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CORDON FUNERAL HELD HERE MONDAY

Pittsboro Gentleman Suffers Fall in York, Penn.—Forehead Strikes Rail, Rendering Him Unconscious and Beclouding His Mind Thereafter—Death Resulted Four Days Later in Baltimore Hospital.

The tragic and untimely death of James H. Cordon, of Pittsboro, came as a shock to a wide circle of friends over this and adjoining states.

Mr. Cordon, who traveled over Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland and Pennsylvania for the Marshall Field Company, came from New York to York, Penn., Monday, Nov. 11th, and prepared to leave that city the following night, after having made his calls as usual upon his York customers during the day, and taking their orders. He was at the depot, tickets bought and suit-case by his side, waiting with a score of other passengers on the platform for a passenger train. A long freight train backed through the station, very slowly, with a flagman on the caboose to watch for a clear track. Doubtless through dizziness, or vertigo, Mr. Cordon fell forward when the freight was within five feet of him. His head struck the iron rail, rendering him unconscious. So slowly was the train backing that it was stopped within the five feet space, and did not touch the stricken man. His only injury was the fearful wound over the left eye and across the left temple, caused by striking the rail. He was carried to a hospital unconscious, but it was perceived next day that his mind was clouded from the fall.

Mrs. Cordon was wired for from Pittsboro, and she reached York Thursday morning, Nov. 14th. In company with her husband, she left York before noon that day for Baltimore, but it became increasingly evident that his condition was not improving. He became possessed of the hallucination that he must injure himself, and this he tried to do while in the Baltimore station, but was unsuccessful. A physician, Dr. H. D. Franklin, was summoned and he suggested that the sick man be carried to the Mount Royal hotel, with two male nurses in charge, and kept for a few days until the injury to the head should subside and the brain cloudiness lift. The doctor was averse to an operation except as a last resort, hoping that any clot on the brain would gradually be absorbed. On Saturday, Nov. 16th, he was given his lunch and lay back on the bed, apparently asleep, with his wife sitting on the side of the bed, stroking his hand. The nurse picked up the tray of dishes and started into the adjoining room; and as the nurse went through the door, the mentally sick man sprang from the bed, made a dash for the window and leaped through, with his wife making a frantic effort to retain him. The fall was three stories. Unconscious, he was carried to the Mercy hospital, where he died at 8:30 that night.

The remains were brought to Pittsboro Sunday night, and interment at St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church Monday afternoon. The new burial service of the Episcopal Church was used, the ministers in charge being Rev. Royal G. Shannonhouse, of Pittsboro, Rev. Henry G. Lane of Raleigh, and Rev. Thad. A. Cheatham of Pinehurst. Interment was in the London family plot.

James H. Cordon was 41 years old, and was born in Washington, N. C. He was son of Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Cordon, who for many years was a beloved Methodist minister. The late Governor Daniel G. Fowle was a great uncle, and S. F. Telfair, private secretary to the Governor, was an uncle. Mr. Cordon married Miss Betsy London, daughter of the late Major and Mrs. Henry Armond London of Pittsboro; and he is survived by his wife, a son, Jim, Junior, who is nearly 16, and a daughter, Betsy, who is 5 years old.

Such was the high regard in which he was held that hundreds of friends from this and adjoining states came to Pittsboro for the funeral Nov. 18th. Mr. Cordon, while only 41 years old, had traveled for the James H. Dunham company of New York for 23 years, and the Marshall Field company for the past two years. His 25 years contact with the merchants of the state had gained for him such a wealth of friends as is rarely found.

Possessing a brilliant mind, witty, a charming conversationalist and winning personality, his death comes as a personal loss to that wide circle whose lives he touched. And the world is richer for Jim Cordon having lived—

and his friends the poorer in his passing. Literally, none knew him but to love him: none named him but to praise. There was no moaning of the bar when Jim Cordon put out to sea.

