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FRANK REID SHOT BY SAM MANNING

Wounded Man In Hospital and May Recover—Trouble Occurred At Smithtown School House.

Frank Reid, a former citizen of Stokes who has been residing in Patrick county for some time, was shot through the body Saturday night by Sam Manning, of the Sandy Ridge section. The bullet entered Reid's body just below the heart and lodged in his back. The wounded man was rushed to a hospital in Leaksville and it is learned that he has a good chance of recovery. Manning fled immediately after the shooting and has not been captured.

The trouble between the two men occurred at the Smithtown school house, near Sandy Ridge, while an entertainment of some kind was in progress. No cause has been assigned for the shooting, so far as could be learned.

OCTOBER GAS BILL WAS FEARFUL

North Carolina Motorists Paid Nearly One Million For Tax On Gas In One Month.

Raleigh, Nov. 1.—A new record was established for collection of tax on gasoline during October when \$873,365.42 was garnered by the state for the road fund, report for the month issued today showed.

The previous record was established in September when approximately \$816,000 was collected. October collection was virtually \$150,000 ahead of collections for October, 1926.

Total collections of taxes for road fund purposes during October was \$977,700.89 bringing the total since June 30 to \$6,432,301.64. At the end of October last year total collections since June 30, 1926, was \$8,229,063.33. The decrease this year was caused by the change from the fiscal to the calendar year in the collection of automobile licenses.

Collections during October were classified as follows:

Gasoline, \$873,365.
Licenses, \$93,306.
Titles, \$11,034.

Homicide Near Pine Hall Saturday

John Martin, a fairly well-to-do colored citizen of the Pine Hall section, was shot and killed at his home Saturday night by Garfield Gilliam, another negro of the same community. There was no eye witness to the shooting and Gilliam made his escape. It was said that the two men were disputing over a debt one of them owed the other. It is learned that Gilliam had a bad reputation and had served one or more terms on the Stokes roads.

Stokes Teachers Meet Here Saturday, Nov. 12

A county-wide meeting of the Stokes county teachers will be held in the auditorium of the Danbury school building on Saturday Nov. 12th, beginning at 10 o'clock A. M. Every teacher in the county is urged and expected to be present unless providentially hindered.

REFUSED TO SEND CHILDREN TO BUS

Two Men Living In Walkertown District Serving Road Sentence For Failure To Send Children To School Bus.

Winston-Salem, Nov. 2.—J. E. Mustin and T. D. Prytle, living in the Walkertown school district, today began serving 30 days on the county roads all because the school bus would not stop at their homes to pick up their children and they refused to send the children to the regular stopping place, something like 200 yards distant.

They were haled into magistrate's court here and found guilty of failing to comply with the compulsory school law. The court offered to suspend judgment on payment of costs, but both refused to pay and they were sentenced to the roads.

WILSON MARKET AVERAGES \$30.78

That Market Has Already Sold Over Fifty Million Pounds—World's Record May Be Broken.

Wilson, Nov. 2.—Sales on the local tobacco markets are pressing forward at such a rapid gait that it seems almost a certainty that the world's record of 76,000,000 pounds during the 1925 season will be fractured this year and a new record set up. With yesterday's sale of 1,256,354 pounds the season's total sales were increased to 50,637,604 pounds being offered for sale again today.

Sales records have been shattered time and again by the sales of the current season and at the present time the 1926 sales of 69,000,000 pounds is just a stone's throw ahead of the present sales and the record mark just a few steps beyond. Indications are that this year's sales will reach, if not exceed 80,000,000 pounds.

Monday's sale of 1,430,000 pounds for \$440,346.15 for an average price of \$30.78 per hundredweight is the high water mark average paid on this market this season, according to official reports. The average was incidentally paid on the day that last year's high average of \$34.14 was paid.

Danville Has Sold 13,739,446 Pounds

Danville, Va., Nov. 2.—The first monthly report on the sales of tobacco here this season shows that \$2,756,336.65 has been disbursed here since October 4 to tobacco growers of this section for 13,739,446 pounds of leaf for an average of \$20.06, which is little more than the cost of production according to experienced growers.

Last year the October sales totalled 11,550,334 pounds, which brought \$2,892,880.10.

Sales yesterday were the largest of the season with 925,000 pounds disposed of during the day.

Wall Street's had a bad time, but June's when the matrimonial bonds increase in value.

"As a lawyer hen ever lost a case, eh?" we questioned.
"No. He defends only handsome women clients," was the reply.

