

Mrs. H. H. Hyde Taken By Death At Age 86

ANDREWS—Mrs. Margaret Emily Hyde, 86, died at her home here Sunday, April 17, at 9 p. m. after a lengthy illness.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock in the Andrews Baptist church with the Rev. Thad Deitz of Sylva, the Rev. C. E. Parker of Franklin, and the Rev. C. C. Washam of Andrews officiating.

Surviving are three sons, Will A. of Andrews and John B. and H. Grady Hyde of Asheville; three daughters, Miss Ellen Hyde of Andrews, Mrs. Laura Constant of Waynesville, and Mrs. Estelle Allison of Delwood; 20 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

The deceased was a member of Andrews Baptist church since early childhood and wife of the late Rev. H. H. Hyde who pastored churches in Andrews, Hazelwood, Hayesville and a number of rural churches throughout this section.

Grandsons acted as pallbearers and granddaughters as flower bearers.

Ivie Funeral home was in charge. Honorary pallbearers were:

John Tatham, Frank Wilhide, Garland Whitaker, Zeb Conley, Wimer Conley, Zed Whitaker, Harve Whitaker, Horace Rector, Billy Forsyth, Lee Watkins, John



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Andrews Personals

Miss Susan Meadows of Knoxville spent the week-end with her grandmother, Mrs. A. B. Chandler. Dr. E. B. Sampson of Chicago has returned from a ten-day visit with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Swan.

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Dillahunt, Jr., of Knoxville, Tenn., spent the week-end here with relatives and friends.

Charles Clayton of Asheville spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Clayton.

Mrs. Willard Morrow and son, Mike, spent the week-end with Mrs. Morrow's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Matheson and family.

Mrs. Bill Cathy is spending the week in Richmond, Va., visiting her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Vance Cathy.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Clayton of Greensboro spent the week-end with Mrs. Clayton's mother, Mrs. R. T. Heaton and family.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Lail and children, Lou Ann and Kenny of Argo, Ky., are visiting friends and relatives.

Miss Martha Caldwell, Student Tennessee Wesleyan college Athens, Tenn., spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. L. O. Caldwell.

Sen. L. B. Nichols spent the week-end here. He was accompanied home by his wife who has been visiting him in Raleigh.

Mr. and Mrs. John Holcomb of Columbia, Tenn., were week-end visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Higdon.

Mrs. G. G. Phillips spent the week-end in Hayesville visiting relatives.

Clarence and Paul Heaton, students at W. C. T. C., Cullowhee, spent Easter holidays with their mother, Mrs. R. T. Heaton.

Ned Darden has returned from a visit with his uncle, Mark Boone and family of Raleigh.

Mrs. Laura Lyons and daughters and Mr. and Mrs. Taft Wimpey of Hayesville visited Mr. and Mrs. Horace Palmer Sunday.

Mrs. Fred P. Reagan of Asheville spent the week-end with Mrs. F. M. Reagan and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry H. Luther

Christy, Jud Bristol, Bob Cooper, Dr. Davis, Zala Adams, Will Ashe, Frank Bristol, I. B. Hudson, Fred Williams, Shuford Robinson, Harve Mulkey, W. G. McKelvey, Percy B. Ferebee, Bill Whitaker, Wade Reece, Pearl Matheson, William Hyde.

Win Prize For Attendance

ANDREWS — Mrs. Albert G. Brown's section of the fourth grade won the P-T. A. prize for having out the largest number of parents at the largest number of parents at the P-T. A. meeting last week. Eleven parents of this fourth grade section attended. Mrs. Ruth S. Pullum's section of the second grade and Mrs. Carringer's section of the seventh grade tied for second place with seven parents out for each section.

The elementary school had 85 parents represented at the P-T. A. meeting.

CARD OF THANKS

We take this means of expressing our thanks and deep appreciation to our many friends and neighbors for their deeds of kindness and loving words of sympathy during the death of our dear brother and uncle H. O. Cobb. May heaven's blessings rest upon all of you.