Attending the Cordon Funeral

With such a large number of out-of-town relatives and friends attending the Cordon funeral Nov. 18th, it manifestly is impossible to even approximate the number, or secure their names. Scores were present from various parts of the State, the names of whom could not be learned.

However, among the number we note the following:

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Grimes of Salisbury; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Davis of Wilson; Mrs. David M. Carter, Jr., Mrs. John Calais and Mrs. Dan Taylor of Washington; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wooten, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Ayers of Fayetteville.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Anderson and John and Henry, of Chapel Hill; Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Fell of Trenton, N. J., Mr. and Mrs. I. S. London of Rockingham.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus R. London and Mrs. Peter Irie of Rock Hill, S. C., Mr. and Mrs. James Milliken of Southern Pines; Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Robards of Sanford; Rev. and Mrs. Thad. Cheatham of Pinehurst.

From Raleigh came Mr. H. M. London and Henry, Mrs. Thomas Bickett, Mrs. Joe Cheshire, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. John P. Stedman, Mrs. S. F. Telfair, W. T. Bost, Mrs. Josephus Daniels, Jonathan Daniels, Miss Belle Bagley, Miss Ethel Bagley, Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Seagle, Mrs. Haywood White, Rev. H. G. Lane, Mr. and Mrs. Hal V. Worth, Mrs. F. M. Harper, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Lawrence, Mrs. E. H. Jordan, Mrs. Norcutt Broadfoot Pemberton, Mrs. John H. London, Miss Inda London, Mrs. J. V. S. Metts, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Denson, Miss Mary Denson, Miss Daisy Denson, Miss Margaret Rainey, Miss Katherine Rainey, Mrs. J. S. Manning, Jr., Mrs. Spotswood Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. John McDonald, A. M. Maupin, W. A. Graham, F. P. Haywood, Clifton Thompkins, Mrs. James H. Pou, Mrs. J. W. Bailey, Mrs. F. K. Ellington, Mr. and Mrs. Penn Marshall, Mrs. Clarence Latham, Mrs. C. G. Latta, Miss Mary Latta, Mrs. G. W. Blacknall, Mrs. C. T. McClenaghan, Mrs. W. H. Bason, Mrs. N. J. Heywood, Mrs. William Duncan, Mr. and Mrs. W. Oliver Smith, Mrs. Charles Lee Smith, Mrs. Archie Horton, Miss Juliet Sutton, Miss Mary Alligood, Miss Elsie Hiker, Miss Ethel Johnson, Miss Kathleen Johnson, Miss Flora Creech, Miss Jane Dinwiddie, commissioner of agriculture, W. A. Graham.

Mrs. Hal London of Charlotte; Sam Watkins of Henderson; Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Snyder of Salisbury; Mrs. Lary James of Greenville.

Col. S. S. Nash and Russell Clark and Mrs. Cherry of Tarboro; Miss Neppie Davis and Mrs. J. C. McBrayer, E. B. Yearby, Tom Stuart and Sam Davis, of Wilson and Rev. Mr. Jerome of Goldsboro and O. P. Shell and John W. Draughon of Dunn.

Cowper Moves Marion Murder Trial to Yancey

Judge G. Vernon Cowper, presiding at the McDowell court at which the deputies charged with murder in connection with the recent strike at Marion were arraigned Monday morning, has ordered the trial removed to Yancey county and asked Governor Gardner for a special term of court for the week of December 9. Several reasons prompted selection of Yancey county.

In the first place it is in the same judicial district with McDowell and Solicitor Pless will still handle the case. Again it is entirely unaffected by any labor troubles, as there are no industries in the county. Burnsville, the county seat has no railroad. There are six miles of C. C. & O. track in one edge of the county but no trains stop within its borders. The citizens are native American, untouched by the influence of communism or the war between capital and labor.

Trial of Alfred Hoffman, organizer for the American Federation of Labor, and three associates are being tried at Marion this week on charges of insurrection and rebellion. General impression of correspondents is that the State hasn't much chance of convicting them, as conviction on the evidence at hand would violate the constitutional guaranty of free speech.

