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Surprising Lack of Interest Shown In The Press' Great Offer; Seven Prizes—Three Have Entered

Automobiles, Diamond Ring, Furniture Suite and Cash Attract Few Thus Far—Opportunity To Earn Buick Sedan, Chevrolet Touring Car and Other Handsome Prizes Being Overlooked By Stanly County Residents—Race Will Start With Publication of Candidates' Names—Send Yours In Now—Campaign Will Last Just Five Weeks.

Stanly county folk are overlooking some "easy money" in the form of big prizes in the Salesmanship Club. In fact, the interest that has been shown thus far in The Albemarle Press' great offer is negligible—only three people have come forward up to this time and requested receipt books. If the first prize was a pair of roller skates instead of a 1926 model Buick sedan and the second prize was a dollar watch or a sandwich instead of a class 1926 model Chevrolet touring car one would not wonder why more people had not entered the race. The prizes are the most attractive that have ever been offered in this section before and there is a larger number of them. If the only prize in the list was the \$300 diamond ring that is on display at Starnes jewelry store, that prize alone would warrant at least a score entering the race to compete for it. But that is only one of the prizes—and the third one at that. There is a beautiful three-piece living room suite at the Morgan Furniture company that was purchased to reward someone for his or her efforts during the short five-week period of the campaign. There are seven big prizes—any one of which would justify many times the effort that will be necessary to win it.

Campaign Plan New.

The plan of the Salesmanship Club campaign is an entirely new one in this section and all who have investigated it have complimented The Press upon its fair and impartial working basis. All subscription votes are counted at the end of the race instead of during it, thus assuring all of its absolute secrecy regarding the relative standings of the workers until after the race is over. Many entirely new and novel features have been injected into the working plan, all of which have a strong appeal to the person who is accustomed to investigating a business proposition closely.

Has Not Yet Started.

The rules of the campaign provide that the race is to start with the announcement of the candidates' names. Probably there are some who have been thinking seriously of entering the race and are "on the fence" so to speak. Let it be stated here and now that the opportunity to win a big automobile in five weeks' spare time was never brighter than in the Salesmanship Club and opportunity never knocked louder. There surely

SALE OF PENNINGTON PROPERTY CAUSES SPECULATION

Messrs. J. A. and Price Bell and Beecher Littleton bargained for the corner lot at Second and North streets, owned by Mr. N. J. Pennington, taking an option on the property until January 1. The lot faces 103 feet on Second St. and 164 on North. Consideration named is \$25,000, and \$150 was paid for the option.

Because of the fine location and price paid, it is generally conceded that the buyers are representing parties who expect to expend considerable money on a building to be erected there. In fact, one on the inside tells that this will really take place. No particulars can be given out at this time, and "Uncle Noah" is preparing to retire from active life to enjoy the emoluments of the transaction.

SPECIAL SERVICES AT ST. MARTIN'S E. L. CHURCH SUN.

The Rev. J. L. Morgan, D. D., president of the United Evangelical Lutheran synod of North Carolina, will preach at the St. Martin's Lutheran church Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock service. Owing to the multiplied duties of our president he is not able to visit the churches of the synod very often. Therefore, I urge all members of the church to take advantage of this opportunity to hear Dr. Morgan. After the morning service there will be a joint council meeting of the pastorate. All members of the council are urged to be present. Please remember the date, October 11, and be present for the service. Friends of the congregation are cordially invited to worship with us at all times.—E. K. Counts, Pastor.

E. Albemarle School Has Enlarged Work

County Schools Given Final Opening Date Oct. 19—Board Applies for Building Fund.

The county board of education, in addition to its routine work, had many items of importance coming before it Monday in its regular session.

Final opening date for county schools was fixed at October 19. This was due to the early season and harvesting of crops.

The board made application to the state board of education for \$35,000 from the third special building fund for a building at Oakboro, and for \$20,000 for a building at New London, and \$15,000 for completing the building at Richfield. This would bring these schools to a very advanced point of building needs.

The salary of all truck drivers was definitely fixed at \$15 a month for two trips, and \$10 a month for one trip.

The board also discussed at length the problem of varying district terms, district tax rates, and tuition. The board has for some few years voluntarily provided eighth and ninth grade work in a few consolidated six month school terms. While such high school work is not recognized or accepted as standard high school work, yet it has helped many communities to get a little high school training above the seventh grade. Even though all such pupils must be reported at the end of the year to the state board of education as enrolled in elementary schools, the only solution the county board could make at present was to offer eighth and ninth grade work in the East Albemarle school and provide an additional teacher there for this purpose.

