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MISS ANNA BELLE KING INSTANTLY KILLED

Mr. John Wells, of Wilson, Seriously Wounded in Auto Accident.

OCCURRED SUNDAY AFTERNOON NEAR TOWN.

Funeral Services Held on Tuesday Morning From St. Paul's Episcopal Church—Large Number in Attendance—Mr. Wells Improving.

Louisburg was more than shocked on Sunday afternoon when information was received telling of the worst automobile accident ever happening in our midst, when Miss Anna Belle King was instantly killed and Mr. John Wells, of Wilson, was seriously wounded when Mr. Wells's big seven-passenger National automobile got from under his control and turned over. The accident occurred about three-thirty o'clock on the Louisburg and Franklinton road about two miles from town.

It has been impossible to get any facts as to the real cause of the accident, as the car was in the act of turning over before it was seen and no statement has been made by Mr. Wells in this particular. However, from information received from other sources it seems that the party were out for a ride and the car being driven by Mr. Wells and equipped with one of the new Liberty Motors, was traveling at a very fast speed. Upon reaching a curve near the home of Mr. O. P. Harris, about two miles west of Louisburg, Mr. Wells had to turn out to pass some one, the car went wide and came near striking a telephone post. In avoiding the post he evidently pulled too strong on the steering gear causing the car to make a short dart across the road and out into a cotton field. In attempting to get back into the road from this field of soft ground under heavy speed is where the accident occurred. The accident was witnessed by Messrs. D. G. Pearce, B. H. Meadows, F. N. Spivey and Mrs. Pearce from a distance and a little child of Mr. Harris, who was playing in the yard. The gentlemen named rushed to the scene and with the assistance of Messrs. O. P. Harris and J. H. Fuller and one or two colored persons rescued Mr. Wells and lifted the car from Miss King. Miss King's body was immediately taken to the home of her parents where medical aid was called, but no sign of life remained. Mr. Wells also came to town on the same car and received medical attention. At first it was thought that his injuries were slight but later it was stated that besides the collar bone and all the ribs on the right side being broken and a cut over the head he was injured internally. The car was brought to Louisburg that evening and a smashed top, windshield and steering wheel there didn't seem to be much damage.

Miss King was one of Louisburg's most popular and widely beloved young ladies. She numbered her friends and admirers by her acquaintances. Her popularity was the natural sequence to the sweet and gentle disposition possessed by her. She was always the same, pleasing in appearance, tender in manner, refined. Always displaying unconsciously that love of nature and folks that win the admiration of all. To her pupils in the Second Grade at the Louisburg Graded School her death was a great shock, to the faculty a painful separation, and to the Graded School a distinct loss as she was a teacher of rare ability, who delighted in imparting her knowledge to the little ones.

Miss King was 23 years old and leaves a father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. John W. King, and three brothers, Messrs. J. B. King, who is now with the Expeditionary forces in France, William T. King and John W. King, Jr. Being a descendant of two of Franklin County's most distinguished families—Clifton's and King's—a granddaughter of the late Dr. J. B. Clifton, she leaves a large family connection. She was a consistent member of St. Paul's Episcopal church, and was the organist in the choir.

The funeral services were held from St. Paul's Episcopal church on Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Isaac W. Hughes, of Henderson, assisted by Rev. Basil M. Walton, of Wadesboro, a former pastor, who used the usual Episcopal service which is beautiful in its solemnity and reverence. A choir rendered special music and the body was removed from the church while "Nearer My God to Thee" was tenderly rendered. The interment was made at Oaklawn cemetery in the presence of possibly the largest number of friends and relatives ever attending such an occasion in Louisburg. And the powers, which were more than beautiful and in quantities sufficient to cover the square, spoke a beautiful sentiment of love and esteem. A large beautiful floral blanket, a tribute of the family, was draped about the casket and buried with the body. At the service at the grave also special music was rendered.

