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Capt. I. H. Kearney Passes

Was One of Franklin County's Most Prominent and Progressive Citizens—Funeral Held Saturday Morning

Capt. I. H. Kearney, one of Franklin and Franklin County's most prominent and popular citizens, died at his home near Franklinton at 1:30 o'clock Friday morning, after quite a long illness. Capt. Kearney was well known throughout the County and State, being a son of the late Sheriff Henry C. Kearney, one of Franklin County's grand old men, and through his business and military activities until a few years ago, when his health began to fail, he was numbered among Franklin County's best business men. Throughout his business career he made many friends by his generous and pleasing manner he handled all questions.

In military he was popular with both men and officers. He was idealized by the men under him for his loyalty and consideration of them.

In politics he was a fighter for what he thought was right and loyal to the last to a friend. In this capacity he had developed a great influence which he used in generous measure for his County and State.

As a friend and neighbor he was real and sympathetic, always ready to be of real service. In his going Franklinton and Franklin County loses one of its best citizens.

Besides his wife he leaves six children Mrs. E. A. Harris, D. B. Kearney, H. C. Kearney, mayor of Franklinton, Miss Claire Kearney, E. W. Kearney, J. B. Kearney.

Capt. Kearney was a true and consistent member of the Franklinton Methodist church, and was a loyal member of the Franklinton Council Junior Order and the Franklinton Post American Legion.

The funeral was conducted from the home at 10:30 o'clock Saturday morning by Rev. E. H. Davis, assisted by Revs. C. L. Dowell, R. L. Randolph, and W. C. Ball, and the interment made in Franklinton cemetery.

The pallbearers were H. F. Fuller, G. B. Harris, G. G. Sandling, J. G. Winston, M. W. Hardy, C. L. McGhee.

Large numbers of friends, including a number from a distance, were in attendance at the funeral services and the floral tribute was especially pretty and in great numbers.

MRS. BEAM ENTERTAINS AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

The American Legion Auxiliary, James Post No. 105, held its regular monthly meeting with Mrs. G. M. Beam on Tuesday afternoon, Nov. 18th, an unusually large attendance made the meeting more interesting. The meeting was called to order by the President, the Lord's Prayer repeated, and the Pledge to the Flag given. Mrs. Beam then read the preamble. Mrs. T. C. Alston Memorial Chairman read a resolution "In Memoriam" to Mrs. J. K. Norfleet, a Past President of the American Legion Auxiliary and one of the pioneers in the work, having been second National Executive Committee woman and for several years Child Welfare Chairman. The death of Mrs. Norfleet saddened the State and she will be indeed missed in the ranks of the Auxiliary.

Before the business, Miss Hazel Johnson sang most beautifully "The Bells of St. Mary's". Her voice was especially delightful for one of her age, and the Auxiliary is glad to find we have children in our midst so talented.

The following bulletins were read and discussed:

Finance—Mrs. J. Forrest Joyner, Hospital—Mrs. W. L. Beasley, History—Mrs. E. Malone, Jr., Americanism—Mrs. R. W. Smithwick.

Community Service and Membership—Mrs. H. H. Hilton. Each Chairman took up her Department and it was gone into thoroughly. An effort is being made particularly to keep our history up-to-date, and Mrs. Malone asks cooperation of the Legion members and Auxiliary members in obtaining data and help along this line.

Mrs. Hilton stressed membership and asks that all members cooperate with the Secretary in getting their dues for 1930-31 in at once in order that this Unit might be on the honor roll and win a National citation, also to get all prospective members interested and get as many as possible in before December 31st, 1930.

A motion prevailed to remember our men at Oteen for Thanksgiving and as they had requested small pillows 14 x 18 with covers, as many as six members were asked to donate pillows, others to donate the cases, and those who did not give those to donate a quarter or some small amount towards buying favors for the trays for their Thanksgiving dinner. The hostess assisted by her daughter Miss Mamie Davis and Miss Hazel Johnson served delightful refreshments and the meeting adjourned to meet the 3rd Tuesday in December with Mrs. R. A. Bobbitt.