University Extension Work In Albemarle

Prof. B. A. Stevens, of the University of North Carolina, will give three courses in Albemarle this year. Educational Psychology will be given on Friday evening at 7:15. Any high school graduate, teacher, or any person in the county, who would like to take this college credit will be welcomed into the class. This offers an opportunity for many people living here who might be interested in doing some college work.

Each Saturday morning at 9 or 9:30 Prof. Stevens will give a course "Social Policy and Education," and at 11 or 11:15 will give a course on "Methods of Teaching the Fundamental Subjects." These courses give direct certificate, college or graduate credit to teachers or others who meet admission requirements. The course is not only open for teachers but any other person will be welcomed in them.

The registration fee of \$10 for each course is all the cost there is besides text books. Several citizens have asked about such courses and the above information is therefore given.

These courses will all be organized Saturday morning, October 10, at 9:30 in the Albemarle grammar school auditorium, and all persons who wish to take these courses are urged to be present at that time and register. They can, however, register as late as October 24 and get credit to attend at least 14 classes to get credit on any term's work. Out of a total of about 900 persons enrolled in extension work from the University of North Carolina last year in North Carolina, 125 of that number were from Stanly county.—Charles A. Reap, County Supt.

Jacksonville, Fla., Oct. 3.—Twelve prominent men, including United States Senator Duncan U. Fletcher, First Assistant Postmaster General R. Bartlett and William Spillman, secretary of the division of postoffice service, were injured here this afternoon when a Mason hotel elevator in which they were riding crashed nine stories to the ground.

Submarine Survivors



Survivors who crawled through open hatch, when ill-fated submarine S51 was rammed and sunk off Rhode Island. Top photo, D. G. Kile; Middle, M. Lira; Bottom, A. Geier.

James McLester Holds Up Farmer on Highway

Secures Only Eight Dollars and Arrest Follows Soon After.

James McLester, the young man who is the father of the little child that came so near being blown to death in the dynamiting of the Broadway home several days ago, turned bandit Tuesday afternoon, held up Mr. O. C. Bowers, secure \$8 and rode into town.

Tuesday morning he rented a Ford car from the Manous jitney station, drove 100 miles or more, and upon returning into Albemarle just west of town, he passed a wagon driven by Mr. Bowers. He concealed himself in the bushes nearby, placed a handkerchief over his face, and held up Mr. Bowers at the point of a pistol.

McLester came into Albemarle shortly after 3 o'clock, paid \$8 to the Manous station—a \$5 and three \$1 bills, all currency. This exactly corresponds with the money taken from Bowers. A young man working in the field near the hold-up recognized the Ford car driven by McLester, it having one large hub cap. This pointed to McLester as the guilty party, and Officers Vance Lowder and Criswell arrested the young fellow about 5 o'clock, at the Southbound railway station. He is being held in jail for preliminary hearing Monday at the recorder's court.

MRS. LAURA EUDY, OF NORTH ALBEMARLE, DIED SATURDAY

Mrs. Laura Eudy, of North Albemarle, died at the home of her son, Luther Eudy, Saturday night.

Mrs. Eudy was a sufferer from rheumatism and had been an invalid for a number of years. She was 58 years old and left surviving the following children: Messrs. Luther, Milas and Martin, of Albemarle; Edwin, of New York; Mrs. Sidney Faggett, of Millington; Mrs. Lonnie Barbee, of Mt. Holly; Mrs. Luther Treese and Mrs. W. R. Ashby, of Albemarle.

Mrs. Eudy was a Christian woman, a member of the Plyler Baptist church, from which the funeral services were conducted Monday morning by Rev. C. C. Huneycutt.

W. R. DAVIS SUSTAINS BROKEN SHOULDER BLADE

Mr. W. R. Davis is carrying his arm in a sling. The motor truck car used on the section of railroad including Albemarle, in which he and his assistant Roy Hart were riding Saturday, was wrecked near the Efrid mill office, on the Southern's track. Some of the "junk" carried on the car fell off and got under the wheels, causing the car to become derailed. Mr. Davis has a broken shoulder blade as a result, and the other man is slightly impaired also.

Methodist Conference Statesville Next Week

Stanly Charges Wind Up Annual Work for Reports—October 14 Date of Meeting.

