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## TORNADO SWEEPS OVER MIDDLE WEST, LEAVING DEATH AND DESTRUCTION IN ITS WAKE; 3,000 KILLED AND INJURED

350 REPORTED KILLED AND 650 INJURED IN WEST FRANKFORD, ILL.; MANY SMALL TOWNS VIRTUALLY WIPE OUT THE MAP.

On Wednesday, March 18, a tornado which seemed to make up in Mississippi, sweep northeast across the Mississippi river, crossing the eastern end of Illinois and spending itself in Indiana, but doing some damage in Kentucky and Tennessee.

The tornado seemed to bounce, literally wiping up the earth wherever it struck. Entire towns and villages were laid to waste.

The latest reports coming from the storm-swept area placed the dead as high as 907 persons, with 2,000 injured and many rural sections and small villages not heard from on account of destruction of wires and blocked highways.

In the small town of West Frankfort, Ill., 360 persons were reported killed and 650 injured, which was the largest number of casualties reported from any place in the path of the storm. Other small places fared worse in proportion, however.

More complete reports coming in Thursday lowered the number of deaths from the first estimate, and while the number may be found much larger after a complete search is made and all deaths and injuries reported, so far there are known to be dead in Illinois, 558; injured, 1,315; in Kentucky, 15 dead and 27 injured; Missouri, 19 dead and 172 injured; Tennessee, 30 dead and 50 injured; Indiana, 88 dead and 400 injured; a total of 709 dead and 1,964 injured.

In several towns fires broke out and burned many bodies, some of whom were only injured.

Survivors tell pathetic stories of one schoolhouse which was destroyed, filled with children. Their little bodies were gathered together in great piles; many were not claimed, as parents, too, had been killed at home.

Trainsloads of nurses and doctors were hurried from Chicago, St. Louis, and other cities; also food and medicines for the care of the injured. The governor of Illinois called out the State troops to assist in the work of restoration.

## Oak City News And Personals

Mr. F. C. Wilson, Miss Emma Daniel, and Miss Sybil Ross motored to Greenville last Sunday.

Miss Mary Harrison, Miss Williams, and Messrs. Daniels and Harrison were visitors in Oak City Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Durward Smith, from Farmville, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Heber Smith last week end.

Mr. Lee Cheson and family were guests of Mr. L. T. Chesson last Sunday.

Miss Gladys Peace, music teacher in the Oak City High School, spent last week end with her mother in Raleigh.

The fourth and fifth grades will have their commencement exercises Friday night in the school auditorium at 8 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to share in the enjoyment of these exercises. We extend a special welcome to the friends and patrons.

The last lyceum number will be given Tuesday night, March 24, at 8 o'clock in the auditorium. This last number comes recommended as one of the best in the course. The evening's entertainment will be furnished by the Chicago Entertainers. If you like music and good readings you will want to plan to hear these clever people. Admission for those who do not have season tickets will be 50c for adults, and 30c for children. You can not afford to miss such a treat.

## LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL BOYS DEFEAT AYDEN 23 TO 8

The local high-school boys defeated the Ayden High School team here last night with a big majority to their credit. The final score was 23-8. Our boys' high-school team has been getting better and better ever since Christmas, and we predict that it will make a fine team for the next school year.

The game was witnessed by a fair-sized crowd last night, and was thoroughly enjoyed.

## Baptist Church

R. L. Shirley, Pastor  
Sunday school 9.45.  
Morning worship 11.  
B. Y. P. U. meeting 6.45.  
Evening service 7.45.

Pastor will preach at the morning hour. The evening service will be conducted by Mrs. N. Buckner, of Asheville. Mrs. Buckner is known to our people and it is expected that she shall have a fine hearing.

Sunday, March 29, will be observed as missionary and home-coming day in our church. The young people will have charge of the service.

A cordial always to everybody to all our services.

## Mill Branch Bridge Is Moved to Battleboro

Mr. Jay Jones, of the State Highway Commission, was here today. He carried the old Mill Branch bridge to Battleboro on a truck. It will be used there for temporary purposes.

One of the loveliest members of the cast of "Come out of the kitchen" asks "Is I a cook, or is I not?" Come out next Thursday night and see if she is a cook.—Adv.

