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Many Stills Captured Last Few Days

One Found in Operation Near the Residence of C. Q. Stephenson in Elevation Township.

Smithfield, Nov. 18.—The abundance of indications of the use of intoxicating liquors by the Democrats during the campaign and on election day, seems to have aroused the enforcement officers to greater activity in Johnston County and since the election quite a number of stills have been captured that were thought to have played their parts in bringing about the big Democratic victory on Nov. 4.

One of these that has caused a great deal of comment was captured a few days after the election near the residence of C. Q. Stephenson in Elevation township. This still was said to have been found running full blast 250 yards from his house and near the edge of the field where Stephenson farmed this year. Beer was found hidden at the tobacco bed where he raised his plants, for his 1930 tobacco crop according to the reports of the officers, and the still was being fired with wood gathered from where he got out his tobacco sticks.

When the officers approached the still, several men present made a hasty get-away, but a young man named Harper was captured and brought to Smithfield and lodged in jail. He was given a hearing in Selma today before U. S. Commissioner I. W. Massey, and bound over to Federal Court. Other arrests are expected to follow.

It will be remembered that C. Q. Stephenson served as jailer under Sheriff J. P. Parker, and that when he failed to land this job again in 1928 he became peeved, and shortly before the last election he suddenly landed in the Democratic party.

One of the favorite campaign documents used by the Johnston County Democrats in the recent campaign was a statement purporting to have been written by C. Q. Stephenson denouncing the Republican party.

Now that the campaign and election are over, and the still has been captured, when we look back and remember how Democratic money and liquor flowed in Johnston County; and when we figure that somebody must have made big money supplying the liquor; it is easy to imagine some of the things that were being done in Elevation township during the campaign and in view of all the circumstances it is not difficult to guess why C. Q. Stephenson so suddenly became an enthusiastic Democrat.

It was said that county chairman Jesse J. Williams and George Ross Pou were seen in that vicinity about the time that Stephenson changed his politics, and some people are now wondering if the visit of these two Democratic politicians to that vicinity was responsible for the many interesting things that have come to light there within the past few weeks.

Commodities Buying Is Urged By Green

Increased purchase of commodities was urged yesterday by William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, as a means of stabilizing business conditions. The suggestion was made in the monthly survey of business issued by the labor federation.

"Business men," Mr. Green said, "can hasten revival and improve their own trade without undue risk by such policies as these:
"1—Cut overhead costs (without reducing wages), by improving equipment and eliminating waste;
"2—Order ahead; start to work up a normal spring supply;
"3—Improve quality of product and reduce prices;
"4—Stimulate trade by advertising and special efforts."

Mr. Green added these measures "will increase employment and put products within reach of this year's low incomes" and wage earners "can help produce better articles at lower cost by improving the quality of their work and increasing efficiency."

"For the first time in many months," Mr. Green said, "business opportunity is opening. Fundamental adjustments have been made, favorable signs are appearing. Our foreign trade shows signs of improving, wholesale prices are more stable, retail prices are down to the point

Gardner Declines To Call Extra Session

Governor Says Session in December Too Close to Regular Assembly.

Raleigh, Nov. 17.—Praising the presentation of their cause and seeing clearly the need of the Tax Relief association that he will not call a special session of the general assembly in December and will get himself in readiness for the regular meeting in January.

The governor has participated in many extraordinary sessions of the legislative body, has presided over them and worked in them as a regular member. He is not certain that all of them were necessary—as much as they appeared to be at the time of their convening. Governor Craig had an extra session and so did Bickett and Morrison. Governor McLean escaped and Governor Gardner means to do so if he can.

The petition had come up to him several times before. The executive had considerable doubt that the relief sought would be compassed by legislation, certainly, doubt that it could be gained by a short sitting of the general assembly. In his whole administration he has kept far from political remedies for purely economical and industrial ills. Nobody in Raleigh expected him to change his mind, though he was very greatly impressed with the power of the appeals made by Senator-elect Hallett S. Ward and Larry J. Moore representing the tax relief associations.

