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MEETING TOBACCO GROWERS CALLED FOR FRIDAY

PLANS BEING MADE TO FORM BRANCH OF STATE TOBACCO GROWERS' ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the farmers, and especially tobacco growers of Guilford county has been called for Friday morning in the assembly room of the new court house, the meeting to begin immediately following the tobacco sales at the local warehouses. The gathering will be held for the purpose of organizing in this county a branch of the North Carolina Tobacco Growers' Association. Election of officers for the association will be held Friday morning and other details will be considered regarding perfecting the branch association. The officers will consist of a president, vice president, organizer, secretary-treasurer and executive committee of five members.

It is expected that township organizations will be perfected after the county association has been formally launched. The leaders of the movement anticipate the complete organization of this county by the middle of the present month.

The State Tobacco Growers' Association was formed by farmers throughout the state as a means to secure better prices for the tobacco crop of this year and to regulate the future crops in such manner as to guarantee the farmers a reasonable profit for their products. The association has been urging the farmers to market their tobacco over a period of eight months, selling only as their needs necessitated, and it is also asking its members to reduce their tobacco acreage for next year to one-third of the 1920 crop. The organization is planning to urge the construction of co-operative warehouses, prize houses and re-drying plants, so that the growers may store their tobacco and use it as collateral for loans pending the offer of adequate prices.

STOKESDALE-ROCKINGHAM ROAD TO BE IMPROVED.

At the meeting of the county commissioners held Tuesday the principal matter of general interest before the body was the question of improving the road between Stokesdale and the Rockingham county line. The commissioners authorizing the covering of this stretch of road with a top soil surface. By agreement the county will pay 60 per cent of the cost of this improvement and those residing along the road will pay the remaining 40 per cent. The work will be done by a citizen of Rockingham and he has promised to carry it to early completion.

A petition was also presented to the board asking for improvement of the road leading to the three fertilizer factories located south of the city. Action on this petition was deferred until the meeting of the board scheduled to be held October 19. Other petitions were filed by citizens from various sections of the county asking for road improvements but no definite action was taken on any of them.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9, FIRE PREVENTION DAY.

A great deal of fire prevention and clean-up week literature has been mailed from the state insurance department within the past week. Commissioner Young has been much encouraged by a manifest determination on the part of many citizens, officials and communities to a beneficial observance of the dual event this year. Requests for literature and programs have been filled to parties in every nook and corner of North Carolina. Besides this, appropriate printed matter, illustrated posters, etc., has been sent to all municipal authorities, to clubs, safety leagues, fire prevention organizations and public school officials for distribution and suggestion.

The October number of the department bulletin is a specially prepared prevention day and clean-up week issue. It carries proclamations of Governor Bickett and President Wilson, calling for observance of Saturday, October 9, as fire prevention day, besides much original matter bearing on the necessity for an all together movement for safety from fire and accident.

MISS IDA MAIE STAFFORD BRIDE OF A. B. RIVERS.

A beautiful wedding ceremony was solemnized last Saturday afternoon at 5.45 in the Methodist Episcopal church at Oak Ridge when Miss Ida Maie Stafford, daughter of the late Robert M. Stafford, and Arthur Burch Rivers were united in holy matrimony. The church had been artistically arranged for the occasion and the stately palms, trailing clematis and potted ferns around the altar made a most impressive scene.

The beautiful ring ceremony of the M. E. church was employed, the rites being pronounced by Rev. Mr. Siler, of Winston-Salem.

Immediately following the wedding ceremony the bridal party went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Dunbar, where a reception was tendered in honor of the happy young couple. During the evening a host of friends called to extend good wishes and shower congratulations on the bride and bridegroom.

Mr. and Mrs. Rivers left Saturday night for a wedding trip to New York and other northern cities, and after their return about the 15th of October, they will make their home at Mt. Croghan, S. C.

Mrs. Rivers is an accomplished and talented young woman and she occupies a warm spot in the hearts of a host of friends. She has made her home for many years with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Dunbar, at Oak Ridge. She is a niece of Sheriff D. B. Stafford and is prominently connected throughout the county and state.

