

## Tornado Raze's Texas Town

### Many Killed, Or Injured; Cavalry Ordered to Scene

Rock Springs in Southwestern Part of the State is Scene of Terrible Storm. Practically All Buildings Being Levelled

TOTAL DEAD IS OVER 100

San Antonio, Texas, April 13.—One hundred and twenty-six persons were killed by a tornado at Rock Springs, Texas, county seat of Edwards county, tonight, according to a telephone message received here by Mayor John Tobin.

Dr. W. A. King, city health officer and fire chief J. O. Sarrah were sent by Mayor Tobin to the stricken city with instructions to render all assistance possible.

The mayor's message came from Emmel Rote, his niece, who lives at Rock Springs.

So many persons were killed, injured or missing that it was impossible to get an accurate check of the casualties, said a message to the San Antonio Express from the Rock Springs telephone operator, who talked from a pole a mile from Rock Springs.

Only five or six buildings in the town were left standing, the same message said. The tornado struck the town about 8:30 p. m.

A detachment of cavalry from Fort Clark, at Brackettville, was ordered to proceed to Rock Springs. The Southern Pacific railroad sent rescue party overland from Del Rio. There is no railroad into Rock Springs which is in southwest Texas, about 50 miles northeast of Del Rio.

The population of the stricken town is approximately 800 persons. It is in the center of the sheep raising and cattle country.

### Easter Program At North Roxboro

On next Sunday, April 17th, the Sunbeams of North Roxboro Baptist Church will render an Easter program, as follows:

- 1st—Christ Arose, Prayer by all.
  - 2nd—An Easter Dream, by Nettie Walker.
  - 3rd—Easter Flowers, by Nina Walker.
  - 4th—Only A Little Sunbeam, by Nellie Walker.
  - 5th—The Humbled Christ, by Rachel Dunn.
  - 6th—No Sunday, by Eunice Black.
  - 7th—God's Property, by Eula Yarwood.
  - 8th—The Prayer Jesus Taught, by Gracie Dunn.
  - 9th—Angels Work, by Marybell Daniel.
- Come Little Sunbeams, and enjoy his program.  
Miss Nettie Walker, Ch. Sec.

### Notice To Tax Payers

There was enacted at the past Legislature an Act entitled New County Tax Law, which makes it imperative that the Sheriff shall on the first Monday in May furnish the Board of County Commissioners a full and complete itemized statement of all uncollected taxes for the current tax years, and the County Commissioner shall thereupon order sale of all land for taxes where the taxes have not been paid. This means all taxes including 1926. This is law. We are compelled to enforce. The Commissioners have no discretion. The law requires them on the first Monday in May to order a sale of the land of all delinquent tax payers, the sale to be had on the first Monday in June.

N. V. BROOKS, Sheriff.

### Easter Egg Hunt For Sun-Beams

There will be a meeting of The Sun Beams Saturday at 3 p. m., in the Baptist church, after which an Easter Egg hunt will be given in the field back of Miss Susan Bradsher's home. Please remember to bring your offering.

### Notice

The Woman's Auxiliary of St. Mark's Church will hold their annual spring sale of children's clothes and fancy articles Saturday, April 17th.

### Marines Will Sail April 20 for East

Washington, April 12.—The third quota of 1,500 American marines to sail from San Diego for ultimate duty in China, are expected by Secretary Wilbur to depart about April 20 for Olongapo in the Philippines.

The secretary said today that the marines would go to the Philippine station to be held there unless diverted to Chinese waters by Rear Admiral Williams, commanding American naval forces in the orient.

The troops will sail on the Dollar line steam, President Grant. It was at first expected that these marines would go direct to China from California.

### "The Spice Of Life"

A Peppy Musical Comedy To Be Presented on Thursday Night

"The Spice Of Life" will be presented in the graded school auditorium on tomorrow, Thursday night, at 8 p. m. The cast is composed of 60 local characters, and represents some of the best in the town. It is given under the auspices of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Edgar Long Memorial Methodist Church, under the direction of Miss Norma Claire Parker, produced by The Daniel Producing Co., Millen, Ga.

This promises to be of real interest. The costumes alone being worth the price were there no other considerations, but when we remember the cause for which it is being given every one should be impelled to give it their presence. Remember the date, tomorrow night, Thursday April 14th 8 p. m., in the graded school auditorium.