The Western North Carolina conference meets at Statesville next week, beginning Wednesday, October 14, in its 36th annual session. The churches of this county have rounded up a year of activity, and it is expected that full reports will be carried from each charge, although the beginning of this week found many of them with much work yet to be done meet all obligations in a financial way.

Central Methodist at Albemarle has the budget system, and has as yet never failed to pay in full. Rev. C. M. Pickens is in his third year, and but for some change to be brought about by the session of conference, Albemarle will expect his return. Rev. R. A. Swearingen rounds up his second year at First street; as does Rev. L. H. Griffith on Albemarle circuit. Rev. C. R. Ross, at Badin, and Rev. F. O. Dryman, at Norwood, are completing their third year. Favorable reports from these ministers indicate that the charges they serve are favorable to their return.

Dr. T. F. Marr, presiding elder of the district, is finishing his fourth year. It is very probable that a successor will be named. He is popular with the churches of the district, and is one of the ablest ministers of the conference.

There will be seven presiding elders who have served out a term of four years, and out of the clerical membership of more than 300 there are many ministers who have completed four years of service to their present charges. This in itself will bring about quite a "shaking up," and no forecast of the work of the cabinet having the appointments in hand can be made at this time.

The question of unification will come up at this session, and it is believed that the necessary three-fourth vote will be given in its favor. The northern church conferences will be largely in favor; but it is practically conceded that the various southern conferences will defeat the measure. The question of unification will not be discussed at this session, and the result of the vote to be taken will be certified to the general conference.

Mason and Melton Are Leaky-Valve Doctors

Progressive Auto Firm Installs Modern Valve-Seating Machine.

"Walk in here and let us show you the handiest machine you ever saw for curing valve troubles."—Fisher Hendley broadcasting for Mason and Melton, who claim now to be the best equipped shop in this section for renewing valves and brake-linings for cars.

The Press man was interested. He wanted to know just how that little machine differed from others of similar pattern. He was from Missouri, but was quickly shown.

"The Kwick-Way System" has just been installed by the firm. It not only gives a perfect bevel to the valve proper, but various tools governed by an unerring "pilot" which assures accuracy grind out a corresponding seat for the valve. They fit—like they grew together. No guess work. No grit. No muss of any kind, and "quik" is the real name of the service end of it.

Mason and Melton recently installed a brake-lining machine which continues to give life and service to the auto with brake troubles. Now they have gotten an apparently perfect outfit for facing valves and cutting accurate seats for them. As it is the only equipped plant of the kind in these parts, autoists should be interested in going in and testing out the claims made for it. Read the ad. in another part of this issue.

FRIENDLY CALL ON DR. LENTZ

"Meet my friend Dr. R. D. Jennings," of Banners Elk, said Dr. C. M. Lentz Tuesday to The Press man. Dr. Jennings and his son Edward, Messrs. Ed. Abernathy and H. L. Proffitt spent Monday night in the city. They had heard that their friend, our townsman, Dr. C. M. Lentz, had been sick and they wanted to see him. Years back, Dr. Lentz practiced medicine at the summer resort out from Blowing Rock, and he formed many associations which remain with him in the after years. The gentlemen from Banners Elk expressed pleasure over their reception and entertainment, registered Hotel Albemarle, and spoke nicely of our little city.

Lions This Evening

Lions feast this evening at 7, usual place. T. R. Wolfe is toastmaster. Mrs. T. R. Wolfe and Mrs. David M. Morrow will render a piano duet. Mr. Ewing will talk on the merchants association. Musical feature is a song by the ladies' quartette.

Students and Teachers Go To the State Fair

Norwood, Oakboro and Stanfield Schools to Enter Crop Judging Contests.

Q. E. Colvard, of the Norwood school, G. L. Winchester of the Stanfield and S. A. Alford of the Oakboro school, heads of the vocational departments in their respective schools, will go to Raleigh next Tuesday to attend the State fair. A large school truck will be used, and these teachers will be joined by some 25 or more of their students.

About 100 vocational schools join in these annual contests, and Stanly wants to capture some of the prizes being offered. A group will enter the crop-judging contest and another the livestock judging contest.

They will be guests of the State college while in Raleigh. Free admission will be given the students to the State-Carolina football game, and the group will be banqueted Thursday evening at State college.

District Conference at Badin October 16th

The Mecklenburg Presbyterian auxiliary will hold a district conference in the Badin Presbyterian church on Friday, October 16.