CONFERENCE OPENS AT ASHEVILLE

Western N. C. Conference M. E. Church, South, Convenes Today.

Asheville, Nov. 1.—Arrival today of Methodist dignitaries from adjacent territories paved the way for the opening here tomorrow of the thirty-eighth annual session of the Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, Bishop Edwin D. Mouzon, superintendent of the four Carolina conference districts, will act as the residing officer.

After observance of the sacrament, administered by Bishop Mouzon, the conference will open with the roll call by the Rev. W. L. Sherrill, of Charlotte, and the election of a new secretary for the current session. Other business to be transacted on the opening day includes the fixing of the bar of the conference and the appointment of standing committee for this session as nominated by the presiding elders.

Adjournment is scheduled for Monday.

MUCH TOBACCO IN WINSTON

On First Three Days of Week Warehouses Have Been Taxed Heavily—Average This Week Around 24 Cents.

On Monday of this week the Winston-Salem market sold 1,253,276 pounds of tobacco; Tuesday the sales amounted to 1,194,266 pounds, and yesterday 917,838 pounds were offered. The average price for the week has been around 24 cents per pound.

CARRINGTON ON LOW TOBACCO

Head of Tobacco Association in United States Says Overproduction and Deferential Duty Levied By Great Britain Responsible.

A. B. Carrington, of Danville, Va., president of the Tobacco Association of the United States appearing before a civic club in that city the past week gave what he thinks is an explanation of the causes of unrest among the tobacco growers and a reason for the prevailing disappointing prices recorded almost everywhere in the Old Belt.

The chief reason for low prices, Carrington explained, is that there is a 100,000,000 pound overproduction in the bright belt this season. Usually, he continued, the bulk of the crop has ranged from 500,000,000 to 6,000,000 but this year it is fully 700,000,000 pounds, the largest tobacco crop ever produced in the bright region.

"This large overproduction," Carrington said, "is having its effect on the average being made in the belt markets, the general average being under 20 cents against an average in the corresponding period last year of 24 cents. Another factor in the price of common and medium tobacco in our section is the imposition by the British government of a differential duty tobacco raised in all parts of the empire in order to bind it more closely together in a commercial way."

STOKES LIONS TO ATTEND MEETING

Banquet To Be Tendered Seven Clubs of This District At Robt. E. Lee Hotel In Winston-Salem Nov. 9th.

Fifty or more members of the Stokes County Lions Club have indicated their intention of attending the district meeting and banquet of Lions Clubs to be held at the Robt. E. Lee hotel in Winston-Salem, Nov. 9th, beginning at 2:30 o'clock P. M. The banquet will begin at 6:30.

At this meeting there will be representatives from the following clubs: Winston-Salem, Greensboro, Statesville, Albemarle, Mocksville, Kernersville and Stokes County.

Quite a number of prominent Lions and others will address the clubs and the meeting will undoubtedly be the most interesting and largely attended one yet held in this district.

Every Lion is urged to attend the meeting and to bring his wife or sweetheart to the banquet.

Duke Funds Aid Rural Churches

Durham, Nov. 2.—The Rural Life Department of Duke University, under the supervision of Prof. J. M. Ormand, has greatly aided rural districts of North Carolina in building new churches and improving old since the Duke Endowment began to function January 1, 1926. From the date of its organization until March, 1927, the Duke Endowment has appropriated the sum of \$43,700 which went to a large number of needy churches and for the purpose of building new ones in the Eastern and Western North Carolina Conferences. Since \$31,250 has been appropriated and fifteen churches aided, which makes a grand total of \$74,950 appropriated by the department since it began functioning. The probable amount available yearly to supply the need is \$60,000 to \$100,000.

The purpose of the Duke Endowment and the Rural Life Department is to render aid to needy churches in rural districts or towns of no more than 1,500 inhabitants, and to aid communities in building new churches. The department holds that one-room churches are no longer satisfactory, due to the lack of room and equipment to conduct social and educational, as well as religious activities. Therefore, steps have been taken to avoid this fault in the future by requiring each new church built to have at least three departments in addition to the auditorium, thus making it possible to carry on social and educational activities without feeling cramped for lack of space.

Day By Day

I bought a barrel of cider and I'm drinking it for my health.

Is it doing you any good?

Is it? I'm getting stronger every day. At first I couldn't lift the barrel—now I can lift it easily.

W. R. Stovall, of Lawsonville, was here today. He made a fine sale of tobacco on the market yesterday.

A MARRIAGE AT KING

Barn and Wheat Is Burned—An Automobile Wreck—Mrs. Walker Undergoes Operation—To Organize Sunday School.

