

Board Authorizes School Building At Franklinville

Commissioners Authorize Board of Education To Let Contracts To Lowest Bidder.

Start Work In April

Construction Of Project To Be Started Next Spring—Total Cost More Than \$50,000.

The Randolph county board of commissioners in called meeting last Friday instructed the board of education to let contract to lowest bidder for construction of Franklinville consolidated high school building at Franklinville, actual work on the project to be started on or about April 1st, 1929. No bill for work on the building will be approved or paid by the commissioners until the first Monday in May, next year.

It will be recalled that bids for the Franklinville school project were received by the board of education in November. The lowest bid for the building was that made by Burrow and Lamb, local contractors, it being \$42,515. Lowest bid on heating contract was made by the Burlington Hardware Company, of Burlington, whose figures were \$8,150. This same firm made lowest bids on plumbing, \$2,942.50; and electrical wiring, \$700. Total for all contracts reached \$54,307.50. This total did not include cost of artesian well which will have to be drilled to furnish water, nor the cost of additional school grounds. Total cost of the completed project will likely reach \$60,000.

The proposed building is to be of brick construction and two stories in height. It will contain 12 classrooms, library room, general science room, study hall and large auditorium, to say nothing of closets, lavatory rooms and the like.

Appoint Rural Policeman
Other business concluded by the county commissioners was the appointment of Roy E. Routh, of Providence township, rural policeman for a term of two years from Dec. 14, 1928, on recommendation of Sheriff Millikan. Routh's bond was presented and approved.

Settle Claim
The board settled a claim which W. V. Wood had made against the county on account of injuries received while working on the road construction force. Mr. Wood suffered a broken right arm on Nov. 21, 1928, while cranking a truck. He was paid \$150 as compensation for his injuries, and released all claim he may have against the county.

Renew Notes
Tax anticipation notes in the amount of \$100,000 were renewed, the bid of W. O. Gay & Company being accepted. These notes will be due and payable June 17, 1929. The notes are in anticipation of collection of the \$100,000 which is due the county from the State Highway Commission, this representing the unpaid portion of the \$185,000 which Randolph loaned the commission for completion of Highway 90 from Asheboro to the Chatham county line.

Allen Funeral Held At Flag Springs Last Sunday

The funeral of Mr. J. M. Allen, whose death was reported last week, was held at Flag Springs Methodist Protestant church last Sunday afternoon at two o'clock and was conducted by Rev. J. E. Pritchard, of Asheboro. The local M. P. choir assisted in the music. There was a great throng of people there, many coming from quite a distance. The floral offering was large and beautiful and was an expression of the esteem in which the deceased was held.

Methodist Protestant Church
9:45 A. M. Sunday school, classes for people of all ages.
11:00 A. M. Morning worship with hymns and sermon appropriate to the Christmas season.
6:00 P. M. Christian Endeavor.
7:00 P. M. Christmas Programme by the Sunday school consisting of recitations and songs by the children.
The public is cordially invited.

Letters From Our Little Folks Sent To Old Santa Claus

Our little readers will discover that many of their letters to Santa Claus have been left out of the paper this week. The influenza epidemic has hit the Courier office a hard blow, some members of the force having been out ill with the disease and others too ill to work on full time. It was with difficulty that live news and advertisements were put into type this week, so any nothing of the hundreds of Santa Claus letters which were left out. But these letters have been forwarded by air mail to Santa, with the urgent request that he read them carefully and bring to each little boy and girl just those things requested. This Santa will comply with our request we have no doubt, and when he comes on Monday night to distribute cheer and joy and presents, we have asked him to wish every little tot in a Courier home the best the season affords.

Ramseur Favored With Lighter Wave Influenza Epidemic

Cases Are Beginning To Thin Out—Arrival Of Kitty At School House Dec. 25th.

