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## Prevent Fires Now

The week of October 3 to 9, this week, is National Fire Prevention Week all over the United States. The slogan which is being displayed everywhere is "Lead a Hand." It is not necessary to wait for an official "week" to do something to prevent fires.

This is the time, throughout most of the United States, when we can expect an outbreak of fires. Stoves and furnaces which have not been used all summer are being started up to take off the Autumn chill, usually with little or no loose bricks to let the fire get access to the woodwork. A very high proportion of fatal fires in homes are due to defective chimney fires.

Homes which are equipped with electric wiring have an ever-present fire menace if there are defects in the wires and connections, either because they were installed by amateur electricians or because rats have gnawed the insulation. A first step in fire prevention should be to have all electric wires and equipment thoroughly inspected and put into good repair.

Tens of thousands of disastrous fires every year start in accumulations of rubbish and waste. Old newspapers stored in the attic or cellar, old clothes put away in closets, are fire hazards familiar to every insurance man. Clean out the attic, the basement, and every closet that is not constantly in use, if you want to minimize your chance of having your house burn down some cold night, and perhaps cause the death of some of your family, or yourself.

The property loss from fires, tremendous as it is, is as nothing compared with the thousands of lives needlessly sacrificed because somebody was careless.

**IN WASHINGTON**  
**WHAT IS TAKING PLACE BY**  
*Wm. R. Reynolds*  
**UNITED STATES SENATOR**

Some time ago several of my colleagues, including a veteran of many, many years service in the Senate, were discussing the new responsibilities imposed upon Senators, in face of the fact that the constitutional duties have remained unchanged. One reason, of course, is the great expansion of Federal activities and the spread of these activities in the states. Another is the direct election of Senators which has served to bring them closer to their constituents than was the case in earlier days when members of the Senate were elected by Legislatures.

Considerable interest was shown in the discussion because of the popular conception of Senatorial duties as being almost entirely confined to law-making on the floor of the Senate. Nothing is at all true. The Senator's duties are many and varied. It would be more nearly accurate to say that the time spent on the

floor occupies a comparatively small part of a Senator's time. The more arduous duties, are in connection with committee meetings, handling mail, making departmental calls, receiving visitors and seeking employment for constituents. It is all these together that require the greatest amount of physical energy and time. In addition, a Senator must adjust his schedule to have time to study departmental reports, legislative proposals and prepare a great variety of statements and speeches. And as people generally take a great interest in government, as has been the case in recent years, Senatorial duties are increased through more correspondence without any lessening of other duties.

In writing on this subject, it is not my intention to do other than indirectly answer innumerable questions that have come to me from North Carolinians with reference to Senate duties. Unfortunately, few Senators have been able to devote the necessary time to drafting of a detailed report on the activities of Senators which has served to bring them closer to their constituents than was the case in earlier days when members of the Senate were elected by Legislatures.

Some years ago, Senator James W. Wadsworth, Jr., of New York, now a member of the House of Representatives, kept a record for a period of one month. Although the period covered was at a time of normal Federal activities, in

the hey day of national prosperity and therefore can not be compared with present-day activities in Washington, the facts disclosed are illuminating.

For example, in the monthly period for which the record was kept, the following was shown: Attendance at fifteen committee meetings for a total of twenty-seven and a half hours. Twenty-two departmental calls, an average of nearly one each day. A total of 1041 visitors were received in the Senator's office, an average of about thirty-five daily. There were 3301 telephone calls, 174 incoming telegrams and 67 telegrams outgoing.

The facts with reference to correspondence were equally as interesting. In the month that Senator Wadsworth kept his record, there were 5,571 incoming letters and 3,423 dispatched. This means an average of 206 letters received daily and 127 sent out. To this must be added the fact that 338 documents were received for study and 910 were sent out.

In quoting the data gathered by former Senator Wadsworth, the purpose is to give a glimpse of the manifold duties imposed on a Senator's office. It effectively answers the many questions that have come to me with reference to Senatorial duties.

There can be no doubt that if records were kept over a period of one month in almost any Senate office today, the volume of work would be far in excess of that shown in the office of Senator Wadsworth some years ago. However, in the absence of fresher information, that available is of interest.

There has been a particularly heavy increase in visitors to Senate offices during recent years. This has been partly due to better transportation facilities at lower cost, making it easier for people to come to Washington, and partly due to expanded Federal activities making it necessary for more people to visit their national capital.

## Rocky Mount Tobacco Mart Averages High

Rocky Mount, N. C., Oct. 7.—The Rocky Mount tobacco market had the most satisfactory sale Monday. Farmers from every section were pleased and happy with the high sales they made. Tobacco showed sharp advances both on the better grades and most outstanding advances were noted on the medium and common grades. Many piles were selling from \$50 to \$75 per hundred pounds. The official figures for Monday's sales showed an average of \$32.81 per hundred pounds for 1,228,942 pounds.

