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ISAAC S. LONDON, Editor

## HOW EDITOR I. S. LONDON LOOKED AT VARIOUS AGES

Just a little personal touch in pictures.

Isaac Spencer London operated the Siler City Grit from May 6, 1909, to November, 1917. Then established the Rockingham Post-Dispatch Dec. 6, 1917, but sold it April 1, 1953, to J. Neal Cadieu. Mr. London continues with his old paper, as Editor, with the paper printed each Thursday.

Born at Pittsboro December 11, 1885.

1891

1928



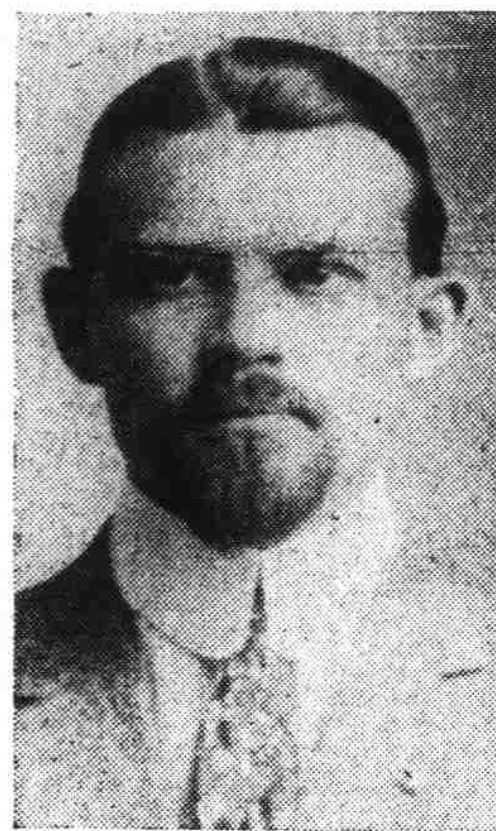
Age of 6—Editor London and sister Betsey



TIME marches on—London in 1928.

1914

1938



A high-collared, bearded Siler City editor in 1914.



'Rarin back in year 1938.

1915

1953



Same Fellow, without beard, a year later, in 1915.



And as he is now in 1953 in his 68th year.

Gene's Family to N. Randolph. 4

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Wilson moved on November 21st into the apartment in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Capps on North Randolph street. Mr. Wilson is one of the linotype operators in the Journal plant.

Robert-Wall Moves to Liberty.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wall are leaving Rockingham and going to Liberty, N. C. to take over the business of Mrs. Wall's father, which is a Western Auto Supply Store. They have been making their home at 201 LeGrand St. Their friends here will regret to hear of them leaving.

### High Band Clinic

Seven Bands to be in Clinic Here December 11th and 12th.

Again this year Rockingham will play hostess to members from 7 bands—Hamlet, Laurinburg, Lumberton, Wadesboro, Albemarle, Smithfield and Wilmington Jr. High on December 11, beginning at 3 p. m. at the L. J. Bell Elementary School.

Mr. Herbert Carter, Band Director from East Carolina College will be the guest conductor. The individual band directors will aid in the sectional rehearsals. On Saturday night at 7:30 p. m. a concert will be given on the clinic work studied and the public is cordially invited to attend. This proved to be a most exciting performance last year.

The visiting bandsmen will stay in the homes of the Rockingham bandsmen. Friday night supper and Saturday lunch will be served in the elementary cafeteria.

The purpose of having these clinics is to give the students an opportunity to study students from other bands under expert and diversified instruction. Common problems are discussed and worked on by the band masters. Various aspects of contest music is studied and worked on. Of course, the fellowship with the bandsmen of the various towns should never be discounted.

### Marine Recruiters Announce Changes

The U. S. Marine Corps recruiting office recently opened in the basement of the Post office here, announced today that boys wishing to enlist now may put off their call to duty until January or February of next year.

It was also announced that a boy may enlist for three years now and serve only two years of active duty, the remaining 12 months spent in inactive reserves. This is open to married men as well as single; however married men with children are not accepted.

Recruiting Sgt. Lapish further added that he may be reached at the Rockingham Hotel on Thursday night, as well as at the post office Thursday and Friday mornings.

