

DEATH OF A. H. JOYCE

Danbury's Oldest Citizen Passes At The Age Of Eighty-Seven.

LONG, USEFUL LIFE

Mr. Joyce Was Possibly the Oldest Lawyer in the State— Had Practiced Actively For Sixty Years— Burial Attended By Large Crowd.

Mr. Andrew Hamilton Joyce died at his home here at four o'clock Sunday morning, after a critical illness lasting a few days, though he had been confined to his bed with a general breakdown for several years. With him at his death were his wife, Mrs. Mary Ann Joyce; sons, Robert T. Joyce, of Mt. Airy, and H. M. Joyce, of Danbury, as well as Mrs. H. M. Joyce, and a number of the grandchildren.

The deceased was one of the first settlers of Danbury, having located here in the fifties. He practiced law in Stokes and adjoining counties actively for 60 years. He was solicitor of the old sixth district for about 8 years, Stokes being then a part of the sixth with Surry, Yadkin, Rowan, Forsyth and other counties. He was a candidate for Presidential elector in 1886, being defeated by R. B. Glenn.

Mr. Joyce was a remarkable man in many respects. He had a wonderful memory and a great fund of useful information, which rendered him a most entertaining conversationalist. He knew nearly every family name and family record not only in Stokes but in many other counties adjoining this. His mind was active and vigorous almost to his death. He had a fine sense of humor, yet withal was very practical, and of great commonsense.

Mr. Joyce became connected with the Presbyterian church some 20 years ago, and was one of the establishers of that denomination in this county.

During the last year or so preceding his death, Mr. Joyce had become partially blind. This added to his other afflictions, rendered him helpless, but he was most excellently cared for by his children and grandchildren, for whom he had a great and tender affection. He never complained, was always cheerful, and bore his afflictions with that uncomplaining resignation and fortitude typical of the Christian soldier. He sank peacefully to sleep, secure in the faith of the Rock of Ages.

The interment, which was made in the family plot at the Danbury cemetery, was conducted by Rev. Mr. Irvin, of the Presbyterian church, and Rev. T. J. Folger, of the M. E. church, and the ceremonies having begun at the Presbyterian church, were closed at the grave. A large crowd was present, among them many friends from a distance.

WALNUT COVE NEWS.

Interesting Debate Between High School Students-- Personal of Interest.

Walnut Cove, March 21.—Walnut Cove lost to Stoneville at home upholding the affirmative and won from Madison on last Friday evening in the annual triangular contest on the state wide question of debate, Resolved that the constitution of North Carolina should be so amended as to allow the initiative and referendum in state wide legislature.

Messrs. John Hutcherson and Russell McPherson of the local school upheld the affirmative while Messrs. Hodgins and Stone, of Stoneville, defended the negative and won the decision.

Walnut Cove's negative team Messrs. Saunders Rierison, Jr., and Robah Lasley won in the debate with Madison high school.

The speeches of the Walnut Cove boys were highly creditable to both boys and school.

Without attempting to distinguish between the abilities of the several speakers suffice to say that by application and right living each one has power to stand high in the council of the nation.

A party of young men from our town motored out to the Twin City Thursday night to see the show, "Every Woman." They also very distinctly remembered seeing "One Man," and from the tone of their voices we think the "One Man" made more impression on the boys than the "Every Woman."

Major Charles Manly Siedman spent Saturday night in Walnut Cove. The Major even at his advanced age is as jolly and interesting as a man of twenty. He is a most interesting talker and while here his friends availed themselves of the opportunity of hearing the Major talk interestingly of the national affairs especially regarding the Mexican situation. He left on the 10:45 train for Greensboro.

We were indeed sorry to hear of the death of Mr. Andrew H. Joyce, of Danbury. The deceased has hosts of friends here as well as throughout the county and State who sympathize very deeply with the bereaved family, especially the widow who is left to mourn his loss. Mr. Joyce was held in high esteem by all that knew him, as he was one of the most popular and efficient attorneys of his time.

We are glad indeed to learn that Mrs. E. R. Voss, who has been seriously ill at her home west of town, is considered better at this writing.

Miss Claudia Rierison returned home Saturday from a week's visit to relatives at Germantown. She was accompanied by Miss Mabel McKenzie, who spent Saturday and Sunday as the guest of the Misses Rierison.

Mr. A. W. Davis left last Friday for points in Virginia where he will buy a car load of stock.

Mrs. R. B. Semple, of Martinsville, Va., spent the week end in town as the guest of her husband.

