

\$1,200 Won by Martin Man's Hogs at 7 Fairs

David Roberson Averaging Almost \$250 Week in Premiums

Mr. David F. Roberson spent a few hours in town Thursday, running down from the Tarboro Fair long enough to deposit his premium money in the local bank.

Mr. Roberson started the fair season by coming to the Roanoke Fair with his herds of Chester Whites and Duroc-Jersey hogs, and won \$160 in premiums.

Leaving Williamston the next week he carried his white hogs to Richmond where he entered them in the Virginia State Fair. He was in competition with famous herds from both Ohio and Michigan, and won a third of the premium money there. His red hogs brought \$101 in premiums from the Kinston Fair the same week.

The next week he attended the Greenville Fair and won \$246 in premiums. Following that he split his herd, going to the Wilson and Fayetteville fairs, getting premiums that week to the amount of \$327. This week he is attending the Coastal Plain Fair at Tarboro, where his premiums went up to \$277.00. This does not count the \$10 he won at this fair in the hog-calling contest. He happened to amble around to where the contest was being staged in front of the grand stand Thursday afternoon and was urged by a bunch of his friends standing by to "get in." Whether they thought Dave's voice was especially adapted to the calling of swine or whether he has learned through experience the particular musical vibrations that appeal to their acute ears we don't know, but they were betting on a winner, for after three minutes' vigorous vocal exercise he brought down first honors and a new \$10 bill.

Mr. Roberson has already won premiums aggregating \$1,203; adding the prize of \$10 for being the best hog caller in the two State making his receipts aggregate \$1,213 for the five weeks he has been showing at the fairs.

He leaves Tarboro Saturday for Clinton for next week's Sampson County Fair. From there he will tour South Carolina for four weeks.

He says that so far the Roanoke Fair swine exhibit here contained more than a hundred hogs more than any other fair he has struck, including the Virginia State Fair at Richmond.

Building Committee of Woman's Club Meets

The building committee of the Woman's club, composed of Mrs. J. C. Staton, Mrs. L. B. Harrison and Mrs. A. R. Dunning, met Tuesday afternoon and completed arrangements for the remodeling of the club house. The contract for the job was given A. T. Perry, contractor, after he had submitted a bid. This will call for two dressing rooms and several changes in the present arrangement. The rooms will be fixed up with water and other conveniences and the entire house will be rewired. The painting will be done immediately after the carpenter work is completed. The walls and woodwork will be painted in harmonious colors and will make the club home one of the most attractive to be found in any town of this size in the State.

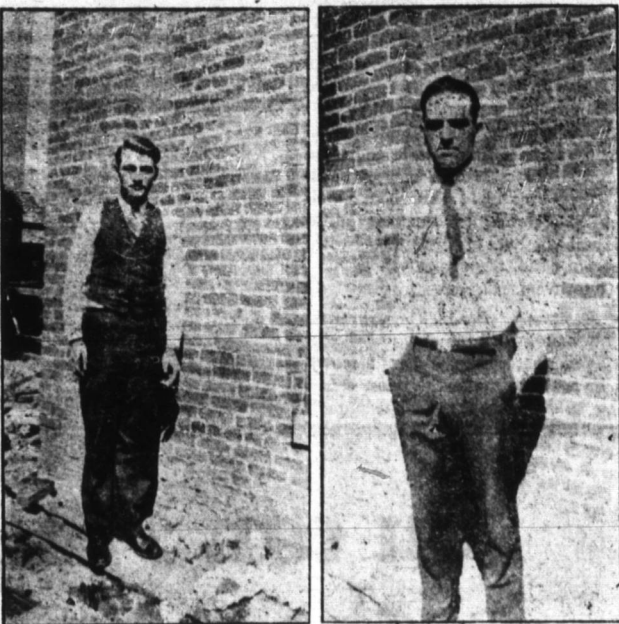
BORN to Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Davenport, Hamilton, a son, Patrick Henry, Jr., Wednesday, October 27, 1926.

STRAND THEATRE

TONIGHT (Friday)
Conway Tearle in
"THE SPORTING LOVER"

SATURDAY
Comedy
Good Western
and
"The Green Archer"

Alleged Bank Robbery Conspirators



Phillip Worthington, alias R. J. McKim, alias James Walters, of Kansas City and Percy F. Woodard, of Pamlico County, N. C. They are now in the Tarboro jail in default of \$5,000 bonds.

ALLEGED CONSPIRATORS BANK ROBBERY JAILED IN DEFAULT \$5,000 BONDS

Local Man Receives a Letter from Needleman

Mr. George H. Harrison recently received a letter from Joseph H. Needleman, who is now living in Pennsylvania. Needleman is, of course, well known in this section as his name was used more frequently than any other connected in the most sensational trial ever held in this county in May of last year.