### Debt Fully Paid

About two months since the Baraca Class of the First Baptist Church entertained the Philathia Class at a Brunswick stew at Happy Oaks. So not to be outdone, the Philathia's tendered the Baraca's a dinner last night in the Kaplan hall. It was a four course affair, and was indeed a sumptuous spread, covers being laid for eighty. After dinner an hour was given to amusement of various kinds, and every minute was thoroughly enjoyed.

### "Two Day To Marry"

The Senior class play, "Two Day To Marry," will be presented at Bushy Fork High School Thursday April 14, at 8 p. m. This play promises to be a good one and one within the price of all. This is a part of the Commencement program for this year. Price, 10 cents for school children and 20 cents for adults.

### Maj. McLendon To Be At Bushy Fork

Maj. L. P. McLendon will be the speaker at the Commencement exercises at Bushy Fork High School on May 21st. Maj. McLendon is universally popular in this County and will be greeted by a large crowd on this occasion.

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### Presbyterian Church

Sunday School, 9:45 a. m. Morning service at 11 a. m., sermon by the Pastor. Sunday school at Mitchell's Chapel at 3 p. m. Preaching at Warrens Grove school at 4 p. m. Service at Roxboro at 7:30 p. m.

We wish to thank all of our friends that helped us entertain the delegates of the Presbyterian. It was certainly fine of you. P. CARY ADAMS, Pastor.

### Samuel Oakley

Samuel Oakley, age forty two years, farmer of the Chub Lake section, died yesterday and was buried in the family cemetery today. Mr. Oakley had been in ill health for a period of about three years, and his death came as no surprise to his friends and relatives.

### Feeding Pigs Improved Way

Monday Was Busy Day; 70 Feeder Pigs From Virginia Sold To Farmers

### MANY BUILDING FEEDERS

#### General Farm Notes Lead

Mr. V. O. Blalock, Roxboro, route 1, has a new system of brooding baby chicks with hot water pipes that is working fine. This is composed of several pipes heated from a coal burning stove by circulating hot water placed over the baby chicks backs about eight inches above the floor and boxed in with tongue and grooved lumber. Anyone interested should see this new system of brooding and watch his results.

All of the men who have had terrace lines run on their farms are busy trying to get them built between the dry spells. Most of those planned and dug up with the V drag have been rechecked by the county agent to spot the high and the low places yet to be remedied so that they will stand any ordinary hard rain. Several new V drags have been made for this work.

Mr. J. H. Shotwell and Mr. T. T. Mitchell have spoken to the county agent for one of those registered sows that Mr. E. G. Long wants shipped here in the near future. Who is going to be the next one? We want 30 subscribed as a starter.

Monday was a busy day at The Winstead Warehouse delivering 70 feeder pigs from Petersburg, Va., to the farmers who will try them out on the self feeders for the September market. Those interested and who have feeder pigs are Messrs. K. C. Wagstaff, J. C. Wagstaff, Jno. H. Clayton, J. Y. Humphries, W. W. Winstead Jr., E. P. Warren, T. L. Rogers, C. H. Winstead, and perhaps others who have their pigs raised on their farms. Messrs. K. C. Wagstaff, J. C. Wagstaff, Jno. H. Clayton and E. P. Warren have already built their self feeders. Messrs. C. H. Winstead, J. Y. Humphries, W. W. Rogers and T. L. Clayton will build theirs this week as soon as the county agent can get to their farms. Mr. V. O. Blalock will also build a self feeder this week to feed out his litter of pigs in the State Top Litter Contest. Mr. W. C. Hawkins who is recognized as being the leading hog farmer in the Hurdle Mill section will build a self feeder next week. So we are making some progress along with the other counties.

### Monthly Poultry Meeting

The fourth monthly meeting of the Person County Poultry Association will be held at the court house Saturday at 2:30 p. m. Mr. D. H. Hall, former Extension Poultry Specialist for South Carolina and a graduate of the N. C. State College under Dr. Kaupp is expected to be with us to swell on the ups and downs of poultry raising with special stress to be laid on "Why do baby chicks die in the shell." Why do they die before they are five to fifteen days old, and how to prevent the greater part of these losses.

All of the poultry club members should by all means be present at this meeting.

