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WARN AUTOISTS AGAINST CARBON MONOXIDE GAS

Health Officials Point Out Dangers of Riding in Closed Cars

CAUSES MANY DEATHS
Some Ventilation Should Be Provided When Riding in Closed Car; One Death Reported This Season

Pointing out that carbon monoxide gas is causing a number of deaths, and is especially dangerous during cold weather, health officials are warning car owners to use precautions in riding in closed machines. They state: "Every year at the beginning of cold weather, when garages are closing up, newspapers carry an increased number of reports recording the deaths of people from carbon monoxide gas poisoning. We have for several years made it a point to call especial attention to this danger about this time.

The necessity for reminding people again was forcibly brought to mind a few days ago in reading a newspaper report of a six-year-old child dying from this cause, and the father almost succumbing, while riding in a closed automobile on a trip from Raleigh to Mount Olive. The two passengers on the front seat did not note anything wrong, but the father and little boy, riding on the rear seat, were overcome, on account of a leak in the exhaust pipe leading into the body of the automobile. The automobile was one of the lighter and cheaper class of cars in such common use, and hence the danger is greater in such cars, on account of the likelihood of less perfect workmanship in the floors.

"This kind of gas poison acts with terrifying rapidity. There is no odor about it, and therefore it strikes without warning. The preventive to use is simply ventilation in the car while the engine is running; that is, ventilation through the windows sufficient to purify the air, in case there should accidentally happen to be a leak letting in the deadly gas into the passenger compartment. People starting their cars in the early morning should see that the door of the garage or windows are wide open when the engine is first started, no matter how cold the weather may be. Running engines in a closed garage have been responsible for many deaths from this cause. It is better to endure a little cold and discomfort than to die such a sudden death from such a poisonous gas. It is hoped that there will be no other deaths recorded in this State this year from such a cause."

BOILER AT FARM LIFE CRACKED

School Is Without Heating System at Present; Leak in Water Pipe Cause

Work in the Farm Life School was temporarily hampered last Friday morning, when the boiler supplying heat for the building cracked, filling the basement rooms with steam. Damage was limited to the boiler, but much trouble resulted when officials were forced to equip each room with individual heating units.

The boiler, cracked in several places was removed to an iron works in Goldsboro yesterday for repairs. It is not certain that the boiler can be repaired, and if a new one is necessary, it will be several days before the regular heating system can be used.

A leaking water pipe is said to have caused the apparatus to burst.

Town Tax Collections So Far Total \$6,214.99

Taxes paid into the town's treasury up to this morning totaled \$6,214.99, according to a report coming from the mayor's office. The collections compare favorably with those made last year, especially in this time considering the fact that the books were late in reaching the collector on account of the necessity of tabulating paving assessments.

WATTS THEATRE

Wednesday Nov. 13

BILL CODY

in THE FIGHTING SHERIFF

Also 2-REEL COMEDY and SERIAL

MUSIC BY PHOTOTONE

Community Fair at Everetts Monday Is Decided Success

ADDRESS MADE BY JNO. H. KERR

G. A. Cardwell Also Talks On Changing System Of Farming

BIG CROWD ATTENDS
Expected That Fair Will Be Made An Annual Feature; Exhibits Are Very Good

Holding a community fair in connection with an Armistice Day program, the Everetts Parent-Teacher association yesterday scored a marked success, bringing together one of the best exhibits displays every seen at a community fair in this section and offering a program that was enjoyed by a large number of people.

Only a few weeks ago, the association planned the fair, and with the whole-hearted cooperation of the people in the town and community, the undertaking progressed rapidly. Mr. V. G. Taylor was made president and Paul Bailey, cashier of the bank there, was elected secretary-treasurer. Prizes were offered by merchants and individuals, and the people, in large numbers began to prepare exhibits.

R. A. Phillips, president of the parent-teacher association and manager of the program, handled the fair's preparations creditably, its success being due, in part, to his efforts.

Opening yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock with many quality exhibits on display, the fair attracted large numbers of people from all over the section. Following the viewing of the exhibits, Mr. G. A. Cardwell, Agricultural Agent for the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad, addressed the body on the important question of how Martin County farmers should operate their farms. Using facts and figures, Mr. Cardwell stated that the farmers should change the present system of farming, cultivating fewer of the money crops and paying more attention to the little things such as chickens, pigs and cows. He preached the same old truth, that our farmers have heard but who have spurned for so long a time. The truth will have to be heeded if the farmers ever become independent, he stated.

Following dinner served by the association, a patriotic program was rendered, the body singing songs and Judge John H. Kerr delivering the address. Congressman Kerr made a splendid speech, paying high tribute to the North Carolina soldiers for the part taken in all wars. He told of the State's part in the Civil and World War, citing historical facts which have placed the State at the front.

