

DURHAM COUNTY IS VISITED BY STORM

HAIL VERY LARGE

Berea Section Reports Big Damage Done to Crops—Hail Largest Ever Seen Here Before.

Durham was visited by one of the severest rain storms in some time Friday afternoon. While the deluge was descending in the city and some sections of the county a section of the county on the Chapel Hill-Durham highway was being visited by a severe hail storm some of the hail stones being of immense proportions. In some sections of the part visited by the hail considerable damage was done, according to residents along the section visited, while other sections close by were not hard hit.

Hail stones larger than hen eggs fell in large numbers during the time the storm was in progress, it was declared. Some of them measured three inches around the middle while others were declared to have been as large and even larger than a man's fist. The large stones were accompanied by a storm of medium sized hail stones. Some of the stones were declared to have been so large that two or three of them made up a handful. In one case a boy is said to have scooped up a large quantity of them to put in an ice box.

The storm descended in all its fury around 5:45 o'clock in the afternoon and while the stones were descending it was unsafe for human beings to be without the protection of a roof above them. At a filling station located about five miles out on the Chapel Hill-Durham highway a number of cars were stopped in order that the occupants might seek safety inside and under the roof. Some of these people, particularly the women, were declared to have been badly frightened. Others drove their cars under trees where they remained until the worst of the storm had passed. In one instance a car which was left standing outdoors by its owner, who resides on the Chapel Hill-Durham highway, was badly damaged by the big stones. The top was cut to ribbons and the upholstery badly damaged.

W. E. Wells, who lives beyond the old Gattie place, was one of the greatest sufferers. He declared upon his arrival in the city after the storm that the roof on every house on his farm was damaged to the extent that they will have to be re-covered. He did not know the full extent of the damage done but the damage to the roofs of his houses will amount to a considerable figure.

Mr. Wells came to the city after the storm, bringing with him a quantity of the larger stones which were put on exhibition in a local cigar store where they attracted considerable interest. These hail stones were as large as hen eggs when Mr. Wells reached the city after traveling four or five miles. They were much larger when picked up, it was declared, but they were reduced considerably in size through melting while being brought to Durham.

From the Berea section reports were received of big damage being done to the crops. It was declared that in some instances the crops were entirely destroyed. Whether any of the houses were damaged or any other damage of any extent was done in that section could not be ascertained. The work of several weeks on the part of the farmers in cultivating their lands, in the planting of their crops and the work done since they were planted was destroyed in a short time, leaving a dreary outlook for the farmers. The hail was declared to be lying two and a half inches thick on the ground.—Durham Herald.

SECOND PRIMARY IS REQUESTED BY GRIST

Raleigh, N. C., June 15.—Frank D. Grist, runner-up to M. L. Shipman in the race for commissioner of labor and printing, today wired W. H. Neal, chairman of the board of elections requesting a run-off primary to decide the nominee for the office. Grist's action put to an end activities among the Democratic leaders of the state, including John G. Dawson, chairman of the party, to prevent, if possible, the expense of a second primary.

"IT'S COMING"

James Cruse mighty production of America in its making—"THE COVERED WAGON," at Princess Theatre Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, July 2nd 3rd 4th, 1924. THE COVERED WAGON is the greatest achievement in Motion Picture history—Nothing was spared in the making of it, for paramount had full confidence it would be the greatest popular attraction ever offered to the American Public. Nothing so big was ever attempted before in motion picture history, and probably never will be again. It's a screen romance of unsurpassed brilliance and charm. It's a dramatic Epic of the Glorious and adventurous period of America in its making. This Production ran 60 weeks on Broadway at \$3.50 per seat. New York Journal says: "The Covered Wagon is about the best lesson in Americanism that the screen has produced since the Great War, it makes you glad you are an American". It has been Road-Showed all over the United States at a (\$1.65) admission price, but never yet shown in a Picture Theatre, and at the very height of its popularity it comes to you, for an admission price of 50c Children and 75c Adults. Matinee Wednesday and Thursday at 3:00 p. m. Matinees Friday at 2:00 and 4:00 p. m. Evening performances at 7:30 and 9:30 p. m. Plan ahead now not to miss the picture that Critics say has surpassed the "Birth of a Nation". And its coming into you ahead of the larger cities throughout the State.

