGIA TRIP. The school pupils of the county scoring highest on fifty points of excellence left Monday morning, in charge of Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Adams, for a week's trip through Georgia. They rode in Bus No. Four, driven by Mr. D. Lloyd, a driver experienced in bus-driving in the mountains. Those making the trip were Jewell Conner, James Pearce, Jr., Marguerite Osterman, Nellie Smith, Rosalee Southwell, Marcetta Suggs, Mildred Prescott, Verle Ackerman, Helen McLean, Vanice McLean, Harry Wildes, J.R. Thrift, Elizabeth Passieu, Eunice Parham, R.A. Boyd, Jr., Cleo Quarterman, Fred Crews and Elizabeth Hathaway.

SWEET POTATOES NEEDED. County Agent W.D. Jones reports that he had an order last week for a carload of sweet potatoes. He says "I am sorry that I am not in a position to fill this demand. I hope to organize a Truck Growers League in this county is order to grow enough truck crops to warrant cooperative sales."

HOT DOGS ON ELECTION DAY. The ladies of the Methodist Missionary Society will serve cold drinks and hot dogs on Election Day on the courthouse grounds for the benefit of the parsonage.

DENIES PAYING MONEY FOR PARDON OF HUSBAND. Racepond, Charlton County, Ga. August 6, 1936. To whom it may concern: I am informed that reports are being circulated over Charlton County and other parts of South Georgia that I have made the statement that I have paid to Charley E. Stewart and Governor Eugene Talmadge certain sums of money and certain promissory notes for the pardon of my husband. I hereby brand any such reports as being absolutely false. I have never, until today, met Mr. Charley Stewart and I have certainly never discussed the matter of a pardon with him for my husband or anyone else. I also brand as falsehoods the reports that I have paid Governor Talmadge any sum of money whatsoever for the pardon of my husband. The only money I have paid in this matter has been attorney fees to my regularly retained attorney. Signed LYDIA A. CREWS. Witness, J.H. Brooker and J.B. Roberts.

BETHEL METHODIST CHURCH CEMETERY. The cemetery working at Bethel Thursday morning got the cemetery in excellent shape. The yearly workings at this place indicates much interest in the burial place of former church members in this oldest burial ground of the Methodists in Charlton.

HOMELAND HOTEL BEING REMODELED. The old hotel building at Homeland is being overhauled for occupancy by C.W. Waughtel and family.

NEW BABY. Mr. and Mrs. Allen Nazworth announce the birth of a seven and a half pound baby boy born Saturday morning at 1:30. He has been named George Allen Nazworth.

VOTERS LIST. More poll taxes have been paid this year than in several years past. The Moniac district is reported to have 83 on the registration list and there is a heavy registration in all the other districts.

O.K. DINKINS IS HOME. Mr. O.K. Dinkins, who has been spending some time at Alto,

has returned home and while ordered to stay in his bed, is seemingly very much improved. He is cheerful and the sanitarium director stated he could get along as well at home as in Alto if he rested and took care of himself.

HOBO PARTY. Miss Viola Brown entertained a number of her friends with a hobo party Friday night. The hobos had to parade through the home of Dr. Sawyer where one was chosen as the Best Hobo. After leaving there the hobos walked through the freight yard and up to the tower where they worried Mr. Brown. After leaving there they went back to Mrs. Brown's home where they played bunco and jackstones, after which delicious refreshments were served.

### August 14, 1936

MRS. FANNIE DAVIS ASKEW DIED. The people of Folkston and the community were deeply grieved by announcement of the death of Mrs. Fannie Askew, age 69, widow of the late A.W. Askew, who passed away at her home last Thursday night after a lingering illness extending over several months. She never recovered from the severe shocks occasioned by the deaths in a short interval of her husband and her son Hoke Askew and has been confined to her bed practically ever since. She was born near Chipley and has been a resident of Folkston for more than twenty years. She was a faithful member of the Methodist Church. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Bessie Burch and Miss Mayme Askew; six sons, Roy, Louie, Leon, Fred, Newton and Willis Askew; two brothers, G.W. Davis and A.D. Davis. Funeral services were in Folkston Methodist Church and interment was in Folkston Cemetery with Oxley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

HAWKINS FUNERAL HOME ESTABLISHED HERE. The Hawkins Funeral Home of Jesup has established a branch in Folkston occupying the O.F. Wilson residence near the courthouse, which has been nicely fitted up as a funeral parlor. The new enterprise is in charge of Mr. and Mrs. C.F. Adkins, experienced morticians and licensed embalmers who came here from Jesup where they had been associated with Hawkins Funeral Home for the past six years. This is the first venture of this kind ever established here. The equipment includes a new modern ambulance of the latest model and ambulance service will be available day and night. The telephone number is 100. BOARD OF REGISTRARS MEET. A total of 982 Charlton County voters are qualified to participate in the September primary. The Board of Registrars is composed of E.F. Dean, Sr., G.R. Gowen, Sr. and R.A. Boyd. Mr. Boyd was recently appointed to succeed Jasper Stokes as Clerk. The Board was in session for several days this week completing the work of revising the list.

