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OTTO WOOD MAKES HIS THIRD GET-AWAY

Strolled Out Of State Prison Backyard At Early Dawn Friday Morning

SERVING THIRTY YEARS

Raleigh, Nov. 22.—Otto Wood, one armed "Houdini," broke the world's record for escaping from the North Carolina state prison here this morning when he strolled out of the backyard gate and vanished into the early morning gloom without waiting for his breakfast.

It was his third effort and his third escape.

Prison walls and records are not all Otto broke when he departed for he shattered the confidence in human nature that he had inspired in the State prison board by his pitiful appeal and his promise to be good if they would order him released from the cell on death row to which he has been confined since his last recapture.

Otto is serving—or rather was serving—a thirty year sentence for murder of A. W. Kaplan, a Greensboro pawnbroker. The sentence was originally from 23 1-2 years to 30 years, but there is no "good conduct allowance" for Wood now.

The release of Wood from solitary confinement was made by order of the board over protest of Superintendent George Ross Pou. Superintendent Pou recognized in Wood, not the soft-spoken studious man, who spent the hours of solitary confinement in writing the history of his life, but as the desperate, imaginative schemer making his plans in another break and ready to shoot his way to freedom if necessary.

As a result James A. Leak chairman of the state's prison board issued a statement this morning, taking the responsibility for the release from solitary confinement of the desperado.

Wood walked out of the gate in the backyard of the prison after drawing the pin holding the top of the gate.

"I am glad he didn't blow up the boiler and let everybody out," declared Superintendent George Ross Pou.

Wood had been fireman in the furnace room at the state prison since his release from death row on September 14.

Four times this sensational figure has been the object of a state wide man hunt.

Annual Bazaar

The ladies of the Baptist Church will have their annual bazaar in the Newell building, next door to Crowell Auto Company, on Saturday, Dec. 4th, 1926. Besides the sale of fancy work the following menu will be served at reasonable cost: Oysters, stewed or fried; chicken salad course, sandwiches, cream and cake, coffee.

The fancy work sale will open at 11 o'clock.

The merchants and all business and professional men of Roxboro and all who are here from the country are invited, and expected to eat with the ladies on this occasion.

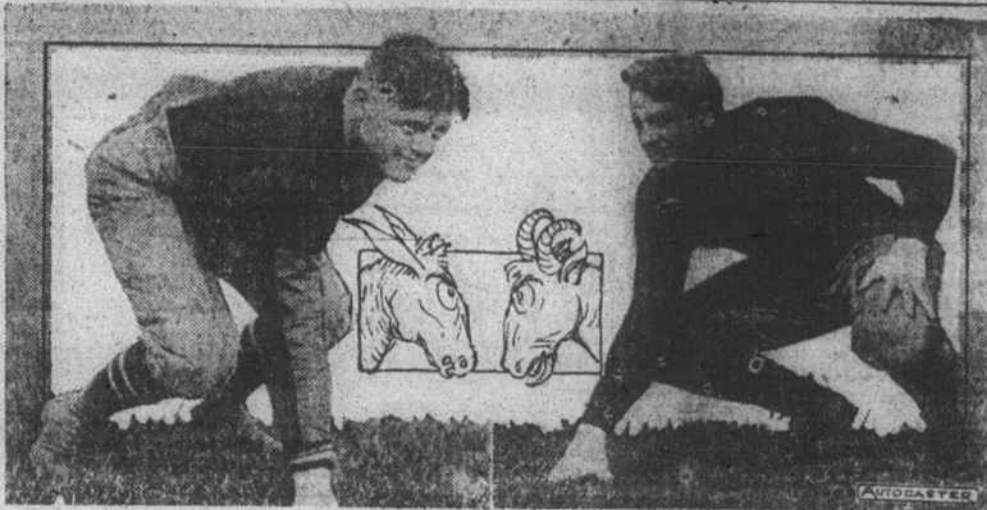
Chambers-Carmean

Miss Willie Mae Chambers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Chambers, and Mr. A. M. Carmean of Hillsboro, were married at the home of the bride's parents last Friday evening. The room in which the ceremony took place was beautifully decorated with palm leaves, ferns and running ivy. Rev. P. W. Shaburger, Pastor of the Edgar Long Memorial Methodist Church, performed the ceremony, at which were present members of the family and a few close friends and relatives.

After the ceremony the happy couple left for a few weeks in Virginia, after which they will be at home in Hillsboro.

Thanksgiving A Special Attraction at the Palace Theatre, Milton Sills with Betty Bronson in "PARADISE"

Army! Awaiting Whistle for First Service Game in West. Navy!



