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Robt. Arthur Akin Is Accidentally Killed

R. A. Akin, 65, died at Petrie hospital Friday evening about 6 o'clock, a short time after he was struck by a pick-up truck as he crossed the street between the Hampton Hardware company, where he was employed, and the L. & N. railroad station.

Mr. Akin, according to witnesses, was crossing the street from the store to the car of Mayor W. M. Fain, who was waiting to drive him to his home, at the time of the accident.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 Sunday afternoon at First Methodist church, with the Rev. Ralph Taylor, pastor of the church, and the Rev. L. E. Latham, pastor of the Free Methodist church, officiating. The body was at the church one hour prior to the services. Burial was in Sunset cemetery.

Active pallbearers were: Walter Mauney, Frank Crawford, Harry Bishop, Grover Mauney, Clyde Townson, S. N. Bobo, Howard Moody and Warren Sneed.

Honorary pallbearers were: Noah Hembree, Abe Hembree, R. C. Mattox, H. A. Mattox, Harvey Rose, Edwin Winchester, Harry Miller, John Posey, John Posey, Jr., E. C. Moore, W. M. Fain, Tom Axley, E. O. Christopher, D. V. Carringer, Noah Lovingsood, Tom Evans, Sheridan, Hadley and Frank Diekey, William Hampton, Frank Taylor, P. C. Hyatt, Robert Weaver, C. E. Weir, W. D. King, H. G. Elkins, Porter Axley, J. A. Richardson, B. L. Padgett, Carl Townson, Neil Davidson, W. M. Axley, Joe Axley, Mr. Hampton, P. H. Sword.

Flower bearers were: Mrs. Jean Townson, Mrs. Bill Brandon, Miss Emily Sword, Mrs. Walter Mauney, Miss Ella McCombs, Mrs. Edwin Winchester, Mrs. Louise Schuyler, Mrs. T. W. Kindley, Mrs. Kate Hensley, Miss Catherine Howell, Mrs. Ruby Stiles, Mrs. Virginia Townson, Mrs. Vera Gentry, Mrs. Luelle Lovingsood, Miss Etha Laney, Miss June Penland. Surviving are the widow, three sons, Pvt. Robert Akin with the army in Italy, Pfc. Herman Akin, stationed at Lincoln, Neb., at home on furlough, and the Rev. Ben Akin, pastor of Pines Creek Methodist church; one daughter, Mrs. R. E. Wallace of Knoxville, three grandchildren, Eddie, Donald and David Wallace; one sister, Mrs. J. W. Axley of Murphy, one half sister, Miss Hettie Kate Akin of Lumberton and a half brother, Henry Akin of Atlanta.

Member of a prominent Murphy family, Mr. Akin was born and reared in Murphy. For a number of years he was connected with the Cherokee Hardware company here as clerk and traveling salesman. He was also connected with a hardware company in Gainesville, Ga., at one time; at the time of his death he was employed with the Hampton hardware company here. He was a member of the Methodist church, having served as steward for a number of years, and at one time was lay leader.

Townson funeral home was in charge of arrangements.

Being Treated Stark General

Pfc. Robert H. McRae has returned from six months overseas duty. He served in the Mediterranean theater of operations on the U. S. hospital ship Algon Quin. Pfc. McRae is temporarily being treated at Stark General hospital prior to being transferred to another army hospital for definitive treatment. His home is Murphy, Route 3. Pfc. McRae's nearest relative is Mrs. Mennie McRae.

D. R. Patterson Is Promoted

Tec. 5 Delmer R. Patterson of Route 2, Culberson, N. C., has recently been promoted from private to his present grade technician 5th grade. He is the son of Owie R. Patterson. He is a mechanic with Lt. Gen. Alexander M. Patch's famed Seventh Army now fighting in France.

Rev. S. Wheeler Dies Saturday At Andrews

ANDREWS — Funeral services for the Rev. Sammy Wheeler, 58, well known and respected citizen of Andrews, who died suddenly Saturday night at his home, were held at the Valley River Baptist church Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The Rev. James Truett and the Rev. Algie West officiated. Burial was in the Andrews cemetery.

Mr. Wheeler had been a resident of Andrews 29 years. He married the former Miss Josephine Davis of Robbinsville. He was employed at the time of his death with the Nantahala Power and Light company at Nantahala.