DAVE THRIFT MORE CHEERFUL THIS WEEK. Postmaster Thrift at Winokur has been having a very sick wife but having sold \$370.00 worth of tobacco from an acre and a half and Mrs. Thrift getting up and about, he is feeling more cheerful. HOMELAND HOTEL IS NOW A HOME. C.W. Waughtel and family have moved into the old Homeland Hotel building, which was repaired and put into condition for their use. MARVIN LOUIS WOOLARD DROWNED. Marvin Louis Woolard, age 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. Houston Woolard, of Jacksonville, died Friday afternoon by drowning in the St. Marys River near Camp Pinckney. He was visiting relatives here and was swimming

with friends when he drowned. Besides his father and mother he is survived by one sister, Doris Woolard; one brother, Kermit Woolard and by his grandmother, Mrs. Lula Woolard. He was formerly a resident of Folkston but the family moved to Jacksonville

about ten years ago. Burial was in Folkston Cemetery with Hawkins Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

ADDITION TO MIZELL HOUSE. Extensive additions and remodeling work is now in progress on the home of William Mizell, Jr., already one of Folkston's most attractive residences. When the work is completed this comfortable home will be one of the real showplaces of this section. A spacious verandah constructed of brick and cement is being added to the south side of the house, with other alterations and repairs being made, the work being in charge of contractor Ed Shivar. The beautiful grounds surrounding this attractive home contains a large variety of trees, shrubbery, plants and flowers and is one of the most beautiful spots anywhere in this section. TEACHERS FOR NEW SCHOOL TERM. Supt. Harris has announced the following list of teachers with assignments: County High School: J.C. Adams, teaching, principal, math, library and girls P.E.; Mrs. J.D. Roddenberry, English and Latin; Margaret Littlefield, home economics and biology; Eunice Chute, commercial subjects and office secretary; Guy Bentley, English and boys P.E.; G.B. Hutchinson, history and science. John Harris Jr. High: Mayme Askew, teaching, principal; Ruth Mallard, Eleanor Cockrell, Mildred Simpson, Mrs. B.B. Gowen, Eunice Hunt. Folkston Elementary: Marion Pearce, teaching and principal; Annette Turner, Myra Jacobs, Daisy Neal, Susan Johnson, Gladys Duncan, Jessie Overstreet, Zell Ross, Mary Leverett, Myrtle Hayes. St. George Consolidated: William S. Smith, teaching, principal, math and science, boys P.E.; Ethel Brannon, English, Latin; Helen Staples, English, history; Helen Bruschke, Thera Hambrick, Aethada Suggs, Marie Boyd. Moniac Consolidated: Thyra McDuffie, teaching, principal; Leila Crews, Ernie Lee Johns, Ethel Youngblood. Uptonville: Sallie Prescott, Hazel Prescott. Winokur: Nettie Keene. The Jr. High School will have a student counselor. Much of the work will be woven around the idealistic motto of the building "We become like that which we constantly admire." This motto is connected with the Seminole Indian legend of Shilofohaw, the Okefenokee water lily, which word and flower are symbols of the school.

### August 21, 1936

WORK OF PAVING KINGSLAND HIGHWAY NOW IN PROGRESS. The work of paving the Charlton County section of the Folkston-Kingsland highway is now actively underway. Only a small crew of workmen have been secured but it is planned to increase the force rapidly. According to reports the contractors are paying but \$1.25 per day for ten hours work. Considering the present cost of living this wage scale is certainly inadequate and it is hoped the contractors will see fit to grant an increase.

MRS. GENEVA MIZELL MONROE DIED. Last Monday night this community was saddened when the news came that Mrs. Geneva Mizell Monroe had been called to her reward at her home some miles from Folkston. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Mizell of Burnt Fort. She was a consistent member of the Philadelphia Freewill Baptist Church. Besides her husband she is survived by one daughter, Marjorie, and her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. John D. Mizell of Burnt Fort. The funeral was held at Philadelphia Baptist Church and interment was in Sardis Cemetery. Hawkins Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

THOMAS J. CREWS IS WORKING ON A SHIP. Thomas J. Crews, young son of Tax Collector Hardy Crews, is now employed on the SS Chilbar of the Gulf Shipping Co. operating out of New Orleans.

NEW SCHOOL BUILDING READY FOR USE. The John Harris Junior High School building has been completed and is ready for use in the coming term of school. [Very good picture of school.]