Mr. Rivers is a graduate of the University of South Carolina and he is a native of that state. He is a young man of pleasing personality, sterling qualities and business acumen. He is engaged in business at Mt. Croghan and is esteemed as a young man of exceptional character, integrity and ability.

LINCOLNTON NEGRO TO DIE IN ELECTRIC CHAIR.

Lincolnton, Oct. 5.—The jury in the case of Andrew Jackson, negro, charged with rape upon Mrs. Lon Keever, this afternoon returned a verdict of guilty and Judge Connor sentenced Jackson to the electric chair, the date of his execution being set for November 5. The jury was out only three or four minutes. Jackson denied his guilt while upon the stand in his own behalf. Solicitor Huffman drew from Jackson the admission that he had served terms for crimes committed in Georgia, Tennessee, Virginia and South Carolina and that he had spent 20 years of his 35 years of life in prison.

The court house was packed with men and there were more on the outside than within the court room. There was no disorder of any kind. Sheriff Goodson and twelve deputies left the court room with the prisoner immediately following the sentence and carried the negro directly to Raleigh.

CIVIL TERM SUPERIOR COURT BEGINS MONDAY.

A term of civil court will convene in this county Monday morning at 10 o'clock, the session being for two weeks. The term will be devoted to the trial of civil cases and Judge J. Bis Ray, of Burnsville, will be on the bench.

A total of 15 divorce cases are on the calendar for the first day of the term while for the whole session there are slightly over 100 cases set for trial.

Jurors for the first week of this term are: H. E. Shepherd, Joe W. Barber, Floyd Amick, M. C. Wagner, J. C. Cobb, C. A. Shepherd, T. L. Archer, A. T. Whitsett, J. C. Wilson, J. F. Whiteley, L. C. Scott, G. D. Clayton, W. S. Jones, A. W. McAllister, J. R. McClamroch, J. W. King, G. D. Brittain, E. A. Pleasants, M. A. Mitchell, J. G. Long, M. T. Chapman, J. C. Bull, F. I. McDowell and N. C. McDowell.

Local Warehouse Averaged Over \$21 Yesterday.

On the floors of the Graham warehouse yesterday morning there was a total of 8,362 pounds of tobacco sold, the price paid for same being \$1,818.95, or a general average of 21.80 cents per pound. A good sale was also held at the Farmers' warehouse but the quantity was smaller.

REV. A. P. TYER DIED HERE TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

Rev. A. P. Tyer, prominent and influential minister of the Methodist Episcopal church, died at his home 301 Wainman street, Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Rev. Tyer suffered a stroke of paralysis several months ago and he never recovered, his death being attributed to this stroke.

Funeral services were conducted yesterday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock from the West Market Street Methodist church, the service being held by Rev. E. L. Bain, pastor of the church; Dr. S. B. Turrentine, president of Greensboro College, and Dr. J. H. Barnhardt, presiding elder of the Greensboro district. Interment was made in Greene Hill cemetery. Acting as pall-bearers were: Honorary, Rev. H. M. Blair, Rev. L. S. Massey, Rev. J. M. Rhodes, Rev. A. W. Plyler, Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, Rev. W. M. Curtis and Rev. J. P. Lanning; active, F. C. Boyles, C. C. Fordham, W. W. Morrison, I. F. Peebles, C. W. Gold and E. P. Wharton.

Rev. Tyer was 67 years of age and during 33 years of his life he had been an efficient and leading worker in the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church. He had served as presiding elder in a number of the districts of the state and had also occupied many of the leading pulpits of the Methodist church in North Carolina. Surviving the deceased are his widow, Mrs. Mary Coltrane Tyer; two sons, W. B. Tyer, of this city, and John J. Tyer, of Helsingfors, Finland; three daughters, Mrs. W. T. Sawyer, of Elizabeth City; Mrs. S. P. Collier, of Winston-Salem, and Miss Edna Tyer, of this city.

SCOTTISH RITE MASONS HELD REUNION THIS WEEK.

