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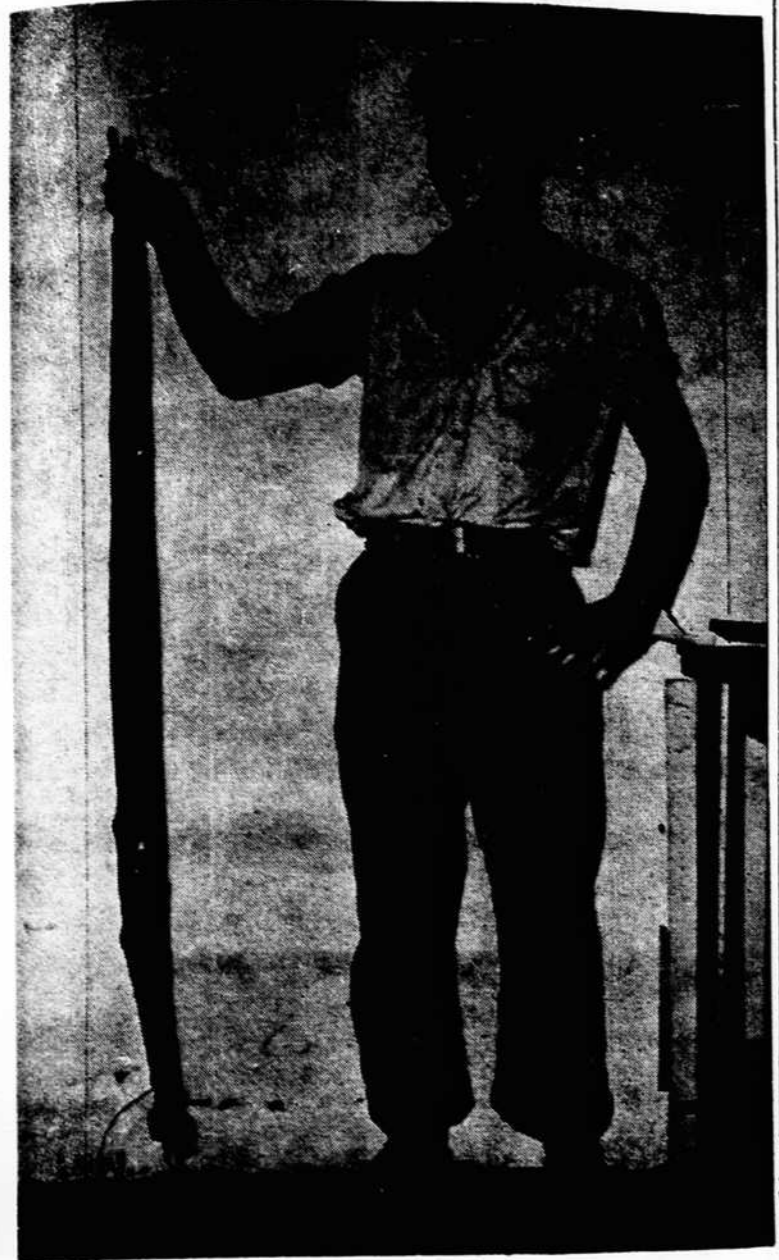
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## KILLED AT IRON HILL



Marion Baxter, of Tabor City, used a spare wheel rim that was lying in the back of the truck he was driving to kill the huge six foot rattlesnake in the Iron Hill section last Friday afternoon. Forest Fowler and Baxter spotted the snake lying on the side of the road and stopped to make the kill. Baxter slammed the rim down on the snake's back and then battered its head in. It had 17 rattlers, but never did get a chance to use them Friday.