IMPROVEMENTS AT ST. GEORGE SCHOOL. Extensive improvements are underway at the plant of the St. George Consolidated School. A new gravity water supply system is being installed using a deep well already drilled. New walks are being constructed from the road to the main building, thence to the auditorium. The addition of two new teachers gives opportunity for an extension of the work to include four years of high school in addition to seven years of elementary work.

MR. WILLIAM GUY THOMAS DIED. William Guy Thomas, 84, pioneer resident of this section, known to a host of friends as "Uncle Bill", died last Friday at his home five miles east of Waycross. His death removes one of the oldest residents of Ware County. He was member of a family that has been prominent in the affairs of this section for several generations. Besides his widow he is survived by ten children: Mrs. E.L. Martin of Folkston, J.B. Thomas of Waycross, W.L. Thomas of Waycross, Mrs. G.W. Green of McAlpin, Fla., Mrs. Wilbur White of Dowling Park, Fla., Clinton Thomas of Waycross, Mrs. E.B. Newton of Hoboken, Mrs. Tillman Rogers of Waycross, Edgar Thomas of Americus and Dewey Thomas of Waycross. He was a brother of the late Banner H. Thomas of Waycross who for many years was a public official of Ware County.

# August 28, 1936

SY. GEORGE ROAD PROJECT. The workers on the road project south of St. George have carried the work to a point near the Suggs place. The road has been prepared for stump pulling and widening to forty feet. It will not be ready for the school opening as expected.

GIFT OF LAND TO ST. GEORGE SCHOOL. The school trustees in the St. George district have been given four lots in Block 57 in St. George, which are adjacent to the school, for playground purposes, by T.W. Wrench, a former citizen.

MRS. EVERETT J. MIZELL DIED. Folkston people learn with regret of the death at her home in Jacksonville Sunday morning of Mrs. Everett J. Mizell. Mr. Mizell is a former resident of Folkston and is a nephew of Mrs. L.E. Mallard. A number of Folkston people attended the funeral held at Riverside Baptist Church in Jacksonville, of which she was a member.

LITTLE RANDAL JAMES DYAL DIED. R.J. Dyal, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Dyal, of Homeland, died Tuesday of last week in a Waycross hospital of lockjaw. R.J. had stuck a small piece of glass in his heel but the wound had quickly healed up. On Friday before he died he celebrated his eighth birthday with several youngsters and they had given him eight birthday "slaps". That night he complained of his back and it was thought that in wrestling with his young companions he had sprained his back. However, next day he kept complaining and the doctor was called in. Monday he was given serum to prevent blood poisoning but the dread disease had already developed. He lived only a few hours after being taken to the hospital. He was buried in the Mill Creek Cemetery in Pierce County. He is survived by his parents, four brothers and five sisters.

MR. TOM E. WAINWRIGHT DIED. Many of the older citizens of Charlton County will learn with sorrow of the death of Mr. T.E. Wainwright, for many years a prominent citizen of this county, which occurred at his home near Sanford, Fla. last Thursday from an extended illness. At one time Mr. Wainwright, known as Tom Wainwright, was one of the

most extensive landowners in the county. He disposed of his holdings here more than twenty years ago, moving to Tallahassee to educate his daughters at the college there. Later he moved to the Sanford section where he engaged in the lumber business for several years. In recent years he has made his home on a farm near Oviedo, Fla. where he died. His first wife was a sister of J.W. Vickery. Mrs. J.J. Stokes is a sister and he had numerous other relatives and friends in this county. Funeral and interment took place at his Florida home.

NEW BABY. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bell of Waycross, formerly of Folkston, announce the birth of a 7 ½ pound boy born August 10th. He will be called James Franklin. TEACHERS FOR NEW SCHOOL TERM. At the Board of Education meeting last week, the financial report showed that cash on hand July lst, 1936 was \$99.06. The following teachers were elected: John Harris Jr. High, Eunice Hunt and Mattie Simpson. Folkston Consolidated School, Gladys Duncan, Susie Johnson, Mary Leverett. St. George, Martha Wood, Thera Hambrick. Moniac, Ethel Youngblood.

HANDCRAFTS BEING TAUGHT AT CENTER. The Community Center teachers are planning something new with simple woodwork, rugs made with burlap bags and small scraps, weaving chair seats, learning sewing, knitting, crocheting, weaving baskets. Other handcrafts are taught at the center and is free for all who care to learn.

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NEW MANAGEMENT FOR DIXIE CAFÉ. The Dixie Café, owned by Mrs. J.M. Purdom, which has been operated the past several months by Mrs. J.L. Layton, was taken over this week by Thomas Wrench. Mrs. Fitzhugh Murray is associated with him in this business.

