

## WILBUR McLEOD ESCAPES DEATH IN ELECTRIC CHAIR

### Committed to Life Imprisonment—Governor Gardner Makes Statement in Regard to Case.

Just as many people in this county expected Gov. Gardner, who has committed to life imprisonment, Wilbur McLeod, colored, who has for the past year or two been on death row in the State Prison, in Raleigh, awaiting execution upon the charge of criminally assaulting and killing Mrs. Rebecca Matthews at her home near Broadway on night in March, 1928.

McLeod, after two Superior Court convictions, two reviews by the Supreme Court, one reprieve from the Governor, was scheduled to die Friday, May 19, 1929, and was by many months in arrears.

The case of McLeod has proved one of the most perplexing in the history of capital punishment in North Carolina. First convicted of criminally assaulting and slaying Mrs. Matthews, he was later convicted of a new trial on the grounds that "bloodhound evidence," on which the State's case was based, was incompetent.

In May, 1929, the Negro was taken from the State Prison to the County Jail for trial before Judge Garland Midyette, who refused to admit the objectionable evidence. This time conviction was based largely upon McLeod's shoes matching footprints at the scene of the crime, and his familiarity with the premises where the crime was committed.

The Supreme Court upheld the second conviction over a vigorous dissenting opinion of Justice Adams with Justice Brogden also expressing doubt as to the Negro's guilt.

Lester A. Oxley, the State Board of Charities and Public Welfare, investigated the case and recommended clemency.

Perplexed, Governor Gardner visited Death Row in person. Unaware of the Governor's identity, McLeod talked with him for more than an hour. The Governor came away with grave doubts as to his guilt.

Monday he decided to give him the benefit of the doubt to the extent that he commuted his sentence to life imprisonment. The prisoner left the State Prison on Tuesday and has been given an assignment in the open.

Many people who've followed this case from the beginning, based both on the facts and on the evidence, are guilty and believe that McLeod is guilty and believe that McLeod is guilty and believe that McLeod is guilty.

Two other murders were committed almost in a stone's throw of the spot where Mrs. Matthews was criminally assaulted. The killer of two men and blockaders led by "Bud" Davis are now serving time in the State's Prison charged with killing Sheriff J. I. Turner. Not long after this crime was committed the body of Mrs. Annie Terry, was found lodged against a raft above the bridge, which resulted in her death at Buckhorn Falls in the Cape Fear River. Soon after the finding of Mrs. Terry's body, Herbert Lawrence was arrested in Durham charged with having thrown her in the Cape Fear River from the Avent's Ferry Bridge, which resulted in her death by drowning. He was tried, convicted of murder in the second degree and sentenced to the State's Prison for a term of 30 years. The Supreme Court upheld the decision of the lower court and Lawrence was placed in the State Prison to serve his term.

If The Express is correctly informed Herbert Lawrence is practically a free man. Lawrence and his brother, of Durham, are contractors. According to report Herbert Lawrence has been hired to his brother by the pensionary authorities at \$10 per day and is now in Durham carrying on his private business as if he had always lived a law abiding citizen. Is that the way to punish people who are guilty of murder?

Four capital crimes committed in the same community in a period of a few months and in not a single instance was justice meted out in the electric chair. Can you be surprised that many people are found in every community who have contempt for law and order?

**GOV. GARDNER'S STATEMENT**  
To the Superintendent of the State Prison:  
The above named prisoner, Wilbur McLeod, was convicted at the May term, 1929, Superior Court of Lee County of murder in the first degree and sentenced to death by electrocution.

This case has been passed upon twice by both the Superior Court of the State and by the Supreme Court. Judge R. A. Nunn presided over the term of Superior Court which first tried the case and now writes that in his opinion that the defendant that he does not believe that the death penalty should be exacted.

above. The evidence in the first case was considered improper and a new trial was ordered. After considering the case the second time Associate Justices Clarkson and Adams have each stated that in their opinion the death penalty should not be exacted, upon the evidence produced in this case, and that there was a great deal of doubt as to the prisoner's guilt.

