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CLAY COUNTY MAN IS STABBED TO DEATH JAN. 1

Charlie Gibby Homicide Which Is
Said to Have Been in Self-
defense

It became known here the other day that John Isom, a farmer of western Clay County, was stabbed to death with a knife in the hands of Charlie Gibby on New Year's Day, and Gibby is being held awaiting trial for what is understood, will be claimed as justifiable homicide.

The killing, it is reported, resulted from a dispute between the two men over a contract for the sale of acid woods. According to reports emanating from Clay County, Isom and Gibby had a dispute on Isom's land and Gibby got off his property and started to get in his wagon to leave, when Isom is reported to have reached in his pocket as if to procure a gun. At this point, Gibby is said to have rushed upon him with a knife and stabbed him in the abdomen twice before Isom could bring a weapon into use. Isom is said to have been armed with a gun. Following the cutting, Gibby fled but later returned and gave himself up to officers, it is reported.

Following the cutting, Isom was carried to his home west of Hayesville and given medical treatment but died the following day. The cutting is said to have taken place Tuesday about noon. Funeral services were held for Isom on Friday morning. The deceased man is a native of Wisconsin, but moved from Alabama to Clay County about two years ago. He is survived by his widow and two small boys.

VESTS.

Mr. Luther Robinson is moving his family to McFarland, Tenn.

Mrs. Ella Reid entertained the young folks with a candy-breaking Friday night. These present were Mrs. Garland Haxey, Misses Elsie Celia Reece, Minnie Johnson, Julia McCombs, Gillie Quinn, Perle, Belle and Nellie Reid, Messrs. Hamaker, Allen, Hamby, Nelson, Johnson, Reece, Henry, Raper, Stiles and Reid.

Miss Elsie Reece has gone to Asheville to enter Vance business college.

Mr. Quince Hamby of Brown Hill spent Friday night with Mr. Elsie Nelson.

Mr. Bill Dockery, of Knoxville, Tenn., is visiting his aunt, Mrs. R. R. Hunsucker.

Mr. James Holbrook left for Etowah Friday where he has a position. Misses Belle, Perle, Reid and Julia McCombs, and Messrs. Clifton Henry and Fred Reid spent Sunday with Misses Celia and Elsie Reece.

Mr. Henry Allen of Fanner, Tenn., moved in our neighborhood the past week.

Henry Beavers, of Suit, moved to Mr. James Holbrook's place in the past week.

BILL BOOSTER SAYS

ANY A DEAD TOWN
SHOULD HAVE CUT ON
ITS TOMBSTONE THIS SHORT
EPIGRAPH, "KILLED IN A FAC-
TION FIGHT." WE CAN HAVE
AN HONEST DIFFERENCE OF
OPINION WITHOUT STARTING
A FEUD, SO IF WE MUST
FIGHT, LET US FIGHT
PEACEABLY!



Tribute to Small Town Paper

Raleigh.—Speaking recently at a Washington State Utility Conference Charles E. Blackwell, a successful country merchant, located at Okanogan, paid a high tribute to the small town paper as a advertising medium. He said:

"There are many lines of publicity that the country store can use to advantage, but one he can use paper. I venture to say that if the to best advantage is his home-town money spent each year for fancy calendars and other knick-knack give aways were invested—I say invested, not spent or donated—in carefully planned newspaper publicity, the actual net returns to the advertiser would be ten times as great, to say nothing of the advantage the small-town paper would derive from the additional and much needed revenue."

Bearpaw Citizen Dies Dies Of Injuries

Mr. Millard Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Johnson, of Bearpaw, died at Asheville Saturday morning, December 22nd, of injuries received while employed by the Black Lumber Co. He was rushed to an Asheville hospital following the injury where he underwent an operation in an effort to save his life, but the injury proved fatal, he having died shortly after the operation.

The remains of Mr. Johnson were brought to the home of his parents and interment made in the Bearpaw cemetery on Monday, December 24, Rev. Elisha Beavers having conducted the funeral and burial services. Mr. Johnson leaves a father and mother, one sister four brothers, and a host of relatives and friends to mourn his departure.

He was well known and highly esteemed in his home community.

He has left this world forever. For that brighter, better land, He is singing songs of goodness. On that peaceful, golden strand.

Never more will he be tempted, Tears no more will fill his eyes, In the land of endless morning, Where eternal praise shall rise.

With the ones who went before him He is sweetly resting now, With the crown of life and glory, Brightly shining on his brow.

A FRIEND.

HOTHOUSE.

The young folks have enjoyed three singings last week, first at T. H. Cole's, second at Mrs. Curtiss', and third at T. T. Johnson's. Hope they will sing again soon.

John Newman and T. H. Colee made a trip to Isabella Saturday.

Homer Gaddis, Ernest Johnson and Ida Lou Cole will enter school again Monday after spending the holidays at home.