GILBERT MIZELL BUYS MEAT MARKET. The grocery and meat market operated by J.A. Prevatt was this week purchased by Gilbert Mizell, who will continue its operation. BURRELL CREWS KILLS HIS WIFE. Burrell Crews, about twenty years old, well known young man of near Waycross, shot and killed his wife at an early hour Thursday at Dowling Camp south of Waycross. He is the son of Luther Crews. Both are natives of the Winokur section, but have resided in Waycross for the past several years. TWO HUNDRED AT CEMETERY CLEANING. The annual clean-up program at Sardis Cemetery was held last Tuesday with nearly two hundred persons present to take part in the work of placing the cemetery in good condition. A picnic lunch was enjoyed during the noon hour. The oldest man present was Uncle Tom Rhoden, more than 90 years of age.

OVER NINE HUNDRED ENROLL IN CHARLTON SCHOOLS. All units of the Charlton School system began classroom work Tuesday. Enrollment is as follows: Charlton County High School, 103; Folkston Grammar School 359; John Harris Jr. High, 150; St. George Consolidated High School, 36; Grammar School, 109; Moniac Consolidated, 105; Uptonville District, 49; Winokur District, 30. Total, 941. The enrollment will probably reach the 1,000 mark by next week, as a number of pupils are not yet in. REPORT OF ACTIVITY OF HERCULES POWDER CO. Davis W. Lane, Field Supervisor for Hercules Powder Co., recently outlined the work of this company in south Georgia at the Waycross Kiwanis Club. The company has removed the pine stumps

from nearly a million acres in this section, the stumpage being taken to Brunswick where it is being made into a number of products, including turpentine, resin and pine oil, Approximately a quarter million dollars has been paid to land owners. Most of news of Sept. 11, 1936 concerned the county primary election.

### September 18, 1936

GRAND JURY for October Term, 1936: J.B. Jones, Carl E. Roy, J.H. Johnson, Charlie Hodges, D.R. Wainwright, J.T. Conner, W.R. Dinkins, W. E. Ratcliff, B.H. Lowther, T.H. Lowther, E.C. Aldridge, H.J. Davis, M.M. Crews, Jr., N.V. Brown, L. Knabb, T.G. Brock, Festus N. Stokes, Charles H. Gibson, T.E. Bryant, L.J. Stokes, B. Thrift, William Mizell, Jr., L.T. Wasdin, Richard C. Taylor, John A. Barker, Jr., B.F. Scott, Sr., L.E. Mallard, G.R. Gowen, Sr., Noah Stokes and Julian Crews.

TRAVERSE JURY: O.K. Prevatt, Grady R. Thrift, S.M. Altman, W.E. Renshaw, L.M. Reynolds, Owen Prescott, W.R. Rider, O.W. Layton, Thomas Rhoden, W.H. Robinson, J.A. Prevatt, D.L. Stewart, Josie Thrift, J.M. Mattox, E.M. Mizell, John S. Tyson, Jr., D.L. Leonard, W.R. Wainwright, E.B. Stapleton, Mose Hendrix, M.G. White, H.C. Wunderlich, Eli Waughtel, O.F. Wilson, James H. Wrench, Alva Wilson, J.O. Huling, Ralph Knabb, J.P. Russell, S.M. Mills, W.C. Hopkins, Ira Rogers, R.H. Thrift, F.D. Mills, Walter McLain, H.S. Mattox, G.M. Mizell, Leslie N. Norman, W.L. McDuffie, Shepherd Gowen, O.M. Prescott, Lewis Griffin, E.F. Allen, D.M. Mizell, Theo Dinkins, W.B. Vickery, S. F. Canaday and J.S. Taylor.

TRACY TWINS ENTER NURSING SCHOOL. Misses Ada and Agnes Tracy left on the 14th inst. to take a three years course in the School of Nursing at St. Luke's Hospital in Jacksonville. They recently graduated from the Charlton County High School with honors, having taken part in all the social activities.

# September 25, 1936

MRS. ANNA WHITE GULLATT DIED. Mrs. Anna White Gullatt, widow of the late J.E. Gullatt, died at the residence of her sister Mrs. G.W. Holtzendorf Friday morning September 18th, 1936. She moved to St. George twelve years ago. The remains were shipped to Atlanta Saturday and interment took place in Westview Cemetery. WEDDING. A marriage announcement that will be of interest to a wide circle of friends is that of Miss Hazel Shuman and Joseph Edward Culley, who were married September 15th in St. Luke's Cathedral in Orlando. She is the daughter of Mrs. H.S. Mattox and has been a frequent visitor here.

WEDDING. Mr. and Mrs. W.C. Leckie announce the marriage of their daughter, Dorothy Louise, and Alex Elery Hodges on August 30, 1936. The ceremony was performed by Judge Frank Dowling of Macclenny in the presence of Mr. Dowling's wife and daughter. Mr. and Mrs. Hodges will make their home in St. George in the little cottage of the Holtzendorfs.