Ramseur, Dec. 17.—Ramseur is favored with a lighter wave of the flu epidemic than many towns nearby. While there has been quite a number of cases they are thinning out and we hope will all soon recover entirely. Mrs. T. A. Moffitt spent last week with her daughter, Mrs. Whitesell, at High Point.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Wylie, Miss Ornice Scott, Mrs. N. F. Phillips and Miss Nellie Wylie spent last Friday in Greensboro.

Boys and girls home from college for Christmas holidays are: Fred Thomas, Carolina; Ashley Watkins, Randolph Macon; Pat Brady, Oak Ridge; Russell Hodgin and Dillard Chisholm, Guilford; James Wilson, Shenandoah; Burton Leonard, Wake Forest; Misses Ruth Bush, Daille Marley and Lucy Burgess, N. C. C. W.; Lucy Wylie and Frances Smith, Greensboro College.

Misses Adele Kivett, Lucy Brown and Mary Lee Wright spent Saturday in Greensboro.

Mrs. E. B. Leonard, Mrs. Tracy Brady, Burton Leonard and others were Greensboro shoppers Friday.

Mrs. J. W. Lank filled Mr. Hoyle's appointment at Franklinville Sunday. Mr. Hoyle and family all being sick with flu.

Mrs. J. R. Wilson, who is in hospital at High Point, is recovering from operation for appendicitis, we are glad to learn.

Rev. W. A. Elam preached inspiring sermons at Ramseur Baptist church Sunday.

Mrs. V. E. Marley and Miss Daille Marley spent Friday afternoon at Greensboro.

"The Arrival of Kitty", will be repeated at the school auditorium Christmas night. "The Home Economics Department of the local school is giving this play, and it is rich in fun and will be well resented by the girls and boys. It was given recently but a small crowd attended owing to sickness. Let's everybody come and enjoy this splendid play.

Mrs. G. A. Graham, Frank Chisholm and J. E. Covington were Greensboro shoppers last week.

Dr. C. A. Graham and family visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Graham, near Burlington Sunday.

SAW FIRST MAN KILLED IN WAR BETWEEN STATES

J. W. Howell, of Randleman, was in Asheboro on business Monday morning. Mr. Howell will be 91 years old the second day of next January. He is still active for a man of his age, and possesses a bright and active mind. Mr. Howell served in the Confederate army from the very beginning of the Civil War until its close. He saw the first man killed in that fratricidal strife, this being Henry Wyatt, a North Carolinian, at the battle of Bethel church, near Yorktown, in Virginia.

Christmas Program At M. P. Church Sunday

Next Sunday evening at seven o'clock the Sunday school of the local Methodist Protestant church will give the annual Christmas program. This service will consist of songs and recitations by the children and a short address by the pastor. A committee, consisting of Miss Exie Colcott, Miss Virginia Lowe, Mrs. W. F. Redding, Jr., and Miss Beatrice Lewderville, has the work of getting up the large number of cases of the flu have done remarkably well. Some of the children to be in the exercise are still sick but it is hoped they will yet be able to take their places.

John Rich Died At Advanced Age

John Rich, aged 81, died at his home a mile west of Asheboro Monday afternoon following a prolonged illness. His death came Monday as a result of a stroke of paralysis and he has been a complete invalid for many months. Until the past few years "Uncle John", as he was familiarly known in Asheboro, was a well known and skillful "yard man" before the term became dignified into "landscape gardener". He served faithfully many families of the town for more than fifty years. Funeral and burial services were held at West Bend church Tuesday afternoon. He is survived by a wife and several sons and daughters, all of whom live in and near Asheboro.

Sheriff Millikan And Deputies Raid Distilling Outfit

Sheriff W. E. Millikan and deputies Brookshire, Steed and Robbins raided a still in Cedar Grove township Sunday night and brought back the still and three men. Those taken at the still, which was in full blast, were Henry Lucas, Montgomery county young man, and Ervin and Newton Vincannon, Union township boys. All were given a hearing before Justice Hal M. Worth in Asheboro Monday morning and bound over to Superior court under bond of \$500 each. Ten gallons of liquor were found at the still, together with 500 gallons of beer.