Allie Johnson went back to school at Morganton Sunday after spending the holidays with home folks.

Mr. J. M. Payne went to Etowah, Tenn., Saturday to visit his mother who is very ill.

Mrs. I. N. Payne and boys visited T. H. Cole's family last Sunday.

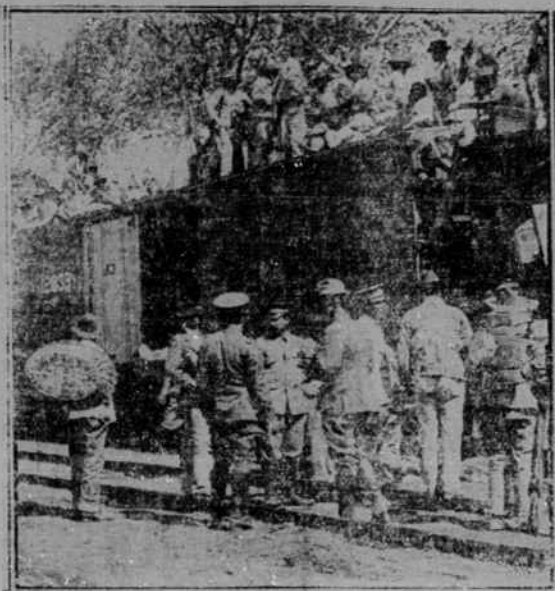
Rev. J. L. Morrow went to Georgia Sunday morning to fill his appointment.

Lester Cole and Alonzo Gaddis spent Sunday evening in this community.

Glenn Cole entered school at Copperhill the first of the year.

Mr. C. M. Johnson and daughter, Myrtle, of Gastonia, were visiting relatives and friends here last week.

THE REVOLUTION IN MEXICO



Rebel troops are pictured above entraining for the scene of action. Obregon is now seeking to retain his power and is leading his loyal troops against the rebels supporting De La Huerata.

INDIAN LANDS BEING SURVEYED BY GOVERNMENT

Will Establish the Claim of Eastern
Cherokees to Lands on Hang-
ingdog Creek

A party of engineers arrived here Tuesday to survey out and establish the lines and claims of the Eastern Band of the Cherokee Indians to certain lands granted them in 1868, lying in the Hangingdog section of this county. In the party were C. Z. Denton, Government Surveyor, D. T. Smith, Cherokee, N. C., and Sibbald Smith of Whittier. This party is working in co-operation with Professor J. E. Henderson, Indian Agent, of Cherokee, N. C.

The lands which they will survey were donated to the Indians many years ago, and is known as the Henson donation. The Indians secured judgment against the lands on December 21, 1868, at which time they also established title to large tracts in Jackson, Graham and Swain Counties. In four counties, the judgment covered about 70,000 acres.

Since 1916, the agent for the Indians and this party of engineers have been busy surveying out the lands for the Indians and re-establishing their claims to them. According to Sibbald Smith, head of the party, in many cases it has been found that residents have settled upon the Indian lands and have claimed title to them, in many cases, establishing sufficient claim to secure a quit claim deed and then transferring the lands under warranty.

"This has resulted in many law suits, but," said Mr. Smith, "in all this time not a single suit has been lost, but this work was begun about thirty or thirty-five years too late." It is his opinion that if former agents had started the work a long time ago that many law suits and much searching of the court records could have been avoided. It is expected that the work in this county will require about thirty days.

George Townson Badly Burned

George Townson is suffering with severe burns on the face as a result of the ignition of alcoholic vapors in the radiator of his car. Alcohol had been placed in the radiator to prevent freezing and Monday evening about seven o'clock George removed the cap to put some water in the car and the vapours were ignited by the coal of a cigar which he was smoking. His face was badly burned but it is not believed that his eyes were injured.

Statement From Agent Clay County

As County Agent of Clay County I am interested in the dormant spray for fruit. All the farmers in the county that are interested in growing fruit and want to obtain the dormant spray, should get in touch with me and we can purchase our Lime Sulphur Spray co-operatively, thereby saving all concerned money.

There are two kinds of spray, a winter spray which is one gallon of commercial lime and sulphur to nine gallons of water. This put on with a good spray pump will give good results as a preventative against peevish insects and fungus. This would not do as a summer spray, for it would burn the foliage of trees.

As county agent it is my desire to get acquainted with each of you. In Hayesville and out over the county when you pass stop and introduce yourself and I will appreciate it. It will be no trouble to distinguish me from some traveler passing through your county, for when you see a long, tall, slim, six foot guy, ugly and hard-looking, and generally wearing a smile—that is Anderson, the County Agent.

Cheese Factories of Western N. Carolina Can't Supply Demand

By W. A. Graham, Agent in Dairying
I am often asked this question: What about the cheese industry in North Carolina; in a way I don't hear much about it?

