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Leonard's Stables Burns

In Early Wednesday Morning Fire—
Fred Leonard's Garage and Smoke
House Also Destroyed.

The large modern stock barn belonging to Mr. Q. S. Leonard situated at the rear of his residence on east Nash Street was completely destroyed by fire about 2 o'clock Wednesday morning. The fire was discovered by Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Leonard, who live next door, after a terrific explosion which awoke them and which was heard by citizens across town. The fire spread rapidly and was beyond control when the fire department arrived a few minutes after the alarm was sounded. In addition to the large barn a feed room belonging to Mr. Leonard was consumed as was also the garage and smoke house belonging to Mr. F. B. Leonard. The exceptionally fine work of the firemen, as they played three large streams of water on the property, saved the residences of Mr. Q. S. Leonard and Mr. F. B. Leonard and possibly others, which looked as if they were doomed and had to go. Damage to the adjacent property was held to a minimum by the splendid work of the firemen, which was considered by many as the best fighting ever done in Louisburg.

Damages were estimated as follows:
Loss of the barn, total, \$5,000, insurance \$2,500.00.

Four hundred bushels of wheat lost in barn \$400, covered by insurance.

Loss of feed room \$250.00.

Garage and smoke house of F. B. Leonard \$1,250.00, insurance \$1,000. Contents \$500.

Damage to residence F. B. Leonard \$500, covered by insurance.

Damage to residence of Q. S. Leonard \$350, insured.

The origin of the fire is unknown, but as there was nothing stored in the barn that would cause such an explosion, from which the fire evidently started it gives room to suspect incendiary. The fire started in the Southwest corner, just to the rear of the residence of Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Leonard.

Furgurson On Honor Roll

Wake Forest, March 24.—The mid-seester honor roll of Wake Forest College, released today by Registrar Grady Patterson, includes among the highest 10 per cent, in the student body the name of E. W. Furgurson, Jr., of Louisburg.

Mr. Furgurson is a son of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Furgurson. He is in his junior year at Wake Forest.

Music Contest

The Capitol District Junior Music Clubs of the National Federation of Music Clubs a most successful district elimination contest in the Social Parlors at Louisburg College, Saturday, March 19th, with Mrs. Theo Wooten McCullers, Junior Counselor, and Mrs. J. S. Correll, of Raleigh, District Chairman.

The winners were announced as follows: Class A—Mary Louise Holmes, Lumberton; Class B—Martha Bowman, Lumberton; Class C—Martha Britt, Lumberton; Class D—Ruth Hamilton, Lumberton.

Mrs. McCullers was fortunate to secure for judges, Dr. Harold S. Dyer, Head of Department of Music at the University of North Carolina, Mr. Isaac Batton, Head of Department of Music at Meredith College, and Mr. J. Norvell Bryan of the Clayton City, Schools.

To Locate In Louisburg

Mr. B. A. Taylor, of New York, with the United States Department of Agriculture in the division of seed loans to farms, has moved to Louisburg to locate for this summer. He expects to be in charge of the supervision of the government's interests in connection with the farm loans.

Government Flour For Needy

Dr. H. G. Perry, Chairman of the Louisburg Chapter of the American Red Cross, informs us that he has made application for Franklin County's quota of flour donated by the United States Government to be distributed through The American National Red Cross for the needy of this county. This flour will be distributed through the various charitable agencies in the county by a central relief committee to be named later. He expects this flour soon. This no doubt will afford quite a bit of relief to the many needy families in this county. Due public notice will be given as to distributing committees later.

Speed King



Sir Malcolm Campbell, who drove his motor car at a speed of over 253 miles an hour on the beach at Daytona, Florida.

Equips Big Shoe Department

Mr. W. S. Edwards, local manager of the Raleigh Salvage Co., informs the TIMES that they have equipped one of the largest shoe departments in the County at their Louisburg Store and have moved a large portion of the Roscoe Griffin shoe stock of Wilson to Louisburg adding to their already large stock of shoes. They are announcing in this issue a big consolidation sale. Read their advertisement and visit their store, and avail yourself of some of the big bargains offered.

Methodist Bible Class

The Men's Bible Class of the Methodist church in Louisburg is growing rapidly. The attendance runs around 25 members each Sunday, with an enrollment of 37. This is an improvement but the class will not be satisfied until it gets every enrolled member in regular attendance and every man who does not attend any Sunday school on its roll. Further the class especially invites and welcomes to its session all strangers or visiting men who are in Louisburg on Sunday morning. The Rev. E. H. Davis will make it well worth your while to be a member of this class. His teaching is interesting and instructive. Each Sunday morning at 9:45.

