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Robbers Accorded Warm Reception In Attempt To Rob Ramseur Bank

Cashier Refuses To Give Up Money, While His Son Opens Fire On The Robbers. Robbery Is Foiled

Paul And Everett Free Caught In Chase, And Are Held For Court Without Bond.

Paul Free, native of Ramseur but for several years past resident of Pennsylvania, and W. Everett Free, of Greensboro, uncle of Paul and himself a former resident of Ramseur, were bound over to Superior Court without privilege of bond at a preliminary hearing before Magistrate W. C. York in Asheboro yesterday morning on charge of attempting to hold up the Bank of Ramseur Tuesday afternoon. The defendants were not represented by counsel and entered plea of not guilty. They offered no evidence in their own behalf and paid little attention apparently to the testimony which the State offered to weave a net about them.

The defendants were given hearing also on charge of breaking and entering the Carter Mercantile Company at Ramseur on the night of July 1st and taking therefrom several hundred dollars worth of goods, a part of which was found in two new suit cases found in the car in which they attempted their getaway from the scene of the attempted holdup Tuesday afternoon. The goods were identified by Mr. C. B. Smith, manager of Carter Mercantile Company. The Frees were identified by J. C. Siegler, fingerprint expert of Greensboro, as being implicated in the robbery of Brewer's store, near Siler City, on the night of July 2nd, at which time \$1200 worth of merchandise was taken. No mention of this robbery, however, was made at the preliminary hearing yesterday.

The Attempted Robbery

Mr. E. B. Leonard, cashier of the Bank of Ramseur, at Ramseur, one of the oldest and strongest financial institutions in the county, was counting his loose cash preparatory to balancing his books for the day at about 2:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon when Paul Free walked into the bank and asked for change for a dollar bill. Free was wearing colored glasses, but Mr. Leonard, who has a wonderful knack of remembering faces, recognized him, although he had not seen the young man in ten years.

Free checked pleasantly with the cashier for a few seconds, asking how business conditions were in Ramseur vicinity. When Mr. Leonard asked him where he was making his home now, Free answered that anywhere he hung his hat was home to him. Mr. Leonard, after he had given Free his change, started counting bills and was engaged in this during the conversation. He had a stack of ten dollar bills and another stack of twenties on the counter. Then he started to counting the latter, Free drew his gun and

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Randleman Girls Home From Outing At Lake Waccamaw

The Girl Scouts of Randleman returned Monday from a delightful week's outing at Lake Waccamaw. Miss Ronnie Sheffield is leader of the girls.

Those attending the camp were: Dixie Helms, Louise Matthews, Edna Louise Helms, Sarah Matthews, Evelyn Williams, Mary Martha Lineberry, Margaret Newlin, Catherine, Elizabeth and Cora Swain, Mildred Brookshire, Treva Wilkerson, Hilda McSnider and Dot Talley.

GEORGE LOWE AND MISS LAURA SMOAK MARRIED

George Lowe, of High Point, and Miss Laura Smoak, of Orangeburg, S. C., were married last Saturday morning in Charlotte. After a wedding trip through the Shenandoah Valley in Virginia, they will be at home in High Point. Mr. Lowe is the son of Mr. Mollie Lowe, of High Point, and the late James Lowe, formerly of Cedar Grove township, Randolph county. He is a dealer in high point for Buick automobiles. His bride taught school in High Point the past two years.

Mr. E. S. Millsaps, Jr., and Family Visiting Relatives

County Agent E. S. Millsaps, Jr., and family left Saturday morning for a week's visit to Mrs. Millsaps' relatives in western Tennessee and northern Mississippi. They are making the trip by motor. Mr. Millsaps attended the purebred Guernsey bull sale held at Troy on August 8th, at which 9 bulls were sold at a total of \$605.00, or an average of \$67.44 per animal. Montgomery is another county which is starting in toward Guernseys.

