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\$2.00 A YEAR IN ADVANCE

Aunt Lettie, 119, Died Here Friday

Was Probably North Carolina's To Be Given By The National Oldest Citizen — A Most Interesting Character.

Aunt Lettie Baldwin, probably North Carolina's oldest citizen, died at the home of her daughter-in-law, Rosa Baldwin Isley, in the colored section of Asheboro Friday afternoon at the age of one hundred and nineteen years. She started the new her to make some "Bone Set" tea, a tution of research and education. favorite remedy, on the night prior To compete, a student must write to her death. The following morning a story or theme on some phase of and the end came at three o'clock, ed by a committee of home economic

various places have visited her to hear of her experiences in by gone days. She prided herself on telling this capacity, it is said.

The Board gives as the reason for not know".

Aunt Lettie claimed to be the daughter of a woman who came directly from Africa to this country, landing at Wilmington. She was born in Richmond county, migrated to Montgomery county where she was first married to a man whose name she had forgotten. She was married the second time to Tom More than 10,000 girls competed last Skinner, who was in slavery, belonging to a plantation owner, James Skinner, of Montgomery county. According to Aunt Lettie, Tom was unkind to her, was a "mean nigger", and was finally hanged. Aunt Lettie's third matrimonial venture was to Bob Baldwin, soon after she came to Randolph county. Her last marriage occurred in 1908 to Tom Pike, a religious fanatic, who survives. This ceremony was performed by Esq. W. N. Elder, of Trinity township, who happened to be in Ashebore when the bride and groom presented themselves for the license, which are now on record in the office of Register of

she reared and lived to bury all of them. She recalled their ages saying, "I had four children when the stars fell," this occasion being in by their capable and efficient manusual glow spread over the heavens. Many stars fell and there was much excitement among the citizenship. in comparing their ages with the "white folks", in this community. "There's one the age of Mr. Tipp Moring's Willie", another just the age of preacher Frank McDowell, anther same age as Cicero Hammer, who I have spanked many a time River Baptist church last Sunday af-when I was working for his father, ternoon. when I was working for his father, another just the age of Mrs. Elvira Moffitt's boy, Herbert Jackson. One of the gals is just Lura Bulla's age, another, the age of Col. McAlister's Alex, another of the girls the age of Mr. Barney Burns', Lillie, another the same age as Sam Porter, one of Mr. David Porter's twins and there's Moffitt Mills, last Sunday.

Garfield just the age of Garland Mr. Willie Oox had a tobacco barn Garfield just the age of Garland Blair, Mr. Addison Blair's boy."

Many of the older citizens will re-call that "Uncle Bob and Aunt Lettie with their children lived about a mile and a half east of Asheboro and that they made baskets, fish baskets, bed mats and scouring brooms from white oak splits. The would every for some time, is still confined to now and then bring them in for sale to provide needs in the home.

Aunt Lettie was always active, en-

ergetic and tremendously religious. She was of the Baptist faith and was taken to the church of her faith for the last rites. Burial took place in the local colered cemetery Sunday. Aunt Lettie talked of the war and

of her old master and mistress most affectionately. She recalled that when she came to Asheboro there were only five houses and two stores, one belonging to Mr. Alfred Marsh and later occupied by Col. W. P.
Wood. The other belonged to Mr.
Jonathan Worth, who was Governor
of North Carolina in 1862. His store it in 1848 and was later occupied by Dr. J. M. Worth.

Aunt Lettie recalled making cof-

fee from wheat and rye and using many herbs for medical purposes. She was fond of snuff, tobacco and atermelon and would remind her hite friends of her "like". In her d age she sang many of the lullabys hich she had learned from her other and which she used in rock-

y and state has lost on the colored women, who her white fries

H. S. Girls Can Win Scholarships

Live Stock and Meat Board
—Several Offered.

High school girls are to be given an opportunity to win a university scholarship through competition in a national meat story contest, according to formal announcement of the event which has just been sent out to home economics teachers by the Nayear in the same excellent physical tional Live Stock and Meat Board. condition which she had enjoyed Several scholarships are being offer-throughout her entire life but con- ed, it is said. It is the fourth annual tracted a slight cold which prompted contest to be sponsored by this insti-

after breakfast, feeling a little in- the subject of meat or the live-stock disposed she decided to go to bed industry. The stories are to be judgunexpectedly to members of her authorities. Dr. Louise Stanley, chief of the bureau of home economics, For many years she has been an United States Department of Agriinteresting character and people from culture, who has been chairman of

The Board gives as the reason for this annual competition for scholarships a desire to stimulate a greater interest in the study of home economics, a subject which is considered of great importance to the coming generations of housewives. It is pointed out that today education is playing a year, it is said, and the contest directors expressed the belief that even more will enroll for the present contest which will come to a close on March 15.

project, says the Beard's statement.