Mrs. W. A. Evans
Mr. R. J. Stirewalt 40-1tp

and children and Mr. and Mrs. Leon C. Luther of Asheville were week-end visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Will Luther.

Miss Lucy Randolph Mason of Atlanta, Ga., spent the week-end with Misses Margaret and Mabel Fisher.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Barnard and daughter, Jo Evelyn, of Franklin spent the week-end with Mrs. Barnard's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. McKelvey.

Mrs. James Harris spent the week-end in Cullowhee. Her father has been quite ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Conley and family spent Sunday in Franklin visiting relatives and friends.

Cadet Heyward S. Pullum of Georgia Military Academy visited his mother, Mrs. V. G. Pullum, during the spring holidays.

Mrs. H. W. Foster of Hot Springs and Blue Ridge, Ga., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Phillips.

Fred (Buck) McConnell, Jr., has returned home from the navy discharged after six years of service.

Mrs. Neal Johnson of Franklin visited Mr. and Mrs. Dick Conley a few days last week.

W. T. Teas, Jr., student Baylor school, Chattanooga Tenn., spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Teas.

Mrs. L. E. Laughter and son, Kent, spent Saturday in Asheville.

Small Decrease In Highway Fatalities In '48

During 1948, 734 persons lost their lives and 7,490 others were injured in 16,218 traffic accidents on North Carolina streets and highways, the Motor Vehicle Department reported today.

This was a decrease of 12 per cent in fatalities over the 836 persons killed and 6,524 injured in 12,511 traffic accidents in the State in 1947.

FATALITIES BY TYPE

The year-end report showed that 238 persons were killed when the vehicles in which they were riding collided with another motor vehicle (This was an increase of two per cent over 1947 when 234 persons were killed in motor vehicle collision accidents); 186 persons met their deaths when their vehicles ran off roadways (a decrease of 20 per cent over the previous year, when 233 persons were killed in similar accidents); 186 pedestrians were killed (an 18 per cent decrease over 1947, when 227 pedestrians were fatally struck); 32 persons were fatally struck while riding their bicycles (a three per cent drop over the previous year); 26 persons met their deaths when the vehicles in which they were riding overturned in roadways (an increase of 12 per cent over 1947, when 23 persons were killed in similar accidents); 27 persons met their deaths when their vehicles collided with trains (a decrease of 25 per cent over 1947, when 36 persons were killed in motor vehicle-train collisions); 11 were killed when their vehicles struck fixed objects (a decrease of 27 per cent over the previous year); 8 were killed when their animal-drawn vehicles were struck by motor vehicles; 16 persons were killed in other non-collision accidents (a decrease of 41 per cent over 1947); and four lost their lives in miscellaneous accidents.

RURAL AND URBAN AREAS
In cities and towns, there were 6,341 accidents, with 128 persons killed and 1,768 persons injured, as compared with 5,385 urban accidents for 1947 with 162 persons killed and 1,807 injured.

In rural areas, there were 9,877 accidents, killing 606 persons and injuring 5,722 others, as compared with 7,126 accidents with 674 persons killed and 4,717 injured during 1947.

COUNTIES LEADING IN FATALITIES
Wake County led the State in fatalities during 1948, with 30 persons killed as compared with 34 killed in 1947.

Mecklenburg, Guilford, and Cumberland were next with 28 highway deaths. (During 1947, Mecklenburg had 45 persons killed; Guilford, 19; and Cumberland, 37.)

Buncombe County was third, reporting 24 fatalities, as compared with 32 last year. Forsyth had 21 deaths, as compared with 23 in 1947, and Johnston had 20, as compared with 13 in 1947.

Robeson and Rowan each had 19 fatalities during 1948, and Rockingham and Gaston had 18 each.

