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Hail Storm Sunday Afternoon Does Thousands of Dollars Damage to Crops In Martin and Other Eastern Counties

kuning in The Same Direction

The most destructive hail storms ever known in this section visited pares of A'urun, Bertie, Gates, Chow at and other councies in the North eastern section of the State Sunday anternoon.

in Bertie county .. cloud gathered and made up over the town of Wildsor where hall and rain poured down in great torrents. The hail covered the ground until it was about your mehes deep. Many of the stones were annest as large as goose eggs, Sheriff Cooper declared and some were even as large as his fist. In its path the hail destroyed automobile tops, pierc ed house tops and even knocked out the glass in many homes.

The hail fell about 5:30 and on Monday morning wagon loads of the hail could be gathered up, many of the stones were then almost the size

From the most reports available, the hail reached about two and onehalf miles in all directions from the town of Windsor and passed down the leagues. Cashie river going southeasterly.

At the County farm, two miles south of Windsor, the first real signs of the storm were noticed. On this farm most of the corn was beaten to a stubble, sustaining not less than 99 1-2 per cent loss. The peanut crop was not damaged so badly, but far from the expected crop will be har vested. In cotton fields the only way to tell what had been planted was to walk in the field where a short stubble might be seen occasionally. In the main paths of the hail a thousand acres of cotton will not produce one lock of cotton;

Birds, small animals and fowls that were not well sheltered were all destroyed

Fortunately there was not much to trees and homes would have been very much worse.

The storm passed on through the Woodard section into Cashie Necks. The destruction to the crops of the Tarkentons, Jim Dawsey, Phelps and their neighbors suffered just as those around the Windsor section did.. Crossing the Roanoke river below the Ball Gray farm the storm wrought complete destruction to the crops of the Gurkin and Davis sections of this county. Here hundreds of acres of to bacco were destroyed along with all

From this point the storm continu ed its course and its fury, passing through the Tera Ceia section and beating flat the fine crops of corn in of the finest farming sections in bountiful crop this year deserve the Beaufort county, the storm had lost aid of their neighboring communinone of its fury and thousands of ties. They have work hard just to acres of crops were destroyed. Then across the Pamlico river to the South the destructive storm last Sunday. Creek section the storm went destroving every thing in the shape of

The storm from here winded its way holding its straight southeasterly course to Hobucken in Pamlico county. In the path of this storm the damage cannot be estimated by any method, but it must reach much above the million mark. No crops of any kind left any fruit. Damage to forrests, buildings, thousands of windows, several housetops and other buildings was done.

At Edenton and nearby points in Chowan county, another hail storm gathered about an hour earlier than the one in Windsor. Much damage was done in that section. The storm cross

Strand Theatre

THURSDAY Paramounts Picture

Supreme

"Manhandled"

with the ever glorious Gloria Swanson 25-one night only-50

> and Tom Mix Friday

Three Separate Storms Local Merchants Asked To Close Stores One Afternoon Each Week

Recent communications between the merchants of our town with those of Tarboro and other adjoining towns have brought up the question of closing the stores for one half day of each week. This would last, provided such an agreement were reached, through the months of July and August. The day of the week on which the half-holiday will come has not been decided upon. Thursday has been suggested, but the selection of this day is not cer-

the part of the merchants is to into the open.

The attitude of all interested parties is hoped to be learned in the next issue of this paper. If you have anything to suggest regarding the closing are not closing the stores, we will glad to put it in print in our next is-

Epworth League to Hold PLANS COMPLETE Special Meeting Tonight

There will be a special meeting of the Epworth League tonight at the Methodist Church. Those who will at. tend the convention in Louisburg are urged to be present. This applies to members of both the senior and junior

Episcopal Young Folks To Meet Friday Night

On Friday night the Young Peoples' Service League, of the Church of the Advent, will meet in the parish house of the church. The subject for dis-cussion will be "What the young people expect of the church."

