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**BURNED OUT**—A severe electrical storm took a heavy toll on property in the Tabor City area Thursday night, including the home of Mrs. Carolyn Henderson. The home, located a mile west of town, a rustic frame structure was completely leveled when struck by lightning around 10:30 p.m. The entire contents of the home were lost, including Mrs. Henderson's clothing and money, and the clothing of the children pictured (left to right), twins Linda Faye and Brenda Kaye; Susy, Kenny, and (not pictured) Ronnie. Shown with them is Betty Buffkin, a friend of the family.

## Home Burns During Storm; Repairmen Work Thru Nite

A severe electrical storm struck the Tabor City area late Thursday leaving one family homeless and others with their home and electrical equipment damaged.

Mrs. Carolyn Henderson was away from her home when it was struck by lightning around 10:30 that night. The frame structure, known as the Guthrie Fowler house, was completely reduced to ashes with only three chimneys standing when Mrs. Henderson returned to her home.

Household furnishings, as well as the clothing of Mrs. Henderson, her twin daughters who are one year old; another daughter, 3; two sons, 5 and 8, were burned.

The mother, who is employed at Corbett's Commissary, said that there was no insurance on their home.

**Utilities Damaged**  
All toll circuits of the telephone system were not functioning Thursday night for an hour and a half, according to a company spokesman.

"This was due to commercial power failure," he said. "We rushed an emergency generator to Tabor City and used our own power for six hours until the damaged lines of the commercial power company were repaired," he explained.

A firm specializing in electrical repairs reported that most damages reported to their offices were on electric water heaters and washing machines. Television repairmen of the town asserted that no reports of damages to sets were reported. "Most people know to disconnect their TVs during bad storms," one repairman stated.

**Instrument Melted**  
H. M. Leaman, manager of the area's Carolina Power and Light company, disclosed today that the reason for Thursday's power failure was attributed to lightning striking a control instrument between Tabor City and Williams Township school. Difficulty in locating the broken circuit caused residents to encounter a blackout from 10:30 p. m. until 3:00 the next morning.

"This has been the worst year for electrical storms that I have experienced in my 38 years with utility companies," Mr. Leaman noted. He ex-

plained that severe lightning storms are expected every four years.

"This was the year for such bad storms," he said, "but we didn't expect such bad ones." He also revealed that vertical lightning, such as is prevalent this year, is most damaging as compared to horizontal lightning.

Mr. Leaman reported that a twister struck Lake Waccamaw Tuesday night, creating damages to trees and utility lines in the canal area.

### HELD IN SLAYING

A coroner's jury ruled Friday night that Odell Duncan, 18, of Wananish; Olin Ward, 18, of Hallsboro; Edward Mack Gause, about 18, of Hallsboro; and David Anson Martin, 18, of Wananish, be held for grand jury action for the slaying of Robert Freeman, Negro, on July 16.



**CASE OF THE CORNY CAT** — Blackie, a pet kitten owned by the J. Arthur Thompsons of hadbourn R1, is an unusual feline for she does not like milk; however, she craves fresh-from-the-field green corn. She is shown tackling the uncooked kernels, and with ruffled fur is defying a tabbled brother to share it.

## Mrs. Lennon Dies Suddenly

Mrs. Leona Lewis Lennon, 50, Tabor City native, died unexpectedly at her Summer home at Crescent Beach Saturday.

Mrs. Lennon, the widow of Wayland Bagley Lennon, former vice president of Waccamaw Bank and Trust Company, was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Leon Lewis. She resided in Fairmont.

Final rites were held Sunday at 4 p. m. at Trinity Methodist Church in Fairmont by the Rev. Paul Browning with burial in Floyd Memorial Cemetery.

Survivors include a son, Wayland Bagley Lennon, Jr. of Fairmont; a daughter, Mrs. J. Edward Hill of Richmond, Va.; and a sister, Mrs. Harriett L. Sikes of Tabor City.