The district includes all the Presbyterian churches in Stanly county. The meeting will begin at 10:30 a. m. and will be an all-day affair. Those who come are asked to bring lunch, which will be served at the noon hour.

County Commissioners

The county commissioners met in regular session Monday. Chairman Coble, Commissioners Culp and Morton, and Clerk Whitlock all present.

Claims were paid and orders passed as follows:

M. L. Barbee, \$20.00, capturing a still in Big Lick township; C. C. Helms, \$20, same.

Rufus Frick, \$15, burial expense of Anny Smith, outside pauper.

That Miss Minnie Cook be placed on outside pauper list; \$15.00 per month paid to Duke Eudy.

Board endorsed proposal that the state prison cotton be marketed through the Cotton Growers' association, and goes on record as endorsing the cotton growers movement.

Jury Drawn.

Jurors for November term criminal court, to convene November 23, Judge McElroy presiding, were drawn as follows:

James A. Hahn, Noah C. Efrid, John J. Efrid, O. D. Morton, J. A. Bell, A. L. Scott, J. O. Culp, J. O. Clayton, W. J. Cotton, M. L. Wilhoit, E. J. Stoker, D. N. Bennett, H. C. Patterson, C. W. Saffey, Tom C. Blacklock, W. T. Pickler, H. O. Hicks, F. R. Reeves, Brady Dry, Marvin W. Tucker, B. G. Sinclair, Carl Meigs, L. M. Bowers, Wade F. Denning, J. Henry Palmer, Paul Brooks, W. B. Crump, B. E. Coggin, S. H. Vick, Jasper M. Huneycutt.

Farm Lands Need More Hay Legume

A large acreage is being seeded to hairy vetch, oats and barley for an early hay crop. This is a very wise move and more farmers should sow these crops. One of the great needs of the county is more good legume hay. Those desiring to sow hairy vetch should be certain to inoculate the seed. Hairy vetch is one of our finest winter legumes and will do well on almost any type of soil if inoculated is provided. Otherwise it will turn yellow and die. This inoculation can be had by putting in a request at the county agent's office or by dampening seed with molasses water and sifting fine particles of soil secured from a field that has grown hairy vetch successfully. The seed, if they have been inoculated, should not be subjected to the sun light or drilled in with fertilizer. Either will kill the inoculation. The seed should be sown either late in the evening or on a cloudy day in front of the drill or harrowed in.

Fertilizing the fall crops should be studied very carefully. The small grains require fertilization high in percentage of phosphoric acid and three to four per cent of amonia potash. On good clover sods, from 400 to 600 pounds of 16 per cent acid has made very satisfactory yields.

With the average type of unimproved soils a complete fertilization has proven to give best results with small grain. From 200 to 600 pounds of high analysis fertilizer like 16-4-4, 12-3-3, 12-4-4 should be applied per acre.

In studying this fertilization problem it has been found that the higher grades are nearly always the cheapest. For instance, an 8-2-2 sells for \$26.00 per ton while a 16-4-4 sells for \$39.50. One ton of the 16-4-4 is equivalent to two tons of the 8-2-2. This would be a saving of \$12.50 per ton in favor of the 16-4-4; in addition to this there would be less tonnage to haul. The amount per acre could be decreased.

Miss Tommie Thompson, of the Fork vicinity, has a position with the Rose store. "Tommie" is quite an addition to the clerical force.

William B. Cole Trial Nearing End, Rockingham

Program Harris Township S. S. Convention

To Be Held At New London Baptist Church October 11, 1925.

2 p. m.—Song.
Devotional exercise—Rev. W. A. Hough, pastor New London Baptist church.
Song.
2:15—How to get the Outsider to Attend Sunday School—Dr. T. A. Hathcock, superintendent Norwood Methodist Sunday school.
2:45—Quartette.
Appointment of Committees.
2:50—Methods for Teaching Juniors in Our Sunday School—Mrs. John W. Lisk, Norwood Methodist Sunday school.
Song.
3:10—The Physical Equipment of the Sunday School—Rev. J. M. Page, pastor Badin Baptist church.
3:40—Quartette.
3:45—Report of Committee and election of officers.
3:50—Song.
Closing prayer and benediction—Rev. J. S. Folger, pastor New London Methodist church.

Expect That a Verdict Will Be Reached by Saturday—Interest Unabating.

