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BRYANT MOVES TO NEW HOME

Furniture Store Occupies Modern Building On Public Square

Oscar C. Bryant, born and reared in Macon county, realized a lifelong dream this week when he moved his furniture store and funeral home into his own building, formerly occupied by the Joines Motor company.

Mr. Bryant bought the building, on the Public Square, in October at a price reported to be \$13,000 and since then he has spent several thousand dollars in remodeling and redecorating the building to suit his own purposes.

Building Remodeled

The structure, a two-story brick building with basement, has been made thoroughly modern, and it is now the largest single business establishment in Macon county. It occupies a site 90 by 95 feet.

The main floor, forming a single well-lighted room, is utilized as a display room for furniture. Part of the second floor is used for the same purpose, with one large room set aside for room ensembles and another used for storage.

Most of the second floor, however, is devoted to funeral parlors and casket display rooms. One of the parlors is sufficiently large for use as a funeral chapel.

The basement is set aside for a garage and storage room. An elevator has been installed connecting all three floors.

Modern lighting fixtures supply plentiful light at night for both the first and second floors.

Keeps Open House

Mr. Bryant this week extended an open invitation to the people of this and adjoining counties to visit his new establishment, where he plans to carry a wide range of furniture and household furnishings.

Mr. Bryant, strange to say, first entered business in Franklin at an old store building occupying the same site as the building he now owns and occupies. That was in 1931. His business then was not furniture, but candy and produce. He remained in this business until 1923, when he accepted a position with John Trotter, Franklin dry goods merchant. In 1925 he entered the furniture business with his brother, Harve Bryant, in the old Allman building, now owned by the American Legion, on West Main street. Two years later they moved their store, the Bryant Furniture company, to the location now occupied by Leach Brothers hardware store. Then, in 1928, the store was moved to the McCoy Building, and several years later Oscar Bryant bought out his brother's interest.

Now Mr. Bryant has moved his establishment into his own building, one of the largest and most modern not only in Franklin but in all of the counties west of Buncombe.

Carter Glass at 79



WASHINGTON... Above is Senator Carter Glass of Virginia, who at 79 is the oldest member of the U. S. Senate. He first served in the 57th Congress. He was Secretary of the Treasury in the Wilson Cabinet. Senator Glass celebrated his birthday two days before the opening of the present 75th Congress.

PLEMMONS BOY BADLY INJURED

Expected to Recover after Auto Accident On Palmer Street

Paul Lee Plemmons, 10-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Plemmons, of White Oak street, was seriously injured at 6 o'clock Wednesday evening when he was knocked down and run over by an automobile driven by W. H. Cabe, of Clark's Chapel.

Deputy Sheriff John Dills, who investigated the accident, reported it was unavoidable, and no charges were made against Mr. Cabe.

The boy was reported to have skated off the sidewalk on Palmer street, just above the Burrell Motor company's garage, into the street in front of the approaching automobile.

Mr. Cabe was said to have run his car into a ditch in attempting to stop it as quickly as possible. An ambulance was called and the boy was taken to Angel hospital. Mr. Cabe accompanied him and then reported to Sheriff Slagle immediately.

Paul's Injuries

At the hospital today it was reported that young Plemmons had suffered a fracture of the left thigh, a fracture of the left arm at the shoulder and concussion of the brain. Dr. Furman Angel said that although his injuries were very serious the youth's condition was satisfactory and he would recover. The boy was unconscious for eight hours.

Paul's father, who is county sanitary officer, said he had repeatedly warned the youth not to skate in the streets.

Production Credit Group To Meet Tuesday

The annual meeting of the Asheville Production Credit Association will be held at 10 Tuesday morning, January 26 at the courthouse at Asheville, according to an announcement by J. A. Hudgens, president.

The Asheville Production Credit Association serves 16 western counties, including Macon, and furnishes short term credit for production and other purposes, to its members. Mr. Hudgens said the Association now has 347 members.

At the meeting in Asheville, reports will be received on last year's operations, directors will be elected and plans made for 1937.

OLDEST GRAY VETERAN DIES

Rev. J. N. Arnold, 97, Dead; Only 5 Confederate Veterans Left

The Rev. John N. Arnold, oldest confederate veteran in Macon county, and thought to be perhaps the oldest resident of the county, died at 4:00 Friday morning at the home of his brother, Walter Arnold in the Cullasaja section. He was 97 years old on January 8.

The Rev. Mr. Arnold's death leaves only five confederate veterans living in this county.

Mr. Arnold had been ill about three months. He was a native of Macon county and during the war between the states, served in Company K, 9th North Carolina Regiment. He was taken prisoner 18 months before the close of the war and held by the federal troops until the war ended.

Mr. Arnold became a member of the Baptist church at the age of 21 and later entered the Baptist ministry. He held various pastorates in the county prior to his retirement, a number of years ago. At one time, he was an active Mason.

Surviving Mr. Arnold besides his brother Walter are his sister, Miss Mary Arnold; a son, Oscar; and two daughters, Mrs. Annie Crisp and Mrs. Lassie Genter, all of Cullasaja.

The funeral was held at 2:30 Friday afternoon at Sugarfork Baptist church with the Rev. George Cloer officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery.

CHILD'S DEATH INVESTIGATED

Sheriff A. B. Slagle and Coroner C. M. Moore investigated Monday the death of the five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Mathis, of Cowee. The child died at midnight Saturday, eight days after his father was alleged to have beaten him severely with a leather strap.

Dr. Furman Angel, who examined the boy's body at the request of the sheriff and the coroner, said death was due to pneumonia, and upon this report no charges were made and no inquest was deemed necessary.

The father was reported to have gone to South Carolina several days before his son's death.

