

### Thomas-Snead Announcement Made Recently

Well Known Rock Springs Couple Are Married In Gaffney; Personals.

(Special to The Star) ROCK SPRINGS, Dec. 10.—Mrs. Abram Davis and son James returned home Tuesday after spending awhile with relatives in Atlanta, Ga.

Misses Mary and Dorothy Thompson and Beona Sapoch, Zeb Thompson, Gage Sapoch and Clyde Wilson visited Clyde Thompson in Fort Bragg recently.

Mrs. Emmie Byers spent last week with Mrs. J. H. Moore and family.

Miss Ollie Thomas and John Snead surprised their friends Saturday by motoring to Gaffney, S. C. where they were married by the probate judge Lake W. Stroup. Mrs. Snead is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Thomas of the Holly Grove section. Mr. Snead is the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Snead of the Hopewell community and formerly of this community.

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Bolin and little daughter, Patsy Anne, of Easley, S. C. spent a few days last week with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Sepoch and Mr. and Mrs. John Bolin.

### Pleasant Hill Farmers Prepare For Hard Winter

PLEASANT HILL, Dec. 8.—The farmers of this community are through gathering and sowing, and are cutting their winter wood, killing hogs and getting ready for Christmas and a hard winter.

Mrs. Clyde Kendrick was taken to a Charlotte hospital last week, had an operation and is getting along nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Gantt and little son, Billie, of Shelby visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Amos Gantt Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Lowery and family spent the day Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Dillingham.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Neal and Mr. Clyde Kendrick and children visited Mrs. Clyde Kendrick at Charlotte Sunday.

The officers and teachers of the Sunday school and officers of the S. Y. P. U. met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Kendrick Thursday night to plan a Christmas program.

### Waynick Doing Much Work In Highway Position

RALEIGH, Dec. 10.—Capus M. Waynick, new assistant chairman of the state highway and public works commission, has assumed his new duties, and in connection with the numerous visitors bearing congratulations and good wishes, had been able to turn off some of the work that has accumulated in the office during the four months or more since Chairman E. B. Jeffers has been sick.

Closer knitting together of the highway and the prison divisions was one of the first tasks facing the new assistant chairman and he was in conference with Jack Roach, head of the prison division; Sam Smith, auditor, and W. Vance Baise, acting state highway engineer since the death of John D. Waldrop. A closer utilization of prison labor available is expected in the future, in the maintenance of state and county highways, although prison labor cannot be used in the construction of federal aid roads, now being built.

### Livestock Poisoned By Acorns and Leaves

Young Animals That Do Not Have Enough Nourishing Food, Usually The Victims.

By Extension Department The danger of livestock being poisoned by oak leaves and acorns is increased when undernourished animals are permitted to range in the woods, warns Dr. C. D. Grinnells, who is in charge of dairy investigations at State college.

Well nourished cattle seldom eat enough leaves or acorns to cause serious injury, he said, but underfed animals will eat large quantities of oak leaves, acorns, and young sprouts in an effort to satisfy their hunger.

