

Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Assn. Had Heavy Losses During Past Year

Was Unusual Year, But The Association Met Its Obligations and Paid Every Claim.

S. S. COX, RE-ELECTED PRESIDENT AT MEETING

Association Levies Assessment of 30 Cents on the \$100 For The Year 1926.

The regular meeting of the Randolph county branch of the Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Association of North Carolina was held in the court house in Asheboro Monday morning with S. S. Cox, president, in the chair. A large number of the members of the association from various parts of the county were on hand for the meeting.

The report of the secretary and treasurer disclosed that the losses of the association in the county during the past twelve months have been heavy, totaling \$10,883.25, all of which have been adjusted and paid. The assessments not supplying a sufficient fund to meet the losses, \$4,500 had to be borrowed from one of the county banks to make up the deficit. It was pointed out, however, that the loss the past year had been excessive and is unusual for the association.

In order to make good the deficit for the past year and to provide a fund to take care of current losses, the meeting voted an assessment of thirty cents on the \$100 for the ensuing year. This is five cents less than the assessment recommended by the president in his report.

Re-elect S. S. Cox President
S. S. Cox, president of the association, was re-elected and also was elected delegate to the State meeting to be held in Raleigh January 10th.

Other officers elected were: vice president, C. M. Ferris; secretary, S. S. Cox, W. E. Allen, directors, G. H. Cornellison, and T. S. Bouldin; agents, J. M. Allen and J. F. Routh.

The following were named appraisers for the various townships:

- A. J. Luck, Trinity; R. E. Macon, Grant; E. W. Brown, Coleridge; Harris Kearns, Concord; J. T. Thornburg, New Hope; Elihu Vancannon, Union; W. G. Kinney, Cedar Grove; Sam Hedding, Back Creek; J. A. Eulich, New Market; W. A. Wood, Providence; W. C. Hinchaw, Kamsel; J. W. Rich, Franklinville; J. M. Williams, Liberty; C. C. Cheek, Pleasant Grove; C. M. Tysor, Brower; Marcus Wood, Tabernacle; Clyde King, Richland; R. W. York, Columbia; W. F. Redding, Asheboro.

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MR. AND MRS. J. F. WHITE ARE IN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. White, after spending Monday night with their daughter, Mrs. Oscar Blaylock, started for their home in Archdale Tuesday morning. The fog was blinding and as another car approached, they ran into the Carolina Power and Light Company truck which was standing by the side of the hard surface road near George Hasty's in North Asheboro. Mrs. White sustained several injuries among which were cuts on the head and two broken ribs. She was brought to Memorial hospital and later taken to Mr. Blaylock's residence. Mr. White was considerably shaken up and has two fractured ribs. The car was badly damaged.

REVOLT OF THE WESTERN FARMERS SPREADING FAST

The farm revolt in the West is spreading. Senator W. B. McKinley, a regular Republican, threw consternation into the ranks of the administration forces Tuesday when he aligned himself with the farm bloc from the West.

AGED CITIZEN OF SEAGROVE DEAD

Calvin Beane Died Friday of Last Week, Aged About 75.—Funeral Saturday.

Calvin Beane aged citizen of Seagrove, Route 3, died Friday of last week following declining health for the past three years. He was born in Randolph county July 29th, 1856. He had been a faithful member of the church for many years and will be greatly missed in his community. The funeral was held at Mount Pleasant church Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

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Sudden Death of An Aged Lady

Mrs. Hulda Staley, widow of the late Calvin Staley an aged lady who has for many years lived alone near Highfield, was found dead in a chair in her home yesterday. Neighbors had seen Mrs. Staley the day before she was found dead. Her husband died about twenty-five years ago and since that time she had lived alone in an humble home but her life was full of confidence and trust that as all-wise Father was guiding and caring for her. Never has the writer seen a more implicit faith and trust in a power example of walking with God on earth. A coroner's inquest is in hand.

Mr. Crowell Wins Prize

George H. Crowell, of High Point, formerly superintendent of the State graded school, is the winner of a \$50 prize offered by the York Life Insurance Company for the best story told by a child.

Disabled Fifteen Thousand

Fifteen thousand automobiles were disabled in Washington during the week. Fifteen thousand more cars were disabled in their own cities during the same period.

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THE STOLEN GOODS IN MOORE

James Burns identifies Goods Stolen From Red Star Garage on December 1st.

James Burns of the Red Star Filling Station, Asheboro, went to Eagle Springs yesterday and identified a number of automobile tires, tubes horns and other automobile accessories which were stolen from his place of business on the night of December 1st. The stolen goods were a part of the loot stored in a garage at Eagle Springs operated by a negro, Curtis Browner.

Browner heads a gang of negroes turned the largest receivers of stolen cars and parts that ever operated in North Carolina. He and his gang were arrested by Greensboro officers Tuesday afternoon after a trap had been carefully laid for them. Their garage was found on highway 70 at Eagle Springs and from all outward appearances was a most prosperous business, run open and above board. It is one of the best equipped shops in the State.

In addition to stolen cars and parts, there is evidence that Browner and his crowd were receivers of all kinds of stolen goods from all parts of the State and that there were agents of the gang at work in many cities and towns.

Those arrested and jailed are Curtis Browner, Sam Brower, Artie McCoy, Will Smith, Ives Coles and James Goldstein, all negroes. Held also are Grady Pugh, of this county, and A. M. Davis, white, Davis being the man who wrecked the Chrysler sedan near the Red Star filling station, in Asheboro several weeks ago. It is believed that he was headed for Eagle Springs to dispose of this car when it was wrecked enroute.