ASHEBORO MEN OPEN MODERN CAFE AT TROY

Messrs. Reid Hannah and Eugene Chisholm who have opened a cafe in Troy, are in the Thompson Building. Deeds in Randolph county, with Aunt but have not taken charge of the new hotel as was erroneously stated in Aunt Lettie was the mother of one of the leading dailies of the State. neteen children, eighteen of whom Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Britt, of North

SHILOH ITEMS

Mr. E. P. Beroughs returned to his work in High Point Monday after spending a week with home folks.

A number of our people attended the funeral of Frank Brown at Deep

Mr. Elvin Beane is visiting friends in Richmond county the week. Miss Myrtis Beane, of Asheboro, spent last week-end with her father, Mr. D. E. Beane.

Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Lambert visited Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Beane, at raising last Thursday on the old farm of H. T. Moffitt.

EDGAR NEWS

Sophia, Route 1, Jan. 18.—Mr. B. F. Ridge, who has been seriously ill

An Essex car, stolen in High Point from Norman Morris Saturday night about 11 o'clock by a negro, crashed into the concrete bridge on highway 77 south of Glenola, near B. F. Ridge's, and was almost a complete wreck. The car was followed by police but although hurt and bleeding the negro made good his escape after going to a home nearby for at-

W. B. Ridge had the misfortune of losing a fine milk cow last week. Little Martha Blair Davis is spend-

ing a few days this week with her grandmother, Mrs. N. E. Davis.

Dr. Clyde Ridge, of Thurmond, W. Va., spent Sunday and Monday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Ridge.

One of the twin infants born Mr. and Mrs. Parcy Farlow last week was buried at Mariboro last week. The other child is getting along very nicely.

Death of Colored Woman

died January 10th in the hospita near Randleman, following an illnes Alice. Funeral was held at Harsha Grove, of which she was a memion January 11th.

MID-TERM EXAMINATIONS ARE NOW IN PROGRES

Asheboro, N. C., Thurs



Revolution grips the Republic of Nicaragua. During this emergency U. S. Warships are stationed in the harbor with orders to protect Am-erican lives and property. Admiral Julian Latimer is in command.

Lee's Birthday Celebrated, 19th

January 19th is one of the greatest events in Southern History—the birth-day of our great leader, General Robert E. Lee. One man whose very The contest has been successful name can produce a thrill in the due to the fact that teachers have found it especially valuable as a class nothing of the Confederate Vetpresent 60 hour erans and Daughters of the Confederacy. A recent edition of one of the State papers carried a most intimate and interesting story of the three men living in Richmond who remember the beloved General. State papers carried a most intimate

who entered the service of the Con- on wild cat pelts federacy as a telegraph operator when he was 13 years old; James Poyntz Nelson, a cousin of Thomas all Conf elson Page who graduated from Washington and Lee University durng the time General Lee was president of that institution; and Col. Henders of the company of th latter who could say most is loath to talk of his association with the sage. Representative Little, of Polk month of December 80.2 pounds, county, offered a joint resolution of the family at Arlington Miss Wilma Stout, who has been ill James Nelson recalls several inci-Upon being asked the ages of her children, Aunt Lettie prided herself with tonsilitis for several days, is dents occurring while Lee was president of the University. Jo Lane dent of the University. Jo Lane measure placed on immediate passage. After much debate, Rev. Ostates with the measure placed on immediate passage. After much debate, Rev. Ostates with the measure placed on immediate passage. After much debate, Rev. Ostates with the measure placed on immediate passage. in the army recalls amusing stories. car Haywood, of Montgomery, won Among them the fact that he. once out and the bill was tabled. This bill girls and was permitted to ride the of this week. Another bill slated for famous Traveler, a feat that was ac- early discussion this week was the complished by no one outside the immediate family.

connected with the life of the great among the three as the passage of man but with one accord they all a statewide law is what is desired.

touch upon the greatness, kindliness On Monday ten bills were passed and bigness of soul of the outstanding leader, General Robert E. Lee, whose 120th anniversary, was celebrated throughout the Southland yesterday.