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WEDDING. September 26th was an unusually busy day for Judge H.G. Gibson in his favorite occupation, performing marriage ceremonies. Among the several couples united

were L.C. Larisey of Waycross to Miss Evelyn Crews of Uptonville.

MR. WILLIAM A. CREWS DIED. William A. Crews, 76, died Friday at the home of his son, Allen Crews, in Jacksonville. He was a native of Charlton County and engaged in farming in this county practically all his life. He moved to Jacksonville about sixteen years ago. He was a member of the Primitive Baptist Church. Survivors include four daughters, Mrs. W.J. Richardson, Mrs. W.E. Morgan, Mrs. T.H. Purdom and Miss Pency Crews; four sons, Walter C., Allen, Nathan and George P. Crews. The late Mrs. Noah Stokes of Toledo was his daughter. The funeral was held at the grave in Boone's Creek Cemetery. Hardage and Williams were in charge.

FRANK MURRAY RECOVERING. Frank Murray, who suffered serious burns several weeks ago when a bucket of asphalt he was handling exploded and caught fire, was cordially greeted this week by his many friends when he made his first appearance on the streets since the accident. While he is still unable to get about much, he is well on the way to recovery.

PORTE TRACY VISITS. P.C. Tracy was an appreciated visitor at the Herald office Monday afternoon. Mr. Tracy is among the real pioneer citizens of this community, being well past the three score and ten mark, and having spent practically all of his life here. He entertained us with some interesting reminiscences of the early days of the county. Among others, telling about traveling seven miles on a pole car to cast his first vote in a presidential election for Grover Cleveland. While Mr. Tracy lives just across the St. Marys River on the Florida side, he is regarded as one of us Georgia "crackers", all his business transactions being centered in Folkston.

NEW SUBDIVISION BEING DEVELOPED. L.E. Mallard purchased an interest in the Saulville Subdivision adjacent to Folkston this week. It is rumored that Mr. Mallard will subdivide this and sell it to the colored people as well as assist in erecting homes on the property. The colored school building, which is now completed, is in this subdivision, the land having been donated to them by Mr. Mallard.

CABBAGE PLANTS ARRIVE. A shipment of 84,000 cabbage plants consigned to County Agent W.D. Jones was received in Folkston this week for distribution to a number of Charlton farmers who expect to grow cabbage this fall for the market. HADDOCK BABY DIED. The friends of Mr. and Mrs. Jennings Haddock will regret to learn that the infant born to them last Sunday morning died at birth. Reports are that Mrs. Haddock is getting along fine.

### October 9, 1936

COMMUNITY CENTER IN HOMELAND. A community center has been established at the Homeland city hall, which began last Monday. The work is in charge of Mrs. Cason. Mrs. Warington and Miss Anderson, under direction of Mrs. Rudolph Mills who is in charge of this feature of the PWA program in Charlton County. It is stated that a community center will be established in St. George in the near future.

WEDDING. Albert Phillips, Jr. and Mrs. Mary Burch, both of Jacksonville, were united in marriage here October 3rd, the ceremony being performed by Judge H.G. Gibson. Mrs. Burch is a former resident of Charlton County.

NELSON PARKER IS HOME. Nelson Parker, who had been serving in a CCC camp in Auburn, Ala., has returned to his home here.

HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL. The following pupils made B or A on their reports: Fourth Year: Mabel Askew, Elizabeth Passieu, Martha Grace Wilson. Third Year: Valentine Altman, Hubert Bunn, Mildred Huling, Jewell Mizell, Kathryn Raynor, Elma Thrift, Lamar Wainwright. Second Year: Beryl Barnes, Pauline Lowther, John A. Mills, Sara Kathryn Mizell, Irene Gibson.

NEW GRAMMAR SCHOOL CLASSROOMS. Work was begun Monday on construction of two new primary rooms for the Folkston Grammar School. These are being built as a WPA project under direction of B.E. Roebuck, resident engineer. When the building was erected room was left on the south end of each wing for an additional room and these are merely a part of the original plan of the building. The rooms are 34 feet square, will have vestibules, outside entrances and will contain, besides a 27x32 classroom, locker space, boys' and girls' toilets and teacher's room. Each will be connected with the main building by a door leading into the present washroom. Construction will be of a type to match the present building. Beginners can enter from the south street when these rooms are completed and will not be compelled to be with the larger pupils, only as may be desired.

JOHN HARRIS BUYS FOLKSTON PROPERTY. Supt. John Harris of the Charlton County School System has purchased the old Will Hathaway place located in West Folkston and is having the residence completely remodeled and it will be converted into an attractive modern home. Mr. Harris now resides in one of the most beautiful country homes in Charlton County near St. George.

DEAN HARDWARE IS PURCHASED BY MAYOR E.C. GOWEN. An important business change was announced this week with the sale of Dean Hardware to Mayor Gowen who plans to operate a high class hardware store carrying a complete line of hardware, building supplies and paints.