Plans are being made for a special Christmas program for and by the children of Auxiliary members. The following is a communication

received from Department Headquarters of the American Legion by the local Unit and shows the interest being manifested in the membership drive now being put on by this organization. This is what the State Secretary expects of the local Secretaries.

"We know that we can depend on your Unit to do their 'Bit' again this year—so we are asking that you remember November 22.

If you want to make me happy, just send in as many members as you possibly can by Friday, November 21, not later than 5: P. M., so that I may wire your Department President, Mrs. Miller, on Saturday morning, November 22, and give her the news—that North Carolina has gone over the top—this would make her gloriously happy and she would be so proud of all the Units in North Carolina.

Mrs. J. Forrest Joyner, Sec'y.

CONTEST FOR YOUNG TAR HEEL FARMERS AT GOLD SAND

An essay contest will be held by the Young Tar Heel Farmer Chapter of Gold Sand on Friday, November 21, at 7:30 P. M. Each student in the Agricultural Department has written an essay on the subject, "The New Tobacco Cooperative Marketing Contracts and What They Mean to the Tobacco Growers of North Carolina". The six best essays have been selected from the group, and will be read at the meeting Friday night. The best essay will be selected at the time to compete in the statewide contest.

As the subject is of interest to tobacco growing communities at the present time, the public is invited to attend this meeting to hear the subject discussed.

This contest is part of a statewide contest, being conducted in over one hundred and forty schools having vocational departments.

Campaign Against Tuberculosis

The campaign to raise money to fight tuberculosis flags throughout the country on Thanksgiving Day.

Money for that purpose is raised almost entirely by the sale of the Christmas Seals.

Franklin County has many cases of tuberculosis which needs to be fought.

DAUGHTERS OF CONFEDERACY CONVENTION AT ASHEVILLE

Asheville, Nov. 17.—Social activities today occupied the 700 members of the United Daughters of the Confederacy who are in Asheville to attend the annual convention, opening Tuesday morning.

The lobby of the George Vanderbilt Hotel, headquarters for the convention, was bustling with activity. At one desk delegates were registering all this morning. At another, convention information was being dispensed. A large blackboard was being used to circulate bulletins informing members of special meetings.

The convention will get underway formally this evening with a reception to be held in the ball room of the hotel at 8:30 o'clock. At dinner for the presidents of the 38 State organizations represented in the national convention, was scheduled for 6 o'clock in the evening.

Practically the entire U. D. C. delegation reached the city yesterday to be on hand for the unveiling of a memorial to Orren Randolph Smith, designer of the Confederate flag, at Calvary Episcopal Church yesterday afternoon. A few late arrivals were reaching the city today.

The city today was bedecked in honor of the visitors. Confederate flags blew from the city hall and from masts at the entrances of a score of Asheville stores.

Clyde R. Hoey, Shelby attorney, and one of the best known orators of the State, delivered the principal address at the unveiling of the Smith memorial. The service was held in the church with the Rev. Clarence Stuart McClain, Jr., rector in charge of the ceremony. The church was decorated with Confederate flags. More than 1,000 persons attended.

Mr. McClain appeared first on the program. He explained the custom of collecting memorials in the churchyard at Calvary. Then Miss Jessica Randolph Smith, of Henderson, a daughter of the famous Confederate soldier and designer of the flag, made a short speech. She presented to Mrs. E. L. McKee, of Sylva, State U. D. C. president, and to Mrs. L. M. Bashinsky, president-general of the national organization, Confederate flags, copies of the original.

Mrs. McKee and Mrs. Bashinsky made short speeches. A bronze tablet set in a boulder, was unveiled by Mary Lou Cooper, of Henderson, and Alice Hills Weaver, of Dillsboro. It was presented by Mrs. Sydney F. Cooper, chairman of the committee for the U. D. C. which donated for the U. D. C. property committee of Calvary Church, received the memorial.

