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## A TRAGEDY AT BUCKHORN.

### Young Painter Killed by Live Wire—Boy Scouts on Camp—Other Cape Fear Notes.

Corinth, May 25.—A most unfortunate fatal accident occurred at Buckhorn on last Tuesday morning. Mr. C. L. Hambough, aged 28 years, a painter from Raleigh, lost his life by coming in contact with a high voltage wire. Although three other men were at work within 20 feet, no one saw him when he was killed. He had been told not more than one hour before to paint some water pipes and moulding, but not to go near the wires for they were "hot." He replied: "Don't worry, I'll let that stuff alone." After the accident an investigation showed that Hambough had completely forgotten or disregarded his instructions, stepping up two and one half feet from the floor onto a water pipe and brought his head in contact with the wire. He had been doing this work for five weeks and was considered a very careful and capable workman and we are all at sea in finding a reason for such a fatal mistake.

We know not what a day may bring forth; some of us are called in the prime of life with no warning whatever. This man was taken in less than 5 seconds.

Mr. R. S. Parker made a flying trip to Albemarle Monday. Mrs. Parker and her mother, Mrs. M. A. Arey, returned with him.

Miss Louise Nash is spending a few days visiting friends in Albemarle.

Mr. and Mrs. M. I. Ellis, of Siler City, spent Sunday with Mrs. S. W. Harrington and Monday with Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Nash at Buckhorn.

Mrs. R. L. Wilson, who is in charge of the Corinth postoffice for a few weeks while her mother is in Asheville, spent Sunday with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Cole, at Moncure.

On Saturday afternoon the Moncure Boy Scout Troop under their leader, Mr. Shirley Marshall, hiked from the steam plant, 7 miles to Buckhorn for an all night camp. Some of them were taking their test to raise their rank above that of tenderfoot Scout.

Whether they passed the test or not we know they all had a big time, hiking, fishing, swimming, cooking and eating, sleeping out in the open, rolled up in a blanket and so on. Glad to have you boys, come again soon. Corinth people should attend the teachers-training class commencement exercises at Pittsboro on May 28th and 29th. This is going to be something new in Chatham county, but it will also be very entertaining. Three teachers from our community last year are in the class.

We are indeed glad to note that the Christian Endeavor Society at Brickhaven has grown until it is necessary to reorganize it into a Junior Society for children 12 years old and younger, and an Intermediate Society for the "teeners." Fine work. Let's keep it up. With the Boy Scouts already organized and the Camp Fire Girls just crazy to organize if they could find a leader, we certainly have something that our young folks like and enjoy to say nothing of the benefits they derive. But like all other successful undertakings in any community, it must have the cooperation and hearty support of we older ones, parents, breadwinners and so on. When the young folks themselves take our own children—step right out and say we want a Junior Christian Endeavor Society, we want an Intermediate Christian Endeavor Society, we want a Boy Scout Troop and we want a Camp Fire or Girl Scout organization, it should give every parent a thrill of delight for they could have chosen much worse.

These organizations are wholesome, character-building institutions among our young people and are active all over this fair land of ours. In a large measure they solve the often vexing problem of home environment for our children.

What parent that is worthy of the name has not the best interests of his offspring at heart? They have asked for bread, let's not give them a stone. Let's interest ourselves in the youngsters—let's be a pa as well as a parent if we would always retain their confidence. Let's get right in the line with these, our boys and girls, help them put the thing over, treat will be our rich reward—what money cannot buy. When boys and girls of today become self-fearing leaders of tomorrow.

## UNIVERSITY COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM, JUNE 7.

### Rev. Ashby Jones to Deliver The Sermon—Plan Alumni Meetings.

Chapel Hill, May 23.—The University of North Carolina today put the finishing touches on its program for its 130th commencement which gets under way just two weeks from tomorrow. The dates are Sunday, June 7 through Wednesday, June 10.

The baccalaureate sermon is to be delivered on Sunday, June 7, by Rev. Ashby Jones, pastor of the Ponce de Leon Baptist church of Atlanta, Ga. Monday will be devoted chiefly to exercises by the graduating class and to class reunion dinners. Tuesday will be Alumni day, to be featured by the reunion of classes and meeting of the General Alumni association. Wednesday will be commencement day proper, when the baccalaureate address will be delivered by Glenn Frank, editor of the Centruy magazine and president-elect of the University of Wisconsin.

