

DEATH OF PROMINENT YOUNG MAN

Benjamin Franklin Godwin, Jr. Died in Norfolk Thursday--Suffered for Weeks with Blood Poisoning--Popular Club and Business Man--Member of the Masonic Fraternity--A Splendid Young Citizen.

The news of the death of Benjamin Franklin Godwin, Jr., though expected for days, came as a shock to the town and community as well as to a number of friends in this and other states. The end came at 9:38 A. M., Thursday, January 13th, at St. Vincent's Hospital, Norfolk, where he has been taken for treatment during the last week in November, 1909. The first intimation of any serious trouble was on the night of November 24th when a severe pain attacked the unfortunate young man in the right foot. This was followed by inflammation, and he was taken to Norfolk by his physician. Incisions were made in the limb and quantities of pus extracted. Medical science failed to check the poison, and for several days previous to the end he was totally unconscious and partially paralyzed. He was the second son of Benjamin and Emma Godwin, and was born in Williamston on March 18th, 1883. Always strong and vigorous, he possessed a splendid physique, which together with an attractive cordiality and polite bearing, made him a social favorite wherever he was known. He was a tender, thoughtful son and brother and loved and revered those to whom he owed his best. For several years he had been traveling salesman for W. & T. Allen, prominent clothiers of Philadelphia. That he enjoyed their highest esteem, is shown by the solicitous inquiries made so often by the firm. He was popular with the trade which he served, and enjoyed the confidence of all men. Since the organization of the Lotus Club he has been one of its most loyal supporters. Skewarkee Lodge numbered him among the ardent members of that ancient Craft, and he stood "four square to all the winds that blew." The remains, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Godwin and Lewis W. Godwin, arrived via the A. C. I. Railroad today (Friday), and the funeral services will be conducted from the family residence tomorrow. The entire community deeply sympathizes with the bereaved family in their sore affliction.

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Residence Burned

Sunday night about 8 o'clock, the residence occupied by T. S. Graham and family near town on the Jamesville Road, was discovered to be on fire. The fire seems to have originated in the kitchen which adjoined the main building. Soon the entire house was on fire, and very little assistance could be rendered. A large part of the household goods was saved, but much clothing and many other articles were consumed. The building was owned by Mrs. W. H. Wilson and had been occupied by Mr. Graham for several years. There was \$1,000 insurance on the house, and the household goods were insured for \$1,000. The loss is a very unfortunate one for all interested.

Mrs. Graham was ill at the time of the fire and had to be removed to the Atlantic Hotel. The entire community deeply sympathize with both Mrs. Wilson and Mr. Graham in their loss.

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Williamston Graded School

HONOR ROLL
For week ending Jan. 7 1910.
FIFTH GRADE
Robert Peele, James Turner, Jack Edwards, Settle Graham, Reynolds Smith, Nettie Carson.
SIXTH GRADE
Leona Page, Louise Upton, Ethel Carson, Daisy Manning, Della Kate Ward, Mittie Walker, Omeda Davis, Lorena Davis, Carrie Dell Blount, Oscar Anderson, Titus Critcher, Sampson Hadley, John Philpott, Richard Smith, Robert Biggs, Clyde Anderson.
MRS. C. M. LANIER, Teacher.

Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Martin County Branch of the Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Company will be held in the Court House at Williamston on January 20th, at 10:30 o'clock A. M. All members are earnestly requested to be present.
W. C. Manning, Sec. and Treas.

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A Birthday Celebration

(Reported)
Mr. Simon S. Perry, of Bear Grass Township, one of Martin County's oldest and best citizens, celebrated his eightieth birthday on Tuesday, the 11th, of January 1910, by having a hog killing. About fifty men and women met at his home early in the morning and killed 30 hogs, with a total weight of 4,500 pounds—the largest porker weighing 495 pounds. By sunset the meat was cut and salted, the lard cooked, sausages stuffed, the feet and chittlings cleaned and being cooked. Half of the crowd was from Griffins Township and the day was ideal for work. Mr. Perry was well and active in the supervision of everything. The day's work shows what white men and women can do.