MRS. WILLIAM HILL

Mrs. Lilly Allred Hill, aged 42 years, died Saturday at her home at Archdale following an illness of two or three weeks. Mrs. Hill was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Allred, of Asheboro, Route 3, who with ner husband and four children, Ethel, Howard, Lanta and Grady, survive. She is also survived by one brother, John Allred, of Asheboro. Mrs. Hill was an estimable woman, possessing most admirable traits of character. She was a member of Flag Springs Methodist Protestant church but was taken to the family burial plot at Hopewell for interment on Sunday. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. C. L. Gregory, of Asheboro.

Youthful Offenders Apprehended

During the fall Wesley Brower, a plored merchant of North Asheboro, colored merchant of North Asheboro, missed cigarettes, apples, etc., from his store and was unable to find the guilty parties. Three little colored boys, Raeford Walker, Causey Ridge, and Curtis Smitherman were apprehended and brought before Justice Ridge. The boys were turned over to Clerk of Court Lovett, Juvenile Justice, and were tourned loose on prohation.

LARGE-HAWK KILLED

Tuesday Mr. B. P. Hoover, of Ashe fice with Mr. Lee Hover, also of loute 2, and made an interesting report of the capture of a large hawk. The bird was caught in a trap and

usy Week

The past week, has been a busy swamped with ican situation, and abolishing the bounty on wild cat pelts in Macon other members of the club. county.

improvement bill

The senate's f was thrown into The Bill is desiring hour, of Burke. to repeal all se ns of the state law providing I tion, normal The teaching "Americanism" in f the state would the public scho also be abolishe passed in 1925 the American considered ge sweeping attac

tem of education On Friday a Kluttz, of Cat present 60 hours for ten hour wor half day on Sal These are General Jo Lane Stern, the bounty now a his mountain

Saturday the all Confederate ns who are not lie institution be inmates of so list. This met with a favoral

Australian ballot. Three senators are interested in presenting a bill of Each man tells a different incident this nature, but harmony is expected

On Monday ten bills were passed soon after the house convened. Nine of these were of local nature and the tenth had to do with changing the statutes so that persons convicted of a misdemeaner should be sent to the state prison instead of the county siails in the discretion of the trial DIED AT ARCHDALE judge. After much debate this was assed on the second and third readings with only a few dissenting votes.

Asheboro C. of C.

The Chamber of Commerce of Asheboro will have a birthday party on the evening of February 4th. At this time the organization is one year old and will celebrate with a banquet at the Ashlyn Hotel on this o'clock. occasion.

A unique way has been decided upon for the nomination of directors. Cards are to be mailed to each member asking each one to nominate 38 difectors, and at the meeting in February 19 directors will be elected from this number. During the year the Chamber has promoted several new enterprises for the town being directly responsible for the Cream-ery and the Paper Box Factory for e town. This is a wide awake the town even the first year. M. G. Edwards is secretary Arthur Ross president.

I D. WAGGER ELECTED TO HEAD EXPANSION PROJECT

National Farm School Endorsed B Nation's Industrial and Agri-cultural Leaders.

I. D. Wagger has been officially

ected chairman of the Ashebo mmittee of The National Far

University Club Holds Meeting

Bill Hammond Talks of Banquet Held At Asheboro During The Holidays.

ors and legislators University of North Carolina held its have been literally first meeting after the holidays on s of all types from Friday night with a large attendance. s, inheritance, sign-p liens, to the Mex-up much of the holiday spirit which

"Bill" Hammond made an intereston and permanent ing talk on the success of the ban-The appropriation and permanent improvement bills have also been introduced in both houses, and, with the revenue bill, are in the hands of committees with early action generally predicted tonight.

They represent the most important havings of the general as th tant business of the general as-sembly and their introduction this importance and much benefit to be ssion has shattered derived through high school debating. all precedent. The appropriation a committee was appointed to write bill calls for outlay for maintenance all of the high schools in the County of \$14,686,105 for 1927-28 and \$15,- and offer any encouragement and 124,059 for 1928-29. The permanent assistance possible to get them enter

> vocational educa-hools, certification. LEXINGTON GROCERY, IN TROY, SELLS BUS TROY, SELLS BUSINESS

The Piedmont Grocery Company, This section was Inc., an organization composed of der pressure from business men of Troy and nearby This bill was towns, has purchased the Troy branch as the most of the Lexington Grocery Company the state's sys- which was opened a number of years ver introduced. ago. The Asheboro and Troy branch-was presented by es of the Lexington Grocery Company providing for a were consolidated about two years oil for the worke instead of the L. L. Whitaker and Mr. Jason Moff-The bill provides itt, who were connected with the local days with a firm, went to Troy, Mr. Moffitt movwith the privi- ing his family there. Mr. Whitaker firmly settled in best of Macon bill abolishing orized to be paid of \$50,000 with a paid in capital of \$35,000.

