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Tragic Accident Stuns Community Tuesday Morning

The tragic death of James Henry Lucas, 23-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Lucas of Wakefield, shocked and saddened Zebulon this week. Henry drank rat poison, by mistake, from a soft drink bottle while working early Tuesday morning.

He walked to the doctor's office immediately after tasting the sodium fluoride poison, but treatment was of no avail. He was seized by convulsions before noon and died in early afternoon in a Raleigh hospital.

Henry was active in community life. He was a member of the JOUAM and the Woodmen of the World, and enlisted in the National Guard two weeks ago. He served for nearly two years in the Army, including six months overseas. He was a star left fielder on the WOW softball team.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the Wakefield Baptist Church, conducted by Rev. Theo. B. Davis. Burial was in the Wake cemetery. Pallbearers were Woodmen of the World who played with Henry on the softball team.

Surviving are his wife, the former Marie Strickland; his parents, one brother, Aaron Lucas; and one sister, Mrs. J. W. Strickland, all of Zebulon.

Full military honors were accorded the deceased by an honor guard of paratroopers from the 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg.

Last Services Held For Marcus Perry

Marcus Calvin Perry, 66, died at his home on Zebulon, Route 3, Tuesday morning after several months of illness.

Funeral services were held from Hopkins Chapel Church Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock, conducted by the Rev. Henry Morgan, pastor. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Surviving are his wife, the former Annie Rose Pearce; three daughters, Mrs. Ray Strother, Berdine and Nellie Perry, all of Zebulon, Route 3; four sons, G. J. and Leonard Perry of Zebulon, Route 3, David Perry of Zebulon, and Percy Perry.

Births Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wootton of Wendell have announced the birth of a daughter Paula Jo, at Rex Hospital of August 3. Mrs. Wootton was before marriage Miss Emma Vic Gill.

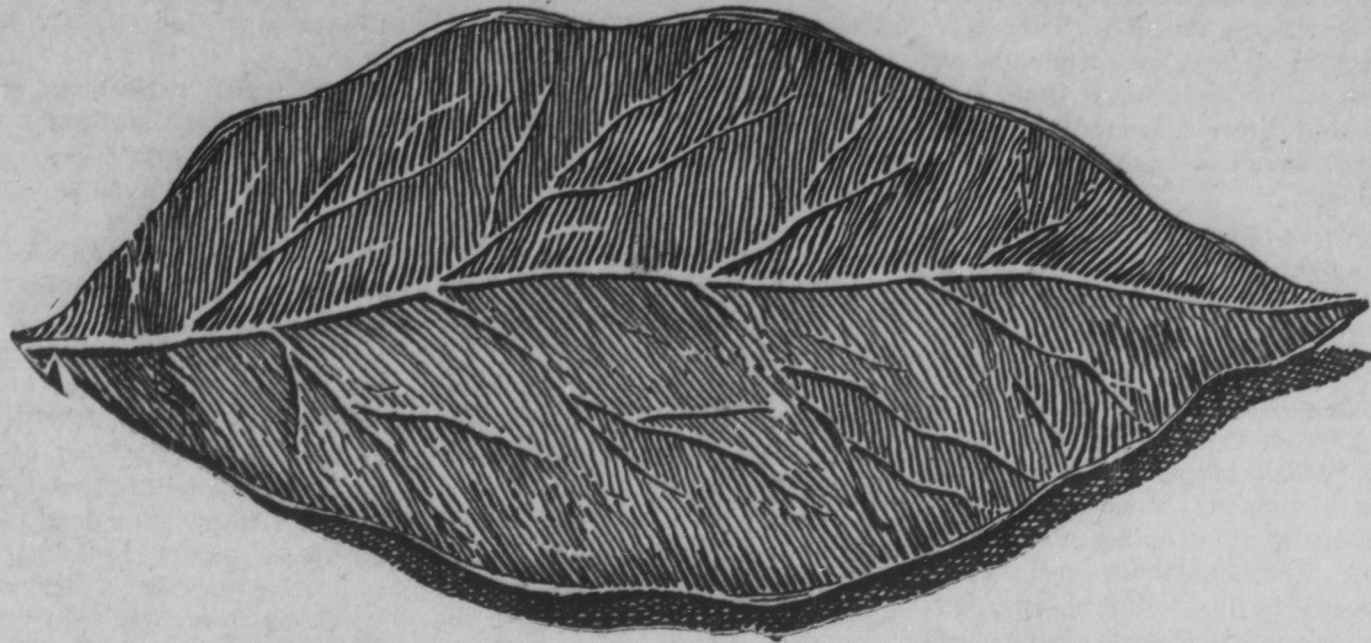
Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Bryant of Spring Hope, Route 3, announce the birth of a daughter Linda Diane, at Thomas Clinic on Sunday, August 7. Mrs. Bryant was formerly Miss Mary Batten of Bunn.