The pallbearers were as follows: Honorary—E. H. Malone, W. R. Mills, E. L. Best, M. C. Pleasants, J. M. Allen, G. W. Ford, F. B. McKinnis, Rev. W. B. Morton, D. T. Smithwick, S. A. Newell, W. M. Ruffin, D. C. High. Active—B. H. Meadows, O. Y. Yarboro, Malcolm McKinnis, J. B. Brickell, P. R. White, E. B. Egerton, Thos. W. Ruffin.

Among the out of town guests attending the funeral were Mrs. S. G. Boddie, of Oxford, Dr. R. F. Yarborough, Gov. and Mrs. T. W. Bickert, of Raleigh, and B. C. Pritchett, of Elizabeth N. J.

Mr. Wells, who is now at the home of his sister, on Middle Street, is one of Wilson's most substantial citizens and is a brother to Messdames M. C. Pleasants and W. R. Mills, of this place. The last reports say that he is resting as well as could be expected.

Marriage Licenses. Marriage licenses were issued to the following persons during the months of January and February by Register of Deeds S. C. Holden.

WHITE—Collie Evans and Pauline Moron, G. E. Hayes and Bessie Edwards Phelps, C. C. Leonard and May House, Herbert Bunn and Lillie Ray, Bervin Bell and Bettie May Baker, N. W. Joyner and Daisy Powell, Elbert Woodfield and Flora Hendley, L. Z. Hedgepeth and Annie Lee Seymore, J. E. Richards and Lucy Ann Williams, James Griffin and Spencer Finch.

COLORED—James Yarborough and Paralee Lee Scarborough, Frank Williams and Gussie Mayho, Dock Kearney and Allie Williams, Frank Egerton and Joella Wright, John Person and Lucy Ora Daniels, Willie Taylor and Lucy Williams, Zollie Gupyon and Mary Richardson, Will Freeman and Lillian Perry, Wm. Henry Solomon and Hassel Bird, Atkin Williams and Bessie Fogg, Ressey Holden and Seberta Neal, Ervin Ricks and Mag Corlie, Jeff Mitchell and Beulah Perry, Bill Crudup and Mrs. Lula Casper, Willie Harris and Martha Lewis, Claud Yarborough and Willie V. Plummer, Floyd Ray Clifton and Lixabeth Bum-wass, Charles Odo White and Minnie Day, Allie Fogg and Hargie Hill, Juitus Dunston and Rebecca Davis, Robert Williams and Willie A. Perry, Harvey Tomah and Millie Wilson, John Sykes and Roxie Moore, John Bumpass and Lillie Belle Debnam, Willie Hawkins and Mary Tharrington, Benj. Hartsfield and Lucy Edwards.

WHITE—J. Clyde Joyner and Ophelia Blanch Wester, Sam Baker and Ina M. Chapman, John Moton and Cora Freeman, Ivey Baker and Lanie Andrews, Welter Nowell and Ella Kearney, Hilliard Pearce and Bonnie Phelps, Albert Lee Benton and Hattie Fuller, Henry Jeans and Lessie Pearce Lutha Hagwood and Reba Hudson.

COLORED—Willie Thomas Perry and Lillian Heartsfield, Aaron Kearney and Viola Battle, Fred Satterwhite and Mabel Wright, Frank Kelly and Lucy Hunt, John Perry and Mary Zet Branch, Dallas Perry and Selem Williamson, Abraham Curtis and Lucy Person, Robt. Fowler and Anna Mayho, James Wiggins and Ester Cooke, Fed Bird and Andy Richardson, Calvin Yarboro and Annie Green, Frank Harris and Arop Lawrence, Ed. Alston and Lucy Alston.

