

CHARLIE JENNINGS IS DEAD AS RESULT OF CAR WRECK

WAS NEAR HIS HOME

Killed Instantly As Car
Slides Against a
Cherry Tree

MOTHER IS ALSO HURT

Charlie H. Jennings, 22-year-old son of Mrs. Z. O. Jennings, of near Pea Ridge, Newcastle Township, was instantly killed Sunday afternoon about 3:30 o'clock, when the new Ford touring car he was driving failed to make a curve while traveling at an excessive rate of speed, it is said.

Young Jennings, in company with his mother and Elijah Welborn, were returning to their home from the Somers reunion in Somers township, when the fatal accident occurred. The driver, in attempting to make a left-hand curve with the angle of the road against him, failed to right the machine and it left the road headed in the direction of a cherry tree. The machine did not go head-on into the tree, but as the car overturned it side-swiped the near-obstacle to confront the occupants, with the result that Jennings' head was caught between car and tree as the impact continued to demolish the topmost parts of the car and otherwise damaging it.

The windshield support was found imbedded in his head, his ear almost severed, and the side of his head badly bruised. His mother suffered a broken finger and was badly shaken up. The other occupant, Mr. Welborn, escaped with slight injuries although he was jarred up considerably.

The accident occurred, it is said, when the party was within a quarter of a mile of the home of Mrs. Jennings and her son.

The funeral was held Tuesday at 11 o'clock at Union church, conducted by Rev. Jarvis. Young Jennings was held in high esteem in his community, and his death has saddened the neighborhood in which he was regarded as a promising young man.

LOCAL LEGIONNAIRES ATTEND CONVENTION

A Fine Meeting and a Great Time
Is Reported By the Elkin
Delegation

Quite a delegation from here attended the twelfth annual convention of the American Legion, which convened in Winston-Salem Monday and continued through Tuesday evening. Many interesting things were planned for the Legionnaires and their wives, among them being addresses by some very able speakers, Gov. O. Max Gardner, Major-General Hanson E. Ely and several others. Many social activities were also planned. Among them was a dance at the Robert E. Lee Hotel, on Monday evening.

Mr. George Snow, of Mt. Airy, was elected commander of the 13th district, which includes Mt. Airy, Winston-Salem, Rural Hall, Walnut Cove, Mocksville and Elkin posts.

Those attending from here were: Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Hildebrand, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bivins, Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Edworth Harris, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Graham, Mr. and Mrs. George Royall, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. Gurney Wagner and Messrs. Fred Lineberry, Clyde Woodruff, Gus Carpenter, D. H. Lovelace, J. B. Bell, Weaver Masten, Dixie Graham, Richard Franklin and Dr. T. R. White.

The 1931 convention will be held at Morehead City.

YADKIN RIVER MAY YIELD WATER POWER

If Survey Means Anything, Big
Power Dam Likely To
Be Constructed

A survey is being made by Government surveyors along the Yadkin river, and people living along the route of work are interested in the outcome. It is understood that the undertaking is for the purpose of ascertaining the water power of the Yadkin, and the general belief is that a huge dam will be built, possibly near the Yadkin-Forsyth line.

Just what the object of the survey is remains to be seen. However, there is an optimistic feeling that something worthwhile will result and that its benefits will be felt by a wide area of territory.

JAMES W. MADISON PASSES AWAY HERE

Well Known Citizen Dies
Of Heart Trouble At
Age of 64

A LINGERING ILLNESS

Although his death had been daily expected for several weeks the news of the passing of James W. Madison at his home on Gwyn Avenue last Thursday morning at 7 o'clock cast a gloom over the entire community.

Mr. Madison, who was 64 years of age, had been a sufferer from heart trouble for sometime, and hope for his recovery was abandoned several weeks ago when he was forced to the confinement of his room. He gradually grew weaker day by day, and the end came quietly in the early hours of the day. He was preceded in death by his wife last February, and since that time his health had shown a steady downward trend.