Young Man Bound Over To Court On Charge Of Theft

William Graylin Phillips, Young White Man Of Winston-Salem, Remanded To Jail.

Theft Involves \$200

Alleged That Youth Entered Game Warden's Office And Rifled The Cash Drawer.

William Graylin Phillips, young white man whose home is given as Winston-Salem, was bound over to Superior Court under \$750 bond at a hearing before Town Clerk Grady Garner yesterday. He failed to make bond and was returned to the county jail, where he had been placed earlier in the week. Phillips was called into court to answer the allegation that he entered the office of game warden R. C. Lewallen a few days or nights ago and purloined from the cash drawer approximately \$200 in cash and checks, together with some valuable papers. The office had not been opened for about a week, and it was not until Monday that the theft was discovered. Officers were notified and fingerprint expert W. P. Whitley, of the Greensboro police force, was called to photograph fingerprints about the broken transom over the office door. These are said to resemble those of young Phillips.

Phillips is said to have admitted entering the warden's office, but contends that it was after he discovered the break in the door, and that he did not steal anything therefrom, nor did he enter with the intention of so doing. This, he contends, accounts for his fingerprints on the door and about the inside of the office. But his quick departure from town, where he had been for two weeks on a visit to his sister, caused suspicion to rest on him, and when late Monday he was called the fingerprint expert on his way to Greensboro for a ride, he was taken into custody and driven to the police station instead of to the bus station, as he had requested. No money or valuables of any kind were found on his person when he was taken into custody.

Nathaniel C. Allred Is Dead At Age 84

Nathaniel C. Allred, aged 84 years, died at his home in the Gray's Chapel community Monday afternoon from the infirmities of age. Mr. Allred had long been an active farmer and ever interested in civic matters in his community and county. The funeral was held at 11 o'clock Wednesday morning from Gray's Chapel Methodist church with Rev. O. A. Lindley and Rev. W. F. Ashburn officiating.

Surviving Mr. Allred are two daughters, Mrs. Victoria Underwood, of Climax; Mrs. W. M. Keyton, of Draper; four sons, Thomas Allred, of Staley; Lee Allred, of Greensboro; A. M. Allred, of Liberty; A. N. Allred, of Climax; one brother, B. T. Allred, of Millboro; 25 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren.

Randolph Youth Is Most Valuable Player At Guilford

Guilford College, Dec. 14.—Football followers of Guilford College have just voted Ray Parrish, of Caraway, the most valuable player on the Quaker eleven for this past season and the most valuable to his team of any man in the Little Six circle. This is Parrish's fourth year at Guilford and he has been the main stay in the Quaker backfield for some time. Not only has Parrish received honors in football but in addition he was recently elected head of the Athletic Association.

When we realize that Parrish was the main key in Guilford's victories, which brought them the Little Six State championship then we know how valuable he really was.

Local Dealer Pleaded With New Pontiac Car

Mr. W. G. Phillips, of the Motor Sales Company, local Oakland-Pontiac sales agency, who has just returned from a dealer meeting held in Charlotte on Dec. 15th, is highly enthused over the new Pontiac Big Six, which was shown at the meeting. Oakland-Pontiac dealers from North and South Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee and West Virginia were present at this meeting. An innovation in the presentation of the new Pontiac car to the dealers organization was provided by the use of the motion picture, or talking film, the first time used by any auto manufacturer in America to bring to the audience a message about motor cars. High executives of the Oakland-Pontiac company were on hand for the meeting.

Critically Ill

Joe Leonard, aged 99 years, who lives in Randolph county, on the highway from Asheboro to High Point, is critically ill. Mr. Leonard's brother, Robert Leonard, who is 106 years old and lives in Greensboro, is also ill, being in an unconscious state the greater part of the time.

United States health authorities estimated that on the week ending Dec. 15th there were 200,000 cases of influenza in the country.