## GROVER L. WILSON KILLED IN HORRY SATURDAY NIGHT

Grover L. Wilson, 24, year old farmer of the Mollie section of Columbus county, was fatally shot about 9:00 Saturday night at a service station and beer joint operated by Bertie Fowler just across the South Carolina line West of Tabor City. Wilson died in the Loris Community Hospital a short time after reaching the hospital. Fowler, about 55 years old, was arrested pending the coroner's inquest and grand jury investigation. Horry Coroner John Dix said an inquest would be held but the date not established yet. According to witnesses, Wilson and Tony Noname were engaged in a friendly wrestling match in the yard near the station when Fowler asked them to stop. The reports are that they told Fowler they were not fighting but merely playing but that Fowler shot Wilson a short time later when he started to enter his car. He was shot with a 38 pistol, the bullet entered Wilson's chest near his heart. Funeral rites were held from the home Monday afternoon at 2:00 with the Rev. Johnnie Waller officiating. Burial followed in the Edwards cemetery. He is survived by his wife the former Annie Jane Watts; one son, Lenois; two daughters, Linda Jean and Blenda Faye; mother, Mrs. Linnie Fowler Wilson; three brothers, Javie, Hubert and Rozier; four sisters, Mrs. Shirley Garrett, Mrs. Buck Coleman, Mrs. Maybelle Richardson and Mrs. Emma Dell Grace.

### Columbus Band Plays At Duke

The Tabor City Band along with the Columbus County Band attended the Duke Band Day in Durham Saturday and took part in the program given at the half of the Duke-Washington and Lee game. Members of the band visited with Emily Hasty of Whiteville who is a patient at Duke. Emily, a member of the band, attended the game in a wheel chair.

### Week-Day Class Underway By Presbyterians

A Week-Day Bible class is underway at the local Presbyterian church with classes being held from 9:00 a. m. to 11:00 a. m. on Saturday mornings. Rev. Fletcher C. Hutchenson, pastor, announced. A program of Bible study, song period, and handi work is underway for the group ages 4 to 14 years. The Women of the church are assisting Rev. Hutchenson with the class. Sixteen students were present last Saturday and others are invited to attend, the pastor said.

### Local Teachers Attend County Workshops

The first grade teachers of the Tabor City School attended a reading demonstration of the Roe Peterson Publishing company in Chadbourn Monday morning and on Tuesday the Second and Third grade teachers went to Hallsboro for the same session. Faculty members for the grades four to eight participated in a choral workshop in Chadbourn yesterday at 2:30.

### Albro Stevens Home From Service

Albro Stevens is home with a discharge from the service after a four years hitch. He held the rating of A-2c and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Stevens. He was discharged at Wright AFB, Dayton, Ohio. Stevens is married to the former Estha Fowler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Fowler. Enroute home last week he visited Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jane Duncan in Sharpville, Ind.

### LOCAL PASTOR ADDRESSES SCHOOL

Rev. Fletcher C. Hutchenson, pastor of the Tabor City Presbyterian church, was guest speaker at the assembly of the Tabor City School Friday.

### Park Meeting Slated Thursday

A joint meeting of the Civitan club, the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion will be held at the Legion Hut tomorrow night (Thursday) at 7:30. Any persons other than members of these organizations are also invited to attend the meeting at which time plans will be discussed for getting work underway on the park project. These three organizations had taken the lead in the move to equip the park but other citizens are urged to cooperate in every way possible.