ROXBORO CITIZEN IS DIRECTOR LOCAL BANK

R. A. Burch, of Roxboro, formerly of Durham, attended the meeting of the board of directors of the First National bank held here Friday morning. Mr. Burch is one of the oldest members on the board from the point of service and is well known in banking circles. He is president of the First National bank of Roxboro. Mr. Burch is remembered by some of the older residents of the city particularly. He was a student in the first public school conducted in Durham, in the old Tuck building. On the site of that school now stands the stemmery of Leggett and Myers Tobacco company. Professor Kennedy was the principal of the school. Mr. Burch is now one of Roxboro's most prominent citizens.—Durham Herald.

GREAT REDUCTION.

We are making a great reduction on all trimmed hats and you will make no mistake by calling and seeing what we are offering. The prices will astonish you.

Misses Wagner & Carney.

"CLUBBING A HUSBAND."

"Clubbing A Husband" was so enthusiastically received last Saturday night at Helena that the producers have decided to give it at Rougemont on next Saturday night, June 21st, at 8 o'clock. If the good people of Rougemont really want to enjoy an evening of rare fun and entertainment they are invited to see this play.

ROXBORO CITIZEN ELECTED CHAIRMAN

J. A. Long Chosen Chairman Board Directors Of Stock and Land Bank.

Several prominent bankers and business men of other sections of the state attended the meeting of the board of directors of the Joint Stock and Land bank held in the directors' room of the First National bank building Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock. The principal matter to come before the meeting was the election of a chairman of the board to succeed the late Gen. Julian S. Carr, who was chairman. J. A. Long, of Roxboro was elected to succeed the general.

The selection of Mr. Long for the position of chairman of the board is declared to be a good one. He is a well known man and has had wide experience in banking.

C. A. Johnson, of Tarboro, was elected vice-president of the bank, to succeed Mr. Long.—Durham Herald.

TONSIL AND ADENOID CLINIC.

The Person County Tonsil and Adenoid Clinic will begin next Tuesday morning June 24th and last four days. A very fine specialist, Dr. B. W. Fassett, Durham, N. C., who did such splendid work at our other clinic some two years ago, will again do the operating. He will have able assistants and at least ten fine nurses to see that all the children are well cared for. Letters have been mailed to most of the parents. If you have failed to receive yours, be sure to bring your child any way so that Dr. Fassett may give you his opinion about it. Also tell your neighbors about it and see that all children, both white and colored, have an opportunity to safeguard their health. The last day is reserved for the colored children, but if there are not enough of them to fill the day, others may be accommodated. We plan to have 25 each day. Be sure to be at the Graded School Building at 7 o'clock on the day appointed by the nurse. If no day has been appointed for you come the first day so that you may make an appointment. But if a day has been set for you do not come before that day. Please observe all directions given by the nurse. They are important. Mrs. J. A. Beam.

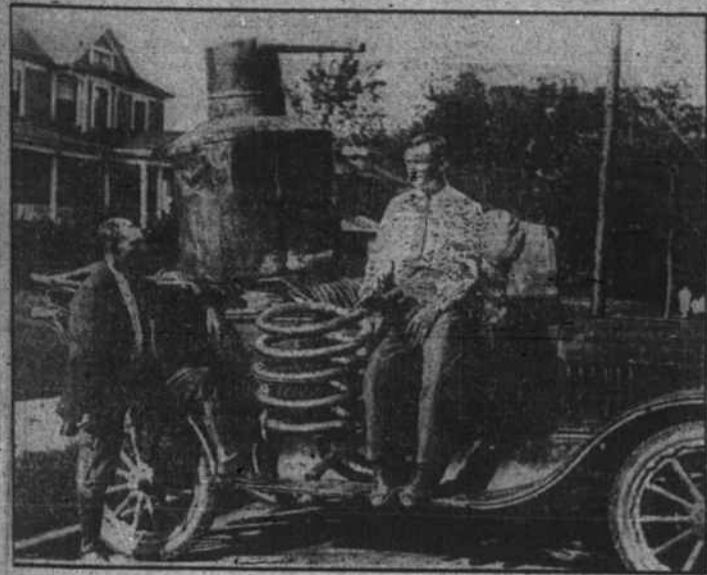
SERIOUS OPERATION.