Just where Needleman has been since the trial was not known to people here until Mr. Harrison received a letter from him a few days ago.

Statements in the letter indicate that he is still a "ladies' man."

Large Crowd Expected At Carnival Tonight

The work of the members of the Kiwanis Club in behalf of school athletics assures a large crowd at the Halloween carnival tonight. For the past few days they have been busy advertising the party tonight, and their talk points to a good time for all.

Preparations for the event have been going on all this week, teachers as well as pupils of the school giving much of their time. The proceeds will go to the high school athletic associations.

The local Kiwanis Club lends its support to all worthy undertakings, and it is with pleasure, we are sure, that its members lend aid to those in charge of the carnival.

Football Team Guests At Kiwanis Luncheon

The Kiwanis Club, at the regular luncheon on last Wednesday acted as host to the Williamston High School football team and coaches Phillips and Davis.

Mr. Phillips made a short but impressive talk, introducing the boys and thanking the Kiwanians for their hospitality and cooperation in promoting athletics in the local school.

Wheeler Martin was in charge of this particular meeting, but selected as his principal speaker R. A. Pope, who in an appropriate way discussed the present standing and possibilities of the Williamston school.

Celebrates His 65th Birthday with Party

Mr. E. Slade Peel's children gave him a delightful birthday party Sunday, October 24, it being his 65th birthday. The party really was a combination party for Mrs. Peel, as her birthday was on Tuesday, the 26th, she being 58.

The 10 children of Mr. and Mrs. Peel and all the 17 grandchildren and "in-laws" of the family were present.

Mr. and Mrs. Peel have been married 42 years; their ten children, all now living and grown, are noted for industry and honesty. Beside the pleasantness of the day in the rich food and friendship, all the members of the family carried some present, an article of usefulness or ornament, as a token of devotion for the father and mother and honoring the old home.

One of Men Escaped From the Caledonia Farm in 1923

Percy F. Woodard, Phillip Worthington, C. K. Morris, and George Grady Morris were all charged with conspiracy to rob banks in a warrant sworn out Wednesday by Sheriff Roberson before Justice of the Peace John L. Hassell. All the defendants waived examination and were placed under bond of \$5,000 each except George Grady Morris, who was required to furnish a \$2,500 bond. They were each required to face a warrant charging them with automobile thefts, the bail in the case was fixed at \$500 for each. Failing to furnish bond, all of the defendants are now in the Tarboro jail, where they will remain until the new jail is completed.

Three of the men were arrested at a local cafe Sunday night and the other taken into custody by Washington authorities Monday morning.

A Federal warrant has also been issued upon affidavits of the Department of Justice by the local United States Commissioner. These warrants charge each of the men with transporting stolen automobiles in violation of the national vehicle theft law, known as the Dyer Act. This warrant has not been served yet, and the Federal government will not demand them on its warrant until the State has exhausted its charges. The case will be heard at the December term of Martin County Superior court, with Judge H. A. Grady scheduled to preside.

One Man Is Escaped Convict

One of the defendants, C. K. Morris, alias C. K. Moore, was one of the first persons to come before Judge Grady when he was elected on the superior court bench in 1923. He was convicted of forgery in Craven County and sentenced to the State Penitentiary for a 5-year term.

He was first assigned to the western North Carolina camp and sent to Robinsdale. Morris declares the warden in charge, Captain Peebles, was so cruel that it was he that procured the assistance of Mr. Dudding, head of the National Prisoners' Relief Society, of Washington, D. C., who investigated and caused his removal to the Caledonia farm in Halifax County.

The prison authorities say that he made his escape in July, 1923, and still owes the State four and a half years on his term. The superintendent of the State penitentiary says he will not call for him until he stands trial on the charges now facing him.

Morris says for himself that he was born at Whartonville, Pamlico County, 33 years ago, that his mother died when he was one day old, since which time he has been a victim of hard luck. He claims to have been in the Army Air Service for about 22 months, and that when he came home from France he was victimized by false friends, beaten on in the penitentiary, all of which seems to have case-hardened him until he thinks he is being imposed upon.

Phillip Worthington, alias R. J. McKim, alias James Walters, is quite a different sort of man, a sport, a drinker, a poker player, a dancer and a "ladies' man"; a real gay fellow. He does not hesitate to say he is not as good as his people.

Percy F. Woodard, alias Harry Jenkins, is 26 years old, and a pretty

The Enterprise Sunday School Lesson in Brief

Oct. 31.—The Evils of Strong Drink.—Ps. 101: 1-8 & Prov. 20:19-35.

Some of the seasoned political correspondents for the national press think that there is but one outstanding issue before the two major parties as we rush on again to the time for the national election—the issue about prohibition, about whiskey or no whiskey. In one great State they have gone on record as trying to nullify the amendment to our constitution, and great hosts of people in other States would do the same thing if they could get a majority.