Boys and girls, we haven't yet all of the club members that we need. I promised to visit the schools to get more members, but if you will watch the agents schedule, you will find that the adults have taken this time in terracing and building those self feeders for those pigs that they are feeding for the September market. I haven't forgotten you, but you will have to speak to your parents about it. Continued on Page Eight

## Field Day, Saturday April 23rd; Everybody Invited

There is to be a great day for the boys and girls of Person County April 23rd. Most of the High Schools have started practice and if reports are true there will be hard running and keen competition. Every boy and girl should take advantage of the day to help their school and to meet their friends of other schools. The boys and girls of Sixth and Seventh grades will be allowed to enter. This should increase interest

### President's Aide



Col. Blanton Winship will be military aide to President Coolidge, starting May 1, succeeding Col. Sherwood A. Cheney, who returns to field duty.

### The Meaning Of Good Friday

Of all the days in the year when men's minds should be sober and their thoughts given unto serious things, none more so than Good Friday, which commemorates the suffering of God for the sins of men.

Isaac Watts has in a masterful way expressed what should be the feeling of each.

"Alas and did my Savior bleed,  
And did my Sovereign die?  
Would He devote that sacred head  
For such a worm as I?"

Was it for crimes that I had done,  
He roan'd upon the tree?  
Amazing pity! grace unknown!  
And love beyond degree.

Well might the sun in darkness hide,  
And shut his glories in,  
When God the mighty Maker died  
For man, the creature's sin.

Thus might I hide my blushing face  
While His dear cross appears,  
Dissolve my heart in thankfulness,  
And melt mine eyes to tears.

But drops of grief can ne'er repay  
The debt of love I owe;  
Here, Lord, I give myself away,  
Tis all that I can do.

Sunday School 10:00 a. m., R. I. Wilburn, Supt. Special music furnished by the Junior Baraca Class.

Preaching: 11:00 a. m., subject "The Eternal Hope." 7:30 p. m., subject "Fighting A Good Fight."

B. Y. P. U.'s 6:30 p. m., General B. Y. P. U. 7:15 p. m., Dr. H. M. Beam, director.

Special music at morning and night services.

A cordial welcome extended to all.  
W. F. WEST, Pastor.

### Easter Monday Egg Hunt

We wish to announce to the public that we are going to have an Easter Egg hunt every one is invited to come and bring a basket of eggs. We intend to give away prizes to the one that finds the most eggs. Send in your name if you wish to enter for a prize—Picks Filling Station, Picks Siding, N. C. Box 365.

### Special Meeting

There will be a special meeting of the Longhurst Council of the Junior Order Saturday evening, April 16th, at 7:30 o'clock. All members are requested to be present.

O. J. BLUE, R. Sec.

### Mr. Daniel Improving

The friends of Mr. L. H. Daniel will be pleased to know that he is very much improved. He was taken suddenly ill one day last week and his condition was critical for a few days.

## Growers Of Tobacco Must Meet Changes In Demand

### Tom Cooper Does Not Comment On Decision

Wilmington, April 12.—Thomas E. Cooper, former prominent Wilmington banker today received the news of his failure to win a parole from an eight year road term without comment. He was informed by a stockade guard of the governor's decision early in the day, and while visibly surprised at the rejection of his plea, made no reference to the matter as he journeyed to his daily task nine miles away.

### Junior Order Orphanage To Open Soon

Lexington, April 12.—The Junior Order Orphanage, located near here, is now nearing completion and plans are being made for the formal opening which is to take place in May. With the completion of the plant and the swinging wide of its doors for the reception of orphan children, the day that has long been looked forward to by the Juniors throughout the state will have arrived.

A conference was held recently by Thomas H. Walters, national councilor, J. D. Tunison, past councilor, Herbert Hunter, Architect and J. W. Stout contractor, with the members of the local committee regarding the progress of the work and the opening. The plant was inspected and indications are that it will be ready for occupancy by the time set for the dedication.

The first unit to be placed in use will be the administration building, the South Carolina and Pennsylvania dormitories and the general heating system. An electric line will be extended to the plant to furnish light and other conveniences and arrangements are being made for the erection of a dairy building in which will be kept a herd of pure Holstein cows. A bakery and laundry will also be provided at once.

When the work is completed, including the grading of the grounds, the home will be one of the prettiest in this section of the state. Within a very short time superintendent and other officials necessary will be secured to operate the home.

Approximately 50,000 Juniors in North Carolina have had a part in the erection of the home and when it is opened for the use of its children hundreds of them are expected to be present for the happy occasion.

W. T. DIXON.

### Local Boys Make Honor Roll At University

Mess. S. G. Winstead and C. B. Wood of Roxboro who are students at the University of North Carolina, made the honor roll in their studies during the winter quarter just closed.