Immediately after the crime was committed Hon. Edwin B. Bridges, the former Commissioner of Pardons, made a most careful and painstaking investigation of the matter and there is on file a very strong letter from him, in which he states that the prisoner is not guilty of the crime and urges clemency for him.

The State likewise had a private investigation made and the report at the conclusion of it was in such a state of doubt as to the prisoner's guilt.

Since both of the Superior Court Judges who heard this case and three members of the Supreme Court of the State, after thorough consideration of the evidence under the law are definitely of the opinion that the defendant should not be electrocuted, and in view of the reports of those who made personal investigations at the time of the crime, I am forced to the conclusion that there is such doubt as to the defendant's guilt that it is my duty to commute the sentence from that of death to life imprisonment in the State's Prison and the prisoner's sentence is therefore this day commuted from death to life imprisonment in the State's Prison.

**G. MAX GARDNER,**  
GOVERNOR.

**O. M. MULL,**  
Executive Counsel.

**SHALL JONESBORO DESCEND TO A SCHOOL TERM OF EIGHT MONTHS?**  
Although I no longer live in Jonesboro I am very much interested in the above question. I received all my public school training here, and through its influence have since been actively affiliated with education. Consequently when I see my home school considering lowering its educational standards I cannot but protest such a course.

There are three arguments for a term of eight months to be made: First, that as much as can be done in a community are interested. In this way a maximum number of homes are reached and helped.

Our parents have seen remarkable strides in education within the last few years. From a school with no equipment, poorly trained teachers, and a term of two or three months, we have come to a standard school, fully equipped, well trained teachers, and a term of nine months. Every city has a term of nine months; in fact, some cities have terms of ten and eleven months plus evenings and Saturday schools.

Why, then, should we have a school term of eight months in North Carolina? Is it reasonable to think that in eight months we can accomplish the work of nine? No more so than to think that eight dollars will have the purchasing power of nine. The best schools in our nation are schools which operate nine months. Our State, because of her school term of six and eight months ranks nearly at the bottom of all our states educationally. Shall we help her on the very bottom?

Parents think they would have their children one month longer. Let us see. If we go to an eight months' term, there will be no more rainy days, no more cotton picking days, and school can hardly be dismissed in the afternoon before four o'clock, because to stay on the accredited list, no less than 180 school days of seven-fifty minute periods a day can be considered. Furthermore, the problems of attendance and retardation will be graver, for an absence now of three days because of the longer period will now cover what was nearly a week in the shorter term. Do you see where the farmer will have his child that extra month if we consider the longer school day which must be in evidence every one of the 180 school days?

We can't argue cheapness, for we only spend \$36,000,000 yearly for education as compared with an expenditure of \$48,000,000 for chewing gum, tobacco, soft drinks, candy, and cosmetics, absolute luxuries. We furthermore spend \$60,000,000 yearly for new automobiles, \$59,000,000 for gas oil, and \$10,000,000 for license tags. Compare these expenditures with the fact that North Carolina graduated 15,000 boys and girls this spring at a cost of \$15,000,000 for their high school education by virtue of which they will bring to the state within the next 30 years \$255,000,000 more than they would have earned without a high school education, or a clear profit to us of \$240,000,000.

The mothers of these boys and girls will not argue that the school term will be cut. They have brought these boys and girls into the world to see them achieve happiness and greatness, not for the purpose of making ditch diggers and money grubbers out of them. I maintain that the author-

ities who are responsible for the answer to this vital question must give it careful consideration and not sacrifice the potentialities of these children and the good name of our community upon the brazen gods of ignorance and selfishness.

**C. R. ADAMS,**  
Jonesboro, N. C.

**NOTICE**  
We are requested to state that the Merchants of Sanford will close their stores on the afternoon of July 4, so as to observe the National Holiday. The stores will be open until 12 o'clock.

## MEETING COUNCIL DEMONSTRATION CLUBS

Meeting Well Attended and Much Interest Manifested on the Part of All Present—Executive Committee Appointed to Meet at Call of Council President.

The County Council of Home Demonstration Clubs met Saturday, June 21, in the banquet hall of the first Hotel, with 26 members present. This body of women is composed of officers of the 16 Home Demonstration Clubs in Lee County, and meets every three months for the purpose of discussing matters of interest to the farm women of Lee county.