A son, Robert Edward, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Forest Mitchell of Rt. 3, Zebulon, at Mary Elizabeth Hospital on August 7.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira D. Wood, Jr., of Enfield, a daughter, Carol Winstead, on August 3, in Park View Hospital, Rocky Mount. Mrs. Wood is the former Miss Betty Winstead of Zebulon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Sharp, Alexandria, Va., a daughter, Charlotte Ellen, August 5. Mrs. Sharp is the former Dorcas Liles, Zebulon, Route 4.

TOBACCO MARKETS TO OPEN THURSDAY



Tobacco markets of the Eastern Bright Belt will open the 1949 auction season next Thursday, August 18, with current prospects considered slightly better than av-

erage. Local farmers may sell tobacco on the eastern markets of Rocky Mount, Wilson, and Wendell; others may wait until the Middle Belt marts of Durham,

Henderson, and Louisburg open. With prosperity of a great portion of the local agricultural group at stake, the prices paid next Thursday will be eagerly followed.

Local Man to Head Music Program at State Baptist Meet at Carolina Beach This Month

Dr. Thane McDonald, Head of the Music Department of Wake Forest College, and Dr. J. Glenn Blackburn, pastor of Wake Forest Baptist Church, will appear on the program at Seaside Baptist Assembly, Carolina Beach, N. C. during Fellowship and Church Music Week, August 22-28. Dr. Blackburn will be one of the featured speakers for the week, and Dr. McDonald will lead the church music conference.

Charles Horton, director of music for the Zebulon Baptist Church, will serve as Dr. McDonald's assistant.

Miss May Tindal, Director of Youth Activities, First Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, will lead the fellowship conference.

The daily program, Monday through Saturday, of that week, will include Church Music Conference, 9:00-9:50; Conference on

Recreation, 9:55-10:45; Choir Rehearsal, 11:00-11:50; Worship-Inspiration Message, 11:55. The afternoon will be free for recreation. The evening program will include a period of praise and worship at 8:00, followed by a fellowship hour, directed by Miss Tindal.

Saturday night's program will feature a musical program by the mass choir, directed by Dr. McDonald.

Regular Sunday School and church services will be held at the assembly on the closing day, August 28. Rev. Hoyt Blackwell, president of Mars Hill College, will deliver the morning message at 11:00.

Other speakers who will appear during the week are Rev. James S. Potter, pastor First Baptist Church, Statesville; Rev. J. Lester Lane, Calvary Baptist Church, Asheville; Rev. Donald G. Meyers, First Baptist Church, Reidsville;

Rev. Julian S. Hopkins, Green St. Church, High Point; Rev. Cary P. Herring, First Baptist Church, Fairmont.

The Fellowship and Church Music Week marks the last of the regularly scheduled conferences for the current season at Seaside Assembly, according to Dr. R. K. Redwine, Director, large attendance is expected at the conference. Seaside will reopen next summer in a new location at Fort Caswell, on a peninsula between the Cape Fear River and the Atlantic Ocean. The North Carolina Baptist State Convention has recently purchased this property for the establishment of a permanent Baptist Seashore Resort, an expansion of the program which has been offered at Seaside, Fort Fisher, this summer. The assembly at Fort Caswell will be dedicated, as was Seaside, to education, inspiration, Christian fellowship, and recreation.

Corn Contest Results to Be Measured

Agricultural statisticians of Virginia and North Carolina plan the most extensive corn yield study ever made in the two states to settle the issue of who wins the corn production contest, say officials of the State College Extension Service and the North Carolina Department of Agriculture.

The corn contest happens to coincide with a new corn yield study being started under the Research and Marketing Act, Frank Parker, chief of the Federal-State Crop Reporting Service in North Carolina and leader of the new project, describes it as the "first

large scale study to get accurate measures on corn yields."

"Corn is one crop for which we have a very poor check on yield," Parker says. "For cotton we have a very good check through the ginners. For tobacco, we have a good check through the warehouse reports. But in the case of corn, so much of it is fed right on the farm, that there is really no way to check except to go to the farm and take a sample."