G. T. MEADE, President.

Cantata Delight- fully Rendered

Of unusual interest to members of the Louisburg churches as well as to other music lovers was the Cantata, "Victory Divine" by Marks, presented on last Sunday evening by the Methodist Church Choir assisted by music students of the Louisburg College. The Cantata was under the direction of Mrs. Theo Wooten McCullers of the College faculty. The Cantata, a musical representation of the Crucifixion and Resurrection of the Christ, began with a splendid bass solo "In the Garden", sung by Ward Wilcox. Other solo parts were sung by Dr. H. H. Johnson, Mrs. Theo Wooten McCullers, Misses Dorothy Lambeth and Camille Carroll. Outstanding in effect was the duet, "By Gift of Love", with Misses Margaret Turner and Mary Davis Alston, as well as the quartet, "Fear Not", with Mrs. W. E. White, Mrs. A. D. Wilcox, Mr. M. McKinnis, and Dr. H. H. Johnson. Of special merit was chorus work which excelled in "The Stone is Rolled Away" and "Thanks Be to God".

Carolina Town Blown Off Map

Beasemur City, N. C. March 22.—Stumptown, a small settlement near here was virtually wiped out by a wind storm early today. One negro woman was badly hurt.

The church and parsonage and a dozen smaller houses were blown to bits.

Personal belongings of the residents were scattered for miles around.

Sales of limestone have been doubled and sales of fertilizer have decreased in Tyrrell County this spring according to the County Agent.

Opens Ball Season

Louisburg College Takes One Game And Loses One—Two Games Past Week.

The baseball season was opened in Louisburg on last Saturday with a game between the Norfolk & Southern team, at Raleigh, and Louisburg College, on the College Park field with quite a good crowd of fans in attendance. The game proved of much interest, and resulted in a victory for visitors with a score of 12 to 10.

On Wednesday afternoon the second game of the season was played on the College Park field and Louisburg College defeated the Raleigh High School team in a score of 6 and 2. Quite a number were present to witness this game.

The playing of the members of both teams in each game was fine and gave evidence of some splendid material from which to build winning teams. The friends of Louisburg College among the ball fans, are encouraged and enthusiastic in the prospects of Louisburg College developing one of the strongest teams this section has witnessed in action in many years.

A Club Party

The Woman's Club of Wood recently entertained their husbands and a few invited guests at the home of Mrs. F. G. Sturges. The guests began to arrive about 7:30 o'clock. After most of them arrived, games were played for awhile, which were directed by Miss Anne B. Priest and Miss Mary Dickerson. After everyone grew tired of playing, Mr. Billy Rose played a series of numbers on his guitar and violin, then everyone assembled in the dining room. Mr. R. P. Jones returned thanks, and sandwiches, cake, minis, and coffee were served. Several yells were given for Miss Priest and Mrs. Sturges. A group of boys sang several songs while the guests were departing. Everyone agreed that they had had a good time together and are already looking forward to another party during the summer.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Sturges, M. L. Gupion, R. P. Jones, G. D. Wester, W. E. Denton, Henry Radford, W. A. Gupion, C. E. Denton, Mrs. W. D. Fuller, Nancy Gupion, Laura Shearin, J. W. Galloway, John McGhee, C. C. Hudson, Dickerson, Mary Sturges, Anna Mae Sturges, Evelyn Sturges, Elizabeth McGhee, Ernest Mae McGhee, Dorothy Sturges, Edna Lanier, Hallie Parrish, Pattle Beasley, Maxine Gupion, Lillian Sturges, Mr. Raymond Shearin, Billie Rose, Talbert Sturges, Thomas Jones, Austin Fuller, Marion Hedgepeth, Weldon Jones, and Louis Gupion.

MARY DICKERSON.

Gives Five Rules For Red Clover

There are five definite rules, which if followed strictly, will nearly always bring success with red clover.

These five rules as outlined by Enos C. Blair, extension agronomist at State College, are:

First, be certain that the soil is sweet enough for the crop. This means liming at the rate of a ton to the acre for the average soil; but, soils which have been well limed may be kept sweet by much smaller applications, applied every four or five years.

Second, use the right kind of seed. The germination of these seed should be at least 85 per cent and the purity at least 98 per cent. There should be no obnoxious weed seeds such as plantain and dodder. It is preferable that the seed be grown in the eastern part of the United States. Home-grown seed is all right if clean. The foreign-grown seed sold mostly now by local dealers should always be avoided. These seed are often subject to disease which wipes out the stand when all other conditions are favorable. Foreign seed may be identified by the bright green stain which the Government inspectors inject into each sack when such seed enters this country.

Third, always drill clover seed on small grain with fertilizer. The grain drill distributes the seed much better than by hand sowing and only 5 to 6 pounds an acre are needed for a stand when this method of planting is used. Putting in 100 pounds of superphosphate or basic slag with the seed helps them to start quickly.