Mrs. I. J. McMill, of Lemon Springs, president of the council, presided, and Mrs. Phil Yarborough, of Osgood, was made acting secretary in place of Mrs. J. P. McDavid, who is out of the county for the summer. An executive committee of three members from the county at large was elected to meet at the call of the council president for business which needs to be transacted between the regular council meetings. Mrs. McMill will call this committee next Saturday and decide what changes the women want in the 1930 Fair Premium List.

Mrs. A. M. Hubbard and Mr. John Gilliam spoke to the council about the fair and solicited the help of the women in making the fair a greater success than it has ever been. They said that the women make the fair, and praised them for their part in putting on community exhibits last year. There will be space for ten such exhibits at the next fair, and the date must be fixed by October 1st. A guarantee of \$5.00 will be made to any community putting on a creditable exhibit. The prizes will be announced in the catalogue for the best exhibits.

Mrs. Simpson, the Home Agent, made a short report of attendance by clubs since the first of the year. The club officers were urged to assist the agent in getting more of the women in each neighborhood out to the demonstration meetings. Each club meeting has a different set of demonstrators, and more people can be reached and helped in these group meetings than would be possible if the agent tried to visit individuals.

A good neighborhood spirit is fostered by the meeting of people who live in a given locality. Better understanding of all problems comes a long way to solving them. There are 452 women in Lee County who meet and mingle in the 16 groups. The council brings the different sections of the county together. Some of the clubs have as many as 42 women at their monthly meetings to study some home-making subject. Other clubs have less. No club is too small to be of help to the women in a community are interested.

In this way a maximum number of homes are reached and helped. The women of Lee County are being given a lesson are urged to lend a helping hand to other women in need of assistance. This spreading of the gospel of better living is sure to help every citizen of the county. The large local attendance at these meetings is proof of the interest of what is being done. Records are kept by club secretaries and the Home Agent.

Greater stimulation of home gardens since the first of the year is a part of the Live-at-Home movement now being carried on by the county. Canning in the county now reminds one of war-time food saving. Lee county seems to be getting ready to feed herself after fresh fruits and vegetable are out of season. The economy of this program is readily seen.

**R. L. BURNS BUYS THE GULF AGENCY AT SANFORD**  
Mr. R. L. Burns, who now operates several gas and oil stations, opened his first station at Carthage in April, 1921. He has purchased the Gulf Refining Company station at Three Points, near Sanford, in September, 1924. His next station was opened at Aberdeen in the fall of 1927, at which place he has handled Gulf products since the opening date. By this he has been able to observe the quality of the products made by the Gulf Refining Company. Many improvements have been made in the gas and oils of this company recently. This company's No-Nox, Anti-Knock Fuel is aviation grade, the same as used by aeroplanes. The Gulf Refining Company has purchased the original St. Louis "Robin" No. 1, the ship which established the world's endurance record for continuous flight of 17 days, 12 hours and 21 minutes at Lambert's Field, St. Louis, Mo., July 29, 1927, by Pilots "Red" Jackson and "Forest" O'Brien, with a gasoline tank.

Mr. Burns has recently purchased the Gulf Refining Agency franchise of the Sanford territory and will distribute these products to the many dealers in his territory. Mr. Burns intends to carry out this same high standard service which has made his name in the retail business. The territory consists of all of Lee, part of Chatham, Wake, Harnett and Moore counties. It is his business to furnish Gulf products to any one operating or opening up new gas and oil stations in his territory. His office is at the Gulf Refining plant near the Court House on the Jonesboro highway, and can be reached by telephone from nearly every section in the above counties, which will enable his dealers to keep in close contact with him to furnish the best of service.

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## RECORDER'S COURT

Few Cases, But Severe Sentences Imposed—18 Months, 2 Years.

