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T. Gray Coburn Dies in Norfolk

Former Martin County Man Had Become a Leading Figure in Virginia Business Life

T. Gray Coburn, of Norfolk, died at his home in that place, 728 Maury Place, Wednesday, February 11, at 4 o'clock, after a long illness. He was the founder of the Coburn Motor Co., which was distributor of the Studebaker cars in Virginia, North and South Carolina. For many years he stood among the leading business men of Virginia. Until prevented by illness he was always on the job in pushing his own business, as well as helping in the movements for the good of his city and State.

Mr. Coburn was born and reared in Martin County on the farm of his father, the late Thomas Coburn, near Dardens. He remained on the farm until he reached young manhood leaving for active business engagement in Norfolk. He was active and alert in the city, just as he had always been at and around the old home farm, soon gaining the attention and commanding the respect of the business leaders of his chosen community.

Aside from the automobile business his mind lingered on the old profession, the farm, and a number of years ago he purchased the Sheriff Reel farm at Westover, in Washington County, completely modernizing its buildings and soil improvement, stocking it with teams and tools, and otherwise improving it until it is now possibly one of the best-equipped plantations for general farming in the entire State.

Soon after settling in Norfolk he married Miss Mattie W. Williams. She, and two daughters, Muriel and Eleanor, and T. Gray Coburn, Jr., survive.

He also leaves three brothers, Geo. R. Coburn, of Plymouth, C. E. Coburn, of Newport News, and F. H. Coburn, of Talbert Texas, and three sisters, Mrs. T. V. Clements, of Huntington, N. Va., Mrs. A. E. King, of Newport News, and Mrs. J. Willoughby, of Plymouth.

TOWN TEAM DOWNS A. C. C.

Margolis Stars by Shooting Only Field Goal of Game; Perfect Defense of Both Teams

The Williamston town team played the Atlantic Christian College in Wilson last night in one of the fastest and most exciting games seen there. The score was 12 to 11 in favor of Williamston.

Members of the local quint say that it was the strongest defensive team they have met, but not the strongest in offensive playing.

Margolis, for Williamston, starred, not only making the only field goal but playing at an unusually fast pace on the court.

Long-distance shots but failure to make the basket characterized the game. The defensive work of each team gave very few opportunities to make close shots.

The line up follows:

Williamston 12	A. C. C. 11
Taylor R. F.	Tilghman
Purvis L. F.	Mellwean
Britt C.	Underwood
Margolis R. G.	Boucher
Anderson L. G.	Ross

Substitutes: Williamston—Carstarphen; A. C. C.—Lawson, Mayfield and Merritt.

THE STRAND
TONIGHT

William S. Hart
— in —
"Wild Bill Hickok"
TWO-REEL COMEDY—
"The Cake Eater"
20c and 40c

SATURDAY
"His Majesty—The Outlaw"
Last Episode of
"INTO THE NET"
15c and 30c

GET STILL NEAR LEGGETTS MILL

Deputies Find Four Men Putting Up New Still; Men Escape, But 150-Gallon Still Seized

Deputies Luther Peel and J. R. Manning visited the Leggett Mill section of Bear Grass Tuesday evening and found four men putting up a still. The officers were still some distance away when information of their presence reached the liquor men, who very promptly ran, and their escape. The deputies seized the still, a very large copper outfit of about 150-gallon capacity, which was to have been operated by the steam process. 750 gallons of beer was found, which was also destroyed.

PREPARING FOR BIG EXPOSITION

Third Annual Eastern Carolina Exposition to be Held in Smithfield This Year, April 13-18

In presenting the third annual Eastern Carolina Exposition and automobile show at Smithfield, Johnston County, April 13-18, this year, the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce takes great pleasure in announcing the most elaborate program of any of the expositions held yet. The organization that has for its purpose the upbuilding of Eastern North Carolina, feels that the best is not too good for the people of this section. The program that is being arranged has tried to keep in mind the higher things incident to sectional development. It would be easy to arrange a program of the mediocre type and possibly it would appeal to a large number, but after it was over there would not be that feeling that the section had been benefited by the efforts put forth. However, the officials feel that when the first exposition was over in Wilson in 1923 that everybody felt that it had meant a great deal to not only Wilson but to the entire section. The same thing was said when it was all over at Kingston and it is the belief that when the third exposition closes its doors April 18 at 11 p. m., the thousands who will have attended will say, "It has really been worth while."

