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Flu Raging Again

**NATION MENACED
AS FLU SPREADS
FROM THE WEST**

Schools and Colleges Being
As Disease Sweeps
Eastward

IS IN MILD FORM HERE

Raleigh, Dec. 12.—The influenza epidemic which started in California and swept eastward across the continent appears to have reached North Carolina. The fact, however, that it is a very mild type of the disease being manifested in this section has kept State health authorities from being especially alarmed about it as they seem to be in other sections of the country.

"The disease is in pandemic or less than epidemic stage in this state," said Dr. H. A. Taylor, epidemiologist of the State Board of Health. "Influenza is not a reportable disease in North Carolina so we have no knowledge of the extent of its spread. The type of the disease now prevalent is very mild and a great many of the cases never get the attention of a physician. Our only method of fighting the disease is to give publicity to its spread. It is best fought by avoiding contact with those who have it and staying away from crowds indoors. The prevalence of influenza makes it advisable to call a physician though the person infected seems to have nothing but a cold."

Though in various localities of the State the pandemic is giving considerable concern, in Raleigh it has attracted little attention. Cleveland county seems to be suffering the most, according to Dr. Taylor.

13 Months Calendar
Urged By Porter

Washington, D. C.—Representative Stephen G. Porter of Pennsylvania has announced that he will propose that President Coolidge call an international conference for the simplification of the calendar early in the next session. The resolution would have Mr. Coolidge authorize the conference to discuss the adoption of the simplified calendar of thirteen months of four weeks each.

Mr. Porter said the movement had been sponsored by leading figures of the country. The new calendar would make every month equal in the number of workdays, eliminate fractions of weeks at the end of the months, co-ordinate periods of earnings and spending, and would have many other advantages. It would simplify holidays by providing that all be celebrated on the same weekday, Monday. It would create a faster turnover of money and simplify the budgets of business.

Box Party And Christmas Program at Helena

There will be a box party and Christmas program at Helena High School on Wednesday night, Dec. 19, beginning at 7:00 o'clock. The little folks will give a program that will interest the gay and the sad, the old and the young. There will be a Christmas Cantata which will include in its cast all children in the first three grades of the school.

Then there will be an old time box party which cannot fail to interest big and little, old and young, married and single. The little folks will have boxes in which they themselves will be interested. Then there will be young ladies' boxes, and also seamless boxes.

Last, but far from least, will be the beauty contest.

Come and bring your friends. The program will be free for everybody.
R. C. Garrison.

Chattering Supper
Page O. J. Griffin

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Owen gave a big chattering supper on Monday night, a number of their friends being present. After supper all were invited into the living room, which was beautifully decorated with potted plants and cut flowers. Tables were placed for bridge and a good time was had by all.—D.

Bob Steels (The Ace of Western Stars) in "TRAIL OF COURAGE" at Palace Theatre. Matinee and night Saturday, December 15th.

Roxboro Market Will Close Wednesday, December 19th

Will Open Tues., Jan. 8th, And Will Look After Remainder Of The Crop

WAS A VERY GOOD SEASON

The Roxboro Tobacco Market will close on next Wednesday for the Christmas Holidays and will open on Tuesday, January 8th, 1924, for the remainder of the season. This was decided by the Tobacco Board of Trade at a meeting held Monday.

This has been a peculiar season, for, notwithstanding the most undesirable crop for many years, prices have been very satisfactory and less than the usual amount of "tucking tags" on this market. The farmers knew they had a poor crop, and consequently could not expect fancy prices, but the man who was fortunate enough to have some good tobacco, and there were quite a number who did have good tobacco, received very satisfactory prices. In fact, we believe the prices were better for these grades than a year ago.

As stated last week, we know it is dangerous to advise any one when to sell, or buy, yet, we honestly believe you will be wise if you have any tobacco on hand and can possibly do so, to get it in good condition, and sell before the market closes for the holidays. It is selling well today, but no one knows what it will do when the market opens after Christmas.

While the sales have not reached the number of pounds sold up to this time last year, the farmers of Person County have been very loyal to their home market, and the fall-off has been because of the shortage of the crop, and not because of it being sold elsewhere.

