

Tornado Strikes Near This Place

Terrific Windstorm Does Much Damage in Martin County. Scores Receive Injuries.

Wednesday afternoon about three o'clock a windstorm of cyclonic force struck in the Robersonville section of Martin county injuring scores of people and causing a property damage of nearly a million dollars, it is estimated at the time of going to press.

The tornado cut a path about fifteen miles in length and approximately four hundred yards in width. It is expected that some of the injured are in such serious condition that death will result. As soon as possible after the storm had subsided those who escaped the wrath of the storm immediately set about to give relief to the injured. A hospital was improvised in the town of Robersonville and all the attention possible was given.

Thursday morning a considerable number of Washington county people went to the scene of the storm, but as we go to press none of them have returned.

The storm seemed to be general as it is reported that nearly a hundred persons have been killed and millions in property destroyed in the Carolinas, Georgia, Alabama and other states.

At this writing it is impossible for us to give a complete account of the havoc wrought.

WALTER C. SPRUILL

Mr. Walter C. Spruill was born May 7, 1863, and died April 8, 1924. He married Miss Annie M. Woolard of Plymouth January 9, 1884. He was a loyal member of the Methodist Church of Plymouth for thirty-two years. He was also a member of the Oddfellows and Knights of Pythias. He was an excellent citizen, a good neighbor, a thoughtful husband and a true Christian.

W. G. LOWE.

MRS. CLAUDIUS MCGOWAN

Mrs. Claudius McGowan was born June 15, 1900, and died April 24, 1924. She was married to Dr. Claudius McGowan April 5, 1918, to which union two children were born. She joined the Methodist church in Plymouth April 1911, to which she was a most loyal member and consistent contributor.

She is survived by two brothers, one sister, her mother, two children and her husband.

She was gracious in disposition, kind in heart, large in spirit, thoughtful of others and queenly in her home.

A noble woman has passed from us.

W. G. LOWE.

FOR TREASURER

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of treasurer of Washington County, subject to the action of the Democratic primary to be held on Saturday, June 7, 1924.

Your vote and support will be greatly appreciated.

WILLIAM WILEY.

LIST OF JURORS

The following named have been drawn to serve as jurors in the special term of Superior court which will convene here next week, with Judge W. M. Bond, Sr., presiding.

Plymouth Township

- C. W. McNair.
- C. R. Gaylord.
- E. W. Latham.
- H. W. Mizelle
- R. L. Terterton
- C. M. Kelly
- L. S. Landing
- A. R. Latham
- T. H. Waters.

Lee's Mill Township

- Stuart Lewis
- G. L. Jones
- D. L. Morris
- C. T. Riddick
- Jack McAllister
- D. F. Tarkenton
- N. S. Herrington
- C. O. Bollinger

Skimmersville Township

- N. D. Bateman
- S. B. Davenport

Scuppernong Township

- M. L. Comstock
- J. E. Nooney
- J. H. Craddock
- J. E. Davenport
- John T. Spruill

SKINNERSVILLE NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Bell and Miss Ardene Blount were in Edenton Monday.

Mrs. M. J. Elliott has returned home after spending some time with her children in Aulander and Suffolk.

Messrs. W. E. Blount, C. V. White, Wilbert Blount and Misses Arden and Eva White were in Crewell last Tuesday night to hear the address of Mr. E. F. Aydtlett of Elizabeth City.

Miss Mary Many spent Saturday and Sunday with Miss Mollie Davenport.

Miss Mary Eliza Spruill of Greensboro, is spending some time with her sister, Mrs. Pattie Spruill.

Quite a number of Skimmersville people took supper at Lake Phelps Sunday.

Miss Delano Wilson and Miss Morgan of Plymouth joined the camping party at Lake Phelps Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Aumack were guests of Mrs. Pattie Spruill Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Swain and children were guests of Mrs. Henrietta Swain Sunday.

Miss Audrey Knowles of near Roper, spent Sunday afternoon with Miss Sabrey Bateman.

Mrs. C. V. White returned home Tuesday from Edenton, after spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. White.

MRS. MCGOWAN DIES IN WASHINGTON

Last Thursday morning our community was deeply shocked to learn of the sudden death of Mrs. Claudius McGowan, who died in a hospital in Washington at five o'clock that morning. Mrs. McGowan had been in the hospital in that place for some time under the care of physicians.