Former Asheboro Men

A small guernsey cow owned by S. E. Coble and Sons, formerly of Randolph county but now of Guilford Col-

Buy Roller Mill

Messrs. S. G. Richardson, of Seagrove, and Frank M. Wright, of Ashe-Seagrove from W. R. Williams and John Presnell. The mill will be opwent on a mission for one of the Lee is slated to come up about the middle erated under the name, Seagrove Roller Mills.

> Friday. The funeral was conducted by the pastor.

> of Mr. Oliver P. Wood, one of our stewards at White's Chapel, near Liberty, who is suffering with pneu-

stewards of Randolph church, is ill. We are gradually getting our conference claims paid on the circuit. Pisgah church is the nearest out, having paid about 90 per cent, Randolph comes second with 70 per cent, White's Chapel has paid 60 per cent, To Have Banquet White's Chapel has paid 60 per cent, West Bend 50 per cent, West Chapel

We have received into church membership by letter Mr. Daniel M. Luther who unites with us at Pisgah. Appointments for next Sunday January 23rd, Pisgah 11 o'clock, West Chapel 3 o'clock, White Hall 7

M. P. CHURCH NEWS

9:45 A. M. Sunday school, Mr. W. L. Ward, Supt. Classes for people of all ages. Special attention given to

children. 11:00 A. M. Sermon by pastor, ubject, "Making the Church More

7:00 P. M. Evening worship with sermon by pastor, subject, "Perse-

The Randolph County Club at the

calls for a bond the statewide debating contest this year put on by the University of North Carolina. Then eats and smokes were served.

-H. M. BOULDIN, Sec.

Own Best Milk Cow

ASHEBORO (M. E.) CIRCUIT Dwight Neely Sykes, aged nearly four years, son of Mr. and Mrs. Will Sykes, was buried at West Bend last

We are sorry to report the Illness

6:15 P. M. Christian Endeavor.

The public is cordially welcome to the services and assured of a warm, comfortable room.



President Coolidge recently con-gratulated Reuben Bland (above) of Robersonville, N. C., who claims to be the champion father of U. S. Mr. Bland is papa to 34 children

One of the most disagreeable cold waves for quite awhile struck this section last Saturday. Early Saturday morning the wind became strong from the Northwest and the temperature stood practically stationary during the day, due to the bright sunshine, however, as the sun began to go down the temperature started falling and fell at the rate of two and one half degrees each hour until ten o'clock. It seemed that it would go to zero before morning, but soon after midnight the crest of the cold wave passed by and nine degrees was the lowest registered. While this was utes, according to young Cheek, three degrees higher than on Wed- was a hard tussel, the negro telling three degrees higher than on Wednesday morning yet it seemed colder and water pipes froze much worse, due to the high wind and high barometric pressure. A great many peo-ple had frozen water pipes to contend with on Sunday morning, and some with on Sunday morning, and some almost wished there had never been a modern water system invented, pounding the black over the head a modern water system invented, however, as the day wore away the temperature went up, pipes were thawed out and these who have water fect, bitting the negro in the face, on

The official weather observer here boy told the negro if he would leave gave it as his opinion that if the the scene he would let him go, but cold wave had been five or six hours the black refused, still threater later it would have been much worse, but the fact that the sun was shining while a great deal of it was passing boro, have bought the roller mill at over this section, kept the temperature from going so low.

"AUNT TITIA" GATLIN.

AGED CITIZEN, DEAD Sunday afternoon another of Ashe boro's oldest citizens died, Martitia Gatlin, well known to many of the older residents of the town and county. For nine years she had been in ill health but during her 84 years she has enjoyed remarkably robust health

until the past few years. She is the daughter of Sallie King Gatlin and Ned Gatlin, and the granddaughter of the late Frank and Mary King, with whom she made her home. She was born and reared ten miles south of Asheboro between Ulah and Seagrove, moving to Asheboro

when she was a young girl. "Aunt Titia" as she was familiarly known could tell many interesting tales and incidents of the war between the states. At the time of the war she was about 14 years old. She was the mother of nine children four of whom are living. They are Dilliard, Elmore, and Alice, all of Asheboro, and Mrs. G. B. Cox, of Southern Pines.