Politically the issue is not dead. The nation is making its "line-up" along this line, to a very considerable extent. It affects us here in Martin County because we are a part of the nation; and our voice will count as much as the voice from any other section.

I do not favor the church taking a political stand as a church. But I know that the members of our churches, who are first of all citizens of the land, should take a stand—take the stand as individuals, as citizens, and as voters. To do otherwise is to fail to function as a citizen when a great matter is pressing for enough sentiment to cause it to "stay put."

Time is past when it is necessary to argue about the evil effects of alcoholic drinks—we all admit that. But merely to convince a man that a thing is wrong, does not always win him to the other side.

We have the problem which resolves itself into two phases: Dealing with the people who already have a confirmed appetite and habit; the other class, who have neither.

There is not much hope that we shall ever be able to reform the confirmed drinker. But there is high hope that for the younger generation coming on we can so lead them that they will never form the appetite, and consequently never be confirmed topers.

The point for pressure on the part of the religious people of the country undoubtedly lies right here. We are to center upon the youth of the nation—the community.

This is the task of the home, of the public schools, and of the church. We shall never see a nation without alcohol until we first see a nation of people without appetite for it. We shall never see that nation until we grow it. The only hope is with the young. To concentrate here is the part of wisdom. And, if it is a long look, long looks are generally the only sort that in the end win out and continue to stay so.

To Organize Finance Corporation in State

Governor Angus W. McLean says a finance corporation will be organized at once in this State for the purpose of absorbing and carrying over a portion of the surplus cotton.

The South Carolina Bankers Association has set out to form a million-dollar finance corporation in that State to hold 300,000 bales of the South Carolina crop off the market for a year or two, and to organize an acreage-curtailing campaign for the next crop.

Texas bankers are organizing for the purpose of holding a million and a quarter bales.

Louisiana is also preparing to finance the holding of 300,000 bales until the middle of 1928. Several other States are also preparing to hold about one-fourth of their crop from the market. The government, through the chairman of the President's Cotton Committee, Eugene Meyer, who was president of the War Finance Corporation at one time, assures these organizations that the government will extend liberal advances on the holding scheme.

clean keen-looking fellow. He seems to have had lots of experience along the eastern side of the United States with the Coast Guard and other fleets. He married in Norfolk in 1923, lived in Philadelphia a year, went to sea two years, and dropped his wife in 1925. He claims he has only been off sea duty since October 1.

George Grady Morris is a pretty clever chap, too. His loyalty to his associates may make his case go harder in the courts. He is a half brother of C. K. Morris, both of whom claimed their names were Moore when first arrested. His father died when he was quite young and he had the advantage of a home in the Oxford Orphan Asylum until he was 16. He is fairly well educated. He did not join the other three men until Saturday before he was caught Sunday evening.

Sales Increase on Local Market; Has Passed Four Million Mark for Season

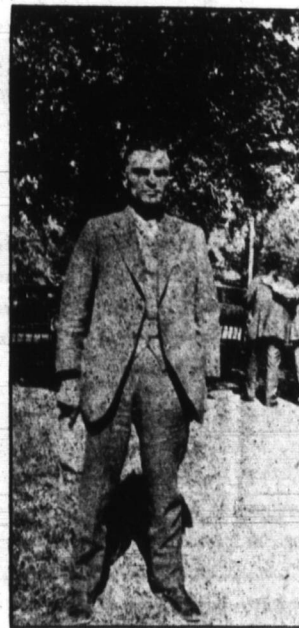
Tobacco is turning to this market, and during the past few days sales have undergone a decided increase. According to officials, tobacco in large quantities is turning from the larger markets and finding its way to the smaller ones. An increase in sales here amounting to more than 20 per cent of previous sales bears out this statement.

The number of pounds sold up until yesterday on the local floors has passed the four million mark, and the market is going strong. Approximately 152,000 pounds are on the floors here today with certain grades of the weed bringing good prices.

No official statement could be had as to the amount of the crop yet to be marketed. Those connected closely with the industry estimate the crop to be about two-thirds sold up to the present time with the majority of that unmarketed said to be of the best grades. This does not include the scrap tobacco.

The sales here this year are slightly behind those of last year same number of sale days taken as a comparison. The exact difference could not be learned this morning, but members of the tobacco board of trade stated that it isn't as much as is generally believed to be.

Held for Conspiring to Rob Local Banks



C. K. Morris, alias C. K. Moore, and Geo. Grady Morris, alias G. W. Moore, who will face trial here in December. C. K. escaped from the Caledonia farm July 1923 and is indebted to the State four and a half years.

