

## COURT HOUSE IS DAMAGED BY FIRE

Fire Started Sunday Night In Boiler Room—Mr. Chas. Towery Killed In Ala. U. D. C. Meeting.

Rutherfordton, May 5.—Sunday night about 10:45 as Night Watchman Ed Waldrop was making his rounds he detected smoke in the courthouse and on investigation discovered fire in the boiler room. The alarm was immediately turned in and the new fire engine with the volunteer company came on the job. The flames broke through the doors of the basement and windows of the side entrance to the court house were damaged. Outside of the damage in the Sheriff's office, the walls of that being broken, the damage was confined to the basement. Had it not been for the efficient work of the fire company there might have been a disastrous fire with a great loss and inconvenience to the county and the people therein.

### U. D. C. District Meeting.

A number of women from Gastonia, Charlotte, Shelby and Kings Mountain, representatives of United Daughters of Confederacy of the Third District assembled at Rutherfordton Thursday, April 30th, in the beautiful Methodist church recently completed. Rev. J. O. Ervin led the chapter in prayer after which Mrs. K. J. Carpenter, president of the hostess chapter in her usual gracious manner, welcomed the visitors, Mrs. N. M. Harrison responding in happy style.

The address by Mrs. Dolph Long, president of the North Carolina Division, was instructive and inspiring throughout. She reviewed the work of the organization, stressing its important phases and urging the members to be up and doing.

After Mrs. Long's address luncheon was served at the Isothermal Hotel and the business resumed in the afternoon. Mrs. W. R. Nix of Shelby was elected chairman.

Reports were heard from the secretaries in the district and the chapters were reported to be active in promoting the purposes for which they were organized.

Social features of the meeting was a song by Mrs. W. C. Twitty and Mrs. Lloyd Williamson, accompanied by Mrs. W. R. Hill.

Mrs. Fannie Ransom Williams of Newton was one of the distinguished visitors.

Saturday, May 9th the Confederate Veterans will be entertained at Rutherfordton. Arrangements have been made for their entertainment and comfort.

### Death Of Mr. Chas. Towery.

Mr. Chas. Towery, formerly of Rutherford county, but who has made his home in Opelika, Alabama for some years, was buried at Mt. Hebron today.

Mr. Towery was killed last Saturday night while riding on the running board of an automobile. It is said that he was a sufferer from heart attacks and it is thought that he was suddenly stricken with heart failure. His head was badly injured by the fall. He was brought home Monday. For several years he has been working with the Cook Lumber Company, of Opelika, Ala. He leaves a wife, several children, mother and four sisters, Mesdames J. C. Buff, Ruth; W. G. Devinney, Sunshine; S. B. Short, Shelby and R. E. Deal, Stony Point, Va. His brother, Mr. Baxter Towery, was shot and killed April 5th, by a Keith, an employee of the lumber company.

Mr. Towery was about forty years of age.

### Hospital Charter Amended.

A certificate of amendment to the certificate of incorporation of the Rutherford Hospital, filed in the office of the Clerk of Court here provides that this institution will hereafter be operated primarily for the benefit of the people of Rutherford county, upon a charitable, semi-pay, and pay basis, in the discretion of the board of directors; but others may be admitted for treatment by consent of two members of the board. No part of the profits shall be used for the private benefit of any member of the board of directors, but shall be used replacing equipment and buildings and for the charitable (Continued On Page Eight)

## VOICES FROM MEMORY LANE

By A. B. CHAPIN



## GOVERNOR CALLS ON PEOPLE OF STATE TO OBSERVE MOTHER'S DAY ON SUNDAY

Raleigh, May 4.—Governor McLean's "Mothers' Day" proclamation was issued today, and reads as follows:

"In accordance with the provisions of resolution No. 38, passed by the general assembly of 1921, I hereby proclaim Sunday, May 10, 1925, Mothers' Day and call upon the people of North Carolina reverently to observe this day with fitting tribute to motherhood, each observing it as his or her own heart and soul dictates, and according to the inward devotion each holds for the sacredness of motherhood as the very foundation

stone of our state and national life.

"In motherhood our state leads the nation, so let our observance of this day be fitting tribute to our mothers, living and dead, to whom all love and honor is due.

"In motherhood lies the strength of our country; therefore, as public express of the love and respect, and in recognition of the fact that motherhood is closely related to love of home and country, let the national colors, symbol of true patriotism, designed by a colonial mother, be displayed on this day.

