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M'KINLEY REID KILLED INSTANTLY

Young Son of Henry Reid While 'Possum Hunting Falls From Tree and Breaks His Neck.

William McKinley Reid, 22 years old and son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry H. Reid, formerly of Stokes county, fell from a tree Saturday night while 'possum hunting and broke his neck, dying almost instantly. The accident occurred in the woods not far from the present home of his parents in Forsyth county, where they have resided since leaving Stokes two years since.

According to the statement of the young men who were hunting with young Reid the dogs had treed a 'possum and he climbed the tree after it when by some means he slipped or a limb broke and he fell to the ground.

Mr. Reid, who is survived by his parents and several brothers and sisters, had a host of friends in Stokes who are grieved to hear of his untimely death. He was unmarried and was an industrious and popular young man.

Burial services were held at St. Mark's church cemetery in Forsyth county Sunday and a large number of sorrowing friends and relatives were in attendance.

APPROVAL FOR SECRET BALLOT

Clarence Poe Declares 'Men Will Not Buy Votes They Can Not See' Delivered.

Shelby, Nov. 14.—Max Gardner was being repaid in a manner today for the courage of speaking his convictions regarding a secret ballot in his now noted Amnesty day address at Greensboro.

Heard upon the desk in his law office when he returned here today were 150 or more letters and telegrams congratulating him upon his stand regarding the Australian ballot, and they came, and are still coming by every mail, from all sections of the state and all walks in life, statesmen, editors, women club leaders, ministers, business men, party leaders, and just those who vote, but wish to vote right.

It is perhaps the greatest avalanche of congratulations ever heaped upon an orator in this state regarding any issue that was not at the time up before the favor of the people.

As he goes through the hundreds of messages praising his open stand on a secret ballot, Gardner apparently cherishes three above all others. They are from Mrs. Phil McMahon, president of the North Carolina League of Women Voters; Archibald Johnson, of Charity and Children, and Clarence Poe, editor of The Progressive Farmer.

A paragraph from Poe's letter is to the point:

"Congratulations on your declaration for a secret ballot—men will not buy votes when they cannot see them delivered."

BIG MINING TRACT IN N. C. IS SOLD

New Jersey Capitalists Buy 10,000 Acres in Western Counties.

Johnson City, Tenn., Nov. 15.—Announcement has been made here of the purchase by Herbert Margrum of Trenton, N. J., of the plants of the Erwin Feldspar company and 10,000 acres of mining lands in Mitchell, Avery and Yancey counties, North Carolina. The deal is said to have involved nearly a million dollars.

The plants produce feldspar for pottery and glass making, and the new owners have indicated operations will be greatly extended.

State School Nurse Here This Week

Miss Cora Beam, State school nurse, is in Stokes this week examining the school children, and was with the Danbury school yesterday.

STOKES MEN HELD FOR COURT

Jim Smith, Jim Mabe and Orange Sawyer Give Bonds For Their Appearance At Federal Court.

Appearing in Commissioner N. A. Martin's court here last week were Jim Smith, Jim Mabe and Orange Sawyer, all of Peters Creek township, and all charged with violating the prohibition laws. The three defendants were each bound over to the December term of Federal court in Greensboro in bonds of \$500 each. The men were arrested by the Deputy Marshall C. C. Bryant, assisted by Prohibition Agent P. L. Fincham.

Smith is charged with retailing and Sheriff J. F. Dunlap and officer P. L. Fincham are the prosecuting witnesses. W. R. Stoval signed Smith's bond.

The warrant against Mabe was sworn out when equipment for a distillery was found on his place some time since.

Two gallons of liquor was found on Sawyer's premises and he is being held for court on the charge of having liquor in his possession.

King News And Personal Items

King, Nov. 16.—Mr. Theodore Newsum has just returned from an extended trip through western North Carolina and Tennessee.

Actual work has been commenced on a new home for Mr. L. R. Newsum south of town.

The girls team of the King high school defeated the Pilot Mountain school in a game of basket ball played here Friday. The final score stood fifteen to six.

Mr. Al Vest, of Moore county, and formerly of King, is spending a few days with relatives and friends here.

Rev. Paul Herman Newsum, of this place, filled his regular appointment at Mount Airy Sunday.

Born unto Mr. and Mrs. Auburn Newsum, who reside just west of town, a fine boy.

