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LIGHTNING HITS KING RESIDENCE

Philip Wall, Aged 69, Died Past Week—Large Crowds Attending the "Sis" Harrell Meeting in Winston-Salem.

King, May 26—"Thunderbolt Tom," the evangelist of this place, and who is said by many to be a second Sam Jones, is holding a several weeks meeting at Elkin.

Last Tuesday morning about four o'clock Mr. E. W. Wall, a planter who resides three miles west of town, was awakened by a noise in his yard and when he arose he found a black mare and a bull dog in the yard. Mr. Wall has been trying ever since to find an owner for the horse and dog but so far he has been unsuccessful. The dog, while perfectly friendly, will not leave his companion.

Large crowds of people from this section are attending the Sis Harrell meetings at Winston-Salem. Some go through curiosity and some, who are afflicted, go to be healed. All of those who went to be healed from this section have returned in the same condition as they were before they went.

Silas Lawson and family, of Spencer, spent a few hours here Saturday.

Phillip Wall, aged sixty-nine years, died at the home of his sister, Mrs. John Hauser, Saturday afternoon after a short illness with paralysis. The interment was conducted from Mount Pleasant church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Mr. Wall was one of our best citizens and was liked by all who knew him.

Born unto Mr. and Mrs. R. C. White, a daughter. The young lady arrived Saturday night.

During the electrical storm here yesterday the home of Mr. T. G. New in West End was struck by lightning, the house caught on fire but was soon extinguished. Only slight damage was done to the house.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Brown, Louise Brown and Misses Fannie and Lillie Goff attended the Flynt-Payne wedding at Bethania Moravian church Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Shell, of Wilmington, is the guest of Mrs. S. V. Hooker. Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Schaub, of High Point, spent Sunday with relatives here.

Phillip Boone of Winston-Salem, is among the business visitors here today.

Crops Damaged By Hail In Virginia

Danville, Va., May 23.—Reports reach here of extensive damage in the rural section as result of Tuesday night's storm. A report comes from Swansonville telling of the destruction of nearly all growing crops at Swansonville, Sandy river and at Giles store. The storm broke there at about half-past six o'clock and lasted for forty minutes during which time a terrific downpour of hail battered tobacco and wheat, destroying such young tobacco plants as have been set out and playing havoc in the plant-beds. The hail stones are reported to have been as large as the end of a man's thumb to have lain two inches deep immediately following the storm.

One farmer motoring to Danville reported passing a drift of hail stones one foot deep at an exposed point of the road.

Members of the Methodist church of this district recently presented Pastor A. J. Bowling with a new automobile.

J. E. SISK CASE TRIED THIS WEEK

Widow of Late E. C. Ziglar Awarded Damages in Sum of \$7,000 For Death Of Her Husband.

The case of Mrs. Lillie Ziglar, widow of E. C. Ziglar, against J. E. Sisk, in which she was suing for \$10,000 for the killing of her husband, was heard in Forsyth Superior court this week, and Mrs. Ziglar was given judgment against Sisk for \$7,000.

Officer Ziglar was killed in gun fight with Sisk and his 2 sons in Rockingham county 2 or 3 years since when Ziglar attempted to arrest the two sons of Sisk.

STEAM AGAINST GASOLINE POWER

Traction Engines Will Be Chained Together and Started Pulling in Opposite Directions.

Raleigh, May 24—Several unusual demonstrations will feature the North Carolina road construction and maintenance show which will be held in several cities of the state, during the week of June 3, judging from statements made at the office of the state highway department here.

The demonstrations will include every means that the state now uses in the construction of roads. Featured among them, however, will be, it was explained, the steam and gasoline power test. This test will be held at the fair grounds at Greensboro. A traction engine driven by steam and one driven by gasoline will be chained together rear end to rear end and they will start pulling in opposite directions. By this method, it was stated, the road engineers expect to determine which can out pull the other.

The adventurer will also come in for his share of the affairs at the Greensboro exhibit and the opportunity to enjoy the thrills real sensation is open to the public, it was said. A manufacturer of wire fences, who claims that his fences will stand almost any pressure imaginable, is looking for persons who wish to ride in his automobile when he drives it against the strip of wire fence stretched up for this purpose. Charles Upham, director of the road show with offices at the highway commission, office in Raleigh, will be glad to take the names of those who desire to ride in the test and demonstration car with the fence manufacturer.

