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LARGE INCOME TAX PAYERS IN STATE

Reynolds Leads Individuals and Reynolds Company Leads Corporations. Winston-Salem Leads.

Income tax assessments of the federal government in North Carolina for 1924 fell heaviest on a dozen corporations and half a hundred extremely wealthy individuals, according to records of the internal revenue office for the state, made public by Collector Gilliam Grissom.

Twelve corporations, with tax assesments ranging from fifty thousand to three and a half millions, paid nearly half of the total corporate levy of around eleven million dollars. Fifty individuals, with income taxes running from ten thousand to two hundred and forty-three thousand, furnished well over a third of the $5,000,000 individual tax bill.

Winston-Salem was the city from which the greatest amount of taxes came, while Charlotte furnished the largest number of tax payers. Charlotte held second place as to the amount of tax collected. Asheville stood third, Greensboro fourth, and Durham, fifth.

The largest single tax was assessed against W. N. Reynolds, of Winston-Salem, brother of the late R. J. Reynolds. His tax was $243,385.

Bowman Gray, of Winston-Salem president of the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco company came second with a tax assessment of $214,049. The third largest was that paid by Charles A. Cannon of Concord, whose tax was $112,349.38. H. S. Richardson, of Greensboro, came fourth with a tax of $93,488.

Others in the order of the amount of tax paid were: James A. Gray, of Winston-Salem, $80,908.12; Mrs. Graham Kenan of Wilmington, $77,272, Mrs. Sarah E. Morrison, wife of former Governor Cameron Morrison, $69,292 and Jeannette Cone, of Greensboro, with a tax assessment of $53,979. The only other tax of more than $50,000 was that of $50,438 assessed against R. E. Lassater, of Winston-Salem, an official of the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco company.

Chas. L. Eskridge, of Shelby, with a tax of $2,480 was mentioned in the list of prominent tax payers.

The three corporations paying the largest were:

R. J. Reynolds Tobacco company, Winston-Salem, $3,523,774.15.

Atlantic Coast Line Railway company, Wilmington, $1,292,962.24.

Duke Power company Charlotte, $508,008.68.

Over the Nation.

The list revealed that Uncle Sam derives his income from many occupations and many quarters. The name of the first man of the land poltically, was far down in the list of incomes. President Coolidge paid $14,081; Vice President Dawes paid $24,834.

The largest contributor among members of the President's official family was Secretary of the Treasury Andrew W. Mellon with $1,882,600.

John D. Rockefeller, jr., paid the largest personal tax thus far reported, $6,277,669. John D. Rockefeller sr., paid $128,420. Henry Ford paid $2,608,806 and Edsel Ford $2,158,055.

The Ford Motor company paid the largest tax reported by a corporation, $16,499,160. United States Steel Corporation was second with $11,005,215 and Geenral Electric company third with $7,240,900. Standard Oil company of New York and affiliated companies paid $2,336,436.

The government came in for liberal support from the moving picture industry with Douglas Fairbanks leading the list of high salaried actors. He paid $182,190. Gloria Swanson was second, paying $56,075 23. Mary Pickford paid $34,075.23; Charlie Chaplin $345.61; Harold Lloyd $28.151.16 and Roscoe C. Arbuckle $6,116.

Lawyers, writers and newspapermen, while not occupying top brackets in the list, still were not to be overlooked. John W. Davis, attorney and unsuccessful Democratic candidate for the presidency in the 1924 election, paid $49,533. Max Steuer, attorney, paid $198,455. Clarence Darrow, noted criminal lawyer, paid $3,900. Rex Beach, writer, contributed $10,076, and Rudyard Kipling through his American publishers, was taxed $4,990. William Randolph Hearst was assessed $42,239.

Duke Leads John D., sr.

Following are some outstanding names in the nation with the amount of income tax paid by each person or corporation:

Arthur Brisbane $7,170; J. B. Duke $641,250; Doris Duke, $252,491; Nanaline H. Duke $151,873; J. P. Morgan, $573,379; Chas. F. Hughes Sr., 554; Richard Bartholmess, $24,805; Charles Scribner, $53,662; Otto H. Kahn, $391,776; F. W. Woolworth company $2,636,943. Ben Turpin, $6,104. Jack Dempsey $257; Jack Kearns $59; Chauncy M Depew $125,920; Royal S. Copeland $1,275; Norman Hapgood $1,334; Fannie Brice $1,807; Mrs. Andrew Carnegie $66,850; Benjamin N. Duke $142,053; Lillian Gish $36,967; Frank A. Vanderlip $71,599; Marshall Field $226,789.