The Rocky Mount warehousemen are advising growers to sell their best tobacco now as the prices have advanced to the highest peak of the season to date. They also advise the farmers to grade their tobacco close and keep it free from foreign matter such as strings and the like. The buyers appreciate this effort of the farmers and it goes a long way toward helping the tobacco make a better sale.

The local market this year has seen more new faces than ever before. Farmers from every tobacco growing county in the new bright belt have sold in Rocky Mount

this fall and they say they receive better prices. They are also loaded with more country and given a better service. Rocky Mount is noted as being the best long distance market. Farmers are driving extra miles to sell their tobacco where the buyers have the orders for all grades and cooperate to the limit with the farmers.

Rocky Mount offers the tobacco farmers and their families every advantage by having the largest shopping center in Eastern Carolina and offering every type of merchandise at reasonable prices. The entertainment is at its best in Rocky Mount.

The tobacco men are looking for the best week of the season next week and indications are that prices will hold to the present level and if anything increase a little. Farmers are advised to grade their best tobacco and sell it in Rocky Mount where the buyers are anxious for the tobacco and Rocky Mount has plenty of floor space and factory room to handle the daily sales. Everyone is cooperating to the limit to see to it that the tobacco farmers are served and showed a hearty welcome.

**MAREADY-SHOLAR.**  
 L. C. Sholar, of Wallace, announces the marriage of his daughter, Mollie, to Elmore Maready, of Chisnapin, on September 24th. They were quietly married at the home of Rev. W. C. Smith. A few relatives and friends were present. Mr. and Mrs. Maready are graduates of the Chisnapin high school. They will be at home to their many friends at the home of the groom's father, D. W. Maready.

## Fast-Growing Pigs Are Best For Breeders

The best swine breeding stock usually comes from the heaviest pigs, said H. W. Taylor, extension swine specialist at State College.

So a good way to select breeding stock, he added, is to weigh the litters at weaning time.

If all sows and litters have had the same care and feeding, the litters which are heaviest at weaning time will be those from the best sows.

The boar and sow pigs selected for breeding purposes should be taken from these heaviest litters.

Boar pigs to be raised for pork should be treated when four to five weeks old, Taylor continued. At this age the treatment does not shock the pig as much as it will later, and the young pigs recover more rapidly.

He also pointed out that sanitation and balanced rations are two of the most important factors in hog production. "If you have not tried farrowing and raising pigs on clean land, give it a trial."

W. A. Davis, Johnston County farmer, tried this plan last April with one sow on clean land and three sows in the old hog lot. By July the "clean land pigs" were twice as large as those in the old lot, he told Taylor.

Besides worms and diseases killed 25 per cent of the pigs growing up in the old lot. None of the pigs on clean land were lost.

County farm agents will be glad to give farmers suggestions regarding good feeding practices, Taylor continued.

## CHOCOLATE

We are glad to report that H. G. Maxwell, who has been confined at Carolina General Hospital at Wilson for the past seven weeks in improving slowly, and hopes to soon be able to return home. He was all up and down, but has not walked any place his leg was fractured. We all will rejoice with him when he can return home again. He is 75 years "young" and his wife is 78. The seven weeks separation has seemed like years to the young "old" sweethearts.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Gooding had as their dinner guest last Wednesday night, Mr. Stett, State Grand Juror of the Masonic order, and Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Maxwell and family. The visit and the dinner was enjoyed by all present.

Miss Anna Maxwell and Louis Kestley made a trip to Wilson last Sunday, to see Annie's father, R. G. Maxwell. They also attended the Universalist Convention at Rocky Mount, and were accompanied home by Miss Adelle Ford of Greenville, who will be the guest of Miss Maxwell for a few days.

Warren Maxwell and Mrs. Mabel M. Holt made a business trip to Pink Hill, and to visit friends there last week. Mrs. J. D. Williamson and others.

Messrs. H. D. Maxwell and son, Hugh Maxwell, W. E. Gooding, S. D. Turner, and several others. Attended a supper at old Pleasant Hill Lodge recently. The good eats were enjoyed by all the brothers. Good luck to them.

Miss Belle Simmons, who is in nurse's training at Fayetteville, was home for the weekend recently.

Mrs. Thad Kornegay and Mrs. Alvin Kornegay visited their parents Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Tyndall recently.

Mrs. Warren Maxwell and little daughter Joyce, Rev. Gustav Ulrich and little son, George and mother-in-law Mrs. McLaughlin made a trip to Wilson last Tuesday afternoon to see R. G. Maxwell.