NEW MEXICAN PRESIDENT

Mexico had a presidential election last Sunday. There were three candidates. Nineteen people were killed in election disturbances, but there seems to be no promise of a revolution to follow. The successful candidate was Pascual Ortiz Rubio.

Eight hundred bushels of corn on 12 acres is the yield secured by W. M. Woodson of Alexander in Buncombe county after improving his soil by plowing under cover.

Moncure News

Miss Catherine Thomas spent last week-end with friends in Sanford. Miss Lucy Boone spent last week-end at Burlington with her parents. Mr. and Mrs. John Bell, Jr., spent several days with her mother, Mrs. Florence Wilkie, last week.

Mr. J. C. Moore, who has had work in Philadelphia, Pa., is at home this week. Rev. T. Y. Seymour of Buie's Creek and pastor of the Baptist church here preached a splendid sermon last Sunday evening. As last first Sunday evening was so rainy and did not hold his regular preaching service that evening, so he preached last Sunday evening instead.

We are very sorry to state that Dr. J. E. Cathell is at the hospital in Sanford again. We hope there is nothing serious, but will soon be back at his work again.

We are very glad to state that Miss Virginia Cathell, who was operated on for appendicitis a few weeks ago is getting on nicely. We hope she will soon be up and about again.

Messrs. Stone and Lineberry were in town today on business.

Mr. R. A. Moore of Winston-Salem was in town yesterday, Sunday.

Mrs. Mary Barringer spent last week-end with relatives in Sanford. The Epworth League met at 6:45 o'clock last Sunday evening. The president, Miss Camelia Stedman, called the meeting to order and presided over the meeting for the evening. After a short song service, the minutes of the last meeting were read by the secretary, Mr. Lewis Burns. Then Prof. H. G. Self made a splendid lecture on the subject, "Jesus' Teaching on Acquiring." He finished up the book, "Jesus' Teaching on the Use of Money" that he had been making lectures on to Moncure League Mission Study class. Next Sunday evening Mr. E. W. Avent, Jr., will take up another mission study book and lecture to the leaguers.

Next the president announced that the league had purchased two books on "World Friendship" to be read and studied by the leaguers who were to enter the essay contest which is now on. Miss Dorothy Lambeth, the leader for the evening, presented the lesson, "Is it possible for nations to obey the Golden Rule?" in a very interesting way. She was assisted by Mr. E. W. Avent, Jr., who read a selection on the subject. After singing, "America, the Beautiful," the meeting closed by repeating the Lord's prayer.

Moncure girls' and boys' basketball teams went to Vass last Friday evening to play the girls' and boys' basketball teams there. The score for the girls was 48 and 29 in favor of Moncure girls and the score for the boys was 27 and 14 in favor of Moncure boys. They were interesting games. Moncure girls and boys have won every game they have played this season. They are to be congratulated. Moncure girls and boys teams will play Biscoe teams at Sanford next Friday evening.

Mrs. Phoebe Womble and daughter, Miss Hetty, have returned from a visit to Meggetts, S. C., and Miami, Fla. They reported an enjoyable trip.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Hunt of Dunn were in town today on business.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Ellington of Aulander were in town today in the interest of real estate.

Mr. Alfred Lambeth, a student in Collegiate Institute, Mt. Pleasant, is spending this week with his mother, Mrs. Daisy Lambeth.

Mrs. S. F. Maddox, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Sprower in New York City, has returned here to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Hackney.

Mr. W. E. Holt of Tabor was in town a few days last week on business. Mr. W. W. Stedman sold him the stone place near Pittsboro. Mr. Holt will not move this year. Mr. Stedman has sold five farms in the last six weeks.

Mrs. E. E. Lambeth has returned home after a week's visit with relatives at Fayetteville.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Allen of Albany, New York, were in town today on business.

The Sons and Daughters of Liberty met Tuesday evening, November 19. Mr. Maynor, the state councilor, and several other visitors, were expected to be present at this meeting.