Like Dempsey

Europe seems to think more of Jack Dempsey than America does. Every place he and his wife have visited on their honeymoon, they have been received with the greatest show of welcome. This bronze bust of the heavyweight champion, done by an Italian sculptor, has been acquired by the National Gallery in Berlin.

Cotton Crop Here Estimated Between 30 And 38,000 Bales

Drought Here Decreases Crop from Four to 10 Thousand Bales. Estimate for Nation's Crop.

Estimates on Cleveland county's cotton crop this year range from 30,000 to 38,000 bales. That there will be a decrease from last year is the opinion of practically all cotton men and farmers, estimate on the decrease ranging from four to 10 thousand bales. Some estimates made to The Star are: 30,000; 32,000; 35,000 and one of 38,000. However, the majority of estimates range from 30,000 to 35,000. The decrease is a result of the long dry spell and unbroken drought that has severely affected the local crops.

13 and Third Million Bales.

The cotton correspondents of the Journal of Commerce place August 25th condition of the crop in the 12 leading states at 57.5 per cent as compared with 64.0 per cent a year ago and a ten year average of 63.6 per cent. This deterioration during the month of August, amounting to 6.5 points, is less than the ten year average which is nine points. A larger crop is, therefore, indicated on the basis of August condition than on the outlook a month ago. The prospective crop of the 12 leading states is now placed at 13,340,213 bales as one month ago of 12,879,876 bales.

Letter Carriers To Meet At Boiling Spgs.

Ninth Congressional Carriers Association to hold meeting at Boiling Springs September 7th.

A good time is in store for the rural letter carriers of the ninth congressional district, their friends and patrons when they hold their annual convention at Boiling Springs September 7th. Every carrier in the district is expected to be present as this is a national holiday when they will not make their usual delivery. Mr. George Dover, carrier on Shelby R-3 who delivers through the Boiling Springs community will welcome all of his patrons to this gathering. Prominent men in the association as well as outstanding men in the county are on the program as the following outline will show:

Call to order by D. J. Hamrick, postmaster.

Music: "Praise God From Whom all Blessings Flow." Devotional exercises by Rev. J. R. Green. Address of welcome by Prof. J. D. Huggins. Response by W. J. Allran. Music. Report of State meeting by W. C. Johnson Music. Address by Dr. J. H. Hinderlite. Big community picnic dinner. Music. Address by J. H. Quinn, postmaster, Shelby. "What the Postoffice Department Expects of the Patrons of a Rural Route."

Department Attitude Toward the Association—Walter M. Pence. Round Table discussion of matters of general interest to carriers. Election of officers and selection of next meeting place.

Mrs. Jean Schenck has returned from an extended trip out west.

BOY IN JAIL HERE HAD SIMPLE TRICK

John T. Shook, of Gastonia, Awaits Federal Hearing Over His Detective Agency Letters.

Some months back John T. Shook, Gastonia youth, was nabbed by Federal officers who charged him with using the mails to defraud. Shook's scheme was that of establishing detectives over the country at a fee of $10 each, claiming that he assured them employment at $7 per day and more. Federal authorities say that Shook's interest in his detectives ended with the reception of the $10. The youth, whose scheme was so simple that it is a wonder he ever received any $10 customers, is now in jail here and will be given a hearing at the coming session of Federal court in Shelby.

The form letter sent out by Shook, presumably as "bait", is almost comic in its simplicity. Above the firm name "The Great John T. Shook National Detective Agency," are the names of the officers listed as follows: Mr. P. M Shook, finger print man; Miss C. M. Shook, secretary; Mr. J. T. Shook, treasurer and chief; Mr. F. W. Shook, general manager."

Some of the form letters ask a fee of $5, others $10 and still another $20. One of the typical letters follows:

"Dear Sir:

"A big job waiting for you! Do you want it? If you do act quick. We want you at this moment. So don't let this job pass you by. I need you badly.