## Short Stories

**ATTENDS CAMP**  
Among the 90 boys attending the North Carolina Forestry Camp this week at Singletary Lake is William E. Hallman of Fair Bluff.

**KILLED ON HIGHWAY**  
Leroy Nobles, 32, of Chadbourn R1, was killed by an automobile driven by Sam Pink Ward, on a rural road near New Hope Saturday. No charges have been filed and an inquest has been set for August 15.

**FILES CIVIL SUIT**  
George McPherson has filed a civil suit of \$20,800 for injuries received in a two-car wreck near Tabor City on NC 410 on July 3. Ezra F. Harrelson has been listed as the defendant.

**BACK FROM TRIP**  
Mr. and Mrs. Willard Wright and son, Russell, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Shelley, Jr. and daughter, Bonnie Dale, are some from a several day trip to Washington, D. C.

**CANCER SOCIETY**  
The Columbus County Cancer Society will meet Tuesday, August 15, at 8 p. m. at Hotel Whiteville for election of officers and other important business announced Dr. J. E. Wyche, president. All board members are urged to attend.

**MELVIN THOMPSON**  
Melvin Thompson is a patient in Southeastern Memorial Hospital, Lumberton, where he underwent major surgery Monday.

**TAYLOR'S VISIT**  
Mr. and Mrs. Jack R. Taylor and children, Tommy and Barbara, of Cincinnati, Ohio visited Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Rogers and Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Rogers last week. Mr. Taylor is a nephew of the Rogers.

**WESTERN TRIP**  
Miss Martha Harrelson and Mrs. Robert Davis have returned home from Colorado Springs, Colo. where they visited Miss Harrelson's sister and family, Major and Mrs. O. L. Marsh. They also toured places of interest in the West while on the trip.

## Silver Dollar Days Begin

Tabor City's annual Silver Dollar Days will begin tomorrow (Thursday) marking the fourth year that shoppers here will have the chance to win cash prizes to go along with the bargain being offered by local merchants during the special promotion.

Thirty-five stores and businesses are participating in the big giveaway, which will run from Thursday's tobacco market opening through September 8.

A published list of participating merchants and complete contest rules appear elsewhere in this week's Tribune.

Outright gifts totaling \$1000 Silver Dollars will be given away. Prizes will be divided in the following manner: The five first prizes will be for \$100 each. The next four winners will receive \$50 each. The following 12 winners will get \$25 each.

Everyone is eligible to enter the contest with the exception of store owners and managers and their immediate families.

Clerks in stores are eligible to enter only when they receive tickets in stores other than the ones in which they work.

As has been the custom in past years, tickets issued by the participating merchants will be exchanged for master tickets at the rate of ten for one. Only the master tickets will be used in the drawing for the \$1000 Silver Dollars.

Twenty-one master tickets will be drawn and placed on a cartwheel. Darts will be cast

at the wheel to determine the winners.

Individual merchants are also donating additional prizes which will be given away on Sept. 8.

In addition to local merchants, Tabor City tobacco warehouses will also be giving Silver Dollar tickets.

The \$1000 Silver Dollars to be given away are on display in the lobby of the Waccamaw Bank and Trust Co., Tabor City.

## High Weed Prices Foreseen

### Warehousemen Are Ready For Tomorrow's Opening

Tobacco was rolling into the Tabor City Tobacco Market today from all parts of Columbus and Horry counties. The big warehouses are ready and the chant of the auctioneer will be heard at the first sale tomorrow (Thursday) morning at Planter's Warehouse hearing the official beginning of the 1961 sales season.

Second sales will be at Carolina and third sales at New Farmers.

Sales Supervisor Ken Lovell, at the helm of the Tabor City leaf auction for the second year, noted today that the local market has been the top market in the Border Belt for 11 of 13 years, average-wise. Last year's average was \$62.94 per hundred for the 9,250,808 pounds of leaf sold in Tabor City.

"We have led in average in 11 of the past 13 years; that is led all markets in the Border Belt," Lovell said, on the eve of the 1961 opening. "And, I certainly see no reason why we won't lead it again this year. We expect to have the same good tobacco coming here and we have the same good tobaccoists ready to get the high dollar for the growers."