No one has ever suggested applying the birth control idea to some brands of automobiles, but it may come to that.

Tax Meeting Saturday

Chairman, W. W. Neal, of the Franklin County Tax Relief Association, speaking of the meeting held in the courthouse Saturday said "the meeting of the Franklin Tax Association was turned into a 'cross-the-table' discussion of actual tax conditions of the county as regards especially the foreclosure upon land for taxes, and regarding the future financial ability of the people of the county to carry the present heavy obligations.

"With Mr. Speed, Mr. Perry, and Mr. Jones, of the New Board of Commissioners present, it was not long before the general discussion had involved itself into the serious consideration regarding two questions—the injustice of the present costs of foreclosing land at this time for past due taxes, and, secondly, the absolute demand that we stop borrowing money. 'If we stop borrowing, we'll stop spending,' said one of the Commissioners, 'for we are not going to be able to collect much taxes this year.' While another Commissioner remarked, 'if we have got to pay a lawyer and the court \$1500.00 to foreclose upon land owners who owe only \$900.00, then I'm in favor of giving the people these taxes and let them keep their homes.'

"Many legal questions were raised among them being whether or not a sound title to land could be given by the Commissioners under foreclosure procedure as now being followed; whether the county could be forced to pay the large amount of fees as voted by the old Board of Commissioners; whether the people could be ejected, who now reside upon their land being sold for taxes which exceed the limitations as set by law; and whether or not the present Board of Commissioners could be indicted for malfeasance in office if they did take the taxes collected for specific purposes and apply them to paying court cost, lawyer's collection fees, and the advertising of land under tax foreclosure sale.

"It was unanimously agreed that the State should take over the operation and upkeep of our highways, as well as the financing of the six months constitutional school term; that certain county offices should be discontinued; that all county expenses should be reduced to a noticeable extent, and the public salaries of school teachers, county officers and State officials should be appreciably reduced so that the farmers of our county could afford to own their land."

COLLEGE SACRED CHOIR

Presents Program at Methodist Conference Held in Henderson This Week

The Sacred Choir of Louisburg College, Louisburg, presented a program at the Methodist Conference in Henderson on Thursday night, November 20th, under the direction of Miss Bobbie Williams and Mr. H. L. Swint.

The program rendered was as follows: Now the Day is Over, Harkness, Sacred Choir; vocal solos—Face to Face, Johnson, and Morning and Evening, Spicker, Mr. H. L. Swint; The Holy Hour, Nevin, and When Shadows Darkly Gather, Marzoc, Sacred Choir; violin solos—Sonata, Toselli, and Nordische Sage, Ara besken, Miss Evalena Terry; Glorious Forever, Rachmaninoff, Sacred Choir.

The personnel of the Choir is composed of Marianna Bagley, Frances Overton, Hester Monroe, Verden Shaw, Ruth Cathey, Ellen Matthews, Miss Frances Whittle, Mildred Crandall, Jesse Finch, Grace Bruton, Alberta Laughter, Miriam Whedbee, Mrs. C. C. Alexander, Helen Leigh Fleming, Dorothy Hurlie, Cora Scott, Mildred Knott, Dorothy Casey, Lydia Hartman, Hester Aiken, Eunice Matthews, Bernadette Woodlief, Elizabeth Currie, Sophia Clifton, Hazel Woods, Katherine Blacklock, Ernestine Johnson, Annie Lee Cutchin, Eusella Hill, Anne Taylor, Eugenia Lanier, Hazel Allen, Miss Olga Johnston.

