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Major Stedman Died Tuesday

Native of Pittsboro—Last Survivor of War Between States To Serve in Congress—Buried at Fayetteville Today.

At last Major Stedman yielded to the inevitable hand of death, which seems to have been upon him for several days. He died at the Mount Alto hospital, Washington, D. C., where he was taken after a stroke of apoplexy on September 11. His daughter, Mrs. Palmer, was with him.

Expressions of regret were general, including that of President Hoover.

The burial will take place in Fayetteville today. That city is the home of Major Stedman's only surviving brother, Mr. Frank H. Stedman. The funeral will be conducted in the First Presbyterian church of Fayetteville, at ten o'clock today.

Major Stedman leaves numerous relatives in Chatham county, though no immediate one. Mrs. Exline and Mr. Fred Williams and Mrs. J. M. Gregory, for instance, are second cousins; while all the Stedmans in the county are doubtless derived from the same Colonial stock as the Major's.

Major Stedman's death leaves a vacancy in Congress. There is a move to have his daughter selected to serve out the balance of his term. Frank Hancock of Granville county is already nominated as his successor for next term.

Major Charles Manly Stedman was born January 29, 1841, in Pittsboro. His parents, when he was a mere youth, moved to Fayetteville. After attending the elementary schools he entered the University of North Carolina in 1857 and there ranked as a student with such men as Ransom and Pettigrew, being a first honor man during each session of his four years. As a student he was brilliant, respected and admired by his fellow students and the faculty of the university.

At the close of the war Major Stedman returned to Chatham county, the home of his birth, and for practically a year was engaged in teaching at Pittsboro. In 1866 he was married to Miss Katherine DeRossett Wright, of Wilmington, the daughter of Joshua G. Wright, and the niece of William A. Wright, who was a member of one of the most distinguished families in eastern North Carolina. In 1867 he moved to Wilmington, where for many years he practiced law with his wife's uncle, William A. Wright, under the firm name of Wright and Stedman.

Antioch News

Miss Geanie Oldham is spending this week with her brother, Mr. W. R. Oldham, at Yanceville.

Mr. and Mrs. George Moore and little son, also Miss Annie Moore, visited relatives at Pittsboro Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Thomas of Pittsboro spent Sunday with her parents Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Poe.

Mr. George Burke, who is located at Siler City, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Burke.

Mr. E. C. Hart is engaged in making syrup for people of the community who raise cane this year.

Mr. R. Oldham is assisting him with the work.

Mrs. Peggy Dowdy is spending a few weeks with relatives at Burlington.

Mr. G. G. Richardson and family of Cumboch, visited Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Poe Sunday afternoon.

The school truck which carries the pupils of this community to Goldston High School is well loaded this time.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Dowdy of Burlington were Sunday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Dowdy. They also visited Mr. Pete Dowdy.

Union Meeting At Moncure.

Beginning the first Sunday in October the Baptist, Methodist, and Presbyterians of Moncure and community will hold union revival services each evening for two weeks in the school auditorium, and possibly morning services at the school opening hour, 8:30 a. m.

On account of this meeting, the pastor of the local Methodist church will preach at Pittsboro next Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock instead of the first Sunday, that he may be at the opening of the revival services at Moncure. The Pittsboro community will please carefully note the change.

J. A. DAILEY.

Moncure News

Mrs. A. T. Daniel, who spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Lambeth, returned to her home at Mocksville last Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Lambeth and son, Eugene, accompanied Mrs. Daniels home last Sunday and spent the day.

Mr. S. R. Bates, Sr., a real estate agent representing the Federal Land Bank of Columbia, S. C., spent several days last week with W. W. Stedman. Mr. C. E. Dougherty, the appraiser for the Federal Land Bank, but lives at Rocky Mount, spent several days last week with W. W. Stedman.

Miss Pauline Ray, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Ray, left last Saturday for Mt. Airy, where she will teach in the city schools this year.

