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JURY RULES FOR MRS. BURGESS IN WILL LITIGATION

Relatives Attempted To Upset
Agreement Dividing Property
of Late Contractor

ESTATE OVER \$100,000

Mrs. Molly Burgess, widow of the late Thomas S. Burgess, prominent business man and contractor of Southern Pines, was winner in a suit in Superior Court last week in which Mrs. Russie Ellis and other relatives of the deceased, to the number of around thirty, sought to have the court set aside as having been fraudulently obtained a deed which they had previously accepted in settlement of the estate.

The suit was brought against Mrs. Burgess and H. M. Poe and the question to which the jury answered "No" were: "Did the defendant H. M. Poe through false and fraudulent representations secure the signatures to the deed referred to in the complaint?" and "Did he wrongfully deliver the deed as alleged?"

Mr. Burgess died without leaving a will and as there had been no children born to Mr. and Mrs. Burgess, she, according to law was entitled to receive one-half of his personal property after payment of the debts and one-third interest in the real property during her lifetime, the real property at her death going back to the estate.

Desiring a different settlement from this, one in which she would have full powers with her part of the real property, Mrs. Burgess entered into an agreement with the heirs by which they were to receive a part of the real property and she was to receive all of the personal property and a part of the real in lieu of her dower and other rights that she might have. All of the parties concerned signed the deed with the exception of five, two of whom were incompetent, and these five owned only minor interests.

Later, those who had signed became dissatisfied and filed suit to have the deed set aside. Mrs. Burgess contended that the settlement was fair and equitable, the jury agreed that it was, and the court ruled that the plaintiffs take nothing by their action and taxed them with the costs.

The appraised valuation of the real property was approximately \$80,000 and of the personal approximately \$45,000. By the settlement the heirs are to receive a little more than half of the real property, their share including all of the holdings of Mr. Burgess in West Southern Pines and some property in Southern Pines. Mrs. Burgess gets the home. (Please turn to page 5)

Ground Broken for New Office Building

Dr. P. J. Chester to Remove to Rapidly Developing East Pennsylvania Avenue

Ground was broken this week for a third new building on East Pennsylvania avenue just off Broad street, Southern Pines. E. W. Reincke will build for Dr. P. J. Chester a one story brick office building, an exact replica of one standing in historic Fredericksburg, Virginia built by a physician there in Revolutionary times.

The building will have a 20-foot frontage on Pennsylvania avenue, with a depth of 60 feet. The plans call for a slate roof. There will be one reception room, an eye-testing room, business office and three consultation rooms. It is expected to have it ready for occupancy early in November.

During the past year Mr. Reincke has put up a building for his own offices and for Attorney W. D. Matthews next door to the one now in process of construction, and Dr. L. M. Daniels has a new two-story office building and apartments the other side of the Reincke building. All are of similar style, attractive in design and of sturdy construction. The Reincke office building is an exact copy of James Monroe's office in Fredericksburg.

Legion Adopts Resolutions on Death of Comrade 'Joe' Fuller

Mourn His Loss



"JOE" FULLER

"Nobility and High Purposes
Motivated Life of Excellent
Citizen-Soldier"

Resolutions of sympathy to the bereaved widow and testifying to the great loss of one of its own comrades were adopted this week by Sandhill Post No. 134 of the American Legion on the death of Joseph W. Fuller, who passed away at his home near Southern Pines on September 28th. The committee on resolutions, appointed by Commander J. F. Sinclair, comprised L. L. Wooley, D. D. S. Cameron and R. E. Denny. The resolutions read:

"Whereas, The Supreme Commander has called to his High Command, our Comrade, Joe Fuller, whose excellent Citizenship and Soldierly life merit the highest respect and praise, and

"Whereas, At the request of our departed Legionnaire this Post was awarded the honor of performing for him the last military rites, and the same were executed by the members of the Post with the assistance of the garrison of the United States Army stationed at Fort Bragg,

"Now, Therefore, Be it resolved, that for each and every Legionnaire of the Sandhills Post No. 134, American Legion, their sympathy is extended to the Widow and other loved ones of our Comrade; that the youth of our land mark the nobility and high purpose motivating the life of our excellent citizen-soldier and that the public in general mark in his life the sterling qualities which he possessed and which have made America great and without which America cannot endure."

SUNDAY SCHOOL GROUP ENDORSES MOVES FOR PEACE

County Association Also Adopts
Resolution Against Liquor
Traffic

FINE SESSION AT HEMP

The annual convention of the Moore County Sunday School Association, interdenominational, held in Hemp last Sunday in cooperation with the state association, was one of the largest in attendance in recent years.

The program, under the guidance of the general secretary, the Rev. Shuford Peeler of Salisbury, was of the highest order and challenged the attention of the audience every moment.

Miss Myrtle A. McDaniel of Salisbury, aside from her splendid service with the discussion groups for young people and children, conducted a devotional service which was in a class of its own: original, unique, and intensely spiritual.