To Begin Sawyersville Revival Friday Evening

A series of revival meetings will begin Friday evening, August 16th, at 7:45 o'clock at Sawyersville Holiness church. Rev. F. R. Cooper, the pastor, will be assisted by Rev. H. B. Barger, pastor of the Holiness church at Ramseur. Services will be held twice a day during the week, at 2:30 and 7:45 p. m., and on Sunday there will be three services, 11 a. m., 2:30 and 7:45 p. m. The public is cordially invited.

Home Of Millard Wrenn Near Erect Destroyed By Fire

The residence of Millard Wrenn and family, one mile south of Erect, was destroyed by fire yesterday afternoon. The dwelling, a large two story structure built of heart forest pine, was completely destroyed together with practically all contents. Mr. Wrenn's two daughters were taking an afternoon nap in one of the rooms on the second floor when they were awakened by the flames, but to late to save anything but a few pieces of furniture and only a few articles of clothing. Mr. Wrenn was in the fields at work, while Mrs. Wrenn was at the Wrenn store some distance away. The smoke house near the dwelling together with all contents was destroyed also. The loss is considerable with only a small amount of insurance. Mr. Wrenn is an uncle of Mrs. Gurney Hoover, of Sunset avenue, Asheboro.

Annual Reunion Of Ross Clan Thursday At Pleasant Garden

Three Hundred Members Of Clan Gathered From Various Counties And States.

Approximately 300 members of the Ross clan gathered at the Pleasant Garden Methodist church last Thursday for the annual reunion. Visitors and members of the family were present from all parts of North Carolina and from Chicago, Detroit, Knoxville and other points. A number of interesting talks were made, including those by Mr. R. R. Ross, of Asheboro, oldest member of the clan present, and his two sons, George Ross, of Raleigh, and Charles Ross, of Lillington, and by Mrs. A. N. Perkins, of Greensboro.

Special music was interspersed throughout the program for the day, including Scotch songs by William Hunt and Miss Flossie Denny and the Ross quartet. Piano numbers were given by Miss Alia Josephine Ross. Mrs. Perkins announced during the course of the exercises Thursday that two bronze tablets would be presented for the dedication of the Pleasant Garden high school, one given by Dr. Worth Ross, of Detroit, Mich., in memory of his grandparents, W. D. and Lizzie Hendrix Ross, and one by the children of Addison S. Ross and Letitia Ross in their memory.

A Brunswick stew at 1 o'clock was not the least pleasing of the day's program. Officers elected for the current year included Mrs. A. N. Perkins, of Greensboro, president. She was formerly Miss Lalah Ross. Others were J. D. Ross, of Asheboro, vice president, and Miss Esther Ross, also of Asheboro, as historian.

YOUNG MAN KILLED WHILE RIDING ON RUNNING BOARD

Bratcher Lee Solomon, 15-year-old son of C. B. Solomon, of High Point, was killed Tuesday night when he fell from or was struck by the banisters of a concrete bridge on the Asheboro-High Point highway near the High Point city limits. The young man was riding on the running board of a car driven by Thurman Kemp at the time. Kemp is being held under \$1,500 bond.

Standard Oil Co. Acquires Valuable Piece Of Property

One of the largest real estate deals consummated in Asheboro recently was that on Tuesday when the Standard Oil Company bought from B. Frank Page, of Raleigh, the old Burns buggy shop lot on the corner of North Fayetteville and Salisbury streets, which is also the intersection of highways 70 and 90. The lot fronts several feet on North Fayetteville and extends west on Salisbury street a still longer distance. It is one of the most valuable pieces of business property in Asheboro. Consideration is understood to have been \$17,500. Just what disposition will be made of the property by the oil company is not known, but it is the presumption that a service station will be erected on the site of the old Burns shop at no late date.

Annual Methodist Sunday School Picnic Held Friday

One of the most delightful affairs of the summer season was the annual picnic of the Sunday school of the First M. E. church, south, held at Ritter's Lake, in Guilford county, last Friday afternoon. The party making the trip gathered at the church at 3 o'clock and motored from there to the lake. Swimming was enjoyed for some time, after which the picnic dinner was spread about 5:30 o'clock. Following this the return trip to Asheboro was made.