Dr. Hugh M. Beam, who had gone North to do some Post Graduate work, was called home and while in Greensboro was taken very ill and had to have a serious operation at Dr. Wesley Long's Hospital. He has been dangerously sick but his friends will be glad to know that at this writing he is resting some easier.

AN ENTERPRISING COLORED FIRM.

The firm of Stewart, Cook & Co., colored undertakers, have opened up in the new building on Reams Ave., and are displaying a really creditable line of undertaking goods. This is a new undertaking on the part of these worthy colored men and we hope they will meet with success.

WHY BLOCKADERS VOTE AGAINST HIM



Sheriff J. Melvin Long and Deputy Melvin Clayton showing the fruits of a recent raid.

TWELVE DROWNED IN CLOUDBURST

THOUSAND SEARCHING FOR MISSING BODIES.

Only Five of the Twelve Bodies Known to Be Lost Have Been Recovered.

Johnson City, Tenn., June 15.—In a scene of mountain wreckage which beggars description only two more of the 12 bodies, of persons known to have drowned in the double cloudburst of late Friday night, had been recovered up till tonight, bringing the total of bodies found to five. Fully 2,000 persons from Elizabethton, Johnson City and other towns in vicinity of the flooded area tonight were picking their way through debris along the banks of the Watauga and its tributaries searching for the remaining seven lost bodies.

The bodies found today were those of Lou Lewis, aged four years, and her baby sister, aged four months, children of Cecil Lewis, who is now in a hospital here with two of his sons as a result of injuries received when they were carried away with the Lewis home and other members of the Lewis family in the swirling torrents of the flood. The bodies of the two small girls were found buried in sand and rubbish on the banks of the Watauga half a mile from their home. Only a wisp of the older girl's hair was visible when her body was located.

The bodies of Mrs. Lum Smith, her seven-year-old son, and Mae Ellis, a six-year-old girl whose body kept from following the flood by her dress catching in a barbed wire fence, were found Saturday.

Railroad crews hastened to the scene following reports of the flood, tonight were toiling to repair damaged trackage on the Appalachian division of the Southern railway. About 14 miles of the railroad's lines between Hupter and Butler will have to be replaced, torrents from the mountain coves having swept away fills, trestles and bridges as a giant broom sweeping rubbish before it. Other sections of the division are strewn with uprooted trees, brush, earth and boulders, some as large as automobiles.

Reports coming in today from the flooded area, which is about eight miles wide and 15 miles long, indicate that a score of houses, barns and mills were washed away. Most of these buildings were at Carden's Bluff and Fish Springs, small villages on the banks of the Watauga.

TAKEN BY SURPRISE.

About ten days ago Mr. G. L. Moore left here for the purpose, as he expressed it, of taking his vacation, but to the surprise of his friends he returned last night with Mrs. G. E. Moore, and Miss Nell Tingley of Petersburg, Va. Mrs. Moore taught in the Bushy Fork High School last year and is one of the most popular young ladies in that section. We have been unable to get particulars as to where or when the marriage took place.

THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL ELECTION.

The thirty-fourth annual election of officers of Person Lodge No. 113 A. F. & A. M., will be held Tuesday night, June 24th, 1924, at 7:30. All members are urged to be present.

C. H. Hunter, W. M.
T. B. Woody, Secy.

FOR AN EXTENDED MOTOR TRIP.

Mess. W. H. and Wallace Harris and Misses Mary, Claire and Helen Harris left yesterday morning for a motor trip to Washington. After a few days sight seeing in that city they will proceed up through Pennsylvania and will then retrace their way home through the Shenandoah Valley.

HANDSOME NEW SIGN.

Mess. E. D. Cheek & Co., furniture dealers and undertakers, who have recently moved into new quarters on Depot Street, have just erected an attractive and handsome sign so that all may know where they are located. Just look East on Depot Street and you can not fail to see it.

ROUGHING IT THROUGH VIRGINIA.

Mess. D. Scott Hovatter and L. B. Duncan left here Monday morning for a trip through the Valley of Virginia, making the trip in their car and expecting to use mother earth for a bed and the canopy of heaven for cover for a week or two.

PLEASE CALL AND SETTLE.

As we will soon be leaving for the summer months it is very necessary for us to collect all outstanding bills. If you happen to owe an account we will greatly appreciate it if you will kindly call and settle real soon.