The fall reunion of the James W. Courtland Lodge of Perfection No. 8 and the Guilford Chapter of Rose Croix No. 6, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite Masonry, was held Monday and Tuesday in the Masonic hall on North Elm street, with 70 candidates and numerous members in attendance. The reunion began Monday morning at 8.30 and closed Tuesday night with a banquet, to which all Scottish Rite Masons were invited.

Monday the degrees from the fourth to the fourteenth were conferred, after which refreshments were served. Tuesday degrees from 15th to the 18th inclusive were conferred. Including the 70 candidates that have just been initiated, there is a total membership of 534.

Candidates were here from cities and towns within a radius of 50 miles, including Winston-Salem, Burlington, Mt. Airy, High Point and Stokesdale.

R. E. Weaver, venerable master, presided at the meetings.

MRS. EMMA ANTHONY INJURED IN AUTO COLLISION.

Mrs. Emma Anthony, who resides three miles west of Pleasant Garden, received painful though not serious injury Tuesday afternoon in the city when an automobile in which she was riding was struck by a switch engine at the crossing of the Southern Railway Company on West Lee street. The machine was driven by Miss Elsie Anthony, daughter of the injured woman, and Miss Anthony escaped without injury. The automobile suffered a broken windshield, bending of fenders and a few minor bruises but was able to continue on its own power.

Mrs. Anthony was injured over the right eye and received a considerable shakeup. She was carried to a nearby home and received medical attention.

Clyde R. Rudd Dies in Local Hospital.

Clyde R. Rudd, aged 31, died Monday evening in a local hospital, after an illness of eight weeks. The body was shipped to his home near Brown Summit Monday night and funeral services were conducted at the Christian church at Monticello Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock by Rev. J. Vincent Knight and Rev. Mr. Smith. Interment was made in the church burying ground.

Surviving are his wife, who was Miss Esther Wagoner; father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Rudd, one child, Parnell Rudd; two brothers and three sisters.

COMMISSIONERS DRAW JURY FOR NOVEMBER 8 TERM.

At the meeting of the county commissioners on Monday jurors were drawn for the term of civil court beginning November 8, routine matters were considered and the monthly report of Dr. W. M. Jones was filed.

The report of the county health officer indicated that the health of the county was good during the month of September. There were eight cases of typhoid fever, two cases of scarlet fever, seven of diphtheria, two of smallpox and two of septic sore throat.

The jurors drawn to serve the second week of the November term, are as follows:

G. W. Brown, S. L. Shepperd, W. A. Amick, J. R. Rumley, M. M. Clark, C. A. Foust, C. W. Whittington, Charles T. Briggs, B. S. Fogleman, A. G. Alexander, J. B. Hodgkin, A. L. Horstorf, R. A. Moore, Eugene Oliver, U. S. Clary, John R. Osborne, J. W. Eaton, J. R. Phipps, Frank Richardson, J. G. Orrell, W. L. Gibbons, J. E. Shore, E. C. Mendenhall and J. M. Brown.

WILLIAM H. JONES DIED SUDDENLY YESTERDAY.

William H. Jones, whose home is near Julian, died suddenly here yesterday morning at 10 o'clock, his death resulting from heart failure. Mr. Jones came to Greensboro yesterday to receive medical attention and was consulting a physician in the McAdoo building when he suffered a fatal attack.

Surviving the deceased are his widow and three children. Mr. Jones was a prominent farmer of the Julian section and he was held in high esteem by a large number of friends. His untimely death will occasion genuine sorrow and regret.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS IN SESSION HERE TO-DAY.

The convention of the League of Women Voters began in this city this morning with a program calling for meetings this morning, afternoon and night. Prominent women from all sections of the state are here to attend the gathering.

The delegates will have considerable important business to dispose of to-day and a number of prominent speakers are scheduled to make addresses. Mrs. Maude Wood Park, chairman of the National League of Women Voters, will be the principal speaker of the occasion. The meeting tonight will be open to the public and all persons are invited to attend.

MISS CHLOE HAUGHENBERRY IS ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN.

The Greensboro public library has secured the services of Miss Chloe Haughenberry, of Courdesport, Pa., who will act as assistant librarian in the future. Miss Haughenberry will succeed Miss Rowe, formerly assistant librarian, who was elected librarian last week following the resignation of Miss Bettie Caldwell.