Rev. Jasper Preston, of Stokesdale, preached an interesting sermon at the Christian church here yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Love, Jr., of Winston-Salem, spent Sunday with Mr. Love's mother on Pulliam St.

Rev. Joseph Hall, of Westfield, filled his regular appointment at the Baptist church here yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. White, who reside on west Main street, are the glad recipients of a fine son.

A hard fought game of basket ball was played here Saturday between the King high school and Pinnacle highs, resulting in a score of ten to nine in favor of the visiting team.

Miss Cathryn Neal, of Portland, Oregon, is spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Smith and the Misses Tillotson on east Main street.

Come Across For The Orphans

The publicity committee of the North Carolina Orphan association has mailed an appeal for a Thanksgiving offering for the various orphan homes to 20,000 individual citizens of the state, with the suggestion that each one forward a cash contribution, in some amount, to the orphanage of his choice on, or near, Thanksgiving day. Or, says the committee, the amount may be forwarded through church and Sunday school authorities and fraternal orders. The pastors of churches, editors of newspapers, public officials and others are admonished to give the widest possible publicity to the movement, which is philanthropic in purpose and state-wide in extent. The amount suggested is one day's income.

Powell Lawson Ill At His Home

News is received here of the illness of Powell Lawson, a good citizen of Danbury Route 1. Mr. Lawson recently suffered a stroke of paralysis. His many friends hope he will soon be out again.

REPLIES TO THE CO-OP'S CRITICS

Rural Hall Man Says Biased Propaganda Has Been Spread.

P. A. Griffin, of Rural Hall, issued the following statement this week regarding the alleged attack made on the Tobacco Co-operative association by its enemies:

"In order to blindfold the members of the Tobacco Growers association and further their speculative interest, false prophets have been telling the members they would never get another cent, the association was broke, thieves had gobbled up the funds.

This propaganda was spread for no other purpose than to weaken the confidence in the association and cause its members to break their contracts and sell their tobacco on the open market. This has caused a lot of our members to sell their certificates at a sacrifice and break their contracts also. Listen to a portion of an official letter from our association:

"A payment of \$1,500,002.86 will be made to members of the association in the old bright belt of Virginia and North Carolina on December 15, according to the statement issued to the members today by Richard R. Patterson, general manager of the association. This payment represents a final settlement on eighteen grades of the 1924 crop of the old bright belt tobacco."

"The manufacturers, warehouse men and pinhookers know that the farmers have got to organize to get their price for their products. They know that if the association is successful that it will be detrimental to the warehouse business and pinhookers, and the manufacturers will have to pay more for the tobacco they get than they are now paying. Therefore, in my opinion, they set their heads to destroy it by refusing to buy the association's tobacco. This in my opinion is why we have not been paid for all the tobacco pooled. We had no money to start with and we could not sell without a buyer."

NORTH CAROLINA LED SOUTH

Traffic Deaths Record For the Past Week Was Six Dead and Eleven Injured.

Columbia, S. C., Nov. 16.—North Carolina led the South during the past week in traffic deaths, while Georgia led in injuries, tabulations compiled by the Associated Press reveal. There were 28 deaths and 176 injuries in the territories.

Mississippi continued her "no deaths, no injuries" for the week before. Georgia was the other state reporting no deaths from traffic accidents.

There were no outstanding accidents recorded during the week in which a large number of deaths were the toll, the toll being made up from scattering mishaps.

The table follows:

State	Deaths	Injuries
Virginia	1	13
North Carolina	6	11
South Carolina	1	3
Georgia	0	31
Florida	1	24
Alabama	5	23
Mississippi	0	0
Louisiana	3	8
Arkansas	1	20
Tennessee	3	26
Kentucky	5	11
Totals	29	170

Co-Ops To Make Final Payment

Four weeks hence the Tobacco Growers Co-operative association expects to make final payment on various grades of tobacco from the 1924 crop produced in the old belt of Virginia and North Carolina. One and a half millions in the "long green" is quite enough to place the organization in mighty good standing with the growers in these parts, says a Raleigh correspondent.

SEVERE WINTER BEING PREDICTED

Herbert J. Browne, Widely Known Ocean Meteorologist, Gives the Reasons—Ocean Currents Cause.