He called on the manhood, urging our people to be as great in peace as in war, which after all, he stated is far more important.

Continuing, Mr. Kerr stated, "We have adopted the wrong standard of values, choosing the money value rather than the higher attributes which make for peace and happiness." He deplored the fact that the world so willingly and gladly bows to the man with money whether he has any of the qualities that make a gentleman.

In outlining one of the things with which our country is vitally interested, he paid his special respects to the pending tariff bill as passed by the House. He stated while it was a farm relief measure in name, it is estimated that the bill as it now stands will cost the American farmers about \$800,000,000 while it will profit them only \$30,000,000. The bill, as Mr. Kerr sees it, will give ten to the manufacturer and only one to the farmer.

He urged the schools to teach the people more about our government, that they may understand the great influence that the laws passed by Congress have not only in this country but upon the entire world.

So successful was the undertaking that it is believed the fair will be held in connection with similar programs in the future.

A list of the prize winners follows: Best fancy work—Mrs. Mary Edmondson, first prize; Mrs. Mary Everett, second prize; Plain sewing—Mrs. V. G. Taylor, first prize; Mrs. Jesse Keel, second prize; Cooking and Canning—Best biscuits—Mrs. J. S. Peel, first and second prizes; Salads—Mrs. Leaman Taylor, first prize; Mrs. Gordon Boyley, second prize; Cakes—Mrs. C. F. Hunter, first prize; Mrs. J. L. Bailey, second prize; School lunch—Mrs. J. S. Ayers, first prize; Mrs. J. F. Wynn, second prize; Canning—Mrs. Leona Wynn, first prize; Miss Mary V. Daniel, second prize; Cut flowers—Mrs. J. S. Peel, first prize; Miss Sude Mobley, second prize; Pot flowers—Mrs. R. A. Phillips, first prize; Mrs. Gus Keel, second prize; Best individual display of flowers—Mrs. J. T. Barnhill; Fava Crops—Best peanuts—C. T. Peel.

TAX RATE FOR COUNTY LOWER THAN AVERAGE

Average Rate Throughout State Is 12 Cents Lower Than Last Year

4 CENTS LOWER HERE
State Average Rate \$1.45, Against \$1.34 For Martin County; Valuation Shows Decrease

According to figures compiled by the State Tax Commission, the general county rate in Martin is 11 cents below the average of \$1.45 for 93 of the 100 counties in the State. The corresponding average rate in 1928 was \$1.57. While the average decrease in the 1929 rate was 12 cents over the entire State, the drop in this county was only 4 cents, falling from \$1.38 to \$1.34.

The figures compiled by the State Tax Commission show that the tax rates, the assessed valuations, and the amount of taxes levied by counties in the State are all lower than in 1928. The decrease of 12 cents in rate is evenly divided between the rate for schools and the rate for county purposes other than schools.

The assessed valuations for 85 counties shows a small decrease from \$2,420,000,000 to \$2,408,000,000—\$12,000,000. If this rate should be maintained by the other 15 counties the total decrease in valuation will amount to \$15,000,000. The taxes levied in 85 counties show a decrease of approximately \$1,250,000. If the rate of decrease should hold, the total decrease in county-wide levies will reach approximately \$1,500,000.

The actual county-wide levies, which in 1928 were, in round numbers, \$37,000,000, will drop this year to about \$35,000,000. This decrease of \$1,500,000 in county taxes levied this year means an actual increase in county budgets of some \$3,500,000 over the 1928 budgets. The 1929 General Assembly appropriated \$6,250,000 additional State aid to the counties for this fiscal year—\$3,250,000 for the equalizing fund for schools and approximately \$3,000,000 for roads or debt service.

However, only \$5,000,000 of this should be reflected in county-wide rate changes, as \$1,250,000 of the school fund goes to districts.

3 UNDER BOND AS RESULT OF FIGHT

Linwood Bunch, Charlie and Jasper Moore in Affray Saturday Night

Linwood Bunch, of Portsmouth, and Charlie Moore and Jasper Moore, young men of this place, were bound over to the recorder's court for taking part in an affray here last Saturday night. Bunch and Charlie Moore were required to give bonds in the sum of \$50 and Jasper, appealing from a \$5 fine and part of the costs, imposed by Justice of the Peace J. L. Hassell at the hearing held shortly after the affray, was required to furnish bond in the sum of \$25.