The Junior Epworth League is progressing nicely. Miss Ruth Stedman represented this League at the Summer Assembly at Louisburg, but there was no course given at the Assembly for Junior Leaguers, so Ruth Stedman took the Hi-League work, passed her work and received a certificate. Since the Summer Assembly the Junior Leaguers have been undecided what to do (as there is no longer Junior Leagues) whether to call themselves Hi-Leaguers, (as they have been doing since the summer assembly) or an Epworth Junior Society under the Woman's Missionary Society. Miss Lucy Boone has charge of the Juniors, so she thinks as the ages range from 8 to 13 years, it would be better to have an Epworth Junior Society which will be under the Woman's Missionary Society, so literature will be ordered for this purpose. The Epworth Junior Society (as they are called now) put on a good program last Sunday. Miss Marjorie Lee Ray was leader.

As usual the Epworth League met last Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock. The president, Miss Emma Lee Mann, presided. After a short song service, the meeting was turned over to the leader, Miss Roberta Lambeth, who held the devotional. It was Mission Pledge Night, so Mrs. W. W. Stedman was asked to explain the Mission Special, then Miss Boone gave an interesting talk on "God's Gifts". The September Business meeting will be held at the home of Prof. and Mrs. H. G. Self next Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

The Methodist Sunday School is growing. Prof. W. W. Stedman is superintendent. Just one Sunday recently there were 94 members present. It is the Superintendent's wish that there will be 100% present next Sunday.

On Sunday, Sept. 21st, fifty relatives and friends gave Mr. C. D. Wilkie a surprise birthday dinner at his home two miles north of Moncure. Mr. Wilkie is 69 years of age. He has always been a leading figure in the religious and social life of his community, being chairman of the local school board and having served for past ten years as Supt. of the Baptist Sunday school. There is no more loved and respected man in this vicinity as was attested by the friends gathered and the feast spread on the lawn at his home. Among those present were all of his sisters and brothers being, Mrs. Otis Bridges of Colon, Mrs. C. C. Thomas and Miss Irene Wilkie of Moncure, and Mr. G. H. Wilkie of Sanford. Other out of town visitors were Mrs. C. H. Wilkie and daughter of Sanford, Mrs. R. Sanderson of Va., Mrs. Lewis Isenhour and son of Colon, Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Womble of Apex, Mr. Worth Wilkie of Asheville, Mrs. John Bell, Jr. of Fuquay Springs and Mr. and Mrs. James Bridges of Sanford.

Mr. J. Hinsdale, attorney of Raleigh and Mr. Frank Stinson, architect of Raleigh came here last Thursday to get Messrs. W. W. Stedman and G. M. Womble to appraise some land for them.

Mrs. Claud Nance of Rockingham is visiting her sister, Mrs. C. D. Wilkie.

The Baptist Sunday School has elected for the ensuing year the following officers: Supt., Mr. W. C. Harwood, Asst. Supt., Mr. W. J. Hanon, Secretary, Mr. J. J. Hockney.

Mrs. Lemuel G. Johnson was taken with appendicitis one day last week and rushed to Durham Hospital where she was operated on. We are glad to state that she is getting on nicely.

Mr. J. J. Hackney commenced ginning cotton here last week. Mr. Hackney will be glad to gin your cotton for you.

WOMAN'S CLUB TO MEET
The meeting of the Woman's Club will be held the second Wednesday in October, as the first Wednesday conflicts with the State convention of the U. D. C.

Dr. Spikes will address the club at that time on cancer control. Everybody is urged to attend.

Mr. Ernest Bland, who has been working with a bridge construction company in Tennessee, is at home.



J. W. BAILEY, Democratic nominee for U. S. Senate, who will speak at Pittsboro, Saturday, Sept. 27, at 2 P. M.

News and Comment

A Number of Interesting Items Gleaned from Far and Near With Appropriate Comment by the Editor of the Record.

The N. C. Cotton Cooperative Association is receiving many times as much cotton this season as last; the same seems to be true of the Cooperatives in other cotton states. As the government loans nine cents a pound on cotton thus delivered, and the grower need not be held accountable for the loss if cotton should go below that price, it behooves all cotton growers to take advantage of the associations. Somebody must hold the cotton till it is needed by the mills and nobody else is so situated as the growers, who can get practically the present while holding it without risk. The holders if others than the grower will expect a profit for the use of their money and for the risk of loss. The farmer has a chance to get the profit without risk.

Frank Page has declined to accept the responsibility of organizing the tobacco growers of North Carolina, but as head of the Southeast Regional Council, which grew out of the governor's conference in Asheville last spring, Mr. Page pledges the support of the Council to the aid of tobacco growers. The matter of organizing a cooperative association of tobacco growers is urgent and is again delayed, doubtless, by Mr. Page's declination to take the leadership.