Mrs. S. R. Smith of Vass was an inspiration in her work with the young people, and in her direction of the dramatization, "Dedication of Youth to Building a New Community," in the evening. These leaders were given an enthusiastic vote of thanks in appreciation of their work.

The program included addresses by the following:

"The Value of the Sunday School in Building a New Community," Prof. W. P. Morton; "Building a New Community Through Developing Christlike Personalities," the Rev. C. O. Newell of Pinebluff; "Personal Evangelism in Building Community Life," the Rev. Shuford Peeler; "How May Young People Cooperate in Making a New Community?" Prof. E. A. West; dramatization, "Dedication of Youth to Building a New Community." (Please turn to page 5)

MISS POLLY LOVERING TO WED STANLEY G. HASKINS

Mr. and Mrs. Richard S. Lovering of Hoffman announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Polly Lovering, to Stanley Graves Haskins of New York City. Miss Lovering is a graduate of Concord Academy, Concord, Mass., and attended Miss Schoff's School in Paris. She made her debut in Boston.

Mr. Haskins prepared at St. Mark's School for Harvard, where he was graduated with the class of 1935. He is engaged in business in New York. Both he and his fiancée are excellent tennis players. The engagement was announced in Boston last Saturday, and the wedding is expected to take place in December.

MISS TAFT TO WED

Mrs. Ellen R. Taft of Southern Pines announces the engagement of her daughter, Ruby to Rupert F. Keefe of Washington, D. C. The marriage will take place in November.

H. C. FOWNES DIES AT 79 AT HOME IN PITTSBURGH

Prominent Winter Resident of
Pinehurst Was Pioneer
Industrialist

DIRECTOR OF BANK HERE

H. C. Fownes, prominent winter resident of Pinehurst, industrial leader and for the past 32 years president of Pittsburgh's Oakmont Country Club, died at his home in Oakmont, a suburb of Pittsburgh last Friday night, a victim of pneumonia. He was 79 years of age.

Mr. Fownes had spent his winters in the Sandhills for many years, owning an attractive house near the Pinehurst Country Club. He was a member of the board of directors of the Bank of Pinehurst and was otherwise active in the upbuilding of the community. In Pittsburgh he was a director of the Union Trust Company. He was one of the organizers of the William Clark & Sons Company, which built the first mill in the Homestead Steel Works and was instrumental in the organization of the Solar Iron Company, Rust Bailer Company, Midland Steel Company, Reliance Coke Company, and the Standard Seamless Tube Company.

Mr. Fownes was a member of the Duquesne Club, Hannastown Golf Club, Pittsburgh Country Club, Pittsburgh Athletic Club and the Allegheny Country Club.

He is survived by two sons, H. C. Fownes, Jr. and C. B. Fownes of Pittsburgh, and two daughters, Mrs. Frederick Schaeffer of Philadelphia and Mrs. Otton Tomec of Trenton, N. J. W. C. Fownes, Jr., of Knollwood, was a brother.

Miss Sanborn Elected To Library Board

Winter Schedule Starts Monday;
New Memberships
Good Through 1936

At the monthly meeting of the trustees of the Southern Pines Library, held last Tuesday, Miss Futh Burr Sanborn was unanimously elected a trustee. Miss Sanborn has long been interested in the library and has been a valuable member of the association. She is, as all know, a successful and versatile author, having published a novel, a very clever mystery story, and numerous short stories in magazines. One of her best short stories is published in this week's Saturday Evening Post.

The Winter hours of the library will begin next Monday. The library will be open each week day from 10 to 12 in the morning and from 2 to 5 in the afternoon.

It is brought to the attention of those not now members of the Library Association that memberships may be taken out during the months of October, November and December which are good until December 31.

Thus a new member can get a membership that is good for 15 months for the annual cost, if such membership is taken out now. The librarian will be glad to explain the details of the various memberships. The annual membership is one dollar, the sustaining membership five dollars, and the patron membership twenty-five dollars.

YADKIN CLUB GOLFERS DEFEAT FORT BRAGG

Members of the Yadkin Golf Club of Pinehurst defeated a picked Fort Bragg team at the artillery post Wednesday afternoon, 43 1.2 to 10 1.2 points. Playing for Yadkin were the following: Herbert Vall, Bradley Davidson, Frank Keating, Frank Dupont, E. C. Keating, H. F. Seawell, Jr., Cobe Musser, Kenneth Trousdale, Chester Williams, L. M. Murray, Frank McCaskill, Charles Swoope, Wallace, George Scott, Willard Dunlop, Dr. R. P. Shepard, W. T. Ives, Everett Allen, Ferguson, McLeod and Donald Currie.

NEW FIRE ENGINE

The Town of Southern Pines has ordered a new American-LaFrance fire engine for early delivery.