### WINS \$135 SILVER DOLLARS

On Saturday night at the Sky-Vu Drive-In Theatre, the owner, Louis Whitley of Concord presented Mrs. Lizzie Abbott of Route 1, Ellerbe with 135 Silver dollars after the drawing. The winner told him she would put it to good use.

### New Night Supt. Paper Mill.

Mr. and Mrs. George Allen are now making their home in Rockingham. Mr. Allen is the night superintendent at the Carolina Paper Mill. They are living in the Garrett apartment on Wall Street.

### Duke Renting House Here.

K. A. Duke, plant supt. of the Journal shop, last week rented the bungalow built several years ago by the late Mrs. Lucy W. Parsons, on corner across from the Episcopal Church. He will move in Dec. 3rd. Mrs. Duke is with the buying department of Belk's in Charlotte, and will spend the week-ends here.

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### Mrs. Amanda Hart Killed in Accident

Was Reared in Rockingham

A tragic accident occurred Thanksgiving night about two miles southwest of Albemarle that caused the death of a former Rockingham lady—Mrs. Frank Hart, the former Amanda Cole.

Mrs. Hart and her daughter, Mrs. Bill (Ruby) Steen, and granddaughter, Patricia, all living at Badin, had been to the Carrousel in Charlotte, and were on their way home when the car driven by Patricia collided with another car. Mrs. Hart died a few hours later in the Albemarle hospital at 2:30 a. m. Friday, Nov. 27th. Mrs. Steen is barely conscious and very gravely injured. Pattie Steen McKinney, 21, is also in the hospital and also badly hurt.

The funeral was held at 4 p. m. Nov. 29th from the Presbyterian church in Badin, with burial in the Memorial Park cemetery at Albemarle.

Mrs. Hart was the former Amanda Cole, 76, daughter of the late Frank L. and Mary Catherine Jones Cole. She is survived by five children—Mrs. Bill (Ruby) Steen, Dan and Henry Hart, all of Badin, Mrs. James (Patsy) Moore of Richmond, and James Hart stationed in the Navy in California and who in December will complete his 20-years therein.

Also, surviving are these four sisters—Miss Lily Cole, Mrs. J. T. (Mattie) Henry, Mrs. James (Janette) Threadgill, Mrs. George (Mollie) Hart, all of Rockingham.

### One Store Sold \$238 of Hunting Licenses 1 Day.

Thanksgiving Day was clear and cold, the temperature in the early morning down to 29 and the high for the day was 55.

Scores of Nimrods were in the fields and woods, but reports say that very few covies of birds were found—just entirely too dry for dogs to trail.

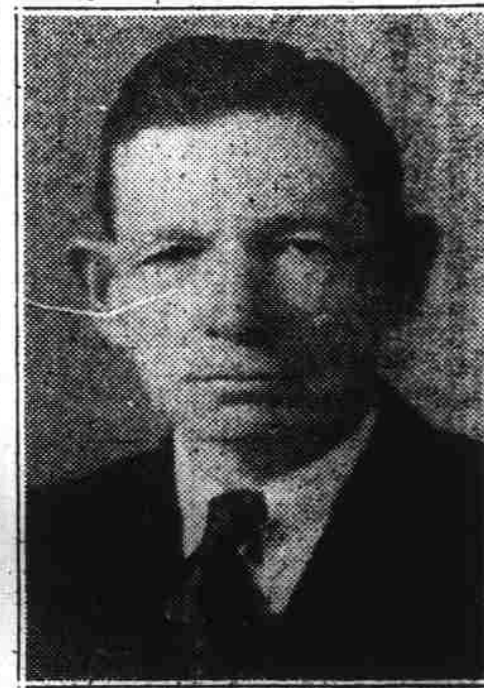
One store in Rockingham on November 25 sold a total of \$238 of hunting licenses! A very last-minute rush of huntsmen to "get going".

### Royston Executives Head.

Following a recent directors' meeting of the Rockingham Executive Club, it was announced that officers for the coming club year have been elected as follows:

Pres. C. A. Royston, prominent farmer and boat-builder, of Hamlet; vice president, Walter F. Long, III, Rockingham clothier; secretary-treasurer, H. C. Gibson, local businessman. The club year begins, January, 1954, and the officers will be installed at the next regular meeting.

Teacher: "When did knights stop wearing armor?"  
Bobby: "When somebody invented the can opener."