Flames Destroyed Garage And 2 Cars Early Wednesday

Fire of undetermined origin about 2 o'clock Wednesday morning destroyed the garage of the late A. M. Ferree on Church street, burning two automobiles, a Buick sedan, property of the Ferree estate, and a Hudson closed car, property of A. I. Ferree. The flames were through the roof of the garage when discovered and garage and cars were almost completely destroyed before the flames could be extinguished by the local fire company. There was no insurance on the property.

This was the second fire alarm of the week. It is common saying in Asheboro that does the fire siren blow once it will surely sound two other times in a few days. Past experience has pretty generally borne this out. An alarm was sent in Monday when a sedge field caught on fire in the southern part of town, the flames being extinguished in short order. Where the next alarm will send the fire truck, of course, nobody knows, but there are hundreds of Asheboro citizens who feel that the third alarm is due in short order.

Mary Pierce Fell Dead In Yard Of Home At Staley

Staley, Dec. 17.—Mary Pierce fell dead in the yard at her home here Saturday from a heart attack. Funeral was held at Hickory Grove church, near here, Monday.

The hosery mill here closed down Saturday until after the holidays. There are several cases of flu in and around Staley, but the cases are not so severe as they were 9 years ago.

No born to Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Poe, Dec. 14, a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Holmes and children visited Mrs. Rosa Poe Sunday at Staley, E. F. D.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Marley, of Siler City, were visitors in Staley Sunday.

Mrs. George Berry was shopping in Greensboro Saturday.

Mrs. E. K. Deaton, Miss Hazel McMaster, Stacey Deaton and Roxie Overman were shopping in Asheboro Saturday.

Mrs. Rebecca Williams and family, who have been confined with flu, are all able to be out again.

Mrs. Cora Kivett is improving some from flu and pneumonia.

Mrs. T. F. Andrew and son, Kimber, and daughter, May, are right ill with flu.

Mrs. Martha Langley, of Burlington, is visiting here for a few days.

Mrs. Carl Teague and daughter, Nina Alice, are visiting her parents at Trinity.

Mr. G. H. Freeman Dies Suddenly At Home Near Steeds

G. H. Freeman, 38, died suddenly at his home near Steeds Tuesday morning about 1 o'clock from a heart attack. Death came while Mr. Freeman was sitting in a chair at the bedside of a sick child. Mr. Freeman had been ill with influenza, but had recovered apparently from the attack a few days previous to his passing. He leaves his widow and two children, Bonnie and Curtis; his father, G. B. Freeman, of Seagrave; three brothers, W. B. and J. R. Freeman, of High Point; and W. L. Freeman, of Seagrave; and two sisters, Mrs. Roy Luther, Asheboro; and Mrs. D. H. Pegram, Steeds.

Funeral was held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from Sugg's Creek Baptist church, in Montgomery county, and the body laid to rest in the church cemetery.

Funeral For Mr. M. E. Shamburger Held Wednesday

A number of Asheboro people attended the funeral of Mr. M. E. Shamburger at Biscoe Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Shamburger died Monday night following an attack of influenza and pneumonia. He was for many years a prominent merchant of Biscoe having a number of other business interests in the county. He was educated at Old Trinity College in Randolph county. Funeral services were conducted from the Shamburger home in Biscoe by Rev. N. P. Johnson, Dr. Oscar Haywood, of Mt. Gilead, and Rev. McDuffie. Burial followed in the Biscoe cemetery.

He is survived by his wife, who was Miss Elizabeth Bruton; and the following children: Mrs. May Shamburger Griffin, Dr. Burney Shamburger, both of Biscoe; Lucy Shamburger, of Richmond; Mrs. Stephen Anderson, of Wilson; Frank Shamburger, Jr., of Aberdeen; and Elsa Shamburger, Jr., of Zebulon. His brothers are Dr. J. B. Shamburger, of Star; and Rev. F. M. Shamburger, of Mt. Gilead.