MRS. JOHN HOPKINS DIED. Many friends in this county were deeply grieved at the announcement of the death last week at her home in Waycross of Mrs. John M. Hopkins. Mr. Hopkins for several years had been employed as the superintendent of the Hebard interests in this county and he and Mrs. Hopkins made their home in Charlton County for a number of years. Besides her husband, Mrs. Hopkins is survived by a son and daughter.

THE CITIZENS BANK. Statement of condition of the Citizens Bank at close of business on September 30, 1936: Resources: \$505,210.91.

WEDDING. Miss Susie Enyedy of St. George was married last Sunday in Jacksonville to Mr. Frank Osko of Miami.

STORM AT ST. GEORGE. Lightning struck at the edge of Wilbur Johnson's house Friday, in the St. George area, going under the house and killing a chicken. Mr. Johnson was knocked from his chair in the dining room.

### October 23, 1936

FLORIDA TURNS BACK INDIGENTS. Hundreds of Negroes and indigent white people have been turned back at the state line by the Florida border patrol in the past two weeks. The streets of Folkston have been crowded daily with these indigent "tourists" who were denied entrance to the land of sunshine and flowers. They are being dumped by the hundreds on the Georgia border counties where they must be cared for temporarily until they can make arrangements to return to their homes or to enter Florida by train or some other means. Most of those who really desire to go into Florida

eventually get there anyway. Most who have been halted at the river bridge have returned to Folkston and resumed their journey south by train.

WEDDING. A marriage announcement that will be of widespread interest was that of Miss Geraldine Askew, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Askew, and Julian McCormick of Jacksonville, which occurred Sunday at St. Augustine. They will make their home in Jacksonville.

There was nothing of historical interest in the October 30th, 1936 issue.

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WEDDING. Many friends in this section will be interested in the marriage of Miss Annie Jane Vickery, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Vickery, and Mr. Fletcher Conner, well known young man of Callahan which occurred October 24th. The ceremony was performed by Judge W.E. Banks. They will make their home in Callahan. WEDDING. Of interest to a wide circle of friends was the marriage of Miss Mary Jane Littlefield to Mr. Jack Streetman, the ceremony being held at the home of the bride October 31st. They are at home to their friends in Sparta, Ga. where Mr. Streetman teaches.

REV. BENNETT INJURED. Rev. Bennett of Jacksonville could not fill his regular appointment at the St. George Baptist Church Sunday, as he had been seriously hurt when he fell through the loft of his garage fifteen feet to the floor. His daughter supplied his place both morning and evening and everyone enjoyed the services very much. WEDDING. Miss Pearl Vallenchamp of St. George was married to Thomas Beckham some weeks ago. Their friends wish for them a very happy married life.

### November 13, 1936

MISS MATTIE DENMARK DIED. Miss Mattie Denmark, 88, former resident of Folkston, passed away last Saturday at the home of her niece, Mrs. W.N. Casey at Kingsland after an extended illness. She had made her home with Mrs. Casey for the past several years. She was a former resident of Folkston, having one time with her sister, operated the Central Hotel. She was a sister of the late Mrs. A.G. Gowen, Sr. and a native of Alabama. She had a host of friends in this county. She was a devout member of the Baptist Church. The funeral was at Traders Hill Cemetery. Oxley Funeral Home, Fernandina, was in charge of arrangements.

ST. GEORGE SCHOOL DESTROYED BY FIRE. The school building at St. George was destroyed by fire Friday morning about 8:30. The fire originated in an upstairs room, used for storage and workshop, from a flue. The building was an entire loss but some of the desks and most of the books were saved. No one was hurt. About half the pupils had arrived at the school before the fire. The building was a two-story brick structure. One half was erected in 1910 and the other half in 1925. The original cost was \$20,000.00. It was insured for \$10,000. The auditorium, which was a separate building, did not burn. School was re-opened Wednesday in the auditorium, divided into four classrooms, and the Spencer residence. This gives fair temporary quarters. Plans are already underway to rebuild a modern plant, probably on the town square, which is more centrally located than the old site. Application will be made for PWA aid with

assurance already received that it will be granted.

### November 20, 1936

NEW BABY. Many friends of County Agent W.D. Jones and Mrs. Jones will be interested in the announcement of the birth of a fine baby daughter born Wednesday at the Folkston hospital. Both Mrs. Jones and the baby are reported to be doing nicely. MR. ED CLARK DIED. Friends of Mrs. Ed Clark of St. George will sympathize with her in the death of her husband. He died November 3rd and was buried in their home city, Dayton, Ohio.

FORMER STILLER A.B. VARN HAD STROKE. Friends of A.B. Varn will be sorry to learn that he had some kind of a stroke and is now able only to get around in the house a little. He was at one time the stiller for Bell and Oliver.