## LARGE CONCERN TO LOCATE HERE

Roanoke Supply Co., Manufacturers and Dealers in Lumber, Will Begin Operations Soon

The Roanoke Supply Co., with Mr. W. H. Smith, of Nashville, president, Mr. C. E. Preddy, of Rocky Mount, vice president and general manager, and G. M. Preddy, also of Rocky Mount, secretary and treasurer, will begin operation in Williamston in a very short time, probably a week or 10 days. It will manufacture and deal in building material of all kinds, rough and dressed lumber, sash, doors, blinds, cement plaster, brick, shingles, roofing, screen wire and wire fencing, mantels, stair work, piping and tile are among the things that it will manufacture and handle. The J. G. Staton lumber mill has been leased and is rapidly being enlarged and made ready for the machinery.

Mr. Quick, a former resident of Rocky Mount, who is plant manager for the new concern, informed us this morning that the machinery came today, and installation will begin immediately.

Mr. Smith, who is one of the leading contractors of eastern Carolina, will arrive shortly, and he will begin work on homes that the firm will build. He will also do general contracting work.

The Messrs. Preddy are highly recommended lumber men, and have been associated with concerns that manufactured building materials in Rocky Mount for years. Mr. G. M. Preddy will arrive Tuesday with his family to make his home here. They will be at home in the Tar Heel Apartments.

The installation of this mill here will mean a great deal to Williamston and Martin County. Yearly great sums have been sent out of our county because we have not had a manufacturer or dealer that could take care of our needs. The Roanoke Supply Co.'s slogan is "Call on us for what you want, and we will get it," and the reputation of its members assures the people of Martin and adjoining counties that they will be given first-class service of this kind in the near future.

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## Morrison Has Become a Farm Enthusiast

Raleigh, March 19.—Cameron Morrison, of Charlotte, the only surviving ex-Governor of North Carolina, has become a farm enthusiast. In Raleigh this week he declined to discuss politics in any form and declared that he was highly interested in farming. He had just "set" a hen under which he said he placed 15 eggs. "I'll tell you," he said, "in setting a hen you ought always to put an odd number of eggs under her. Don't put too many and don't put 13. About 15 is a sufficient number."

## PHILATHEA WORK

Mrs. Z. H. Rose, president of the Philatheas of North Carolina, is assisting Mrs. N. Buckner, general secretary, in some meeting this week. They will hold a meeting in Apex tonight and in Raleigh tomorrow night. Mrs. Rose will return home Sunday and will be accompanied by Mrs. Buckner, who will make an address at the Baptist church Sunday night.

## UNABLE TO ANNOUNCE WINNERS OF CONTEST

Because the judges have been unusually busy during this week and could not go over all the papers, we were unable to announce the winners of our contest of the past month today, but we hope to be able to do so next Tuesday.

## TOWN ELECTIONS WILL BE HELD EARLY IN MAY

The town election will be held early in May in practically every town in North Carolina. In many towns politics seem to be getting warm already. Williamston is not saying anything so far, perhaps there may be many candidates before the finals.

## Pop & Purvis for delicious drinks

of all kinds and sodas, ices, and frozen pies.

## COURT TRIES FEW IMPORTANT CASES

Criminal Docket Was Cleared Up By Tuesday Noon; Number Minor Cases Disposed of

Court has continued throughout the week. The criminal docket was cleared up by Tuesday noon and the civil docket was begun Wednesday morning. The county case being put off delayed progress for a short while, but fair progress has been made since then.

A number of cases of minor importance have been settled, and a few jury trials have been held so far during this week.

Judge Sinclair will leave tomorrow morning for his home in Fayetteville, and will return Monday morning. Every indication points to a full week of court.

## WHAT AND HOW OF TUBERCULOSIS

Two Free Booklets Tell What Every One Ought to Know About the White Plague

Sanatorium, Mch. 20.—Two booklets distributed free of charge by the extension department of the North Carolina Sanatorium contain a working knowledge of tuberculosis for every person in North Carolina.

"What you should know about tuberculosis" tells why people are afraid of tuberculosis, what it is, how and when people take it. How you and your family can keep from getting it. How you can find it out soon enough to cure it if you catch the disease.

Answers "If I have contracted the disease, can I get well, and how?" Tells how to keep from spreading the disease to other members of your family, and how you must live after you are apparently well again in order to remain well. What work you may do and how soon you may return to work after the disease has been thoroughly arrested. It closes with an important appendix on how to prevent tuberculosis in your community.

A special bulletin, "Tuberculosis, its symptoms, cure, and prevention," tells what those who have it and those who live with it should do about tuberculosis in a few short, simple directions.

