

**Arkansas Swept  
By Forest Fires**

Little Rock, Nov. 24.—Fanned by a brisk wind, forest fires are raging in every section of Arkansas. Several large tracts of timber have already been destroyed and innumerable telephone and telegraph poles burned. With vegetation dry as tinder the situation is regarded as serious.

On all railroads men are patrolling the tracks and beating back the fires.

Between Little Rock and Hot Springs, a distance of sixty miles, fifteen fires are reported.

Of more than a score of widely separated towns from which dispatches were received, Fayetteville in northwest Arkansas alone reported an absence of fires.

Hot Springs reports fires from the south creeping toward the city and hurried measures of safety being taken. In southwestern Arkansas farmers are fighting desperately to check the flames menacing their homes.

Near Camden the country home of Arch Hamilton, State Senator-elect one of the most costly residences in Central Arkansas, has been destroyed.

Mena, in southwest Arkansas near the Oklahoma line, reports that dense clouds of smoke are rolling over from Oklahoma where the fires seem to have assumed serious proportions.

A traveler arriving today from Dumas in southeastern Arkansas says fires extend along the railroad right of way practically the entire distance between that town and Little Rock more than 100 miles.

**Hendersonville Lady  
Sustains Fatal Burns.**

Hendersonville, Nov. 24. The dead body of Mrs. L. E. Freeman, who has been conducting the Summer home boarding house in this city for several years, was found Sunday morning by her nephew, Leonard M. Hesterly, lying in a fireplace in her bedroom, the body burned to a crisp. Shortly before the body was discovered, the deceased had finished breakfast and gone to her room.

It is not known whether Mrs. Freeman fainted and fell in the fire or dropped suddenly dead from her chair but no outcry was made.



**MRS. SUSAN HICKS.**

Mrs. Susan Hicks, an aged and respected lady and a former resident of this county, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Thenia Southern, in Winston-Salem, Saturday night, and the remains were brought to Clear Spring Church graveyard, near Danbury, and interred Monday afternoon. The deceased was eighty-two years of age and is survived by one son and one daughter, namely: Mr. Joel A. Hicks, of Walnut Cove, and Mrs. Thenia Southern, of Winston-Salem. Mrs. Hick's husband was a Confederate veteran. He preceded her to the grave by a number of years.

**CATHERINE E. PRIDDY.**

Catherine E. Priddy was born August 9th, 1833, and died Nov. 10, 1914, making her stay on earth 81 years, 3 months and 1 day. She was married to William L. Priddy and leaves one son and one daughter, Mr. W. F. Priddy and Mrs. J. W. Throckmorton and a husband and sixteen grand children besides a host of friends and relatives to mourn her loss. Many years ago she joined the Primitive Baptist church at Snow Creek, being baptised by Elder E. M. Barnard. She was a constant member as long as she could go. The disease that killed her was pneumonia and her soul was wafted away. It was sad to have to give her up but I feel sure our loss though great is her eternal gain. She was a good woman and all who knew her loved her. It was a heart rending thing to have to part with one who was so kind. She was sick only eight days when the summons came that called her home. She was conscious I believe unto the minute she died. This is the first letter of this kind I have ever tried to write but I feel it my duty to do this to show respect for her who has gone before, and friends, may we all be prepared to meet her on that happy shore where sorrow, weeping and parting will be no more.

A precious one from us is gone. A voice we loved is still. A place is vacant in our home Which never can be filled.

ONE WHO LOVED HER.

**WILLIAM H. SHELTON.**

Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord for hence forth, sayeth the spirit, they do rest from their labors and their works do follow them. Bro. William Henry Shelton died in the Lord and his works do follow him. On Sunday, Oct. 1, 1914, God in his infinite wisdom permitted affliction to take from earth the spirit of bro. William Henry Shelton to portals on high. He was sick about a year with Brights disease. He bore his afflictions without complaining and kept his sufferings mostly to himself. He was born in Stokes county July 19, 1846. His age was about 64 years. He was married to Mazariah Martin when he was a young man. To this union was born three children, one son and two daughters. His girls both preceded him to the spirit land several years ago. His wife died about fifteen months ago, leaving him alone. He broke up house keeping and lived with his son-in-law, Mr. David Hawkins. He was a Confederate soldier and served in the civil war over a year. Bro. Shelton was a quiet and peaceable, child-like man. He never possessed much of this world's goods but always seemed to be contented with such things as he had. He was a faithful member of the Oak Ridge Baptist church. He joined the church 24 years ago and was loyal to his church and often asked the brethren to pray for him. He is survived by a son and two brothers and several grand children to mourn

his death. His burial services were conducted by S. H. Steele at the Hawkins grave yard Nov. 2, where he was laid to rest by his companions. May the richest blessings of heaven rest upon and the holy comforter be with the bereaved family, relatives and friends.

He will sleep but not forever. In the lone and silent grave, Blessed be the Lord that taketh, Blessed be the Lord that gave.

In that bright eternal city, Death can never, never come, In his own good time he'll call him, From his rest to home, sweet home.

JOE H. MARTIN,  
S. H. STEELE,  
Committee for Oak Ridge Church.

**DON'T FORGET.**

Beginning December 1, 1914, the cash-in-advance plan will be adopted by the DANBURY REPORTER, and all unpaid subscriptions will be dropped from the list.

