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MURPHY SLAVE FINDS BROTHER AFTER 70 YEARS

Brother and Sister Meet for First Time Since They Were Sold

A story of how a brother and sister, ex-slaves, recently found one another after 70 years separation, came to light recently when Mrs. Rose Patton, of Murphy received a letter from Rose Abernathy, colored woman, formerly of Murphy but now of Maysville, Ky., which tells of the incident and how it came about.

Rose Abernathy is well known to the older generation in Murphy. She owns property here and pays taxes

the older generation in Murphy. She owns property here and pays taxes as will be learned from the letter. Pleas Henry, who bought her and brought her to Murphy, was an uncle of Mrs. Rose Patton,nee Henry. Rose Henry, colored, was told that she could return to her home following the war between the States and the emancipation proclamation, but

the emancipation proclamation, but she elected to remain in Murphy, which she did for many years. Mrs. Betty Axly, mother of Porter Axly, and Mrs. Rose Patton were sis-ters, and because colored Rose was Axiy, and Mrs. Rose Patton were sisters, and because colored Rose was so ambitious and eager to learn, they taught her to read and write after school hours when they were attending school. Rose married a colored man by the name of Abernathy, and in later years secured a job as cook for a colored school in Atlanta, Ga., where she worked and paid for the education of her grand children.

The letter follows:

123 Fifth St., Mayesville, Ky.

January 9, 1933.

Dear Rose Patton:

How are you getting along by this

How are you getting along by this time? How is your rhemutasim? Better I hope. How is all of the children? I mean Betty's children

I am troubling you again about my tax. I want you to pay my tax for me. You get Porter Axley to pay them for me. I am sending you \$8.00 to pay my fax. Please pay my tax and send the re-

sending you \$8.00 to pay my tax. Please pay my tax and send the receipt to me.

How is all my friends getting along, both white and black?. Rose, I heard that some of the officers that lived in Murphy had a fight and killed each other. Is it so, and who were they? Do you ever see Harriet Powell? Give my love to her and family, she was so nice to me when I was in Murphy. Well, I will close wishing you a happy new year.

From your old friend.

ROSE ABERNATHY.

P.S.—Oh, Rose, I have ofund my brother that I have not seen in 70 years. I am sending you a clipping to let you know how I found him. This clipping was printed at my old home in Thomasville, N. C. Rose, you know I was glad to see my brother and the old home place.

A white Presbyterian preacher come to see me while I was there. I think he wrote up that clipping for he asked me a lot of questions. I could point out people's homes there and they all thought it was wonderful. I am two years older than my brother, but he can't see much, and I can thank the Lord my eyesight is good. You can send this clipping back when you send my tax receipt. The clipping referred to follows in full:

Ex-Slaves, Brother and Sister, Meet

Ex-Slaves, Brother and Sister, Meet For First Time Since They Were Sold

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Thomasville,—Rosetta Graves Abernathy, negro woman, of Mayesville,
Ky., arrived here Saturday to visit her brother, William Graves, whom she had not seen since 18C2, or just 70 years ago. At that time Rosetta and William Graves were young slaves of the widow Graves who moved here from Yanceyville and occupied the GlenAnna, near the city, which was then a school center. When Rosetta was 6 years old she was sold by her mistress, the widow Graves, to Mr. and Mrs. Pleas Henry, who took the young slave girl to their home at Murphy, where she lived until she was sent away to Clark University, Atlanta, Ga., where she states she spent 15 years cooking in that school. Rosetta married and reared a family. She now lives with her granddaughter, who is the wife, of Rev. J. W. Patton, pastor of a methodist church in Mayesville, Ky.
Sometime ago, Miss Anne Mebane was librarian in Thomasville and on a vacation she went to Mayesville to see some friends and incidentally, or providentially, ahe met Rosetta Graves Abernathy and found that she had some recollection of Thomasville and Glen Anna. Miss Mebane told Rosetta that she knew an old

Murphy School News

Marion Axley, Roberta Carringer,
Helen Hampton, Jane Hill, Effie
Barbara McIver, Mary Lee Roberts,
Helen Wella James Brittain, Jack
Dickey, Wiley Kenney and Lowin
Lovingood. Miss Sword, teacher.
SIXTH GRADE

Billie Jackson.

PERSONAL MENTION

Lemmie Mae Hembree, Drew Enloe

Arvel Arrent and Leon Axley are out
of school this week on account of
sickness.

Mr. Bueck made a very interesting talk in chapel Tuesday morning about "How the Body Grows."

In language we have been taking stories each day and telling the parts of speech and all about it. This is very interesting.

BASKETBALL

A basket ball game was advertised for Tuesday night. The game was with Elf. But there was so much sickness in the school of Elf, they had to call the game off. There has been several of the Murphy boys and girls sick. That has weakened the team very much in the two past games.

The Murphy boys and girls will play the Stecoah boys and girls on the local court Friday night. Everybody come!

SENIOR CLASS

The following seniors were on the honor roll this month: Grace Bell, Laurie Hamilton, Maida Ramsey, and Mary Witherspoon.

A new student, Nora Chastain, has enrolled in the Senior class.