Spectacular Wreck

One man killed, a car demolished and a drug store wrecked Sunday when the engine of a fast passenger train hitting an automobile at a grade crossing in Wake Forest, killed the occupant of the machine, leaped the track and crashed into the rear end of a brick drug store, pulling the walls down on the engine and two cars it had dragged off the tracks with it. Sightseers from many miles distant went to Wake Forest Sunday afternoon to see the havoc wrought in this unique accident.

Christmas Made Joyous For Vets Of Confederacy

Clerk Routh Is Distributing This Week Pension Vouchers From A Grateful State.

Is Nearly \$10,000

Ranks Are Growing Thinner In Randolph, And Each Year Fewer Vets On Rolls.

Clerk Rufus A. Routh is dispensing Christmas cheer to nearly one hundred Confederate veterans and widows of veterans this week in the way of semi-annual pension checks from the State of North Carolina. Thirty Confederate veterans in Class A get \$182.50 each, or a total of \$5,475.00. Thirty-two checks were sent for distribution, but two of the veterans, Wright Davis and W. D. Siler, had passed away since the former distribution in July. This makes four veterans who have died during the year.

One colored man is on the pension list, this being Enoch Brown, who gets \$100 twice each year. He was body servant to Capt. J. M. Odell during the Civil War.

The State remembered four widows in Class A this Christmas, sending each a check for \$150, or a total of \$600.00. This number is one less than it was the first of the year.

Sixty widows of Confederate veterans in Class B, each received check for \$50, or a total of \$3,000. Thirteen of these pensioners have died during the year, rapidly thinning the ranks of those who served the Confederacy best at home.

Checks are being distributed fast this week, all the veterans and widows endeavoring to get them before the Christmas holidays begin, as the State expects and wishes. There are 7,431 veterans and widows in North Carolina who this week will receive a monetary appreciation from the Tar Heel State for their valiant services to the Lost Cause. The number helped in this way this time is more than 200 fewer than the army of pensioners last December. The ranks grow thinner each semi-annual period, until in the not long distant future only the memories of the lives lived by these veterans and their widows will remain with the present generation.

George W. Hammer Died Tuesday After Lingering Illness

End Came In Hospital At High Point—Funeral Held At His Home Wednesday.

George W. Hammer, aged 74 years, died at a High Point hospital Tuesday morning following an illness of several weeks. While Mr. Hammer had only been seriously ill for a few weeks, his death was not unexpected. He was for many years a prominent contractor of Asheboro, and having been born and reared in Randolph, had many warm friends in the town as well as the entire county. He was always known as an honest, substantial citizen, and won the respect of his fellowmen.

He is survived by his wife, who was Miss Belle Loller, of Statesville; three daughters, Mrs. Hugh Slack, of High Point; Miss Artie Hammer, of Asheboro; Miss Kate Hammer, of Appalchia, Va.; and one son, Dewey Hammer, of High Point. One sister, Mrs. Martha Gant, of Statesville. His first wife, who was Miss Elizabeth Vestal, of Randolph, died many years ago. Funeral services were conducted at the home Wednesday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock with Rev. J. E. Pritchard, Rev. B. C. Reavis and Rev. O. G. Tillman in charge of the services. Burial followed at the old family burial ground at Brower's Chapel a few miles south of Asheboro.

Madison Cagle Dies At His Home Near Ether

Madison Cagle, 70 years of age, died at his home near Ether Sunday, and was buried Monday. Mr. Cagle had influenza, which developed into pneumonia and resulted fatally. He was a remarkably active man. He was interested in the affairs of his county and State. His wife died during the influenza epidemic a few years ago. Surviving are two sons, Rufus and Ira, and two daughters, Mrs. Verna Hogan and Bonnie Cagle, all in the Ether community.

Card Of Thanks

During the illness and death of our husband and father there were innumerable kindnesses and expressions of sympathy extended for which we are indeed grateful. We thank each and every one to whom we are indebted for acts of kindness and deeds of love and sympathy.—Mrs. J. M. Allen, Homer, Windom, Ben and Garrett Allen.

Want to sell something quickly? Buyer and seller find a common meeting place in Courier Classified column.