Mr. Frederick Hoyt is president of the league and has appointed a very capable committee to have charge of the meeting Friday night. Marguerite Cook, Frances Hoyt, and William Cook are a committee on programs. Several new members will be added to the league at its next meeting.

wind. Had there been the destruction Demonstrate Airplane Dusting in Wayne

Approximately 1,000 people, among them some of the largest cotton growers of Wayne County, attended the airplane dusting demonstration held on the farms of J. T. and J. O. Albritton near Mount Olive, during the first week in June. It was the opinion of these men that the air plane can be used successfully in the fight on the cotton-boll weevil.

Farmers in Storm Sections. Need Help

Those farmers who have worked hard and were filled with the hope see their hopes fade in the path of

It would be no more than the neighborly thing to help them now. A day's work with a mule and plow, assisting them in replanting, a few potato sprouts, good seed corn would help greatly.

MRS. PATTIE COBURN DIED AT THE HOME OF HER DAUGHTER AT 1:20

As we were going to press, reached us that Mrs. Pattie Coburn died at the home of her daughter, Mrs Harry Meador, in New Town. A more accurate account of her death will appear in our next paper.

GIVE YOUNG WEEVILS

A DOSE OF POISON

300 live boll weevils on one acre of his young cotton last week, and he gave them a dose of poison.

TO PIC NIC AT RIVERSIDE BEACH TOMORROW The Young Peolpr's Service League of the Episcopal church will pic nic at Riverside tomorrow.

ed the Albemarle sound a few miles below Mackeys and did serious damage to a large section of Washing-

A third hail storm originated in Gates county and passed through Sunbury and on into Perquimans county It appeared that each storm was ndependent of the other, each covering a space ranging from two to five miles wide and all moved in the same general direction from north west to

Doubtless the Sunday hail destru tion did more damage to crops than any other hail storm in the history of Eastern North Carolina.

The purpose of this action on afford the clerks and merchants themselves an opportunity to work their gardens and get out

FOR CONVENTION

Miss-Flora Davis and Mr. D. W Sims Will Arrive Thursday To Open Convention

Miss Flora Davis, associate super intendent and Mr. D. W. Sims, super intendent of the North Carolina Sunday School association, of Raleigh will arrive here Thursday for the Martin County Sunday School meeting which will be held in the Methodist church.

Plans for the convention have a ready been perfected and from reports of the various Sunday Schools of the County a large attendance is expected. The convention will open at 8:00

o'clock Thursday evening and will continue through Friday. The con ention will also held sessions Friday morning at 10:30 and Friday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock. Those who will participate in th

convention besides Miss Davis and Mr. Sims are the various ministers of the County and Sunday School superintendents and leaders.

The Sunday School having argest attendance at the convention will receive a pennant which will be presented at the close of the Friday afternoon session. The contest is limit ed to Sunday Schools out of the town in which the convention is held and to pupils over sixteen years.

All sessions of the convention are open to the public, and all who are interested in the advancement of Sunday School work, whether they are active workers are not, are invited to

George Harrison, jr. **Celebrates Birthday**

George H. Harrison, jr., celebrated his eleventh birthday yesterday afternoon from 4.30 to 6.30, when he entertained about 75 of his little hov and girl friends on the lawn of his parents' lovely new home on Main

ng games delicious ice cream and cake were served. The young host was presented with many lovely gifts as re- Four and one-half membrances of his birthday.

PROMOTING BETTER FARMING

One farmer of Dowan county is encouraging better farming among his negro tenants by offering \$100 in gold to the one who works out a successful scheme for winter legumes.

Miss Elizabeth Norman of Plymouth visited friends in town yesterday.

Messrs. Price. Tom Johnson and Bill Andrews of Oak City were in town this morning.

Solly Orleans visited friends in Rocky Mount Sunday.

the 5th of July.

Mr. C .B. Roebuck of Everetts was visitor here yesterday.

Messrs. W. L. Rice and Jule James are in town this week attending to usiness matters.

Mr. Timberlake of Greenville was usiness visitor here last week.