### W. H. Covington

An old-time printer of over 52 years of active work in a print-shop. First began sticking type Jan. 16, 1894. Was Foreman of the Post-Dispatch plant from the time the paper was started Dec. 6, 1917, until 1946 when impaired health put a stop to his activities.

His last active work with the paper was the week before Christmas, 1949, when he put in two days getting out the Christmas edition.

Billy Covington was born Sept. 27, 1873, and so now is in his 81st year. A fine gentleman, and always a master craftsman.

### McIntyre Directs Student Matters

Ellerbe Man Rates Highly.

James Herbert McIntyre of Ellerbe, has been appointed assistant director of the University of North Carolina Student Activities. It was announced this week-end. The position is a salaried one, and one of the most important of all University activities.

McIntyre received a B.A. degree in education at UNC last June. He is a second year graduate student in the mathematics department.

Since coming to Carolina he has been a member of the Order of the Golden Fleece, the Order of the Old Well, president and treasurer of the Order of the Grail, chairman of the Budget Committee, member of the Dance Committee, secretary of the YMCA, secretary - treasurer of the student body, secretary of Phi Beta Kappa, member of Phi Eta Sigma, Phi Delta Kappa and Pi Mu Epsilon professional fraternities and Saint Anthony Hall social fraternity.

McIntyre plans to marry Miss Kitty Ensminger from Blackburn College, Carlinville, Illinois, during the Christmas holidays.

He attended Jones Business College in High Point for one year. He served in the Navy for four years. He was secretary for the Field Commissioner for the United Kingdom, and Admiral's Writer for the Commander of the U. S. Naval Forces in Europe. He traveled extensively while he was with the Navy.

McIntyre worked with the Paris Peace Conference for four months.

### Mrs. Langley Entertained the Church Service Guild.

Mrs. John Langley was hostess to members of the Wesleyan Service Guild of the Pee Dee Methodist Church who met at her home on Tuesday evening, November 17, at 7:30. This was the regular monthly meeting and Mrs. Bruce Traylor presided.

The meeting was opened with prayer led by Mrs. Traylor, followed by scripture reading by Mrs. Langley.

The topic of the program was "Feeding the Modern Multitudes." Mrs. George McDuffie, program leader, talked to the group on the Food and Agriculture Organization, explaining that at this organization was formed for the purpose of improving the food situation through greater production and better storing and shipping facilities for the various countries belonging. Mrs. McDuffie was assisted by Mrs. Charles Maske, who made a talk further stressing the importance of the F & O in supplying valuable information to member countries and giving examples in which this has proved helpful.

Following the business meeting the group enjoyed a social period. During this time a game was played with the prize going to Mrs. Bill Hudson, and the hostess, Mrs. Langley, served delicious refreshments to Mrs. H. L. Harris, Mrs. D. C. Frye, Mrs. Bill Hudson, Mrs. Stan Hatcher, Mrs. Dewey Propst, Miss Ruth McFarlan, Mrs. Marvin Hewitte, Mrs. Bruce Traylor, Mrs. George McDuffie and Mrs. Charles Maske.

The next meeting of the Guild will be December 15 in Mrs. Charles Maske's home with Mrs. Marvin Hewitte in charge of the program.

### George L. Doubt

Funeral services for George L. Doubt, 47, who died suddenly at his home in East Rockingham night of Nov. 25th, was held Saturday afternoon at three o'clock in the Chapel of Marks Funeral Home. The service was in charge of Rev. J. R. McNeil, with the military rites conducted by the American Legion Post, 147. Burial was in Richmond Memorial Park.

Mr. Doubt was past commander of Rockingham Post 147, American Legion, and was instrumental in organizing the American Legion Baseball Club.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Brownie Deese Doubt, and one step-daughter, Theodore Rivenbark, and 4 grandchildren.

Frank: "When you are over-indulging, why don't you stop and listen to your conscience?"  
Earnest: "I do. I do. But the trouble is that my conscience likes a little nip, too."

### "WHO'S NEW"

#### Babies Born

WHEN and WHERE

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#### Biggs Cunningham the Name.

Name of the new son born in Kansas City Nov. 30 to Stanley and Bruce Finley Biggs Porter is Biggs Cunningham. The baby weighed 8 pounds, 4 ounces.

