

KILLED IN FALL DOWN DEEP WELL

Suffocated, Released Hold
On Rope and Fell
40 Feet

HIS NECK WAS BROKEN

After having been brought to the surface of a well which he was engaged in digging last Wednesday afternoon, Mr. Columbus H. Cheek, well known citizen of the State Road community, released his hold upon the rope to which he was clinging, and fell 40 feet to the bottom, resulting in a broken neck, crushed head, and horrible body bruises.

Mr. Cheek in company with his son, had just blasted the well, and attempted to return to the bottom before the fumes from the dynamite had cleared away. The son warned the ground crew, and was quickly brought to the surface, practically overcome. The father followed and upon reaching the surface relaxed into unconsciousness, perhaps, and death resulted from the fall.

Mr. Cheek was about 50 years of age, and is survived by his wife and seven children, one of the sons being with him when the fatal accident occurred.

The funeral service was conducted Thursday afternoon from Old State Road Baptist church, and was attended by a great assemblage of people from all parts of that section, who gathered to pay their last respects to a beloved friend and neighbor.

LARGE BARN BURNS IN YADKIN COUNTY

Mule, Hay, Feed Stuff and Corn
Among the Loss To The
Owner

Fire of mysterious origin last Thursday at an early hour totally destroyed a large stock and feed barn on the premises of Mrs. Fannie Carter, widow of Bobbie Carter, near Brook's Cross Roads, in Yadkin county. The loss, which has not definitely been estimated, included a fine mule, a considerable amount of hay, feed stuff and corn which had been cut, shocked and stored earlier than usual, on account of the drought.

An aftermath of the fire, which strengthens the theory that it may have been of incendiary origin, was the attempt of intruders to enter the home, later in the evening, after the family had retired for the night. Mrs. Carter, it is said, was aroused at two different times, by a person or persons attempting to enter the home, the first soon after she had retired, when she heard a screen door which she had left unfastened, in the rear open and close. Again about the hour of midnight she was frightened by the sound of a party in the apparent attempt of forcing an entrance.

GIVEN "LIFT" ON HIGHWAY; PEDESTRIAN ENTERS SUIT

As he was trekking from Wilkesboro to Brooks' Cross Roads, the defendant picked him up in his car, then proceeded to wreck the car and injure the plaintiff. This allegation is made in a suit filed yesterday in Forsyth County Court by J. E. Haynes against Mahlen Brandon. Damages of \$10,000 are demanded.

The trekking was done June 29, 1929. Haynes was given a lift about 2 o'clock in the afternoon. Brandon was drinking, according to allegation, and proceeded to drive his car at a dizzy and reckless rate of speed. Presently it left the road and came into contact with a ditch. Haynes was catapulted about and suffered serious injuries to body and limbs. Said injuries are permanent and have damaged the plaintiff to the extent of \$10,000 it is contended.

WILKES COUNTY BAR HONORS JUDGES HAYES AND STACK

Dr. Wm. R. Wellborn of this city, attended a dinner meeting of the Wilkes County Bar Association, held at Hotel Wilkes, in North Wilkesboro, last Thursday evening, the doctor being an honored guest among the attendance of lawyers who had gathered to pay tribute to two highly esteemed gentlemen of the bar—Judge Johnson J. Hayes and Judge A. M. Stack. Glowing eulogies were poured out by the lawyers, some of whom were non-residents of that county, but who were familiar with the lives and character of the men whom they were privileged to sit in company with and attempt to pay fitting tributes. The jurists were deeply touched and fully appreciative of the kindly things which had been said about them, and they said so.

Rifle Champion



Miss M. E. Foster, English woman who amazed everybody by out-shooting the crack shots of the British Army and winning the King's Trophy.

About General Health

We may complain about the drought, though at present there seems to have been a generous rainfall throughout the surrounding sections; there may be just reason for some to complain about inability to find work; and it is generally admitted that it requires more than the usual amount of effort to "scare up a little money," but we have one comforting thought in the fact that our town and community is in a healthful condition, and that very little illness prevails, comparatively speaking.

In conversation with a local physician a few days ago, he stated that the most prevalent diseases were a few cases of summer colds, scarlet fever and an occasional case of diphtheria, each being very small.

MRS. W. E. COOPER PASSES AT MT. AIRY

Wife Of Prominent Doughton Man
Dies After Brief Illness;
74 Years of Age

Mrs. Lydia Young Cooper, 74, wife of W. E. Cooper, of Doughton, died Sunday afternoon at the Martin Memorial Hospital in Mount Airy, after an illness of less than twenty-four hours, of an acute stomach trouble.