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STOCK SUBSCRIBED FOR HOISERY MILL

At Robersonville Last Week--An Enthusiastic Meeting Addressed by Harry W. Stubbs---Eleven Thousand Dollars Subscribed

Last Friday was another big day in the history of the hustling town of Robersonville. For several days the citizens had been planning to perfect an organization for the establishment of a hosiery mill. Early in the morning the crowd began to assemble, and at 11 o'clock the spacious hall of Dr. Hargrove was well filled with the progressive citizens of town and community. Everybody seemed full of the spirit of progress and kindly feeling. The meeting was organized by the election of J. W. Ferrell chairman, and this gave the meeting a lively enthusiasm. R. A. Baily was named as secretary. After the organization, the chairman in a few well chosen words, introduced Harry W. Stubbs, of Williamston. Mr. Stubbs was at his best, and for forty five minutes thrilled the hearers with his wit, pathos and eloquence. He is ever the strong speaker and on this occasion excelled all previous efforts. Short speeches were made by Messrs. Dunning, Outterbridge, Manning, Ross, Crawford and others. At the close of the speeches, the chairman explained in detail the hoisery mill proposition. At the call for subscription for stock, \$11,000 was taken in thirty minutes. Then followed the serving of the good, old-fashioned barbecue under the immediate supervision of those princes in the business: Messrs. Joe Bullock, C. James and R. T. Taylor. The feast was delightful as Robersonville gives nothing less when guests enter its doors. The Chamber of Commerce will, no doubt, secure the necessary stock for the erection of the proposed mill, and Robersonville will move rapidly along the line which has been mapped for it by the citizens.

Saved At Death's Door

The door of death seemed ready to open for Murray W. Avers, of Transit Bridge N. Y., when his life was wonderfully saved. "I was in a dreadful condition," he writes, "my skin was almost yellow; eyes sunken; tongue coated; emaciated from losing 40 pounds, growing weaker daily. Virulent liver trouble pulling me down to death in spite of doctors. Then that matchless medicine Electric Bitters cured me. I regained the 40 pounds lost and now am well and strong." For all stomach, liver and kidney troubles they're supreme. 50c. at All Druggists.

Boys' Corn Club

The Extension Division of the Farmers' Co-operative Demonstration Work desires to extend the Boys' Corn Club in work in North Carolina. A free trip to Washington is offered as a State prize and other prizes are to be given. Any boy who desires to enter the contest should send his name to the County Superintendent of Schools or to I. O. Schaub, West Raleigh, N. C.

To The Farmers.

If ten farmers will write to me expressing their willingness to organize a Drainage and Agricultural Association for Martin county as requested by the State Department, I will call a meeting and will have speakers present to assist in the organization. Let Martin county farmers come to the front.
W. C. Manning.

INSTITUTE FOR COUNTY FARMERS

Will be Held at Williams-ton February 2nd.---Prominent Lecturers to be Present---Institute For Women--Boys Especially Invited to Come

The Agricultural Department of North Carolina is making dates for the holding of Institute for farmers and their wives. That for Martin County will be held on February 2nd, in the Court House at Williamston, the morning session beginning at 10 o'clock and the afternoon session at 1:30. At the same place and date will also be held an Institute for Women by Mrs. W. N. Hutt, of Raleigh. Prominent workers will be present under the direction of T. B. Parker. These lecturers will be: Frank Sherman, State Entomologist; Dr. W. G. Chrisman, State Veterinarian; F. B. Newell, of Warren County. The crusade against poor farming has been waged for some years in North Carolina and the result has been marvelous. The better methods of farming have been employed and the State Department has brought this great good about by the sending of experts to every county for the instruction of the people. Boys' Corn Clubs and Women's Associations have been formed, thus helping everything connected with the home and the broad acres. The objects of the Institute for Women are to bring the women together that they may become better acquainted and talk over among themselves subjects tending to the betterment of conditions in rural homes. The wives and daughters should come to these meetings in large numbers. Interesting programmes have been prepared for these meetings and every live farmer in Martin County who desires to raise better crops, enjoy life more and make home sweeter and truer for his family, needs to get in touch with these Institutes.