## Red Cross Ready to Aid Tornado Victims

The American Red Cross, upon receipt of a message telling of the tornado which swept over Illinois and Indiana Wednesday, immediately began mobilizing its disaster-relief personnel for service in the stricken territory.

Chapters in the stricken neighborhood were authorized to expend all necessary funds.

## CHILD FATALLY HURT BY LUMBERTON CAR

Lumberton, Mch. 18.—Margaret, the five-and-one-half-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Sam Edwards, was almost instantly killed this morning in front of the home of her parents, about three miles north of here, when she ran from behind a wagon directly in front of an approaching automobile.

Neither the unfortunate child nor Sandy McLeod, of Lumberton, owner and driver of the car, saw the other until too late. An eye witness on the wagon stated the accident was entirely unavoidable.

The child died while Mr. McLeod was bringing it to the Baker Sanatorium here.

## Lesiger-Aishiskin

Mr. and Mrs. N. Orleans announce the betrothal of their niece, Ida Orleans Lesiger, of Buffalo, N. Y., to Mr. Joseph Aishiskin, of Detroit, Mich.

The above announcement will be read with interest by Williamston people. Miss Lesiger resided here several years ago, and was a greatly admired young lady.

## Mrs. N. Buckner to be Here Sunday

Mrs. N. Buckner, general secretary of the Philatheas of North Carolina, of Asheville, will be in this city Sunday evening. She will speak at the Baptist church Sunday evening at 7.30 o'clock.

Mrs. Buckner has visited Williamston before and always receives a warm welcome from our people. She is a charming woman, and an exceedingly attractive speaker. The Philatheas of all denominations are especially urged to hear her.

## Choral Contest Entries Should be Made Early

All in Groups I, II, and III that are to participate in the choral contest, county commencement, will please notify me by March 28. This will be of much benefit to the committee.

D. W. ARNOLD, Chairman of Committee.

"Come out of the kitchen" at the Strand Theatre next Thursday night, March 26th. Seats will be on sale Monday.—Adv.

We carry a high-grade line of fruits. Visit our store to get your fruit for the week end.

## Rev. L. B. Hayman To Be Here Tonight

Rev. L. B. Hayman, of the Methodist church of Washington, will preach to the federations at the Methodist church tonight at 8 o'clock.

Rev. Hayman is a strong preacher and a good service is promised all those who will come out.

## BIG DAY FOR DRY OFFICERS

Capture Three Still, One Man, and Seize Many Gallons of Liquor Wednesday

Federal Prohibition Agents Tom Snell, J. B. White, and Alexander, with J. Raleigh Manning, deputy sheriff, captured three stills, one man, 40 gallons of liquor, and 500 gallons of beer Wednesday in Bear Grass Township.

Two of the officers were following a path which indicated moonshine ahead when suddenly they came upon a large still and three men; the men immediately took to the tall timbers. Manning, however, showed some first-class speed and overtook his man after he had covered about 125 yards.

The man proved to be Mr. Herbert Williams, of Beaufort County. The other two men who were at the still made their getaway. They were negroes and were eating breakfast when the officers arrived.

Williams had doubtless taken the negroes' breakfast to them, and was perhaps going to take the liquor back to Beaufort County with him.

He claimed, however, that he had just reached the still, where he had gone to get a gallon of liquor. Williams was taken by U. S. Commissioner W. C. Manning and bound over to the Federal court at Washington in April.

## Gas Reduced One Cent By Standard Oil Co.

New York, Mch. 19.—The Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey, reduced gasoline 1 cent, today, making the tank-wagon price in North Carolina and Virginia 19 cents.

## Strolling Musician Makes Good Here

Pablo Weiner, a roving musician who was traveling on boat from Florida to Nashville was given a ride from Sanford to Williamston by Rev. C. O. Pardo. While here Mr. Weiner gave several concerts, his talent both at the piano and violin delighting his many hearers. He is returning to his native land, Chile, and will take a ship at Norfolk. He was accompanied to Asheville by Mrs. W. B. Watts, Miss Lucille Hassell, and Messrs. Harry Biggs and C. B. Hassell.

## J. W. Lollis to Preach at Bear Grass Sunday

Mr. J. W. Lollis will preach at Bear Grass March 22, 1925, at the old Williams store. Services will be held in the afternoon. The public is cordially invited.

## SCIENTIST BRINGS NEW HOPE FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS

Chicago, Mch. 18.—One of the professors of Northwestern University says that future man will have a big brain. Who would have thought it? The strongest line of circumstance to prove this statement is the time limit given for the forecasted development. He fixes the date 2,000,000 years hence.