Labor Situation In Great Britain Grave

Railway and Workers and Miners Are Facing Probable Reductions in Wages.

London, Nov. 17.—Britain's railway and mining industries entered a critical week today as conferences opened between employers and union officials over proposed wage cuts.

Railway operators seek to cut 1,500,000 pounds a year from their shop payment in addition to reductions of 9,500,000 pounds previously demanded in traffic personnel pay.

They propose to reduce the shopman's "war wage"—a bonus established during the war—which provides for payment of six shillings sixpence (about \$1.60) for piece workers, and bring the "war wage" to 10 shillings (about \$2.50) a week. The union spokesmen said they would think that over but some of them said privately that any attempt at wage cuts would be bitterly opposed.

Mine owners conferred with union officials at Cardiff regarding a new wage and time agreement to replace one which expires on November 30, but the meeting adjourned without having accomplished anything.

The situation in the mining industry, while not likely to come to a head as quickly as the railways dispute, may result in even more serious consequences. It is much more complicated than the railways problem because of different influences which apply to the situation in the several mine fields.

An agreement now in force gives the miner a working day of seven and a half hours instead of the eight he worked before the pact was signed. Owners in some fields have insisted that the shorter day shall involve a wage reduction. The miners have asserted they never will accept a wage cut.

At the conclusion of today's meeting one union spokesman described the situation as exceedingly grave.

Both sides, however, indicated they would exert every effort to avert a possible strike in the country's two leading industries. Should their efforts be unsuccessful hundreds of thousands of men would be added to the already enormous list of unemployed which continues to be Britain's most serious domestic problem.

where workers can buy, the outlook for employment is better and that means increased workers' buying power. Stores see their customers coming back. Opportunity is here for those who are ready to make the best of it."

Mr. Green asserted that the course of business in the "coming four weeks will determine the prospects for next winter" and that "if we want to avoid a winter like last year's we must plan for it now by using every intelligent means of promoting business revival."—Washington Post.



REV. D. M. SHARPE

Rev. Mr. Sharpe Very Useful Citizen

Rev. D. M. Sharpe left Tuesday at noon to attend the annual North Carolina Conference which is in session in Henderson this week. Rev. Mr. Sharpe has faithfully served Edgerton Memorial Methodist church for four years, during which time he has led the people of his own denomination, been in close touch with the demoniations and has been keenly alive to the needs and interests of the town and community. One of the greatest needs of the church for years has been additional Sunday School rooms. During his pastorate a handsome Sunday School annex has been built at a cost of approximately \$15,000, with an indebtedness now of only \$2,400. His intense interest in the young life of the town has led to the organization of various activities which centered in and around the church. Soon after coming to Selma he was made scoutmaster of the Selma troop, and many hikes and camping trips have the

boys enjoyed with their jolly scoutmaster as leader. At his suggestion and under his leadership with the assistance of interested friends and donations from the Kiwanis Club, a scout cabin was built in the rear of the church and an old reservoir was transformed into a swimming pool. His slogan was, "Keep young people busy and they will keep happy and out of mischief."

Besides his own work at Edgerton Memorial Methodist church, he has taken part in the exercises at the Selma Mill Sunday School each Sunday afternoon and at the Mill Chapel prayer meeting each Tuesday evening. In the early part of this year he organized a Sunday School at the Ethel Mill, which though small, has done good work. During his four years pastorate there have been many additions to the church. The pastor and his family have made many warm friends in Selma who regret to see them leave, but the sincere good wishes of their hosts of friends will go with them wherever they may be sent.

IN I. W. MASSEY'S COURT

United States Commissioner I. W. Massey was called out of bed about 4:00 o'clock Wednesday morning by Prohibition officer Elbert Fitzgerald of Raleigh, who had answered a call from Johnston County. The Raleigh officer had in his custody Mr. Chas. Q. Stephenson, Elijah Strickland and J. T. Turner, all three charged with violating the prohibition laws. Bond was fixed at \$500 each, but J. T. Turner was committed to jail in default of bond. Mr. Stephenson's trial is set for Friday, Nov. 21st and that of Strickland and Turner is set for November 28th.