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Good Meeting at Opera House

On Friday evening last quite a number of representative citizens met at the Masonic Opera House to listen to talks in the interest of the Laymen's Missionary Movement. Mr. W. C. Manning was selected to preside over the meeting, and he made an excellent address setting forth the objects of the meeting and the great need for united action on the part of the men in the movement to advance the cause of Christ. Short talks were made by Revs. G. J. Dowell, C. L. Read and W. J. Gordon for the clergy and Messrs. R. J. Peel and J. E. Pope for the laity. The cause of missions has taken hold of the heart of the entire country, and the town is thinking and acting as never before in this important matter. John E. Pope was chosen as delegate to represent the movement here at the convention in Greensboro, which convened January 12th, and he left Tuesday morning for Lexington thence to Greensboro. Rev. W. J. Gordon went also via the Norfolk and Southern from Plymouth. On next Monday night Messrs. Gordon and Pope will make reports of the meeting, at the Masonic Opera House. The public is cordially invited to be present.

ROBERSONVILLE NEWS ITEMS

Local Happenings and People who are Coming and Going Here, There and Yonder, as Gathered by Our Regular Correspondent

MISS NINA ROBERSON
F. B. Taylor was here Tuesday
J. H. Wynn was in town last week.
Cleve Taylor left for Norfolk Monday.
G. D. Roberson went to Norfolk Tuesday.
Mr. W. H. Everett was in town Tuesday.
A. R. Dunning was in town Tuesday.
G. N. Roberson spent Monday in Parmele.
F. J. Jeffress has returned from Chase City.
N. R. Roberson went to Oakley Wednesday.
N. R. Roberson went to Hamilton Tuesday.
J. T. Edmondson went to Norfolk Monday.
A. R. Dunning and wife were in town Friday.
Sheriff Page, of Williamston, was here Tuesday.
J. A. Bryan of Gold Point was here Tuesday.
Mr. W. W. Salisbury was in town Tuesday.
R. A. Bailey went to Williamston Saturday.
D. C. Mooring spent Thursday in Williamston.
Miss Fannie Harrell went to Tarboro Tuesday.
J. W. Perkins returned from Tarboro Monday.
Miss Annie Mooring spent Sunday in Gold Point.
Ben Hopkins, of Williamston, spent Sunday here.
W. H. Elliot, of Norfolk, is in town for a few days.
R. E. Grimes returned from Richmond last week.
Mrs. E. V. Everett returned from Williamston Saturday.
Miss Sue Everett returned from Williamston Saturday.
Mrs. Heber Monford, of Ayden, spent Saturday in town.
Miss Merle Wilson, of Louisburg, is visiting relatives here.
Mr. Thrower Taylor returned from Greenville Monday.
Mrs. Lela Everett spent last week in Norfolk with her sister.
Miss Faye Beverly, of Bethel visited friends here last week.
Mrs. Ed Purvis is visiting her mother, Mrs. D. F. Roberson.

The Carolina Literary Society

The Carolina Literary Society held its regular meeting Friday, January 7th. Readings were given from "Birds' Xmas Carol" by Francis Knight, Eva Peel, Mary Brown and Hilda Crawford, with a sketch of the author. Kate Douglas Wiggins, by Emma Robertson. Officers were elected for four months term as follows: President, Mary Brown; Vice-president, Hilda Crawford; secretary, Allie Halley; assistant secretary, Vada Wynn.

A Card of Thanks

I desire to express my thanks to every one who so readily responded to our call for help on Tuesday, when the cook room of my home was discovered to be on fire. But for the quick assistance, we should have been burned out and placed at a great disadvantage.
Mrs. W. R. Fowden.

Teachers' Meeting

The program for the Martin County Teachers' Association for Saturday, January 15th, 1910:
1. A discussion of the first four chapters of Hamilton's Recitation, Prof. Parker and Miss Krider.
2. How to teach reading by the phonic method, Misses Brown and Malone.
3. The Teacher as a Factor in the community, T. L. House.
Miss Everett, Prof. Allen, Mr. Lilley, Com.

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