AFTERNOON TEA FOR BRIDE-ELECT

Mrs. S. J. Parham and Miss Anna Fuller Parham were at home to their friends from four to six o'clock on Thursday afternoon, honoring Miss Annie Willis Boddie whose wedding is to be celebrated in November. The guests were met at the door by little Miss Rose Malone who took their cards upon a silver tray. Mrs. J. E. Malone, Jr., introduced them to the receiving line as follows: Mrs. S. J. Parham, Mrs. S. P. Boddie, Misses Lucie Clifton and Kitty Boddie and Anna Fuller Parham. From the living room where Messdames Edwin Malone and Edward Best poured tea at a beautifully appointed table, Misses Elizabeth Clifton, Ida Tucker, and Max Allen served sandwiches. Mrs. Parham presented the honoree with a lovely Chinese luncheon set. Many guests called during the afternoon.

PRICES HOLD-ING GOOD

On The Louisburg Tobacco Market And Big Sales are the Result, With Much Satisfaction

Louisburg Tobacco Market has enjoyed good sales each day the past week both in quantity and prices. The smoker grades are still leading in price, but improvement in other grades have been reported a strong demand is still apparent and the bidding is lively. Many planters are visiting this market from adjoining counties and all express satisfaction for the results received on the Louisburg market.

The market will close on Wednesday evening of next week for the Thanksgiving holidays and will reopen on Monday, December 1st.

Get your tobacco ready and offer it in Louisburg before the holidays.

SAREPTA METHODIST CHURCH

The following is the outline of the service at Sarepta Methodist church, which marked the beginning of the American Education Week which was observed by the Gold Sand District Schools:

Prelude.
Hymn—56.
Responsive Reading—303 (Psalm 19).

Prayer.
Offeratory.
Remarks—Mr. W. Owen Reed, Principal Gold Sand High School.

Hymn—41.
Sermon—"The Schools of Tomorrow and the Future of America."
Hymn—105.
Benediction.

The Pastor and congregation of Sarepta are glad to have the Principal, and teachers of Gold Sand High School to worship with us and participate in this service which is the beginning of American Education Week."

We urge every patron of Gold Sand High School, and other schools to participate in the very fine program which will be rendered during this week.

The school people are doing a great work with our boys and girls and, deserve the cooperation and loyalty of every patron, in order that such a standard may be maintained.

"Give me men to match my mountains,
Give me men to match my plains,
Men with empires in their purpose,
Men with ears in their brains."

The following interpretation of the public schools of our country was compiled by the Journal of the National Educational Education Association:

There were 1,010,232 teachers in the United States in 1928. Of these 209,398 were men.

There were 10,000,000 pupils enrolled in 1880. There are 25,000,000 in 1930. There were 6,000,000 in daily attendance in 1880. There are 20,000,000 in 1930.

MRS. J. M. ALLEN HONORS MISS BODDIE

On Tuesday evening Mrs. J. M. Allen delightfully entertained at twelve tables of Bridge in honor of Miss Annie Willis Boddie, November bride-elect. At the close of the most enjoyable game of Bridge, the scores were counted and Mrs. W. E. White, Jr., found to be the lucky winner of high score, prize—two lovely decks of cards. Mrs. E. L. Best drew the consolation. Miss Boddie was presented an exquisite silver sandwich plate Mrs. Allen served most attractive and palatable refreshments consisting of fried chicken, French-fried potatoes, tomatoes, hot biscuits and coffee and minis.

WATER REPORT

The following is a water report for the Town of Louisburg for the past month:

Reported—11-14-30.
Sediment—0.
Color—10.
Turbidity—Slight.
Odor, cold—0.
Odor, hot—Slight.
Alkalinity—7 Parts Per Million.
Alam—0 Parts Per Million.
Chlorides—4.5 Parts Per Million.
Nitrides—0.
pH—6.0.
B. Coll in 1 c.c.—0.
B. Coll in 10 c.c.—0.
B. Coll in 50 c.c.—0.
Total bacterial count per c.c. at 82°C.—0.
Count on lactose litmus agar per c.c.—1.
Acid-producing bacteria per c.c.—0.
C. A. SHORE, M.D., Director.
M. L. S., Analyst.