Mrs. Cooper's family is one of the most prominent in the Doughton community, her husband being a stock holder in several important Elkin industries.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon from the Grassy Creek Methodist church, by the pastor, Rev. C. W. Morrison, of Jonesville. Interment followed in the church cemetery.

Surviving are the husband and the following sons and daughters: William, Thomas, George and Charlie Cooper; Mrs. Worth Ray and Miss Florence Cooper.

FIRE CHIEF WILL GO TO MOREHEAD CITY SUNDAY

Fire Chief W. W. Whitaker and Mrs. Whitaker, accompanied by little Eleanor Hayes, will leave Sunday for Morehead City, where Mr. Whitaker will attend the annual State Fireman's Convention. While away the party will enjoy the pleasures of that famous resort, and fishing will be included as a part of the sport.

Since it is compulsory that one or more firemen from each town or city be represented, there will necessarily be a large attendance. Every town and city represented in the convention shares in a small percent of the insurance business written in North Carolina, this being used as a fund for special occasions or needs of the local company as they may arise—through injury to firemen, or otherwise.

LARGE HAILSTONES FALL IN KLONDIKE COMMUNITY

Hailstones of considerable size fell for a short time at Klondike Farm last Saturday afternoon, although no serious damage was done, it is said.

The hail confined itself to a narrow path, and swept over the farm for only a few minutes duration. The stones were large in size, but fortunately did not fall thick, hence the small damage reported.

GLADE VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL TO GIVE PLAY NEXT SATURDAY

The Glade Valley High Alumni will present a play, "Two Brides," a comedy-drama in three acts, Saturday, August 16th, at 8 P. M. Proceeds of the play will go to the building fund of the proposed administration building. The public is cordially invited.

Why?

(By C. G. Armfield, Vice-President and Cashier Elkin National Bank)

The current topic of conversation on the streets of our town or any town today is "business." What is the matter with business? When will it improve? Nothing is the matter with business—the present state of mind is the reaction from the peak year 1929.

Comparing present business with 1928 and 1927 we find that the comparison is favorable. During 1929 the whole country went on a wild buying spree, and when the inevitable reaction came for such a condition the country was not prepared for it.

The man who has money to spend is getting "penny wise and pound foolish." He denies himself clothes and the other "to him" small things in life and thereby causes a business situation unfavorable to the average citizen. If every one will buy the things they need at this time the action will be reflected in general improvement in all lines. The wheels of business to be normal must be well oiled with confidence by the buying public.

This is open season for moaners and knockers. If you will note the ones who are doing the loudest yelling you will find that they are the ones who have never added to the constructive things of the community, and are using the present situation as an opportunity to get by without paying their just obligations to business and society.

For the past few years we have all gotten so used to having all of the luxuries of life that we cannot stand a little set-back. The remedy for the times is more constructive thinking, harder work and less talk.

JESSIE PARDUE AND FLAKE WEST FINED

Last of Trio Is Tried For
Speeding, Reckless
Driving, Assault

SUSPENDED SENTENCE

Jessie Pardue and Flake West, last of the trio who recently terrorized the citizens of Elkin by racing through the streets at a rapid rate and driving recklessly, in addition to attempting to run down an officer, were tried in Judge Barker's court Tuesday morning.

Added to the penalty of \$25.00 and costs of \$37.30 each, the court placed a suspended sentence of 90 days on each of the defendants, suspended upon condition that they not violate any of the laws of the State of North Carolina for a period of 12 months.

Blum Shores, third member of the party, was tried in Recorder's Court last week and fined \$35.00 and costs.

Doubtless these men covered a distance of less than five miles during their little "sprint" through our streets and on to the outskirts, from whence they soon returned. Figured on a five-mile basis, it cost the trio an average of \$17 per mile, or \$5.66-2-3 cents a piece for each mile covered, which is rather expensive riding, and unless Judge Barker's orders are complied with it may mount to an even greater sum, which would be harder to calculate in dollars and cents, as the value of a good "sweet" is hard to determine.

432 HOURS IS RECORD OF YOUNG "SITTING FULP"

While Cola Fulp has not broken any endurance record, as yet, he deserves honorable mention for sticking to his tree on a morning like the past Wednesday, when the most of us were donning extra coats and keeping our windows closed. But it seems that neither heat nor cold, wind nor rain affect his determination to sit, since during the past 432 hours we have had quite a variety of weather and still he sits.