Mr. Gus Johnson of Robersonville

as in town today. Mr. W. A. Gray of Robersonville

VANCE LLOYD A 17-YEAR OLD NEGRO KILLED

Shot to Death By Friend at Griffin Old Home at Oak City Sunday

Mr. W. B. Moye, of Gold Point, this boy, was shot and killed Sunday morning at 10:30 o clock at the Calvir Griffin old home, one mile from Has-

F. L. Edwards, county coroner, was notified and he immediately went to the scene of shooting. A jury of inquest was summoned by Mr. Edwards. There was only one eye witness to the tragedy who was Bunny Wilkins, boy about the same age of Lloyd Wilkins stated that he Lloyd and Roosevel: Howell were all in their room where they slept, and that they had cut each other's hair and were dressing to go to Gold Point. Just before leaving, Vance Lloyd borrowed a pistol which was lying at the foot of the bed. Up until this time all were friendly toward each other. Roosevelt finished dressing first, picked up the pistol and put it in his pocket. He walked to the door and turned around when he saw Lloyd was following him. Roosevelt took the pistol out and waved it back and forth in front of Lloyd Lloyd knocked Roosevelt's hand-up, causing the pistol to fire. The ball entered the left breast just above the heart and about an inch from the median line. The shot negro walked to the front porch 30 feet away and fell dead

part of the house and jumped through window. After hearing all the testimony and making full inquiry, viewing the premises and the body, the jury comosed of L. B. Roberson, R. H. Sals bury, J. W. Hines, W. J. Manning, W. E. Morris and W. C. Manning returned a verdict that the Vance Lloy the deceased, came to his death from a pistol shot wound from the hands of Roosevelt Howell.

Roosevelt made his way t othe back

Sheriff H. T. Roberson, who present at the hearing arrested Howell and placed him in jail.

Howell was given a preliminary hearing yesterday and was required to enter into bond in the sum of \$500 for his appearance at the September term of the Martin County

uperior court. All indications seem to point to the years of age, working on the same farm, eating at the same table and sleeping in the same room, were going out for a day's good time. They. began playing and the shooting was

ne without intent. Lloyd was well thought of by all his neighbors, both white and col-

Explain New Methods

Demonstrations in new methods of cultivating tobacco put on by extension specialist H. A. McGee, cooperating with county agents in eastern Carolina, are attracting much attention. Last week 14 meetings to explain this work were held in Duplin county.

Millions for Licenses

North Carolina car owners will nay feur and a half million dollars for

automobile licenses this year. This sum is not large when divided up so that it only means \$2.00 from each person. Yet half the people will not have enough ready cash to pay for a license.

Perhaps the sharpest or keenes type of finance played by the average American citizen is in previding means with wheh to buy his automobile license tag. It means that all the little loose change will be scraped up. Hams, chickens, eggs; pigs in Mr. N. Orleans, Miss Laura and fact, will be sold to keep the old car running.

The fact that every member of the family, the old man the cook, all the Mr. Frank Margolis and Mr. Mil- boys and girls and little children are ton Bloom will leave Sunday for New anxious to go, makes it easy to milk York. Mr. Bloom is returning to his the farm of its most valuable rehome there and Mr. Margolis will be sources to buy liceuse for the automarried to Miss Gertrude Bloom on And before the people will be without license-they will sacrifice their property.

Now is the best time of all th year to buy food supplies such as hams because the supply will be large And mre, who can buy these sup-And more, who can buy these supauto license also.

BUYS INITEREST IN NEWTON MEAT MARKET

Mr. Theo. Roberson has bought in terest in the Newton meat market They will handle chickens, eggs and poultry feed as well as a full line of fresh meats.

Her Birthday



She is no fatter — but just as fair—at forty, is Miss Liberty who celebrates that birthday down on Bedloe's island in N. Y. harbor this week. She was placed there in 1885, ready to help the nation ob-serve Independence Day, and it was a gala event. Her birthday gift this year was a bath, head to toe, the first in several years.

YOUNG PEOPLE CONDUCT SERVICE

Recently Organized Young Peoples Service League Has Sunset Supper And Services at Church

The Sunday evening service at the thurch of the Advent was conducte members of the Young People's Service League, which was organized last week at Fayetteville, where a number of the young people of the parish went to attend a conference of the Diocese of East Carolina. The or ganization of this league is one of the igns of activity in the parish, and it s hoped that much good may be ac complished.