King, Oct. 31.—A Sunday school will be organized at Sinai church Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock November 6th. Everybody invited.

Mrs. Gus Kreeger, who resides 5 miles south of town, had the misfortune to lose her feed barn by fire Monday night about 11 o'clock. A threshing machine, which was stored in the barn, was burned, also about 75 bushels of wheat. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Butner are the glad parents of a fine baby boy.

Mr. Debs Holder and Miss Allbright Caudle were quietly married here Friday night. Only a few of the near relatives and friends were present at the ceremony which was performed by Rev. John Spainhower, of King. The contracting parties are popular young people of King and their many friends join us in wishing them a long and happy married life. After a short honeymoon they will be at home to their friends in King.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Nat Pratt was made happy Friday by the arrival of a new baby girl.

Mrs. E. F. Walker, who underwent a major operation in the Burrus hospital at High Point several weeks ago, was removed to her home here Sunday. She is slowly recovering. A. F. Collins, of King, had an automobile wreck near Pilot Mt. Sunday Mr. Collins was driving along the highway when a car dashed out of a side road and crashed into his car. Mr. Collins had his family with him but fortunately all escaped injury. The car was damaged considerably.

A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Priddy last Thursday.

17,846,820 POUNDS SOLD AT WINSTON

Farmers Are Paid \$3,547,302.60 For Their Tobacco—Average For Month Is \$19.88.

Winston-Salem, Nov. 2.—The Winston-Salem tobacco market sold during the month of October a total of 17,846,820 pounds for \$3,547,302.60, an average price of \$19.88 per hundred. R. W. McFarland, sales supervisor, said tonight.

Sales during October, 1926, Mr. McFarland said, amounted to over 13,000,000 pounds for an average of \$24.87.

Getting Ready For Christmas Mail Rush

Although Christmas is 52 days away Post Master General New has begun preparations for handling the ever-increasing volume of packages cards and letters. Christmas falls on Sunday this year but the Post Master General has already given notice that the usual routine will be followed on that day but that the following day only morning deliveries will be made.

R. I. Dalton, of Winston-Salem, was in town today.

MRS. HELSABECK IS IMPROVING

Surprise Birthday Party For Miss Voit—O. J. Cates Improving—Personal Items.

Walnut Cove, Nov. 1.—The many friends of Mrs. C. J. Helsabeck will be glad to note that she is improving rapidly after undergoing a serious operation at the Baptist hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Mitchell spent the week end in Winston with relatives.

Miss Blanche Boyles, who is in training at Guilford hospital in High Point, is spending several days here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Boyles.

Friends will be glad to learn that Mr. O. J. Cates, who has been seriously ill, is improving rapidly.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Cookus spent Sunday in Price, Va., visiting relatives.

Miss Mary Sue Williams spent the week end with Miss Sarah Tuttle on Walnut Cove Route 1.

The teachers of the Walnut Cove school attended the teachers meeting in High Point Friday Oct. 28.

Mrs. Emory Rothrock is spending the week in High Point visiting relatives.

Miss Freida Voit spent the week end with Miss Nancy Lee Dunlap at Danbury.

E. M. Myers, of Winston-Salem, was a visitor here today.

Dwight Rothrock has recently accepted a position in High Point.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Taylor and family spent Sunday in Mt. Airy visiting relatives.

E. B. Venable, of Durham, spent Sunday here visiting with Aubrey Taylor.

A surprise party was given in the home of Miss Carrie Williams today, honoring Miss Freida Voit on her 17th birthday. Quite a number of friends were present and many games and contests were enjoyed. The hostess, assisted by Miss Lokeel Voit, served delicious refreshments. The honoree received many gifts.

Husband Talks In Sleep, Wife Learns Things

Chicago, Oct. 28.—Insomnia induced by her husband talking in his sleep led Mrs. John Wilters to learn things she hadn't known before, she testified in the domestic relations court today.

"John was a model husband, until I heard him talk in his sleep," his wife told the judge. "In the daytime he told me he was going out to his lodge or visit a sick friend but at night I learned his trips were parties with Claras and Marys and such friends, as he talked of in his sleep."

The Winston-Salem Automobile club have arranged for a big trip to Washington embracing November 17-18-19. The trip will take in the Valley of Virginia, leaving Winston-Salem on Tuesday and reaching Washington on Saturday where it has been arranged for the party to be received by President Coolidge.

Danbury's basket ball team defeated Meadows high school team in a game played at Meadows last Friday 23 to 4.