"Each citizen of North Carolina

is enjoined to wear a flower in honor of his or her mother, a red one if she be living, or a white one if she has passed on to the Great Beyond where the greatest reward for motherhood is bestowed, as a token of sacred regard for all the blessings which motherhood has bestowed upon mankind.

"Done at our city of Raleigh, this the fourth day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five, and in the one hundred and forty-ninth year of our American independence."

"ANGUS W. McLEAN, Gov."

## ASSOCIATION OF PREACHERS MEET

Memorial Days and Unification Discussed—To Issue Historical Edition News Herald.

Cliffside, May 5.—The Methodist Preachers' Association met in the parsonage at Bostic on Monday, May 4th. The following were present: Revs. W. R. Ware, J. P. Hornbuckle, J. O. Ervin, O. L. Simpson, J. C. Gentry, E. J. Poe and M. W. Heckard. This was by far the most interesting meeting that has been held. Encouraging reports were made of the church work in all the charges. One of the things that was decided upon at this meeting that will be of interest to the Methodists of the county, was the decision to get out in the month of Sept. a historical edition of the Methodist News Herald. This edition will give, as near as possible, a complete history of Methodism in Rutherford County.

The Association voiced its disapproval of the way in which Memorial Day is observed by many of our churches throughout the county. We are not out of harmony with Memorial Day when observed as it should be, and as our fathers intended. This day can be made a great day of inspiration and worship, in the life of the community if properly observed. But we are not willing to be a party in the disorganizing of the entire church program for two months in the year. Nor are we willing to become a party in the desecration of the Lord's Day by making it a day of recreation and sport. There is enough of Sabbath desecration in our land today without the churches becoming a party in it. We hope that in the near future something can be done to restore this great day to its

## PLEASANT GROVE MEMORIAL SERVICES

Hundreds of people attended the annual memorial services at Pleasant Grove Methodist church, near Forest City, Sunday. Sunday school was held at 10 o'clock, and at 11 o'clock Dr. W. R. Ware, the pastor, delivered an excellent sermon. Dinner was served on the grounds at 12:30. It was announced that Hon. Clyde R. Hoey would speak at the afternoon services, but he was detained in Shelby and could not attend, so the afternoon service was not held.

The cemetery has recently been cleaned off and practically every grave was covered with flowers.

Rev. J. B. (Uncle Bate) Carpenter, of Rutherfordton, who established the memorial day custom years ago at this church, was unable to be present Sunday on account of his health. This is the first time since Memorial day has been established at Pleasant Grove that "Uncle Bate" was not present to shake hands with old friends.

proper place in the life of the church and see it observed in a way that will help and not hinder in the church work.

Among other things that received much attention in this meeting, tho' it seemed for a time that it would not be mentioned, was that of Unification of Methodism. This is a very interesting subject among Methodist today. It was decided to invite Bishop Mouzon, chairman of our commission on unification, and one of the great, if not the greatest, Bishops and preachers of Southern Methodism, to come to the county in the near future and present the plan of unification to the Methodists of the county.

M. W. HECKARD, Secretary.

## FERRY SECTION PLANS NEW SCHOOL

Mass Meeting To Be Held At Ferry School Friday At One O'Clock.

Gaffney, S. C., R-9, May 9.—A meeting of the people of Ferry section will be held at the Ferry school house Friday at one o'clock. The meeting is to discuss plans for a new building. Every one is urged to come. Unless the people cooperate this ideal will be in vain. Some are complaining of a higher tax to pay! What are a few dollars when compared to the education of your child? If Ferry refuses to aid in this new building, she is saying to all her neighbors, "We are satisfied with the two little inefficient and dilapidated rooms." Parents do you realize the hardships that I had to meet daily? These are some: The heating was poor, the cracks in the floors let out the heat instead of warming the rooms. Consequently the children and I suffered from colds during the winter. The lighting was a disgrace to the construction of school buildings in this twentieth century. On rainy or cloudy days the children could scarcely see to study. The primary teacher was forced to pack 50 children in her small room with its odd seating. Wake up to business and change conditions in your school. Ferry is a promising section of modern farming, why not make it a promising one for your children that God has placed in your care? Go to your county superintendent and tell him, your needs if he will not come to you.

Get your building and dedicate it to the upbuilding of Ferry section, mentally, morally and spiritually, for a more perfect intellectual development.

## DALTON BROS. HAVE INFORMAL OPENING

Greater Dalton Brothers Hold Successful Opening Friday Evening—Brief History Of Business.