Recorder's Court Tuesday was a short term, but two sentences of long duration were quickly meted out to F. G. McBryde and Charles McLennie. McLennie was tried a week ago and given an 18-month sentence for violation of the prohibition law. He was, however, given until Monday of this week to leave Sanford, Lee, Moore, Harnett and Chatham counties for the period of his sentence. It was reported to the Court Tuesday that he had failed to keep faith with the Court and was still in Sanford. Solicitor Hoyle immediately asked for a capias instanter, and in a few minutes Sheriff Womack had McLennie in Court and Judge McPherson had found that he had violated the terms of his suspended sentence and McLennie was soon on his way to the road camp.

F. G. McBryde was found guilty of violating the prohibition act, given a sentence of five years, was given the privilege of quitting the town, county and adjoining counties for two years, and to appear in Court to pay the balance of his sentence, by payment of costs, and get away in five days, having just witnessed McLennie's fate in trifling with the Court. McBryde, under his sentence, may return to the county after two years, conditioned on his good behavior.

It is quite notable that Judge McPherson is imposing more severe sentences on old offenders of the prohibition law, and is thought that only such sentences will have the desired effect.

## MEETING TRUSTEES LEE COUNTY HOSPITAL

The board of trustees of the Lee County Hospital met Monday night, but merely discussed some things in connection with the hospital and did not transact any official business. They adjourned to meet again next Monday night at which time they will probably select an architect for the construction of the hospital, also select a site from the large number that have been offered. Some beautiful sites have been offered at reasonable prices, and it is expected that one of these will be selected. The people of the town and county who are as much of the interest of what is being done. Records are kept by club secretaries and the Home Agent.

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**MR. CAUDLE DIES AT HIS HOME IN PEACHLAND.**  
Mrs. E. L. Gavin was shocked to receive a message Friday night to the effect that her father, Mr. W. A. Caudle, had passed away at his home at Peachland shortly before. While he had not been in robust health for some time, Mrs. Gavin did not know of his critical illness. Mr. and Mrs. Gavin went to Peachland Saturday morning to attend the funeral which was held at Deep Springs Baptist church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The funeral was conducted by Mr. Caudle's son, Rev. Z. A. Caudle. The funeral was attended by a large number of people, and was being one of the leading and most influential citizens of that community. Mr. H. M. Jackson and Miss Aliene Hunt, (now Mrs. Jackson), attended the funeral from this place.

Mr. Caudle, who died at the age of 69 years, is survived by his wife and seven children, four sons and three daughters. Mr. Caudle had been a member of the Baptist church since youth, possessed the virtues and characteristics of a true faithful Christian and wielded a strong influence in his church. Many friends join the family in lamenting his death.

**ISENHOUR WINS HIS CASE**  
The Pearce damage trial came to an end in Wake County Superior Court with the verdict of the jury that the plaintiff, Mrs. Allie May Pearce, was not entitled to recover damages from the Isenhour Brick Co., of Colon. The suit consumed the entire two weeks June term of the Wake Superior Court. Mrs. Pearce brought suit to recover damages to the amount of \$100,000 from the Isenhour Brick Company for the death of her husband in November 1928, his death being caused by his car crashing into a clay pit near the Isenhour plant. Both the plaintiff and defense were represented by able counsel. The Isenhour Brick Company was represented by Williams & Williams and Gavin & League, of this place. Strong arguments were made by Solicitor C. L. Williams and District Attorney E. L. Gavin in defense of their client. Notice of appeal was given to the higher court by the plaintiff.

**WAREHOUSEMEN VISITING THE TOBACCO PLANTERS**  
Messrs. E. J. Hester and W. P. Jordan, who have leased and will operate the lower tobacco warehouse in the fall season, have been in Sanford and Lee County for the past week or two calling on the tobacco planters. They expect to be here some two or three weeks longer in order to familiarize themselves with local conditions relative to the tobacco industry. They have secured the names of hundreds of planters in this section and will keep in close touch with them throughout the growing and marketing season. They are tobaccoists of long experience and are coming to Lee County for the purpose of doing all they can to make this a big market. They are very much encouraged with the prospect of this section in this section. They are anxious to see the planters of this section grow a high grade of tobacco and believe that this will solve the problem of getting living prices.

**NOTICE**  
The Peoples Bank of Sanford, will, on Tuesday, July 1, 1930, at its place of business, pay to its depositors a dividend of FIFTY PER CENT.