Town Commissioners. The Board of Town Commissioners met in regular session on Friday night with all present except Wheel and Allen. After reading and approving minutes of last meeting business was disposed of as follows: Reports of A. W. Alston, Clerk and Tax Collector, were received and filed. He reports collecting water and light rent and sale of coal \$1,349.78, taxes \$2,974.68. Report of D. C. High, Chief of Police, was received and filed. He reports costs, license, taxes, etc. \$149.85. Cooper and Hicks were appointed a committee to look into matter of colored cemetery. Upon motion Dr. A. H. Fleming was elected Chief of Fire Department to succeed J. A. Turner, deceased. The resignation of J. M. Allen, as Town Commissioner, was received and accepted. After allowing a number of accounts the Board adjourned to its next regular meeting.

Changes at First National Bank. Mr. Geo. W. Corbin, of Danville, Va., has taken a position as Assistant Cashier of the First National Bank, made vacant by the resignation of Mr. W. D. Jackson, who has entered the life insurance business. Mr. Corbin comes well recommended, as a most capable and efficient man in his profession.

LETTERS FROM FRANCE

Grancey Sur Ource, France, Feb. 6th, 1919.

Mr. A. F. Johnson, Louisburg, N. C., Dear Mr. Johnson:— It has been my intention to write you for some time, but waiting for a transport, homeward bound, has kept me very busy.

Up to, and including the eleventh hour of November 11th, the boys of our regiment were always on the alert and ready at any time to meet the enemy for a free-for-all fight. Since that time, those of us who was fortunate enough to come out with a whole hide, have been more alert than ever for news of an order bidding us arise, take up our bed and walk to a port of embarkation. We arrived safely overseas August 11th, after a very pleasant trip across. Was fortunate in not having but two days of rough sea the entire trip. After spending two days in England at a rest camp, better known as a pest camp, we sailed for the country we are now existing in. Landing at La Havre, we traveled by rail to the village of Tanlay, France, where we remained until Sept. 17th, going from there to what is known as the St. Ebe Sector on the Alsace border. This sector was very quiet during our thirty days occupation but enough happened each day to keep a fellow reminded that a war was on.

In our post of observation we could see the Hun in his front lines and he looked very harmless from a distance of four kilometers, but if a few 75's fell near him he usually answered back with his 77. No doubt, those in power decided that our division, (Wildcats) 51st, was made up of such good soldiers that they would place us where there was some real fighting going on.

On November 1st, we began the hike that carried us thru St. Meheil sector on to the front which was at that time in the lower edge of the Argonne Forest about twelve kilometers east of Verdun. Arriving there on the 3rd and 4th, orders came to prepare for a drive to take place on the morning of the 9th and such a busy body of men as we were, preparing to carry out the orders. Shall never forget the weather conditions on the morning of Nov. 9th. A very dense fog covered everything and it was almost impossible to see any object for any distance. Roads were muddy and the heavy traffic making them worse a seach hour passed.

According to orders, the 321st and 322nd regiment of our division began the drive which was in full bloom the hour the Armistice took place. Our regiment, 323rd, began its part of the program on Sunday morning the 10th, and over the top, into the low lands, the boys went as if they were after a car load of jam waiting for them at the next town. The Hun, with his never-ending artillery and machine gun fire, would send a brave lad to his final resting place every now and then, but the drive continued, and the morning of the close we were five and one half kilometers nearer Berlin.

Comparatively small, the 324th bearing the greater loss of all four regiments. The war is over now and the cry from every side is, take me back to America and home. The 51st division is located in the area around Chatillon Sur Seine, covering a territory of about thirty kilometers square. The men are very comfortably fixed and the main object in view now is to furnish entertainments for the boys. Every regiment gathers its talent to put on the best show possible with the available material. The division has a show now touring France, entertaining the boys of the A. E. F.

Now, while writing would like to know why the Franklin Times has never arrived in France for my approval. Was notified months ago that it was being sent to my army address but have never received a copy. Will compromise the case with you provided you will use the influence of your paper toward the return of the A. E. F. to Suite, 311 Vaux Plait. With kindest regards to you and the force, hoping to see you all soon, too, I am Very truly yours, FRANCIS L. EDENS, Hk. Co. 323 Inf. U. S. P. O. 791, American E. F.

