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LOFTON MASON, CHEROKEE BOY, WINS FIRST CASE

J. Lofton Mason, Cherokee County boy who is now studying and working in Washington, D. C., on January 30th won the first case accepted since being admitted to the bar. The case was heard at Raleigh, N. C. A telegram dated Washington, D. C., Feb. 1, says: "Heard J. Lofton Mason, young attorney of Brasstown, plead his first case before the court in Raleigh Monday. He handled it very capably. He is to be congratulated as he came out victorious. Heretofore wishing him much success in his future practice. Signed S. S. McCarty."

Mr. Mason received his L. L. B. degree from the National University Washington, D. C., last year, and passed the examination and was admitted to the bar at Raleigh. He is now studying and working in Washington preparing himself for the M. F. L. (Master of Patent Laws) and L. L. M. (Master of Laws) degrees. Mr. Mason is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Mason of Brasstown, and a brother of our present Sheriff, L. L. Mason. No doubt his many friends will be glad to hear of his success in his first case, and join Mr. McCarty in wishing him success in his future practice.

(Ed. Note—The notes on this story were lost several weeks ago, and in rumaging through some papers this week they were resurrected. That is why it did not appear earlier.)

LAST RITES CONDUCTED FOR E. M. CLAYTON

E. M. Clayton, 74, died at his home Route 28, four miles west of Murphey, Saturday morning at 7:00 o'clock following an illness of about two weeks.

The funeral service was held at the residence Sunday afternoon with the Rev. T. F. Higgins, pastor of the Murphey Methodist church, officiating, assisted by the Rev. N. O. Kilpatrick. Burial was in the Harshaw cemetery with Masonic honors.

Mr. Clayton was a member of the Methodist church and a master Mason, a member of Montgomery Lodge A. F. and A. M. of Ranger. He was a prominent citizen of Cherokee county.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Belle Clayton, two sons, Cody and Staley Clayton, of Cherokee county, and two daughters, Mrs. Rollin Dockery, of Miami, Fla., and Mrs. Harve Elleberg, of Cherokee county, three brothers and five sisters.

BRASSTOWN

Mr. Earl Coker of Hayesville spent the week end with relatives and friends on Brasstown.

Miss Edith Franklin of Murphey spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Franklin.

Mr. Wayne Dean and Carl Nicholson spent a few days last week visiting relatives and friends on Brasstown.

We are sorry to say that Mr. A. P. Cunningham who has been ill, is not improving very fast at the present time.

Mrs. Hannah Smith of Murphey is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jim Franklin and family this week.

Gariand Franklin made a business trip to Andrews Saturday.

Messrs. Blake Stalcup and Burl Chastain of Martins Creek were visiting friends on Brasstown Saturday night.

Mr. Optie Trull and son, Paul made a business trip here last week, they were residents of Brasstown, ut have been living at Young Harris for the past few years.

WEHUTTY

Wehutty, March 21—Friends and relatives of Mr. T. M. Allen regret to hear of his illness, and hope he will soon be up again.

Messrs. Buel Adams and Lewis King and Misses Louise King and Lois Sneed were guests of Misses Juanita and Geneva Hill last Sunday night.

Mr. J. W. Ledford made a business trip to Murphey Tuesday.

Mr. W. V. Allen spent last Friday night with his sister, Mrs. W. H. Johnson.

Misses Ona B. Johnson, Juanita and Geneva Hill attended the Junior-Senior banquet given at Murphey last Saturday night and reported a nice time.

Murphy School News

JUNIOR-SENIOR BANQUET

The Junior Class of the Murphey High School entertained the Senior Class with a Dutch banquet Saturday evening March 18th. It was given in the Woman's Club room. The Juniors and Seniors were favored with the presence of the High School Faculty, Mrs. H. Bueck, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Gray, Mrs. Emily Davidson, Mrs. Sam Akin and Mrs. I. S. Evans. The program was as follows, with Bobbie Williamson as toastmistress: Song of welcome, written by J. N. Hill, by the Juniors; Toast of welcome by Clyde Sneed and response by "Budgie" Brendle; a toast to the faculty by Woodrow Goforth and response by R. C. Barret; a toast to the school by Ernest Hawkins and response by Mr. H. Bueck; a toast to the Board by Tom Posey and a response from Mr. J. E. Gray; Customs of Holland by Oscar Hunt; The modern Boy by Grace Bell; a vocal solo by Fannie Deweese; Senior Jokes by Sara Padgett; Jokes by the faculty; "Maidens of Drodreth" by Pearl Baker; A Dutch dance by the waitresses; "Futures of the Seniors" by Grace Parker and "Far-well to Thee" by all. Marinell Williamson furnished music for the evening.