**Four Houses**  
The houses that will operate on the Tabor Market this year includes New Farmer's, Carolina and Garrell's Warehouses, all three of which will be operated by R. C. Coleman, Sr., R. C. Coleman, Jr., Joe Coleman, O. L. Coleman, and Harriett Sikes, and Planter's and Susie, of Conway.

Warehouse, which will be operated by Don Watson, Sr., Don Watson, Jr. and Cliff Stevens.

Auctioneers who'll be chanting the high dollar at the Yantown market are Joe Coleman at the three houses to be operated by members of his firm; Harry Nunn at the Planter's house.

First sale on opening day, Thursday, Aug. 3, will be at Planter's Warehouse, starting at 9 a. m.

Everyone is optimistic about the Tabor City market, and its anticipated sales this year. Both farmers and the above-named tobaccoists agree that, despite the cold Spring and the rainy growing season, production is not expected to be down more than 10 percent if that much.

And, all seem to echo "Share-cropper's" words about leading the Border Belt... they don't "see any reason why Tabor City won't lead the belt again" in average money paid out.

**THOMPSON'S VACATION**  
The M. C. Thompson's recently spent a week's vacation at Cherry Grove Beach. During their stay there Maurice Buffkin visited them also Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Hewell of Lumberton. Their recent dinner guests at home included Mr. and Mrs. Murray Jackson of Bennettsville, Mrs. Jack Whitley and daughters, Lillian and Sandra, of Bennettsville, also Mr. and Mrs. Murray Jackson, Jr. and children, Bill and Susie, of Conway.

## CD Program Is Suggested For 1961 Jaycees

A program promoting Civil Defense was suggested as a major project for the Tabor City Jaycees in 1961 Tuesday night by 13th District vice-president Marvin Wilson of Wilmington.

Visiting the local club at its regular meeting, Wilson was the featured speaker, and talked to the members about goals and rewards in Jaycee work, both local and on a statewide basis.

Current projects of the club include a membership drive—designed to increase the number to 25—and a birthday calendar.

The next project to be undertaken is a bicycle safety program which will include inspection of bicycles, riding instruction and classroom instruction in safe operation.

This program is expected to begin shortly after school opens this year.

Clifford Gore, first vice-president of the club, presided at the Tuesday night meeting in the absence of president Bill Rogers.

Stores will remain open on Wednesday afternoon each week for the remainder of the year, according to the merchants association.

## Young Girl Dies

Lana Sue Richardson, 12, daughter of Clema Shaw and Fylin Richardson, 518 Sandy Valley Road, Fayetteville, died in Loris Community Hospital Sunday at 7:30 p. m. She was visiting with her family at her paternal grandmother's home in Clarendon.

The youth became suddenly ill in the afternoon and was admitted to the hospital at 3 p. m. where physicians reported that she had suffered a heart attack.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 11:00 a. m. in the Inman Funeral Home by the Revs. Charlie H. Hall and Joe Stanley. Burial was in the Forest Lawn Cemetery.

In addition to her parents she is survived by one brother, George Michael Richardson; one sister, Anna Richardson of the home; paternal grandmother, Mrs. Annie Shaw, Evergreen.

## Negro Boy Drowns Near Sandy Plains

A 17-year-old Negro boy drowned in a pond two miles east of Sandy Plains Monday about 5:30 p. m.

The Loris Rescue Squad was called to the scene but the body was recovered just about the time they arrived.

The drowned man was identified as Robert Bracey of Bishopville.

He and two other Negro boys, all unable to swim, were playing in the pond, jumping from shore onto an inflated inner tube. When Bracey jumped on the tube it popped out from under him and he went down in 10 feet of water.

## Federal Authorities Hold 3 Horryites

FLORENCE (Special)—Three Horry County men have been released on bond to face charges of violation of internal revenue laws in federal court here the first week in December.