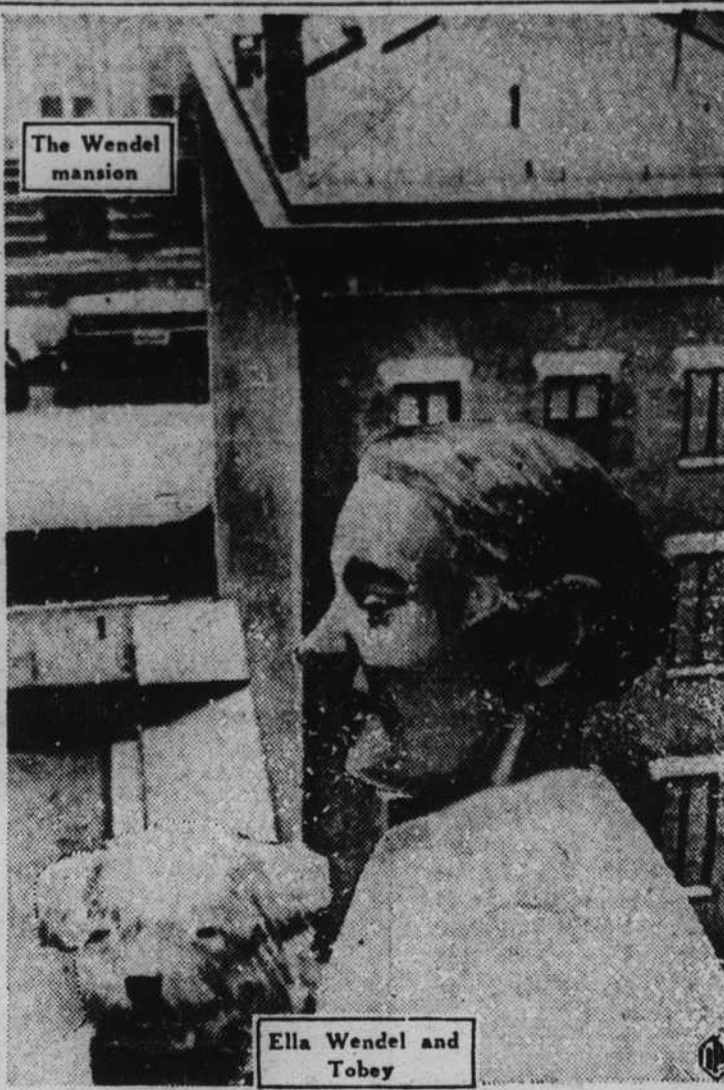
Young cattle, especially, are liable to suffer serious digestive diseases when this oak feed becomes a prominent part of their diet. Loss of appetite, decreased or discontinued rumination, constipation, lowered milk production, and a disinclination to move are some of the more obvious symptoms.

It is thought that the tannin, or the substances which produce tannin, is the poison which affects young, undernourished animals when it is eaten in large quantities.

Some observers are of the opinion that half-ripe acorns, which fall from trees before maturing in times of drouth, are more injurious than those which have ripened.

Animals over three years of age, sheep, and hogs are seldom bothered by oak poisoning, Dr. Grinnells says, although they too may become susceptible if forced to eat too many leaves and acorns.

### Wendel Mansion Is Wrecked



Wreckers are demolishing the Wendel mansion in New York City, home of the reclusive Wendels, who amassed a real estate fortune exceeding \$50,000,000 through almost half a century of continual purchase. The late John G. Wendel, brother of the Wendel sisters, insisted they remain unmarried, and dwell in the four-story house, even while skyscrapers rose around them. Miss Ella Wendel, last of the family, who died in 1921, exercised her poodle, Tobey, in the yard outside. Following her death, litigation arose over the disposition of the vast Wendel fortune, with claimants appearing from the four corners of the earth.

### Knox Team Is Unvictorious



Captain Louis Vitale Coach Lloyd S. Burdick A unique record about which loyal students don't care to boast has been set up by the football team of Knox college, of Galesburg, Ill. Knox has lost 26 games in a row. This photo shows Captain Louis Vitale, left, and Coach Lloyd S. Burdick of the Knox team.

### Cotton Yield Determined By The Available Nitrogen

COLLEGE STATION, Raleigh, Dec. 10.—Yields of cotton on many soils in this state are determined more by the available nitrogen supply than by any other controllable soil fertility, factors says C. B. Williams, head of the agronomy department at State college.

In this region, the yield can be doubled, sometimes tripled, through the application of large quantities of commercial nitrogen with mineral fertilizers, he said. Most of the soils are low in nitrogen content, he continued, and it is being recouped in many cases by cultivation and climatic conditions favoring a rapid loss.