Despite the hue and cry against the ticket scandal, caused primarily by the break down of old "Supply and Demand," wherein some 600,000 mid-western folks are trying to get into 40,000 seats, there should be a good football game at Chicago when Army and Navy line up Saturday—for the first service game ever played in the mid-west. Above, "Tiny" Hewitt, Army, and Frank Wickharst, Navy. Captains.

Stand Up For Your Home Town

A mighty good evidence of the former's faith in Roxboro as a tobacco market is seen each day and week, as we meet and talk with farmers from considerable distances and near other tobacco markets who bring their tobacco here and go back home well pleased and in many instances we hear them speaking loud in their praises. Roxboro is not only a good tobacco market, but we do not think you can find a finer or more liberal set of merchants and other business men in any town in North Carolina than you will find right here in Roxboro, so when you get ready to do your Fall and Christmas shopping steer your car in the direction of Roxboro and don't let up on the gas until you are safely parked in our town.

Our Thanks-giving Thought

We mingle our thanks always with millions of our citizens for the many blessings that have been ours the past year. Not the least of these blessings has been the most liberal patronage the people of Roxboro and Person County have given us. We thank you, one and all. Our best is yours for the future.

SERGEANT & CLAYTON.

Autos Run Together

Yesterday afternoon two automobiles ran together on North Main street. Mrs. E. G. Long was driving one of the cars, and with her was Mesdames W. A. Mills and E. M. Davis. The other car was a Virginia car, but we have been unable to get the name of the party driving. The cars came together on North Main street, in front of Mr. R. A. Burch's residence. There were no serious injuries, and only minor damage to the cars.

Announcement

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wiley Featherston announce the marriage of their daughter Mary Elizabeth to Mr. Albert Winfred Clayton, Jr., on Tuesday, the twenty-third of November, nineteen hundred and twenty six, in Greensboro, N. C.

Will be at home in North Wilkesboro, N. C., after Dec. 1st.

This notice will come as quite a surprise.

Their many friends will wish them smooth sailing over the matrimonial sea.

Good Prices at the Hyco

Mr. E. L. Evans was at the Hyco one day last week with another load of his good tobacco. This load brought him \$490.70, and Ben says the best is yet to come.

Get your key with each admission ticket at The Palace Theatre, A chance to the Automobile now on display at Jackson Motor Co.

Roxboro Market Has Passed The Three Million Pound Mark

Market Stronger This Week than Ever: Prices from \$2 to \$3 per hundred better

ARMY IS FAVORED TO TROUCE NAVY BY WALL STREET

New York, Nov. 23.—Wall Street betting commissioners have made the Army a 6 to 5 favorite over the Navy for the annual service gridiron classic in Chicago Saturday although the Midshipmen have not been defeated while the Cadets lost to Notre Dame. The largest wager reported at these odds was of \$6,000 to \$5,000.

Rotarians Visit Henderson

Quite a number of the Roxboro Rotarians attended the Inter-City Meet of the Rotarians in Henderson yesterday. This was a district meeting, with Governor Wade Marr and National Director Eugene Newsom on hand to boost the boys in the whys and wherefores of Rotary.

Soldiers Day

(By Edgar Long, Age 10)

When our soldiers died across the sea,

They died to make men holy

And they died to make men free.

Let us follow them, oh people,

And tramp wherein they have trod,

For some day we'll be called to answer

To the King-of-Kings, our God,

As Christ died to make men holy

They have died to make men free.

Let us honor them in glory,

For they gave us liberty.

Fine Apples

We do not believe we have ever seen quite so many fine specimens of apples as have been brought to us this season. Our good friend Mr. Joe Burch of Roxboro, route 5, brought in a fine lot one day last week, for which he has our thanks.

LOCAL ADVERTISERS

Please Read And Help Us During These Busy Weeks

We thoroughly appreciate the business of our merchants at this time and are trying our best to accommodate them, but we must insist if they want the best space and their advertisements gotten up in the best manner that they let us have their copy not later than Tuesday at noon.

It is imperative that we go to press at noon on Wednesday and when the merchants bring us copy for their change on Wednesday it has to be rushed, and our printers simply can not take time to set in an attractive manner, and they will have to take what position is left open at this time.

We want your business, but please let us have copy not later than TUESDAY AT NOON.

JUDGE G. M. BEAM TO ADDRESS B.Y.P.U.

Splendid Program Arranged By B. Y. P. U. For Next Sunday

ROXBORO UNION A-1

Next Sunday evening at 7 o'clock Judge G. M. Beam of Louisburg will conduct the evening services at the invitation given by the senior B. Y. P. U. Everybody is invited and all the unions of the county are especially invited.

Last Sunday evening was a very enthusiastic meeting of the B. Y. P. U. Seventeen were present, thirteen 100 per cent envelopes and 17 Bible readers. It looks now as if we will have a A-1 Union by the end of the quarter.