Yours truly,
Misses Wagner & Carney.

DO NOT FORGET about the sale of the TAPP MILL PROPERTY on Court Street, MONDAY, JUNE 23, 1924, at which time there will be sold the mill lot, and also a corn and flour mill, engines, etc.

LARGE MONUMENT.

Mr. J. M. Philpott has just erected for Mr. Wes. Oakley the largest monument he has placed in this County. Mr. Oakley lives near Moriah and was much pleased with the job. Mr. Philpott says he is saving the people of this County quite an item on their monuments and tombstones.

BELLE BENNETT MEMORIAL.

The Missionary Societies of the M. E. Church, Person County, will hold a Belle Bennett Memorial meeting at Concord Church Friday p. m., 8:30 o'clock.

All auxiliaries are asked to take part in the program. Bring lunch for two.

Secretary.

Society

Mrs. W. E. Leeper entertained in honor of her sister Mrs. Roy Parks of Gastonia last Thursday afternoon. Four tables were arranged for the game of Boston Rook. The house was lovely with summer flowers which lent an attractive glow to the rooms. A delicious ice course was served by the hostess assisted by Miss Helen Harris. Dainty baskets filled with candy were given to the following: Mesdames W. C. Bullock, I. O. Wilkerson, T. B. Woody, W. T. Pass, E. P. Dunlap, W. C. Watkins, J. A. Kennedy, W. T. Long, D. W. Bradsher, E. L. Harris, E. B. Newell, N. Lunford, H. W. Winstead and Misses Louise Thompson and Orpha Allgood.

The Bridge Club met on Thursday afternoon with Miss May Willson. American Beauty roses and garden flowers were used in charming combination in decoration. Four tables were placed in the parlor and living room. The hostess assisted by Miss Isabel deVlaming served a delightful ice course. Those present were Mesdames W. S. Clary, Jr., E. Eberman, W. R. Woody, E. M. Davis, A. S. deVlaming, Nellie Miller and Misses Louise Stalvey, Mary Harris, Eglantine Merritt, Elizabeth Harvey, Mary Hester, Isabel deVlaming and Elizabeth Noell.

The Review club held its last meeting of the year, prior to re-organization in October, with Mrs. E. M. Davis on Tuesday afternoon. This was a social meeting, and the hour spent most pleasantly. Mrs. Edwin Eberman had charge of the program, and in response to their names, the members responded with some amusing incident which had happened at some time to them. This made much merriment. A short story from O Henry was read, and a contest given, which gave to Mrs. L. O. Abbitt, first prize, with the booty going to Mesdames E. E. Thomas and T. C. Bradsher, Mrs. Abbitt being presented with a unique door stop, with an attractive, but very small box of candy to the latter named. Mrs. Davis then served a delicious salad course with iced tea and nuts to Mesdames I. O. Abbitt, T. C. Bradsher, Edwin Eberman, Lillian Foreman, H. L. Crowell, A. R. Warren, T. W. Pass, E. E. Thomas, B. C. Thompson, R. E. White and R. L. Wilburn.

DR. LONG OPENS OFFICE.

Dr. B. R. Long has opened his dental office in his building on Depot Street, over the store of Mess. E. D. Cheek & Co., and will give his time to his patients during the summer months.

INFANT DIES.

Little Thomas Mann, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Long, died last Friday night, and was buried Saturday evening at 5 o'clock. Rev. F. M. Shamburger, assisted by Rev. R. E. White, conducting the services. Little Thomas was one year and nine days old.

WIDE-AWAKE MERCHANTS.

Mess. Sergeant & Clayton have as their motto the "Sta-Klean Store," and they live up to it, too. Today they are making a window display of post toasties, and a prettier or more unique window will be hard to find. Walk by and take a look.

KILLED BY LIGHTNING.

Monday evening lightning struck a colored girl killing her instantly. Two girls were in the room when a short sharp flash of lightning struck the house, tearing off the ceiling, with the fatal result as above mentioned.

WINSTEAD-CRUMPTON

Mrs. Eunice B. Wagstaff announces the marriage of her granddaughter Lottie May Winstead to Mr. Dallas Hunter Crumpton on Thursday, June the twelfth nineteen hundred and twenty four Danville, Virginia.