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Rev. E. Frank Lee Is Shot By Negro

Little Hope Is Held For Durham Methodist Minister Who Was Shot Friday Night; Formerly Attended School Here

DURHAM, Jan. 3.—Rev. E. Frank Lee, prominent Methodist minister, pastor of Calvary Methodist church, this city, was shot and seriously if not fatally wounded about 9:45 o'clock tonight by an unidentified negro. The shooting took place at the residence of the minister on Elizabeth street in the northern part of the city, when he went to an outhouse to get a scuttle of coal.

The negro was accosted and asked his business. His reply was a shot that struck the minister in the abdomen. A second shot followed, lodging in a less dangerous part of the body.

Mr. Lee came here in December immediately after being assigned by the North Carolina conference from Fayetteville where he served for a number of years. Previously he had served at Kinston.

Prior to becoming affiliated with the Methodist Episcopal church, Rev. Mr. Lee was a Presbyterian minister, having charge of the Buffalo church, Greensboro. He is an extensive property owner in Greensboro.

Immediately after he was shot Mr. Lee walked back into his house set down the scuttle of coal, and then collapsed in a chair. Physicians and officers were summoned and bloodhounds were sent for in an effort to track the minister's assailant. — Associated Press.

LITTLE HOPE HELD OUT FOR RECOVERY OF MINISTER

DURHAM, Jan. 4.—Little hope is held out for the recovery of Rev. E. Frank Lee, well known local minister who was wounded last night at his home, about 9:30 o'clock when he accosted a nocturnal prowler, who was seen lurking on his premises. He stated shortly after being wounded that he was shot by a large ginger-colored negro, whom he would recognize if he ever saw him again. Hospital attaches tonight declared that his condition is very critical, and it is feared he will not recover.

NOTE: Rev. E. Frank Lee has friends and acquaintances in Johnston county who will regret to learn of his serious condition. He attended Burlington Institute in this city for several years, when preparing for college.

MULE KILLED BY AUTOMOBILE SUNDAY

A mule was killed Sunday night on the highway between Smithfield and Selma when it suddenly ran across the road in front of the automobile being driven by Sam Young of Raleigh. The occurrence took place about 11:30 o'clock as Mr. Young was enroute to Raleigh. The mule, according to report, was loose and had only a halter on him. The impact of the beast broke the steering wheel and shattered the glass in the windshield of the car. Mr. Young sustained cuts about the face which were dressed at the Johnston County Hospital. Mr. Young is considered fortunate not to have sustained serious injury.

The mule yesterday morning had not been identified.

W. W. RIVERS RESIGNS AS SCOUT EXECUTIVE

GOLDSBORO, Jan. 4.—A successor to W. W. Rivers, whose resignation as scout executive of Tuscarora Boy Scout council, went into effect on Thursday, January 2, will probably be selected within the next few days. D. S. Hartshorn, president of the council, stated last Thursday morning.

Mr. Rivers, who has been in charge of the boy scout work here for over six years, stated that he has several offers of scout leadership under advisement, and that he has not yet decided which he will accept.

958 Pound Hog



Mr. I. V. Pittman of Micro, butchered a three-year-old hog last Thursday that weighed 958 pounds gross. After being dressed the hog weighed 906. This porker measured eight feet and seven inches from tip of nose to end of tail and was eight feet and four inches around.

Other hogs killed at the same time made a total of 2,334 pounds of pork.

Gas Plant Among New Year Plans

Selma and Smithfield Have Approved Joint Proposition — Benson May Be Linked With Dunn and Erwin

Three towns in Johnston county—Smithfield, Selma and Benson—may have gas in the near future, if plans of a Chicago corporation materialize. A committee from the Selma board of commissioners with the mayor of Selma, Mr. W. W. Hare, met with Mayor J. D. Underwood of this city and some of the town aldermen including R. P. Holding, W. G. Glass and H. L. Skinner, in the mayor's office here Wednesday. New Year's night, and approved a plan made to the two boards by the Chicago corporation to supply the two towns—Selma and Smithfield—with gas for heating, lighting and cooking.

It is understood that if enough towns in the south desire this service to make it profitable the corporation will meet the needs. Already Henderson in this state is being served by the Chicago firm, and other towns have the matter under consideration. A plant would not be installed without a minimum population of 5000 to serve. For this reason Selma and Smithfield have approved the proposition jointly. Dunn, Erwin, and Benson are said to be considering a joint plant.

For some time there has been some demand for cheaper means of heating, lighting and cooking. Gas is known to be less expensive than electricity, and the installation of a gas plant to serve this section will no doubt be welcomed.

SELMA KIWANIS HEAR DUNN PASTOR

SELMA, Jan. 6.—Rev. Norfleet Gardner, pastor of the First Baptist church of Dunn, made a splendid talk to the Kiwanis club at the regular weekly luncheon last Thursday evening. Mr. Gardner said that we should benefit from the mistakes we made during the year of 1928, and resolve to live a more useful life during the coming year.