Hal and Bill Ewing, brothers, and Blue Smith, are held for Montgomery county Superior Court for the murder of Coy Johnson, who died in a High Point hospital August 4th from injuries received in an automobile accident. This death car is alleged to have been occupied by the three young men held for court without bond.

Greensboro Man Killed In Wreck Above Randleman

Hugh Harwell, Greensboro Plumber, Meets Death When His Car Strikes Another.

David Stedman Hurt

Receives Severe Cut On Head, But Is Doing Nicely Now—Accident Friday.

Hugh Harwell, 18-year-old Greensboro plumber, was killed, and David Stedman, 8 years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Stedman, of Asheboro, received a severe cut on the head, in an automobile accident which occurred on Highway 70 just north of the city limits of Randleman on Friday about 1 o'clock. H. C. Heath and M. K. Foster, young Greensboro men in the car with Harwell, were only slightly injured. Mrs. Kemp Alexander, driver of one of the cars involved in the accident, suffered from shock, while Mrs. S. B. Stedman and daughter, Marian, two other occupants of the Alexander car, were not hurt.

Lieut. T. A. Early, of the fifth district highway patrol, went to the scene of the accident immediately after it happened and made a thorough investigation. According to information gained by him, the car driven by Harwell came into Highway No. 70 from a side road a short distance north of Randleman as Mrs. Alexander approached in her automobile with Mrs. Stedman and small son. Her car overtook Harwell's machine and passed it while going over the top of a hill. Harwell passed her again, and she ran by him again, it was said. Mrs. Alexander was driving south from Greensboro, where she and Mrs. Stedman had been to see their mother, who is confined in Dr. Long's

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Bandits Get Warm Reception When Two Are Shot To Death

Filling Station Proprietor, Himself Mortally Wounded, Empties Gun In Bandits.

Bandits are getting warm receptions in the Piedmont section of North Carolina. On Tuesday two men who attempted to rob the Bank of Ramseur, at Ramseur, were pursued and captured by a posse of officers and citizens; a young man, who dynamited J. R. York's filling station near Ramseur Tuesday night, was apprehended and lodged in jail. And early Wednesday morning B. E. Birdsong, of Olen Birdsong, said to be from Louisville, Ky., were shot and killed by Gaither Edwards, filling station proprietor, whom the Birdsongs attempted to rob. Edwards himself, however, was shot and mortally wounded by the bandits, but he did not succumb until he had fired three shots into the body of one of the bandits and killed both. Mrs. Edwards, wife of the filling station proprietor, was wounded in the shoulder and leg during the shooting, and was carried to the Sanford hospital.

Edwards, who slept in his filling station, was awakened by someone stealing gasoline and opened fire with his gun. When he did this, the bandits broke into the building and opened fire on him, a bullet entering his chest. Two of their bullets hit Mrs. Edwards.

A woman in the bandit's car escaped, but was later apprehended. She claimed to be only a passenger on her way to Fort Bragg and knew nothing of the intention of the bandits to rob the filling station.

Rev. F. R. Cooper Holding Revival At Mt. Zion Church

The revival meeting, which started last Friday at Mt. Zion Holiness church in Moore county, is being well attended and much interest is being shown. The pastor, Rev. F. R. Cooper, is assisted in this meeting by the Hancock singing choir. Services are held during the week at 2:30 and 7:45 p. m., and on Sunday there are three services, 11 a. m., 2:30 and 7:45 p. m.

Rev. and Mrs. Pritchard Are Home From Vacation

Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Pritchard have returned to Asheboro after a month's vacation, part of which was spent in the mountains, and Mr. Pritchard will fill his appointments at the local Methodist Protestant church next Sunday both morning and evening.

The public is cordially invited to the services as follows: 9:45 A. M. Sunday school—classes for people of all ages; 11 A. M. and 8 P. M., preaching by the pastor; and 7 P. M. Christian Endeavor.