We have never known the buyers to co-operate more wholeheartedly with the warehousemen in their efforts to see that the market was kept on a level with other markets than they have this year, and we are proud of the buyers on this market. The farmers showed very plainly that they appreciated their efforts, and there is the best of feeling between the farmers and the town, and the warehousemen and the buyers, and we look for the best season next year the market has experienced in many years.



Benefactor

Photo shows Milton S. Hershey, chocolate manufacturer, who has presented the town of Hershey, Pa., with a two million dollar community center. This is the latest gift of Hershey to the town with which he is closely identified.

Hershey was born at Derry Township, Pa., in 1857, and began manufacturing chocolate in 1893 at Lancaster. He is now chairman of the Board of the Hershey Chocolate Company and owner of practically all the stock. His home is at Hershey, Pa.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE GUTTED BY BIG FIRE

Aid Rushed From Raleigh, Henderson, Rocky Mount And Franklinton

Fire destroyed the west wing and two top stories of the old Central Building of the Louisburg College, in which around 150 girls were sleeping Wednesday morning at one o'clock in Louisburg.

The loss, estimated to be from \$150,000 to \$200,000, is partially covered by insurance.

No lives were lost, and most of the belongings of the young women housed in the building were saved. However, the girls and teachers quartered in the building were forced to flee in scanty attire.

Fire departments from Raleigh, Rocky Mount, Henderson and Franklinton were called to lend their assistance in extinguishing the fire, and responded immediately.

The fire is believed to have started from the heating system. It was first discovered in the chapel, which is on the fourth floor, by two sisters named Knox, whose home is at Liberty, N. C. Their room was on the floor with the chapel. Aroused shortly before 1 o'clock they saw the flames. Hurrying to the first floor they rang the school bell giving the alarm. By doing so they lost all of their personal savings the lives of many of the 65 students and 10 teachers in the structure.

Morris Clifton, Louisburg banker, was slightly hurt when a chair, hurled from the building, struck him on the head. Marvin Davis, Henderson fireman, was struck by a falling brick. A Raleigh fireman was slightly injured.

The girls were all sent to their homes throughout the State Wednesday morning, to remain until after Christmas holidays, when it is expected to have everything arranged in order that studies may be resumed in temporary quarters, at least, without losing too much time.

Haywood Burch Dies

Mr. Haywood Burch, age 25, died at his home here on South Main Street Wednesday night at 9:40. He had suffered for a long time with tuberculosis, and his death was not a surprise. Haywood was a most popular young man, having been connected with the Roxboro Service Station for some time before his health gave way. Surviving him are his widow and two sisters.

Funeral services were conducted from the home Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. S. P. Nicks in charge of the ceremony. Interment was made in the Burchwood cemetery.

Called To Bedside

Mrs. H. E. Lance, a teacher of the Jalong graded school, was called to the bedside of her father, Rev. D. L. Earnhardt, who for about forty years has been a member of the N. C. Conference, but about ten years ago retired as a superannuate, and has been living near Durham.

Two weeks ago Mr. Earnhardt was stricken with paralysis. No hope is entertained for his recovery. Many of the people of Mt. Tabor Circuit remember Brother Earnhardt as their pastor about 1893-4. He has twelve living children.

Death Of Mr. Coleman

Mr. J. T. Coleman, one of the prominent citizens of Longhurst, died at the hospital in Durham yesterday morning, where he was carried about 10 days ago. Mr. Coleman leaves a wife and several small children. He was a splendid citizen, and will be greatly missed in his community.

Farm boys of Granville County organized a 4-H tobacco club with ten members this year. The young men grew their tobacco under the direction of the county agent and sold it at a profit this fall.

For those who prefer to do their shopping at night our store will be open until nine o'clock until Christmas. Harris & Burns.