Quite a few seniors have been at mumps and the epidemic that is rag-ing over Western North Carolina. We are glad that mos of them are in (Continued on page 8)

MUSIC MEMORY CONTEST SELECTIONS

For the Culidren of the Fifth, shith and Seventh Gradies of the Public Schools of the High School will leave Friday to attend the Older Baye Conference for Western North Carolina to be held at Waynesville Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The topic of this meeting will be recombled from Markey will be first at Waynesville Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The topic of this meeting will be recombled from the chairman of a rrangement has asked Mr. Bueck to lead one of the discussion groups which will be held on Saturday morning. This is the first year that Murphy school has been represented at this conference. The boys will be asked to write an account of their trip for our "News."

LAW AND ORDER DAY TO BE OBSERVED

Friday January 27 will be Law and Order Day in the school and a special price of the decision of the series of the series of the comparison of the property of the series of the se

interrupted by a discordant sound like a tin whistle and not unlike our modern jazz tunes. The "March," as a whole, may be called a witty composition.

"MIGHTY LAK' A ROSE" (Nevin, America)
The words of this song are written in negro dialect (by Frank Stanton). It is an old negro mammy singing to her pickaninny, and the music is both dainty and appealing. This song was not published until after Nevin's death.

Ethelbert Nevin (1862-1901), one of our most popular American compoers, was born near Pittsburgh, Pa. He studied in Boston, then in Dresden, Paris and Boston. While residing for several years in Florence and Venice he composed his popular "Venetian Suite" for piano. He spent the last year of his life in New Haven, Conn. Nevin is best known for his songs, some of the most charming of which are settings for Stevenson's child poems. He wrote also piano and orchestra. Other will-known works: "The Rosary," "Little Boy Blue," "O, That We Two Were Maying," "Water Scenes," "Venitian Sketches," etc.

"STAR AND STRIPES FOREVER," March, (Sousa, America) (Pronounced Soo-sah)
This is the most popular of all Sousa's marches.

John Phillip Sousa (1923-1932) was born in Washington, D. C. His mother was a German, his father a composer of songs and pieces in mother was a German, his father a compositions consist of an Indian Suite for orchestra, a Norse Sonata dedicated to Grieg, and a large number of songs and pieces for the piano.

EXALENDAR OF CIVIL CAUSES

ANDREWS BANK **ESTABLISHES BRANCH HERE**

The Citizens Bank and Trust Com-pany, of Andrews, with permission of the State Banking Commissioner, has established a branch or service station at Murphy with W. W. Hyde

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At a meeting of the stockholders of the Citizens Bank and Trust Company this veek, Mr. Hyde was elected assistant cashier and placed in charge of the Murphy office. Temporary office has been opened up in the Eank of Murphy building, where deposits are being received and checks cashed, and the general service of banking carried on as usual.

Mr. Hyde is well and fovorably known in Murphy and Cherokee county. "Pete", as he is known to his friends, has been with the bank of Murphy for many years, first as bookkeeper and later as assistant cashier.

cashier.

Officers stated that the branch opened here was not in reality a branch bank, but was a sort of service station established with the permission of the Commissioner of Banks so that the people of the community would not be without banking facili-ties.

Moore Has New Willys On Display

Last Saturday, Messrs, Rae and Cloe Moore, sons of E. C. Moore, local Willys dealer, went to Knoxville and brought back one of the new Willys 77 custom sedans.

During this week crowds have been inspecting the new product, which represents a radical yet pleasing change in the automobile industry, introducing something really new.

The car is powered with a fourcylinder engine, floating power, is stream-lined throughout, is smaller and more compact, yet roomy and comfortable inside. It is claimed that it will give from 25 to 30 miles on a gallon of gas and a thousand miles and up on a gallon of oil. The body is made of steel throughout, yet its 500 pounds lighter than other cars in its field.

The price range is the lowest in the light car field being quoted f. o. b. Toledo, Ohio, as follows: Standard Coupe, 2-pass. \$395; Standard Coupe, 4-pass. £425; Standard sedan, \$445; Custom sedan, \$475; convertible roadster, \$475.

REYNOLDS LOSES TWO MEMBERS OF OFFICE STAFF

Washington, Jan. 18. (AP)—Mrs, Edwin C. Gregory, sectretary to Sen-ator Reynolds, (D., N. C.), since he took office, has resigned effective February 1, it was learned here to-

As will be succeeded by Wesley E. McDonald, Virginia, who was for 12 years employed in the office staff of Mrs. Gregory's father, the late Senator Lee S. Overman.

Col. Harry P. Cooper, of Cheroace county, usually considered contact man for the North Carolina senator, also will retire February 1.

While no announcement was made of the reasons for the change, it was reported that the tremendous amount of work falling upon the senator's staff had proved a burden to Mrs. Gregory and Col. Cooper, neither of whom is experienced in routine secretarial work.

McDonald, it was stated, will employ a typist to assist in handling the office work.

Bates, et als.

Hood Commissioner vs. W. M.

McClure, et als.

Olmstead & Rogers vs. Stiles

Washington with her husband.

SINGING AT MARBLE

On the fifth Sunday in January, beginning at 1 o'clock, fast time, there will be a singing convention at Marble Springs Baptist church. Every body who can sing and who loves to hear good singing are invited to ome. So leaders, bring your classes, we will also be glad to have singers from other counties.

W. L. WEST.

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Hon. J. H. Clement, Presiding Judge

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McMahan vs. Fower as Company.

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McDonald & Weems vs. Kilpatrick, et als.
Mulkey, Adm. vs. Johnson

et als.
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