Troy Smith Improving

The condition of Troy Smith, well known business man, of Liberty, who is a patient at the Wealey Long hospital, Greensboro, is reported as satisfactory. Mr. Smith recently underwent an operation for appendicitis.

The annual reunion of the Cheek and Stinson families will be held on Sunday, August 25th, at the home of T. C. Cheek in Gibsonville. All interested are invited to attend and bring with them lunch for picnic.

Mystery Of Carter Store Robbery Is Nearing Solution

Officers Believe Nettie Jackson Involved In It With Paul And Everett Free.

Goods Recovered

At Jackson Home And Also Quantity Found At Everett Free Home, Greensboro.

The deeper officers and interested parties delve into the recent activities of Everett and Paul Free, in Randolph jail on charges of attempted bank robbery and also for robbing Carter Mercantile Company's store at Ramseur on the night of July 1st, the more complicated the whole affair becomes. Acting on information obtained, local officers, accompanied by C. B. Smith, manager of the Ramseur store, and Greensboro police officials, went to the home of Nettie Jackson, in Greensboro, yesterday and found two suit cases which Mr. Smith identified as having come from his store. Nettie Jackson, young white woman, was arrested last night and brought to Asheboro, where she was permitted to post \$50 cash bond for appearance at court later on charge of being a party to the Carter Mercantile robbery.

Miss Jackson is said to have admitted going to Ramseur with Paul and Everett Free on the night of the robbery, but she denies that she went into the store and helped select stolen goods, as Paul Free has charged that

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Ed Hedrick "Gold Bricking" Asheboro Folks Is No Fake

Mr. Ed Hedrick, who operates the Hedrick gold mine in the "Black Ankle" community, a few miles southwest of Seagrove, is "gold bricking" Asheboro folks, and they seem to like it. The First National Bank is more or less a party to it, since the gold bricks, one large and three small, are stored for safekeeping in this financially solid institution.

Officers of the institution were exhibiting yesterday to the curious public these gold bricks which Mr. Hedrick had stored there. The largest of these bricks weighs about eight and a half pounds, and since gold is worth \$240 per pound, this one brick is worth \$2,040.00. The smaller bricks weigh about a pound each. They are made of pure gold mined at the Hedrick mine and melted into ingot form at the old Coggins mine. Gold contained in these ingots was taken from surface dirt, and are not the only gold that has been taken from the "Black Ankle" mine.

Mr. Clevie Thayer, local manager of the Carolina Power and Light Company, who was in the bank yesterday to see the gold ingots, advises that his company is building a sub-station three miles south of Seagrove and workmen are already engaged in running a 2300-volt power line from this substation to the Hedrick mine. New machinery is on hand for installation at the plant, and when the power line is completed, Mr. Hedrick expects to operate by electricity and to smelt his own gold.

Randolph's Court Clerk Displays His Sprinting Ability

George Johnson, 13-year-old negro, who spent too much money for his circumstances Sunday and Monday, was arrested Tuesday on suspicion of having had a hand in the taking of \$211 in cash from B. C. Moore and Sons store in Asheboro last Saturday afternoon. When brought to the court house Tuesday afternoon, during the excitement incident to the Ramseur Bank robbery, the little negro made a break for the wide open spaces. R. F. Routh, Clerk Court and world war veteran, and known for his sprinting ability, happened to be standing nearby when the boy made his attempt at flight and succeeded in overhauling the striping near the jail, where he was placed temporarily.

The money taken from Moore's store was tied up in rolls and in a cigar box on a counter. Two rolls containing \$100 each in currency and \$11 lying loose in the box were taken. The little negro was in the store Saturday trying on a pair of shoes, which he did not buy, and it was some time after he had left the store that the money was missed.

CONFESSES KILLING S. C. SHERIFF TWO YEARS AGO

Blair Rook, negro, Tuesday confessed the killing of Sam D. Willis, sheriff of Greenville county, South Carolina, two years ago, and is being held in jail without bond. Rook alleges he was to have been paid \$500 by two white men for doing the job, but has received only \$50 of the promised sum. Names of the white men were given officers, who are now looking for them. Willis was shot while seated in a car in front of his home. His wife and a deputy sheriff were tried for the murder in a most sensational trial, but came clear. The murder has since been a mystery until the negro made his confession to the authorities in Greenville.