Fredwik Bidwell Entertainers are planning to give an entertainment at the school auditorium Wednesday evening, November 20th.

Knight Store Robbed

Thieves broke into the store of James Knight in Oakland township last Thursday night and stole quite a variety of goods of unestimated value, including cigarettes, smoking tobacco, candy, four shirts, overalls, shoes, meat, a gun, gun shells, and hosiery.

Entrance was gained by breaking the locks, two of them, on the front door. A prize was apparently used in the "cathole" to break out the clutches into which the lock bars caught.

There was no clue as to the perpetrators of the crime.

Brown's Chapel News

Pastor Dailey preached his first sermon of the new conference year last Sunday. A good attendance marked the occasion. There were visitors from Durham, Carrboro, Burlington, and other communities. Many homes in the community were glad to have their friends with them after church services.

Bright and early one morning last week the home of Mr. W. W. Lutterloh caught on fire upstairs. Much excitement was caused, but neighbors arrived in time to put out the fire before serious damage was done.

Sickness kept Mrs. E. J. Dark and some others from church last Sunday; while sick or troublesome cows kept others away.

The editorial paragraph in the last Record indicated that the editor did not believe in horn-boring and tail-splitting to cure sick cows, but while we do not wish to antagonize the scientists, yet this and other similar cases, some of them in my own herd, teach me that sometimes simple remedies will work for both man and beast when modern medical treatment has failed.

(Editorial Note: "O. J." in "Shucks and Nubbins" says that the cow in question will be all right now unless "she loses her cud.")

Our assistant Sunday school superintendent, Mr. R. G. Perry, was on his job Sunday, in the absence of Supt. C. H. Lutterloh, who along with his family had motored to Raleigh to visit his sick mother in the home of his sister, Mrs. J. F. Smith. (That cow must really be getting well.—Ed.)

Mrs. O. W. Mann has returned from a stay in Cary with her husband's sister, Mrs. L. E. Sturdivant.

Little wheat has been sown in this section because of continuance of wet weather. However, considerable oats was planted before the later rains began and is making fine growth.

H. F. Durham has decided to quit growing tobacco after two years of hard work and very little success and not to help longer raise the stuff that is harming so many people. As milk is a valuable food product, he may try producing that in some way, but would be glad if some way could be provided whereby the marketing of it could all be done during the week days. It could be done with the conveniences of this day and time. Of course milking has to be done, and none of us is perfect, but we all should strive for nearer perfection each day. In our community we do not have any filling station that runs on Sunday, but in case one drives up out of gas or oil it is furnished. But in many places they stay open most of the day, claiming that they are helping somebody. The fact that one car driven six years has never had to have a drop of gas bought for it on Sunday proves that all car tanks hold enough to go to church or to see a neighbor or visit the sick, and that very few require the help of the filling stations which remain open all day Sundays, a practice which Rev. Mr. Long preached against at Pittsboro.

LEGION AUXILIARY

The American Legion Auxiliary met with Mrs. Clinton Bryan Tuesday, November 12. The meeting opened with allegiance to the flag, and preamble to the constitution. The roll called, minutes of last meeting were read and approved. A letter was read from Mrs. Balentine, telling of the Legion Auxiliary district meeting to be held in Fuquay Springs November 20. Mrs. J. C. Weeks and Mrs. W. Lee Farrell were elected delegates to go with Mrs. Clinton Bryan, president, to the district meeting.

The following interesting articles were read: Greetings from Our National President, Mrs. N. C. Shiver; Armistice Day, Mrs. Roscoe Farrell; A speech by R. L. McMillan on Armistice Day at N. C. State College, Mrs. W. Lee Farrell; Monroe Watts Memorial to those who "went West" 11 years ago, Mrs. J. C. Weeks.

Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess, Mrs. W. Lee Farrell, Secy.