Daniel L. Grant, alumni secretary, is making plans for a comeback of alumni in record numbers. He calls attention to the fact that the completion of the Carolina Inn, which will open to alumni attending this commencement for the first time, means that Chapel Hill has now, perhaps for the first time in its history, adequate hotel and cafeteria facilities. The Inn has 52 rooms with baths, and dining room and cafeteria service.

The classes holding regular reunions were those of '60, '65, '80, '85, '90, '95, '00, '05, '10, '15, '20, and '24. Some other classes are planning informal reunions.

The University Monogram club is making arrangements to hold a reunion of all Carolina letter men on Tuesday afternoon, June 9. Definite announcements of further details will be made later.

Housing facilities for returning alumni have been arranged so that all will have comfortable quarters. Steele dormitory has been reserved for ladies and mixed parties.

The business meeting of the General Alumni association will be held in Memorial Hall beginning at 9:30 o'clock Tuesday morning, June 9. There will be ample time for the transaction of all business before the opening of the reunion program in Gerrard Hall at noon when the home-coming classes will pass in review with their reminiscences.

At the general assembly, Secretary Grant will make his annual report of the work accomplished by the General Alumni association during the past year, and the alumni will be asked to determine the future course of the association.

## FIRST VISIT IN FIFTY YEARS.

### Mr. and Mrs. Parker of ansa Back Home—Other Browns Chapel Items.

Pittsboro, Rt. 2, May 25.—The Sunday school rooms at Emmaus church have almost been finished, and have been in use for the past two Sundays.

Miss Evelyn Justice spent Saturday night with Miss Mamie Jones.

Mrs. Lula Henderson has been sick and in the hospital at Sanford for about two weeks. Her condition seems to be about the same. We hope she will soon be well and back home again.

Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Justice spent Saturday and Sunday in Greensboro visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Townsend and others.

Miss Sallie Mann from near Saxapahaw has been spending a few days with her aunt, Mrs. O. T. Williams.

Miss Ethel Justice visited her cousin, Miss Louise Pugh, last Friday.

Mrs. R. G. Cheek and children, of Carrboro, spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Mann.

Mr. and Mrs. Dayton Parker motored from their home in Haverland, Kansas, in their Buick car, for a visit to North Carolina, and this was their first trip to North Carolina in over fifty years. They spent a week visiting their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Justice and others. While here Mr. and Mrs. Asher, Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Justice and their daughters, Lella, motored to Wilmington and Wrightsville Beach on a sight-seeing trip. The sea was rough, but the scenery was beautiful.

Mr. and Mrs. Dayton Parker left Saturday for home by way of Tennessee to visit relatives and friends there.

## E. M. DEAN HAS NARROW ESCAPE FROM DEATH

### Siler City Postoffice Goes to Second Class July 1—Local and Personal Items.

Siler City, May 23.—Effective July 1st the Siler City postoffice will step up to second class from the third class as heretofore, a step that is gratifying to the local patrons.

The present postmaster, R. H. Dixon, who took charge of the office on May 1st, 1923, furnished today the following information:

During 1924 there were issued 9321 money orders, 590 articles registered, 1614 packages insured, 314 C. O. D. articles delivered and an increase in postal receipts of \$1,366.25.

This growth in business by the local office is due largely to the various changes and improvements made in town of Siler City which have taken place within the past two years of the following:

Page Trust company bought the Citizens Bank & Trust Co., a new bank home for which will soon be in progress of construction on corner of Raleigh and Greensboro streets, the remodeling and enlarging of Wrenn Brothers and Teague and Lamb mercantile buildings, new buildings of brick erected by H. L. Terry and H. W. Webster, Methodist church completed, High Point Bending & Chair company, Williams, Brower company, and Chatham Sash and Door company all enlarging and erecting new quarters; a local Ice and Coal plant established, the organization of a local realty company, a new development west and east of town for exclusive residences, and last but by no means least, the present installation of a water and sewer system.

An unusually pretty party was given Thursday evening by Misses Stella and Helen Siler at their home honoring Mrs. Herbert Andrews, nee Miss Hattie Dark of this place whose marriage occurred May 14, at the home of her mother, Mrs. Haseltine Dark. The affair was a miscellaneous shower and was attended by two score or more of the popular bride's friends.