Six large busses have been chartered to meet the special train from Washington that will bring the South American delegates to Raleigh, the officials say, and to carry them over the city then to Durham and Greensboro.

At Durham the visitors will be entertained at Trinity College and by the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, near Durham, after which the party will continue its trip to Greensboro.

MANY ADDITIONS TO M. E. CHURCH

Successful Revival Meetings Close At Walnut Cove—Mrs. Tatum Buys Rev. J. R. Mallet's Home.

Walnut Cove, May 28.—The meeting which has been in progress at the Methodist church here two weeks closed Sunday night. There were fourteen additions to the church.

Mrs. H. N. Scott, of Durham, returned to her home Tuesday after a visit to her parents', Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Vaughn.

Miss Janis Creakman left Monday for Southern Pines to spend some time in the interest of her health.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sanders and Miss Myrtle Burre have returned from a delightful automobile trip to Asheville.

John Fulton, Jr., is at home from Christ's school at Arden for the summer vacation.

Rev. J. R. Mallett, of Wilmington, was here this week on business. He has recently sold his home near town to Mrs. Tatum, of Roanoke, who will move here sometime in the fall.

HAIL PLAYS HAVOC IN ROCKINGHAM

Wheat and Clover Fields Are Literally Torn To Pieces—Tobacco Plant Beds Were Hit Hard.

Madison, May 24.—One of the most terrific rain, hail and electrical storms ever known at this season of the year visited parts of Rockingham county Tuesday night, leaving destruction in its wake. The hail, covering a path a few miles wide, set in near Farrar's store, in the southwest part of New Bethel township, and extended eastward for many miles.

Clover and wheat fields and plant beds were the hardest hit. In many places wheat was beaten into the ground and none will be left for harvesting. Fruit was also pounded from the trees. The damage to plant beds is probably the most serious. Hail stones, it is said, as large as guinea eggs fell. The storm lasted for several hours.

Prohibition Agent Moves To Stokes

Prohibition Agent S. F. Shelton has removed from his former home in Surry county to Stokes. He is now residing at Westfield.

Lost Automobile By Fire Last Week

Harl Neal had the misfortune to get his car burned Saturday on the Walkertown road. It was a Durant roadster.

The contractor on the Danbury-Westfield road is now finishing the highway between Danbury and Piedmont Springs preparatory to soiling it. The heavy grading and culverts have been finished.

OFFER MADE FOR HANGING ROCK

Greensboro Company May Purchase and Develop Property in Stokes—Negotiations Are Under Way.

Greensboro, May 20.—An offer for nine thousand acres in the Hanging Rock development, in the Sauratown mountain section, in Stokes county, has been made by the Piedmont Finance and Realty company, of this city, but negotiations have not been concluded. The price offered is around \$50,000.

H. Smith Richardson, president of the Vick Chemical company, this city, and W. Y. Preyer, also of the Piedmont company, which handles the Vick real estate. Mr. Richardson said tonight that the concern had not made any plans for development, pending acceptance or rejection of the offer for the tract. A Winston-Salem concern has the property. The Piedmont company is surveying the place. Hanging Rock is an area of great natural beauty, suited to development along the lines of big tracts, which have been developed in the western part of the state for their scenic beauty.

THREE DIE IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Occured Near Winston-Salem Sunday Night—Occupants Were Pinned Under Large Car.

Winston-Salem, May 25.—Mrs. Eunice Atwood, Pleas H. Norman and Henry Brown, all of this city, were instantly killed last night, when the car in which they were riding turned over about five miles from town, on the Lexington highway. The occupants were pinned under the car and death resulted instantly.

According to parties near the scene at the time, the car was traveling at rapid rate of speed, and it is believed it turned over several times, finally stopping headed in the opposite direction from that in which it was traveling. The top was completely torn off, and other parts of the car, a Cadillac, badly damaged.

John Taylor Suggested For Sheriff Stokes

King Route 2, May 26.—The Democrats of Yadkin township are suggesting John Taylor, of Danbury, for Sheriff.

The farmers of this section are very busy preparing land and planting tobacco.

D. F. Tillotson, G. A. Jones and G. W. Smith attended court at Winston-Salem Monday in the interest of the Quick Step Telephone company.

Dr. E. Fulp Is Seriously Ill

Friends of Dr. E. Fulp, popular physician of Fulp, and widely known in this and adjoining counties, will regret to learn that he is seriously ill at his home.