Active pallbearers were: Walter Brown, Olen Stratton, Charlie Frazier, Homer Long, Dillard Everett, and Robert Bowman.

He is survived by his widow, five sons and three daughters, Mrs. J. C. Duncan, Luther and Herbert of Andrews, Clyde serving with the army engineers in the Southwest Pacific, Claude with the army station hospital in Italy, Carl in the army at Camp Shelby, Miss, Mrs. Herman Mehaffey of Portland, Oregon, and Mrs. Herman Hayden of Atlanta, Ga.

Forsyth funeral home was in charge of funeral arrangements.

Ralph Moody Is Appointed To Post of Assistant Attorney General

Atty. Ralph M. Moody of Raleigh, son of Mrs. J. N. Moody of Murphy, recently was appointed assistant attorney general of North Carolina to succeed Atty. George Patton of Franklin.

Mr. Moody for the past several months has been chief counsel for the Unemployment Compensation Commission, with headquarters in Raleigh. Prior to this appointment, he practiced law in Murphy, with his father, the late Col. J. N. Moody. He is a graduate of Sulphur Springs, Asheville school for boys, and took his law degree at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.

Has Long Record With Wholesale Houses Here

Roy V. Lovingsood has resigned his job as salesman with H. T. Hackney Co. to devote his time to his business located in the E. L. Townson building. Mr. Lovingsood has been with H. T. Hackney Co. for the past eight years and prior to that was connected with Wofford-Terrell wholesale Co. for twelve years, which makes him twenty years in the wholesale business and at one house. During that time he was off his job only twice for a short time for sickness.

Kimsey Under Bond For R. A. Akin's Death

Clarence Kimsey, 21, of Suit was bound over to Superior court and released under bond of \$1500 in connection with the death of Arthur Akin, at a trial held Monday afternoon before F. O. Bates, Justice of the Peace. Witnesses said Mr. Akin was thrown 60 feet down the street, and the truck ran 120 feet farther before it was brought to a stop.

Missing

ANDREWS — Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Phillips received a message last Monday that their son, S/Sgt. Marks Phillips, serving in France, is missing in action.

WOUNDED
HOT HOUSE — Word has been received by his parents that Cpl. Voyd Wallace recently was wounded in action.



IN SOUTH PACIFIC — Grady V. Carringer F 2/c, who received his boot training at Great Lakes, Ill., and Engineers school at Fort Pierce, Fla. He is now serving with the Naval Amphibious Landing Force in the South Pacific. Grady entered service March 10, 1944. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. D. V. Carringer.

Wells Awarded Distinguished Flying Cross

15TH AAF IN ITALY — First lieutenant Harold N. Wells, 23, of Murphy, N. C., pilot of a B-24 Liberator, was recently awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, for "extraordinary achievement during aerial flights over enemy territory."

A veteran of 50 combat missions, Lt. Wells has seen action over important enemy targets in Germany, France, Austria, Hungary, Rumania and Italy. He has also been awarded the Air Medal and three Oak Leaf Clusters, for "meritorious achievement during aerial flights over enemy territory."

Lt. Wells entered the service July 15, 1942, and received his wings and commission at Stuttgart, Ark., November 3, 1943.

Club Programs To Be on "No Space To Waste"

Miss Mary Cornwell, Cherokee county home demonstration agent, has announced the following schedule for November, the subject of programs to be: "No Space To Waste":

Nov. 2—Peachtree club, with Mrs. M. C. Plemons at 1:30 o'clock; Nov. 3—County Federation of Home Demonstration clubs meeting in the court room in Murphy at 1:30 o'clock; Nov. 6—Liberty, with Mrs. Otis Ledford, at 1:30 o'clock; Nov. 7—Violet, with Mrs. Willard Graham, at 1:30 o'clock; Nov. 8—Postell, with Mrs. S. Montgomery, at 1:30 o'clock; Nov. 9—Slow Creek, with Mrs. Arthur Barnett at 1 o'clock; Nov. 10—Sunny Point, with Mrs. Homer Bryant, at 1 o'clock.

Nov. 13—Bellview, with Mrs. Jeff Dalrymple, at 1 o'clock; Nov. 15—Unaka, with Mrs. H. L. McDonald, at 1 o'clock; Nov. 16—Tomotla, with Mrs. Sheridan Johnson at 1 o'clock; Nov. 17—Ogreeta, with Mrs. Mae Johnson, at 1 o'clock.