A sunset supper was served on the ple of the town were cordially invited, ther has given the crop a chance, This was most enjoyable, and served and considerable improvement is not- assessments as made by the Chamber as a get-together method for both the ed during the pas, two weeks. The of Commerce. He stated that the Watts at the organ, John P. Booker planting. Farmers expect considerled the devotional services, reading able boll weevil damage. In general, Creed and the Lord's Prayer. Freder ing nicely. ick W. Hoyt, president of the league, Cultivating Tobacco | made announcements, and Miss Sarah | dition throughout the program | made announcements, and Miss Sarah | dition throughout the program | state of the program | that it might be a success, mittee of five was appointed on red lands and considerable damage mittee of five was appointed program. The committee of the program | that it might be a success, mittee of five was appointed program. W. Hoyt, was interesting, as was his from cut worms is also general. Dam- retary Coburn. The committee is to Alonzo Hassell, jr., had a most help- to excellent. ful address on "Service and Prayer."

> making the statement that the Church present time. of the Advent had a larger attendthe young people. It was proposed to increasing interest in poultry; cot- Griffin stated that he was very busy undertake some definite work within ton improving; prices improving; on the farm at present, but that he the parish at the present, and later small grain harvesting beginning; would be only to glad to assist the if found possible to enlarge the activiwill be held in the parish house on ing. Friday evening, and on the evening of the First Sunday in July the services will be conducted by the league S. Godwin read the closing prayers, season is the "Blessed Sunshine." and the rector gave the blessing. Re cessional hymn "There is a blessed home," was sung by the entire congregation, and the meeting was over or the evening.

It was a most hopeful sight to witple of today are to take the places of the older ones on tomorrow, and need the training in service which will fit them for the work of the church in the community, State, nation, and world.

SIMPLE MEALS BEST

FOR FAMILY'S HEALTH her marriage.

Simple meals in summer are best for the family's health and mean less in Detroit to Mr. Joe Askin and she, ing them out of the fields this FOR FAMILY'S HEALTH

Chamber of Commerce Meeting Friday Pledges Aid to Tobacco Market

B. A. MOYE PLACED UNDER ARREST, CONVEYED TO JAIL

Leaves Mother With 1-Day Old Baby On a Virginia Farm

Mr. B. A. Moye, of oGld Point, this ounty was brought from Virginia Sunday by Deputy William Gray of Robersonville, and was placed in jail ander a warrant charging him with abandoning his family,

About a year ago Mr. Briley left is wife and four small children. three girls, ages 10, 8 and 6 years and a boy, one year old and went away with one Sadie King of Edgecombe or Halifax county. They went to Virginia where he rented a farm and has since that time lived as man and

To make the story even worse, Mr. hild with is mother was left on the Arginia farm.

The wife of Move with the children have been taken care of by Moye's father of Oak City while B. A. Moye was playing off as man and with the the 19-year old King gfrl.

New Garage Opens on Washington Street

The garage adjacent to Ray's Cafe ormerly owned and operated by Mr. Lawrence Stalls, is now being operatd by Jimmie Hooges and Tillman

Hawkins. Mr. Hawkins and Mr. Hodges ormer citizens of Washington, being in the automobile business in that city for several years. Mr. Hawkins is a graduate of the Lincoln Automobile School, of Charlotte, N. C., and is well experienced in the automobile field.

North Carolina

hurch lawn, to which the young peo- poor cotton stands. Recent warm weaold and young folks. At eight o'clock best conditions are to be found in the assessments had been reduced half services were begun in the church by northern cotton counties where the the singing of "Hark, Hark, My Soul," season is later and the replanted led by the rector, with Mrs. W. B. areas had a better start than the first selection, of Psalms, reciting the the crop is in good shape and grow-

The corn crop shows the best contions were made. Realizing the task account of the meeting at Fayetteville, age from freezes and cold is noted formulate the plans as it sees them Miss Thelma Brown emphasized "Wor- in the mountain counties, but the best, it having power to alter or arthip" in a very pleasing manner, and general condition ranges from good range any plans necessary. The chief

Rev. C. O. Pardo was asked by the that the most favorable season for chairman, Hubert Morton, Dr. P. B. president to address the meeting, and farm work in years has continued Cone, Rector Clarance O. Pardo and he paid a high tribute to the league, from the early spring season to the F. M. Manning, were appointed to