"You have been recommended to me as a detective. I am in need of a detective and I believe you can handle my work. I will hire you for one year and pay you $7 a day and expenses. I will put you to work in your own city. We pay straight salary. You understand what I mean, just as if you was working for a railroad company. You will get a pay roll every month which will be $210 a month. I know you don't make $210 a month, do you. I can hear you say "No." I have investigating to be done in your city and if you want the job I will hire you and put you to work at once.

"Attention. We are going to be kind enough to have papers printed in about a week so that all of our detectives can go in any show free and have a nice time without costing them one red cent. You see that we are going to try and beat all other agencies in the United States. We have the largest agency in the world, so you can see why we can pay our detectives $7 a day and all expenses, and we absolutely pay more money to our detectives than any other detective headquarters in the world.

"Now friend, don't join some other detective agency and think that they will pay you better salary than we do, for I know. Here's what other agencies will do. They won't pay you straight salary like this detective agency does. Why? Because they do not have a big detective headquarters. We have 15,000 detectives working for this agency, and everyone will tell you that they wouldn't take $200 for their job. Why, because they make $210 a month and all expenses.

"Now friend, do you want to work for me? If you do,, it will cost you $10 to have papers fixed, and for joining fee.

"This job will be held for you 5 days, and if you do not send $10 this job will be given to some one else. Now friend, I have made everything as clear as I can, so if you want to work send your joining fee and go to work. Send $10 by cashier's cleck, and be sure and put a special delivery stamp on the letter and put on a two cent stamp and I will get it, but it you don't do it, I may not get it.

"Now friend, every day that you delay you are losing $7, so if I was you I would get to work as soon as I could. You know $7 a day is good wages for easy detective work. I will do you right if you want to work for me.

"I am yours very truly,

"JOHN T. SHOOK,

"Treasurer and Chief Detective."

Shook will be represented in court by Hon. Clyde R. Hoey. How much, if any, money Shook received is not known.

First Broad Bridge Contract Is Let

At a meeting of the county commissioners recently a contract for the construction of a steel bridge across First Broad river at the Hunt bridge in No. 11 township was let to J. C. Weathers. Construction work on the new bridge, to supplant the old wooden bridge, will begin at once.

Sealed bids received on the work were: R. A. White $1,685; C. C. Martin, $1,674; J. C. Weathers, $1,200.

—A Birth—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Garland Bowen September 1st a fine son. Mother and son are doing nicely Before marriage Mrs. Bowen was Miss Nellie Poole.

SHELBY STILL GROWS.

The drought may be damaging to rural Cleveland, and indirectly to Shelby, but Shelby continues to grow.

Last month, August, electric light and water service was installed in 40 new homes and business houses in Shelby, according to R. V. Toms, superintendent of the city water and light department. The majority of the 40 installations were in residences, many of which are new. The only exceptions being filling stations and homes on the Cleveland Springs road in the area recently taken in by extension. This record for August almost equals any month during Shelby's building boom.

Who said, "See Shelby Step—Slow"?

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO SCHOOL PATRONS

Supt. Griffin Tells of Assembly of Students. Entire School Gathers Tuesday, September 17.

The following notice to patrons of the Shelby public schools, by Superintendent I. C. Griffin, who has returned from Chapel Hill, will be of interest:

Owing to the many new problems anticipated in the organization of the schools this year, requiring an unusual amount of time and effort, plans have been made to assemble school children in groups at different hours for the purpose of classification and assignments. Your children will receive more satisfactory service if you will co-operate with the school in this matter by having your children report at the proper building at the hours given below. The school as a whole will meet Thursday morning, September 17, at 9 a. m. Regular class work in all grades will begin at this hour. But all children are requested and urged to meet for classification and enrolment, for distribution of book lists and lesson assignments as follows:

Monday, September 14, 10 a. m.—Conditions and failures. All children of high school grades who failed in any subject last year are requested to meet Mr. Grigg in the auditorium of the Central building at 10 a. m., Monday September 14.

Monday, September 14, 4 p. m.—Eighth grade pupils: All pupils who are planning to enter the eighth grade are requested to meet in the auditorium of the Central school at 4 p. m. Children who attended other schools last year are requested to bring their school reports with them to this meeting.

Tuesday, September 15, 2 p. m.—9th grade pupils, 10th grade pupils grammar grade pupils: All pupils of grades 4 to 7 inclusive, and all high school pupils of grades 9 to 10 are requested to meet Tuesday afternoon at 2 in their respective buildings.

