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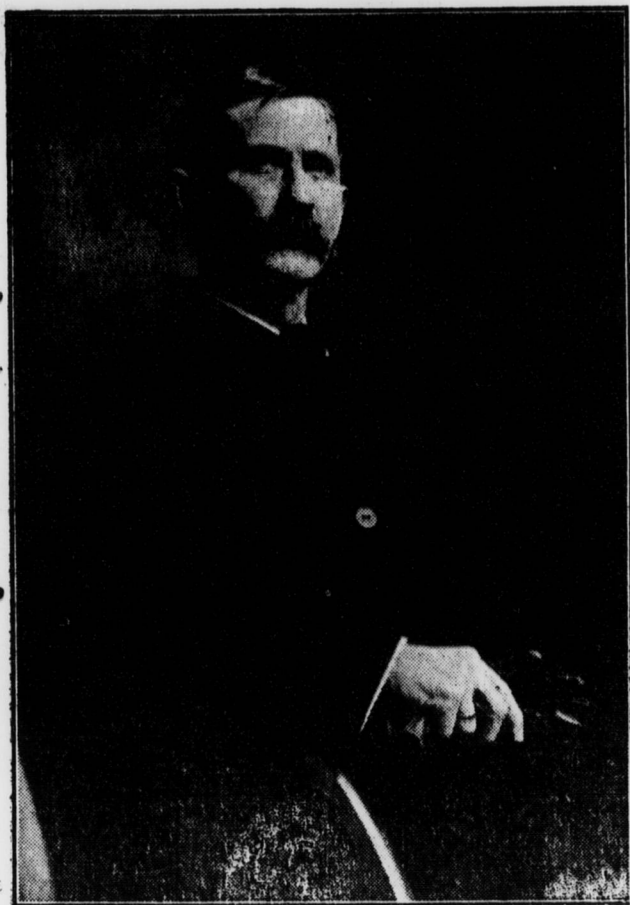
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PROMINENT CITIZEN PASSES



Sudden Death of W. M. Chisman,
Pine Hall Citizen

William McKenzie Chisman a retired farmer and head of one of Stokes county's best-known families, died suddenly Wednesday night at his home, "Pine Hall", at Pine Hall. He was 86.

Mr. Chisman was born at Hampton, Virginia, December 8, 1853, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Chisman. He was married to Miss Margaret Augusta Anderson in 1876. She died many years ago.

Surviving Mr. Chisman are three daughters, Mrs. Harry Williamson, Mr. John L. Hanes and Mrs. George A. Hanes, Sr., all of Pine Hall; 16 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Funeral at home cemetery today.

WAR

Germans are daily and nightly bombing cities and industrial plants of England, while the British are likewise bombarding German points, both doing much damage, but the great BLITZ-KRIEG has not yet begun.

The British fleet Wednesday engaged the French fleet, sinking several battleships, that otherwise would have fallen into the hands of the Germans. England still rules the waves with her mighty fleet, and this latest coup insures the continued mastery of the ocean by England.

Russia invades Rumania, taking a large portion. This is a serious blow to Germany, who expected to exploit Rumania's supplies of oil and wheat. Military experts are looking for a clash between Russia and Germany.

United States is appropriating 14 billions to build a two-ocean navy and 50,000 airplanes.

Off to the Beach

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Smith from Danbury and Mr. and Mrs. Jas. B. Joyce of Winston-Salem will leave Saturday for Myrtle Beach, S. C., for a week or ten days. They will be joined later next week by Mr. and Mrs. William McCasless and Mrs. A. G. Sisk.

Death Of James Snead Vernon

Madison—James Snead Vernon, aged 90, retired Stokes county farmer, died Tuesday morning at his home on Sandy Ridge, Route 1. He had been ill nine months.