A series of services contemplated to run until June 2 will begin at the Methodist church tomorrow night, the hours being at 10 a. m. and 8 p. m. The pastor, Rev. O. I. Hinson, will be ably assisted by Rev. A. L. Stanford, of Shelby.

The Sunday school convention for Albright township, will convene at Rocky River Baptist church on Sunday, May 31. Rufus Brewer, chairman of the committee on arrangements is announcing this week a most pleasing program for the occasion.

Mrs. John Ellis, who spent several days with her mother, Mrs. Emma Pleasants, who is quite ill at her home in Aberdeen, during the past week, will return tomorrow.

Mrs. D. G. Fox, who suffered a stroke of apoplexy three weeks ago at her home here is today resting, though her condition is yet serious.

Mrs. James L. Griffin, of Pittsboro, is a guest of her brother, L. L. Wrenn.

E. L. Curtis and family, former residents of this place, have returned here, after several months spent in Clarkton.

Miss Vera Campbell, of this place, gave her graduating recital from Louisburg College last Tuesday evening. Attending from here were her mother, Mrs. Lydia Campbell, Mrs. H. L. Jordan, Misses Pauline Jordan and Ava Stout and Edwin Ferguson.

E. M. Dean, who is employed by the construction company installing the water system at this place, had a narrow escape from death late yesterday afternoon, when he fell to the bottom of the large steel tank 25 feet deep in which was about 7 feet of water. Mr. Dean was engaged in work near the top and started to descend into the tank when a board of the inside framing gave way and he was thrown headlong to the bottom. No one was near by except young Sam Phillips, a lad of 12 years, who becoming alarmed because Mr. Dean, whom he was watching for from the ground, did not appear started for help when he saw the injured man's head appear above the rim of the tank. Mr. Dean was able to keep his head above water until he could recover sufficiently to climb out and not until he was near the bottom of the outside did he realize the pain he was suffering in his back. He was carried to the home of Mrs. Frank Phillips, where he is living while here, where he is resting today.

## MR. PURVIS HAS NARROW ESCAPE IN A WRECK.

### Memorial Service in Randolph—Bennett Local News.

Bennett, May 25.—A large crowd attended the Memorial services at the Baptist church Sunday. The service by the children in the morning was carried out nicely. The pastor Rev. J. C. Kidd preached at 11 o'clock. The church was decorated with many pretty flowers and after the sermon these were placed on the graves.

There are only twelve bodies buried in the town cemetery, and each one was surrounded by ladies, each with a bunch of flowers, remaining until a short service had been held, then they were arranged on the graves. Prof. S. J. Husketh, of Siler City, made an excellent lecture Sunday afternoon on memorializing.

Rev. E. A. Livingston conducted a memorial service in Randolph county Sunday. He will also hold memorial services at his church at Deep River Baptist church the first Sunday in June. Mr. Fred Brady is holding a ten days' sing at that church now, reviving the choir and helping to make ready for the all-day service when the memorial is held.

Mr. Eli Scott and family, of Greensboro, visited his old home and the Memorial service here Sunday.

Bennett baseball team defeated Hemp in a one-sided game of ball here Saturday, the score being, Bennett 20, Hemp 5. The boys here defeated Bear Creek Saturday before. Bennett will play Hemp Tuesday and it is hoped that Hemp will have a stiffer team when they meet them. The home team will also play Bear Creek Saturday on their ground. Our team is a good one and we are expecting them to do some good playing this season.

Mr. Clay Purvis, of the Beulah neighborhood, had a narrow escape Sunday in an automobile wreck, the accident occurring between Coleridge and Ramseur. Mr. Purvis and family accompanied Mr. Curtis Craven, of High Falls, to Greensboro on Saturday to visit his son. They were returning, his son bringing Mr. Purvis, wife and daughter in his car, taking the lead, and Mr. Purvis was driving his car with Mr. Craven. In some way Mr. Purvis lost control of the car and it turned over. He doesn't remember anything about how it happened, but it is supposed that Mr. Purvis thought he was running too close to a ditch and, turning in, turned too far and ran into the opposite ditch. His son discovered that they were too far behind and went back, bringing them here to Dr. Denson for medical treatment. Mr. Purvis was somewhat bruised up and had his collar bone broken. He is very sick at this writing.