Fourth, sow the clover about March 25. After this date there is little likelihood of freezing weather. Such freezes as that of the past week will kill clover. The date given is also early enough to give the clover a start in growing before hot, dry weather.

Fifth, do not depend on a volunteer stand of clover. Seed is too cheap now to risk failure from such a cause.

Taxes and death can't be escaped, runs an old saw. And then, there's taxes, too.

Recorder's Court

Franklin Recorder's Court docket contained only a few cases Monday, and were disposed of as follows:
O. J. Weldon was fined \$25 and costs for disposing of mortgaged property, appeal.

L. D. Loyd, reckless driving, case continued.

Willie Macon, bad check, case continued.

Reginald F. Sprinkle was found guilty of forcible trespass and judgment was suspended upon payment of costs.

Clyde Barham plead guilty to a f. and a. charge and was given 60 days on roads, execution not to issue until noon March 22, 1932.

Orphans At School Auditorium

Quite a good sized crowd greeted the Oxford Orphan Singing Class at the Mills High School auditorium on Wednesday night and were delighted with a most entertaining and interesting program. Each one of the little children did their turns well and received the hearty congratulations of those present in the loud and repeated encores.

May Grow Dahlias Over Entire State

Dahlias may be grown in central and eastern North Carolina with the same success that they are propagated in the mountains if the proper varieties are used. The plant furnishes some of the most beautiful and colorful blossoms to be had in any flower garden.

This is the opinion of Robert Schmidt, a vegetable specialist for the North Carolina Experiment Station, who has won quite a reputation for his dahlia garden. Mr. Schmidt says growing dahlias is his hobby. The flower produces a wealth of bloom in a multitude of colors at a time when other outdoor flowers are scarce. It blooms constantly from June until frost and there are thousands of varieties with a wide range of color combinations. In size, the bloom varies from one to 16 inches in diameter.

While dahlias are peculiarly adapted to the western section of the State, there are many varieties suitable for the warmer sections.

"If I were asked to name the five best and most satisfactory dahlias for the central part of the State, I would list the following: Treasure Island, Jane Cowl, Jersey Beauty, Port Monmouth and Mrs. I. de Ver Warner," says Mr. Schmidt. "Some new introductions may surpass these but they will have to be unusually good. There are several other varieties which are also satisfactory for this section. These are: Roman Eagle, Sagamore, Buckeye Pride, Barbara Redfern, Chemar's Eureka, Regal, Kentucky and a number of others equally as worthy."

The controversy frequently arises as to the relative merits of roots and plants. Plants give as good results as do the hills grown from roots in Mr. Schmidt's opinion. The principal objection to plants is that their root increase is not dependable, especially in adverse seasons. However, plants cost only one-half as much as roots and make excellent blooms.

Cotton Report

The reports show that there were 14,883 bales of cotton, counting round as half bales, ginned and to be ginned in Franklin County, from the crop of 1931, as compared with 13,259 bales from the crop of 1930.

THANKS

We wish to extend our deepest thanks and appreciations to the firemen and citizens for their assistance in saving our home during the early Wednesday morning fire.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Leonard.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our many thanks and appreciation to all who so kindly helped us in gifts an every way during the loss of our house and may gods blessings rest upon those dear ones who so kindly took us in and helped so much with our little sick ones. They will be long and tenderly remembered.

Mr and Mrs. J. S. Marshall and family.

EPSOM P. T. A. MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Epsom Parent-Teacher Association will be held Thursday afternoon, March 31, at 3:30 o'clock.

COMMITTEE.

The days are getting longer. It will soon be too light to go joy riding after supper.

If the first robin had any influence on the coal bin, it would be of some benefit.

Genius Rewarded



Dr. Irving Langmuir, wizard of electrons, got \$10,000 cash and a gold medal for his improvements in electric lamps, vacuum tubes and electric welding.

Personal

Mr. T. M. Conn, of Zebulon, was a visitor to Louisburg Tuesday.

Mr. Chester O. Bell, of Raleigh, was a visitor to Louisburg Monday.

Mr. E. W. Gupion, of Rocky Mount, was a visitor to Louisburg Wednesday.

Mrs. T. W. Bickett, of Raleigh, visited Dr. and Mrs. R. F. Yarborough Monday.

Miss Bernadette Woodliff, of Henderson, spent the past week-end with friends at Louisburg College.

Mr. M. C. Murphy returned this week from Newberne where he has been on a two weeks fishing trip.

Mrs. Eugene Finch returned this week from New York where she attended the Inter-National Beauty Show.