The case was brought to the attention of the sheriff by relatives of the child, who were reported to have told him that Mathis had beaten the boy with a strap in punishment for cursing.

The body of the child was said to have borne a number of bruises.

Will Rogers Picture Coming Next Week

"Steamboat Round the Bend," Will Rogers' last motion picture, heads the bill next Monday and Tuesday at the Macon Theatre, according to an announcement by Charles Ingram, manager.

It is a story of the Claremont Queen, a Mississippi river steamboat which accidentally becomes the property of Dr. John (Will Rogers); Fleety Belle, a swamp girl in love with Duke, Will's nephew, and a search up and down the river for a psalm-singing revivalist, wanted as an eye witness to a killing. The show is capped off by a race between the Claremont Queen and the Pride of Paducah, operated by Captain Eli (Irvin S. Cobb).

Mr. Ingram said that although it was Will Rogers' first attempt at a serious role, it is one of his best pictures.

New Patton Bills Arouse Opposition

Letters and Petitions Urge Defeat of Measures To Create Jury Commission, To Cut Jailor's Fees to 45 Cents a Day per Prisoner, and To Remove George Carpenter and Howard Valentine as Magistrates; Bill To Defer Tax Foreclosures Passed by House; Taxpayers Worried as to Effect on Negotiations for Bond Refunding.

The past week in the general assembly at Raleigh brought passage in the lower house of Representative Robert A. Patton's bill to postpone tax foreclosure suits in Macon county and the introduction of three more bills pertaining to this county.

The tax foreclosure bill, designed to defer action for 90 days from ratification of the measure, was passed on final reading in the house of representatives Saturday morning and sent to the senate, where on Monday it was referred to judiciary committee No. 1.

Representative Patton informed The Press-Maconian that this bill was intended only as a temporary measure until he could devise another bill providing for some sort of settlement of delinquent taxes. He added that he had not decided along what lines to draw the delinquent tax bill he intends later to introduce.

Bond Resettlement Sought

With the foreclosure postponement bill still pending in the upper house, two representatives of the county board of commissioners—George B. Patton, county attorney, and C. Tom Bryson, register of deeds and clerk to the board—left Wednesday for Raleigh to confer with bondholders' representatives concerning refunding of the county's bonded indebtedness, amounting approximately to \$90,000. Taxpayers in close touch with the situation were concerned as to how Representative Patton's bill would affect pending negotiations on the resettlement proposal, which, it has been estimated, would save the taxpayers of the county \$200,000 over a period of 30 years and greatly reduce annual interest payments.

New Bills Introduced

The three new bills introduced by Representative Patton are summarized as follows:

To create a jury commission for Macon county composed of Alex Moore, of Franklin; Charles Rogers, of Prentiss, and Sam Gibson, of West's Mill. This commission would supplant the county commissioners in drawing superior court juries.

To remove Howard Valentine and George Carpenter as justices of the peace in Macon county and to substitute for them C. A. Setzer and Noah Evans.

To abolish the turnkey's fee of the Macon county jailor and to limit to 15 cents per meal and 45 cents per day the amount that shall be paid the jailor for boarding county prisoners. Violation of this measure would be punishable by a fine of not less than \$100 or imprisonment of not less than 30 days.

Opposition Aroused

Upon news of introduction of the jury commission bill, it was reported, several letters were sent to Raleigh by influential citizens opposing the measure and requesting that it not be passed.

The other two measures also brought protests and today petitions were being circulated throughout the county requesting that both bills be killed. Scores of Democrats signed both the bill relating

to the jailor's fees and the one to remove Valentine and George Carpenter as justices of the peace. Mr. Valentine no longer lives in the county, but Mr. Carpenter does. He has served as a magistrate for a number of years and, although he is a Republican, numerous Democrats rallied to his support and signed the petition or wrote letters to members of the legislature urging his retention in office.

John Dills, the county jailor, it was learned by The Press, now receives 60 cents as a turnkey's fee for each prisoner admitted to the jail, and 75 cents a day board for each prisoner. He obtained the job by contract issued after bids were submitted to the county commissioners.

The bill to create a jury commission was accompanied by a companion measure to repeal a law enacted under the sponsorship of Frank Ray two years ago providing that grand juries in Macon county should serve for one year. Passage of the repealer would return the county to the system of drawing a new grand jury at each term of superior court.

Under the jury commission bill, each member of the commission would receive \$5 for each day's services required in selecting juries.

In the past juries have been drawn by a child unable to read in the presence of the county commissioners.

Chaplain Rejected, But Prayer Held Essential

RALEIGH, Jan. 20.—In addition to his duties as reading clerk in the house of representatives, Editor Dan Tompkins of the Jackson County Journal has the task of leading the representative in prayer at the opening of each day's session. The task was assigned to him by Speaker Gregg Cherry, of Gaston, last Saturday after a petition from the Raleigh Ministerial association was read urging appointment of a full-time paid chaplain for the house. Deeming a chaplain an unnecessary expense but prayer a necessary requisite to good legislation, the speaker directed, the reading clerk to lead the house in saying the Lord's prayer each morning.

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Franklin Produce Market LATEST QUOTATIONS

(Prices listed below are subject to change without notice.)
Quoted by Farmers Federation, Inc.

Chickens, heavy breed, hens	13c
Chickens, light weight, lb	11c
Eggs, doz.	17c
Corn, bu.	90c
Wheat, bu.	\$1.10
Potatoes, No. 1	\$1.20
Field peas, bu.	\$1.40
Crowder peas, bu.	\$2.25
Yellow Mammoth Soy Beans, bu.	\$1.35
Lorida Beans, bu.	\$1.65
Onions, bu.	70c

Quoted by Nantahala Creamery
Butterfat, lb. 30c