The success of the third event is going to depend on the moral support given it by the people of Eastern Carolina. It is a sectional affair. It belongs to the forty-six counties covered by the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce, Inc. It belongs to the 1,300,000 individuals that make up these 46 counties; it belongs to the 125 towns that compose this great section and to that mass of rural population that has made and is still making eastern Carolina a place "where life is really worth while." It will be held at Smithfield in Johnston County. There are 10 towns in Johnston County, Selma, Mills, Clayton, Benson, Four Oaks, Kenly, Wilson Mills, Princeton, and Smithfield and they all will be hosts and hostesses to the third annual sectional event. In fact Johnston County's 50,000 people are squarely behind this big occasion and will leave no stone unturned to make it the best and biggest ever held in the section. The program will be taken up in detail and given to the public through the press from time to time.

Eliza Faulk Dies in New Haven, Conn.

"Aunt" Eliza Faulk, as she was affectionately known by many colored friends, as well as by a large number of white people of Williamston, died Sunday, February 8, at the home of her daughter, Ida Olive Faulk, in New Haven, Conn.

She was the widow of the late Henry Faulk and one of the most-loved colored "aunties" of the town. She is the mother of Annie Station, Martha Berry, Ida Faulk, and W. S. Faulk, who is one of the highly respected colored citizens of the city.

The funeral took place at the home of her daughter in New Haven, where she had lived for the past eight years, and the body was brought to Williamston, where interment was made Thursday in the family cemetery.

Teachers to Meet Here Tomorrow

The fourth regular monthly teachers' meeting will be held at the graded school building tomorrow afternoon at two o'clock.

A good meeting is expected and a full attendance is anticipated, owing to the fact that the condition of the roads has improved materially recently.

Washington Man Commits Suicide

E. T. Knott, Prominent Tobacconist, Shoots Self in Head; Cause of Deed Unknown

Edward T. Knott, proprietor of Knott's Tobacco Warehouse, of Washington, and one of the most prominent tobacconists of that city, committed suicide at his home Tuesday afternoon by shooting himself in the head with a revolver. He was in his bedroom, having gone home in his car that morning about 11 o'clock, where he remained until he killed himself about 2 o'clock.

The cause of the deed is unknown, but some have said that he had been feeling well for several days.

He was a prominent tobacconist of Washington, being proprietor of the city's largest warehouse. He was also a member of the civic organizations of that place and a leading citizen. He was well known here and had a number of friends who were shocked to hear of his untimely end. Several years ago he was married to Mrs. Marcia Myers, one of Washington's most charming women.

The funeral took place yesterday afternoon at his late residence, and interment was made in Oakdale cemetery.

M'LEAN LEADS IN ECONOMY

Is Not Buying a New Car for the Mansion, But Is Even Seen To Alight from Ford

Raleigh, Feb. 12.—Governor McLean's footwork in the business of governing is the marvel of the newspaper boys and legislators who remark upon the official tendency to take the easier way.

His excellency, alighting from a Ford a day or so ago, moved one of his most observant Senators to applause for the pose of economy. It carried out to be no gesture. It is the Robesonian's fixed purpose in the governing business.

The governor has not indicated any purpose to ask the State for a new automobile. He is applying rigorous economy to the State's car. He goes down into his personal pocket every time he rides home and refuses to lay the cost of individual travel upon the commonwealth. He began this first day that he returned to Lumberton and beat Harry Nettles in the spirit of the Nettles bill almost a month.

The mansion car, a Cadillac limousine, has run 60,000 miles. It is the second chariot that the Morrison administration used. It ran day and night, in sunshine and rain, but it goes still. Mr. McLean is inclined to his State-wide plan of economy to keep this car going as long as its wheels are good. It does well yet.