Each member present was given a slip of paper to write a New Year's resolution on and after this was done the person to the right read the resolution the person to be left had written. This was very interesting.

A report from the committee who made up and delivered the Kiwanis Christmas baskets was very good. A number of families throughout this community were made happy Christmas by the Kiwanis club. With the cooperation of both the Kiwanis club and the Woman's club a community Christmas tree was made possible.

State And Nation News Paragraphs

National Capitol Catches On Fire; Contract Is Let For Rebuilding Executive Offices of White House; Dr. Poe Optimistic Over Farming

The second fire in recent days in Washington, D. C., in which government buildings were damaged occurred Friday night when the National Capitol itself was found to be ablaze. On Christmas Eve, the executive offices of the President at the White House were totally destroyed, and last Friday night, the ancient government house of the nation was endangered. Fire blazed for thirty minutes or more about the dome of the capitol, it having originated in the room of a capitol artist, Carl Moberly, who was renovating some valuable paintings and pictures. Moberly was found in the room almost suffocated. It is not known what caused the fire, but oils, paints and easels in the artist's room permitted the blaze to spread rapidly. It has been suggested that a cigarette may have been the cause, or spontaneous combustion. An investigation has been instituted. More than twenty fire companies were called upon to fight the blaze. Fire Chief Watson estimated the damage as slight but would not place an estimate upon the damage. Water is said to have seeped down into the private chambers of members of the Supreme court. The fire was first discovered by members of the capitol building police.

The superintendent of public buildings and grounds has awarded the contract for rebuilding the White House executive offices, which were destroyed by fire on Christmas Eve. The award went to Charles H. Thompson's Company of Washington, D. C., on its bid of \$74,880. Under the contract the work is to be completed within 90 days. The structure is to be made as fireproof as possible, and restored on the same plans under which it was altered last year under President Hoover's inauguration.

In a radio talk last week, Dr. Clarence Poe, of the Progressive Farmer, expressed optimism as to the farming outlook. One striking bit of advice which he gave was: "Pay as you go, and if you can't pay, don't go." He spoke of the depression of land values, and advised young men who wish to make farming their life work to buy farm lands now. He said never again, in his opinion, would they sell for so low a price, and even though one had a hard time meeting payments for a time, he thinks it would be worth the struggle.

Deaths from automobile accidents in the state last year are not expected to exceed those of 1928, although there was an increase of 12 per cent during the first half of the year. According to figures recently compiled, deaths from accidents were materially reduced after July 1, when the State Highway Patrol began its work on the highways. During the first six months of this year 295 were killed as compared to 262 killed during the first six months of 1928. By the first of December the percentage of decrease was cut down to five, and when all the figures for December are in it is expected that there will be a further reduction. It is said that there have been fewer than the usual number of holiday accidents. It will probably be the middle of this month before all figures for the past year are available.

TO CELEBRATE GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

The following invitations have been received here: "1880-1930, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Penny Ellis invite you to be present at their fifty-third wedding anniversary, on Tuesday, the 14th of January, 1930, from 8 until 10 o'clock. Clayton, N. C. Charles Penn Ellis, hostess."

To Ship Poultry Again This Year

Car Will Be Loaded at Selma Next Saturday; Will Announce Winner Soon in Corn Growing Contest

By J. B. SLACK

The first poultry car for this year will be loaded at Selma, Saturday, January 11. This is the beginning of the poultry shipping season for this year. According to the present schedule a car will be loaded at Selma every Saturday after January 11, until further notice is given. The prices for Saturday, January 11 are as follows:

Celery hens, 22c; Leghorn hens, 20c; colored chicks, 21c; Leghorn chicks, 15c; roosters, 10c; ducks and geese, 12c; turkeys, 23 and 10c.

All cars loaded at Selma this year will be stopped at the Coast Line freight depot instead of the Southern freight depot as heretofore. The cars will open at 8:30 a. m., and close at 3:30 p. m.

The car load poultry shipments have proved a great success in the past for the farmers in this section, and it is hoped that they will be as successful again this year. Approximately one hundred and fifteen thousand pounds of poultry was shipped from Selma last year, which brought a total sum of twenty-eight thousand dollars.

Corn Growing Contest

A report will soon be made on the winner of the five-acre corn growing contest put on in Johnston county this year. Eleven farmers entered this contest, and the reports are now in Raleigh, and the committee of Agricultural Workers there will select the three winners, and the announcement as to who these winners are will be made within the next few days.