Franklinville Folk Pleased Over Action New School House

Will Start On Building Next Spring—Respected Colored Citizen Died Last Friday.

Franklinville, Dec. 17.—M. F. Cheek, W. A. Martin, John W. Clark, Charles C. and C. H. Julian attended a meeting of the board of county commissioners at Asheboro Friday afternoon in the interest of the school building for Franklinville. Our people are well pleased, and appreciate the stand our commissioners took in ordering the board of education to let the contract to lowest bidder, with the understanding that actual construction should not begin before April 1, 1929. This is in keeping with former promise and the voting of a special school tax.

Henry Allred, 74 years of age, colored, died at his home about three miles south of Franklinville Friday evening of paralysis. Funeral service was at Shady Grove church, colored, Sunday afternoon, conducted by Rev. McCollum. Interment was made in the church cemetery. He was a respected citizen of this section, where he had resided for a number of years. Surviving are two daughters, Esther Marley and Emma Moffitt, and one sister, Emeline Lindsay.

Otis Thomas, who has been attending school at Mountain Park Institute, Mountain Park, N. C., is at home for the Christmas holidays.

Miss Lucy Welch spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Tippet, at Revolution, Greensboro.

A. R. Millikan, of near Millboro, spent Thursday evening with his son, Jesse Millikan.

Robert Garrison, Jr., who has a position with the Fidelity Bank, at Durham, spent Sunday with home-folks.

Unidentified thieves entered C. L. Allred's store last Thursday night and reduced his stock of goods to the amount of \$100. Entrance was gained from the south side of the building, and the goods were carried across the lot and railroad to a car parked on River Drive, a street little used.

Robert Hughes, who holds a position with Southern Dairies, Inc., of Greensboro, spent Sunday with his parents.

Joe T. Fox, who has been teaching at Chapel Hill high school, is at home for the Christmas holidays.

There are several light cases of influenza in our community, and Franklinville high school closed last Friday afternoon until Monday, Dec. 21, on account of the epidemic, and for Christmas holidays.

Messrs. John and C. B. Thomas, of High Point, were visitors here Sunday.

Messrs. J. Basil and P. C. Cox, of Greensboro, were here a short while Sunday evening.

Dr. and Mrs. G. H. Sumner, of Asheboro, are spending a few days at the home of D. S. Sumner.

Mrs. Mary Burrow Heath, of Mt. Olive, came home Friday for a two weeks' visit.

Mrs. C. C. Brady, Mrs. J. T. Buie, Miss Fannie Sumner and Mr. Joe Fox made a business trip to Greensboro Monday.

Franklinville high school girls played a game of basketball with the Gray's Chapel girls here Thursday afternoon with a score of 39 to 16 in favor of the local girls. On Friday afternoon the Staley high school boys defeated the Franklinville boys in a basketball game, 22 to 18.

Mills To Close This Week For The Holidays

Several of the mills of the town closed down today for the Christmas holidays, while quite a few have been standing for several days. Those mills which have not closed for the holidays will close this week, and probably none will resume operations until the first of the new year. Business in some lines of manufacture, notably woodworking, has not been good for some months past, while in the hosiery industry, business has been what manufacturers term "spotty"; that is a mill will have a good run on one particular brand, even a greater demand than the mill is capable of taking care of on short order, while on other numbers or brands business will be slack. Manufacturing industries have been somewhat handicapped in recent days anyway on account of the influenza epidemic, which has forced those mills in operation to do business with short help.

Airplanes May Be Licensed In State By Legislative Act

A proposition which will come before the next North Carolina general assembly is whether it will license airplanes. A recommendation that airplanes operating from North Carolina airports be licensed and registered in much the same manner as automobiles will be presented to the legislature by the transportation commissioner. Mr. Self, transportation commissioner, feels that such requirement would result in inspection of airplanes and that those which were not considered safe would be ruled out of commission, and probably human life saved which otherwise might be lost. The licensing of planes would aid also in regulating competition over commercial air lines. Many other states are licensing and registering planes, and Mr. Self feels that it will be only a matter of time before North Carolina must fall in line.