Lecture on France and the War. Lieut. Edmond B. Webb, just from France, where he saw actual fighting service in Argonne Forests, made a most interesting talk to the Epworth League at the Methodist Church on last Sunday night on his experiences in the great world war and the countries he had seen. It was a treat and was greatly enjoyed by all who were present.

To the People of Louisburg. It is with heartfelt thanks that we wish to express our appreciation for the kindness so ably shown during the recent sickness and death of our son. Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Parrish. Messrs. G. D. Taylor and W. H. Yarborough attended Nash Court at Nashville last week.

AMONG THE VISITORS

SOME YOU KNOW AND SOME YOU DO NOT KNOW.

Personal Items About Folks and Their Friends Who Travel Here And There. Supt. E. L. Best went to Raleigh yesterday.

Mr. R. W. Hudson is on a business trip to Richmond. Mr. T. P. Alford, of Nashville, is a visitor to Louisburg. Mr. J. K. Dorsett, of Spencer, is on a visit to relatives near Louisburg.

Misses Clara Aycocke and Grace Hall returned Monday from New York. Mr. — O'Bryan, of Wilson, was a visitor to Louisburg the past week.

Clerk of Court J. J. Barrow went to Wake Forest Wednesday on business. Supt. and Mrs. J. R. Collie, of Raleigh, were visitors to Louisburg Wednesday.

Mr. W. W. Crowell spent several days in Louisburg the past week visiting friends. Among the other soldier boys returned home we note Mr. Grady Harris of near Bunn.

Misses Louise Thomas and Gertrude Jones, of Raleigh, visited relatives and friends in Louisburg Sunday. Ensign W. D. Egerton, of the United States Navy, stationed at Philadelphia, was at home on a visit this week.

Lieut. Edmond B. Webb, who has recently returned from France, where he had experience fighting the Germans, returned home Saturday. Mrs. E. F. Thomas spent the weekend at her home in Louisburg, returning Monday to Raleigh to resume her studies at the business college.

SCHOOL COLUMN

Teachers of Franklin County. By E. L. BEST, Superintendent.

1. The following comes from the Bunn High School: "Friday, February 28th, the Bunn High School pupils presented the play, Safety First, a drama of three acts and ten characters. The audience was very large and appreciative during the entertainment. Every player was thoroughly interested and seemed anxious to perform the individual assignment with the best impression possible. Great credit is due to each pupil who took part in the play, also to Mrs. Pearson who had supervision of this work. Miss Shearson, the music teacher and her pupils gave excellent musical programs between the acts. The proceeds that amounts to over \$50.00 will be used by the Betterment Association in promoting the interest of the school. During this school year the Betterment Association has contributed to our school one hundred song books. L. W. Pearson, Principal."

2. The following comes from the Balance Rock School: "We have planned to have a flower garden on the east side of our school building with a bed of violets under the window. The children seem eager to help and we will furnish flowers from our own home, gradually enlarging our flower beds, trying to get the flowers that bloom early and grow early. I find that our little pupils are very anxious to help. We are a small little band of other good causes. (Miss) Mary Davis, Teacher."

3. Miss Pauline Smith reports that in a recent "Rat Killing" campaign carried on under her supervision that 1817 rats in this county were killed. 4. Miss May Perry, Principal of the Pearce School reports that a box party was given last Thursday night and \$14.20 was cleared.

5. A Fiddler's Convention was held at Rock Springs last Friday night and Miss Effie Tharrington the Principal, reports that the school realized \$33.28. Mr. Junie Alford and Mr. Joe Land drew the first prizes. 6. Perry's Chapel, a colored school in Gold Mine township has reported that it has raised \$5.00 on the Armenian Relief campaign.