According to reports, the trouble was started several days ago when Bunch called by the home of Mr. George Moore here and carried Sam Moore's children to their mother, who lives in Virginia apart from her husband. Returning here for the week end, Bunch is said to have learned that the two boys opposed the removal of the children and that they were threatening him. It was further pointed out that Bunch went to the Standard Filling Station, operated by Mr. W. L. Stalls, on Main Street here, about 9 o'clock, a fight soon starting, with Charlie and Bunch taking part. Jasper is said to have come up shortly, or just in time to receive a bad gash across his right eye and a broken nose.

Bunch denied that he used any weapon in the fight, stating that he damaged young Moore's face with the bare fist. The case will be called in the recorder's court here the first Tuesday in December.

Boy Jailed for Stabbing Another Is Allowed Bond

Jesse Williams, held in the local jail for two days, pending the outcome of a wound inflicted in the side of John James, jr., of Robersonville, was released last Saturday under a \$300 bond, physicians stating that the James boy was not as dangerously hurt as it was first thought. Raymond Williams, a party to the stabbing that took place near the county home last Thursday night, was released under a \$100 bond. The case will be called in the recorder's court here today.

New Methodist Minister Will Move Here Friday

Preaching his first sermon as newly appointed pastor of the Methodist church here last Sunday morning, Rev. D. A. Petty will move his family from Rocky Mount next Friday to take charge of the work here. Dr. and Mrs. Fitzgerald will move to their new home in Rich Square that day.

Prominent Farmer of Near Hamilton Commits Suicide

PROGRAM AT OAK CITY YESTERDAY
Held in School Auditorium; Large Crowd Attends Exercises

Oak City, Nov. 11.—The Armistice Day Program in the Oak City school auditorium this morning was indeed a success. The auditorium and balcony were filled with pupils and visitors. The excellent address made by Hon. Eibert S. Peel was applauded and very highly complimented by patrons and friends present, among whom were some of the leading farmers in the county.

Mr. Peel dealt with the four crises facing America today, and very forcibly presented his subject by illustrating the following: Agriculture, taxation, labor, and unemployment. Mr. Peel drew pictures of each, the low prices of products, inequality of taxation, the drastic scene of Gastonia, and the unemployed millions. Every point hit home with the audience, and a number lingered to comment on the topics.

The program will be continued throughout the week as outlined in a previous announcement.

GOOD RECORD OF ATTENDANCE

75 Pupils at Farm Life Had Perfect Records Last Month

Seventy-five pupils in the Farm Life School made the perfect attendance roll during the past school month, according to a report made recently by the principal, R. B. Taly. Farm Life reported an attendance of 87.25 per cent of its total enrollment. The list of pupils making the roll follows:

First grade: Thomas Daniel, Dalma Manning, Cecil Brown, Herbert Manning, jr., Brownie Harrington, Lawrence Coletrain, Ida Mae Corey, Leslie Manning, Chloé Harrison, Laura Lilley, Levaughn Hardison, Lucy Clarey, Francis Manning. Second grade: Bennie Daniel, Joseph Daniel, Bruce Coletrain, Russell Corey, Sallie Coletrain, Betie Louise Lilley, Mary Manning, Mittie Brown Manning, Athalia Mizelle. Third grade: Ruby Coletrain, Beatrice Ellis, Sarah Gotsinger, Carol Coletrain, Noah Hardison, William Manning, Joseph Peel.

Fourth grade: Marjorie Corey, Erla Ruth Corey, Eva Manning, Mamie Clyde Manning, Altona Brand, Edwin Corey, John B. Roberson, W. A. Manning. Fifth grade: Mary Manning, Francis Peelle, Emma B. Coletrain, Dare Ellis, Joy Daniel, James Peel, Wendell Hardison. Sixth grade: Daisy Roberson, Elizabeth Daniel, Sara Roberson, Beulah Roberson, Lila Mae Coletrain, Ruby Harrington, Beulah Daniel, Kenneth Harrington, Marvin Coletrain, Justice Coletrain, Olivia Hardison. Seventh grade: Garland Coletrain, Richard Corey, Mary Belle Corey, Louise Manning, Janie Manning, Benjamin Peel. Eighth grade: Tillie Corey, Verna Corey, Virginia Corey, Estelle Lilley, Emma Belle Manning, Verna Roberson. Ninth grade: Eva Brown, Coletrain, Irene Coletrain, Tillie Ricks, Vera Pearl Roberson, Felton Daniel, John E. Manning, Woodrow Tice. Tenth grade: Albert Coletrain.

100,000 At Scene of Miraculous Cures

Malden, Mass., Nov. 11.—The stone over the grave of Rev. Patrick Power was removed by police today from the Holy Cross cemetery. One hundred thousand persons struggled to see the stone yesterday after recent reported miraculous cures there.