Marion building. Grades 4 to 7 inclusive. All pupils living in the district bounded by LaFayette street on the west and the old city limits on the north, east and south.

LaFayette building: Grades 4 to 7 inclusive. All pupils living in the district bounded by LaFayette street on the east, West Blanton street on the north and the new city limits on the west and south.

South Shelby: Grades 4 to 8 inclusive. All pupils living in the former S. Shelby district.

Central building. (Grammar grade building). All pupils living in the district bounded by LaFayette street on the east, West Blanton street on the south, and the new city limits on the west and on the north.

Eastside: Grades 4 to 7 inclusive All pupils living in the former East side district.

Wednesday, September 16, 9 a. m. All pupils of grades 1-3 inclusive will meet for enrollment and classification. The boundary lines are the same for the primary and grammar grade school districts. Pupils of grades 4-7 inclusive will not meet at this hour.

All pupils of grades 9 and 10 will meet in the auditorium of the Central building at 9 a. m. Pupils of grades 8 and 11 will not meet at this hour.

Thursday, September 17, 9 a. m.—All pupils of all grades will meet promptly at 9 a. m. for regular class work. The lesson assignments will be made at the hours mentioned above and all pupils will be held responsible for recitations each hour of the school day

No change has been made in text books. The list for the grades has been already published. Book lists can be secured almost any hour of the day by calling at the office in the Central building. Second-hand books should be secured at once.

All children not vaccinated within the last three or four years should be vaccinated before school opens.

Mr. Roy Sisk of the First National bank is spending his vacation in Washington [illegible]

PUBLIC OPENING MASONIC TEMPLE

Handsome Structure to be Opened to Public Friday, September 11. Large Crowds Expected.

Shelby's finest building—the handsome four-story Masonic structure—on the corner of Warren and Washington streets will be opened to the general public for the first and only time on Friday evening September 11

Ever since construction work started on the new temple it has been a center of attraction for passers-by and since its completion, because of its beauty, has been "the talk of the town." After the first big opening Masonic edifices are never thereafter opened to the general public gaze, the interior of the temple being known only to Masonis, but for Friday evening it will be Shelby and Cleveland county's building, open to inspection and comment.

To Serve Refreshments.

Former Worshipful Master C. S. Young asks that the public note that in all probability in all the years the handsome building will stand there it will never again be open to the public and feeling sure that many desire to see the interior, he urges that all that can conveniently do so, attend the big opening. Every floor of the structure will be open with a reception committee on each floor. On the first floor members of the J. C. Penney company will welcome visitors, this being the only commercial organization in the Temple. On the second floor the Shelby Woman's club will hold a reception for all in opening their fine, new club rooms and library. On the third floor members of the chapter and commandery, advanced Masonic degree holders, will have reception committees and will welcome inspection of their rooms and paraphernalia. On the fourth floor the Master Masons of the Blue Lodge will welcome visitors to the Blue Lodge, library and lobby. Light refreshments will be served.

High Masonic officials, who have visited the new temple, and others declare that the structure is not only one of the finest Masonic edifices in the state, but in the South, and in equipment and interior arrangement it has been declared the most beautiful in the South Atlantic states. The costly electrical devices, drapery and other interior decorations make of the interior a wonderland. The club rooms of the Woman's club is entirely outfitted as are the serving room and kitchen on the same floor.

A big and modern Westbrook electric elevator will whisk visitors from floor to floor of the new structure and the latest in building designs with the old Egyptian idea carrying throughout will be open to inspection Large crowds of men and women are expected to attend, it being a duofold event for members of the Woman's club and Masons. Visitors are expected not only from all sections of the county but from adjoining cities and counties. There will be nothing formal about the big opening and reception, and no one should feel the least hesitation about attending.

A meeting of Masonic officials was held Thursday evening at which detail plans were made for the event. These plans together with other facts about the opening will be published in Tuesday's star.

J. D. Lineberger, deputy grand master of the Masonic Grand Lodge announces that an official Masonic opening will be held about one month later and that all Grand Lodge officials will attend.