This contest was sponsored by the Citizens Bank and Trust Company, Benson, the Bank of Four Oaks, Four Oaks, and the First Citizens Bank and Trust Company, Smithfield, and the Farmers Bank and Trust Company, Smithfield. The results of this contest are very pleasing. The average yield for all of the contestants was between fifty-five and sixty bushels per acre, and the average cost per bushel was only about thirty-seven cents.

This proves conclusively that Johnston county farmers can produce corn at a very cheap price, and by selling this corn through hogs a handsome profit can be made from growing corn.

DEWITT WORLEY DIES FROM SHOCK OF SON'S AID

Mr. Dewitt Worley died suddenly at his home near Princeton Sunday morning about six o'clock, his death apparently coming from shock. He had been to summon a physician to see his ten-year-old son, and was in the room when the doctor examined the sick boy. When the examination was completed he asked the physician about the boy's illness, and when the doctor said the boy had pneumonia Mr. Worley lay down across the bed and died almost instantly. He appeared to be in his usual health Sunday morning before he received the shock. He was about fifty years of age.

The deceased was a good farmer and highly respected in his community. He was a member of Oakland Friends church in Wayne county. About fifteen years ago he married Miss Addie Williams of Greene county, who, together with three children, survive him. The funeral was held yesterday morning at eleven o'clock, conducted by the pastor of Oakland church and interment was made in the cemetery at Micro.

The family has the sympathy of the community in this hour of bereavement.

A barn of tobacco grown by T. H. Turner of Wake county on land where dolomite limestone was used sold for \$675. The average price was 60 cents for the 1138 pounds in the barn.

Thirty head of registered Jersey heifers were recently purchased by 20 farmers of Wayne county.



Body Allen Pope Officers Receive Is Finally Found

Neuse River Gives Up Body of Drowned Man After 4 Days of Rescue Work

RALEIGH, Jan. 4.—After four days of prodding and grappling and dynamiting in the deep waters of the Neuse River, the body of Allan Pope was brought on yesterday afternoon by a negro who had been helping with the work. The body was recovered within 20 feet of where it went down, it was reported.

Pope was drowned last Monday afternoon when he jumped into the stream about a mile above Baucum's bridge, in attempting to escape officers who had just raided a still nearby. After two days of probing about in the water, which is about eight feet deep in that spot, Coroner Waring blasted a section of the river for half a mile down stream, with no success.

Early yesterday afternoon a negro named Curtis fished up the body, which was torn up to some extent from the dynamiting. Coroner Waring stated last night that there was no way of ascertaining just what caused Pope to drown when he jumped into the cold water, but it was thought that he had suffered a sudden heart attack.

The body was turned over to relatives who live in Johnston county. Bryant Pope, the young man's father, lives at Selma.

Funeral of H. D. Ellington

The funeral of Hunter D. Ellington who died at the Johnston County Hospital Thursday, was held at the home of his brother, John O. Ellington, here on Friday afternoon. It was largely attended, quite a number of Clayton and Raleigh people besides local citizens being present. Rev. S. L. Morgan, pastor of the deceased, conducted the service, assisted by Dr. Ira E. D. Andrews, of Clayton. A profusion of beautiful flowers bore silent testimony of the sympathy of numerous friends.

After the simple service at the home, the body was borne to its last resting place beside his wife in the city cemetery. The pallbearers were: W. N. Holt, J. H. Abel, W. J. Humley, E. S. Edmunds, F. H. Brooks, Ed Sasser, D. H. Creech and W. T. Holland.

Baptist Philatheas To Meet

The Philatheas class of the Baptist Sunday school will meet on Thursday evening, January 9 at 7:30 o'clock with Mrs. H. G. Gray. Members are urged to be present.

Officers Receive Not Enough Food Threatening Note Crops In State

Find Letter When They Return To Cars After Hunting For Still in Woods of Wilders Township

County officers received a threat Sunday morning when they returned to their automobiles after investigating the woods near where they had parked their cars while hunting for a whiskey still in Wilders township. A note placed in a car warned them to keep out of the woods.

The occasion for the incident was a message to the sheriff's office in Smithfield Sunday morning to the effect that a still was running in a certain section of Wilders township. Deputies J. O. Hinton and E. A. Johnson answered the call and together with Deputy C. E. Sanders of Wilders township and Chief Pollard of Clayton, went to the vicinity.

They parked their cars about one mile from Percy Flowers' store and went into the woods nearby to hunt for the still. They soon found eight barrels of beer buried in a sawdust pile, and not far away, the cap, worm and doubling pipes of a still. They discovered also fruit jars and other evidence that a still had been in operation.

After destroying the beer, and confiscating the still apparatus, they returned to their automobiles where they found the letter warning them to keep out of the woods. The officers state that every week reports come to them from Wilders township that liquor is being made and sold, and appeals are made to them to rid that section of it. They state that whenever they hear of any beer that needs destroying, or stills in operation, they expect to continue to go to the woods in an effort to break up the nefarious traffic.