Arrested by federal and county agents were Jimmy Buffkin, Lindwood Roy Buffkin and Dewey Small. They were charged with possessing property intended for use in the manufacture of illegal whisky.

In addition, Jimmy Buffkin was charged with possession of illicit whisky, transporting illegal whisky and carrying on the business of a distiller without a license.

The defendants were arraigned before U. S. Commissioner W. B. Tyson Jr.

## MESSAGE TO MOTORISTS

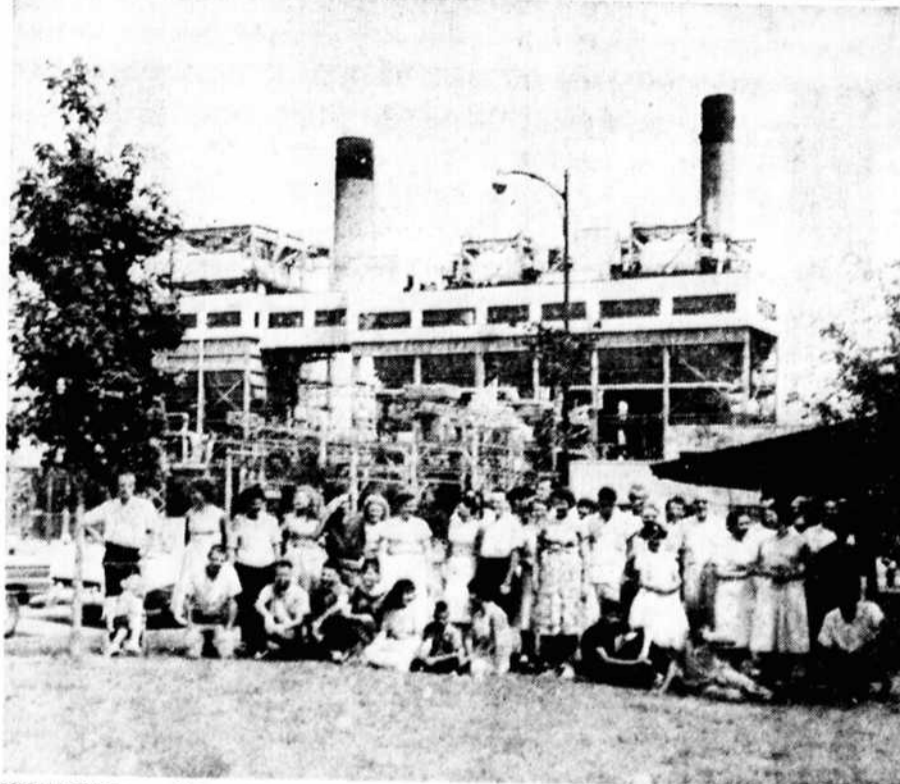
Police Chief Jesse Barker extended a request today that merchants and their employees and all Tabor City residents make use of off-street parking facilities as much as possible during the tobacco market season in order to allow space for farmers and other out of town visitors.

Barker indicated that the most critical parking situations occur on Railroad and Fifth Streets during this period of heavy congestion.

Parking ordinances will be enforced, but it is hoped that it will not be necessary to give citations.

"If we get full cooperation from merchants and their employees, I don't think we will have to write any tickets," Barker said.

The legal time limit for street parking in the business district is two hours.



**REUNITED** — The eight sons and daughters of Mrs. Mary Ward Norris-Friedman were together again Sunday for the first time in 14 years. Mrs. Friedman, who is deceased, was a resident of the Chadbourn area. Descendants came to the reunion from all over the country. The celebration was held in the recreation park of C. P. & L.'s Lumberton power plant. Members of the original Norri and Friedman families were David Friedman, El Monte, Calif.; Paul Friedman, Chadbourn; F. Edgar Norris, Chadbourn; Mrs. D. M. Thompson, Gretna, Va.; Mrs. Frank Sutton, Lumberton; Mrs. Amber Causey, Little River, S. C.; Mrs. Azilee Sims, Ocean Drive, S. C.; and Mrs. J. R. Eason, Savannah, Ga.