Mrs. Horace Tyndall and daughter, Wanda, and Mrs. Tyndall, sister, Mrs. Susie DeRoos, and Son, Al, Jr., of Illinois, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Maxwell last Tuesday afternoon.

S. D. Turner gave a big barbecue dinner for his many friends, relatives and tenants recently. The table was spread in the spacious yard under the beautiful oak trees, and was thoroughly enjoyed all who were present.

R. E. Grady visited at John Allen's Saturday night, and enjoyed an old-time visit. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Grady are still living in the home with Mr. and Mrs. Allen.

Misses Rose and Violet Maxwell and Mrs. Thad Kornegay Thursday afternoon.

Mr. E. D. Maxwell and Mrs. W. E. Gooding visited at Mrs. R. G. Maxwell's on Wednesday night. The electric lights will soon be tripped as they put up the wires.

Janis Stanley gave a dinner recently to several of his friends and relatives, honoring his birthday. "Janis" doesn't say just how

## Our Yesterdays

History — Biography — Genealogy  
 (By A. T. OUTMAN)

**SENATORIAL PARDONS**—William Farrior and Stephen Graham.

Directly after the Civil War, pardons were issued by the President of the United States to two of Duplin County's leading citizens. The pardons, with oaths attached, need no explanation. They are separate instruments and in the same words. The oaths of the two men were on the same day and before the same officers. Therefore, only one of the instruments will be shown below and it is substantially as follows:

"ANDREW JOHNSON, President of the United States of America, to all to whom these presents shall come, greeting: Whereas, William Farrior of Duplin County, North Carolina, by taking part in the late rebellion against the Government of the United States, has made himself liable to heavy pains and penalties; and whereas the circumstances of his case render him a proper object of Executive Clemency: Now, therefore, be it known that I, Andrew Johnson, President of the United States of America, in consideration of the premises, divers other good and sufficient reasons then to me moving, do hereby grant to the said William Farrior a full pardon and amnesty for all offenses by him committed, arising from participation, direct or implied, in the said rebellion, conditioned as follows, viz: This pardon to begin and take effect from the day on which the said William Farrior shall take the oath prescribed in the Proclamation of the President, dated May 29, 1865, and to be void and of no effect if the said William Farrior shall hereafter at any time acquire any property whatever in slaves or make use of slave labor; and that he first pay all costs which may have accrued in any proceedings hitherto instituted against his person or property. And upon further condition that the said William Farrior shall notify the Secretary of State in writing that he has received and accepted the foregoing pardon. In testimony whereof I have hereunto signed my name and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed. Done at the City of Washington this fifteenth day of August, A. D. 1865, and of the Independence of the United States the ninetieth.

ANDREW JOHNSON (Seal)

By the President: W. Hunter, Acting Secretary of State.

I, William Farrior of Duplin County, State of North Carolina, do solemnly swear or affirm in the presence of Almighty God that I will henceforth faithfully support, protect and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Union of the States thereunder; and that I will in like manner abide by and faithfully support all laws and proclamations which have been made during the existing rebellion with reference to the emancipation of Slaves. So help me God.

WILLIAM FARRIOR.

Sworn to and subscribed this 9th day of November, A. D. 1865. Isaac B. Kelly, J. P.

It is hereby certified that the above is a true copy of the original oath taken and subscribed by William Farrior.

Isaac B. Kelly, J. P.

John A. McArthur, J. P.

Kenansville, N. C., November 9, 1865. Honorable William H. Seward, Secretary of State.

Sir: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the President's Warrant of Pardon bearing date 15th day of August, 1865, and hereby signify my acceptance of the same with all the conditions therein specified. I am, Sir, your obedient servant. Wm. Farrior.

The exact pardon and oath as shown above applied also to Stephen Graham.

**WILLIAM FARRIOR**, son of Sarah (Gandlin) and John Farrior, was born near Halleysville, April 20, 1813. During the year 1841, then only 28 years of age, he was elected and served as Clerk of the Superior Court of Law and Equity for a period of four years. He was a member of the Duplin Safety Committee during the Civil War and represented Duplin County as a member of the State Constitutional Convention of 1870. He died at his home in Kenansville, September 11, 1878.

**STEPHEN GRAHAM**, son of Ann (Williams) and Dr. Stephen Graham, was born near Kenansville during the year 1823. When only 20 years of age he represented Duplin County as a member of the State Senate and directly thereafter he was elected and served as Clerk of the Superior Court of Law and Equity for a period of two years. He was well known as "Judge" Graham. He died at his home in Kenansville, March 1, 1900.

old he is yet. The feast was enjoyed by all present.

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