This is the policy adopted by a majority of the progressive newspapers of the United States. Our friends will oblige us by helping us carry out the policy. It is best for the paper and best for the subscriber. The expense and labor of collecting small amounts is the reason we take this procedure. Many of our subscribers who have for many years made it a habit to pay up once a year, will confer a favor by not forgetting that this rule will apply to all, and no exceptions will be made in the case of any person.

Address :  
DANBURY REPORTER,  
Danbury, N. C.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this Nov. 7th, 1914.

W. W. CHRISTIAN, Notary Public.

**STATEMENT OF THE BANK OF MOUNT AIRY, Mt. Airy, N. C.**  
As Rendered the North Carolina Corporation Commission Oct. 31st, 1914.

LIABILITIES.	
Capital,	\$50,000.00
Surplus,	27,500.00
Undivided profits,	8,237.42
Notes and bills re-discounted,	39,400.00
Bills Payable,	20,000.00
Deposits,	299,580.00
Deposited by banks and bankers,	37,460.27
<b>Total,</b>	<b>\$482,177.69</b>

RESOURCES.	
Loans and Discounts,	\$434,821.40
Overdrafts,	792.32
North Carolina State Bonds,	1,000.00
Banking House, Furniture & Fixtures,	8,195.66
Cash in vault and deposited in other banks,	37,368.31
<b>Total,</b>	<b>\$482,177.69</b>

I, F. P. Sparger, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. F. P. SPARGER, Cashier.

**Directors :** G. C. Welch, J. A. Hadley, S. G. Pace, Z. T. Smith, A. G. Bowman, C. B. Keesee, H. L. Stone, T. B. McCargo, I. W. Barber, R. L. Wolfe, S. P. Graves, A. E. Smith, Dr. W. S. Taylor, E. H. Kochtitzky, T. J. Smithwick, Dr. T. B. Ashby, W. G. Snyder, H. N. Gates, F. M. Pore, W. J. Byerly, R. S. Scott, C. F. Mitchell.

**This Bank is a Depository of the United States Government for Postal Savings Funds.**  
P. S.--Remember we pay 4 per cent. on Savings Accounts and compound the interest every three months.

**YOUR ADVANTAGE**

**TO TOBACCO GROWERS:**—There is every indication that the leaf market will have heavy breaks for some time now, and it is to your advantage to avail yourself of the opportunities offered at **GORRELL'S and FARMERS' WAREHOUSES.** It matters not how heavy the breaks may be, we will be able to take care of you and your tobacco in first-class shape, as we have two warehouses and a first sale every day in the week, thus being able to give your tobacco an early sale and let you get back home. To have to wait about the warehouse for several days means an added expense to you.

And just a word to those who intend to ship their tobacco by rail. We will give this tobacco prompt attention--will sell it as soon we can get it from the station--and will not allow it to be held over from day to day. We promise you that we will give this tobacco our personal attention, every pile of it, and try as hard to get you every cent there is in it just the same as if you were on the market with it. Our tierces will be found at all the railroad stations. Be sure and get one and ship us that next tierce.

Winston is the logical market for your tobacco. Don't take it to some other market and run the risk of letting it go for less than its market value. Winston prices are always higher than elsewhere. There is no denying this fact, and the **GORRELL BOYS** can and will get you the top prices every time.

Come to see us. We will be ready for the breaks, no matter what size they may be. Two good auctioneers, experienced men to show up your tobacco and take every pile to the limit, unexcelled accommodations for you and your stock, first-class treatment and the highest market prices for your product await you with

**The Gorrell Boys.**

First Sale Days: **Gorrell's--Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays.**  
**Farmers'--Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays.**

**Box Party At Zebulon.**

The box party and voting contest at Zebulon school house last Saturday night was quite a success. The proceeds amounted to \$57.15. All the money will be spent for the benefit of the school.

The highest box sold was Miss Eva Eatman's which brought \$4.00.

The young lady who received the highest vote in the voting contest was Miss Ella Rhodes, which was 388.

The school is being taught by Mrs. Eliza Stewart.

**Card From J. Frank Dunlap.**

To the Tobacco Growers of Stokes County:

I have accepted a position with the New Warehouse at Walnut Cove and I will appreciate your trade. We have as good a market as there is anywhere and the best warehouse in the State, so bring your tobacco to the New Warehouse at Walnut Cove and we will do our very best to satisfy you.

Your friend,  
J. FRANK DUNLAP.

**LAND SALE.**

By virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of Stokes county rendered by M. T. Chilton, C. S. C., in the case entitled "Frederick Young vs Lora Byrd et al" appointing the undersigned a commissioner to make sale of the hereinafter described lands I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the court house door in the town of Danbury on Monday, the 4th day of January, 1915, the following described lands to-wit:

A certain tract of land lying and being in Stokes county, North Carolina, and more particularly described and defined as follows to-wit: Beginning at a black oak on the Germanton road in line of Dower lot, running south 4 1-2 deg. W. 38 chs. to a pine on Lewellyn's line N. 63 1-2 deg. E. 18 1-2 chs. to Ash Camp creek north 6 chs. pointers, formerly a white oak, thence east 7 3-4 chs. to a black gum, thence North 82 deg. east 9 1-2 chs. to pointers, corner lot No. 3, thence north 24 1-2 deg. west 21 1-4 chs. to a rock on the Piney Mountain road, thence north 85 1-2 deg. west 20 1-2 chs. to the beginning, containing 75.47 acres more or less, and it being lot No. 2 in the division of the lands of R. D. East, deceased. Sale subject to confirmation of the court.

This Nov. 24, 1914.  
J. D. HUMPHREYS,  
Commissioner.