Mrs. McGowan was one of the most beloved young women of our community and her death is a severe shock to all our people. Her remains were brought from Washington by Mr. W. T. Nurney, a local undertaker, in the afternoon of the day of her death. A considerable number of people were at the home awaiting the arrival of the hearse and a spirit of gloom pervaded the atmosphere. At three o'clock Friday afternoon the funeral service was conducted in the Methodist church by the pastor, Rev. W. G. Lowe, assisted by Rev. W. O. Sawyer and Rev. Theodore Partrick, Jr. The sorrowing friends who gathered to pay a last tribute of love, esteem and respect were so numerous that it was impossible for them all to enter the church.

Immediately after the funeral service the funeral cortege wended its way sorrowfully to the family burying grounds on the Newberry farm, about five miles from Plymouth, where the interment was made.

The floral tributes were so vast that it was necessary to employ a motor truck with which to convey them to the funeral and interment.

Mrs. McGowan was a daughter of the late sheriff and Mrs. J. E. Reid, and was twenty-three years of age. She leaves to mourn her death a devoted mother, one sister, Miss Mamie Reid, two brothers, sheriff J. K., and Mr. F. E. Reid, all of Plymouth. Two children also survive her, little Miss Lillian Reid, age three years, and Martha DeCormis, who was born at the time of her mother's death.

She was married to doctor Claudius McGowan, originally of Pitt County, in April 1918. Very soon after the union Dr. McGowan entered the army and served overseas with the American Expeditionary Force as an officer in the medical corps.

The Beacon extends its deepest sympathy to the heartbroken relatives.

CARD OF THANKS

It is impossible for us to fittingly express our gratitude to those who were so kind to us during the recent illness and death of our beloved wife, daughter and sister, Mrs. Claudius McGowan, who died Thursday, April 24, 1924.

Those kind friends who ever live in our remembrance, and if ever sorrow comes to any of you we shall consider it a blessed privilege to be allowed to render any assistance within our power.

Those who sent flowers are thanked from the depths of our hearts, and the cards attached to each wreath or bouquet will be kept among our most valued possessions.

Gratefully,

Dr. C. McGowan and Family,
Mrs. J. E. Reid and Family.

FOR BOARD OF EDUCATION

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for member of the board of education from Scuppernong township, Washington County, subject to the Democratic primary to be held June 7th.

Your support will be highly appreciated.

T. F. DAVENPORT.

PROFESSOR W. M. HINTON SUPPORTING WARREN FOR CONGRESS

A Few Reasons Why I am Supporting Warren for Congress.

1st. He is fully equipped by native ability, careful training and legislative experience to represent this district in Congress.

2nd. He is in the prime of robust and vigorous manhood and not in the hand of enfeebling age. His sun is rapidly ascending to the zenith and not casting flickering rays down the western skies. Therefore he is physically as well as mentally able to stand the strenuous work of an active representative.

3rd. He is thoroughly progressive, yet eminently practical.

4th. He is also aggressive, ever ready to contend for the best interests of his constituents. He fights in the open, never hits below the belt, resorts to no dirty tricks and generally wins his fight.

5th. His record is clean.

6th. He looks with disfavor upon the lavish use of money in a political campaign. And well he may, for we know that a fellow who attempts to buy an office does so as an investment and is himself ever open to the highest bidder. Warren has implicit confidence in the integrity of the people and their willingness to elect a man to office on his intrinsic worth and not on the size and number of his money bags.

7th. He is frank, approachable, "folksy." He moves among the people of the district with no blare of trumpets but with a comradeship born of a thorough knowledge of their needs.

8th. He is honest and will, therefore represent impartially every part of the district.

9th. He is alert, active always on the job. Therefore, the interests of his constituents, rich and poor alike, will I believe, be absolutely safe in his keeping.

10th. He has been enthusiastically endorsed by the ex-service men in his own and other counties, and being the peer of any candidate, in the field, it should be the pleasure of patriotic men and women to carry into effect the wish of those men and women who

EASTER AT CHRIST CHURCH, CRESWELL

In harmony with the joyous and loving spirit of Easter, the day was fittingly observed in this parish. The Church was beautifully decorated with ferns, pink and white carnations, dogwood, and many pot plants.