Irish Store Gives Cosmetics To Keep Sales Girls Smart

London, Nov. 7.—Free cosmetics are being supplied to shop girls in a Dublin store to enable them to look their best behind the counter. "The idea is not to make our saleswomen like chorus girls," says the employer, "but to help them to look smart and fresh."

Each girl receives a fixed makeup rating, including a lipstick and powder of the correct shade for the user's complexion. "Blue noses do not encourage trade," is the employer's motto, and he believes a dab of powder may make all the difference between a mere inquiry and a sale.

Woman's Club To Have Dance Thursday Night

According to an announcement made this morning, the Woman's club will hold a dance in its hall Thursday night.

Masons To Hold Their Regular Meet Tonight

There will be a regular communication of Skewarkee Lodge, No. 90, A. F. & A. M., tonight at 7:30. Members are urged to be present and on time. Visiting Masons are cordially invited.

ATTENDANCE AT MARTIN SCHOOLS SHOWS DECREASE

Percentage Average Daily Attendance in 6 Schools Last Month 92.79

233 ON HONOR ROLLS
Robersonville Leads in Average Daily Attendance; Hassell Has Highest Percentage on Honor Roll

That the attendance problem in Martin County schools is a serious one is borne out in reports received in the office of the county superintendent recently. During the past school month there were 115 children absent on an average from the six schools, Williamston, Robersonville, Farm Life, Everetts, Parmele, and Hassell. The total enrollment in these schools was 1,009, while only 1,494 children attended regularly, according to the reports.

While several of the schools were not open during the month of September, the reports from the other schools in session since the first of September show that the attendance percentage figure was lower last month than it was during the first period. Out of the 92.79 per cent of the pupils attending their school regularly, 233 were pointed out for the scholastic achievements during the past month. The number of honor students, approximately 10 per cent of the total average daily attendance figure, is considered fair, but the reports show that many of the honor students are in the primary grades, leaving one to guess the cause why there are so few bright pupils in the grammar and high school departments.

Below is a summary of the attendance and scholastic reports made by six schools for the past month:

No. Enrolled	Daily Attendance	Honor	% Honor
Robersonville	484	95.4	14.94
Williamston	659	93	15
Everetts	171	92.40	10.13
Parmele	81	91.36	20.27
Farm Life	149	87.25	19.23
Hassell	65	76.92	33.33

69 IN COUNTY PAY TAX ON INCOMES

Only 18 Counties Below Martin in Filing Returns

Sixty-nine Martin County citizens filed income tax returns during the year 1927, according to figures compiled by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue recently. Forty-two of the returns were filed here, and 18 were filed in Robersonville, 9 others being listed in the miscellaneous column.

Only 18 other counties were below Martin in reporting the number of incomes. Hertford County reported the same number.

According to the figures compiled by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, the individual returns in this State numbered 33,398, the incomes reported to the United States Government amounting to \$155,916,827. The average income was \$4,684.5, and the total tax collected amounted to \$4,519,870, an average of \$135.33 per taxpayer, according to the report.

All the counties bordering Martin, with the exception of Washington, reported more returns than Martin reported. Mecklenburg led the list with 4,437 returns, while Guilford was next with 3,291. Forsythe also reported a large number.

Two Men Pay Costs for Hunting Out of Season

Charged with hunting opossums out of season, John Barnes was taxed with the costs at a hearing held before Justice of the Peace J. L. Hassell here this morning. The costs in the case amounted to \$9.50.

Gabriel Wiggins, jr., called before the same court, was charged with hunting on posted land without a permit and hunting opossums out of season. While no fine was imposed, the costs in the case amounted to \$12.00.

A number of violations has been reported to the authorities and several indictments will be issued against the violators, according to information received here this morning.

County Teachers Will Meet Here Saturday

The Martin County teachers will hold their third monthly meeting of the 1929-30 term in the new high school building here next Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, according to an announcement coming from Superintendent R. A. Pope's office yesterday morning.

Regular Meeting of Kiwanis Tomorrow

The local Kiwanis Club will hold its regular meeting tomorrow at the regular hour in the Woman's club hall, Rev. Z. T. Piephoff, of the Presbyterian church, having charge of the program. All members are urged to attend.

Tobacco Prices Stranger Today Than Last Week

Tobacco prices are said to be a little stronger on the local market today than they have been in several days, according to reports gathered from remarks made by warehousemen and farmers. The better grades were said to be selling favorably.

Sales were completed by the noon hour today, unfavorable weather limiting the amount of the offerings.

Warehousemen look for good sales this week and next and an even price market.

It is generally conceded that practically all the tobacco has been sold in this immediate section, many of the farmers having already closed out their stock.