The funeral services were held at 1 o'clock Wednesday afternoon at Buffalo Primitive Baptist Church at Sandy Ridge with Elder J. P. Via of Winston-Salem, Elder Watt Tuttle of Danbury, and Elder J. W. Braswell of Sandy Ridge, officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Mr. Vernon is survived by his wife, Mrs. HESSIE HENNIS VERNON; nine daughters, Mrs. Bob Stone of Spencer, Va.; Mrs. Morris Amos and Mrs. Minnie Shelton of Sandy Ridge; Mrs. Grover Lemmons, Mrs. Beatrice Hendricks and Miss Bettie Vernon of Bassett, Va.; Mrs. Joe Block and Miss Bertha Vernon of Sandy Ridge, Route 1; and Miss Ila Vernon of Morganton; three brothers, Bill Vernon of Critz, Va.; E. K. Vernon of Sandy Ridge; and Buck Vernon of Texas; and one sister, Mrs. Marcella French of Cordell, Okla.

M. O. Lynch Dead

Matt O. Lynch, farmer of west-end Stokes, aged 65, died this week.

(An Editorial.)

THE ABSURD FICTION OF "A FREE PRESS"—GIVE US THE TRUTH THAT MAKES MEN FREE.

The greatest American fiction is the fiction of a free press.

We excoriate and despise the "controlled press" of the totalitarian states.

Is the American press less "controlled" than the newspapers of Germany, Russia and Italy?

A divine privilege was accorded the American press by our immortal Constitution and Bill of Rights sealed by our forefathers with their blood. It was a privilege to speak unafraid and unfettered by any influence, consideration or impending threat.

Have we availed ourselves of this sacred birth-right?

WE HAVE NOT.

How many newspapers of America today are fearless to express their conscientious convictions on any issue or project which conflicts with the policy of the counting room?

How many editorial writers will dare write an uncensored or uninspired article—a free thought that might clash the wishes of those who own 51 per cent. of the newspaper's capital stock? How many newspaper proprietors will permit a criticism in their columns that might displease the big advertiser?

Are we not a group of Charley McCarthys who say what we are expected to say, only this and nothing more, and keep quiet on subjects that might adversely affect the pay-roll.

The Good Book says we "shall know the truth and the truth will make us free." From its inspired sentences we framed our immortal Bill of Rights.

Is America unfree today because we have not TOLD THE TRUTH?

How much error, incompetence and graft do we unconsciously permit, or how much truth and justice submerge because we do not turn on the light—the TRUTH THAT MAKES US FREE.

No person, firm, corporation, dictator, political system, dynasty or principality, tainted with iniquity, can live in the light of truth.

Would the people of France be enslaved if they had known the truth—that their army was unprepared and honeycombed with incompetence and dishonor, so that on a rude awakening which came too late, 15 generals were torn from their places of trust?

Would the people of Belgium be vassals of Germany if they had known Leopold was receiving overtures from Hitler that tempted him to surrender?

Why did Norway lay down its guns without a fight? Was it because its leaders, when the foe invaded their country, had kept the people from knowing the truth?

Would the English face so deadly a peril if their people had been apprised that many of the rich Britons, including Chamberlain, were stockholders in Hun warplane factories, and sharers of Hun profits in munition plants?

Would the American people remain quiet if they were informed that hundreds of thousands of barrels of American gasoline are being shipped daily to Japan to form a vast reserve later probably to be used against America when the gigantic supplies of scrap iron, bought here, are manufactured into tanks and guns?

Would America—the "land of the free and the home of the brave"—occupy so tragic a position of INDEFENSE now, if the newspapers had been free—free of business entanglements or political prejudice—

Free to sound the tocsin of DANGER, and to

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J. F. BROWN TALKS ON LIME

THE CLARIFICATION OF CERTAIN POINTS RELATIVE TO THE PURCHASE OF THIS VALUABLE COMMODITY.