### November 27, 1936

CLYDE GREEN IS MAIL CARRIER ON NEW MONIAC ROUTE. A new rural mail route operating out of the Moniac post office has been established. The new route extends into Baker County, Fla., most of its distance being in that county. Clyde Green, son of county commissioner S.P. Green, has been appointed as temporary carrier on the route. WEDDING. Announcement of the marriage of Miss Hazel Gowen and Mr. C. Pearce Stapleton, popular young people of this city in Fernandina on October 18th appeared in the Savannah Morning News last Sunday, coming as a surprise to their many friends. Mr. and Mrs. Stapleton left Sunday morning for a trip of several days to points of interest in Florida. They will reside at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J.V. Gowen. SOCIAL SECURITY ACCOUNT NUMBERS. On November 21st the local post office began distribution of Form SS-5, which is the employee's application for an account number under the Social Security Act, that goes into effect January lst, 1937. It takes in all employees not working for railroads and other organizations that have their own insurance group. They must apply for account numbers and beginning January lst, two percent of each employee's salary must be paid into the Social Security Act Fund.

CREWS CHILD DIED. A little afflicted child of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Crews of Uptonville died Wednesday after a brief illness. The parents will have the sympathy of their friends in their bereavement.

CHICKENPOX IN ST. GEORGE. A few cases of chickenpox are keeping some of the children out of the St. George School this week. Little Mary Alice Norman and Inez Harris have had well-developed cases.

EXTRA DAYS OF SCHOOLING IN ST. GEORGE. The St. George School had Thanksgiving Day as a holiday but will be taught Friday and Saturday to make up for days lost when the schoolhouse burned.

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EMPLOYEES URGED TO RETURN SOCIAL SECURITY FORMS. Postmaster V.J. Pickren states that the employees in Charlton County eligible to participate in the Social Security Act are rather slow in returning the forms provided to make application for an

account number. It is important that employees comply with this request as it will enable them, after the age of 65 years, to be entitled to a pension ranging from \$10.00 to \$85.00 per month for the rest of their life. Turpentine laborers are entitled to participate in the act.

MRS. LUCRETIA JOHNS THRIFT DIED. News has been received in Charlton County of the death at her home near Blackshear of Mrs. J.L. Thrift who passed away November 22 following an attack of paralysis. Before her marriage she was Mrs. Lucretia Johns, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul C. Johns, both deceased of this county. Mrs. Thrift is survived by her husband and eight children, four sons and four daughters: Mrs. E.O. Parker of Blackshear, Mrs. Jimmie Todd and Mrs. Eustis Chancey of Charlton County, Mrs. Clyde Carter of Racepond; Jesse, Leslie, Gordon and Fleming Thrift, all of Blackshear; two sisters, Mrs. B.C. Crews and Mrs. Mose Crews and one aunt Mrs. Lydia Crews of Racepond. Funeral service and interment were held Monday at the Dave Hickox Cemetery near Hoboken. She was 55 years old and had many friends and relatives in Charlton County.

NEW CITY OFFICIALS ELECTED. In the city election held Tuesday V.A. Hodges was named to serve as the Mayor of Folkston for the ensuing term beginning January 1, 1937 when he will succeed Mayor E.C. Gowen. Three members of the city council were also named in the election, two of them being new members. H.J. Davis was named to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Hodges who resigned to run for mayor and Scott Johnson was elected to succeed councilman Tom Gowen whose term expires. C.J. Passieu was elected to succeed himself. O.F. Wilson was elected city clerk. The personnel of the new city government is V.A. Hodges, Mayor; C.J. Passieu, John Southwell, James H. Wrench, H.J. Davis and Scott Johnson, City Councilmen and O.F. Wilson, Clerk. HEBARD SELLS OKEFENOKEE SWAMP TO U.S. GOVERNMENT. The announcement this week that the sale of 300,000 acres of the Okefenokee Swamp to the United States government to be used in the development of a game refuge, bird sanctuary and recreational center has been completed, was received with much interest throughout this section where a movement has been underway for some time to induce the government to take over the Swamp. Federal Judge William H. Barrett last Friday signed an order authorizing the purchase at \$400,000.00, 300,000 acres of land of the Okefenokee Swamp, comprising a large part of that wonderland. The sale was made by the Hebard Land Company and was one of the largest real estate transactions ever recorded in Georgia. The deed from D.L. Hebard to the government was recorded this week by Clerk W.B. Smith in the deed records of this county. The government, under its recovery program, has already purchased 30,000 acres of land adjacent to the western edge of the Swamp which is now being developed into a game and recreational center and re-settlement project.

ST. GEORGIA SCHOOL BOND ELECTION. Official notice of an election to be held in the St. George Consolidated School District on January 4th to authorize the issuance of \$15,000.00 in bonds appears in the Herald this week. This is to be used for rebuilding the St. George school which was recently destroyed by fire. Supt. John Harris has completed arrangements for aid from the WPA in the building of the new school. It will be located on the town square, a much more convenient and centrally located site than was the old school site.