MRS T. W. BICKETT FOR A W. McLEAN

Clives Some of the Many Reasons Why She Will Support Him—Late Governor Bickett Was For Him.

Monroe, May 18.—Mrs. Thos. Walter Bickett, who is spending the week-end with Governor Bickett's sister, Mrs. Frank Ashcraft, said, when asked the question "who is your choice for governor?"

"Mr. A. W. McLean." And asked if she minded stating why she was for Mr. McLean, she said further:

"I am for Mr. McLean because I believe he will make a good governor. I'm for Mr. McLean because my husband who knew intimately both candidates, declared his intention shortly before his death, of actively supporting Mr. McLean, should he run for governor. I have endeavored to carry out every expressed wish of my husband to the best of my ability, and in supporting Mr. McLean, I feel that I am so doing.

"I am for Mr. McLean because of his high and honorable character, his exemplary life, his fine executive ability, and because of his active interest in education, agricultural and civic improvement, and public welfare in the state.

"I am for Mr. McLean because he stands, since he has become a candidate for governor, for those things for which he has always stood—the program and policies of the democratic party, which have brought to the state material prosperity, and an enviable progress in those things which make for better, finer, and more humane civilization.

"I am for Mr. McLean because I believe he stands for those things for which my husband stood, and which he stated in his inaugural address in the following earnest and eloquent words:

"I have no genius for destruction. The activities of this administration must be exerted along constructive lines: For four years, I want labor and capital, learning and art, and the life and letter of the law to be directed to making every acre and every stream, every human and mechanical unit in the commonwealth be and do its level best."

And in conclusion,

"Gentlemen of the general assembly, I have endeavored to visualize my dream of a finer state. I have outlined the means by which I hope to make the dream come true, and the means all reach out to a single end—a larger hope, a wider door for the average man than he has ever known."

Death Of Aged Campbell Citizen

Bill Abe Martin, a prominent citizen of the Campbell section, died Monday night after an illness of some weeks. Mr. Martin was an old Confederate veteran and was aged 83 years. He resided right near the Stokes-Patrick line.

NEW CARRIER ON ROUTE ONE

E. R. Nelson Succeeds S. M. Fagg As Rural Mail Carrier From the Postoffice At Danbury.

S. M. Fagg, who has been carrier on Danbury R. F. D. mail route for the past eighteen or twenty years, left last Wednesday for Greensboro. It was reported here that there was some friction between Mr. Fagg and the postoffice department, but the details have not been given out by the department. The family of Mr. Fagg did not accompany him and it is not learned whether he will return here or not.

E. R. Nelson, of Danbury Route 1, has been carrying the mail on Route 1 since Mr. Fagg left. It is presumed that an examination will be held and a permanent carrier selected.

APRIL FIRE LOSS IN THE STATE

North Carolina Had \$25,000 Less Loss Than A Year Ago—Detailed Report By Insurance Commissioner.

Raleigh, May 27.—The fire losses in the State of North Carolina for the month of April, 1924, was \$554,386, or a decrease of \$25,000 as compared with the fire losses of April, 1923, according to the official report compiled by Insurance Commissioner Stacey Wade and made public here today. The losses in the nation as a whole were given as \$31,815,900, or a decrease of more than \$500,000, as compared with April, 1923, losses.

The report also showed that there were 211 fires during April, 1923, but 180 fires during the former month was less than during the latter. Property at risk in the 1924 fires was valued at \$2,779,120 and that of 1923 at \$2,102,037 while the insurance on the property at risk during 1924 was given as \$1,684,207 and 1923, \$1,380,029.

Classified into buildings and contents the 1924 April report shows: Buildings, value \$426,555; insurance \$816,787, and loss, \$380,385.

Contents, value \$1,352,160; insurance, \$871,420, and loss \$174,499.

The report shows that the rural and suburban fire loss was \$59,595 for a total of 33 fires of which 19 were dwellings with a loss of \$26,000, while there were 120 dwelling fires in the cities with a loss of \$85,309.

Of the total April, 1924, loss, 16 fires each with a minimum loss of \$5,000 and totaling \$278,257, which leaves a loss of \$276,128 for the remaining 195 fires, according to the report.

Sheriff Hanes Places Deputy At Westfield

Sheriff C. H. Haynes, of Mt. Airy, stationed a deputy sheriff at Westfield last Sunday to look after the speed demons.