The setting of the banquet was in Dutch style. The style was carried out in having Dutch boys and girls for place cards; Dutch shoes filled with nuts for favors; Programs and menus in Dutch covers; and windmills and tulips for decorations.

The menu was given in Dutch as follows: Grape Fruit cocktail, baked ham, string beans, sweet potato croquettes, stuffed celery, pickles, French fried potatoes, radishes, rolls, butter, coffee, tomato salad, cake with whipped cream, nuts and mints.

Fourth Grade

The fourth grade is learning a song "The Wind's Song", to sing next Tuesday morning at Mrs. Davidson's music program.

Jacob Teague is absent from school on account of illness. We hope that he will soon be back.

The fourth grade has subscribed for the Southern Agriculturist. With the subscription a map was given for use in the classroom.

Mrs. Case, Teacher

Seventh Grade

The seventh grade gave a very good program Tuesday entitled "How the Story Grew." The characters represented old fashioned women. They wore bonnets and long dresses. There were a number of patents present.

We are completing our seventh month of school and regret that we will only have eight months.

Seventh grade examinations which are required by the State Department will be given at an early date.

Fourth Grade

We are glad to have all our class back in school so we can have one hundred percent present again.

Mrs. Witherspoon, treasurer of P. T. A. sent us four dollars this week. We received this for having the most mothers at the meetings of P. T. A. four different times. We are planning to buy new books for the Library of some new pictures for our room.

Miss Emily Sword, Teacher

Ninth Grade

A two act comedy entitled "Good Gracious, Grandma", was given by the ninth grade in chapel on last Thursday. The characters were: Grandma—Vaul Adams, Mrs. Irving, her daughter—Wilma Coleman, The grand daughter—Mary King Maljonee, Joe her boy friend—Hayes Leatherwood. Ruth Hampton

Pre-School Clinic

During the past week names of all children who will enter school next fall were handed Mr. Bueck. It is hoped that a Pre-School Clinic can be held for these children, in order that they may enter school in the best physical health. The doctors and dentists of the town have consented to conduct such a clinic.

PRACTICE DEBATE

On Tuesday the affirmative debating team went to Andrews to have a practice debate with the negative team at Andrews. The debate was before the student body Wednesday afternoon the affirmative team of Andrews visited Murphey and debated the local negative team. Next week a similar arrangement has been made with Hayesville Friday night March 31. The Murphey teams will debate with Stecoah and Highlan in the annual H. S. triangular debate.

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NEW WOCO PEP STATION IS OPENED HERE

Paul Owenby, Agent for the Pure Oil Company products in this territory, opened a new service station in Murphey last week, using the station of Thos. S. Evans, formerly operated by Mr. Evans in connection with his garage as dealer for the Ford Motor Company. This station is the fifth unit of an expansion program now being carried out in this territory.

J. L. Hall, an experienced service station operator and who is well and favorably known in the county, is in charge of this new station. They will handle the well known and popular Woco Pep motor fuel and Tiolene motor oils and greases. The changing of the tanks was completed last week and the station is now rendering full service. Both Mr. Hall and Mr. Owenby invite their friends and the motoring public to drive in when in need of gas and oil.

Mr. Owenby is agent for the Pure Oil Company products in this territory comprising Graham, Cherokee and Clay Counties in North Carolina; Union and Towns Counties, in Georgia, and Polk County, in Tennessee. Woco Pep motor fuel and Tiolene motor oils were introduced in this territory about a year ago, and at once met with popular approval by the motoring public.

"We are pleased with the reception given the products of the Pure Oil Company," Mr. Owenby stated this week. "Customers patronizing our Woco Pep Station at Murphey will always receive the same high quality products and fine service as enjoyed by hundreds of thousands of other users of Pure Oil Company Products being served at over 5,000 other Woco Pep service stations in Dixie," he said.

Mr. Owenby stated that the sale of his company's products in this territory for the first three months of this year showed a substantial increase over the same period for last year. This, Mr. Owenby believes, is indication of a definite upturn in business which is now being noticed all over the country.