NEW BUS LINE

The Safety Transit Company has put on a bus from Lexington to Raleigh through Siler City and Pittsboro. The first round trip was to be made Wednesday. The bus to Raleigh passes Pittsboro at 11:20 a. m., and the return to Lexington at 4:40 p. m.

This bus line should be of great convenience to the people of the central part of the State. It is the shortest route from the west to Raleigh.

Executive Committee Meeting

The executive committee of the Sandy Creek Baptist Association will meet at the Wilrik Hotel in Sanford November 29, 1929, at 1:30 p. m., in their first meeting of the association year. This is to notify all parties who have business to bring before this committee to be ready to present it.

Court to Organize The First Monday

Judge D. L. Bell informs the Record that there will be no cases tried at the first session of the Recorder's court on the first Monday in December. Organization will be effected that day and a week given Clerk of Court E. B. Hatch to arrange docket and records.

An adjourned session will be held on the second Monday in December for the trial of cases.

900 Bushels of Corn County Home Farm

Mr. J. W. Johnson of the County Home is a real farmer. It has been corn-shucking time at the home, and Mr. Johnson reports 180 barrels, or 900 bushels, of corn grown on 19 acres. This is close to 47 1-2 bushels to the acre, and approaches the goal set by the Record for every acre of land planted to corn in the county. When no acre of corn is planted in Chatham without a reasonable expectation of fifty bushels to the acre, all the corn needed will be grown and there will be an abundance of land left for pasture and production of forage crops.

Early corn in the country is good and furnishes the one bright feature in farm life for 1929.

Building Program To Help Business

President Hoover, in view of the disturbances of business by the crash in the stock market and of the hard times prevailing in many sections, has proposed to increase the building program of the government in order to increase demand for material and labor. It is proposed to increase the appropriation for government buildings from \$175,000,000 to \$423,000,000. One of Al Smith's criticisms of the Republican regime was that the government was paying big rentals for public buildings while holding building lots already long paid for while hundreds of thousands of men were out of employment. One after another of the Smith proposals will doubtless be adopted by the administration, thus proving that the campaign of a losing candidate is not always a total loss to the country. Practically all the contentions of the Populist party have been yielded in essence, if not in the form sought by those pioneers of progressive government.

Zone Meeting of Methodist Women

Mrs. Gates of Durham, president of the Missionary Conference of the North Carolina M. E. Conference, addressed the Chatham Zone meeting at the Bynum Methodist church, Saturday, November 9.

The remarks of Mrs. Gates were addressed specifically to the officers of auxiliaries, but were applicable to every member as well. She is a spiritual leader and an eloquent speaker.

Mrs. M. T. Plyler, conference chairman of publicity, talked on the work in her field and told those present how they could help her and how they could use her office.

Mrs. Junius Wren of Siler City, chairman for the Fayetteville district, urged the necessities of auxiliaries sending in reports promptly.

Mrs. A. E. Brown of Bynum and Mrs. Paul Farrar of Durham were elected president and secretary to succeed Mrs. W. P. Horton of Pittsboro and Miss Mary Alice Ferguson of Siler City. Other officers elected were:

Study chairman, Mrs. Lydia Campbell, Siler City; children's work, Mrs. J. A. Dailey, Pittsboro; young people's work, Mrs. H. A. Bynum, Pittsboro; publicity chairman, Mrs. E. R. Hinton, Pittsboro.

The Bynum society, with Mrs. Brown as president, made every one most welcome and served a delicious lunch for the group.

The meeting accepted an invitation to meet with the Siler society next year.

Unusual Pictures at The Pilot Theatre

Patrons of the Pilot Theatre here are to be congratulated on the coming here Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of the famous all-talking picture, "The Cocoanuts," with the Marx Brothers and Oscar Shaw and Mary Eaton at their best. The picture comprises glorious jesting from the world's four funniest men, Ziegfeld's famous stars - making love, singing, Irving Berlin's unforgettable melodies! Ravishing choruses! Beautiful settings! Broadway's \$7.70 show to entertain the patrons of the Pilot Theatre. Come arming, all you Sanford, Siler City, Apex, and Chatham county people in general. To run three nights, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, November 25, 26, 27.