The deceased had been a resident of Elkin for possibly thirty years or more, and had a wide circle of friends and acquaintances. For many years he had been an honored member of the Odd Fellows lodge and the Jr. O. U. A. M. He was also a member of the First Baptist church of this city for many years, and was a stockholder and general manager of the light and power plant here until the plant was taken over by the town. He was general manager of the Elkin Brick Co., until the condition of his health forced him to retire from active duties.

The funeral was held from the First Baptist church on Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock, conducted by Mr. Madison's pastor, Rev. Eph Whisenand, and interment followed in Hollywood cemetery. The services were attended by a large concourse of sorrowing relatives and friends, and the floral tributes bore silent evidence of the esteem in which he was held. The floral designs were carried by Mesdames D. F. Gough, Ed. Lawrence, S. T. Ray, Owen Reece, F. A. Brendle, J. F. Cook, R. L. Polindexter, F. M. Norman, W. S. Sale, S. O. Maguire and Miss Minnie Russell.

In his passing the home loses a devoted father; the church a valued member, and the town and community a business man, well respected, and admired by a multitude of friends.

Surviving are two sons, Messrs. Herbert and Hugh Madison, and a sister, Miss Mollie Madison, who has made her home with her brother since coming to Elkin; one brother, Charles Madison, of Yadkin county and a half-brother, Albert Madison, of Little Rock, Ark., also survive.

Active pallbearers were Messrs. W. W. Whitaker, Oscar Ray, Rome Windsor, J. A. Somers, Burdette Gentry and George Newman. Honorary pallbearers were Dr. M. A. Royall, Messrs. J. G. Ray, W. F. Reece, F. A. Brendle and W. J. Thurman.

Mr. O. L. Ipock and daughter, Miss Sadie Reid Ipock, and Miss Jennie Ipock, of Goldsboro, are spending several days here, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Ipock at their home on Bridge street.

Prosperity Program Launched By Progressive Business Men

Series of Page Advertisements Dealing With the
Optimistic Side of Business Will Appear
In The Tribune; First This Week

A series of page advertisements, sponsored by the business men of Elkin, begins in this issue of The Tribune.

That there is too much talking and too little working is an admitted fact, and the purpose of this campaign is to create a better feeling among the masses and stimulate greater will-power in going ahead.

"Talk" is the prime factor in making conditions whatever they happen to be. Optimistic conversations spread contentment and renew energy; pessimistic talk only tends to weaken ones ambition, and causes the cessation of normal efforts to say nothing of forging ahead to greater achievement.

It is hoped that our readers will catch the spirit of these messages and put a shoulder to the wheel in the direction of restoring prosperity through optimistic talking and daily effort through labor.

Those who have made the campaign possible, and who see better

SURVEY TO START ON ROAD PROJECT

New Route From Elkin to
Winston-Salem Proposed;
Is Much Needed

TO SHORTEN DISTANCE

The survey which will start this week on a proposed route of roadbed from Elkin to Winston-Salem via Jonesville, Booneville, East Bend, Donnanah and Bethania and on to Winston-Salem, will be learned with more than passing interest by a large number of citizens along this route.

Not only would the distance of travel be shortened, but it would connect several towns with the state system of hard surfaced roads which have hitherto been put to considerable inconvenience in longer routes and unfavorable roads in rainy weather. When this road is built, as it seems likely to be, the matter of extending the route into Wilkes county will be pushed with an eye to having it serve the towns of Roaring River and Ronda. These towns are practically shut off during the winter months, and frequently during the summer on account of slippery, wet roadbeds, making travel almost impossible, even in attempting to reach the hard surfaced road of the Boone Trail highway in getting to North Wilkesboro or to points east.