Messrs J. M. Peace, M. Y. Cooper, N. M. Greenway and T. P. Gholson, of Henderson, were in attendance upon Recorder's Court Monday.

Easter Services At Gold Sand

Sunday School at 10:30 A. M. in the Gold Sand auditorium.

Superintendent of Sunday school, Mr. Rufus Jones; Asst. Superintendent, Hugh Mosely; Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. W. S. Person; Asst. Secretary, Miss Adelaide Duke; Pianist and choir director, Miss Drusa Wilker.

After Sunday School, a picnic dinner will be held on the grounds. At 1:30, Rev. Charles B. Howard, will deliver the sermon. At 2:30, the Cantata "Calvary" will be rendered by a choir from the different churches in the township.

Seed sweet potatoes have been bedded in preparation for the new crop in Currituck County.

Causes Grave Rift



Pres. Eamon de Valera's official announcement that he intends to abolish the Irish Free State oath of allegiance to the British Crown has brought about a critical situation in England. King George has been informed, and all England is now aroused over the intentions of the Flanna Fail government. Removal of the oath is expected to revive the bitterness which marked relations between the two countries until ten years ago when the Free State was established.

Tornadoes Take Heavy Toll

Birmingham, March 22.—At least 214 persons were killed in a series of tornadoes that struck widely separated communities in five southern states last night and early today.

Birmingham, Ala., March 22.—Freakish March tornadoes killed at least 184 persons in five southern states yesterday and early today.

The death list grew from 7 to more than 100 as communities cut off by wind and rail restored communications today. Additional fatalities were reported by rescue parties.

Alabama suffered worst of all. A check at dawn showed 113 dead there. In Georgia 14 were dead; in Tennessee 11; in Kentucky 2 and in South Carolina 1.

Property loss was extensive. No attempt has been made even to approximate it. Hundreds of persons were injured. Scores reported narrow escapes.

The tail end of the Alabama wind dipped into other southern states with chilling effects.

Vicious rains accompanied the blast impeding rescue work and communication lines were stirred into a tangle which prevented an accurate check of damage and deaths.

Daylight brought a desolate scene in Alabama communities hit by the winds. National Guardsmen, nurses, doctors and volunteers combined in the rescue work and hospitals and emergency quarters for the injured were crowded with victims of the winds.

First reports of the tornadoes came from Northport first killing 28, skipped southward to Demopolis and Linden and Faunsdale and then struck twice at Marion in the black belt bringing death at each point.

Salisbury, March 22.—Extensive damage to its lines from high winds last night was reported today by the Southern Utilities Company here.

Lines of the Bell Telephone Company were also damaged.

No personal injuries were reported. Washington, March 22.—The Red Cross will establish at Birmingham, Ala., headquarters for relief in four tornado struck southern states.

Dr. William Beckline, chief of the national medical staff, planned to leave Washington with a relief party today.

White Level Y. W. A.

Members! Members! Are you loyal to your Y. W. A.? If so, prove it by being present at our next meeting, which will be held in the home of the Gupion girls, Friday night, March 25, 1932.

The Y. W. A. met last with Mattie Pearl and Rosa Pernell. The subject, "In Union There is Strength" was well discussed by those taking part. Devotional service—1 Cor. 3:9. Introduction—Louelle Gupion. "E Pluribus Unio", one composed by many—Leslie Gupion.

The W. M. U. Chain—Mary Sue. Bible Study—Virginia Gupion. Prayer—Hallie Joyner. Mission Study—Mattie P. Pernell. Personal Service—Nannie Belle. Stewardship—Hattie Davis. Enlistment—Annie Brewer. Song—Send the Light. Benediction by the Y. W. A. Members clasping hands in a chain form and uttering a prayer for the missionaries on the foreign fields.

After the adjournment refreshments were served by Mrs. Pernell.

REPORTER.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOUISBURG METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. T. A. Sikes, the pastor of the Methodist church, will return home from Tabor where he is engaged in revival services Saturday morning and will preach in this church Sunday morning at the usual hour, 11 o'clock. At the evening hour Rev. F. S. Love, the new presiding elder, will preach and hold the second quarterly conference. Let all those whose business it is to make reports have them ready for Sunday night.

It is hoped that large congregations will be present at all the services Sunday.

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Rev. J. D. Miller announces the services for Easter Sunday as Children's Service at 10 A. M. and Morning Prayer and Holy Communion at 11 A. M. He states that there will be no service at night.

LOUISBURG BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. D. P. Harris, pastor of the Louisburg Baptist church, announces the services there for Easter Sunday as Sunday School at 9:45 a. m.; Morning Sermon, "The Value of the Resurrection", 11 a. m.; Evening Sermon, "The Christian Year" at 7:30 p. m.; B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 p. m.