The funeral and burial services were held at West Bend church, three miles south of Asheboro Tuesday morning.

Tax Books For Columbia Township In Hands of Sheriff

The 1926 tax book for Columbia township has been completed and turned over to Sheriff J. A. Brady, Tax Collector. The announcement is made from Register of Deeds Routh's office that as corrections and additions are made the 1926 books will be delivered to Mr. Brady.

James A. Maness, of Pomona, Seriously Injured By Auto

The writer is conducting a training class in B. Y. P. U. work this week at the Randleman. Baptist church. The meetings are held at seven o'clock each evening.

Samuel Miller is winning distinction at Mars Hill College. Recently he participated in an important college debate in which he and his colleague won the decision.

The stricken relatives and friends of Rev. J. D. Hackney have our sympathy. The writer learned while conducting a series of revival services in Franklinville last fall to hold Brother Hackney in great esteem.

We are continuing our Sunday morning thought on Jeaus and His Principles of Social Life. "Leadership in the New Social Order" has been chosen for consideration Sunday morning. At the evening service we will think on this thems:

The Prodigata Brother."

James A. Maness, a merchant of finterest of the town of Libes and the surrounding community, at and the surrounding community, and and the sare from Highway 10 four miles and the surrounding community, and and the sare in Highway 10 four miles and the surrounding community, and the surrounding community, and and the surrounding community, and and the surrounding community, and the surrounding community, and and the surrounding community, and the surroundi

William Fogleman Murdered by Negro

Was Guarding Store Last Sat-urday Night When The Murderer Entered.

The citizens of Siler City and the surrounding towns in Chatham county were considerably agitated over the murder of William Fogler aged 60, in the store of M. V. Cheek of Ore Hill, last Saturday night. At the time the murder was committed. Fobleman with Allen Cheek, a 19year-old boy was guarding the store which had been the scene of several robberies during the past few months. The latest robbery was last Tuesday night and it was after this that Mr. Cheek decided to have the store watched. Tracks in the snow gave clue as to the identity of the thief. Saturday night early after the two men who were watching had lain down on the cot, but were not asleep, they heard the thief enter. He had prized open the window blind and helped himself to a large bundle of goods which he was wrapping up when the watchers made their presence known. heboro Hit By

Severe Cold Wave

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his pistol jammed. From then on for perhaps 20 minhim he would kill him. However, it developed there had been only three cartridges in the negro's pistol. Durseveral times with a scale weight Cheek used his teeth with good ef-

se would not be without it the eyebrows and on one ear, His strength gradually failing, to a door and the boy managed to open it, shoving his assailant outside. The negro, ran, Cheek following for some distance, but he finally

got away. The boy summoned help and the man-hunt started. Officers arrived about midnight with bloodhounds and the negro was trailed as far as Bear Creek, where

the dogs lost track of him. The pistol belonging to the negro was found and identified as belonging to Pearl Mitchell. Officers searched all Saturday night and all day Sunday. Mitchell had gone to the home of his uncle, Dick De Gaffenreid. The uncle and Ruby Siler, two respected negroes of the community persuaded him to surrender and remain there until officers could be summoned. He was taken to jail at Pittsboro Sunday

night where he will await trial. Later on Sunday night Mitchell was taken to Durham jail by Sheriff Blair of Chatham county for safe keeping. He is in a cell alone.

Former Asheboro Citizen Buys Interest In Life Ins. Co.

Several Greensboro men have purchased the half interest in the Gate City Life Insurance Co. owned by W. L. Carter. Those making the purchase were R. C. Kelly, Julian Price, Julian Cone, J. W. Money, and J. S. Duncan. Mr. Kelly was a former Asheboro citizen connected with the law firm of Hammer and Kelly. He is now a prominent attorney and capitalist of Greensboro. The purcha price of this share was not announced, but it is understood that it runs well into the thousands.

New Paper Appears At Liberty On January 13th

Randolph county has a new paper, The Liberty Messenger. The first edition appeared January 13th, the Burlington News Publishing Com-

pany, of Burlington, printing it.

The paper contains numerous item of interest of the town of Liberts