## TEAPOT DOME AGAIN BEFORE THE PUBLIC

The case against Harry F. Sinclair is now being tried in Wyoming. If the court annuls the lease made to Sinclair by Secretary Fall, it means the saving of many millions of dollars, and the certainty of a storehouse of reserve oil for our Navy.

## Christian Church

A. J. Manning, Pastor  
Sunday school, 9.45 a. m.—W. C. Manning, superintendent.  
Morning service, 11 a. m.  
Evening service, 7.30 p. m.

## TACKY PARTY GIVEN BY EPWORTH LEAGUE

The Epworth League had a tacky party at the Masonic Hall last night which was enjoyed very heartily by all those attending. Many invited guests enjoyed the hospitality of the leaguers. Miss Marguerite Cook and Mr. Ben Andrews were adjudged the "luckiest" couple and Miss Cook was presented with an onion, while Mr. Andrews received a bottle of milk all ready for "use." The winners were picked by the judges while the participants put on a fashion show.

Games were played, and a happy evening was spent when sandwiches, pickles, and cakes and fruit were served.

## ONE DAIRYMAN OF BEAUFORT COUNTY FOUND THAT HE COULD SAVE \$55 PER MONTH ON HIS FEEDING BILL BY BUYING SOME OF THE INGREDIENTS AND MIXING THE FEED AT HOME.

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## WILL TRY BIG CASE MONDAY

Case of County Against Directors of Peoples Bank Was Postponed Wednesday

The County vs. Directors of the Peoples Bank, the case that was set for Wednesday of this week, was postponed on account of the illness of Judge Bragaw, one of the attorneys in the case. It will begin next Monday.

Through an error the case was printed in Tuesday's paper as County vs. J. G. Staton, when it should have read vs. J. G. Staton et als., and the others are other directors of the Peoples Bank when the deal was made. They are as follows:

J. L. Holliday, W. W. Griffin, A. Anderson, A. B. Ayers, J. L. Wynne, W. C. Manning, J. J. Manning, M. P. Taylor, J. C. Gurkin, J. D. Bgwen, S. C. Griffin.

Fifty men have been summoned to appear Monday and from them a jury will be selected. Leading attorneys of eastern Carolina will appear in the case.

## Evangelistic Services at Episcopal Church

The Rev. Bertram E. Brown, of Tarboro, will begin a week of evangelistic services at the Episcopal church in Williamston on Sunday, March 29.

Mr. Brown is a preacher of real ability and always has a successful meeting wherever he goes. He has traveled widely and been abroad several times. Mr. Brown is recognized as one of the strong preachers in the Episcopal church in North Carolina.

During the week of services special music will be rendered by the two choirs of the church. It is hoped that many of the people of the town and community will avail themselves of hearing Mr. Brown.

## Building and Loan Everybodys Friend

The legislature acted wisely in declining to increase tax on investment or shares in building and loan associations—now 10 cents per share. It was proposed to make it 50 cents per share, then 30 cents per share, both of which were defeated practically unanimously.

A large majority of the States impose no tax whatever on similar institutions, for the reason that their entire function is for homes. All funds are required to be loaned on first mortgages, as these associations are our greatest factor for making home owners, and for every home constructed tax values are put on the books.

It is organized for community benefit and offered by community folks, not for a few, as all shareholders share alike, strictly mutual.

It is the only institution in the State that gives the wage earner and salaried man the plan of repayment on easy weekly or monthly payments in the purchase of homes.

Assets have grown in North Carolina in five years from \$23,000,000 to \$70,000,000, with a gain last year of over \$10,000,000.

It provides a safe place for the saver, as the record for North Carolina is no failures since placed under State supervision years and years ago, the regular systematic plan is, so far, unexcelled.

It is economically run. The average expense for all associations in the State for the past four years is only 1 per cent per annum, on the basis of assets.

Value your own local association as a character builder and what they have meant to the community.

A home, the greatest developer for happier families, and an institution that will safeguard our American liberties.

## Episcopal Church

C. O. Pardo, Rector  
Sunday school, 9.45 a. m.—H. M. Stubbs, superintendent.  
Bible class for men, 10 a. m.—Clayton Moore, teacher.

There will be no church services at this church on Sunday. The rector will conduct two services in St. Martins Church, Hamilton.

"Pack up your troubles" in your own kitchen and go see some one else. "Come out of the kitchen."