His "human motor" is still spirited, and daily contacts are being made by the "refueling" backers of the project in which young Fulp is determined to out-sit them all. But until some of the other contestants begin to descend from whence they started, Elkin's entrant cannot determine what it is going to take to make a record, many of the early "climbers" still remaining aloft and signifying no intention of making a landing. However, a few have been eliminated by orders from their parental superiors, and put to work at gainful occupations. So it's a battle between those who have nothing to do, and they sit in a tree, and do it.

PARDUE GIRL, AGE 12 KILLED BY LIGHTNING

Struck By Bolt While Stand-
ing in Yard of Home;
Sister Injured

WAS BADLY SCORCHED

Grace Pardue, 12-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Webster Pardue, who resides on the Highlands Orchards farm, about four miles south of here, was struck by lightning last Friday afternoon during an electrical storm, and instantly killed.

She, in company with her sister, Leona, were standing in the yard of the Pardue home, in a cleared spot, when Grace was suddenly hit by the bolt. Leona was also felled by the terrific force of the stroke, and remained unconscious for several hours.

The body of Grace was badly scorched, and covered the entire distance from head to foot.

Funeral services were held Saturday at 11 a. m., from Mountain Grove church on the Brushy Mountains, conducted by Rev. Dennis, after which interment followed in the cemetery there, attended by a large gathering of sorrowing friends and relatives.

GREENSBORO MAN INJURED IN WRECK; WELL KNOWN HERE

Mr. Herbert K. Williams, of Greensboro, is a patient in the High Point Hospital, High Point, suffering from injuries sustained when his car collided with one driven by Mrs. W. D. Erwin, of Greensboro, near the High Point city limits Friday afternoon.

Mr. Williams is suffering from severe shock, bad lacerations in the mouth and probable internal injuries.

Each of the injured was driving an automobile and it is understood that no one else occupied either of the automobiles, which met head-on on a curve.

Mr. Williams is well-known here, where he has visited several times in the home of Mrs. C. E. Holcomb. Mrs. Williams was formerly Miss Conrad Holcomb, of this city.

CATCHES NICE TURTLE

Mr. W. H. (Slim) Lewis enjoyed an unusual feast Monday when he had several invited guests to share in a turtle lunch.

The turtle weighed 16 pounds, and Mr. Lewis was bewildered to know where so much meat came from when this fine specimen was prepared. In order to "lick the platter clean" he was at a loss to know how many to invite to dispose of the tempting catch, but to help the situation he chose only those of his friends with good appetites, and large carrying capacities.

Smartest Boy



Arthur O. Williams, of Providence, R. I., winner of the annual four-year educational prize given by Thomas A. Edison. Young Williams is 17 and won the scholarship over 47 other boys.

What Do You Know?

In resuming publication of The Tribune, the management realizes the importance of covering its news field in a complete manner—not only as to matters of national, state, and town affairs, but the news of the rural sections surrounding Elkin. What do you know? The Tribune solicits communications from all sections not now represented, and will gladly print any news sent in of a worthwhile nature. All communications must be signed, but the name of the writer will be withheld if desired. Just what you know will perhaps make interesting reading to others of our subscribers. We also welcome suggestions or comment upon any subject of general public interest.

What do you know?

PERCH TAKES "PERCH" HELD BY A DRIVER

Automobile Plunges Down A Steep
Embankment Into Elkin
Creek Above Dam

Perhaps the heated weather of last Saturday morning had something to do with the desire of the car in which Mr. Irvin Heiner was driving, when it suddenly left its course on the concrete road along the Elkin Creek and "dived in," landing on its side and almost submerged in the water.

Luckily for the driver, the water was low, and bare head room was left inside the car above the water's level. Mr. Heiner succeeded in escaping without serious injury, although damage to the extent of two or three hundred dollars was done to the Buick coupe, which belonged to Mr. Heiner's brother-in-law, Mr. Ray Feldman. The only explanation as to the cause of the accident is that the car struck a bump in the concrete road, which turned its course into the creek.

It is said by those who witnessed the "excavation" of the car that a sunperch had taken the place of the "perch" held by Mr. Heiner a few minutes prior to the accident. Believe it or not, but Mr. Feldman says the only "perch" he has been able to find is the water-soaked seat of the coupe, which he fears will require longer to dry than to have the car put in running condition again.

In all probability had there been other occupants in the car when it overturned into the water, a life would have been lost in the haste and scramble in the small compartment to gain freedom to the open.