USELESS FARM AUTOS

The automobile has made it possible for us to go from state to state in less time than it once took to go from town to town. It has, by giving us a fast, economical and efficient means of transporting commodities over short distances, been of tremendous benefit to business.

But the average city dweller overlooks the fact that these fine fruits of the automobile are restricted, largely, to comparatively urban areas. Five or ten or fifteen miles away from main highways, in farming localities, we find roads over which no motor car can travel during several months of each year. The residents of these sections are as completely cut off from personal and industrial contacts with the outside world as were their grandfathers. A few days or weeks of bad weather make their motor vehicles useless.

The amazing progress of the twentieth century was the result of the mechanization of all phases of industry. Agriculture has not sufficiently shared in this movement. Our farmers need good roads which are serviceable at all times of the year. Such roads can be built at low cost with the use of asphaltic materials for waterproofing the surface, and pay for themselves time and again in increased farm prosperity.

"EVE THE FIRST MODERNIST"

Will be the subject of Mrs. Thacker's address next Sunday afternoon at 3:30 in the Selma Baptist Church. What about Eve any way, we like to be "Modern" yet are we very far head of the former generations in some, yes many respects. Any way come to the church Sunday afternoon and you will be well repaid for your time and efforts.

Interest Growing In Presbyterian Revival

Dr. J. E. Thacker Bringing Strong Gospel Messages Each Evening At 7:30; Mrs. Thacker Fine Lecturer.

The revival which began at the Selma Presbyterian church on Wednesday evening of last week, is still in progress and increasing in interest with each service.

Dr. J. E. Thacker, noted evangelist, is doing the preaching and his forceful sermons each evening at 7:30 are being listened to by large audiences of men and women who are taking advantage of these splendid gospel messages. While Dr. Thacker uses much scripture as a basis for his sermons, he does not have to read it from the printed page, but quotes from memory the scripture he wishes to bring to his hearers and by means of personal application and Biblical illustrations his messages are absorbed with keen interest and thoroughly enjoyed by his audiences each evening. Those who have not heard Dr. Thacker should arrange to do so at his next service. There will be no Saturday service, but there will be three services Sunday—morning, afternoon and night.

Mrs. Thacker gives a lecture each afternoon at 3:30. Those who have attended these lectures are loud in their praise of Mrs. Thacker as an exceptionally well informed woman of God who is capable of presenting her messages in a most remarkable and forceful manner.

Free Will Revival Still In Progress

The revival at the Free Will Baptist Hall in Selma is still in progress with Rev. H. R. Faircloth; of Smithfield, doing the preaching. These meetings are being fairly well attended and the minister is bringing some fine gospel sermons. We understand that these meetings will close on Friday night of this week unless it should develop that the interest being manifested at that time will not warrant such action. The people of the town and community should avail themselves of the opportunity of hearing Mr. Faircloth during the meetings and help to hold up his hands in the great work he is doing for the cause of his Master.

Wayne Farmer Found Dead at Fence Side

J. T. Griffin, with Gun-Shot in Breast, Is Located by Searching Party.

Goldsboro, Nov. 17.—J. T. Griffin, about 45, farmer and highly respected citizen of the Seven Springs community, this county, was found lying dead on the side of a fence some distance from his home at 2 o'clock this afternoon, a gun shot wound in his breast and his gun lying on the other side of the fence. Mr. Griffin had gone hunting early in the morning and when he did not return this afternoon a searching party set out to look for him.

The body was found. Officers in Goldsboro were notified. Coroner T. R. Robinson, after investigation, decided that the man met death by accident. An empty shell was found in the gun, and it is believed that Mr. Griffin had set his gun against the fence and as he climbed over, in some way the gun was discharged. The deceased is survived by his wife, several children and several brothers and sisters.