The Page Trust Company has again come to the rescue of a failing bank. When the Citizens' Bank of Raleigh was tottering last week, an all-night conference resulted in the transfer of the assets and liabilities to the Page Trust Company. The next morning it was doing business in Raleigh. The Page Trust Company has become one of the very strongest banking institutions in North Carolina and has banks in ten towns and cities, we believe, including our own Chatham town of Siler City.

Durham county has organized a tax relief association with that former worthy Chatamite, J. G. Cole, as president. The relief that is practicable, and the only one, is a reduction in all salaries paid by the state. Robbing Peter to pay Paul will not solve the matter, for Peter always has the means of throwing the burden back on Paul. That is, the burden of taxation ultimately rests upon the ordinary folk, and the only way to lighten the burden on them is to lighten the burden in fact.

George W. McNeill of Carthage, in a letter to the News and Observer, estimates the average crop of his section as 3,000 pounds of tobacco, four bales of cotton, 150 bushels of corn, and forty bushels of wheat, which he estimates will sell at \$682 this year. Out of that

Brown's Chapel News

Anyone who tries to avoid talking about folk to their back but does use, publicity or otherwise, wasted lives as illustrations or to point a moral may cause hard things to be said of them. What a pity we do not try to understand each other better and look for the higher and nobler intentions in life. Like Peter who denied his Lord but repented when he came face to face with him again, some of us when we really understand may have occasion to repent.

The preacher referred to by the editor as a "Saplin Ridge preacher" is the Preacher President of the M. P. Church and hails from Winston. Whether his prayers brought the rain or not, we appreciate it and pray God's blessings upon the preacher and all who trust the Almighty Power.

Too many dogs running about eating eggs, etc. One has been reported as dying rather mysteriously, and more are likely to find similar fates. If your dog disappears, blame the dog or yourself.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Dark left last week for a four day's trip to the mountains. They were accompanied by two former mountaineers, Messrs. John and Bob Creed, who went to attend the Freewill Baptist association in their old home community.

We regret to report the fact that Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Bouldin are planning to leave the community after several years of hard work and the loss of \$1600 in cash. They are good citizens, hard workers, and have a nice family of children, and we sympathize with them in their losses.

Miss Catherine Durham spent the week-end with her cousins, Misses Elizabeth and Blanche Mann, at Cedar Grove. Miss Elizabeth recently visited Miss Durham here.

Miss Jewell Justice will teach this session at the upper Burke school.

The man left in the lurch by friends, as reported last week, has more than one friend of course, but not active in the case in mind.

A few days ago the family of H. F. Durham dropped in at the home of his sister Mrs. F. M. Mann and when they got home found five nice watermelons in the car. This is another home where there is usually found abundance of such things in season. The other mentioned last week should have been T. S. Harris, and not Smith as printed.

The county is pulling up a new road by the homes of Messrs. J. A. R. G., and G. C. Perry, which is doubtless much appreciated by them and the milk haulers.

Mrs. J. A. Perry attended the big birthday dinner given her cousin, Mr. George Thompson, in Baldwin township.

The bride and groom, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Whitaker, were out spending Sunday evening with his sister Mrs. O. R. Mann; also the other, Mr. John Crutchfield of Siler City took dinner with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Crutchfield. Also Mr. H. M. Marshall of Swepsonville was here with his bride. It was bride's day here. Still another one was Mrs. Eddins, formerly Miss Charlotte Wright.

Miss Lizzie Clegg of Moncure Rt. 2 spent Saturday night at the home of Mrs. W. C. Henderson on her way to visit her sister, Mrs. Josie Perry.

Mrs. Hortense Shoffner and brother Aubrey Mann of Graham visited their grandmother Mrs. Ann Perry, and consulted the pastor and stewards about getting their baby brother and sister into the orphanage, their mother being dead.

Mr. W. W. Lutterloh and family and niece, Miss Elizabeth Lutterloh, visitor Mrs. J. F. Smith in Raleigh Sunday, and also took with them Mr. Harry Henderson to visit his brother Kiah and Aunt Blanche Henderson, who have been living in Raleigh some time.