# Tobacco Prices Reach Highest Level

## GRIDDERS LOSE TO SANFORD

Although suffering their second defeat of the season, the Tabor City Red Devils showed plenty of fight and hustle at Civitan Field last Friday night before going down before a strong Sanford eleven by a 6-12 score. Sanford pushed across a lone tally late in the second quarter to take the lead but the Red Devils fought determinedly to tie the count in the third after a long sustained drive featuring some powerful line plunging by Sammy Rogers and Jimmy Garrell. But Sanford was not to be denied and came back in the fourth period for another marker and the 12-6 win. Neither team could make good on the extra point attempts. Sanford got its first score through a break when a Tabor City player fumbled a punt, Sanford recovering deep in the locals' territory. A few plays later an off tackle play brought the game's first score. However, Sanford also suffered many bad breaks as officials set them back a total of 80 yards on penalties. Tabor City played the entire game without penalties and without a fumble from the scrimmage line. The quarterback Sam Walden juggled the ball on one occasion but did not lose possession. Tabor takes on Lumberton in the Robeson capital Friday night and returns for its second home appearance of the season against Wadesboro here on October 3. The remainder of the schedule is as follows: Sept. 26—Lumberton here Sept. 3—Wadesboro here Oct. 9—Chadbourn here Oct. 17—Elizabethtown here Oct. 24—Clinton here Oct. 31—Loris here Nov. 7—Hamlet there Nov. 14—Whiteville there

## CORONATION SERVICE



Sarah Williams was crowned queen and Tony Leggette king at last week's Intermediate Emphasis Week ceremonies at the Mt. Tabor Baptist church. Rev. P. C. Ganit crowned the king and queen. Pictured in the photo above are Mabie Hodges, attendant; Lonnie Willoughby, attendant; Joyce Spivey, princess; Frances Hardwick, page; Queen Sarah Williams, King Tony Leggette, Lany Walden, page; Sam Walden, prince; Billy Spivey, attendant; and Esther Lee Nobles, attendant. The week's program was said to be highly successfully and a record number attended.

With sales continuing at a rapid pace on the Tabor City tobacco market, a general market-wide price increase pushed the local average for the past week's sales to \$54.75, the highest single week's average of the season. Sales were not as heavy as they were during the peak period of the season but considerable quantities of tobacco were still coming in daily. Contrary to past seasons, the local market also had good buyer representation this week with all major companies represented and ready to buy every grade of tobacco offered. Sales through Tuesday of this week showed that a total of 6,516,126 pounds had been sold on the Tabor City market to date for a total of \$3,387,060.02. This represents a loss in total poundage of about a million pounds over 1951 but the price continues to top all previous season's average. Officials of the local market pointed out that sales would continue here as long as all tobacco companies kept their buyers on the market and as long as farmers had tobacco to sell. Steady to slightly higher average prices were paid this week for most grades of South Carolina and Border North Carolina flue-cured tobacco as compared with last week. The United States and North Carolina Departments of Agriculture report volume of offerings continued fairly heavy with general quality unchanged. Six of the eleven South Carolina markets closed during the week. Gross sales for the week ending September 19, were 39,325,601 pounds and averaged \$51.84 per hundred. Volume was up about 1.2 million pounds from last week and the general average 12c higher. Season gross sales were brought to 273,254,177 pounds for an average of \$52.48. For the same number of sales days last year 279,783,121 gross pounds had been sold for \$51.86. More than half of the grades averaged 50c to \$4.00 above last week. However, increases were mostly \$1.00 per hundred. Some inferior offerings were lower. Proportions of common leaf and nondescript showed small increases but this was offset by slightly larger percentages of fine leaf, good lugs and cutters. Common to good leaf, low and fair lugs and nondescript again made up most sales. Growers delivered about 6.5 percent of weekly gross sales to the Flue-cured Stabilization Corporation under the Government support program. Season takings represent 6.6 percent of gross turnover. Markets closing this week were Lamar and Kingtree on September 18, and Conway, Darlington, Dillon and Pamplico on the 19th. Conway, Dillon, and Pamplico had previously scheduled closing date for September 26. Chadbourn, North Carolina will close September 26 and Tabor City on October 3. Beginning September 22, all multiple set markets will operate with less buyers but will be compensated by additional selling time.