Facts of Interest

gave in furnishing transportation for farms: Crops clean; good prospects; much interest in road building, mar-

The active farmer is optimistic this veloping this market and telling the year, Prospects are good for crops advantages of Williamston as a tradand hopes are high for good prices. ing center. with full choir of young people. After Especially concerning cotton, the the singling of hymn number 374, Paul farmers' most effective friend this Taylor stressed the necessity of im-

MASONS TO ELECT

There will be a regular communica tion of Skewarkee Lodge, No. 90, A. ness these young people assuming ac- F. & A. M., at the Masonic Hall totive duties in the parish, and the older night. At this meeting officers for the united support of every one in our members of the church are eager to the ensuing year will be elected and community. give courage and aid to the work, other important business will be transwhich carries with it unusual responsi- acted. All Master Masons in good REV. H. G. BRYANT TO bilities and great joy in serving in standing are urged to be present and the Master's Kingdom. The young peof on time. The meeting will be begin promptly at eight.

ASKIN-ORLEANS

Friends of Mrs. Joe Askin, who was cordially invited to hear him. formerly Miss Ida Orleans and lived in Williamston for several years with ANOTHER REASON FOR her uncle, Mr. Nathan Orleans, will DESTRUCTION O be interested in the announcement of

work for the housekeeper, say home accompanied by her husband, will armer, say agronomy workers at demonstration workers.

Town Well Represented. Much Enthusiasm Shown By All

One of the best meetings ever held by the local Chamber of Commerce took place last Friday afternoon at five o'clock in the Roanoke ware-

While the number present was some ess than a hundred, the town as a whole was well represented, merchanis. warehousemen being in attendance. There were no definite plans made but there was established a nucleous around which our community will start to advertise one of the best tobacco markets to be ound any where in the State, and to prove the fact that Williamston is ast becoming the trading center of

this section. At no future meeting do we recall he earnestness and interest as was shown at this meeting. It was far from the cut and dried variety, every Gray found a one day old child in one suggesting plans and backing up he home. He took the father and the all worthy one of others. Mayor Co burn, in the absence of the Chamber's president, Mr. K. B. Crawford, called the meeting to order. After explaining the purpose of the meeting and outlining the situation of our town and market, he threw the meeting

open for discussion. Mr. W. T. Meadows made an eloquent five-minute talk, offering helpul suggestions and pledging his unlivided support. He stated that he was with em when it came to anything that would help boost the local obacco market and the town. Rector Clarance O. Pardo was next and the ery spirit in which he is working for he upbuilding of the community is most commendable. While his work he said, is devoted to moral and reigious lines, he would not fail to ofas much of his time as possible that he might be able to aid in the

advertising of our town. These two talks may be classed as the most outstanding ones, but they were well kept up with by offers of Notes other members and citizens. Mr. R. L. Coburn, in expressing his desire Reports prior to June 1st indicated and willingness to help, offered his services in that he would start out rom the original amount and that he felt safe in saying that the members would do their best in meeting their

essments. The question of having a general rally-day was brought up for disto be a big one and with the hope Statements from farmers indicate boost. Doctor John D. Biggs, as

serve on the committee. Messrs. F J. Margolis and Claudius Griffin ance at Fayetteville than any parish The following are quooed as outstand were appointed but Mr. Margolis statxcept one. He thanked the vestry ing facts in farm conditions at pressed that he would be out of town for nd Mrs. J. G. Staton for the aid they ent and reflect the situations on the the next 60 days and would be unable to attend all the meetings; Mr. committee in any way he could when ies of the league. The next meeting keting, lumbering, fishing and loaf able to do so. Every one in attendance pledged his assistance toward the de-

Messrs. Hubert Morton and Joe pressing upon the minds of every man, woman and child in our community the fact that a personal boost OFFICERS TONIGHT from each was of vital importance and that each take the every opportunity possible to mention the local market.

From this meeting we can safely say that the local market will receive

PREACH HERE SUNDAY

Rev. H. G. Bryant of Murfreesboro will preach at the Baptist church Sunday, June 27, at 11 a. m. All members of the church and the public ara

It takes at least 20 tons of water to produce one half of a ton of weed