Washington, Nov. 12.—A severe winter for the United States, with heavy snowfall and long continuing cold waves, broken by warm periods of brief duration, is predicted by Herbert J. Browne, widely known ocean meteorologist.

An abnormal condition, he holds, is pointed to by many factors, including the record-breaking cold in many sections of the country this fall, beginning with the first snows in the northwest on September 18, four days before the official close of summer. The winter, he believes, will be followed by a late spring.

Primarily the predictions are based upon a study of ocean surface temperatures as determined by the amount of sun's heat reaching the earth. This solar radiation for more than three years has been below normal. The present weather situation, he says, indicates that the world is facing a condition which will interfere seriously with crops, the cold fall and winter in prospect being but forerunners of the next two years. A serious situation developing in the southern hemisphere in the crop year of 1926 and 1927 and the northern hemisphere in 1927 predicted.

That he is supported by a number of prominent scientists is demonstrated. Mr. Browne contends, by the published views of Dr. Rutzger Semander, professor of botany in the Swedish National University at Upsala. This scientist predicts the return in Scandinavia, and at least some sections of northern Europe, of the "fabled winters," that is, three winters without intervening summers, to the extent at least of a condition disastrous to the crops of northern Europe.

The views of Dr. Semander, Mr. Browne says, are supported by two other scientists of high standing, Dr. Helmut Gans, of Switzerland, and Dr. Rolf Nordhagen, of Norway. Dr. Gans recently quoted Mr. Browne as mentioning him among other Europeans, "as supporting Mr. Browne's forecast that the year 1926 would be like 1816, "the year without a summer," but Mr. Browne today said he had only quoted Dr. Gans as supporting the views of Dr. Semander.

As for 1816, when ice formed in the fields as far south as Pennsylvania, Mr. Browne says 1927, not 1926, will see a return of approximately these conditions, not necessarily with continued cold, but with sharp cold spells and other conditions at intervals which will mean great damage to crops.

All factors, of which the condition of the sun is the most important, Mr. Browne says, support his view. The sun, which is described by the Smithsonian institute and others, as a variable star, is for some unknown reason in a period of low activity with decreased radiation.

What They Pay Taxes For in Davie

The editor of the Davie County Record writes as follows:

"It hurts our folks to pay taxes but it would hurt them worse if they had no taxes to pay. The taxes keep your schools running, keeps your roads in such shape that you can travel them in all seasons takes care of the poor and homeless in your county who are not able to work and gives you protection day and night. What kind of a town or county would we have if the people didn't have to pay taxes. Nobody would live in such a county."

Frank Page Back From South America

Chairman Frank Page is back from an extended visit to South America where he went several weeks ago to attend a highway conference. The chairman was met in New York by his assistant, L. R. Ames, who has held down the North Carolina situation all right in the absence of the chief.

KEEN TO PROTECT TOBACCO PRICES

Virginians Sign Millions Of Pounds For 1927-1931—S. C. Co-ops Ready.

Raleigh, Nov. 17.—Tobacco farmers of Virginia and South Carolina will organize into larger and stronger marketing associations at the expiration of the present contract of the tri-state pool, if last week's events are any indication of the future.

More than 7,000,000 pounds of dark-fired Virginia tobacco were signed up in the first month's drive of the thirteen-month campaign to secure three-fourths of the entire Virginia production of dark-fired tobacco in an association with a contract to extend from 1927 to 1931 which calls for all the tobacco which is raised upon the farms of the landlord members.

This announcement was made at the meeting of the organization committee for the new association of dark tobacco growers held in Farmville, Va., November 13, the following resolution was passed:

"Resolved that we are satisfied with the result of the campaign for a resign-up of contracts to our association to date and with the report from our directors of the general condition of the affairs of the association and will go forward with renewed efforts to reach our goal as soon as possible."

The present strong position of the dark fired members of the Tobacco Growers Co-operative Association was emphasized at this meeting of the organization committee. It was pointed out that the cash advances paid by the association, which opened twenty-five warehouses in Virginia this week, are the highest ever received by its members. It was also stated that the recent shortage of dark fired tobacco in Virginia will enhance the value of the association's holdings of redried tobacco.

MUST HAVE ASSOCIATION.