Accordingly, some 3,000 farms picked at random in North Carolina will be visited this fall by "numerators" of Mr. Parker's staff.

A numerator will be appointed in each of the 99 counties that grow corn in quantity. In most cases, these men will be local residents qualified to take the samples. The samples will be representative of the State, with a greater number of samples being taken in the heaviest corn-producing counties.

The survey will begin in the eastern part of the State about mid-September and will move west as the crop matures. Numerators will forward their reports to the Institute of Statistics at State College where the data will be compiled.

Softball Play Resumed; Pilot, WOW Split Two Games

The Zebulon Record Scribes ended the first half of play in the softball league 3½ games ahead of Jack Mitchell's Rocky Nine to assure themselves of a place in the championship playoffs at the end of the season. On Monday night the Scribes defeated the Wildcats, 10-8, with Hilliard Greene pitching.

The Wildcats were handicapped by the loss of Pitcher Preston Smith, who suffered a broken leg in a home-plate accident early in the game.

In the second game Monday night the Rocky Nine took second place from Ed Hales' Square Dealers by toppling them, 8-6.

The tragic death of Henry Lucas, left fielder for the Woodchoppers, caused the final two games of the first half scheduled for Tuesday night to be cancelled.

Second half play began Thursday night with the Scribes taking a 10-3 victory from Gordon Temple's Woodchoppers, Barrie Davis was relieved at the end of the fourth by Hilliard Green for the Scribes. Wesley Pearce and Rod Horton pitched for the Choppers.

Standings		
	W	L Pct.
Scribes	8	1 .899
Rocky Nine	5	4 .556
Square Dealers	5	5 .500
Woodchoppers	4	6 .400
Reddy Kilowatts	3	6 .400
Wildcats	3	6 .333

Carolina Power & Light's Reddy Kilowatts got off to a fast start for the second half by walloping the Rocky Nine, 9-1, in the second game Thursday night. Ralph Talton pitched for the Kilowatts.

On Friday night M. L. Hagwood's Pilot team avenged a 6-0 defeat on the preceding Friday by the Wood Choppers when they scored a 15-14 victory.

Wake Farm Agent Cites Dangerous Tractor Practices

American farmers have established an enviable performance in mechanizing their farm, except where they have let accidents mar the records, Mr. John Reitzel, county agent for the State College Extension Service, said today.

America leads the world in mechanized agriculture. Three million farm tractors now play a vital role in the production and harvesting of the nation's crops, Reitzel said. But at the same time, National Safety Council reports indicate that tractors may be involved in nearly 75 per cent of all accidents with farm machinery. All these accidents are needless.

The main safety rule for operating tractors in the field is just good common sense. You can't afford to gamble the loss of a limb or life by operating without the power take-off shield in place. Cranking a tractor while in gear is another dangerous way to start a day's work. Excessive speed, and careless operation around ditches will also hurry a trip to the hospital. Jumping off the tractor while it is in motion is another way to invite an accident. Careless parents who permit children to ride tractors or hitch a ride on trailing implements are not really thinking about the child's welfare.

Important Rules

Here are a few more important rules:

1. Be careful coupling implements to tractors, always stay in the clear.
2. Avoid wearing loose, floppy clothing while operating tractors.
3. Observe standard traffic signals when operating on public highways.
4. Use light for night operation, don't operate in the dark.
5. See that everyone is in the clear before starting a tractor.

Dr. Flowers, Jr., Speaks Thursday

In the Methodist church last Thursday evening Dr. Charles Flowers, Jr., gave an interesting talk based on his work in Peru, also showing pictures in technicolor which he took while in this South American country. He emphasized the kindness and hospitality of the Peruvian people, their handicaps in agriculture, their serious shortage in medical care and equipment; and praised them for their efforts toward bettering conditions. Also shown were moving pictures of bull-fighting, the national pastime. These were explained in detail, making clear many terms hitherto confused by those who know little of this sport.

Besides Zebulon friends of the speaker there were present a number from out of town.

Cards of Thanks

We wish to extend our sincere, deepest thanks and gratitude for every act, word and deed rendered to us so graciously and tenderly during the illness and death of our husband and father.

Mrs. J. D. Finch and children

The wife and family of the late James Henry Lucas wish to express their gratitude and thanks to their many friends who have rendered sympathy and condolences in their bereavement.