The executive does not put on fancy fronts. He walks most of the time that he has away from State business, and he is some perambulator. When he hits the concrete floor at the Halifax entrance the building opens like a football line and he comes into the office with a sweep. He walks himself into physical fitness and calls little on the executive Pullman. He did not know until today that the newspaper men had caught onto his habits. They ceased him about his official hand-cuts. Pardon declines are written on slip of paper instead of a page. He laughed and told the boys that he was ordering everybody to spend the smallest amount of money and to waste nothing.

Mr. A. T. Crawford will leave Monday afternoon for Washington, B. W. Moore, and New York, where he will spend the week.

Misses Foler and Effie Griffin left yesterday for Fayetteville to spend the week end.

STATE INCOME-TAX DEPUTY TO BE HERE

Mr. Luke Lamb Will Assist in Filing State Income-Tax Reports for Last Year

Mr. Luke Lamb, State deputy commissioner of revenue, will be in his office at Williamston on February 12 and 13, for the purpose of assisting in filing State income-tax reports for the year ending December 31, 1924.

The law requires every single person who had in the calendar year 1924 a net income of \$1,000 or more and every married person who had a net income of \$2,000 or more, and all corporations whether they had a net income or not to make a return on or before March 15, 1925. Net income is gross income less the deductions, but before the personal exemption is taken off.

All individuals, partnerships, and corporations are required to report the names of persons to whom they paid \$1,000 or more during the year 1924; all partnerships are required to file a return for information but the income derived from such partnership is taxable in the individual return.

If an individual is doubtful whether to make a report or not a State deputy commissioner or the State comptroller at Raleigh should be consulted as failure to file reports when one is the subject is a penalty and a fine.

Rescuers Hope to Reach Collins Soon

A cavern, which the Floyd Collins rescue party hopes may lead down to the imprisoned man, was uncovered at the bottom of the rescue shaft at 7:30 p. m. yesterday. Some time was needed to clear it out so it could be penetrated, but the rescuers expected to reach Collins very soon.

Preparations to raise him to the surface on a stretcher platform and render all possible medical aid were checked over carefully and made ready for use.

The diamond-point drill boring through the bottom of the shaft recorded about a foot and a half of soft sandy dirt and two feet of limestone above the underground passage. The passage seemed to be of sufficient depth to permit a rescue party to enter.

Collins has been in the cave for two weeks, imprisoned for 13 days, and without food and water for eight days. Whether he is dead or alive is now a matter of conjecture as the electrical connection with him has failed to work.

Mr. and Mrs. Staton Give Bridge Luncheon

Honoring Mr. and Mrs. Edward W. McMaisters, of Pocomoke City, Md., who have been visiting their daughter, Mrs. Frank U. Barnes, and Mr. Barnes, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Staton entertained Mr. and Mrs. McMaisters and Mr. and Mrs. Barnes on Monday.

A three-course luncheon, consisting of cocktails, turkey with cranberries, and rolls and plum pudding, was served. After lunch several rubbers of bridge were played by Mr. and Mrs. McMaisters, Mrs. Barnes, and Mrs. Staton.

League Will Have Washington Party

The Epworth League will have a package party at the home of Mrs. John L. Rogerson next Friday afternoon, February 20.

It will be a George Washington party and a colonial background will be developed through the decorations and ideas carried out.

Refreshments will be served and packages will be sold for 25 cents. Everybody is invited to attend.

Worthless Check Bill Introduced

Bill Sponsored by Merchants Association Finally Gets Through After Many Attempts

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 13.—After repeated efforts, dating back for several terms, there has been passed in the general assembly a "worthless check" bill, introduced by Representative Matthews, of Mecklenburg, and sponsored by the North Carolina Merchants' Association.

This bill, now law, provides, among other things, that any person, firm, or corporation who shall draw, make, utter or deliver to another any check or draft signed or purporting to be signed by such person, firm, or corporation, and drawn on any bank or depository for the payment of money or its equivalent, and who shall at the time of making, drawing, uttering or delivering any such check or draft have insufficient funds on deposit or credits with such bank or depository with which to pay the check or draft upon its presentation and who shall fail to provide such funds or credits shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and be fined or imprisoned, in the discretion of the court.