Citizens of Ronda and Roaring River desiring to drive to Elkin are subjected to long travel when forced to come by Brooks Cross Roads. The distance from Ronda to Elkin is about seven miles. From Ronda to Elkin via Brooks Cross Roads is about 21 miles, to which about 7 miles is to be added to the distance for Roaring River citizens coming here.

The survey was authorized by Commissioner Hanes, and will be started about the middle of this week, under the supervision of Capt. C. S. Currier. The need of this new road is not only realized by the citizens whom it will serve, but by Mr. Hanes as well, and it is to be expected that the road will receive favorable consideration at the proper time.

EVANGELISTIC CLUB ASSISTS IN MEETING

Team Number One Visits Church At
Austin For Opening of
General Revival.

J. G. Abernethy, captain of Team No. 1 of the Elkin Evangelistic Club, reports a very interesting visit to the church at Austin last Sunday evening, the occasion being the opening of a revival meeting, which is being conducted by the pastor, Rev. Cooper.

The club proved to be an inspiration by its presence, and the work done by its members. Answering a call for pledges to pray and show a real interest in the meeting, a large number responded.

The club visits the meeting every other night, and will doubtless lend much to the enthusiasm and success of the revival campaign.

Mr. H. P. Graham made a business trip to Dobson, Monday.

SURRY COMMISSIONERS IN SQUABBLE OVER ROAD HEAD

EVIDENCE THROWN
OUT IN BURCH CASE

The law must be complied with,
but evidence is not always admiss-
ible, it seems.

Curtis Burch, local young man, was up before Judge Harry H. Barker on a charge of selling whiskey to another young man of the town.

On being put on the stand, it developed that the young man who claimed to have purchased the liquor from Burch had been urged to do so by an officer, with the promise that nothing would be done to him for his act.

This point coming to light, Judge Barker could do nothing more or less than acquit Burch since the law prohibits accepting evidence under promise of compensation from an officer.

SUPERIOR COURT CONVENED MONDAY

Judge Finley Presiding; No
Cases Of Unusual
Interest

LIST OF JURORS DRAWN

Surry Superior court convened Monday, with Judge T. B. Finley presiding.

While there is a lengthy docket confronting the court, there are no cases of unusual importance, and violations are of the usual order.

A case scheduled for trial at this session of court involves the firms of W. M. Woodruff, Son & Co., and the Blue Ridge Evergreen Co., the latter being charged with using the formula for preserving Galax leaves, which is owned by the former concern, it is alleged. Folger and Folger and R. A. Freeman represent the plaintiffs, and J. W. Bailey, of Raleigh, has been retained to assist H. O. Woltz in defending the Blue Ridge Evergreen Co. A lively contest is expected to be heard by the court.

Jurors drawn are as follows:

First week—Joe Banner, W. E. Greenwood, Roy Reid, J. M. Reid, Earle Tate, L. D. Roberts, B. F. Edwards, G. W. Thomas, B. T. Cave, J. H. Venable, P. R. Key, W. L. Webb, S. W. Johnson, S. E. Newman, W. W. Cox, J. H. Crissman, P. W. Steele, A. R. Cook, Robert Belton, J. W. Harbour, H. T. Brentle, F. D. Culler, W. M. Jordan and N. E. Boyles.

Second week—W. A. Finney, J. M. Johnson, Claud Needham, M. S. Chilton, S. L. Canter, J. A. Ramey, H. M. Foy, Jobe Arrington, S. R. Collins, T. M. Darnell, Greely Holder, H. L. Parker, H. R. Inman, C. F. Lineberry, C. J. Johnson, J. E. Davis, J. A. Gilley and J. H. Hardy.

SEVERAL CASES ARE TRIED IN COURT

Recorder's Court Convened Tuesday
After Two Weeks "Holiday" On
Account of Superior Court.

A two weeks docket was cleared in Recorder's court Tuesday morning. Several cases came up for attention, but these were quickly disposed of.

The case against Gratie Holcomb was not pressed when he turned State's witness in the case against Curtis Burch.