It is true, that those engaged in the business of producing milk for cheese factories have not advertised very much. In fact, they have not had time for they have been too busy producing cheese, the consumption of which has increased considerably greater than that which they have been able to produce. The demand for North Carolina cheese is increasing rapidly, but the production is not keeping pace with the consumption.

Walk into any grocery store in your town and you will see cheese on the counter. Ask the grocerman where this cheese comes from, and in most cases he will tell you from the north or west. Ask him why he doesn't buy North Carolina cheese and more than likely his reply will be, I can't get it when I want it.

Did you ever stop to think that where all the cheese comes from that you see in the groceries and markets? Did you know that cheese is made in factories, from cow's milk produced on some farm? Did you ever stop to think that some farmer somewhere has received money for milk that made this cheese. Did you know that a few farmers in your state and county are making cheese and that they are getting a market at the cheese factory for their milk. Last year over 2,000,000 pounds of cheese were shipped into our state from the north and west, because we were not able to produce enough to supply the demand.

Now, lots of farmers think that there is not much to the dairy business; that it is a small proposition anyway. This man should have some information to place him in the proper light. The dairy industry is one of the biggest in the United States. Last year the value of dairy products was over \$2,000,000,000. If there isn't anything to selling milk to a cheese factory, then why is it, that you are able to buy cheese at the store. Some one has to produce the milk and sell it at the cheese factory before you can get the cheese. If it is not a profitable business then why are there over 2,000 cheese factories in Wisconsin today? If there is no money in dairying, then why are the farmers of the north and west selling milk to cheese factories? Why have they been in the business for years and why do they continue so? Because the cheese factory pays cash for milk and they are able to ship their products to the south, the best market in the country for cheese. If the farmers of the north and west are able to produce cheese, ship it to the south and continue to prosper in the business, what can

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VEAL GROWER'S ASSOCIATION NOW BEING ORGANIZED

County Agent Ellis Trying to Make
Cattle Raising Profitable in
Cherokee

Following a meeting of farmers in the court house here Monday at which County Agent H. H. Ellis presided and furnished data bearing on the cattle situation in this county, plans are now maturing for the organization of a Veal Calf Producers and Shippers Association in Cherokee, Clay and neighboring counties. An organization committee composed of R. R. Beal, Forrest Wells, J. H. Hampton, J. W. Dyer and H. B. Elliott are now at work in co-operation with the county agent securing pledges of membership in the association and as soon as a sufficient number of farmers have signed the articles of agreement between the association and the producer, the permanent organization will be perfected. At the mass meeting Monday morning at ten o'clock the farmers showed interest in the proposed association and everyone present indicated his willingness to align himself with the association.

The plan of operation will be to pledge farmers to sell their calves through the association so that they can be marketed in quantity in the northern markets as veal calves, which will bring as much as the ordinary yearling or two year old under the present plan of cattle raising in this and many other sections.

"Veal calves are not hard to produce," Mr. Ellis told the mass meeting of farmers, "and in from four to eight weeks a calf can be marketed through the associations as veal for from ten to twenty dollars, which is as much as many two year old animals now bring. The beauty about the veal calf business," continued the county agent, "is that it enables the farmer to turn his calves into money without having to keep them one or two years and then sell them at a few cents per pound and, in most cases, at actual loss."

It was explained that the calves of scrub cattle would bring approximately as good a price as those of grade or purebred cattle, the only difference being that the scrub animals would not produce as many pounds in the same length of time as would the calves of better cattle. The veal calf association would, therefore, tend to automatically increase the grade of cattle produced, for the reason that no farmer would keep a calf that he could get from fifteen to twenty dollars for at eight weeks old and sell that same calf at two years old for \$25.00 or \$30.00. Under this plan, it will pay the farmers only to keep the best of their calves for it is only the high grade cow that will bring a price that would justify her feed during the time it would take to bring her from the veal stage to maturity.

The association will ship calves from four to eight weeks old to the northern markets where they will bring from ten to fifteen cents per pound, whereas now they are being sold locally for about two dollars. It will cost but little, if any more to put them in condition for veal. To prepare them for the veal market, they are fed only on milk and kept in a dark stall, explained the county agent, who has just returned from some of the northern markets where he investigated the situation. He is assured that the association will be a great benefit to the farmers and is expecting to have a membership of five hundred or more farmers in a short time.

HONOR ROLL FOR DECEMBER OF WALKER SCHOOL, RANGER

First Grade: Fay Akin, Willie Johnson, Charles Garland.
Second Grade: Howard Fox.
Third Grade: Frank Davidson, Johnny Johnson, Floyd Flowers, Chrystal Kisselburg, and Ruth Garland.
Fourth Grade: Bessie Fox, Hattie Davidson, Edna Fox, Mattie Fox.
Fifth Grade: Gay Davidson.
Sixth Grade: Gigna Evans, Mae Davidson, Evelyn Akin.
Seventh Grade: Beatrice Fox and Mattie Bell Johnson.