This is high-class entertainment for anybody. Think of such a show for 40 cents!

FINISHING WORK ON FIELDS BUILDING

McBane Drug Store Beautifully Furnished Now Open—Barber Shop With Handsome Modern Equipment Ready for Business.

The finishing touches on the Fields building have been in progress the past week and by the time this article is read possibly the last touch will have been added.

The ventilator and furnace have been placed. The fronts and interiors of the business rooms on the first floor are complete. The office rooms are ready for occupancy.

Mr. O. D. McBane, with a force, was busy for several days, placing the handsome equipments for the McBane drug store in place, and the placing of goods began Monday. The store is open for business, and a neater or more modern equipped drug store is not to be found in all this section. The furniture was prepared at the factory to fit the room, and it is a bang-up job.

Also, the handsome barber shop equipments have been placed in the middle room and Messrs. O. A. Harmon and W. R. Oldham will be prepared to serve you by the time this is read, it is presumed. You will have to see the completed building and the equipment of every part of it to realize its perfection. The third room has been occupied several weeks.

Johnston Farmer Gets Four Bales on 3 Acres

(From the Smithfield Herald)

Although this has been a bad year to test any variety of cotton, Clyde Pleasant, son of R. M. Pleasant of Pleasant Grove township, has made an enviable record on a small plot planted last spring. In April, Mr. Pleasant measured off three acres of land and after careful preparation sowed it in Coker 884 strain No. 2 cotton seed. This fall he housed 2,084 pounds of lint cotton, or four bales averaging 508 1/2 pounds, from the three acres. This variety of cotton produces 1 1/16 inch staple.

Mr. Pleasant is a member of the Benson Pure Seed Association and as a member of this association his cotton was pooled in the North Carolina Cotton Growers Association, from which he expects to receive an extra bonus for his superior staple.

Mr. Pleasant graduated from the Benson high school last spring and is now a student at State College, Raleigh. He took part in the essay contest sponsored by the North Carolina Cotton Association last spring and won second high honors in the contest in Johnston county.

Chatham Zone Meeting

A most interesting and instructive meeting of the Chatham County zone of the Woman's Missionary Auxiliary of the M. E. Church was held at Bynum on Saturday, November 10, with a splendid representation from all the auxiliaries in the zone. Mrs. W. P. Horton, of Pittsboro, retiring chairman, presided. We were very fortunate in having with us Mrs. A. M. Gates, conference chairman, Mrs. Junius Wren, district secretary and Mrs. M. T. Plyler, publicity chairman of Woman's Missionary Work in North Carolina Conference. Most helpful talks were made by these women in their line of work.

Mrs. A. E. Brown, wife of Rev. A. E. Brown, of the Haw River circuit, was commended most highly on her work in the various societies on the circuit, having organized auxiliaries at all the churches except one and that society is to be organized very soon.

The following officers were elected for the year: chairman, Mrs. A. E. Brown; secretary, Mrs. Paul Farrar; Mission Study chairman, Mrs. Lydia Campbell; Young People's Work, Mrs. Henry A. Bynum; Children's Work, Mrs. J. A. Dailey; publicity chairman, Mrs. Edgar R. Hinton.

Secretary of War James Good Dead

James W. Good, secretary of war, died Monday afternoon in a hospital at Washington, result of blood poisoning following an operation for appendicitis last week. Mr. Good's condition was known to be critical when he went to the hospital and for several days he had held on to life by a slender nerve. Burial will be in the family plot at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, tomorrow.

Always before a high official's body is cold speculation is rife as to his successor. The most likely candidate is Col. Pat Hurley of Oklahoma, assistant secretary of war. Friends of Stuart W. Cramer of Charlotte are hopeful that he may land the appointment. (There are others who think they would make good cabinet members. President Hoover will make the appointment in a few days.