

Colored Woman Loses Life In Fire

House Is Totally Destroyed Near Hancock Station

Fire completely destroyed the home of Boss Wrighton, a colored man, near Hancock Station Sunday morning shortly after 11 o'clock which also resulted in the death of Wrighton's daughter, Ethel Wrighton, 28.

The body of the woman was found in part of the house where her bedroom was located. The victim was a semi-invalid and was in her bed on the second floor when the fire occurred. Wrighton attempted to save his daughter, but due to the flames he was unable to reach her.

Cause of the fire is believed to have resulted by faulty wiring. The house, a two-story frame building, was owned by S. F. Small, and was totally destroyed.

Both the Edenton and Center Hill-Cross Roads Fire Departments responded to the alarm, but the fire made so much headway that nothing could be saved.

20 YEARS AGO

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Richard Rogerson had the misfortune to have \$500 in cash stolen from his home.

Due to a faulty chimney a heavy rain flooded both floors of Badham Bros. Store doing damage estimated at \$2,000.

It was announced that expansion plans were in prospect at the Shepard-Prudon Memorial Library. The plan called for utilizing all of the first floor instead of only the one room on the east side of the building.

Objection to the new Central Rocky Hook School, which was registered when the matter was voted upon, cropped up when parents of several children refused to send their children to the new school, preferring to send them to Chowan High School.

The Rev. Norman Ashley delivered a series of illustrated messages at the Rocky Hook Baptist Church.

Clerk of Court E. W. Spires announced that work would soon begin to microfilm historical and valuable documents and records in the Court House.

Word was received that William Coffield, Jr., stationed at Fort Belvoir, Va., had been transferred to the Philippine Islands.

Due to lack of water, Game Warden J. G. Perry announced the suspension of fishing in Bennett's Mill Pond.

Jennings & Scott, seed and feed dealers of Elizabeth City, opened a branch store on South Broad Street.

Miss Frances Collins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Collins, was chosen as "Miss Edenton" to represent the town at Suffolk's Peanut Festival.

Eleven Chowan Negroes were inducted into the Army and left for Fort Bragg.

One of the government's barrage balloons, apparently tore loose from Camp Davis, went on a rampage in the Rocky Hook section, tearing down John Nixon's pig pen, wash lines carried away, power lines severed and trees stripped of leaves.

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Frankly Speaking

By FRANK ROBERTS

It isn't too often that Edenton gets a chance to supply the rest of the country with a major news item. I'll never forget the first one. It was about six or so years ago when the trestle over the Albemarle Sound collapsed, taking a few freight cars with it. I'll never forget that, because it happened on my very first day with WCDJ, and what a first day it was. Mr. Schuman and I boated way out to the bridge to tape record an interview with the gentleman in charge there only to realize, after fighting rough water all the way, and climbing onto the precarious trestle, dragging a heavy tape machine with us, that there was no electricity in the little office there, so the interview was done with the medium of a chewed off pencil and scraps of paper. However, we did get a story together, and an AP award for it. Last week, of course, the story of the escaped convict made the state news headlines, and once again, we supplied the country with complete details from the time of the break to the recapture. Physically, this story wasn't as wearing on the nerves, although it did cut into a lot of sleep that particular Friday night. My personal thanks to Patrolman Rawls who was of considerable help. Also thanks to Patrolman Dickens who works out of Bertie County. Our interview with him was extremely valuable, as he was the one who had stopped and captured Roundy. Our thanks also to the law officers in both Perquimans and Chowan Counties, to Seabrook for their stolen car information. As soon as the news of the capture came through, many citizens felt a lot better and were able to unlock a few car doors and windows. Incidentally, the only discrepancy in the story came from the service station where Roundy paused for a Pepsi. The press report had it that he had a Pepsi and cookies. I was told it was Pepsi and bologna. No baloney about one thing, and that is, the outstanding work done by the law in our area. Their cooperation, the hours they put in, and their concern for everyone's safety, should make us all feel a lot more comfortable.

Closing Thought: Justice is truth in action.

OUR DARLING

About this time one year ago God called for you, you had to go. Our love for you is just as dear as when we met you then, so close and near.

To part from you did cause us pain. But one day we shall see you again.

In Heaven we'll clasp you to our heart—
There never again we'll have to part.

There may be times when smiles appear. When we cannot speak without a tear—
Not that we do not submit to God's Holy will; But there's an emptiness in our arms we cannot fill.

While you've made a bud in a Heavenly Bouquet, Blossoms are being prepared to join you some day.

Sleep! Precious Darling, God knows the best. We'll never forget you while you're at rest.

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