The honor students are those who make an average grade of B (90 to 95 per cent) or better in their studies. A total of 239 students made the honor roll during the winter quarter.

The list comprises 68 freshmen, 50 sophomores, 65 juniors, 51 seniors, and 5 special students. Twenty-four of these students made all A's, an average of 95 to 100 per cent, which is the highest mark obtainable.

The list for the quarter record a substantial increase over the same period last year.

### Notice, Poultry Asso.

Program Person County Poultry Association Saturday April 16th, 2:30 p. m.

Miss Bessie Heath Daniel, "How To Avoid Losses With Baby Chicks." Mrs. R. T. Winstead, "Feeding Of Baby Chicks."

Mr. J. Y. Humphries, "My Experience In Raising Baby Chicks."

OEO. W. SMITH, Chairman Program Com.

### Trip To Western North Carolina

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Gentry returned from a trip to Western North Carolina this morning and is high in their praises of the natural scenery of the mountains of Carolina. Mr. Gentry states that he has traveled in quite a number of sections, but none of them compare with what he saw up there, especially around Chimney Rock, which can only be appreciated by personal observation.

### U. S. Department of Agriculture Makes Careful Study Of Foreign Markets

### AMERICAN GROWERS FACE DIFFICULT PROBLEMS

American tobacco growers are faced with difficult problems due to rapid changes that have taken place in market requirements. For several years there has been a tendency both at home and abroad for cigarette consumption to outrun the consumption of pipe, chewing, cigar and snuff tobacco. This tendency, which is expected to continue, has produced sharp contrasts in the position of various groups of tobacco producers. Growers of the lighter tobacco suitable for cigarette manufacture are selling their output at good prices on an expanding market, while the growers of dark-fired and dark air-cured types of tobacco seem compelled to reduce their production.

A study of foreign tobacco markets made by the United States Department of Agriculture indicates that competition is increasing strongly in the production of dark tobacco. Moreover, pressure is stronger in the interior than in the better grades. American growers are accordingly advised to improve the quality of their leaf. Attention to the foreign market situation is imperative, says the department, because more than one-third of the tobacco crop of the United States is exported annually. In 1925 the amount of unmanufactured tobacco exported totaled 476,768,738 pounds, or 36 1/2 per cent of the total United States crop. Most of our exported tobacco goes to Western Europe and the Orient, with Great Britain and China constituting the most important markets.

Among changes in foreign tobacco growing which the department advises American producers to note are the following: Rapidly increasing production of cigar tobacco in Porto Rico; continued high production in Italy; some decline of production in the Balkan countries and in parts of Central Europe; and a gradual increase in British countries at unexpected preferential tariff.

There is a tendency, says the department, for foreign governments to increase rather than to diminish handicaps to America's export trade in tobacco, by means of tariffs and other restrictive measures. Foreign market conditions are particularly serious for the producers of dark-fired Kentucky and Tennessee and dark Virginia tobaccos. American growers have largely depended on foreign markets in the past for the disposal of these types. In 1925, however, only 120,000,000 pounds of dark-fired Kentucky and Tennessee leaf were sent abroad, compared with 151,000,000 pounds in 1923.

Even more serious has been the reduction in the foreign demand for dark Virginia tobacco. Exports of this type in 1925 were only 18,000,000 pounds, compared with 48,000,000 pounds in 1923. Although the production of dark-fired tobacco in the United States has decreased somewhat, the decrease has not been proportionate to the decline in demand, and in October last stocks were the largest on record except in 1918 when war conditions prevailed.

From the standpoint of the foreign demand, blue-cured cigarette tobacco is in a more favorable position than any other American type. Exports of blue-cured cigarette tobacco in 1925 were 287,344,440 pounds, or 32 per cent more than in 1923, and the total disappearance of this type for the year was greater than in any previous year.

There is every prospect, moreover, that the demand for cigarette tobacco will continue to increase. Great Britain increased its takings of American cigarette tobacco in 1925, and so did China in spite of that country's war disturbances. Exports of Burley leaf have held their own during the last four years, but the foreign market for this type of tobacco is relatively unimportant; more than 95 per cent of the crop being consumed in the United States.

The shift in consumer preference to cigarette from other kinds of tobacco Continued on Page Eight

### Olive Hill Parent-Teacher Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of Olive Hill Parent-Teacher Association will be held Thursday afternoon, April 14th, at 3 o'clock. It is urged that parents of pupils attending the school be present at this meeting, as it will probably be the last one for this year. Sec.