It is provided, however, that in a case where a prosecution is begun under this act the defendant shall have a right, upon application to the trial court before the trial and after payment into court of the amount in question, to have the jury adjourned and to show that he had an account in the bank on which the check is drawn within thirty days prior to the issuance of the check and that the check was not drawn with fraudulent intent.

The word "credits" shall be construed to be an agreement with the bank or depository upon which the check is drawn for its payment upon presentation.

News and Personals From Gold Point

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Grimes and daughters, Louise and Susie, Mr. Fannie Forbes, and children, Charles and Joseph, visited in Tarboro Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Hathaway and daughter, Aline, visited in Bethel Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Rogerson, of near Stokes, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Johnson Sunday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Julius Whitfield on February 5, 1925, a son, Vernon Dale.

Mr. D. A. Brown "flivvered" over to Jamesville Friday afternoon. He spent the week end with his parents and "flivvered" back to teach school Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Bunting, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Bunting, and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bunting and children, of near Robersonville, visited Mr. and Mrs. Larry Bunting Sunday.

Mr. Urnee Bunting, who has been taking a barber's course in Richmond, Va., has returned home to spend a few days.

The Gold Point boys basketball team is going over to Robersonville Wednesday evening to play against the Robersonville team.

Birthday Party Saturday afternoon, February 7, 1925, a host of little folks gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Grimes to help celebrate the fifth birthday of their little daughter, Louise.

The children played games from about three o'clock until after five. Louise's mother served them with fruit and cake.

Mr. M. R. Rives, of Grauman, is spending the week end here with his sister, Mrs. Marshall Wilson.

Mr. Stanley Sessoms accompanied the basketball team to Wilson last night.

STATE CAPITAL HAPPENINGS

Twenty-Million Dollar Road Bond Bill Passes Senate Without Discussion

Raleigh, Feb. 13.—The \$20,000,000 road bond bill passed the Senate yesterday on its second reading without discussion or dissent.

The bill introduced by Senator Burwyn, of Northampton, to reduce the personal property tax exemption from \$500 to \$25 was passed in the Senate yesterday.

An Australian ballot bill was introduced in the House Thursday. It is expected that it will have to develop very rapidly to become a law at this session.

The bill to redivide the State into 21 judicial districts was passed by the House of Representatives yesterday.

The interest bill is before the judiciary committee. This bill proposes the amending of section 2305 of the Consolidated Statutes which forbids the collection of more than 6 per cent interest. The proposal is to allow 4 per cent on contract.

The Senate has passed the Chowan River bridge bill, which allows the State to issue \$600,000 toll bridge bonds for the purpose of constructing a toll bridge across the Chowan River near Edenton.

The bill which failed to pass the House Tuesday which provides for an increase of four superior court judges was called back by a vote of 45 to 4 and indications are that it will finally be passed.

JAMESVILLE OUT-CLASSES OAK CITY

Win on Oak City High School Court by Score of 66-2; Play Only Three Quarters

Jamesville, Feb. 13.—The Jamesville boys went to Oak City last Tuesday, February 10, and played a very interesting game of basketball.

Manning for Oak City, was the only player that made a point. He threw a field goal from center during the first half of the game, the contest being very unbalanced.

The two referees, Waters and Conner, agreed to play only three 10-minute quarters.

Mrs. N. F. Brown, of Oak City, Dead

Mrs. N. F. Brown, of Oak City, died at the home of Fannie B. Knight, near Tarboro, Tuesday. Mrs. Brown had been afflicted with Bright's disease for quite a while, as well as other complications, and upon the advice of physicians started to the hospital.

Stopping at the home of Mrs. Knight for a rest, she was never able to continue the trip, and passed away after two weeks of suffering.

The deceased was a womanly woman, courteous and exceedingly kind to all. She was a most devoted wife and to her children she was truly all that the word mother could mean, and in her daily walk and conversation among her friends and neighbors she was pointed out as a Christian woman in whom there was no guile. She was a faithful member of the Christian church at Oak City.

She is survived by her husband and four children, Lewis, Howard, William, Francis, and Abner, an adopted daughter, Lydia, two sisters, Mrs. John Bradley, of Rocky Mount, Mrs. S. G. Pridgen, of Elm City and one brother, Mr. Herbert Weathersbee, of Rocky Mount.