Recommend Call To Dr. Wall of Goldsboro

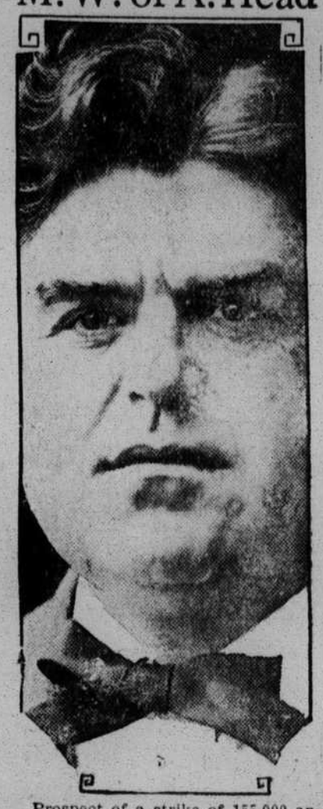
The pulpit committee of the First Baptist church in called session Tuesday night unanimously voted to recommend to the congregation Sunday morning that a call be extended to Rev. Zeno Wall, pastor of the First Baptist church of Goldsboro. Dr. Wall has not indicated whether he will accept or not if the congregation concurs in the recommendation of the pulpit committee. He preached a sermon of wonderful power in the First Baptist church last Sunday morning and the congregation was unanimous in its opinion as to his suitability to this charge. He was born and reared in Rutherford county, was pastor in a college town church in Mississippi for seven years, served as chaplain in the World war and has been at Goldsboro about five years. Every church which he has served, has made an attempt to get him back. The congregation will no doubt heartily concur in the committee recommendation.

Presbyterian Church.

The pastor. Rev. H. N. McDiarmid will preach Sunday morning and evening. Praver service Wednesday evening. Public cordially invited to all services.

Mrs. Oliver Anthony is visiting her parents in Winston-Salem.

M.W. of A. Head



Prospect of a strike of 155,000 anthracite mine workers seems almost assured at the expiration of the present agreement, Sept. 1. In case of a strike John L. Lewis, pictured here, president of the United Mine Workers of America, will direct the miners' end of it.

Those Who Paid Over $100 Tax In Shelby

Shelby individuals who paid an income tax of $100 or more last year were:

G. S. Dellinger	$ 174.55
Charles Eskridge	2,480.38
C S Thompson	165.08
William Lineberger	181.82
J. D. Lineberger	129.36
W. H. Hudson	157.03
J. R. Dover	129.21
M. A. Spangler	126.82
Clyde R. Hoey	330.17

Shelby corporations paying $100 or more income tax last year were:

Union Trust Co.	$2,434.81
Shelby Cotton mills	4,864.87
Dover Gin Co.	324.03
Shelby Creamery Co.	204.12
Shelby Steam laundry	135.39
Eastside Mfg. Co.	2,072.21
Planters and Merchants warehouse	490.58
First National bank	9,097.41
McKnight and company	254.20
Shelby Coca-Cola Bottling Co.	233.37

Dog Killed Saturday Infected With Rabies

The dog killed last Saturday morning in the Ella mill village was infected with rabies, according to a report received here this week from Raleigh.

Dr. Ben Gold on Tuesday started giving the Pasteur treatment to the 6-year-old son of Jesse Smith, of the Ella mill,, who was bitten by the dog. The boy received several bad bites, especially one just above the eye. Those who witnessed it say that the dog, a large black hound, ran up to the boy, pushed him over and was biting him about the head and face when some one rescued him. The bites were so bad at the time that he was taken to Shelby hospital being later removed to his home. Up until Wednesday he was showing no signs of being infected by the bite.

It is understood that several other dogs were bitten by the hound before it was killed and its head sent to Raleigh for examination.

Durham Moore Resigns From First National

Durham Moore who has been one of the assistant cashiers at the First National bank has resigned his position to go with Moore and Leverett, district agents for the Security Life and Trust company. Mr. Moore held a clerical position in the bank before the World war and after service in that conflict, came home and resumed his work with the bank, working himself to the responsible position of assistant cashier. He becomes a partner in the firm of Moore and Leverett and makes the change for more out-door life. The firm of Moore and Leverett has secured more territory and Mr. Moore expects to go to Florida later in the fall.

It's a darned lucky thing for the linen-closet that the Klan didn't decide to hold that parade on wash-day. —Washington Post.

FEDERAL COURT JURY LIST DRAWN

54 Names From Which Jury Will Be Selected. 16 Jurors From Cleveland, Rutherford 23.

A jury list for the term of United States district court to be held here the latter part of this month has been drawn at Charlotte. Federal Judge E Yates Webb will preside.