BISHOP DARST ASKS SUPPORT OF RED CROSS ROLL CALL

Washington, D. C., Nov. 20.—The national headquarters of the American Red Cross has received an eloquent statement by the Rt. Rev. Thomas C. Darst, bishop of the diocese of East Carolina of the Episcopal Church, calling for public support of the Red Cross in the present membership roll call. He says: "Of all the good causes to which our people are given the privilege

of contributing, none is more worthy of our generous support than the American Red Cross.

"During the Great War when the most indifferent of us were touched to sacrificial devotion by the consciousness that our sons were suffering and dying for the peace of the world, we responded gladly and willingly to the appeals of this great self-giving organization, but since a measure of peace has come, we no longer respond with the same loving generosity.

"Let us not forget the thousands of maimed and blinded veterans who, unable to return to homes and business after their great sacrifice, are depending upon the Red Cross to make life a little more bearable as the long days drag on. To them the Red Cross is the loving heart of a grateful people, and we must not, through our lack of grateful thankfulness, take this comfort from them.

"The heart of our State is warm and responsive to human need, and I am confident that we will not fail to do our full part in strengthening the hands of those who, under the blessed symbol of the Red Cross, go with quick and eager feet to the relief of suffering humanity in all the world."

PARTY FOR BRIDE-ELECT

Mrs. F. H. Allen and Miss Max Allen gave a very delightful Bridge party on Thursday afternoon at their home on north Main Street in honor of Miss Annie Willis Boddie a November bride-to-be. The lovely home was thrown open en suite for the players at twelve tables of Bridge. After a series of progressions, Miss Annie Green was declared winner of the high score, and received a very attractive silver pickle fork. Mrs. E. L. Best claimed the booby—a jar of cookies in card shapes. Mrs. Allen, assisted by her daughters and Miss Elizabeth McGhee served a tempting salad course followed by sylvan and cake. Miss Boddie was presented a half dozen exquisite silver bread and butter plates.

Franklin Superior Court

Franklin Superior Court has been in session since Monday with Hon. Garland E. Myette, presiding. It is a criminal term and is therefore only attracting the attention of those directly interested in the cases before the court.

Among the cases disposed of this week were the case of Hudson vs. Shearin, wherein Hudson, or Medlin, was seeking to recover \$10,000 from R. N. Shearin of Bunn for damages alleged to have happened to him while working at a saw mill belonging to Shearin. The jury found a verdict in favor of Shearin. Hudson was represented by Rogers and Rogers, of Wilmington, and Shearin was represented by G. M. Beam and R. G. Bailey.

Another case attracting many to Franklin Court from a sister county was the one of Jewell vs. Bass. This was another \$10,000 damage suit, growing out of an alleged malicious prosecution and abuse of process charge. This case was settled before going to trial, in an agreed verdict. In this case Yarborough and Yarborough and E. F. Griffin represented Jewell while W. A. Finch, of Wilson, and G. M. Beam represented Bass.

Other cases before the court were of minor public importance and the several tax suits had not been reached as this article was closed.

Franklin people were delighted to have Judge Midyette return to hold this term of court.

GOLD SAND OBSERVES AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK

American Education Week was begun with a special sermon on The Schools of Tomorrow by Rev. S. E. Wright, Pastor of the Centerville Methodist Church. This sermon was prepared especially for the Gold Sand District Schools.

Mr. Wright said the schools of tomorrow would be child-centered; not subject-matter centered. "Also there will be better cooperation between the church, home and school; and to make this school it will and should require our best efforts, for this school of tomorrow will save America," said the speaker.

Tuesday Rev. J. H. Harper delivered a splendid address on How Schools Promote Patriotism and World Understanding. This was a special Armistice Day program, and World Peace played a prominent part in the day's celebration.