## MRS. LAWRENCE IS AT HOME.

### Baseball Game Between New Hope and Brickhaven—Local Items.

Brickhaven, May 25.—Miss Leone Luther, of Bonsal, was the week-end guest here of Mrs. O. C. Kennedy. Miss Luther was a former teacher here, and it is always a pleasure to have her with us.

Mrs. H. T. Johnson who has been visiting relatives here returned to her home at Morrisville Saturday. She was accompanied by her little granddaughter, Pauline Lawrence, who expects to spend several weeks with her grandmother.

Mrs. A. R. Lawrence, who has been in Raleigh for the past two weeks, taking treatment under Dr. Wright, is at home now, and seems to be improving rapidly, although she returns to Raleigh every other day. Mr. R. H. Overby is also taking treatment under Dr. Wright. He, like Mrs. Lawrence, is recuperating from a serious head operation.

Mr. and Mrs. David T. Strickland, of Southern Pines, spent a short while here last week with relatives.

Master Walter Curtis, Jr., of Ahsokie, is here for an extended stay with his uncle, Mr. O. C. Kennedy. Walter is an unusually bright, well-behaved boy, and is very popular with the youngsters of the community.

Quite a crowd attended the ball game here Saturday. The score was 4 to 22 in favor of the home team. The visiting team was the New Hope nine.

Mr. Duval, pastor of the Buckhorn Methodist church near here, met his

Miss Louise Fox, of Newton, arrived today to spend a short time with her grandmother, Mrs. D. G. Fox.

## FLEW FOR NORTH POLE.

### Amunsden Gone Several Days—Fears For Party's Safety.

Amunsden, the discoverer of the South pole, with two planes, set out from Spitzbergen, about 500 miles north of northern tip of his own country, Norway, last week to fly to the North pole. The distance is 680 miles, and it was estimated that the flight could be made in nine hours.

It was the expressed purpose of the great explorer to turn round at the pole and fly back to Spitzbergen if it should appear unsafe to land. Accordingly, a watchout was kept for the two planes after the expiration of eighteen hours. But days have passed and no word from the daring party.

If no accident befell the planes before they reached the pole, which position would be located by observations of the heavens as a position is at sea, it is supposed that the planes landed, whether safely or not, and that the party is either, like Amunsden at the south pole, deliberately exploring the area, or if wrecked on landing are forced to make the best of the situation. The whole world is concerned and wishing the intrepid Norwegian the best of fortune. Rescuing parties will seek him by airplane if the return is much longer deferred. But this is written Tuesday evening and the return may be announced before The Record reaches its readers.

## A MAD DOG SCARE.

### Miss Carr Injures Arm—Ball Game Saturday—Locals.

New Hill, Rt. 2, May 25.—Everyone in this community was excited late last Saturday afternoon when a dog supposed to be mad made its appearance. The dog bit a hound belonging to Mr. John Holt and also Mr. J. L. Goodwin's three dogs. Mr. A. M. Goodwin killed him near his home. The head was taken to Raleigh early Sunday morning for examination and it was pronounced affected with hydrophobia.

While fixing a frame around some flowers last Saturday Miss Janice Carr happened to the misfortune of cutting her arm. She immediately went to Moncure where Dr. Cathell dressed the wound and we are glad to note she is doing nicely.

There was a good attendance at New Elam Sunday school Sunday. Mrs. G. L. Mann and Mr. W. M. Goodwin talked on conversion of Saul. Their talks were enjoyed very much. Mrs. G. F. Carr made a good talk also. Next Sunday Miss Rose Sturdivant and Robert Beckwith will address the congregation.

We are indeed glad to know Mr. W. A. Drake and family have recovered from the small pox.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Webster and little daughter, Evelyn, of Clayton, are guests of Mrs. Addie Webster.

Misses Blanche and Dora Holt spent the week-end at Merry Oaks with Miss Chloe Holt.

Misses Lessie Clarke and Lilla Ellis, of Raleigh, were week-end guests of Mr. J. A. Ellis and family.

Floyd Lasater, of Durham, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Lasater.

The Hickory Mt. baseball team will play the New Hope team on the latter's ground next Saturday afternoon.

regular appointment Sunday afternoon. He preached a good sermon to a small, but interested congregation.

We wish to congratulate Joe Overby, Jr. upon joining the Boy Scout organization. He is a fine little fellow and will make a true, loyal member.