Another valuable addition to the staff of the local institution is Miss Laura Doub. Miss Doub is familiar with the library work and her many friends will be glad to learn that she will devote her services to this valuable public service in the future.

Father of W. O. White, Jr., Dies White Visiting Here.

W. O. White, aged 70 years, of Knoxville, Tenn., died Tuesday morning at the home of his son, W. O. White, Jr., at 440 West Market street. Mr. White had suffered some time with Bright's disease, but it was not thought it was of a serious nature until a few days ago when he became critically ill.

The remains were shipped to Knoxville, Tenn., where the funeral services were held Wednesday.

D. W. Williams Painfully Injured.

D. W. Williams, an employe of the Southern Railway Company, was painfully injured here yesterday morning when he fell from a ladder and struck the floor ten feet below. Mr. Williams was working in the store room of the railroad company when the ladder slipped, throwing him to the floor. He suffered painful bruises on the shoulder, leg and chest and was removed to his home for medical attention.

SHOT MAN TO SAVE LIFE OF THE SHERIFF.

Reidsville, Oct. 5.—James Brim, a white farmer living on one of J. M. Gallaway's farms a short distance this side of Settle's bridge, was shot and mortally wounded Friday night by Deputy Sheriff J. I. Brown, keeper of the jail at Wentworth.

Brim, it is alleged, had been on a drunken spree for several days and had terrorized his family and nearby relatives. He had threatened to kill his step-son, David Dyer and Dyer's wife and had drawn a pistol on him. Dyer swore out a warrant charging Brim with carrying concealed weapons and intent to kill. Sheriff T. L. Gardner sent the warrant to Deputy Brown at Wentworth. Brown went to Brim's home Friday afternoon and attempted to arrest him. Brim barricaded himself in his home and cursed and swore he would kill Brown before he would submit to arrest.

The deputy sheriff sent his boy back to Reidsville after Sheriff Gardner, as he did not want to take the responsibility of a forcible arrest without the sheriff's presence. When the sheriff arrived he went to the door of Brim's home and demanded admittance. Brim fired through a window at the sheriff and the deputy sheriff three times—once with a shotgun and twice with a pistol. None of these shots took effect however. Brim had taken aim at Sheriff Gardner with his shotgun when Deputy Brown shot him. The ball struck Brim in the stomach and passed through his body.

The wounded man was placed in Sheriff Gardner's automobile and brought to Reidsville. He was examined by Dr. McGehee, who advised that he be carried to a Greensboro hospital.

Brim died at the hospital in Greensboro Sunday at noon and his body was brought to Reidsville Monday. The burial took place Monday afternoon at the Wilson grave yard, in Henry county, Va., near the old home of the deceased.

Brim was an industrious farmer and said to be a peaceful man when sober. He would periodically get on sprees and when under the influence of liquor was said to be very disagreeable and terrorized his family. He is survived by his widow and three children. He was about 50 years old.

Sheriff Gardner undoubtedly had a narrow escape and the timely shot of Deputy Brown probably saved his life, as Brim was at close range and about to pull down on the sheriff when knocked over by Brown's bullet.

Sheriff Gardner, after inquiries, located the party who was alleged to have sold Brim the liquor. His name is Drewry Evans, who lives between Price and Ridgeway, just over the Virginia line. Evans was arrested by the sheriff of Henry county and gave bail in the sum of \$300 for his appearance at court in Martinsville to answer to the charge of unlawful traffic in whiskey.

White Oak Defeated Proximity.

Notwithstanding the drop in the temperature, the baseball teams of White Oak and Proximity had a hotly contested game Monday afternoon, the White Oak boys winning by the score of 8-7. The game was won in the ninth, the score at the beginning of that inning standing 7-7, and the last round afforded many thrills for the fans that were on hand to root for their favorites. The batteries were: White Oak—Evans and Talley; Proximity—Hunter and Caruthers.

Snow and Ice in Watauga.