#### Ratliff New Grandbaby.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Ratliff of Victoria, Texas, are the parents of a son, born on Monday, November 23. The little one weighs 63/4 pounds and is named Donald James, being named for the young Mrs. Ratliff's father and Mr. Ratliff. Mr. and Mrs. Ratliff were married July 20th, 1952. Jimmy is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Carson Ratliff.

#### Dale and Mimi a Second Child.

Born, Nov. 27, 1953, in our Memorial hospital, a 7-5-pound daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Dale A. Robinson. The baby is named Rosemary. Mimi and the baby returned to the home of Mrs. Jamie Covington on Long avenue Dec. 1st. Mr. Robinson was discharged from the army last September, and is at present working with the Seaboard. He hopes to enter the University in February, under the GI plan.

Mrs. Robinson was the former Mimi Covington. Their other child is a girl, Valerie Dale, born May 10, 1952.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Long of Hamlet are the parents of a daughter, born on December 1, Hamlet hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. David E. Miller of Rockingham announce the birth of a son, born on December 29, Hamlet hospital.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Katz of Rockingham are the parents of a son, born on November 29, at the Richmond Memorial hospital. Mrs. Katz is the former Laura Linker. Mr. and Mrs. Katz operate the Katz Department store here.

Mr. and Mrs. James E. Turnage of Rockingham announce the birth of a son born on November 28, at Richmond Memorial hospital. She is the former Frances Barr.

Mr. and Mrs. David E. Miller are the parents of a son, born on November 29, at the Hamlet hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Covington announce the birth of a son, born on November 21, Hamlet hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Covington are residents of Hamlet.

Mr. and Mrs. David O'Neal of Rockingham announce the birth of a son, born on Nov. 27, Hamlet hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gillis are the parents of a son, born on November 26, Hamlet hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Wright announce the birth of a son, born on November 28, at the Hamlet hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Haire are the parents of a son, born on November 29, at the Hamlet hospital.

A 2/c and Mrs. Eugene L. McLean of Montgomery, Ala. announce the birth of a son, John Robert McLean, born on November 18. Mrs. McLean is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gibson of Route 2, and Mr. McLean is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John W. McLean of Route 2, Rockingham. Mrs. Gibson is visiting her daughter and son-in-law for awhile. A 2/c McLean is stationed at Maxwell Air Force Base, Montgomery, Ala.

Mr. and Mrs. K. W. Brooks announce the birth of a son, born on November 28, Hamlet hospital.

Spending Thanksgiving in Alabama with the Lester Long Jr. family were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brigan and Mrs. Naomi Long.

Spending Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Coppedge were Miss Grace Pemberton Coppedge, Mr. and Mrs. Edward W. Douglas, Debby and Donald, all now of Mt. Airy.

### Three Killed In Auto Accidents

Five Points Intersection is Extremely Dangerous.

Traffic accidents in the county over the past weekend took a toll of three lives, hospitalized several others, and did property damage in the amount of some \$5,000, according to reports made Nov. 30th by local patrolmen. In making their report they state that this upsets what they expected to be a better death record for 1953 than that which was made in 1952, when the number in the county reached 15 for that year, following 23 during 1951. The record for this year, prior to last Friday was 10 deaths for 1953.

The first of these fatalities occurred at the five-point intersection on Rt. 74, a mile west of Rockingham, about 3:30 Friday afternoon. A passenger car, being driven by Mrs. Ruth Van Heest of Midland Park, N. J., failed to observe a stop sign as she entered 74 from Rt. 220, crashing broadside into a passing truck which was being driven by William Brown, of Rockingham.

Others in the passenger car were Mrs. Frank Kepner and Mrs. Bane Moore, elderly relatives of Mrs. Heest. Mrs. Moore and Mrs. Kepner were rushed to Richmond Memorial Hospital and received immediate attention of three physicians. Mrs. Moore succumbed in a few minutes, and Mrs. Kepner was found to be in a critical condition. It is reported today that she will probably survive. Mrs. Van Heest is injured, but is apparently not so seriously and is resting comfortably.

#### SECOND FATALITY

Jesse Cantrell Reid, of Rt. 2, Rockingham, was fatally injured when a car in which he was riding with other local young men, overturned on the Fox Port-Ledbetter road, a few miles N. E. of Rockingham about 1:30 Saturday morning. With him were Henry Gibson, said to have been driving; and Buck Covington. Reid lived several hours after being admitted to Richmond Memorial Hospital, apparently from a broken neck. The other two men were not seriously injured.