SCHOOL BUILDING IS RECEIVING REPAIRS

Toilets In Building Were Unsanitary; Tile Floors Being
Put Down.

A force of workmen are engaged in making several important changes in the school building here, in the interest of better sanitation. New and modern commodes are being installed, replacing the old ones, which were unsanitary and dangerous to the health of the school pupils.

The floors are also being put down, which will prevent seepage into the floors, that has caused unpleasant odors, in addition to being far from sanitary. The coal bin is also being remodeled, and made larger for a greater fuel supply.

It was felt that this was the ideal time for doing the work, since materials and labor were at bottom prices. Though quite a little sum is being spent on the building in the matter of repairs, the work, which is expected to be completed this week, means a considerable sum saved, since the changes were badly needed and would have to be done at an early date, anyway.

LOCAL KIWANIS HAVE GOOD MEET

Two Beautiful Solos By Mrs.
J. H. Beeson Among
the Features

TO LAY CORNER STONE?

Disregarding the summer heat, and putting loyalty first, the regular weekly meeting of the Kiwanis club was held Friday evening at Hotel Elkin, with a splendid attendance.

J. G. Abernethy, president, occupied the chair of presiding officer for the meeting. Rev. L. B. Abernethy spoke the invocation. The program was in charge of Prof. J. H. Allred, program chairman, and had his plans matured the assemblage would have had a most interesting program. Attorney Lon Folger, of Dobson, had been invited to address the club, but for unknown reasons did not arrive, and Rev. Abernethy was called upon to take the time which had been allotted to Mr. Folger. The minister urged the membership to get behind a movement to form plans for a corner stone laying about the middle of September, at which time it is expected to have the new hospital building in process of construction to the point that a corner stone would be ready for laying. Rev. Abernethy, feeling the keen need of this institution, and realizing its importance to this section, advocated a general holiday, with appropriate exercises, in celebration of the establishment of the hospital here. At the conclusion of his remarks, the matter was referred to the public affairs committee, of which Mr. H. P. Graham is chairman.

The musical program was unusually interesting. Mrs. J. H. Beeson, the club's most faithful and interested director of music, rendered two beautiful solos, accompanied by Mrs. J. E. Wiseman at the piano. Mrs. Beeson, who possesses rare musical talent and always delights the Kiwanians and their visitors, did not fail them in her choice of vocal selections for their meeting, and much favorable comment was made among those who were so fortunate as to be present. Mrs. Beeson is indeed a valuable contributor to the interest and entertainment of the weekly club meetings.

Guests present were Ed. R. Carter, of Eustis, Fla., brother of Mr. J. Frank Carter; and Mr. R. B. Boren, of Greensboro, guest of Kiwanian P. C. Reich; and A. O. Bray, of North Wilkesboro.

There being no regular meeting of the Winston-Salem club last week, the membership of that organization was divided into groups and sent to neighboring towns to visit the various Kiwanis clubs, and to convey a message of greeting and good will from the Winston-Salem body. The gentlemen who visited the local club were George A. Grimsley and W. G. Jerome. They were given a hearty welcome, and, apparently, enjoyed every minute of the program during their brief stay with the local Kiwanians.

LOCAL MINISTER AND WIFE HAVE RETURNED

Rev. and Mrs. Eph Whisenhunt
Return From Visit In
Cracker State

Rev. and Mrs. Eph Whisenhunt and son, Yates Manley, are at home again after a stay of two weeks in Dublin, Ga., where the local minister conducted a revival meeting which was quite successful in all its viewpoints, we are informed.

The close of the recent revival in Dublin is the fifth evangelistic campaign to be conducted there by the present pastor of the Baptist church here, which speaks in high terms of his ability as a minister and leader in religious work.

Mrs. Adair, mother of Mrs. Whisenhunt, accompanied them home for a stay of some time, joining them at Gastonia, while enroute to Elkin. The city rejoices in the return of Rev. and Mrs. Whisenhunt, and extends Mrs. Adair a cordial welcome during her stay here.

PAUL P. GWYN UNDERGOES APPENDICITIS OPERATION

The many friends of Paul P. Gwyn, local insurance man, will be pleased to learn that his condition is very satisfactory, after having undergone an operation for appendicitis and ulcerated stomach, at the Davis hospital in Statesville, last Saturday. If improvement continues at the present rate, it is stated, he will be able to return home at an early date, and his complete recovery is expected soon.