Boone, Oct. 5.—A light snow fell in this section on September 30 and October 1, also on the 3rd came the first killing frost of the season, ice being reported at some places.

Body of Man Found on Tracks.

Salisbury, Oct. 4.—The remains of a man found dead on a railroad track at Barber, are being held here for identification. The man's body was cut in two above the hips and he had been dead some hours when found by the crew of a passing train early this morning. He was apparently about 35 years old, weight about 150 pounds, dark brown hair, high forehead and wore a brown suit, green socks, blue dotted shirt. He had \$45 and a bunch of keys in his pocket, also an application for job as fireman but no name or other means of identification.

AT THE POINT OF GUN SAILOR TAKES AUTOMOBILE.

Durham, Oct. 5.—For bold automobile robberies, one took place in Durham county, one and a half miles beyond Bragtown, Saturday afternoon, that takes the lead of all others. A man, in sailor uniform, presented a pistol to Moses Jones, the barrel end looking Moses in the face, and Moses forthwith left his Ford in charge of the sailor-man.

This unknown man had bargained with Jones, in the city, to take him out the Roxboro road a piece, which Jones agreed to do, and did. Coming to a roadway leading from the main road, the man ordered Jones to drive out that way, which he did. When the car was hidden from the view of traffic on the main road, the man inquired of Jones what he charged for the trip. Jones stated that he charged \$2. The passenger wanted to know if he could change a \$20 bill. Jones said he could not; but could change \$5. The man accepted two one dollar bills, but did not turn over the \$5 bill.

The man then pulled a pistol and directed Jones to get out of the car; that it was not necessary for him to go farther. When Jones had gotten out, the man took the driver's seat; backed the car to the main road, and before Jones could help himself, was speeding away, leaving Jones paralyzed with fear and astonishment at seeing his Ford vanishing in the distance. Jones made his way to town and reported the matter to the police station. Up to this time the officers have found no trace of the automobile or the thief.

PERCEPTIBLE DECLINE IN PRICES WHEAT, CORN, OATS.

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 4.—Wheat futures declined 10 to 12 cents a bushel to-day in the principal grain markets of the west, in some cases touching low levels not before reached since the government established the war-time wheat prices.

December deliveries closed in Chicago and St. Louis at \$1.95 to \$1.95 1-2 and at Kansas City even a lower level was reached in \$1.91. At Minneapolis the December option closed at an even \$2, a drop of 11 1-2 cents from Saturday.

March options closed: At Chicago, \$1.91 to \$1.91 1-2; at Kansas City, \$1.87 3-4; at St. Louis, \$1.93 1-2; at Minneapolis, \$1.93.

Declines in wheat were reflected in new flour quotations from Minneapolis where recessions of 60 cents a barrel since were reported by two mills, bringing flour to \$11.30 and \$11.55 a barrel in quarter barrel sacks.

Corn and oats likewise touched new low levels, equaling quotations of 1916 and 1917, for the December options. December corn closed to-day in Chicago at 85 7-8 and 86, compared with \$1.21, six weeks ago and \$1.76 1-2 in July, 1919. Cash corn at that time reached \$2.10.

Oats established new low records in both the December and the May deliveries, closing at 55 cents and 59 cents on the board. In May of this year, May options went as high as \$1.08.

Lack of export demand and free Canadian offerings are given as causes of the decline in wheat, and corn and oats are reflecting the wheat situation.

Million Dollar Fire at Jacksonville.

Jacksonville, Fla., Oct. 4.—Damage estimated in excess of \$1,000,000 resulted from fire here to-day which, originating in the Wilson-Toomer fertilizer plant on Tallerrand avenue, destroyed the main section of the factory and properties of the Mason Forward Company, adjoining. Box cars on sidings in the vicinity also were burned.

The flames were discovered at 3 A. M. and fanned by a high wind spread rapidly, the fire department not getting the upper hand until about noon. It was expected the debris would smoulder tonight and probably tomorrow.

Spontaneous combustion is believed to have been responsible for the blaze.

A Reminder.

Once again we want to remind our readers that we are glad to publish notices sent in, but we must know their names. Please always sign your name to your communications.