BASKETBALL TEAM WILL TRAVEL 350 MILES TO PLAY ROXBORO QUINTET

South Carolina High School Will Play Their Former Coach Two Games 19-20th

AT PIONEER WAREHOUSE

Roxboro plays two big games next Wednesday and Thursday, when Travelers Rest High Schools drive 350 miles to play their coach, Coach Knight led them to a State Championship the year he was there. In 1927. It is unusual that a good team travels that far to play a game. We are fortunate and happy to have them. The Coach's Sunday School class plans to entertain them one night and the Roxboro players will take care of them in their homes. Please come out and show them that we are behind our school and town. It will take a good guarantee to get them here for two games. They will play Middleburg too, on 20th in Henderson. Travelers Rest will make a strong bid for the South Carolina Championship this year.

Roxboro split with Stem Friday night. The local boys lost by one point because they were playing a good team and Gentry was sick and could not be in the full game. The "White Flash" girls won by a score of 40-10.

Roxboro quintet journeyed to Woodland to play ball Saturday and then went sight seeing to Norfolk, Va., through a big snow. Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Knight, Messrs. Walker, E. Walker, H. Long, R. Haggis and Gentry made the trip. Woodland won Class "C" Championship 1927, and has a good team. They defeated Roxboro 24-18. Gentry was put out of the game; therefore, the White Flash played the last part with four men. "Sug" Walker played star ball. The whole team played well. Mrs. Knight taught there two years. The people certainly treated us royally.

Roxboro plays Middleburg Tuesday night the 11th, in Henderson. Middleburg defeated Durham and Raleigh in the State Race last year. We expect a hard game. We can not win them all, but we expect to play a good brand of ball. We thank you for backing the team.

Roxboro boys and girls will play Virginia boys and girls here Thursday night in the Pioneer Warehouse at 7:30.

Mr. J. E. Whitfield Reports Good Prices

Our good friend, Mr. J. E. Whitfield of Roxboro, Route 1, easily one of the best farmers in the County, favored us with a call Monday, and stated that his crop of tobacco had turned out exceedingly well, bringing more money than he expected. With the exception of two barns, his crop was very good. His little boy had a crop of his own which brought him more than \$200.

Mr. Whitfield is one of the farmers who long since discovered that it paid to raise home supplies, and regardless of how tobacco sells hard times never comes his way.

Helena vs. Bushy Fork

Helena defeated Bushy Fork five on the Helena court Friday night by a score of 13-6. The game was very fast. Both teams showed good pass work throughout the entire game. The splendid defense accounted for the small score.

The Helena boys and girls will meet Allensville teams on the Helena court at 7:15 P. M., Wednesday, Dec. 12th.

Come out and support the Blue and Gold teams.
R. C. Garrison.

Christmas Vacation

The Roxboro City Schools will close on Friday afternoon, December 21st, for the Christmas vacation, and will reopen on Wednesday, January 2nd, 1924.

Very respectfully,
O. G. Davidson,
Supt. Roxboro Schools,
Dec. 10, 1923.

Carried To Hospital

Mr. John Tillman, one of Roxboro's most popular young men, was taken to Watts hospital last Saturday. He had been confined to his bed for several weeks, and his condition growing worse it was decided to send him to the hospital for treatment.

Our store will be open each night until nine o'clock from now until Christmas. Harris & Burns.

Mr. H. K. Sanders Signally Honored, Given First Place

Winners Of Soil Improvement Committee Awards To County Agents Named

GET TRIP TO HOUSTON, TEX.

Six Southern county agricultural agents who have put into effect and are continuing an outstanding soil improvement program and who will be rewarded in February with a free trip to the annual meeting of the Association of Southern Agricultural Workers in Houston, Texas, have been named. These agents come from North Carolina, Alabama, Mississippi, Oklahoma, and Arkansas, and are being awarded the trips by the Southern Division, Soil Improvement Committee. The National Fertilizer Association.

First Place was awarded to H. K. Sanders, Roxboro, Person county, North Carolina. The other five places are listed alphabetically, as these rankings were made of these five: W. L. Hall, Conway, Faulkner County, Arkansas; H. C. Heath, Lafayette, Chambers county, Alabama; C. L. McNeil, Canton, Madison county, Mississippi; Earl W. Swift, Muskogee, Muskogee county, Oklahoma, and W. G. Yeager, Salisbury, Rowan county, N. C.