Rev. Fuller Johnson, pastor of the Christian church, will conduct services at the school building here the second Sunday evening in June, services beginning at 8 o'clock. We hope to have a large congregation for Mr. Johnson, for he is an exceptionally good speaker and is sure to have a worth-while message for us.

Quite a number from here are planning to attend the play, "Little Women" which is to be presented by the Teacher-Training Class at Pittsboro Thursday night. Several members of the class, namely: Misses Lelia Johnson, Laura Harris and Sankie Perry, have taught school in this section of the county and have many friends who are eager to witness the play.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Cole, so pleasantly remembered as former residents in Pittsboro, were visitors here among friends during the week-end.

## LAD INJURED BY TRAIN.

### Raymond Wilkie Goes to Hospital—Meeting of Epworth League—Local News.

Moncure, May 25.—Dr. J. E. Cathell accompanied Raymond Wilkie, son of Mrs. M. T. Wilkie, to Raleigh today where Raymond will undergo an operation at a hospital there. Raymond has been suffering for sometime with his side and it was at first thought he had appendicitis, but after an X-ray examination it was learned that he had an injury to his side, and that he would have to undergo an operation. We hope that Raymond will rapidly recover and will be at home soon.

Mrs. Douglass Mims, of South Carolina, is visiting her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Jenks.

Messrs. C. F. Ballard and C. T. Funk, of Hamlet, who are here in the interest of erecting the double-track steel bridge over Haw river, and who are stopping at Hilliard Hotel, spent the week-end at their homes in Hamlet.

Mrs. J. R. Jenks spent last Friday in Raleigh shopping.

Mrs. R. A. Speed of Rt. 1, and Mrs. J. W. Womble, of Rt. 2, spent from May 16th to 18th, visiting relatives at Hamlet.

Mr. A. B. Clegg and Mr. R. A. Speed motored to Sanford last Sunday to see their cousin, Mrs. Walter Henderson, who is seriously sick in the hospital there.

Harvey Fincannon, oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fincannon, who is practically deaf, was knocked down by passenger train No. 11, of the S. A. L., last Saturday. He was put on the train and carried to a hospital in Sanford, where he was examined and treated. He was badly bruised, but we are glad to learn was not seriously hurt.

Capt. J. H. Wissler, who spent several weeks at Cedar Springs, Va., has returned to his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Crutchfield and family who were living in rooms over Hackney & Thomas store, have moved to rooms belonging to his store, vacated by Dr. J. E. Cathell, when he moved to the new drug store.

Messrs. Jennings Womble and Clarence and Sam Crutchfield, who have been attending Elon College the past session, have returned home for the summer.

Master James Brady, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Brady, has secured a position on the train, running from Raleigh to Hamlet, as newsboy. We hope him success and that he will like his work.

A very interesting meeting of the Epworth League was held at the Methodist church Sunday evening. The subject was, "Planning to Make the Most of the Summer," and the following program was read by the secretary, Miss Pauline Ray and carried out by the Leaguers:

Hymn—Onward Christian Soldiers. Scripture lesson—Mark 6:31-32; Rom. 13:11-14. The lesson was read and then followed prayer.

Song—What a Friend we Have in Jesus.

Scripture references were read.

No time for Letting up—John 9:4.

Margaret Strickland.

Diligence necessary at all Times—

Heb. 12:15; Prov. 11:27, Lois Ray.

Don't get "Summeritis"—I Thesa. 5:1-6. Allen Moore.

What Should Characterize a Christian's Vacation? Evan Ray.

Summer Dangers—Miss Ruth Womble.

What Our Epworth League can do to Make the Most of Summer?—Miss Eva Phillips.

A short talk was made by Miss Catherine Thomas, president, about the Epworth League Assembly which is to be held at Louisburg, N. C., June 29 to July 3, and then she read a piece about, "Why we Should Attend the Assembly."

Misses Catherine Thomas and Pauline Ray were elected delegates to the Assembly at Louisburg.

The meeting was closed by repeating the Lord's prayer.

## AGED CHATHAM MAN MARRIED.

Coats, May 22.—Mr. Benjamin Pollard, aged 85, a highly respected and well to do citizen of Chatham county and Mrs. Pessy Dixon, age 75, of Coats, were married here Monday morning. Mr. and Mrs. Pollard are receiving congratulations from their many friends. They will make Coats their home.