A general B. Y. P. U. was organized Sunday evening composed of all three Unions with Dr. H. M. Beam elected as general Director. Several nominating committees were appointed.

Thankfulness

"There is no hearth so bleak and bare

But heaven hat's sent some blessing there:

No table set so sparsely spread

But that a grace should there be said:

No life but knows some moment blest

Of sweet contentment and of rest:

No heart so cold but heaven above

Hath touched it with the warmth of love.

So count your blessings, one by one,

At early morn and set of sun,

And like an incense to the skies

Your prayers of thankfulness shall rise.

Lok' for the love that heaven sends,

The good that every soul intends:

Thus you will learn the only way

To keep a true Thanksgiving Day."

—ANON.

Sunday School 10:15 A. M. R. L. Wilburn, Supt.

Preaching 11 a. m. Subject: "Worthy Motives." The B. Y. P. U. will be in charge of the night service.

Judge Beam of Louisburg will be the speaker of the evening. This will be an interesting and inspiring service. The public is cordially invited to attend.

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH W. F. WEST, Pastor.

Out Of The Ordinary

Shop windows displayed according to the season is nothing unusual but the display at the store of E. D. Cheek & Co. is something worth while. The man, or woman, who arranged that window has shown unusual artistic taste and it is worth a trip down Depot Street to see it.

It represents a camp in the woods, with all of the paraphernalia to fit the occasion—tent, the old crane on which is hung the old pot, with pumpkins, etc., guns galore, and to cap the climax a small bear has put in his appearance to see what it all means. See it, it is the best display we have seen in many moons.

Change In Schedule

There was a slight change in the schedule of the N. & W. Railway Sunday morning. While the change is slight, only a few minutes, still it is enough to cause one to miss his train unless note is made. See schedule on local page.

Joe Burch Ave. \$62.50

Mr. Joe Burch of route 5 made one of the best averages of the season last Monday at the Hyco. He sold 577 lbs. for \$360.92, his average for the load being \$62.50. You can't convince Joe that tobacco is not selling well in Roxboro.

Swine feeding has begun in the mountains and W. R. Anderson of Clay County states that one carload of demonstration fed pigs will be produced in his county this year.

MR. JOHN H. MELTON COMMITS SUICIDE

Citizen Of Person County Ends Life After Long Period Of Ill Health

SHOTGUN USED

Early Saturday morning Mr. John H. Melton took his life, using a shotgun. Careful plans had been made by the deceased. From all appearances he had seated himself in a chair before a mirror, attached a string to the trigger of the gun, forming a loop through which he had placed his foot. In this manner the gun was fired the load completely demolishing the upper portion of his head. His sister, Miss Victoria, was the only one of the family at home at the time of the incident.

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Parent-Teacher Asso.

The Parent-Teacher Association of Roxboro Schools will meet next Tuesday, November 30th., at 3:45 P. M. Graded school building. Mrs. V. O. Blacklock, sixth grade teacher has prepared a very interesting and entertaining program, as follows.

Debate—Resolved: That girls are more helpful in the homes than the boys.

Affirmative, Negative, Anna Bradsher, Riley Satterfield Evelyn Zaytoun, Harry Perkins Reading—"My sisters best Fellow" Ovedn Long.

Song—"Little Red School House," A. P. Clayton.

Song—"Under The Banner True," Harry Perkins and Edgar Long.

Important questions relating to the parents, the teacher and the school will be discussed. Be sure you do not forget the date and bring your neighbor with you, perhaps she is a stranger here and has her children in school and has never met their teachers and is just longing to meet them and other parents.

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Orphanage Singing Class

The Oxford Orphanage Singing Class gave a concert here last Saturday night, and of course, was good. This class comes every year and our people have learned that their concerts are well worth while. They were greeted with a full house, the receipts being close to \$125.00.

Painful Burn

Little Marion Glenn Long, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Long, North Main Street, suffered a very painful burn on each hand Tuesday night, when her little rocking chair carried her too close to a hot stove.

Just Between You And Yourself

Just between you and yourself, what helps you most? A great use of a great day makes a great soul. If Christians praised God more, the world would doubt him less. In the love of truth and in the spirit of Jesus we are united for the worship of God and the service of man.

Thanksgiving services: Lambeth Memorial, Thursday, 11 a. m. Clement, 3 p. m. Services Sunday at Semora at 11 a. m., and 7:30 p. m.

You are cordially invited to come and give. Goodness should be expressed in usefulness.

L. V. COGGINS, Pastor.

Death Of Infant

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin F. Wade join in sympathy with them in the loss of their five weeks old baby, who died in Watts Hospital Monday.

Milton Sills with Betty Bronson in "Paradise" at Palace Theatre Thanksgiving Thursday Nov. 25th.