To the Farmers:

The Agricultural Adjustment Administration of the United States Department of Agriculture in making ground agricultural limestone available to farmers through the Grant of Aid provisions of the Agricultural Conservation Program, contracts this lime from several large companies. All of the grant of aid lime purchased in Stokes county has been contracted from the Bertha Mineral Company of Austinville, Va., due to the reason that it is more accessible to Stokes county from the standpoint of transportation cost. In making these contracts for the different counties throughout the state, the Agricultural Adjustment Administration takes into consideration the price per ton charged by the company and the cost of transportation. Freight and hauling charges are the most important items to be considered in the purchase of lime, if the quality otherwise is satisfactory.

Several questions have arisen among some farmers as to the relative merits of lime produced by the different companies. At present, the AAA is purchasing lime from practically all the companies in, or near North Carolina, which produce high grade lime. Among these are the American Limestone Company (makers of Mascot), Knoxville, Tennessee; Bertha Mineral Company, Austinville, Virginia; Liberty Limestone Corporation, Rocky Point, Virginia. The value of lime is determined by the percent of calcium and magnesium carbonate contained in it as these are the elements that neutralize soil acidity and are desirable for plant growth. Car and truck shipments of lime from each of the companies are sampled from time to time and the analysis made public. For the information of farmers the most recent average analysis made by several of the leading companies are listed below:

CALCIUM CARBONATE
American Limestone Co., 51.73; Bertha Mineral Co., 50.15; Liberty Limestone Corporation, 53.86.

MAGNESIUM CARBONATE
American Limestone Co., 36.98; Bertha Mineral Co., 40.72; Liberty Limestone Corp., 43.89.

Average total calcium carbonate and magnesium carbonate:
Amer. Lime Co., 88.71.
Bertha Mineral Co., 90.87.
Liberty Lime Corp., 97.75.

From this information it can be seen that lime produced by the various companies vary little and that the total calcium and magnesium carbonate of the lime secured from Austinville compares favorably with that

EDWARDS-HENDRIX REUNION JULY 7

POE GORDY IS RECOVERING—STORK LEAVES TWO BABIES—OTHER KING NEWS.

King, July 7. — The Edwards and Hendrix reunion will be held at the home of S. T. Edwards on King, Route 2 Sunday, July 7th. All relatives and friends are invited to attend with well filled baskets. There will be singing by several good quartettes.

Little Mary Anderson and Elizabeth Booe have returned from a week's stay with their grandfathers, J. F. Moore and R. L. Booe, at Mocksville. They were accompanied on the trip by Miss Thelma Fulk.

Billy Edwards of Winston-Salem is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Edwards on School street.

Poe Gordy, who suffered a stroke of paralysis about two weeks since, is slowly recovering.

Miss Virginia Hauser of Bethania Station has returned to her home after visiting relatives here.

Paul Owen of High Point, formerly of King, was here last week shaking hands with old friends and acquaintances.

The stork was only molested twice from his rest last week. These occasions were: to Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Shelton, a son, and to Mr. and Mrs. Austin Bennett, a son.

Bill Boles got his orders for Monroe, Va. Thursday and left on old 97 to visit relatives and friends in the Virginia town.

Misses Virginia, Lee and Mr. Charles Gravitt of Miami, Fla., are spending some time with relatives here and at Raleigh.

A. S. Francis and family have returned from a vacation trip to Carolina Beach.

The following patients underwent tonsil removal operations in the Stone-Helsabeck Clinic last week: Mrs. Thomas Scott of Rural Hall and Edward Cromer of Germanton.

There is some improvement in the condition of Seaton Tuttle, who has been quite sick at his home on Ohio street.

Robah Spainhower of Buies Creek and Colly Wilson of Angier are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Norman Newsom of east Main street.

produced by other companies. The quality of ground limestone is also determined by the degree of fineness of the material or screen analysis.

Before grant of aid lime is purchased from any company the material must pass a specified screen analysis. The lime being purchased for Stokes county is fine enough for 96.2 percent. of the material to pass through a 45-mesh screen. This is well above the requirements for high quality lime.

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