7. The last group meeting for the teachers of Harris and Dunn township was held in Louisburg last Saturday. 8. There will be a colored teacher's meeting in Louisburg, Saturday, Mar. 15th. All the teachers are urgently requested to be present as this will be the last colored teachers meeting to be held this school year. The teachers will please bring with them the new census cards that belong to the office. At this meeting all final report blanks will be distributed with proper instructions as to filling them out.

9. "The Country School must not face the child away from the farm. We do not need to have poor country schools. Some people think we do but we don't."

HOLD YOUR COTTON MEETING.

Called for Wednesday March 12th, 1919—All Farmers Urged To Attend.

Mr. G. D. Allen, Chairman of Franklin County Cotton Association has called a meeting of all the farmers in Franklin County to be held in Louisburg on Wednesday, March 12th, 1919, at 11 o'clock in the court house, for the purpose of completing the organization of the County.

A speaker of state-wide reputation has been secured for this date who will fully explain the entire working plan of the Association and the conditions attaching to the cotton situation. Everybody, both white and colored, are invited to be present on this occasion and become more familiar with the effort to get justice for the cotton farmer.

Youngest Louisburger Longest Overseas Man From Town.

Lawrence Egerton enjoys the distinction of having been in service longer than any other man from this place. He is also probably the youngest Louisburger man overseas. He enlisted in the Marine Corps in Philadelphia in April, 1917. Having had some previous military training at the State College he was made a member of the Fifth Regiment, composed of veteran troops. His regiment sailed from Philadelphia on the transport Henderson a few weeks later—in June and was the first regiment of American troops landed in France. It was also one of the first thrown into action. It will be remembered that the Marines rendered valiant service before other troops were available, nor were they spared afterward. He went through the conflict without receiving a wound, though his regiment suffered many casualties and endured great hardships, of one may believe the account given in the article entitled "The Last Fight." In a recent number of the Saturday Evening Post.

In a recent letter he tells of a dream he had while waiting for the hour to arrive at which they were to begin that "last fight." It is interesting only because of the conditions under which a soldier may fall asleep. "I was lying in a shell hole," he says, "waiting for 6 o'clock, at which time we were to go over the top on that memorable November morning. I was so close under the guns that a small stream of sparks fell on and around me. The noise was terrific and I could not tell when a German shell exploded five feet away. Amid all this I fell asleep and dreamed I went home, and to the old swimming hole up the river. I found the old spring board and dived from it, but it wasn't the fun that I had anticipated for the war. When I spoke of my dream my friends attributed my shivering to caution. The young soldier is now with the army of occupation beyond the Rhine, having marched from France through Belgium and Luxembourg into Germany."

\$60 Bonus to Soldiers.

The following circular has been received from the Finance Dept., Washington, D. C. "Section 1406 of the Revenue Act approved February 24, 1919, authorizes officers, soldiers, field clerks and nurses of the Army upon honorable separation from active service by discharge, resignation or otherwise. This bonus is not payable to the heirs or representatives of and deceased soldier.

Those who are discharged hereafter will receive this bonus on the same roll or voucher upon which they are paid their final pay. Those who have been discharged and have received their final pay without the \$60.00 bonus, should write a letter to the Zone Finance Officer, Lemon Building, Washington, D. C., stating their service since April 6, their present address to which they desire their bonus checks to be sent and enclosing with this letter their discharge certificate or Military order for discharge and both, if both were issued.

Upon receipt by the Zone Finance Officer, Washington, D. C., of this information and the soldier's discharge certificate, this officer will cause checks to be drawn and mailed to the claimants in the order in which their claims were received by him. The discharge certificates will be returned to the soldier with the check.

It is estimated that at least one million and a quarter persons have been discharged from the service who are entitled to the benefits of this Act and while payments will be made as expeditiously as practicable, it will manifestly take considerable time to write and mail this many checks."