However, he continued, crop rotation and the growing of legumes will help build up the nitrogen content of the soil and overcome the natural tendencies for losing nitrogen.

Nevertheless, applications of good fertilizer are essential to the production of maximum yields, Williams pointed out.

Experiments made with various types of nitrogen fertilizers on different North Carolina soils have been written into a publication of the United States department of agriculture by Williams and Dr. H. B. Mann, the latter an agronomist at the North Carolina experiment station.

### Lawrence Roberts Ross Grove Pastor

Rev. Lawrence Roberts has been unanimously elected pastor of the Ross Grove Baptist church and will preach there at 11 o'clock on the first and third Sunday mornings. Rev. Mr. Roberts is the son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Lester Roberts of the Elizabeth section and is a graduate

### North Carolina Employs 34,900 On State Payroll

Big business! That phrase is almost a fetish to modern citizens of the United States.

And that's exactly what the state of North Carolina is engaged in—Big Business!

Imagine, if you can, an industrial enterprise of this nation composed of some seventy-odd vitally differing departments, expending each year more than \$40,000,000 for its necessary functions, employing an army of around 34,000 workers whose salaries aggregate between \$17,000,000 and \$20,000,000 annually, and operating within an area no greater than that of this commonwealth.

Has 23,000 Teachers By far the largest number of state employees in any single department or agency is that required to run the state-wide, state-supported eight-months school term. More than 23,000 superintendents, principals, teachers and other school workers each year share among themselves well in excess of \$13,000,000 in salaries. That large sum amounts to almost 82 per cent of the total appropriation of \$16,000,000 granted by the 1933 general assembly for the new school system, leaving less than \$3,000,000 to carry on all other details.

Assuming that there are in the school system an average of 23,000 teachers, including superintendents and principals whose salaries range somewhat higher, the average teacher's salary is approximately \$570 annually, which amounts to \$12.25 monthly on an eight-months basis, but only to \$47.50 monthly on a twelve-months basis. It is expected that the 1935 legislature, which will convene in Raleigh early in January, will be strongly urged to enact a statute which will remedy a condition which, leading educators say, has created real hardship for many of the teachers of the state.

Expect To Get Help Other classes of state employees, whose salaries were cut an average of 38 per cent below 1930 levels by the last general assembly, also are to have their champions among the new solons who will comprise the membership of next year's house and senate. Some of them, too, have suffered because of the drastic salary reductions, which came at a time when commodity prices were wending their way upward under the impetus of the New Deal.

Next to the public school system, the most employees are to be found

connected with the state highway and prison departments, which require almost 6,000 workers and which pay those employees each year in salaries approximately \$804,000. The average salary runs higher in the highway department, the \$616 figure amounting to almost an even one hundred dollars above the prison department average of \$517. An average of 5,600 persons are employed in the administration, construction and maintenance divisions of the highway system, while 345 workers are necessary to keep the prison system functioning properly.

The three units of the Greater University of North Carolina give employment to an average of 1,278 workers, whose combined salaries for the past fiscal year amounted to around \$1,841,076, or an average of \$1,440. The Chapel Hill unit's average of \$1,721 was the highest with the College for Women at Greensboro coming in second at \$1,220, and the State College average amounting to \$1,105. The total amount appropriated to all three units for its operations during the past year was only \$43,240, or about half of their salary requirements. The balance came from fees and other sources of income, which were estimated at \$727,883 at Chapel Hill; \$462,000 at Raleigh, and \$504,945 at Greensboro.

Add To Growing List At the eleven additional schools of higher education supported by the state, most of which are for the training of teachers, 640 persons are needed to keep in motion the wheels of progress. East Carolina Teachers college at Greenville, leads with 154; there are 96 on the rolls of the North Carolina School for the Deaf at Morganton; 90 find employment at the Appalachian Training School at Boone; 87 are required for the North Carolina School for the Deaf Agricultural and Technical College of Greensboro numbers 48, and on down the list to the Cherokee Indian Normal School of Pembroke, where only 16 are employed. The salary averages range from \$1,145 at the North Carolina College for Negroes, to only \$501 at the Blind and Deaf school.