New Pants Factory

The Seaboard Garment Manufacturing Company, makers of men's pants, is one of the newest industries for Hamlet. The plant has been in operation several days, and the product is being displayed in the office of the Hamlet News-Messenger in order to acquaint the citizens of the town and community with the nature of the new industry.

J. R. York's Store And Filling Station Wrecked By Dynamite Tuesday Night

As if the Ramseur community and Randolph county had not sufficient excitement over the attempted bank robbery Tuesday afternoon, Theodore "Buddie" Gunter, 22-year-old white man, set off three sticks of dynamite in an effort to blow up J. R. York's store and filling station at White Place, four miles north of Ramseur, the explosion occurring at 10 o'clock Tuesday night. Gunter admitted when captured and also yesterday morning at preliminary hearing in Asheboro before Magistrate W. C. York that he did the deed. He attempted to implicate another young man of the same community in the deed, but when this young man was arrested and brought to Asheboro to confront Gunter, the latter swore he had nothing to do with it. The other young man considered the matter as a joke, and neither his friends nor the officers believe he had anything to do with the matter nor knew anything of it until after it had occurred.

It was about 10 o'clock Tuesday night that the White Place community was rocked by an explosion of dynamite, which had been placed just to the right of the door of York's filling station and store. Oil filling tanks were blown down by the shock of the explosion, the front door of the building blown away and the front of the store completely wrecked. Eight window panes in G. P. Kivett's store just across the road from the filling station were broken. Mr. J. R. York had left his place of business only

about fifteen minutes before the explosion. He had just undressed and lain down on the bed when the blast went off. He arose to investigate and found his store had been wrecked. Mr. York went to Ramseur immediately and called officers, who went to the scene with W. C. York's bloodhounds. Gunter was trailed easily by his tracks in the dust of the road to Charlie Kivett's barn, about a quarter of a mile from the scene of the explosion. Deputy Sheriff T. A. Brookshire and W. C. York secreted themselves about the barn until about daylight Wednesday morning when they searched the barn and found Gunter hidden beneath the hay. The Kivett's had no idea he was using their property as a haven.

Gunter admitted the deed and told the officers that he stole the dynamite from Mr. York's tobacco barn where it was stored preliminary for use in building a dam on Mt. Pleasant creek to impound a fish pond being built for Postmaster York and his brother at High Point.

The young man admitted yesterday that he cut down several sections of wire fence belonging to Mr. York about a year ago, and endeavored to implicate others in this act. Gunter, whose father is dead, lives in the White Place community, doing odd jobs here and there, and is considered an irresponsible young man. His mother is living, but she resides apart from her son.

Highway Patrol Had Busy Time In City Last Saturday Night

Descended Upon Asheboro To Check Up On Faulty Lights And State License Plates.

Randolph county people were given two striking examples of the work and efficiency of the State highway patrol last week. On Friday, Lieut. T. A. Early, of High Point, who has supervision over the patrol in the fifth district, investigated the wreck just north of Randleman in which Hugh Harwell, Greensboro man, was killed and little David Stedman, of Asheboro, injured. He went about his duties in a business-like and courteous manner, which won for him the admiration and respect of those who are familiar with the investigation.

On Saturday night, Lieut. Early and two of the patrolmen, L. L. Jackson and R. A. Greenway, descended upon Asheboro for the purpose of checking up on State license tags and front and rear lights of cars. They stationed themselves at the intersection of highways 90 and 70, in close proximity to the Flynt Service Station and proceeded to stop every car that passed the lights of which were defective. Approximately fifty cars having one headlight or no rear light were stopped by the patrolmen and the drivers asked courteously to have the defects remedied at the service station, which did a rushing business for about three hours.