Funeral services were conducted Monday at 4 p. m. at the Pentecostal Holiness Church by the Rev. H. P. Robinson and the Rev. Mr. Guy. Burial was in Memorial Park Cemetery.

Surviving are the parents; a sister, Bobby Jean Reid; and two brothers, Curtis Reid and James Reid; and his maternal grandmother, Mrs. H. A. Miles of Lancaster. The body was taken to the church one hour before the service.

#### THIRD FATALITY

Martin Luther Williams, age 25, died following a wreck of his automobile about 8:30 Saturday night on US 1 near Everett Mill, 9 miles south of Rockingham. His car apparently left the highway and turned over several times, resulting in what was found to be internal injuries. He was given immediate attention at Richmond Memorial Hospital, where he was taken by ambulance a few minutes after the accident.

Mr. Williams was employed in the spinning department of Hannah Pickett Mill, and made his home with his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Raleigh G. Williams in E. Rockingham. Besides the parents, he is survived by three sisters. They are Mrs. Carl Henry, Mrs. Thomas Reynolds, and Mrs. Mary Stevens, all of Rockingham. Four brothers also survive: Harper Williams, of Danville, Va.; Robert and John Williams, of Rockingham; and Silas Williams, of the armed forces now stationed in Austria.

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### New Supt. At Steele Plant

Olin C. Shedd



Olin C. Shedd Succeeds Jeff Robbins as Supt. of Steele Plant of Burlington Chain.

Olin C. Shedd, formerly connected with Burlington Mills' plants in the Fayetteville area, has been named superintendent of the company's Steele plant at Cordova. It was announced this week. Mr. Shedd, who replaces J. F. Robbins, resigned, has already assumed his new duties, and is expecting to move his family here from Fayetteville in the very near future.

A veteran of twenty years' experience in textile manufacturing, Shedd has been associated with Burlington Mills in various capacities for ten of those years.

Joining the company in 1943, he was for two years connected with the company's operations in the Gastonia area. In 1945 he transferred to the Fayetteville area, remaining there until his present assignment at Steele.

Prior to joining Burlington, Shedd had been affiliated in various capacities with the Standard-Coosa-Thatcher Co., with the Goodyear Company and with Spartan Mills.

A native of Monticello, S. C., Shedd attended High School there and in Nashville, Tenn. He later attended Clemson College where he earned a B. S. degree in Textile Engineering.

Long active in civic and church affairs, Shedd while he was in Fayetteville served as a director of the Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce, as a member of the Cumberland County Board of Control, and as a member of the Cumberland County Safety Council. He is also a member of the Baptist Church and of the Lions Club.

Mr. Shedd is married to the former Irene Woodward of Cedartown, Ga. They have two sons, John Daniel, 12 and Kenneth Woodward, 8.

#### Mrs. Claude Podk Hostess to UDC Chapter Nov. 18th.

The local U. D. C. Chapter met with Mrs. Claude Podk Wednesday afternoon, November 18, at her home on Fayetteville Road.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. J. R. McLendon and led in the regular proceeding of the ritual pledge, allegiance to the U. S. Flag and salute to the N. C. and Confederate flags. The Lord's Prayer was said in unison following this the roll was called and dues collected.

Mrs. McLendon, the president, gave an account of the report on the coming year, and chapter voted to give \$5.00 to TBS Fund.

Mrs. A. W. Porter read an excerpt from the speech by President Eisenhower at the National meeting on November 8, in which he spoke very highly of Robert E. Lee and Stonewall Jackson. The Daughters of Confederacy are placing lovely memorial windows in the Washington Cathedral honoring these esteemed men.

Mrs. Polk closed the enjoyable meeting with prayer.

After the meeting a social hour was enjoyed at which time Mrs. Polk served her guests delicious refreshments. These included Mrs. J. R. McLendon, Mrs. W. L. Steele, Miss Maude Moore, Mrs. L. A. King, Mrs. A. W. Porter, Mrs. W. R. McIntosh, and Mrs. Biggs.

Mr. and Mrs. August Deprosper have moved from Rockingham, their friends will regret to learn. Mr. Deprosper was connected with the local Carolina Paper Mills. Even though they were here for a short time, they made many friends.

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