MRS DAVIDSON AND MISS COOK JOINT HOSTESSES

Mrs. Neil Davidson and Miss Sara Cook entertained the Gleaners Sunday school class of the First Baptist church, and a few friends of the class with a St. Patrick party at the residence of Mrs. Davidson on Friday evening, March 17th. As each guest entered they were given a rock with an Irish name written on it in jumbled letters which the guest had to figure out to learn her name. They were given also a little green crepe paper cap as it was an Irish party, the Irish potato came in for quite a prominent place on the program. The guests were first asked to guess the number of potatoes that were placed in a basket in the center of the room, Mrs. Bueck guessed the correct number. A rather difficult but amusing feat was picking a potato from the floor with a yard stick and racing with it balanced on the end of the stick to the father end of the room without dropping it. Several other games and contests were enjoyed, including pinning the pipe in St. Patrick's mouth while blindfolded which was highly amusing. Mrs. A. W. McIver and Miss Pearl Martin made a close tie in this. The room was attractively decorated with shamrocks.

After the games the hostesses assisted by Mrs. A. W. McIver served refreshments consisting of punch and sandwiches. Small shamrocks used as favors. Green mints in attractive green and white baskets were also served. Those enjoying the evening were: Mrs. Ruth Carlinger, Mrs. Ralph Moody, Mrs. W. H. Murray, Mrs. Thelma Dickey, Mrs. Bessie Deweese, Mrs. Laura Adams, Mrs. A. W. McIver, Mrs. Edna Lovingood, Mrs. H. Bueck, Mrs. R. D. Chandler, Mrs. Neil Sneed, Mrs. B. B. Cornwell, Mrs. Will Ramsy, Mrs. Homer Ricks, Mrs. Neil Davidson, Misses Ruby Courtney, Annie B. Bailey, Dair McCracken, Emily Sword, Lelia Posey, Clara McCombs, Gillie Martin, Pearl Martin and Sara Cook.

PATRICK

Several folks attended the funeral of Mrs. Jim Raper at Oak Park, N. C. last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Williams and the former's mother, Mrs. Tennessee Williams of Cal. were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Picklesimer one day last week.

Rev. J. R. Hamilton was the guest

Revival Services At Methodist Church To Begin April 2nd

A series of revival services will begin at the Methodist Church on Sunday, April 2d the Rev. T. F. Higgins, pastor, announced this week.

The Rev. L. B. Hayes, of Waynesville, presiding elder of the Waynesville district, will do the preaching and arrangements have not yet been completed as to the song services. Two services will be held daily, one in the morning and one in the evening. The evening service will begin at 7 o'clock.

The meetings will be conducted on an interdenominational basis, and all members of the churches of the town are cordially invited to take part in the services. Especially is it hoped that members of the other choirs will join in and sing together in the choir.

The Rev. J. H. Carper, pastor of the Murphey circuit, announces that there will be no services at any of his churches during the revival services here, but he will join in with Mr. Higgins and Mr. Hayes and asks that members of his churches join in and co-operate in the meeting as a contribution toward its success.

Cottage prayer meetings will be conducted at various homes in the town next week to ask divine blessings upon the meeting and the efforts to be put forth, with a central meeting at the church next Wednesday night.

The Rev. Mr. Hayes is a popular preacher and has been remarkably successful in evangelistic meetings. He has been heard at Murphey on other occasions and is known as a fearless exponent of the gospel.

"This is the first concerted effort that Rev. L. B. Hayes has put forth in revival work in this county," Mr. Higgins said in making the announcement. "It will be a treat to the people of this county to hear him and a privilege of doing good in working with him."

GRAPE CREEK

County agent Gray met with the people of the community Monday night March 13th, Gardening, poultry raising and other matters were discussed.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Peek of Shelby are visiting relatives and friends in this section.

Mr. George W. Rogers has been appointed as Justice of the Peace by the Legislature through Representative G. W. Cover, Jr.

The Rev. Weldon West preached a very forceful sermon at the Baptist Church on the second Sunday afternoon in March. His sermon was developed around the results of people covering up sin in their lives.

Miss Fannie Barker of Andrews recently spent several weeks with her sister, Mrs. Frank Walsh.

The Rev. T. F. Higgins of Murphey did not preach at his regular time on the third Sunday due presumably to the very rainy weather on that day. We missed his always interesting sermon.

Miss Florence Walsh of Peachtree spent some time last week with her brother, Mr. Frank Walsh.

Dr. F. K. Gardner, eye specialist, of Asheville was in our community on professional business Thursday of last week.

Mrs. Frank Walsh returned home Monday from a visit with her parents Mr. and Mrs. John W. Barker of Andrews.