The funeral services were held at the home of Mrs. Knight by Dr. R. C. Leaman, of St. James M. E. Church, Tarboro, at 10:30 Wednesday morning.

The interment was in Greenwood Cemetery at Tarboro. The pall bearers were Messrs. J. W. Hipes, B. M. Worsley, T. W. Davenport, H. S. Everett, W. G. Tyson, T. H. Johnson, all of Oak City, Gus Grimes and Dr. S. P. Bass, of Tarboro.

Pope & Purvis Service Shop Receive Machine

The Hoffman pressing machine of Pope and Purvis' Service Shop arrived Thursday morning and today afternoon it had been installed and was ready for operation. This machine is one of the best on the market, and Messrs. Pope and Purvis have secured the service of Mr. D. W. Dickens, a highly recommended young man, of Salisbury, to take charge of the cleaning, pressing and altering department.

"A trial will convince one that all we say is true," said Mr. Pope this morning to our reporter.

WEATHER

Saturday: Cloudy.

Car of Liquor In Big Smashup

Arrest Scotland Neck Man Who Was Hurt in the Wreck; Get Another Car While Returning

Sheriff Roberson and Federal Agent L. W. Snell got information Tuesday afternoon that a liquor car had been wrecked at the Heeter Moore corner on the Plymouth road. They immediately left for the scene and upon arriving they found R. M. Lowe, a white man from Scotland Neck, bleeding and in a dazed and stupid condition. He soon aroused, however, and gave his name to the officers.

The car was almost a complete wreck, a five-gallon glass jug of liquor had been broken, and kags containing 20 gallons were found in the car.

Lowe was taken to jail to await a preliminary hearing. He is a native of Washington County and comes from a good family.

As the sheriff and Mr. Snell were returning with their prisoner they were passed by a car near the Glasgow Place. The officers' car was stuck in the mud and the passing car paid no attention to them. However, they got clear and drove on to find the car which had just passed blocked by another car stuck. Mr. Snell proceeded to the car and when he began a preliminary examination four negroes jumped out on the other side, all escaping, except one, George James, who was caught by the sheriff as he ran away.

It was found that they had 5 gallons of liquor, which was destroyed, and the Ford touring car, almost new, was seized. James was released, as he is a consumptive.

SCHOLARSHIP FOR THE BEST ESSAY

Sixth Annual Competition Open to High Schools Is Announced by Highway Education Board

Washington, Feb. 13.—An offer of four years at college with all expenses paid is contained in the announcement made here today by the Highway Education Board of the sixth annual good-roads essay contest, in which all high-school students are eligible to participate.

In line with administration policies tending toward economy, students are being requested to write essays on the subject "Economics resulting from Highway improvement," having in the two preceding years written papers on subjects dealing with highways and religion and highways and home life.

The contest in the various States usually is sponsored by one of the leading universities or the State department of education. In North Carolina the cooperating agency is the University Extension Division of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, which will aid in the announcement of the contest, and its termination will name competent judges to determine the best essay from that State. The best three essays from each high school are to be sent there for review.

The principal prize is a four-year university scholarship, offered by H. S. Firestone, of Akron, Ohio, a member of the Highway Education Board, of which the United States Commissioner of Education, Dr. J. J. Tiger, is chairman. This scholar srip, taog is chairman. This scholarship, which in the past five years has been won by three young women and two young men, provides that the successful contestant may attend any college or university in the United States with tuition, room, board, books, and special fees paid by the donor. It is said to be the largest single educational award offered in this country, and is estimated value to the winning student is approximately \$1,000 annually, or at least \$4,000 for the four year.

Complete information will be forwarded each person who inquires of the Highway Education Board, Willard Building, Washington, D. C.

Masonic Meeting to be Held Tonight

There will be a special communication of Skewarkee Lodge, No. 90, F. & A. M., tonight at 7:30. All Master Masons in good standing are cordially invited. Work in the Mason's degree.

C. D. CARSTARPHEN, Jr., Secretary

Mr. T. F. Harrison Will Return Today from New York, where he has been purchasing goods for Harrison Brothers & Co.

Mr. Marcellus Cooper, of Washington, was a business visitor here this week.