APPREHEND NEGRO WHO SHOT AT DEPUTY

Ed Wadford, a negro of Boss Hill township, who shot at Deputy E. A. Johnson, of this city, on the night of December 19, when Deputy Johnson confiscated his car, a new Ford roadster, with five gallons of liquor, was apprehended in Goldsboro last Thursday. Deputy Johnson took the liquor car on Market street. The negro ran, but he shot at the deputy missing his aim.

Wadford was arrested on three charges: transportation of liquor, carrying a concealed weapon, and assault with a deadly weapon. The negro gave bond in the sum of \$1500, London Broadwell going to jail.

Survey by Extension Department Shows That Foods and Feeds Are Neglected For Money Crops

Money crops—whose value is governed by conditions over which producers have little control—rule supreme on North Carolina farms, while the staple foodstuff and feedstuff products are neglected to such an extent that in 1927, North Carolina fell \$158,000,000 short of producing in sufficient quantities those crops, the full production of which would have put the state on a "live at home" basis, and have made the farmers independent of the fickle, fluctuating prices of cotton and tobacco.

This is one of the important findings of a comparative survey made by Charles A. Sheffield, assistant to the director of the extension service at State College. Mr. Sheffield's survey is based on the findings of the federal farm censuses of 1925 and 1900.

It shows that the farmers not only do not raise enough foodstuffs and feedstuffs to supply the wants of the state as a whole, but actually fall short by many millions of dollars of raising enough to supply their own needs. In 1925 this margin amounted to almost \$62,000,000, representing the difference between the value of corn, wheat, oats, hay, veal, mutton, lamb and milk, which the farmers of North Carolina actually raised and the value which they needed for their own use if they lived as well as the average citizen of the United States.

North Carolina farmers in 1925 fell short by \$20,300,000 of producing enough milk for their own needs, fell \$13,809,400 short of producing enough corn, fell \$19,000,000 short on hay, fell \$9,313,983 short on oats, \$7,059,608 short on wheat, \$765,377 short on mutton and lamb, and \$731,970 short on veal.

Mr. Sheffield's survey shows that the farmers did raise enough eggs, poultry, pork, beef and potatoes, (sweet and Irish), to supply their own needs but not the needs of the state.

A CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our sincere thanks to our friends neighbors and kind physician for every deed of kindness and help shown to us during the sickness and death of our darling child, Edith Frances.

MR. & MRS. D. L. BOYETTE.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Fitzgerald and daughters, Ruth and Flora, spent the week end with friends in Hartford.

Now Developing Co-op Marketing

Federal Farm Board is Forming Commodity Groups To Handle All Principal Farm Products

By CALEB JOHNSON

What is the new Federal Farm Board doing, and how will it benefit the individual farmer? Those are questions to which the answers are not yet clear, even to many of the people whose business it is to observe things in Washington. As a result, some folk have already begun to throw brickbats at the Board and to utter dire predictions of failure of this great effort at farm relief.

Without venturing an opinion as to how it is all going to work out, suppose we see just what the Board has set out to do, and how it is going about it. For it is now getting into action, and the results of its work will be felt by every man, woman and child in the United States. It is, in a very real sense, the most powerful Governmental agency ever established, by reason of its authority and its immense financial resources, and it has been entrusted with the most revolutionary task which any Government bureau has ever tackled.

In a nutshell, the job of the Farm Board is to teach farmers how to be business men. Under the Agricultural Marketing Act the Board is directed to do four principal things. These are:

1. To minimize speculation in agricultural commodities.
2. To prevent wasteful methods of distribution.
3. To prevent surpluses, so as to give the advantage to domestic markets.
4. To encourage the organization of farmers' cooperative marketing associations.

That is a big program. It will take years to develop it fully. Meanwhile, it is to be expected that the Board will make some honest mistakes, that its members, being human, will have to learn by experience, and that many farmers will believe that they have been sold another gold-bribe by the Government.

But the Board is authorized to use Five Hundred Million Dollars. That is a lot of money, even when you say it fast. One hundred and fifty millions of this is already available. This money is to be lent to farmer organizations for the purpose of facilitating the marketing of farm products. Not to private dealers, but to organizations owned and controlled by producers—the farmers themselves.

Fifty-three million dollars has already been promised by the Board to such organizations, 12 million paid out. The borrowers pay the Government rate, limited to 4 per cent by law, so far about 3½ per cent on the average.

The Board considers that the thing posture set forth above, the prevention of surpluses, will involve many years of experiment and education, so it is concentrating on the organization and support of cooperative marketing associations, in the belief that if the producers of 40 to 50 per cent of any commodity can be grouped into marketing organizations, local, territorial, tied to

Aunt Roxie Says



"Dull mind, but makes cuts"