**F. R. SNIPES,**  
President.

## PERSONAL MENTION.

Messames H. A. Russell, S. R. McDonald, Misses Susan McKernan, Nita McDowell, Margaret Johnson, and Herbert Kussel, left Tuesday morning for High Point, all being delegates to the Christian Endeavor Convention. Mr. and Mrs. Coley Snypes and little daughter, Peggy, spent Tuesday in Clio, S. C., with Mr. Snypes' mother. Nell McDonald is spending the summer with her grandmother in Savannah, Ga.

Misses Lois Monroe, Elizabeth McIntosh, Elsie Monroe, Mary Thomas and Love Heins have returned from Beaufort where they spent several days as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Waters.

Miss Ruth McIntosh is visiting her sister, Mrs. Ray Bass, in Wmgate. She was accompanied by her little niece, Margaret Bass, who has been visiting in Sanford.

Mrs. W. C. Meredith and son, Scott, of Elberon, are the guests of Mrs. Meredith's sister, Mrs. Jessie Griffin.

Mrs. J. W. Kirkpatrick, who has been visiting Mr. Kirkpatrick's parents at Hendersonville, returned home this week. She was accompanied by Mr. Kirkpatrick's first wife, Mrs. Claude Gunn, who went down to Fairmont last week to see a sick sister.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Boone recently went to Charlottesville, Va., to see their daughter, Miss Mary Alice, graduate from the Medical College of Virginia.

Miss Catherine Judd recently graduated as a nurse from the University of Virginia Hospital at Charlottesville. Mr. and Mrs. B. Cole who spent their honeymoon in Virginia and other parts of the country, returned home last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Ingram left Friday night for Chicago, where Mr. Ingram is now attending the annual meeting of Rotary International as a delegate from the Sanford club.

John Gunter, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. U. Gunter, of this place, a student of the State University, left the first of the week on a trip to California and other Western States. He is making this trip "just to see the country." He expects to be gone about two months.

Banks Wilkins, who spent a few days in New York on business, returned home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Porter and children and Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Wicker and children were the guests of the family of Mr. W. W. Bridges in Raleigh Sunday.

Misses Luna Yates, Ruth Nall, Floy Rivers, Inez Riddle and Mr. Glenn McVey are attending the B. Y. P. U. Convention at Mars Hill this week.

Mr. J. T. McKernan is attending the Chief of Police Convention at Charlotte this week. He was accompanied by his son, J. T. Jr.

Mrs. S. R. McDonald and daughter Juanita, Misses Margaret Johnson and Susan McKernan are at Winston-Salem for a few days attending the Christian Endeavor Convention.

Miss Frances Kelly, who has been working in the overall factory in Greensboro, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Kelly, of Broadway.

Miss Julia Etta Joyce, who has been spending some time in Greensboro, spent the week end at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Kelly, of Broadway.

## LEE COUNTY FARMERS KEEPING UP FIGHT AGAINST BOLL WEEVIL

### PRECINCT MEETINGS HELD SATURDAY

Township meetings were held by the Democrats throughout the county last Saturday in preparation for the convention of the court house next Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The precinct meetings were for the purpose of organizing, electing precinct committees and appointing delegates to the county convention. However, it is expected that all Democrats in good and regular standing who attend the meeting next Saturday will be entitled to sit as delegates. A slate of delegates and an equal number of alternates to attend the State Convention, which meets in Raleigh on July 3rd, will be elected Saturday.

The precinct meeting for West Sanford township was held at the Wilrick Hotel in Sanford at 8:30 and was called to order by E. M. Underwood, precinct chairman, who was made chairman and S. V. Scott, secretary of the meeting. A township executive committee was nominated at the meeting as follows: R. W. Vick, J. W. Stout, R. C. Longmeyer, G. C. G. Gunter, and T. S. Cross. On motion all Democrats in good and regular standing were elected as delegates to the county convention Saturday. At a meeting of the newly elected township executive committee, held immediately after the precinct meeting, J. W. Stout was elected precinct chairman.