Unable to Care for Prisoners in Plymouth

Sheriff Roberson's prisoners, Percy Frank Woodard, G. W. Moore, C. K. Moore, and James Walters were refused admittance to the Washington County jail at Plymouth last Wednesday when the sheriff carried them down for an anticipated visit. Washington County authorities stated their jail was filled to capacity, and that it would be impossible to care for more prisoners. The jail there is so constructed that only a small portion is used for the whites, and that part reserved for them is not completed. It wasn't because Washington County had a "house full," but because it had an incomplete house and visitors could not be received.

Upon their return, the boys thanked Sheriff Roberson for the "buggy ride." They further expressed themselves when they told the sheriff that after taking the ride it wouldn't be the best of manners to spend the night as his guests. Sheriff Roberson wouldn't listen, so they spent the night, any way. Yesterday they were removed from the jail here and are now visiting in Tarboro, being the guests of the jailor there.

At Tarboro they will stay, or rather it looks that way, until the next term of court here in December, for bond could not be raised.

Mr. J. A. Manning Accepts New Position

Mr. John A. Manning, who has been connected with the Gold Star Store here for the last several months, has resigned and will associate himself with Messrs. Eli Gurganus & Son, who are in the peanut business.

Mr. Manning's numerous friends regret to see him sever his relations with this company, as he has built up an enviable reputation as a groceryman and the business has experienced a remarkable growth since its opening under his management.

Mr. E. L. Ward, of Rocky Mount, will succeed Mr. Manning as manager of the Gold Star Store here. Mr. Ward was formerly with the Yellow Front Stores, of Rocky Mount, and comes to Williamston highly recommended.

Mr. W. G. Hardison of Griffins is attending to business matters in town today.

A large number from here attended a dance in Tarboro last night.

Cotton Ginning Far Short Last Year's Record

Only 1,832 Bales Ginned in This County Up to October 25

North Carolina cotton ginned to October 25 this year fell 214,117 bales shorter than for the same time last year, which is a decrease of over 30 per cent. There had been ginned in this period last year 711,268 bales, while this year only 497,151 bales have been ginned.

Only eight of the 100 counties had ginned as much this year as last, most of them being border counties, where they have produced a better crop than last year.

Martin County had ginned only 1,832 bales, against 3,593 last year.

The tobacco sections show a lower percentage ginned than the counties which do not grow tobacco.

Perhaps the cheapness of cotton has much to do with holding back ginning. Farmers find no inducement in putting it on the market and can house it cheaper before than after ginning.

Sunday Services at Episcopal Church

Rev. C. O. Pardo, Rector
Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity, October 31, 1926:

10 a. m.—Church school.
10 a. m.—Adult Bible Class.
11 a. m.—Holy Communion and sermon.

7:30 p. m.—Evening prayer and sermon.

November 1 is All Saints Day, and usually a communion service is held at 11 o'clock on that day. This year there will be no service on All Saints Day, as the clergy of the Diocese, together with the laity, are invited to attend the fiftieth anniversary of the rectorship of Dr. Robert Drane, of St. Paul's Parish, Edenton.

Those who desire to present floral offerings for All Saints Day are requested to carry out the spirit of that day on Sunday.

Rev. S. A. Cotton to Preach Here Sunday

The public is cordially invited to hear Rev. S. A. Cotton, Presiding Elder of the Weldon district, preach at the Methodist church, Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.
Preaching service 11:00 a. m. at Hamilton.

Junior Epworth League, 2:30 p. m.
Intermediate Epworth League, 3:00 p. m.

Preaching service at Williams chapel, 3:00 p. m.
Senior Epworth League, Monday at 7:30 p. m.

Prayer meeting, Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.

The Intermediate Epworth League will have its regular monthly social at the Methodist parsonage, Tuesday evening, beginning at 7:30 o'clock.

Woman's Club to Raise Funds to Fix Rooms

On November 6, the Woman's club will have a rummage sale for the benefit of the building fund. Mrs. A. R. Dunning assisted by Mrs. L. B. Harrison and Mrs. W. C. Manning will sell the articles, and anybody in town who has any old clothes they would like to donate to this work please send to Mrs. Dunning's home or notify her if you can't get them there.

To Give Musical Soon

In the near future, a musical will be given for the benefit of the club building fund. No official program has been made, but it will be announced at an early date.

Club Members Urged to Vote
Every member of the club is urged by the State headquarters to vote the next coming election day, Tuesday, November 2.

Judge Winston To Speak at Everetts

A large number of citizens will hear Judge Francis D. Winston when he delivers a real Democratic speech next Monday night in the school auditorium at Everetts. The Judge will hold his talk mainly to the issues of the Democratic party. The executive committee of this county considers it a real pleasure to be able to announce this speaker for the occasion.

A primary, election or anything in the political world without the Judge's views would be most incomplete, and it is with eagerness that the voters in and near Everetts await the date announced.