Several scores of people stopped by to observe the work of the patrol and were greatly impressed with their efficient work and the courteous manner in which they handled the traffic at the street intersection. While many cars in town with defective lights did not pass the corner while the patrol was at work it is a safe guess that the news of what was happening spread swiftly and fewer cars with defective lights will be seen in Asheboro in the future.

50-Year Robinson Circus Club Guests Of Greensboro News

Those persons in Randolph county who saw John Robinson's circus fifty years ago, or prior to 1880, and who have joined the Greensboro Daily News, 50-year circus club, are guests of this newspaper and the circus at the afternoon performance in Greensboro this afternoon.

Members of this club from Randolph include: W. F. Talley, Randleman; Mrs. G. M. Pugh, Climax, Route 1; D. C. Smith, Randleman; G. T. Marley, Staley; J. R. Steed, Asheboro; John R. Eullis, Liberty, Route 3; E. D. Teague, Liberty; Mrs. E. P. Hayes, Randleman; W. D. Stedman, Asheboro; M. W. Edwards, Staley; W. F. Redding and E. R. Ross, Asheboro; J. M. Aldridge, Millboro; D. S. Sumner, Franklinville; A. C. Jenkins, Asheboro; E. C. Burgess, Asheboro; W. R. Hughes, Franklinville; A. E. Teter, Liberty; J. S. Tillman, Asheboro; J. A. Wall, Sophia; I. H. Foust, Ramseur; H. L. Bean, Asheboro; E. P. Hayes, Randleman; J. B. Henson, Asheboro, Rt. 1; John T. Brittain, Asheboro; J. G. Julian, Millboro; J. B. Ward and H. M. Worth, Asheboro; T. H. Hornaday, Liberty; J. A. Redding, Millboro; W. H. Albright, Liberty; Mattie Julian and W. T. Ferguson, Randleman; F. C. Holladay, Franklinville; P. S. Page, Asheboro; G. R. Fogleman, Liberty; and W. H. King, Ramseur.

LIBERTY MAN FINED FOR ABUSING A MULE

Vance York, farmer of the Liberty community, was arrested and tried before Magistrate Williams Tuesday on charge of abusing a mule. He was fined \$5 and the costs in the action. A member of the Liberty boy scout troop observed Mr. York abusing the mule and caused a warrant to be issued.

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The Carolina Banking and Trust Company, of Elizabeth City, and its branches at Hertford and Columbia, failed to open their doors for business Tuesday morning.

Ralph Davis, Davidson county young man, was arrested last Thursday at Mechanicsville on warrants charging highway robbery in Davie county. He is also wanted in Davidson and Guilford counties for similar offenses.

W. W. Jones & Sons Opening New Store In Pittsboro Friday

Will Be Fourth Store In Chain—Growth Of Business Requires New York Buyer.

Mr. H. C. Jones, general manager of W. W. Jones and Sons Department Stores, with Asheboro as home office, announces this week the opening of the fourth store in the Jones chain on Friday, August 16th, at Pittsboro. W. B. Perry, for some months past with the Siler City branch store, will be in charge of the new enterprise. The Jones department stores operate at Asheboro, Carthage and Siler City. The concern is one of the oldest established mercantile firms in the county. It was started years ago by Mr. W. W. Jones, one of the pioneer merchants and business men of the county, and continued after his death by his sons.

The establishment has been expanded until it became necessary only a few months ago to move into new and more commodious quarters. It was at this time that the new and modernly appointed Armfield building was constructed on Sunset avenue to house the business. A branch store had been opened in Carthage, and a little later another was located at Siler City.

The new Pittsboro store will be located in the Johnson building next door to the postoffice, and is considered the choice location in Chatham county's capital seat. It is stocked with a complete line of merchandise bought in New York and other merchandising centers for the expressed purpose. The Jones chain has opened a buying office in New York City, located at 421-423 7th Avenue.

Road Camp Negroes Are Too Smart For Local Colored Man

Garfield Bolton, negro janitor, was held up at the point of a gun and robbed Sunday morning at a road construction camp on highway 62, near Asheboro. After being relieved of his money, Bolton fled the scene of the holdup and reported the occurrence to local officers who went to the camp and arrested Charles Wall, Greensboro negro, who gave bond for later appearance in court. A lively poker game is said to have been under way among the colored laborers and visitors at this particular camp Saturday night, and may have run into the small hours of Sunday.