The tobacco farmers of South Carolina will be satisfied with nothing less than a sixty per cent sign-up of the South Carolina tobacco crop from 1927 to 1931, according to meetings of delegated farmers from every important tobacco growing county of that state, who named the organization committee for the resign-up campaign and took the first steps in formulating the new five-year contract and organizing a drive for a majority sign-up of the tobacco in the South Carolina Belt, at Florence and Marion last week.

Last week's meetings were regarded as positive evidence of the association's success in South Carolina and as a strong pledge of confidence in its management.

Business men and representative tobacco farmers who were at last week's meetings at Marion and Florence to consider the resign-up declared that the co-operative idea is stronger in South Carolina than it ever was before, and has come to stay.

BIGGEST RECEIPTS OF SEASON. Receipts of the tobacco association in the old belt of Virginia and North Carolina doubled last week and will reach approximately 2,000,000 pounds, the largest amount received during one week from any single belt this season.

Recent dispatches from the Washington headquarters of the National Council of Farmers Co-operative Marketing Association described the present demoralization of prices for tobacco on the auction floors of the old belt of Virginia and North Carolina and emphasized the strong position of the tobacco association, which after paying its members a 65 per cent cash advance upon deliveries, has announced a million and a half dollar cash distribution for the old belt members on December 15.

Reduction Auto Taxes Voted Today

Washington, Nov. 10.—Reduction of the automobile taxes and repeal of many of the special excise levies was voted today by the House Ways and Means committee.

W. E. Stauber and son, Lesley, of Rural Hall, were visitors here today.

"UNCLE" SAM EAST HAS HEAVY LOSS

Two of His Boarders Departed With His Ford Car and Other Property Some Time Saturday Night.

R. A. Martin and wife, claiming Anderson, S. C., as their home, came to Danbury three weeks since and had been boarding at the home of "Uncle" Sam East, our well-known mail carrier. On Saturday night some time after the family had retired Martin and his wife left their room by way of the window and drove away in "Uncle" Sam's best Ford car, going to parts unknown and have not been heard of since.

On Sunday morning when the couple were called to breakfast they failed to answer and the door to their room was forced. It was not until then that the theft was discovered. They had used a plank on which to slide down to the ground from the second story window. Investigation revealed the fact that they had taken Mr. East's overcoat, leggings, bed quilts, etc., and in addition left a three-week's board bill for the two unpaid.

Martin came here to work on a bridge that is being erected by the highway commission near town, and appeared to be a straight forward hard-working fellow.

Fortunately Mr. East carried insurance on his car. He says he doesn't care anything about the car but is anxious to see Martin once more.

RELIEF IS MADE IN CUT OF POWER

Southern Power Co. Orders Letup In Curtailment.

Charlotte, Nov. 13.—The Southern Power company today announced a further reduction of one-half day each week in the schedule of curtailment of industrial use of electric power by its customers, leaving the curtailment now at one day and a half each week. The curtailment was reduced to two days weekly about two weeks ago.

The schedule of curtailment first was put into effect in August, on a basis of one day each week. Later it was increased to two and a half days each week.

The curtailment was necessitated, according to Southern Power company officials, by the unprecedented drought in the Piedmont and mountain sections of the state. Today's statement says recent rains have not improved the heads in the reservoirs but have improved the normal flow of the Catawba river, on which the company's hydro-electric plants are located. The curtailment program has affected several hundred textile mills and other industries in the Carolinas.

Mt. Airy District Leaders Confer

Rural Hall, Nov. 14.—There was a "get-together" meeting of the ministers, lay leaders and Sunday school superintendents of the Mt. Airy district held at the M. E. church here Thursday, with Rev. Mr. Fox, presiding elder of the district, in the chair. Notwithstanding the downpour of rain there was a splendid representation present, ministers and lay leaders numbering nearly forty. The session was most interesting and profitable. Inspirational and timely talks were given by different ministers and lay leaders such as would tend to create greater interest in the various lines of work of the church. Plans for the year's work were mapped out. At the close of the session a bountiful dinner was served by the ladies of the church.

Recent rains have about broken the water famine that Asheboro has experienced for several months. Since midsummer there had been restrictions on the use of water for any except the most necessary purposes and for several weeks trainloads of water had been hauled from High Point. During the past ten days the amount hauled daily has been cut down and now the crisis has practically passed and within a short time the use of water is expected to be unrestricted.