On Wednesday Rev. G. W. May spoke on the Schools of Yesterday. The students were very much interested in hearing Mr. May tell about the schools of his boyhood days.

For Thursday the sixth grade of Gold Sand presented a program on The Schools of Today.

For Friday, Rev. C. B. Howard delivered an inspirational address on What the Schools Have Helped the Individual to Achieve. The schools all over the Gold Sand District report that they observed American Education Week, and that the students showed much interest in each day's program. Visitors were present almost every day.

REVALUATION PROPERTY

State Board of Assessments Will Direct Work According To Announcements.

Raleigh, Nov. 11.—The quadrennial revaluation of property in all the counties of the state, which will start January 1, 1931, will be conducted under the general supervision of the State Board of Assessment, it was learned here yesterday from A. J. Maxwell, commissioner of revenue, and chairman of the board, following a meeting of the board at which it was decided to exercise its authority to direct this general revaluation in its broader aspects, with a view to securing greater uniformity than heretofore.

For some time the board has been considering the question as to whether it would exercise the authority which is given it in the law to lay down certain broad regulations, and especially supervise the general manner in which the revaluation is made. At first it was feared by some members of the board that any supervision on its part might be resented in the counties. But the indications are that most of the counties now desire the assistance of the board of assessment, especially in the preparation of the forms to be used and in setting up general uniform standards for evaluating property of the same type in the different counties.

"The board has not yet completed its consideration of all the factors involved, but at a preliminary meeting held recently it decided that it would do what it can to assist the county supervisors in making the valuation as uniform as possible over the state," Chairman Maxwell said. "However, it hopes to make its part in the revaluation advisory rather than supervisory, and to assist the county revaluation supervisors rather than actually direct them.

"For the board members realize that the revaluation supervisors in each county naturally will have a better understanding of values in the different counties than any one else, and that he and his township supervisors must do the actual work. But the board members feel that they can materially assist the local supervisors in setting up uniform standards of value and in setting up uniform methods of procedure to be followed in all the counties, so that property may be fairly evaluated on the same general basis in each community."

It is probably that the Board of Assessment will call a meeting of all the 100 tax supervisors here in Raleigh early in December, or as soon as they are appointed by the boards of county commissioners the first Monday in December. This matter has not been definitely decided, but the board has discussed it and seems to be favorable to it.

If this meeting is held, the many details entering into the revaluation process will be discussed, and a general uniform method of procedure decided upon. The county tax-supervisors will have available the entire corps of tax experts to assist them and to help them with their problems, so that it is believed they will get a much better understanding of the tax problems of the states as a whole than otherwise would be the case.

Many of the inequalities now existing in the valuations placed on property in various sections of the state, with the resulting inequality in tax rates and tax burdens between the various sections of the state, with the resulting inequality in tax rates and tax burdens between the various counties has undoubtedly come about because of a lack of understanding of the problems involved and because of a lack of any uniform methods of determining values, according to members of the board. Neither has there been any uniform system of making the revaluation or of blanks and reports. It is believed that many of these inequalities and defects can be removed if the Board of Assessment will take an active part in assisting the county tax authorities in handling these matters.

It is understood that Attorney General Dennis G. Brummitt took the lead in suggesting that the board exercise its powers to assist in this quadrennial revaluation, and that all the other four members of the board quickly agreed with him, so that the entire board is now working harmoniously toward this objective.

A. K. TANT DIES SUDDENLY

Mr. A. K. Tant died suddenly at his home in Cypress Creek township on Friday November 14th. He was 75 years of age and leaves a wife and several children. He passed away during the night, while asleep. Coroner Earp was called and found that death was due to natural causes.

GARDEN DAY

A Garden Day program will be held at Seven Paths School building on Tuesday afternoon 3:30 o'clock, November 25th. The topic for discussion will be, "The preparation of soils for spring gardens." These meetings held once a month, will be very helpful to all attending. All that are interested in gardens in any way are invited to be present.