Building Almost Ready

The new Elise high school building at Hemp is nearing completion. The walls are already up past the windows and doors and a great deal of the preliminary inside work on the structure has been finished. The building is of face brick and when completed will be both commodious and artistic.

Former Insurance Agent Ships Magistrate's Court

I. C. Smith, who was engaged in the industrial insurance business in Asheboro for some months about two years ago, was arrested Thursday last week on charge of stealing goods from W. H. Gilman, meat dealer, under false pretenses.

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Chas. C. Randleman Died Last Day At Daughter's Home

Death Followed Week's Illness From Uremic Poisoning—Stricken At Mebane.

Talented Artist

And Spent Several Years In Art Work—In Cotton Mill Business For Years.

Mr. Charles C. Randleman died last Friday morning at the home of his daughter, Mrs. R. G. Ferree, on North Fayetteville street, following a week's illness from uremic poisoning. While he had been indisposed for several months, he had continued in his usual health until a week prior to his death when he was stricken. For several months Mr. Randleman had been operating an art shop on the highway near Mebane, spending some of his time with a relative a few miles distant. Upon information that his father was ill, Mrs. Ferree went for him, bringing him home in an unconscious condition.

Mr. Randleman was the son of the late John B. and Julia Duke Randleman, both of whom were native citizens of Alamance county. Upon moving to Randleman more than half a century ago, Mr. Randleman engaged in cotton mill business, and the name of Union Factory which had formerly been Dicks Town was changed to Randleman, honoring the manufacturer. Upon his father's death, C. C. Randleman succeeded him and operated the mills for a number of years. His early education at Oak Ridge and Bingham schools with the completion of a textile course at Boston fitted

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Annual Convention Of Singers' Union To Be Held Sept. 8

Delegates and visitors from Randolph and a dozen or more other counties are expected to attend the 20th annual convention of the North Carolina Singers' Union to be held in the Methodist Episcopal church at Pleasant Garden on Sunday, September 8. A. M. Fentris, president of the union since the time of its organization, is in charge of the program which will consist of solo, trio and quartet numbers, and chorus singing. Representatives from dozens of churches in this section are expected to participate.

The morning session of the gathering will begin at 11 o'clock and the afternoon session will begin at 2 o'clock. At noon a picnic dinner will be held in the grove at the church.

Mr. and Mrs. Auman Return From A Trip To Washington City

Seagrove, Aug. 13.—Miss Alberta Auman was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Worthey Brown, at Carthage, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Romie Russell and daughter, Nell, of Alexandria, La., arrived here Saturday for a few weeks' visit with their parents and relatives.

Little Miss Mary Lee Hughes, of Winston-Salem, is visiting her aunts, Mesdames Frank Auman and D. A. Cornelison.

Miss Vada Graves spent last week in High Point with her aunt, Mrs. Floyd Graves, and others.

Miss Sammie Stuart, of Jackson Springs, visited Misses Lena Russell and Edna Auman last week.

Mr. A. B. Howell and family, Mrs. Janette Dickens and children, of Budin, and Mrs. Johnson, of Greensboro, spent a few hours with Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Cornelison Saturday.

Mrs. I. A. Stuart, of Jackson Springs, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Russell, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Beck and children, of Kamey, spent Sunday at Mr. Garvey Leach's.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lantz, Miss Belle Boone and Mr. Leslie Boone left Monday for a few days' camping trip to Wilmington.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Auman spent Friday afternoon at Mr. G. L. Lawrence's. They have just returned from a trip to Washington and points in Virginia. While in Washington they visited Mr. Lawrence's cousin, Mr. Walter B. Lawrence, who is the son of Mr. J. L. Lawrence, of Toms, but for the past several years has lived in Washington, where he holds a position with the United States Treasury Department. He will also teach two courses in the Georgetown University this coming year.

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