Nov. 21—Grandview, with Mrs. J. M. Ramsey, at 1 o'clock; Nov. 22—Valleytown, with Mrs. Grover Collett, at 2 o'clock; Nov. 23—Ranger, with Mrs. Sterlin Akin, at 1 o'clock; Nov. 24—Wolf Creek, with Mrs. Cecil Clure, at 1 o'clock; Nov. 27—Marble, with Mrs. Frank Battle, at 2 o'clock; Nov. 28—Martin's Creek school, at 1:30 o'clock.

Brumby Home Is Damaged By Fire

Fire damaged the Clearwater, Fla., home of B. G. Brumby, Jr., of Murphy last Thursday night, to the extent of an estimated \$10,000. The lower floor of the home was severely damaged, but most of the furniture was saved.

Fire started at an adjoining home, where there was a loss of \$40,000, and spread to the Brumby home. No one was at the house when the fire started. The owner was in Clearwater but was not at home at the time.

E. G. Postell Is Home Wearing Purple Heart

SAN DIEGO, CALIF. — Three hundred and thirty-eight more U. S. Marines have returned from long service in the South Pacific combat zones and will soon be home on a thirty day furlough.

Among them is Corporal Ernest Gerald Postell son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Postell of Andrews, North Carolina. Corporal Postell, a member of the Second Marine Division, wears the Purple Heart which he received for wounds in combat. He also wears the Presidential Unit Citation awarded to his unit.

Prior to enlisting in the corps he was engaged in farming.

Court Convenes Here On Monday

Cherokee county superior court will convene Wednesday, with Judge Zeb V. Nettles of Asheville presiding. Several divorce cases appear on the civil calendar. They are:

Raymond Dockery vs. Addie Welch Dockery; Clinton Ernest Swanson vs. Gritter Louise Swanson; Willard Clark vs. Myrtle Clark; Alberta Stowe vs. Jones Stowe; Emma Passmore Kittrell vs. Eugene Kittrell; Essie Ledford Hackney vs. Hugh Hackney; Myrtle Hubbard vs. F. V. Hubbard; Marion Lewis Morgan vs. Irene Locklear Morgan; Evelyn Sneed vs. Clarence Sneed; Coy Carringer Ledford vs. Lake Ledford; Juanita Looper vs. Edgar Looper.

Diphtheria Is In The County

The Health Officer reports that diphtheria has again made its appearance in Cherokee county, there being one case in Andrews at the present time. The state law requires that all children between the ages of 6 months and 3 years be immunized against this disease. He requests parents to bring their children into the office at Andrews on Thursday from 1 to 4 p. m. Murphy office on Wednesday; Hayesville on Friday; and Robbinsville, on Tuesday, in order that those who have not been treated may receive the serum.

Church Extends Call To Rev. Charles Parker

A call to the pastorate of First Baptist church was extended to the Rev. Charles Parker of Winston-Salem at a meeting of members last Sunday. He has not yet responded to the call, members of the pulpit committee announced Wednesday.

Mr. Parker preached at the church here October 22. He was accompanied by his family, Mrs. Parker, Sarah Elizabeth, Janet and Edward.



RETURNS TO SHIP — Russell Sims S 2/c who has returned to his ship after a brief visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Sims of Murphy. He took his basic training at Camp Perry, Va., and Norfolk, Va. He is a gunner on his ship.

Few Local Contests In Election Tuesday



AT CECIL'S FIELD — Jack Carringer S 2/c, who entered service May 16, 1944, and received his basic training at Jacksonville, Fla. He is now training at Cecil's Field with the Naval Air Force. Jack is the son of Mr. and Mrs. D. V. Carringer.

Lt. Chas. Spivey Is Killed In South Pacific

Word has been received of the death of Lieut. Charles Frederick Spivey by his wife, the former Miss Smaro Black of Midland. Lt. Spivey was in combat in the South Pacific area. He was the son of Jess T. Spivey of Andrews. Word of his death came from the Commandant of the U. S. Marine Corps.

A former student of Brevard Junior College, he was a graduate there in the class of 1942. He had been in service since October 1942, and was commissioned in the Marine Corps August 1943. He has been overseas since July 1944.