Counties reporting only one traffic death during the year were Alexander, Alleghany, Cherokee, Currituck, Jones, and Yancey.

Seven Counties reported no fatalities during 1948: Ashe, Avery, Clay Hoke, Mitchell, Swain, and Tyrrell.

CITIES AND TOWNS
Charlotte led all cities for the year with 14 persons killed. Fayetteville was second with 8; Raleigh had 7; Winston-Salem, 6; and Burlington, Greensboro, and Henderson, four each.

The report showed that Saturday was the most dangerous day of the week for travel. A total of 3,382 accidents, with 153 of them fatal, occurred on Saturday. Sunday was the second most dangerous day, with 124 fatal accidents being reported as happening on the Sabbath. For 1948, Tuesday proved to be the safest day for travel.

DEFECTIVE MOTOR VEHICLES
A total of 1,178 defective vehicles were involved in all accidents, and 35 of these defective vehicles were involved in fatal accidents. The report showed that 579 motor vehicles involved in wrecks had defective brakes, with 12 of them being involved in fatal accidents; 71 vehicles had both headlights out, with four of them causing fatal accidents; 176 vehicles had faulty steering mechanisms, with 8 of them causing fatal crashes; 31 vehicles involved in accidents had the rear lights missing, with 3 of them causing fatal accidents; 93 vehicles had punctures or blow-outs, with 4 of them being involved in fatal crashes.

In 1947, a total of 58 defective vehicles were involved in fatal accidents, the Department stated, thus proving that the Mechanical Inspection Program had done some good toward cutting down on the number of accidents caused by defective equipment. The greater percentage of the 1948 accidents caused by defective vehicles occurred during the first six months of the year before most vehicles had visited an inspection lane.

DRIVING VIOLATIONS
The report showed that a total of 27,644 drivers were involved in all traffic accidents for 1948, with 878 of them being involved in fatal accidents. A total of 18,272 drivers in all accidents were violating a traffic regulation, and 545 of those involved in fatal accidents were reported to have been violating a traffic regulation. Of the violations listed, speeding was the greatest cause of fatal accidents, with 221 drivers in fatal accidents exceeding the stated speed limit; 125 were driving on the wrong side of the road when their vehicles crashed and became involved in a fatal accident; 21 disregarded warning sign or signal; 25 were operating a car while under the influence of drink, all causing fatal accidents.

SOME INTERESTING FACTS GLEANED FROM THE REPORT:

1. Of the 734 persons killed, 110 were children under 14 years of age.

2. Women are by far safer drivers than men. Of the 878 drivers involved in fatal accidents, 835 were men, only 29 were women, and in 14 cases the sex of the driver was not stated.

3. Of the 878 drivers involved in fatal accidents, 144 were commercial drivers, 143 were farmers, 176 were other workers (except domestic servants).

4. Eighty-one of the 878 drivers involved in fatal accidents were definitely known to have been drinking, with their ability impaired.

5. Of the 878 vehicles involved in fatal accidents, 599 were passenger cars, 140 were trucks, 24 were trucks and trailers, 28 truck tractors and semi-trailers, and 30 were motorcycles.

6. The majority of accidents occurred on straight, level, dry

roads in clear weather. Most of the 186 persons killed and 765 injured in pedestrian accidents were responsible for their own misfortunes. Of the killed, 25 failed to cross streets at intersections, being struck down

fatally by moving vehicles; 24 were playing in roadways; 44 were crossing rural highways; 19 crossed streets behind parked cars and walked into the path of an oncoming vehicle; and 9 were killed while actually lying in roadways.

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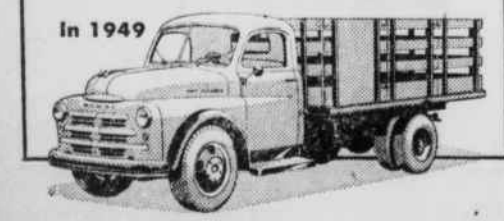
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