WEDDING. Announcement of the marriage last Sunday afternoon of Mr. Hamp Crews, Jr., well known citizen of the Uptonville district and Mrs. Riggins of Pierce County, will be of much interest to many friends. The ceremony was performed by Judge H.G. Gibson. Mrs. Riggins is understood to have been a former resident of Charlton County. MRS. MARTHA JONES ROBINSON DIED. Mrs. Martha Robinson, wife of the late Mr. Henry Union Robinson of the Traders Hill community, was stricken with an attack of apoplexy on November 20th and after remaining in a coma for several days some slight improvement was noticed. However, another stroke came which resulted in her death on November 31st. She had been a well loved resident of Charlton County all of her life. She lacked only four days of being 68 years old. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Dean and Barnhill at the Philadelphia church house, it being cold and rainy. She was buried in Sardis Cemetery beside her husband. She is survived by five daughters, Mrs. C.A. Bryant, Mrs. W.A. Chandler, Mrs. T.B. Bryant, Mrs. Avie Anderson and Miss Bertha Robinson; three brothers, Jim Jones, Reed Jones and Bob Jones; three sisters, Mrs. T.H. Thrift, Mrs. B.A. Chesser and Mrs. N.L. Crews. Mrs. Robinson's children, brothers and sisters were all present at the funeral.

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NEW BABY. Mr. and Mrs. J.O. Hannaford are receiving congratulations on the birth to them Saturday morning of a fine nine-pound baby daughter. The arrival of the little lady comes just in time to make the proud parents a happy Christmas Gift. Both Mrs. Hannaford and the baby daughter are reported to be doing nicely.

WEDDING. A marriage announcement that will be of much interest was that of Miss Bessie Lee Davis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Davis to Mr. W.B. Cobb of Jacksonville, which occurred Saturday, the ceremony being performed by Judge H.G. Gibson. Miss Davis has long been the popular and efficient operator for the Parker Telephone Co. following her graduation from Charlton County High School. She is a native of Folkston, being one of the city's most attractive and highly esteemed young ladies. Mr. Cobb was formerly stationed at the CCC camp here and now has a good position in Jacksonville where they will reside.

NEW CAR FOR SCHOOL SUPT. SMITH. Supt. William Smith of the St. George School, went to Jacksonville last Saturday and invested in a handsome new car. About the middle of next week he and his family will drive to West Virginia to spend Christmas with their parents.

NEW BABY. Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Jones, St. George, announce the birth of a daughter on December 12th. Mrs. Jones will be remembered as Miss Marie Norman. Mother and daughter are doing fine.

### December 25, 1936

DOUBLE WEDDING HERE SUNDAY MORNING. Of interest to their many friends is the wedding of Miss Aderine Wildes to Mr. Wade L. Reynolds and Miss Opal Howard to Mr. James A. Stanfield at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Scott Johnson on Sunday morning, December 20th in the presence of only a few friends and relatives. The ceremony was solemnized by Rev. T.G. Kilpatrick. Mr. Reynolds and Mr. Stanfield are employees of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad. Immediately following the ceremony the two couples left for Charleston, S.C. Upon their return Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds will be at home with Mr. and Mrs. Scott Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Stanfield will be at home with Mr. and Mrs.

# S.M. Howard of Racepond.

NEW BABY. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Harrison announce the birth Saturday night of a fine baby daughter who has been given the name of Shirley Yvonne. They are receiving the congratulations of their many friends upon the arrival of this precious Christmas Present. Both mother and baby are reported to be doing nicely.

COUNTY OFFICERS SWORN IN. New officers of the county and city governments will be sworn in and begin their duties on January lst. The three new members of the County Commissioners are Jack Howard from the Winokur district who succeeds N.E. Roddenberry; S.G. Gibson from the Traders Hill district succeeding Charles Altman and A.L. Thrift from the Moniac district succeeding S.P. Green. The hold-over members of the board are the present chairman, W.C. Hopkins and E.B. Stapleton, vice chairman. The only other change in the county's official family will be in the office of Ordinary, A.S. McQueen succeeding Judge H.G. Gibson. Mr. Gibson retired from office because of infirmities of age, not being a candidate for re-election.

LITTLE FRANCES MILLS DIED. Announcement of the death of little Frances Mills, about nine years old, the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar G. Mills, which occurred Wednesday afternoon in the Ware County Hospital was received with profound sorrow by many friends of this bright and attractive little girl. She was stricken with an attack of appendicitis and an operation was performed Monday. Her condition gradually grew worse and the end came to relieve her suffering late Wednesday. The funeral will probably be held Thursday afternoon.