The Services of the day began with a celebration of the Holy Communion at seven forty five in the morning. At eleven o'clock there was Morning Prayer and sermon, and combined with this Service was the childrens program. The music for this occasion was rendered by the junior choir composed of twenty members, under the direction of Miss Carrie Mae Holmes. The selections were as follows:

- "In Bethany" Meredith
- "Alone He Stands" Lerman
- "Almighty Lord" Roseman
- "Shall I Crucify Him" Breck
- "For Me" Meredith
- "Sweetly Rest" Tillotson
- "Risen" Tillotson
- "Hail the King" Rosser

At two thirty in the afternoon there was a Baptismal Service in the Church. We were very happy to know that the Mite Box offering from the Sunday School was \$122.05 to apply on the 100 dollar apportionment given us by the diocese.

bared their bosoms to the shot and shell and of the enemy in defence of country and humanity in the bloodiest war of the ages.

W. M. HINTON.

Mr. Hinton is a native of Pasquotank county. He resided in Elizabeth City until about four months ago. He is now a citizen of Greenville, Pitt county.

He had charge of the public schools of Elizabeth City for nine years served as county superintendent of schools for eight years, taught at Belhaven for three years, and taught many years in other places. He has represented Pasquotank county in the General Assembly.

He has always been a staunch Democrat; has ever taken an active part in politics and deems it the sacred duty of every intelligent man and woman to do the same.

\$10.00 IN GOLD

Take these three words (THE ROANOKE BEACON) and see how many words of the English language you can make out of the letters in them. As an example we offer:

Bean—Roan—Bone

You will be surprised to know how many words can be formed from these sixteen letters. A cash prize of ten dollars paid in GOLD will be awarded the person making the greatest number of words, taking care not to use any one letter more than it is used in the words (THE ROANOKE BEACON) in the formation of any one word in this competition.

It will be necessary to send in with each list of words one subscription or renewal to The Roanoke Beacon for a period of not less than one year, which is \$1.50.

This contest will afford a great deal of interest in using your skill in the arrangement of the English alphabet.

Mail your list in to this office with a subscription or renewal and get a chance at the

TEN DOLLARS IN GOLD

This Contest Closes May 14 at 6 P. M.

LOCAL NEWS.

Dr. Claudius McGowan motored to Washington Sunday.

Atty. R. L. Coburn of Williams-ton, was in town Sunday.

Master Gordon Chesson was in town shopping last Friday.

Miss Esther Chesson and Vera Roberson of Roper, were in our city Sunday.

Mr. J. F. Jordan of Dardens, was in town on business this week.

Miss Minnie Gordon Cahoon spent the past week-end in Roper.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Spruill and children motored to Roper Sunday.

Miss Pauline Lucas spent the past week-end in Ringwood.

Miss Betty Coburn of Westover spent Sunday with Miss Evelyn Cahoon.

Mr. N. P. Rasmussen from Denmark, is spending some time near here.

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Hilliard and Miss Myrtle Day motored to South Creek Sunday.

Mr. S. S. Mann of Swan Quarter, candidate for congress was in town last Saturday in the interest of his campaign.

Mr. W. F. Nurney has been attending the convention of North Carolina funeral directors in Raleigh this week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Davenport and Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Garrett spent the past week-end in Wilson.

Misses Estelle and Athlene Harris of Greenville, who have been visiting Dr. C. McGowan, returned to their home this week.

Mr. Jas. A. Butler of Hertford, has been in town several days recently in the interest of the campaign of Mr. E. F. Aydtlett, candidate for congress.

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Walker and Misses Martha and Mavis Thigpen, Elizabeth Tucker and Margaret Ross Walker attended a show in Washington last Friday night.

Messrs. Lloyd Horton, Hal Williford and Frank Brinkley and Misses Marjorie and Dorothy Nixon, Mrs. Hal Williford and Mrs. W. R. Hampton motored to Washington Friday night.

Mr. E. F. Aydtlett, candidate for congress from Elizabeth City, delivered an address in the school auditorium here last Saturday night. On account of the inopportunity of the time only a small crowd gathered to hear him.

LOST - tan leather handbag with patent leather trimmings, on Plymouth school premises last Thursday night. Finder please notify this office.

DR. KING'S NEW DISCOVER: Will Surely Stop That Cough.

FOR RENT - two rooms in private family to respectable persons. Private bath, water and lights. Address Y care Roanoke Beacon.

LOST - Brown fur checker somewhere in downtown district, on Saturday night, March 29th. Finder will please notify Mrs Stewart Darden.

Registration Books Open.

The registration books for Plymouth voting precinct will be open tomorrow and will remain open for the registration of qualified voters until the 24th of May. The books are in the office of the chief of police in the custody of J. S. Brown, registrar.