Surviving Lt. Spivey are his father, his wife, two sisters, Mrs. Fred W. Byrd and Mrs. Floyd C. Baldwin both of High Point, and a brother, J. Norman Spivey of Newport, Tenn.

Spivey Helps Sink Japanese Ferryboat

The following story was received just before news of Lt. Spivey's death came.

Peleliu, Palau Islands (Delayed) — When the Koror-Babelthup ferryboat got behind on its schedule recently, two Marine fighter pilots of the "Werewolf" squadron were held responsible for the poor service.

Captain Carroll E. McCullah, 23, of Alliance, Neb., husband of Mrs. Albert H. McCullah, of 3151 Jacksonville, Fla., and Second Lieutenant Charles F. Spivey, 23, of Andrews, N. C., were on a strafing run over the northern Palau Islands when they spotted the 75-foot Jap craft.

"That's one boat we didn't miss," said Captain McCullah, who has two Jap planes to his credit. "We made two strafing runs and stayed around long enough to see that it was sinking. I'm afraid the Koror-Babelthup ferry service will be very bad in the future.

Both Captain McCullah and lieutenant Spivey have flown on seven strikes at Jap positions on Babelthup since the "Werewolf" squadron began operating from the Peleliu airstrip. Twice they have dropped bombs from their Corsairs, hitting targets on and around the Babelthup airstrip. Their other strikes were strafing attacks.

Captain McCullah, who enlisted in June, 1941, is a veteran of 60 combat missions in the Solomons Islands area and has been awarded the Air Medal.

Lieutenant Spivey is the son of Jess Spivey, of Maryville, Tenn. A 1940 graduate of Andrews high school, he attended Brevard College for two years and enlisted in October, 1942. His wife, Mrs. Sanaro Black Spivey, lives at Route One, Midland, N. C.

Few contests are on the Cherokee county ticket in the election to be held Tuesday.

Mrs. G. W. Cover, Democrat, is seeking re-election to the state house of representatives, with S. A. Voyles making the race as an independent. In the 33rd senatorial district, voters will vote for A. L. Penland, Democrat, and Clyde H. Jarrett, Republican, for the state senate seat.

Ed. Dotson, Democrat, is unopposed for constable of Nolva township, with O. G. Anderson, Republican, unopposed for surveyor.

Mrs. Fred Johnson, Jr., clerk of the board of elections, said 383 absentee ballots were sent to service men and women and that 174 have been returned.

Graham Gives Reasons For Supporting Amendment

President Frank P. Graham of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, who is Vice-Chairman of a state-wide group which is urging support of the school amendment to the constitution, to be voted on in the November 7 elections, has issued a statement in which he cites the following five main reasons for supporting the amendment:

"No one Governor could appoint a majority of the State School Board under the provisions of the amendment.

"The setting up of the needed office of the Controller should be left to the Legislature and the Board of Education who can safely be trusted to provide for a sound and efficient business administration of the schools.

"The provision for members from the State at large is a more certain guarantee of representation of the minority party, as is just and in accordance with the fair and democratic traditions of our people.

"The amendment eliminates the requirement that a majority should be appointed with business and professional experience and gives more assurance of representation from agricultural, professional, labor, and civic groups as well as business and financial groups.

"It has the support of Governor Broughton, Democratic Nominee Cherry, Republican Nominee Patton, Democratic State Chairman Umstead, Editor Clarence Poe of the Progressive Farmer, the educational organizations, and a large number of lay citizens who consider the passing of the amendment to be for the best interests of the schools and the State."

Urges People To Vote Nov. 7

Declaring he had the utmost confidence in the judgment of the citizens, and that the "only obstacle" to a large majority for the entire Democratic ticket would be failure of citizens to go to the polls on November 7 and vote, William B. Umstead, chairman of the State Democratic Executive Committee, urged full participation in the election by all citizens.

Leonard Ramsey Here On Furlough

Pfc. Leonard Ramsey is spending a furlough here with his father, A. J. Ramsey and other relatives. Pfc. Ramsey has been in England and France for the past year. He was wounded in action in France, and received the Purple Heart. After being in a hospital in England for some time he was sent to a hospital in Memphis, where he will return for treatment.

Pfc. Ramsey with his sisters, Mrs. Roy Cook, and brothers, Frank and Jack Ramsey, spent the week-end with their brother, Lloyd Ramsey, a paratrooper at Ft. Benning, Columbus, Ga.