PWA Turns Down Hospital Request for New Wing and Water Works for 3 Towns

Bethesda Pastor



REV. E. L. BARBER

145TH BIRTHDAY OF OLD BETHESDA MEMORABLE ONE

Largest Home-Coming Day
Crowd in History of Church
Celebrate Occasion

REV. McLEOD PREACHER

Old Bethesda fittingly celebrated its 145th anniversary last Sunday. The largest home-coming day crowd in the history of the old church returned for the services and spent a happy and memorable day on the grounds and in the ancient edifice on the outskirts of Aberdeen.

An inspiring sermon by the Rev. R. L. McLeod of Winter Haven, Florida, a grandson of the church, featured the morning service. He chose as his subject, "God and the Individual." Though more than the usual number of tables had been spread under the big trees surrounding the church for the noon-day picnic luncheon, there were not enough for the many parishioners and friends of Old Bethesda. It was an inspiration to witness the happy reunions of the old timers as they sat about the grounds and talked of days gone by. And all ages joined in the celebration of the nearly a century and one-half of good which this church has done in North Carolina.

J. W. Graham of Aberdeen opened the afternoon program, dedicated to reminiscences of bye-gone days in the church, and among others who spoke were Lauchlin Bethune of Clinton and D. Scott Poole of Raeford. Mr. Graham has been a ruling elder in Old Bethesda for 40 years; Mr. Poole first attended the church more than 50 years ago; Mr. Bethune's associations date back to reconstruction days.

All sang "God Be With You Till We Meet Again" which, with the benediction pronounced by the Rev. Ernest L. Barber, pastor of the church, closed the day's program, one long to be remembered by those present.

Amos Broadway Held For "Jimtown" Shooting

Norman Dowdy in Hospital with
Bullet Wound in Left
Shoulder

Amos Broadway, well known colored resident of West Southern Pines, was ordered held under \$1,000 bail by Judge J. Vance Rowe of Recorder's Court as the result of a shooting affray in "Jimtown" last Saturday night. Broadway is alleged to have shot at J. Brower and to have hit Norman Dowdy instead. The lead from a .32 Colt lodged in Dowdy's left shoulder and he is in the Moore County Hospital. The charge to be placed against Broadway will be determined by the outcome of the inquiry. Broadway was arrested by Officers Gargis and Newton.

No Moore County Projects
Among Those Approved
at Washington

ONLY 52 FOR ALL N. C.

The project for a new wing for the Moore County Hospital, for which the county had petitioned a federal grant of \$25,000, was not among those approved by the Allotment Board of the Public Works Administration, it was learned at State PWA headquarters in Chapel Hill this week.

Projects submitted for water works in Cameron, Carthage and Hemp were also turned down in Washington.

Not one dollar of PWA money was allotted Moore county. Of 300 applications for projects in North Carolina approved by the State PWA and sent on to Washington, the Allotment Board approved but fifty-two. Only \$7,000,000 was allotted North Carolina.

This does not necessarily mean that Moore county will not get any federal money. A number of projects, including new school buildings, additions and alterations to present schools and a new gymnasium for the Southern Pines School are under consideration by the other governmental relief work agency, the Works Progress Administration. What their fate will be remains to be seen.

Small Addition Possible

Much disappointment was expressed locally when news came from Chapel Hill of the county's failure to get the new hospital wing. The board of directors of the institution had waged a campaign during the summer to raise the 55 percent necessary to procure a PWA grant of 45 percent. The wing was to cost approximately \$56,000, and the institution's authorities had their share of the necessary building fund in sight. Just what will be done now remains for decision of the directors at a meeting to be held later this month. It is possible that the present solarium will be transformed into additional patient quarters which, with a small addition in the rear of the building will provide some 27 extra beds. The hospital has been running nearly 25 percent over its capacity, made possible by the use of the solarium as temporary patient quarters. It is believed that funds in hand and in sight will be sufficient for such alteration and addition.

Works Progress Administration projects approved for North Carolina during the past week include one calling for a geodetic survey of Moore county, for which \$1,370 is allotted, and one for carrying out a community sanitation program involving an expenditure of \$15,000 in the county.

Miss Neva Carter and Hubert McCaskill Wed

Popular Young Pinehurst Couple
United Before Improvised
Altar in the Manse

A wedding of interest took place at the manse in Pinehurst Saturday afternoon, September 28th at 5:00 o'clock, when Miss Neva Carter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Carter, became the bride of J. Hubert McCaskill, son of Mrs. J. A. McCaskill and the late J. A. McCaskill, both of Pinehurst.

The vows were spoken before an improvised altar of pines and ivy interspersed with tall lighted candles and baskets of pink roses. The Rev. A. J. McKelway officiated.

The bride was attired in an early fall dress of burgundy chartreuse with accessories of black. She wore a shoulder corsage of pink rosebuds.

Only intimate friends and relatives were present. Immediately following the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. McCaskill left for a short motor trip, after which they will be at home in the Market Square Apartments.