The children can always get their Eskimo pies by calling at Pope & Purvis.

"Come out of the kitchen" is going to be great. Don't miss it, because you can not afford to do so.—Adv.

## EVERYONE INTERESTED IN BOYS OF THE COUNTY SHOULD ATTEND THE BOY SCOUT MEETING TUESDAY NIGHT

## CASH PRIZES FOR FARMERS' BOYS

Four-Year Scholarship at State College, Worth \$600, One of Prizes Offered

Raleigh, Mch. 20.—Many valuable cash prizes are available to crop-club members who enroll with the county agents of the State College Extension Service.

The educational bureau of the Children's Nitrate of Soda has offered a four-year scholarship in agriculture to State College, worth \$600, to the boy growing the most corn on five acres of land and using nitrate of soda as his sole source of nitrogen. This money has been sent to the extension division and is now on deposit at interest. There are few conditions. The boy must be able to pass the entrance examinations to the freshmen class at State College in 1926. He must keep a complete record of his work on the five acres and submit a written statement about it, together with at least one clear photograph. The contestant must be enrolled under the supervision of the county agent or the teacher of agriculture at the high school if there is no county agent in the county, and one of these officials must certify as to the results. J. M. Gray, assistant director, in charge of farm demonstration work, urges that farm boys get busy and try for this scholarship.

The cotton cooperative association is also offering cash prizes of \$140 to boys and girls whose parents are members of the North Carolina Cotton Growers' Cooperative Association. These prizes will be given for the most cotton grown on three acres of land at the lowest relative cost.

The Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce is renewing its offer of valuable prizes given to boys and girls for growing the most cotton under boll-weevil conditions.

Mr. Gray states that club members have the opportunity of winning some of these prizes, and he is urging farm agents to enroll at least 5,000 club members this year.

Time is passing, and one of these days these boys are going to fill the positions of the business men of Williamston. The question is, Will they be thrust into the job suddenly without preparation of all kinds, or will they be made to believe that they are partly responsible for the morals and spirit of our town now. Really, whose boys are they? If they are ours, rich or poor, trained or untrained—and they are—we are due to help them out in their scouting. If we are in doubt about the value of scouting, we are due to our boys to attend this meeting Tuesday night and find out what Scouting is. If it is good, support it; if not profitable, discredit it. If it is passable, dignify it with your attention, even though it calls from you a knock or a boost. If it is good, your knock will prove a boost. Sometimes the scout and the forgotten boy will sit in judgment on what we do for scouting. Dan Cupid is no respecter of persons, and love lights where one least suspects. Which would we prefer love had plighted? Your daughter and a scout, or your daughter and the forgotten boy? As safety insurance it looks like money spent to help make scouts is a necessity. But as parents we know our boys have energy and are going to expend it in some way; therefore, we should attend the scout meeting on Tuesday night and try personally to assist in guiding those energies, which, left to themselves, so often result disastrously. If you are a lover of boys, don't wait for an invitation; come to the school building Tuesday night, March 24, at 7.45 o'clock.

## MACEDONIA NEWS AND PERSONALS

Mr. Dave Griffin was the guest of Miss Elsie Greene Sunday night. Miss Lucy Smithwick, of Jamesville, is spending this week with her friends around Macedonia.

Misses Nellie Fisher, Sadie Mae Hadley, and Mr. George Peele went to Williamston Saturday afternoon.

Miss Sadie Perry and Evans Perry were in town Saturday afternoon.

Miss Sadie Mae Hadley visited Miss Nellie Fisher Saturday night.

Misses Maude Hadley spent the week end with Julia Harrison, of Pactolus, N. C.

Mr. Julius Jackson and Miss Sadie Mae Hadley attended services in Pactolus Sunday afternoon.

We had visitors at Sunday school Sunday morning. Mr. J. E. Harrell and Mrs. Z. H. Rose, of Williamston were present in the interest of Baraca Philatheas work.

Sunday school is improving a little since the weather has improved. But there are lots of older people around here who are not attending. If they would come and teach the word of God they would enjoy themselves and it would make the Sunday school larger and better.

For delicious ice cream and homemade cakes visit Pope & Purvis.—Adv.

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## THE STRAND SATURDAY

This Advertisement is good for 10c

On price of ticket if presented to the ticket window Saturday night, March 21.

20c and 40c without this ad 10c and 30c with this ad

Clip This Out and Save a Dime

No Matinee on Saturday Afternoon