Five hundred and thirty-six persons are required to attend to the needs of the 5,850 unfortunates confined in the three state hospitals at Raleigh, Morganton and Goldsboro. The salary averages at these institutions run considerably lower than

in most other institutions, ranging from \$451 at the institution for negroes at Goldsboro, \$470 at the Raleigh unit, and \$481 at Morganton. A total of more than \$850,000 is required yearly to operate the three asylums, which have aggregate receipts from various sources of approximately \$50,000 annually.

The state maintains six correctional institutions for delinquent minors, both male and female, their combined staffs numbering 308. They receive each year more than \$114,000 in salaries for an average of \$550. The lowest average salary is paid at the Caswell Training school, where it amounts to \$501, and the highest average \$656, is received by employees of the Morrison Training School at Hoffman.

Salary Level Low The staff at the North Carolina Sanatorium, where an average of 150 patients are treated for tuberculosis, numbers 139, with an average salary at the low level of \$426. Sixty-six persons are required to operate the Orthopedic Hospital at Gastonia, their average salary amounting to an even \$500 annually. The Revenue Department, including the Motor Vehicle Bureau, which formerly was a part of the highway system, and the Department of Conservation and Development, run a neck-and-neck race in the number of employees, the money collecting agency having 178, and the conservationists 176. The average salary in the revenue department, including those of several higher paid officials, is around \$1,133, while that of the conservation department amounts to approximately \$893.

One hundred and forty-five employees are needed to keep in motion the widespread activities of the department of agriculture, and their salaries average \$1,066 yearly, with the highest going to the ten employees of the Division of Standards and Inspection, amounting to \$1,524.

The vitally important functions of the state board of health require the services of 83 workers, many of them highly-trained specialists, receiving somewhat larger salaries than the average, bringing the mean figure up to \$1,157.60.

By far the highest average salaries are paid to the 50 members of the judiciary, including the five justices of the supreme court, 24 superior court judges, and 20 solicitors. This average amounts to approximately \$6,451. Superior court judges receive \$8,050 annually, \$50 more than the supreme court arbiters, and solicitors are paid \$4,200. Many of the judiciary, as well as other department heads whose salaries are fixed by law, have been voluntarily returning portions of

### Girl Wins Verdict



Miss Bessie Vandermeulen, 37-year-old stenographer, has been awarded a verdict of \$15,000 by a jury in Louisville, Ky., in her suit for \$100,000 against Thomas L. Barrett, wealthy clubman, shown above, charging breach of promise. Barrett denied in court that he ever had promised to marry the girl.

their salaries to the state treasury to aid in a financial emergency.

The next highest average is that of the governor's office, due to that official salary of \$11,100. The average is around \$5,300 for himself and four employees.

The number of employees in the remaining departments range from two in the office of the paroles commissioner, to 45 employed by the department of public buildings and grounds. The workers in the paroles department receive an average of \$960, while those who render services as janitors, gardeners and other classes of laborers, get an average of \$612.

### Compensation Cases To Be Heard Dec. 15

RALEIGH, Dec. 10.—Chairman Harry McMullan, of the N. C. Industrial commission, has a calendar of 16 workmen's compensation cases set for hearing largely in the mountain area of the state this week. The docket includes one at Rutherfordton, four at Asheville, one each at Burnsville, Bakersville and Newton, two at Lenoir, three at Newton, one at Lincolnton and two at Shelby. The hearings start at Rutherfordton Monday and end Saturday at Shelby.

The two Shelby cases will be heard Saturday morning, beginning at 9 o'clock and are as follows: John Laine vs. Eton Cotton mill, and Mary Fairlee Ruff, widow of George W. Ruff, deceased, vs. Polk county board of education.

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