Death Claims V. R. Ashworth, Veteran Randolph Teacher

Died Suddenly Monday Night When Stricken By Chill—Had Been In Failing Health.

Was Once Sheriff Of His County—Also Served As Register Of Deeds—Taught School For Many Years.

W. R. Ashworth, veteran school teacher, former sheriff and register of deeds, and one of the foremost citizens of Randolph, died Monday night at 11 o'clock at his home seven miles southwest of Asheboro. While Mr. Ashworth had been in failing health for some time, his death was unexpected, and came as a distinct shock to his relatives and friends. He was sitting in his chair before the fire making preparations to retire for the night when he was stricken with a congested chill and died before a physician could be summoned to his aid.

Funeral was held at Hopewell Friends church, of which Mr. Ashworth was a member, Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. C. L. Griego, pastor of the Asheboro Friends church, in charge. A large congregation gathered from all parts of the county to pay last tribute of respect to the memory of the deceased.

Mr. Ashworth was born in the mid-summer of 1845, the son of Joel Ashworth, who at one time represented Randolph in the legislature of the State. Mr. Ashworth enlisted in Capt. W. S. Lineberry's company in the 26th North Carolina regiment during the latter years of the Civil War and served the duration of that conflict. His regiment was commanded by Walter Clark, late Chief Justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court, and Mr. Ashworth's admiration for his commander lasted to the end. In this company also were several other Randolph county young men, including W. S. Crowson, H. G. Causey and A. J. Rush. During the seventies, following the Civil War, Mr. Ashworth served Randolph county as register of deeds and then as sheriff. Both offices he filled with distinction to himself, his party and his county. During the period in which he held office he made his home in Asheboro, living in a brick dwelling now standing in the eastern part of town. At other times, except when teaching, he made his home at the old Ashworth home place in Cedar Grove township, where he died Monday night.

At the close of his official career Mr. Ashworth engaged in the teaching profession, and taught school for a number of years. His teaching, from which he retired several years ago, was perhaps the source of the greatest pride of his life. In this he took especial delight, and unto the end of his life ever had the welfare of the youth of the county at heart. No man was more interested in the civic, religious and educational phases of human existence than the late ex-sheriff Ashworth.

Mr. Ashworth was twice married. His first wife was Miss Elmira Brookshire, and after her death he was married to Miss Mattie Sheridan, of Chatham county, who survives. To the first union was born one son, Dr. W. C. Ashworth, who lives at Greensboro. To the last union there are ten children living; these being, Mrs. Joe Betts, Mrs. J. P. Bishop and Mrs. A. S. Mason, Asheboro; Mrs. J. C. Boshert, Dunbarton, Va.; Mrs. O. O. Ashworth, Koskuskusko, Miss.; O. O. Ashworth, Richmond, Va.; Miss Mattie Ashworth, New York City; Miss Grace Ashworth, Gastonia; and Joel and Manly Ashworth, of Asheboro, Route three.

Physicians Pushed To Take Care Of Patients

Physicians of the town and county have been pushed to the limit during the past two weeks on account of the growing number of influenza patients. Nurses have been hard to get to take care of patients, and in many instances servant help is just as difficult to obtain and keep on account of influenza. The peak of the epidemic seems to have been reached, however, in the county. Most of the cases are light, but patients are compelled to exercise great care during recuperation period to avoid pneumonia, which often follows influenza.

If you want to rent a house, perhaps you will find what you want advertised in the Classified Column.

First Case Of "Rabbit Disease" Reported At Staley

Staley, Dec. 17.—The first case of tularemia, or "rabbit disease", so far reported in the county is that with which Mrs. John Cavness is afflicted. Mrs. Cavness contracted the disease when blood from a rabbit she was skinning got into her hand. Her arm, which are affected, have been out of all proportion swollen and she has suffered considerable pain. Her condition shows improvement.