Our S. S. classes are supposed to elect their teachers for next year next Sunday; so let all be out.

R. H. Burns' Sons Make Fine Records.

The Chatham Record is always interested in the achievements of people of Chatham extraction, and is gratified at the splendid achievements of the two young sons of R. H. Burns of Whiteville, but a son of Mrs. R. M. Burns of Pittsboro. An article in the News and Observer, at the time of the opening of Wake Forest College last week, indicates that the freshmen at Wake Forest this year averaged in their high school senior examinations 11 points more than the average for the state, and that John Kendrick Burns, the fifteen-year old son of our friend R. H. Burns, ranked highest of the 225 new men. The record of this youngster was matched by that of his older brother, who entered college last year. The latter, R. H., Jr., will study law, his father's profession; while John Kendrick will be a physician. The grandmother here has reason to be proud of these boys.

County Court Cases Tried

An Innocent Youth Secures His Freedom—A Church Used as Rendezvous by Young Man and Woman.

The county court legally meets the first Monday in the month, but it has the privilege of recessing, not adjourning, from day to day or week to week. That fact proved of exceeding value this week. Last week, as reported, Dennis Headen and Murk Guthrie were sentenced to the roads for injuring a county truck, the one operated by Mr. L. D. Johnson. Headen got four months, as he denied his guilt, but the other fellow not only confessed for himself, but for Dennis too, and he was served with a sentence of only thirty days. Afterwards Murk told the jailer and other officers that he did the injury alone and that, accordingly, Dennis Headen was innocent. Other evidence was in line with the later story of Murk, but had been considered false.

If there had been an actual adjournment of court, Dennis Headen would have had to wait till he could secure from the governor a pardon for a crime he had committed before he could have been legally released. But, it being a mere recess, the case was again reviewed and Dennis was set free, while Murk had his sentence raised from 30 days to 12 months. The case indicates the danger of accepting the evidence of a confessed criminal.

Grady Marsh and J. P. Marsh, two Siler City colored youths, were hauled into court on complaint of highway patrolman Duncan for driving a car under the influence of liquor. They got 4 months which they had the privilege of avoiding by paying \$50 each and costs and refraining from driving a car for six months.

A case that attracted considerable attention was that of the charge of fornication against Jesse Johnson and Nellie Glosson. The feature that created the unusual interest was the fact that the young white man and woman had used Sandy Pond Baptist church, near Bonlee as a rendezvous. The young woman characterized the transaction, when speaking to Officer Pickett of Siler City, as a "protracted meeting" held by Jesse and herself. Jesse goes to the road for four months and the young grass widow secured suspension of judgement for two years on condition of good behavior.

Gant Indicated Resigns Office.

Investigation of the alleged pension frauds of clerk of court Gant of Guilford county has resulted in the discovery of quite a number of checks paid in the names of dead pensioners. Mr. Gant still claims to have done nothing intentionally wrong. However, the Guilford grand jury had issued eight indictments against him up to Saturday evening, and investigations were to proceed this week. Also, an auditing company is at work on the other accounts of Mr. Gant, which include trust funds, witness fees uncalled for, etc. The size of present-day pensions makes the total of defalcations run up rapidly. The amount discovered already has been reported as about \$10,000.

Mr. Gant has had to go to bed, it seems, because of the effect the discoveries have had upon him. He first resigned his candidacy for re-election and A. Wayland Cook, one of Greensboro's strongest men, was chosen as the Democratic candidate for the clerkship. Monday, the lines had become so closely drawn and the sentiment demanding his resignation so strong that Mr. Gant resigned the clerkship. The investigation is bricker and fiercer than that of the Republican clerk of Sampson was under almost identical circumstances. Thus it appears that roguery is not tempered by the culprit's belonging to the dominant party.

Bailey Coming Next Saturday.

Make your plans to come to Pittsboro Saturday afternoon to hear J. W. Bailey, Democratic candidate for the United States senatorship. The speaking will be at two o'clock. As this will be one of the principal events of the campaign in Chatham county, it behooves those who desire to hear an able discussion of the issues to be on hand. It is unnecessary to state that Mr. Bailey is possible the ablest speaker in the state.

Habit is all powerful, even in love.—French proverb.

Mouth and heart are wide apart.—German proverb.