KENLY FARMER DIES IN WRECK

Kinston, Nov. 19.—Henry Capps, 40, farmer of Kenly, N. C., was killed and three others injured when their automobile overturned on a curve near here today.

Milton Daughtry, address undetermined, is believed to be seriously injured. Hervey Rouse, of Kinston, and J. E. Allen, of Kenly, also were hurt.

Police are looking for Earl Kinsey, of Kinston, believed to have been the fifth occupant of the machine, and also the driver. Kinsey disappeared after the accident. Capps' neck was broken. He is the father of seven children.

KENLY

(By MELBA WATSON)

Mrs. H. V. Gaskill, of Selma, visited her mother, Mrs. A. G. Hooks, last week.

Friends of Mr. J. F. Hill will be sorry to learn that he is in Smithfield hospital for treatment.

Miss Bessie Laurence, a student of E. C. T. C., Greenville, spent the week-end in Kenly with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Laurence.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hinnant and son, Frank, Jr., of Fremont visited Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Hinnant, Monday night.

The Niagara mixed choir practiced at the home of Miss Melba Watson's last Friday night. The choir is planning to represent at the usual fifth Sunday Vocal Union, which will be held at Corbett Hatcher the coming fifth Sunday.

Mr. Joe Pittman, of Enfield, was the week-end guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Pittman.

Messrs. John Sutton Broughton and Roudolph Jones, students of Wake Forest College, were in Kenly for the Armistice Day celebration last Tuesday.

Mr. J. Dobbin Bailey has established a grocery store in the building formerly occupied by W. T. Bailey and son.

Mrs. M. C. Bridgers, of Bladenboro, who has been visiting friends and relatives in Kenly, returned to her home the latter part of last week. She was accompanied by Mrs. John S. Connaber who is to go from there to her home in Asheville.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Crumpler visited in Princeton last Thursday night.

Mr. R. B. Spencer, of Ayden, spent a short while with Mr. J. F. Crumpler Friday.

Mrs. J. W. Hollowell, of Smithfield, is spending the week in Kenly, assisting in a sale of H. M. Grizzard's and Company.

Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Ballance and daughter, Cleo, and Mrs. J. B. Watson went to Selma Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Wiley Watson made a business trip to Wilson Monday night.

Some Kenly people have been attending the revival conducted at Saint Mary F. W. B. church by Rev. Mr. Gaskill.

Misses Grace Watson and Alice Fortune, of the Glendale School faculty, were the week-end guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry G. Watson.

Miss Frances Hunter spent the past week-end with friends in Rocky Mount.

Mrs. Zeb Houtt, of near Garner, has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Stephen Afford.

The Senior Sunday School class of the F. W. B. church held a business meeting at the home of Miss Clara Hinnant Monday night.

SELMA MILL VILLAGE NEWS

(By MRS. W. G. STEPHENSON)
Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Starling and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Mooneyham visited their father Mr. Isaac Starling, of near Selma.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Hinton visited Mr. and Mrs. Chanie Narron, of Clayton, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Barbour, of near Four Oaks, were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Stephenson last Saturday night and Sunday.

Mrs. Theora Eason and Mr. Bob Carn of Charlotte, were happily married at Fayetteville Saturday afternoon and will make their home in Red Springs.

Mr. Ransom Phillips, of near Wendell, and one of his boy friends were visitors of Miss Pearl Stephenson Sunday afternoon.

We are sorry to note that Mrs. Miriam Eason is still on the sick list, but hope she will soon recover. Miss Annie Hamilton is still on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Martin announce the birth of a little daughter Thursday, Nov. 13, 1930. Mother and baby are getting along nicely.

Mr. Alber Sanders, of Angier, is visiting his sister Mrs. Alma Morris. Miss Myrtle Johns, of Smithfield, spent Saturday and Sunday with Miss Ila Mae Raford, of Selma.

Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Medlin, and family were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Polly Pool last Sunday.