These awards were made to stimulate interest in soil improvement programs as recommended and approved by the various state experiment stations and agricultural extension services, according to J. C. Fildmore, director of the Soil Improvement Committee. "The six outstanding reports were selected by a committee of agricultural college workers in cooperation with the extension service officials who have charge of county agent work in the various states. Winners were selected on the basis of a uniform score card which took into consideration accomplished results in soil improvement in the county, methods of putting the programs into effect, and plans for future soil improvement efforts based on an analysis of the situation as it exists in the County."

The winning county agents will be given an opportunity of attending the Southern Agricultural Workers' meeting and also the meeting of Agricultural extension workers who will hold a jubilee convention commemorating the establishment of the first agricultural extension office in the country at Houston 25 years ago. A banquet will be given in honor of the agents and arrangements are being made for the broadcasting of talks based on their programs and accomplishments. Gold medal jobs will be awarded by the Soil Improvement Committee as permanent trophies of accomplishment, along with certificates that may become the property of the county represented by the winning agent.

Good Eats Will Be Served: Collection Of Christmas Gifts On Display

DOORS OPEN AT 11 A. M.

The Ladies Aid Society of the First Baptist Church will hold their annual bazaar next Saturday, Dec. 15th, in the building next door to the Coultter office. They will serve dinner consisting of a chicken salad course, fried oysters, oyster stew, coffee, cream and cake, and they invite every farmer in town, as well as every man in Roxboro, to take dinner with them. The doors open at 11 o'clock, a. m. and they will serve you promptly.

In addition to the dinner they will have on display and for sale, a large assortment of things suitable for Christmas presents, which may be of interest to both men and women who are worrying about their Christmas problems.

BETHEL HILL SCHOOL NEWS

Attendance For Third Month

The attendance for the third month was 92% of the enrollment. However, the enrollment for this month was slightly less and the average daily attendance was one less than the previous month. The first grade deserves special mention in this for its average attendance increased by five to forty-eight out of an enrollment of fifty-four.

The heating system has been put into first class condition in both the high school and elementary buildings and no trouble is looked for along this line during the coldest weather.

There have been quite a number of cases of deep colds, with temperature, but all such cases are being sent home at once and in a separate car. With most of the corn shucked and hogs killed, it is hoped that a good attendance will continue.

Basketball season

The basketball season got off to a very good start on Tuesday night, when the girls and boys from Allensville were played. The next game is played Friday night with the Greenhope team of Wake County. This school has one of the best girls' teams in the State and also a very strong boys' team. The games start promptly at seven o'clock.

Christmas Holidays

School will close on Thursday afternoon, Dec. 20th, and open again on Wednesday, Jan. 2, 1924. This will give ample time for all to come to school every day and then get ready for Christmas.

Another House Invaded

A few days ago the parsonage at Helena was entered by three persons who can be identified, the parson thinks.

To the pastor's study the youngest child came running and reported that "there was somebody peeping in the closet, and about." But to the delight of all the inmates of this parsonage home, this same three returned in a week with many nice, and much needed furnishings for the parsonage.

This committee composed of Miss Mildred Satterfield, Mrs. Taylor and Miss Bessie Laws, representing the various churches of Mt. Tabor Circuit, proved to be angels of mercy and not burglars.

We should like to express our deep appreciation, through the Courier, to all who were interested in so needy a cause.

Person Boy Is Honored

Mr. Charles Long, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Long of Hurdle Mills, was elected President of the Protropian Society of Piedmont College, Demorest, Georgia. This is quite an honor bestowed upon Charles. Charles is a Senior at Piedmont and has made friends by his winning personality.

Livestock growers interested in learning more about the job will enjoy the meeting of the Southern Livestock Association to be held at State College in Raleigh, Dec. 18, 19 and 20.

Life's Outcast reclaimed by Love. See Corinne Griffith in OUTCAST, with Edmund Lowe, playing Palace Christmas. Harris & Burns.

Edgar Long Memorial

We bid you welcome to participate in and enjoy the services of the Sanctuary with us next Sunday. You will find a comfortable place to worship, the music soul-stirring, and we will have a good hour together.

Regular services: Sunday School 9:45, Sermon 11 and 7:30. Epworth League 8:45.

"Come thou with us and we will do thee good."
T. A. SIRKES, Pastor.