Mr. Jno. G. Fulton made a business trip to Greensboro last week.

KILLED BY TRAIN TO LET CONTRACT

Sad End of Young Curtis Hutcherson, of Sandy Ridge.

BODY BROUGHT HOME

Had Been Flagman On Norfolk & Southern, and Fell Between the Rails — Interment At Home.

News is received here of the death of Mr. Curtis D. Hutcherson, who was killed by a Norfolk & Southern train near Wadeville, N. C., last Saturday morning. Mr. Hutcherson was flagging when he fell between the cars, three wheels passing over him. His body was fearfully mangled. He was brought to Mt. Gilead immediately, where medical aid was secured, but nothing could be done for him.

Mr. Hutcherson was only about 23 years of age, and was a son of Mr. M. L. Hutcherson, of Sandy Ridge, this county. The body was shipped to relatives at Sandy Ridge for burial.

The following additional account of Mr. Hutcherson's death is taken from one of the Reporter's exchanges:

A fatal accident occurred at Wadeville Saturday when Mr. C. D. Hutcherson, 25 years of age, a flagman on the Norfolk & Southern railroad, met death under the wheels of the train with which he was running. The train, of which Mr. Hutcherson was a member of the crew, was standing about a mile north of Wadeville.

Engineer Edwards and Conductor Johnson had gone to Wadeville to get orders, leaving Mr. Hutcherson in charge of the train. Upon their return they saw Mr. Hutcherson leaning out of the cab window, and this was the last seen of the unfortunate young man until after the accident, in which the entire train passed over his body. Just how the accident occurred may never be known, but it is the opinion of the crew that the young man climbed to the top of the cars to let off the brakes, when the engineer backed the engine against the cars to make the coupling. It is supposed that the jar when the engine struck the cars threw the young man from the top of the car on which he was standing, falling on the track, the cars passing over his body.

The young man lived only about an hour, without recovering consciousness. The body, accompanied by Engineer Edwards and Conductor Johnson, passed through the city Sunday enroute to the young man's home at Sandy Ridge, Stokes county, where the interment will take place.

Farm For Sale.

104 acres of good tobacco and grain land for sale. Will sell for cash or on time. For information write or see

W. H. EATON, King, N. C., Route 1.

Meadows Township Road Commissioners Preparing To Start Work

BIDS RECEIVED

At Meeting of Commissioners Tomorrow Contract Will Be Awarded For Twenty Miles of Road.

At a meeting of the road commissioners for Meadows township held at Germantown last week sealed bids were received for the construction of about twenty miles of road in Meadows township. Bids from nine contractors were handed in to the commissioners, but after considering all the bids it was decided to allow the contractors to bid again tomorrow at which time the contract will be awarded to the lowest bidder.

It is learned that some of the bids received by the commissioners were lower than the work is being done for in the townships now having road work done.

Campbell.

Campbell Route 1, March 23.—People are very busy in this section preparing for another large crop of tobacco.

Miss Lera Taylor and brother, Elijah, spent Saturday night and Sunday with Miss Unah Robertson.

Quite a large crowd visited Miss Pearl Sheppard last Sunday afternoon. Among them were Misses Flossie Robertson, Lena Taylor, Erna Sheppard, Lela Boyles, Alpha and Elah Jessup and Una Robertson, and Messrs. Percy Sheppard, Willie Moore, Homie Moore, Elijah Taylor, Fred and Lester Smith, Noah, Doss and Alonzo Pringle, Gabe Hylton and Roy Leak. All seemed to enjoy themselves very much.

Miss Pearl Sheppard is spending the week with Misses Alpha and Mary Jessup.

Miss Lelia Boyles and Mr. Gabe Hylton visited Miss Annie Hylton Sunday evening.

Messrs. Roy Martin, Frank Pringle, Wille Moore and Lester Smith visited Mr. Joel Sheppard's Sunday evening.

The Jute school, taught by Misses Flossie Robertson and Lelia Boyles is progressing nicely. The school will close April 3.

Farm For Sale

This farm contains 220 acres two and half miles of Summerfield, three miles of depot, three-quarters of a mile of a good school, and within three miles of the County High School. The land is adapted to tobacco as well as to grain. Seventy acres of open land, balance in oak and pine. Has a good six-room house, two tobacco barns, pack house and grain barn on it. Price right. Good terms.

Donnell Bros. Lumber Co. Oak Ridge, N. C.