Granville Burchette was found guilty of assault against Bill Mickle and Eph Collins. The case sounded like a family row to the court, Burchette was taxed the costs in the case.

Coly Cockerham's case for reckless driving was continued until next week.

A. C. McCann of Winston-Salem, was found not guilty of reckless driving.

Alex. Hudspeth and Ralph Triplett were found guilty of parking an automobile on the sidewalk and judgment was suspended on the payment of the cost.

Miss Elizabeth Abernethy arrived here the latter part of last week from Chicago, where she had been attending summer school at the Chicago University, to spend several days here the guest of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. L. B. Abernethy, before going to Queen's College, Charlotte, where she is a member of the faculty.

CAN'T AGREE ON MAN

Superior Court Judge Will
Hear Case; Will Decide
Matter This Week

\$25,000 SUIT INVOLVED

At the present term of Surry Superior court which convened Monday, the court will be asked to act upon a restraining order issued against Guy Sparger, who has been named road supervisor to succeed U. G. Belton.

It appears that the county commissioners have in the past decided they had no right to make this appointment, since it comes under the jurisdiction of the county purchasing agent, B. F. Folger, and it is said the commissioners have informed aspirants for the position to that effect.

However, the commissioners now take the view that Mr. Folger should make the appointment but that it must be approved by them, which is nothing short of making the appointment by the board.

As a result of the controversy, suit has been filed against A. G. Lindsay, chairman of the board, in the sum of \$25,000 for alleged libelous statements, Mr. Sparger being the plaintiff in the action. The complaint sets out that should Mr. Sparger be put in office as road supervisor, he would "squander and waste public funds and supplies," and Mr. Sparger immediately set about to defend himself against the accusation, it is understood.

Mr. Belton, former and present supervisor of Surry roads, recently tendered his resignation, and his successor was named. Now the commissioners have had a restraining order issued which prevents the new road head from taking the position and Mr. Belton will serve until the matter is settled.

Later—Just as we go to press a report has been received to the effect that Judge T. B. Finley, presiding jurist, has sustained the restraining order of the commissioners. Mr. Belton, we are informed, has signified his willingness to serve as road commissioner until his successor is named. Just when this will be done is not known, as the matter must be agreeable to Mr. Folger and the commissioners, also, according to the law governing it, it is said. Whether a man agreeable to both can be secured, remains to be seen, and it may mean that Mr. Belton will be retained until the present law is changed in some manner.

SOMERS REUNION IN WILKES SUNDAY

A. H. Casey, of North Wilkesboro,
Made Principal Address; 1,000
Or More Present

A reunion of the descendants of John Somers was held Sunday at Somers school house, in Wilkes County, 12 miles south of Elkin. It is estimated that a crowd of 1,000 or more attended.

The principal attraction of the occasion was an address by Attorney A. H. Casey, of North Wilkesboro, who reviewed the family history with many interesting facts, including the early settling of Mr. Johnny Somers, who chose to locate in North Carolina and made his home in Davie county. The site of the Somers school house where the reunion was held was named for its donor, and many of his descendants received their education at that place.

Other speakers were Dr. M. A. Royall, of Elkin, and Mr. Gus Myers, who paid fitting tributes to the family, speaking in highest terms of the character formed and maintained by the Somers generation.

A table 100 feet long was insufficient to hold the bounteous dinner which had been prepared by the great multitude of people, and improvised tables were added to take care of the baskets of good things which lacked a place for being spread out.

The occasion was an all-day affair, and was featured by musical numbers, furnished by Tom Myer's quartet and Zenie Mitchell's string band.

In addition to the kinsfolk from nearby sections, numerous relatives and friends from distant points were also present to renew old friendships and exchange greetings.

Mrs. E. C. Kirkman has returned to her home here from Jamestown, where she has been the guest of her daughter, Mrs. L. L. Hendrix, for several weeks.