## Yam Mart Opens Oct. 1

## 1952 Festival Plans Nearing Completion

Plans for the Fifth Annual Carolinas Yam Festival to be held here Thursday, Friday and Saturday, October 9, 10 and 11, are nearing completion Mr. and Mrs. J. Oliver Prince, co-chairmen, announced today. The list of major committee heads are released as follows: Exhibit Hall, Mrs. B. A. Garrell; Entertainment, S. P. Smith and Bob White; Saturday gifts and advertisement of awards, Phil Hughes; Orchestra and Queen's Ball, Woman's club, Phil Hughes and Ben Nesmith, III. Floats, Dr. H. G. Dammeron and Ben Nesmith, III; Parade, C. H. Pinner and Don Hughes; Mystery Yam King, Charles D. Raper and S. L. Jackson. Decoration of Exhibit Hall, Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Rogers; Educational Exhibits, Charles D. Raper, and S. L. Jackson. Press Dinner, A. C. Edwards; Publicity, Mrs. Evelyn Leonard; Pie eating contest, Mrs. A. E. Goldfinch. Sweet Potato dishes, Mrs. Elaine Blake, and Miss Gayle Wells; Sweet Potato baskets, Charles D. Raper and S. L. Jackson. Dance Hall decoration and Square Dance, Civitan club.

E. W. Fonvielle, president of the Tabor City Marketing Company, announced today that the auctioning of this season's sweet potato crop would begin officially next Wednesday morning, October 1. Officials of the marketing company had not planned to begin sales until October 3 but farmers appear ready to start selling almost any time and thus the sweet potato line will start forming two days earlier. Last year was a poor year for volume on the local yam market but was the best year in history as to price when 256,000 bushels averaged \$3.83. This year there is expected to be a heavier volume than in 1951 and price is expected to be just as good, and perhaps better, than a year ago. Recent heavy rains may have slightly damaged some crops in the area but most authorities do not believe that any serious damage of a widespread nature will be felt unless additional rains come before the crop is harvested.

## CYCLIST DIES IN COLLISION

Boyd Jasper Nealey, 31, of route 1, Tabor City, was killed instantly Thursday night at 8:14 when a motorcycle he was driving crashed into a 1949 Buick driven by Mrs. Velma Wilma Price, 32, on highway 701 near Williams Township school. Bill Norris, of Tabor City, who was also riding the motorcycle, was seriously injured and admitted to the Loris Community hospital with a crushed left leg and brain concussion. He was later transferred to Naval hospital, Charleston. Mrs. Price was carried to the Columbus county hospital in Whiteville where she is suffering from a brain concussion. She is a resident of the Williams township section of the county. Highway patrolmen investigating the accident said that Mrs. Price's car pulled into the left of the highway into the path of the motorcycle and that manslaughter charges would be filed against her, pending her recovery. Nealey and Norris, both veterans of World War II, were returning from a veteran's agriculture class at Williams Township school when the collision occurred. Funeral rites for Nealey were held from the Emerson Freewill Baptist church Saturday at 4:00 p. m. with the Rev. Coy Housand officiating. Burial was in the Forest Lawn cemetery. He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Burris Nealey of route 1, Tabor City; two brothers, Eddie of Jacksonville and James of route 1, Tabor City; one sister, Esther Nealey of route 1, Tabor City.

## T.C.H.S. Band Names Officers

The Tabor City High School band held the first meeting of the season this month and elected officers for the year. They are Frances Ann Westmoreland, student manager; Jimmy Winstead, assistant manager; Shannon Spivey, secretary; Joe Spivey, publicity manager; librarian, Gayle Kelly; quartermaster, Lavelle Coleman; section leaders—Jane Smith, reed; Frances Ann Westmoreland, brass; Jimmy Winstead, base, Louise Gore, drum; Myrtle Jenerette, majorette. The band expects to make much progress this year officials said and five new instruments have already been received. Mrs. Erskin Young and children, Brenda Joyce and Jaey, have returned from Windy Hill Beach where they spent the summer. Mrs. Young sustained a broken foot during the stay there and is now progressing nicely.