The two Sunday Schools are going along nicely. We have Sunday school in the winter as well as in the summer. Wintry winds don't kill our Sunday schools.

Mr. J. W. Dyer, representative of the Asheville Citizen was a business visitor here Saturday the 11th.

Mrs. A. N. Lovingood is ill at her home here.

Mrs. N. A. McDonald and baby with Misses Irene and Josephine McDonald visited relatives at Murphey Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. Lee Horton one day last week. Mr. and Mrs. John Picklesimer are on the sick list at this writing.

Mr. J. P. Bryant was the guest of Mr. Guy Eller Sunday.

Mrs. A. J. Eller is on the sick list at this writing.

Mr. Elmer Ledford was the guest of Mr. John Picklesimer Sunday morning.

Messrs. Arvel Williamson and George Reid were the guests of the former's father, Mr. P. H. Williamson at Hiawasse Sunday.

Messrs. John Edgar Boring and Hobert Picklesimer were the guests of Lee Horton Sunday morning.

POST DEDICATES NEW LEGION HUT AT ANDREWS

Has Large Assembly And Lounging Room, And Was Built At a Cost of \$1000

The Leslie Stillman Post No. 97, of the American Legion of Andrews, dedicated its new hut last Thursday evening with appropriate exercises. The program was in charge of J. J. Stone, post commander, and the address of the evening was delivered by Col. Harry P. Cooper, of Murphey.

Dr. J. W. S. Davis, past post commander, presented the building and C. H. Jarrett, past post adjutant, made the speech of acceptance. Mr. Stone, in the name of the post, then made an address dedicating the hut to the service of the Post and the community.

During the evening the Legionnaires expressed confidence in the President's leadership in his efforts to effect economies in the expenditures of the government.

Of Log Bungalow Type

The hut is of the log bungalow type, built of pine logs at a cost of approximately \$1000 obtained in donations from the members of the Post and friends in the town. There is a large assembly and lounging room 20 by 30 feet and a kitchen 12 by 22 feet. A huge fireplace built of rough stone blends with the rustic appearance of the walls. The furnishings are of the rustic type. A gift of \$25 for furnishings was reported from the Junior Woman's Club of Andrews.

The site upon which the hut stands is a part of the public library lot and was made available to the Legion Post by special arrangement with the town. The hut will be used as a meeting place for various civic and social organizations of the town under the supervision of a special post committee.

The Andrews Legion Post was first organized in 1920 but for several years the organization had not functioned. Last November an effort at re-organization was made with the result that the post is now working vigorously.

The post officers are: J. J. Stone commander; Z. B. Byrd, adjutant; J. A. Morgan, first vice commander; L. B. Nichols, second vice commander; J. W. S. Davis, historian; J. H. Christy, chaplain; and Frank Mehaffey, sergeant-at-arms.

Guests of the evening were several Legionnaires of Murphey, John Byrns of Franklin, and R. A. Dewar, of Andrews.

Post Named for Stillman

Leslie Stillman, for whom the post was named, was the youngest soldier to lose his life from Cherokee county. He was killed in action in Ypres sector July 26, 1918. He was the son of Mrs. Fannie B. Stillman, of Andrews.

The following article, published in the Tri-County News April 28, 1921, was read during the ceremony:

Leslie Stillman was born at Old Valletown, Sept. 4th, 1898, and grew up in our midst.

His maternal grandfather was an Englishman and his father a German but no family among us could lay better claim to be one hundred percent American. Witness his eagerness to enlist when Troop "D" made its record enrollment. Witness the mother proud to offer her only son of eighteen years on her country's altar. Witness above all the patriotic father, who being from home wired his answer to his son's plea, "If your Mother is willing, go with God's blessings."

And when the great blow fell, never once in all their anguish one regret for that decision. They said they were prouder to claim a hero dead than to have kept him safe while others paid the price.

With his slight figure and youthful face he looked the bugler's part, for which he was chosen. His dignity and seriousness only emphasized his youth and a certain spiritual quality that ever shone on his brow. It was that dignity and seriousness that lessened the strangeness of the fact that he was so soon marked for serious work.

When his family wrote for details of his death, his Captain wrote—"He was at the time in charge of a Lewis Gun Squad and four men of the squad were instantly killed by the explosion of the same shell. Private Stillman was one of the most reliable men in Co. G. and was always to be found at his post of duty as was the case when he was killed. He was a "No 1" Lewis gunner, and although I had known him for only a short while his manner and bearing had

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