The meeting of the East Sanford precinct was held at the City Hall at the same hour and was called to order by the precinct chairman, J. R. Rives. The following precinct executive committee was elected: S. Ray Byerly, Chairman; W. R. Hartness, R. J. Yates, S. A. Wicker, and Stacy Lane.

All regular Democrats in the township were authorized to go as delegates to the county convention. It is expected that the Democratic party in all other townships will be represented in the county convention Saturday.

**DEATH OF W. HENRY COY.**  
Mr. W. Henry Coy, who had been in poor health for a year was taken to the Charlotte Sanatorium for treatment and died in a few days. His death came as a surprise and a shock to his many friends, on Saturday, June 17th.

The funeral was held on Thursday at 2 o'clock at the home on Greensboro Avenue, conducted by a beloved pastor, Rev. J. B. Willis, of Greensboro. The services were held at the home of Mr. Coy as a friend to all who were his friends and had always found him the truest of friends. The pall bearers were Messrs. E. M. Underwood, J. C. York, R. M. Moore, M. H. I. W. T. Glass and S. D. Porter.

The flower bearers were Mr. L. H. Fox, and little daughter, M. Lily, Mrs. W. T. Glass, Miss Lillia Glass, Mrs. Allen, Mrs. Rex Kelly, Mrs. E. Brown, Mrs. Leslie Fox, Mrs. Lee Huckans, and Mrs. S. D. Porter. Interment was at Buffalo cemetery.

Mr. Coy was born May 6, 1860, at South Boston, Mass. He married Miss Lestina R. Harris, of New Hampshire, December 26, 1880. To this union is one living daughter, Mrs. J. S. Potts, of Fort Mill, S. C., and three grand children, Mr. Leo Potts, of Syracuse; Mr. Clement Potts, of Charlotte; and Miss Lestina Potts, of Fort Mill. Two sisters survive, Mrs. George E. Nye, of Petersburg, New Hampshire; Mrs. Henry E. Bryant, Althol, Mass.; Mr. W. B. Hoyt, brother-in-law of Mrs. Coy, Miss Evelyn Hoyt, Mrs. Harold Taylor, Keen, New Hampshire and Mr. Carl S. Hoyt, of Albany, New York, nieces and nephews of Mrs. Coy.

Mr. and Mrs. Coy came to Sanford in 1909 where Mr. Coy became overseer of carding and spinning in the Sanford Cotton Mill. Mr. Coy was loved by his employees and friends, and respected for him the Sanford Mill closed during his funeral. He was a devoted member of the Oddfellow Lodge and was Past Grand for quite a while. He was a most devoted husband and father and took great pride in his home and his family.

Those from out of town who attended the funeral were: Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Potts, Miss Lestina Potts, Fort Mill, S. C.; Mr. Clement Potts, Charlotte, Mrs. P. E. Holder, Greensboro, Mrs. J. G. King, of the family Montgomery, Miss Mary Patterson, of Burlington, and Mrs. Ashley, of Danville, Va.

**ROTARY CLUB**  
At the Rotary Club luncheon Tuesday President Neal read a telegram from Rotarian Bob Ingram, who is now in Chicago representing the Sanford club at the silver anniversary of the Rotary International. The message stated that Rotarians were in Chicago from everywhere and while sweeter in atmosphere of 96 degrees all were having a great time. The club greatly enjoyed a program of music put on by Mrs. E. C. Heins, Jr., and Miss Walden, of Moncure. A hundred per cent meeting is expected next Tuesday, when J. R. Ingram will be installed as president for the coming year.

**MRS. BUCHANAN DIES IN GOLDSBORO HOSPITAL**  
A communication from Goldsboro under date of June 21st, says: "Mrs. Sarah M. Buchanan, 64, of Broadway, who came here Thursday to bring her grand-daughter to the orthodox clinic, died of pneumonia in a hospital in this city at 11:30 this morning. She was taken suddenly ill after reaching the city and was rushed to the hospital. The remains were taken to her home near Sanford late this afternoon. Her children and sister, Mrs. Harriman, of Broadway, were with her at the time of her death. Her husband is ill in a Sanford hospital. There are two sons and two daughters."