MISS EMMA DALTON

In charge of Dry Goods department of Dalton Bros.



GEO. D. DALTON

Junior Partner and in charge of the Men's department of Dalton Bros.

Dalton Brothers held an informal opening of their enlarged store Friday evening from 8:00 to 10:00 o'clock. Music was furnished by Moore's Orchestra and refreshments were served to the many friends calling to extend their congratulations. The occasion was a happy one. Hundreds of friends called to share in their hospitality and to congratulate the members of the firm on their enlargement to a greater and bigger Dalton Brothers.

Dalton Brothers inaugurated their opening sale Saturday morning, May 2nd, which will continue through Saturday, May 9th.

Dalton Brothers opened in Forest City September 1, 1922, with small capital and modest stock. By application of strict business principles, honesty and fair dealing their store has become known throughout this section. Thru the application of the

same principles; and the high class of merchandise handled, they have been enabled, during their two and one-half years of business existence, to double their floor space and double many times the value of their stock.

The firm is composed of Messrs. George W. and John Dalton, sons of Mr. E. H. Dalton, of Forest City, R-2. They are assisted by their sister, Miss Emma Dalton.

Mr. John Dalton, manager, attended the University of North Carolina. During the World War he served with distinction in 81st Division in France.

Both of these young men are Rutherford county boys, and are well known throughout the county. Their many friends are gratified to learn of their splendid success in business which has been achieved through courteous dealing, honesty and integrity.

## WOMAN'S CLUB NOTES

All ladies desiring to join the Woman's Club of Forest City for 1925-26 will please send application with \$1.00 dues to the secretary, Mrs. Arthur McDaniel.

Old members may renew their membership by bringing your one dollar to your next departmental meeting and paying to the secretary. These dues are payable by the first of April and not held open longer than first of June.

Departmental dues will be payable the first of September.

At a recent general meeting of all departments of the Woman's Club of Forest City the following officers were elected for the year 1925-26:

- President—Mrs. G. C. McDaniel.
- First vice-president—Mrs. G. P. Reid.
- Second vice-president—Miss Mary Moore.
- Recording Secretary—Mrs. Arthur McDaniel.
- Corresponding Secretary—Miss Janet Young.
- Treasurer—Mrs. B. B. Doggett.

## L. C. LOWRANCE IS ELECTED MAYOR

Following a quiet election Tuesday, the vote in the Mayor's race stood as follows:

- L. C. Lowrance ..... 183
- J. S. Bridges ..... 169
- J. C. Harrill ..... 16

Mr. Lowrance was sworn in Wednesday afternoon. The old Board of Aldermen were re-elected without opposition.

Visitors from the country find it more convenient to trade at Horn's Cash Store. Big stocks to select from and always at the best price. We will exchange anything in the store for your country produce. Bring it to us.

Big enamelware sale at Courtney's 10c store next Monday.

The house that honesty and service built—Horn's Cash Store.

## NEW BANK OPENED HERE LAST MONDAY

The Industrial Loan and Investment Bank Opens In Hemphill Building.

The Industrial Loan and Investment Bank, Forest City's newest financial enterprise, opened auspiciously Monday.

The bank is located in the Hemphill Building on Main street. The building has recently been remodelled inside and new bank fixtures installed. Business prospects seem good for the new bank. The business of the new bank will not be that of general banking, but loans will be made on weekly and monthly payment plan. No checking accounts will be carried, but the institution will accept time deposits.

The authorized capital stock of the new bank is \$100,000.00 with \$50,000.00 paid in.

The officers and directors of the bank are the leading business men of Forest City and Rutherford county. They are as follows:

- J. H. Thomas, president.
- F. B. Harrill, active vice-president.
- G. F. Bradley, vice-president.
- B. H. Long, cashier.
- G. B. Harrill, assistant cashier.

The board of directors is composed of the following well known men: P. T. Reinhardt, T. J. Moss, J. M. Edwards, Hugh F. Little, F. B. Harrill, J. A. Wilkie, R. L. Reinhardt, G. F. Bradley, J. F. Weathers, D. T. Beachboard, J. T. Smith, B. B. Doggett, J. H. Thomas, B. H. Long and F. I. Barber.

With such men at the head of the new institution it should inspire confidence. The new bank should prove a great benefit to the town and county.

The Cyclone Auction Company and the Security Insurance and Realty Company also have offices in the new building.