Twenty-three of the jurors selected are from Rutherford county, 16 from Cleveland, 12 from Lincoln and three from Gaston.

The list for the term follows:

Cleveland county—W. A. Cook, Belwood, R. F. D. 1; C. A. Brittain, Casar; J. D. Ellis, Gaffney, R. F. D. 2; A. J. Elliott, Shelby; R. C. Beason, Mooresboro, R-2; J. Chester Downs, Casar; G. M. Holland, Lattimore, R-1; Cicero C. Falls, Lawndale R-4; M. R. Biggers Patterson Springs; Sam Lattimore, Shelby, R-3; O. C. Dixon, Shelby, R-6, J. B. Lowery, Patterson Springs; J. G. White, Patterson Springs; Maud C. Whitworth, Waco; Zimri Kistler, Lawndale, star route; J. Guy Harrelson, Cherryville, R-1.

Gaston county—W. M. Brown, Dallas; W. M. Lingerfelt, Bessemer City, C. W. McAllister, Dallas, (excused).

Rutherford county—R. W. Carswell, Forest City; Angus McFarland, Rutherfordton; Watson Clark, Rutherfordton; A. B. Price, Forest City, R. F. D.; J. F. Daniel, Henrietta; J. D. Logan, Logan; Oscar Carroll, Forest City J. B. Melton, Bostic, R-4; James Carlyle, Ellenboro; C. B. Harrill, Ellenboro; J. G. Reid, Union Mills.

Lincoln county—Sidney Hinkle, Stanley; R. C. Coon, Reepsville; J. F. McKinne excused) Lincolnton; Earl Hois, Iron Station; R. Lee Robinson, Denver R-1; R. McLean Cherry, Daddison; Jacob Coins, Reepsville; C. E. Crowell Lincolnton; Lee Killian, Denver; E. I. Mosteller, Reepsville, R-2 Earl Sigmon, Reepsville; P. C. Heavner, Lincolnton.

J. R. Green Dead At Ellenboro Home

Funeral services were conducted last Friday at the Bethel Baptist church at Ellenboro, for J. R. Green, who died Thursday afternoon at his home at Ellenboro as a result of paralysis. He was 61 years old. The services were conducted by the Rev. Z. D Harrill, assisted by the Rev. I. D. Harrill and the Rev. O. C. Houghton, all of Ellenboro. Burial followed in the Bethel cemetery with P. S. Courtney, funeral director, in charge. The following served as pall bearers: A C. Turner, J. A. Padgett, W. E. Curtis W. E. Hill, T. K. Brooks and O. M. Bridges. Mr. Green was a member of the Junior Order and Masonic fraternities, as well as the Bethel church.

Mr. Green is survived by the following children: W. E. Green, Shelby; J. P. Green, Gaffney; J. G., C. L., and L. T. Green, Mrs. Bettie Wilkie and Mrs. Mattie Whitaker, Ellenboro; and M. M. Green, Spindale. One brother, J. G. Green of Shelby, and a sister Mrs. Esenith Gladden of Kings Creek, also survive, together with his mother, Mrs. Hannah Green, of Ellenboro.

The funeral was attended by about 800 people. Sixteen flower girls served.

Methodist Protestant Church.

Services for Sunday, September 6: Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Morning worship at 11 o'clock with sermon by the pastor, Rev. C. B. Way, followed by the Lord's supper. Christian Endeaor meeting at 6:30 p. m.

Regular preaching services at 7:45 p. m.

A cordial invitation extended to all.

Who will lend a husband for one afternoon and night. Return guaranteed. Apply any night this week to Princess theatre. adv

SEND THE STAR TO THOSE GOING AWAY

It's almost school time again and hundreds of boys and girls will soon be leaving their homes in Cleveland county for colleges and schools over this and other states. Naturally, they'll like to keep in touch with the things 'going on back home," personal items, new enterprises, farm news, marriages, deaths, and many newsy articles that are carried twice each week in The Star. Nothing will be appreciated more than The Star carrying the news to them regularly.

Of the money you'll spend for them none will be more wisely invested than that which subscribes to The Star for them. Come in or write today about the subscription for your boy or girl. The circulation department of The Star will be glad to see that it reaches them regularly.