The trial of W. B. Cole for his life has continued with unabating interest since it began on the first of last week, and continues to hold first place in the minds of North Carolina folks. Mr. Cole shot down W. W. Ormond on August 15 last. His prominence and wealth have called forth a great array of counsel, and every effort has been directed towards giving Mr. Cole benefit of anything that offered a ray of hope for aiding in bringing about an acquittal, and his presence in court was surrounded by what money could buy or bring.

The man he slayed was W. W. Ormond. A poor boy, with a fair to good army record, but little else to commend him to notoriety. He was the son of a Methodist minister, and he was "Bill" to his friends. He seemed to have been popular with his friends, and a likeable fellow. Friends of his father and of himself joined hands. As an expression of this friendship, the man who could not be present to raise a voice in his own behalf because of the action of the one who slew him, yet he spoke mightily through his friends.

The contrast is apparent. It stood out boldly. And the greatest offense of young Bill Ormond was that he dared to love the daughter of William B. Cole against the latter's wishes.

The Press attempts no resume of the evidence. Content to say that in the great mass of evidence introduced one may find the very thing he looks for.

Cole pleaded not guilty. He attempts to prove it by showing self-defense and emotional insanity.

The State asks for a verdict of first degree murder. Does not recognize emotional or transitory insanity; but does recognize general insanity. If Cole was insane at the time, he must still be insane.

The special venire of 200 Union county men appeared before the court on Wednesday. Out of the number, 65 were examined and the 12 trial jurors selected from that number. Since their choice, the case has continued speedily on, offering but few surprises and varying only in degrees of interest as the various phases developed.

The State made out a clear case against Cole in that Cole fired the shots that killed Ormond; that he did it by stealth—stealing up from behind and to the side of the car wherein Ormond sat, and that Ormond had no means of defense.

Cole and his daughter Elizabeth both testified in behalf of the defense. And as the evidence unrolled itself under cross-fire and direct examination, it is apparent that one can gain any version of the story he seeks.

Cole would have you believe that he started after Ormond with his gun only after Ormond was making for his own, and that it was necessary to shoot when he did to save his own life. It was the testimony of a man who wanted to save his own neck, and this part of it has convinced none, only serving to weaken the case for the defendant.

Cole was pictured as a praying man. His chief trouble began in February when he resented a letter from young Ormond. The letter was a plea from Ormond to be permitted to marry the girl he loved, and with whom he alleged that he had had the relationship of husband and wife.

Cole believed in the virtue of his daughter. He resented in mind the intimation that his daughter was anything but the virgin he believed her to be. And Bill Ormond stirred him to a finish.

When his daughter denied the charges made in Ormond's letter, prayers and plans of Cole figured in so many ways to show that he was in good way to go crazy if not already crazy. He prayed for divine guidance, and weeks after the "scandal" (Continued on page 12.)

Attendance Officer Makes Statement

The county board of education in regular session Monday, October 5, issued an order that all schools in Stanly county begin not later than Monday, October 19.

As attendance officer of the county I want to urge that all parents take notice and make it a point to start children in the first day so that no time may be lost. There are some people, not many, who make it a point not to send the first two weeks of the school, whether it begins early or late, if makes no difference. These same people find excuses for stopping their children in the spring about a month before the school closes. There is no law for this and it is a violation of the law just as much as to keep children out of school the first day as it is any day during the school term. This neglect on the part of a few people brings down the average attendance for the year and thus shows the school up in the wrong light. It is my intention to look after this class much more closely this year than ever before. I am, therefore, constrained to give this note of warning. Have children go the first day and every day during the school year, if it is possible for you to do so.

We had about three hundred children in the county last year who made perfect attendance and were awarded certificates. This does not include Albemarle, Wicasset-Efrid, or Badin. I hope we can have five hundred this year who will make perfect attendance.—Z. V. Moss, Attendance Officer.

DR. DUNLAP IN NEW YORK

Dr. L. V. Dunlap is in New York taking post-graduate courses in medicine, specializing on certain lines. Dr. Dunlap has been doing this each year for sometime, and as he is conspicuously connected with Albemarle's new hospital he is expected to be heard from in a line of special practice in the near future. The Yadkin hospital is yet under construction; but indications point to a completion of the work at an early date.

Salisbury.—Cade Barnes, 25-year-old clerk at the Southern transfer shed, is in the Salisbury hospital with a broken leg and severe cuts and bruises as the result of an automobile wreck at Churchland, Davidson county Sunday afternoon.