The cotton growers of Lee County are in the midst of a determined fight to keep the boll weevil in check by poisoning with the 1-1 molasses mixture. Most of them have already put on the first application of this mixture and many of them have put on the second application.

Numbers of farmers have reported that they have gotten a good result from the use of the 1-1 mixture. Mr. J. G. Hunter of near Broadway, poisoned his cotton the first time last Friday, June 20th. He said that he could find plenty of weevils on the cotton then. He examined the cotton again Monday and could not find a single one.

Herman Barber, the 10-year old son of Mr. H. W. Barber, who lives near Worthy's pond, took the job of poisoning his father's three acre field of cotton. He put on the first application last Friday using 2-4 gallons of Calcium Arsenate and 2 1/4 gallons of black strap molasses with 2-1/4 gallons of water on the three acres. It took him only four hours to apply the poison mixture to the three acres of cotton. In order to check on the efficiency of his poisoning, Herman caught seven live weevils and put them in a glass fruit jar with two cotton leaves that had a few drops of the poison mixture on them. He went back in two hours and found three of the weevils dead. Six hours later he examined the weevils again and found that three more had died, while the seventh weevil was hanging to the screen wire covering and probably had not eaten any of the poison.

Mr. T. M. Cox, of near Lemon Springs, says that poisoning is not such a big job after all. On last Saturday he organized two poisoning crews composed of one man and two boys each. The man carried the bucket of poison mixture and mopped one row of cotton while the boys mopped a row each. In this way the boys did not have to carry buckets and all three went along together. The two men and four boys poisoned twenty acres in three and one-half hours.

The second application of poison should be put on all cotton this week and put on one or two heavy applications before this time next week. E. O. McWhan, COUNTY AGENT.

**HOME-COMING AT SHALLOW**  
Next Sunday, June 29, (5th Sunday), will be the second annual home coming at Shallow Well Christian Church. The program will start at 10 A. M. and consist of addresses from a number of the former pastors. The program will also be composed of Thomas of Jonesboro, Mr. D. A. Mann, Moncure, with Mrs. Thomas at the piano. A feature of the service will be a number of male quartettes by the Jonesboro and Asbury quartets. Mr. Charles Hall, of Moncure and Miss Frances Riddle, of Sanford, will add to the service, with several solos each. Dinner will be served on the grounds and an afternoon service. All former pastors, former members and friends of the old church are invited to come.

**POE FAMILY REUNION.**  
Invitations have been sent out to the Poe family reunion by Dr. Clarence Poe, chairman for the invitation committee. This reunion to be held at Pleasant Hill Baptist church, sometimes called "Trades Hill" church 5, miles east of Pittsboro, and on Highway 90, between Apex and Pittsboro, at 10 a. m., July 4th.

This is a reunion of all the descendants of the original ancestor, Poe, who came to Chatham county, Va., about 1780, and of his sons—Gilbert, Beverley, James, Jesse, Joseph, Hasten, and Willis, and of his daughter, Lucy, first wife of Jordan Tysor. All relatives of the family by marriage are also invited.

Reunions of the Poe family and his descendants and the Poe history of the Poes, Pattersons and Hackney's in Chatham will be the subject of the main address by Rev. W. D. Poe, of Oxford, and of introductory remarks by C. D. Moore, presiding.

2. Following is the program in detail:  
10:30—Introductory.  
10:30 to 11—Songs and invocation, led by pastor and local choir.  
11:00—Address, Rev. W. D. Poe, of Oxford.  
12:00—Songs; election of committees, and other plans for 1931 Reunion, selection of place, etc.  
12:30—Dinner.  
2:00 P. M.—Prize award, foot races, sack race, horse shoe pitching, checkers, etc.

3. A \$5 gold piece will go as a prize to the person who brings and exhibits the most interesting collection of old relics, papers, or documents that were once owned by old members of the Poe family or families into which they have intermarried, or the most interesting written story, item, or reminiscence of old times in which Poes participated. Please come. Please bring dinner. Please bring all interesting stories or items or reminiscences of family history you can collect. Please bring any old relics of documents you know of. (These of course can be carried back home after you exhibit them.) Please bring a nomination for next year's reunion program.