Four copies of this circular are being mailed to each Local Board. They should be posted in a conspicuous place in order that men already discharged from the service may get this information. All Selective Service officials are called upon to render assistance to persons entitled to this pay. The directions in paragraph one must be strictly followed in making applications.

By direction of the Adjutant General: THOS. B. McCARGO, JR., Capt., Inf. U. S. A. Mr. H. L. Candler left Monday for New York to purchase his Spring stock.

GRANTS GOOD ROADS ELECTIONS

FOR HARRIS, SANDY CREEK AND GOLD MINE TOWNSHIPS.

To Investigate the Sale of Part County Home Land to E. N. Edwards—Finance Committee and County Attorney Instructed to Meet Mr. Ingold and Check ex-Treasurer and Audit His Books.

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday with all members present. After reading and approving the minutes of the previous meeting the Board disposed of business as follows: Report of Miss Pauline Smith, Home Demonstration Agent, was received and filed.

B. F. Pearce was relieved of tax amount \$35.60, error in computing. R. N. Edwards appeared before the Board in regard to buying certain of the County Home land. Commissioners Timberlake, Alston and Fuller, were appointed a committee to investigate.

J. R. Parrish appeared before the Board and took the oath of office as Constable of Sandy Creek township. The bond of E. H. Moore, as Constable of Cypress Creek township, was received and he was given the oath of office.

M. L. Davis was relieved of poll tax—the living in Nash county. Mrs. A. M. Davis was relieved of Special School tax—not being in district. It was ordered that a soldiers historical record book be purchased.

J. P. Timberlake and C. C. Winston were appointed a committee to investigate complaint of E. T. Alford of Youngsville, that his land was assessed too high. Report of J. J. Holden, superintendent of County Home, was received and filed. He reports 11 white and 8 colored inmates.

Report of Dr. J. E. Malone, County Health officer, was received and filed. Report of Dr. J. E. Malone, Quarantine officer, was received and filed. Upon petitions properly signed by the required number of voters, special good roads elections were granted in Harris, Sandy Creek and Gold Mine townships to be held on April 22nd.

Upon motion the salary of Dr. J. E. Malone, County Health officer, was raised \$100.00 per year. Tom Harris, of Franklinton township, was stricken from outside pauper list.

The allowance of Mittie Johnson, outside pauper, was raised to \$2.00 per month. A committee consisting of the finance committee and the County Attorney was appointed to meet Mr. Ingold to check the account of the ex-Treasurer and audit his books.

After allowing a number of accounts the Board adjourned to its next regular meeting.

Information Concerning The Health of the People of Franklin County, Worth Your Attention.

By DR. J. E. MALONE, Health Officer.

Throughout the country this month of March is looked up as clean up month. Now we want to beg the Livermen of our town to please try to get their horse stables cleaned out and the manure hauled out of town or put in the ground. We all know that in and about horse stables are the great source in which flies deposit their eggs and in a few days thousands and millions of flies go forth on their disease carrying and death dealing work. Horse stable manure in the stalls and halls are not so prolific in the production of flies as the stationary pile of manure, because that in halls and stalls are being continually moved by the tramping of horses and attendants, so try and not leave the manure pile stationary as in seven or eight days if we do we will certainly have a large crop of flies. Let all of our citizens in town and county see to it, that no trash or filthy piles of refuse remain any length of time around their premises and horse and cow stables. We have recently sent out to all the public schools a large chart or poster, "Guide for Teachers" telling them all about contagious diseases among school children. The instructions and information contained on this chart will be of the greatest help in preventing disease. With these school teachers working with us along health lines we outside of the schools must do our duty and we will have done much to prevent Spring and Summer diseases.

Mr. G. M. Beam, who has been serving in the Naval Reserves since last September, returned home Sunday, after having received his discharge.

Messrs. J. W. Devenport, L. P. Johnson and — Pearce, of Rocky Mount, passed through Louisburg Wednesday en route to Raleigh to see the Automobile Show.