RICHARD WILLIAMS

Died of Heart Disease At His Home On Campbell Route One Friday--Was Quite A Young Man, Aged 35.

Messrs. C. D. and G. W. Smith, of Snow Creek, visited Danbury Monday and reported the death of Mr. Richard Williams, which occurred at his home on Campbell Route 1 Friday. Mr. Williams, who was only 35 years of age, had had several attacks of heart trouble, but had recently been up and going about. His passing was rather sudden. He is survived by a wife and several children. The interment was made on Sunday at the Cardwell graveyard.

DEATH OF J. W. SPAINHOUR

Passed Away At Hospital In Greensboro On Thursday Night.

Mr. John Wesley Spainhour, of King, one of Stokes county's best citizens, passed away Thursday night at St. Leo's Hospital in Greensboro where he underwent an operation two weeks ago. He had been ill with a complication of diseases for some months.

The deceased was aged 61 years and is survived by a wife and five children. His two sons are Messrs. E. O. and J. W. Spainhour, Jr., both of Winston. The three daughters are Mrs. Will R. Riger, of King; Mrs. Edgar Neal, of Greensboro, and Miss Nannie Spainhour, a trained nurse, of Charlotte.

Mr. Spainhour, who was formerly postmaster at King, was well known here as well as throughout this county, and has a host of friends who were pained to learn of his death.

The deceased was a member of the M. E. church for more than twenty years, and was also an honored member of the Junior Order in his home town.

DEATH OF ROBERT COVINGTON

Passed Away At His Home On Westfield Route 1 Saturday Morning.

Mr. Robert Covington, a good citizen and merchant of Westfield Route 1, passed away at his home Saturday morning after a short illness with pneumonia.

The deceased, who was 73 years of age, is survived by his wife and two children, Messrs. John and Rufus Covington.

Mr. Covington had for years conducted a store near his home, being a member of the firm of J. R. Covington & Co. He was well known and had a host of friends in that section as well as throughout the county.

The interment was made at Brim's Grove cemetery Sunday, the funeral services being conducted by Rev. J. E. Simmons.

Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo has issued a warning to all collectors of internal revenue that income tax returns are "inviolably confidential," that disclosure of returns is in violation of the law and the slightest infraction will be punished.

WALNUT COVE M. C.

Enjoyable Meeting Wednesday Evening With Miss Lillie Joyce.

A MOCK WEDDING

This Ceremony Was Performed Apropos of the Subject of the Evening's Study, Mendelssohn.

Walnut Cove, N. C., March 24.—The Walnut Cove Music Club held a most enjoyable meeting at the home of Miss Lillie Joyce on Wednesday evening.

After roll call the study of Mendelssohn was taken up.

The program rendered was as follows:

Reading: "Sketch of Life of Mendelssohn," Mr. Scroggs.

Instrumental solo—"Spring Song," (Mendelssohn,) Miss Elsie Payne.

Vocal solo—"I Love You Truly," Miss McPherson.

Vocal solo—"O Promise Me," Mr. Covington.

Wedding March—"Mendelssohn," Mr. Robert Murphy.

As if to make this familiar march more impressive, and to carry out the spirit of the music, members of the club came across the broad hallway to the strains of the wedding march, dressed to represent members of a bridal party, and a mock marriage ceremony was performed in the parlor.

Miss Stella Rierison, at the piano, softly rendered "Schubert's Serenade" during the ceremony.

A very pleasant social hour was then spent, during which the hostess served dainty refreshments.

Members of the club present were Misses Elsie Payne, Stella Rierison, Annie Kate Jones, Bessie McPherson and Lillie Joyce and Messrs. Robert Murphy, W. P. Wheeler, J. W. Scroggs, R. L. Vaughn and T. J. Covington.

The visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Semple, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Dixon, Miss Ripple, Messrs. Hary Davis, Charlie Davis and H. L. Byrd.

News Items from Capella.

Capella, March 24.—We take your paper and enjoy reading it very much.

Choppings are all the go around here.

Mrs. B. F. King has been right sick for about 3 months, but is improving, we are glad to note.

Miss Cora Tuttle of Germantown Route 1 is visiting her sister, Mrs. T. S. Boyles of Winston.

Little Miss Hattie Tuttle, who has been right sick with rheumatism for quite a while is improving, we are glad to say.

Mr. G. T. Slate is not improving much, we are sorry to know. There will be preaching at Quaker Gap the second Saturday and Sunday in April by the pastor Rev. W. H. Wilson.

A LONESOME KID.