Mr. Burns, who identified his property, says there is the greatest profusion of automobile accessories and parts in the large garage ever seen ordinarily in a large garage in the State. Tires are packed in racks by the hundreds as are batteries and other auto parts. Much of the loot taken in this section in the past year by thieves is thought to have been disposed of at the place.

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YOUTH JAILED ON ROBBERY CHARGE

Roy Faucette Bound Over To Court for Robbing J. G. Stockard, At Liberty.

Roy Faucette, young white man whose home is on Burlington, Route 6, was placed in jail at Asheboro last night in default of \$5,000 bond following a preliminary hearing in Liberty yesterday afternoon on charge of holding up J. G. Stockard, Liberty merchant at the point of a gun Monday afternoon and rifling the cash drawer in his store of \$15.

Faucette, after the hold up, escaped in a Ford coupe, and although the alarm was given and pursuit made, he was not overtaken by Liberty citizens. Description of Faucette and the license tag number on the car were wired to nearby towns. He was arrested at 9:30 o'clock Monday night by policemen at his home after Burlington officers investigated the number of the car that sped by them on highway 62 where they had parked to watch for him. They chased him to Burlington and the manner in which he criss-crossed half of the town before he raced out towards his home aroused more suspicion.

When the officers found his car in the barn at the Faucette home, the license tag was gone. It was found in the house, however, and corresponded with the number for which they were looking. Faucette denied the robbery. However, he was identified by Mr. Stockard and a Liberty hardware merchant from whom he bought some ammunition.

HENRY C. DUNLAP, AGED
CITIZEN, DIED DECEMBER 31

Henry C. Dunlap, aged 78 years, died December 31st at his home on Steeds, Route 1, following a stroke of paralysis suffered the 27th. Mr. Dunlap was a prominent farmer of Moore county until a few years ago when he retired on account of age and ill health.

He is survived by his widow, four sons, H. J. Dunlap, of Waycross, Ga.; J. N. Dunlap, of Muskego, Fla.; H. C. Jr., and W. W. Dunlap, of Steeds, Rt. 1; and three daughters, Mrs. R. C. Coble, of Jackson Springs; Mrs. H. F. Moody, of Steeds, Route 1; and Mrs. Chas. G. Coble, of Asheboro.

The remains were laid to rest at Christian Union cemetery, funeral services being conducted by Rev. Cummings of Hemp.

Hooker-Allred
Miss Jessie Hooker and Mr. Clarence Allred, both of Spero, were united in marriage Wednesday night of last week at the home of M. E. Brown, J. P., two miles west of Randleman. Only a few intimate friends were present to witness the ceremony.

NORTH CAROLINA LEADS
IN TOBACCO INDUSTRY

Pays Third of Federal Tax on Tobacco and Makes More Than Half Cigarettes.

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1925, North Carolina broke all records in the amount of federal taxes derived from revenue from tobacco. The total reached \$147,000,000, more than a third of the whole paid by the entire United States from tobacco revenue.

This point of leadership is not all. North Carolina for the same year made more than half of all the cigarettes manufactured in the country. In the manufacture of plug tobacco the State ranked second.

During the year 1923 the State produced 72,185,000 pounds of tobacco, or one-third of the total number of pounds produced in the country. In 1925, North Carolina cigar factories, 30 in number, used 400,000 pounds of tobacco and made 18,194,000 cigars.

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Former President's Wife

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OSCAR ELVIN HINSHAW DIED AT JULIAN SAT.

Was 42 Years of Age and Had Been in Ill Health all of His Life—Funeral Sunday.

Funeral services for Oscar Elvin Hinshaw, who died at his home near Julian Saturday morning, were conducted at Providence Friends church Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. R. H. Melvin, of Greensboro, was in charge of the services.

The deceased had been in ill health all of his life. He was 42 years of age, and in addition to his mother, Mrs. Zebidie Hinshaw, he is survived by three brothers, Harvey, Fernando and Cicero Hinshaw, and one sister, Mrs. Amanda Allred, all of Providence section.

The service was largely attended. Interment was made in the church cemetery. Pall bearers were, W. M. Gresson, C. B. McClintock, William Garner, C. F. Anderson, Jim Garner, and F. F. Brower.

The "Gang" Held Meeting
At John Wesley Stand

About 40 men and boys of High Point and Springfield, who were converted during the Stevens revival in High Point last fall and known as the "Gang," held a meeting at the John Wesley Stand last Sunday afternoon. Mr. Jake Welborn had charge of the services and made an interesting talk on how to make a pastor, a Sunday school superintendent and a Christian. Mrs. Hendrix read the scripture lesson and sang a solo. About 20 were converted at this meeting.

The Gang will hold services again at the John Wesley Stand the third Sunday in this month.

BUTLER ATTACKS THE STATE REPUBLICAN ORGANIZATION

Former Senator Marion Butler, now practicing law in Washington, and who for some time past has been at outs with the management of the Republican party in North Carolina, has recently issued a circular letter to many members of his party in the State in which he launches an attack on Chairman Branham and the organization of the party in general in North Carolina.

He attacks the representation of 3 members on the State committee from each congressional district as being undemocratic. He recalls that it is more objectionable because two of these members are selected by the