## Presbyterian Men Win Cup; Hufham Elected To Office

J. A. Hufham, Jr. was elected vice president of the Columbus-Bladen district of the Wilmington Presbytery at the Men's Retreat held at Lake Waccamaw Saturday and Sunday. The local church also won the attendance cup, based on percentage of attendance, for the meeting. The Rev. Macqueen of Clinton was the featured speaker Saturday evening at the Turkey dinner served at Harry's Anchorage. Sunday the men attended Sunday School and church services at the Lake Waccamaw Presbyterian church with lunch being served by the Women of the church. A business session was also held Sunday with a Communion service closing the day's program.

## Death Claims Nakina Woman

Mrs. Susanna Sasser Long, 83, of the Nakina section of Columbus County died Monday morning at 6:15 at her home. Funeral rites were held from the graveside at Gore cemetery Tuesday at 3:00 p. m. with the Rev. Eugene Evans officiating. She is survived by her husband, Henry Long; two sons, Lewis Jackson Long, Henry Edison Long both of Nakina; four daughters, Mrs. Corbett Faulk, Mrs. Lou Gore, Mrs. Alton Duncan, and Mrs. Alma Benton all of Nakina; one brother, Albert Sasser of Hallsboro; two sisters, Mrs. Pet Reaves of Rockingham, and Miss Lou Sasser of Hallsboro.

## Divisional W.M.U. To Meet With Rose Hill Church

The Divisional meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union will be held at Rose Hill on Thursday, October 2, at the Baptist church officials announced. This is the State divisional meeting of the Wilmington district of which the Columbus Association is a member. Miss Theresa Anderson, Missionary to the Philippines, will be the featured speaker. She will be accompanied by Mrs. Gorden Maddery, State W. M. U. president, and Rev. B. W. Jackson, State R. A. secretary.



E. W. FONVIELLE President of Tabor City Marketing company

## Guideway P.T.A. Holds Meeting

The initial meeting of the Guideway Parent Teachers Association was held Friday evening in the school auditorium with 275 in attendance and 53 new memberships. Mrs. Lester C. Parkes, president, presided. The program committee, Mrs. Joanne Stevens, Mrs. Cleo Suggs, and Mrs. Newton planned an effective program by children of several grades. At the conclusion of the program the movie "The Tarheel Family" was shown. The association accepted two projects—Library books for the Primary grades will be purchased with the profit from the sale of T-shirts and jackets, decorated with the school name. The second project—beautifying the school grounds will get underway by the association and the Pireway Home Demonstration club. The attendance award went to Miss Maude Butler's home room. Refreshments were served at the conclusion of the meeting. Mrs. V. C. Ward has been confined to her bed since the weekend on account of illness.

## Gnats and Gnats

Gnats, gnats and more gnats has been a pretty general topic of conversation in this area for the past several days. With the little pests so prevalent, causing among other things an epidemic of sore eyes in the local schools, it seemed worthy of comment. A little research indicates that the gnats which you have been knocking out of your eyes and face are "buffalo gnats" and are a general nuisance throughout the Southern states in the fall of the year. They breed like other insects on standing water and in grass, weeds and brush that is close to the ground. It is also interesting to note that a gnat is not a specific insect as it is generally thought of. The little creature known here as a gnat is just one of a species of small insects that have two wings, bringing about their name gnat. Gnat is simply a term for a small insect. A mosquito is literally a gnat also. But gnats or whatnot, they have been of nuisance value in Tabor City and most people have called them a lot of things other than gnats recently.

## Bolton Corporal Now In Italy

LEGHORN, ITALY—Cpl. James A. Caison of Route 1, Bolton, N. C., recently arrived at Leghorn Port of Embarkation in Italy enroute to an assignment with the U. S. Army in Austria. He will go to Camp McCauley, Austria, for processing before being transferred to a permanent station at Vienna, Salzburg, Linz or the camp itself. Corporal Caison, who arrived overseas on September 3, entered the Army in February 1951.