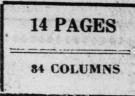
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ONE KILLED, THREE INJURED IN AUTO CRASH THURSDAY

Lee Mathis Dies En Route to **Hospital Following Auto Accident Near Forest** City

Joseph Lee Mathis was killed and and General Harris injured as result crusher of Ziegler Bros., road camp of an automobile wreck at Concord near Chimney Rock. Filling Station, midway between here and Ellenboro on Highway 20, Thursday morning about 10 o'clock.

in front of him and he struck it in ville. the rear. The Studebaker ran off the erly side up near a barbed wire fence. is not married to him. The Studebaker was almost demolished. The Ford driven by Harris was slightly damaged in the rear by the C. Officers are doing everything posimpact.

It is thought that Mathis fell out as the car turned over the first time, crushing the life out of him. He was rushed to the Rutherford Hospital immediately, but died en route. His left arm was broken, and he suffered internal injuries as well as a number of severe bruises and scratches. ulbreth was injured about the

NEGRO SERIOUSLY INJURED IN FIGHT John Allen, Negro Hurt With

an Axe in Fight With Another Negro at Chimney Rock

Chimney Rock, May 9 .- John Allen, is seriously hurt and Alvia Moore, negro woman, is in jail at Rutherfordton and Jack Hartson, another negro, is at large as a result of an Tommie Culbreth, Howard Sherrill affray Thursday night at the rock

> Deputy Sheriff C. Ray Dalton captured the woman about three o'clock Friday afternoon in a car with an- | Rutherfordton's new brass band was

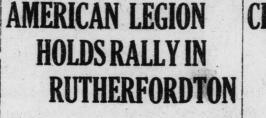
The three were in a Studebaker scene of the fight. According to her touring car, driven by Sherrill, go- testimony she says that a number of ing toward Ellenboro, when General the men were drinking and Allen Harris entered the highway from the and Hartson got into a fight and Concord Church road, driving a Ford Allen came on Hartson with a knife. touring car. Sherrill states that the She handed Hartson an axe and he Ford slowed down as it approached hit Allen on the forehead with it, the highway and he sped up to pass bursting his head partly open. He it, but the Ford shot across the road was rushed to a hospital in Ashe-His home was form-Asheville. in Alvia concrete highway, down an incline says that she has lived with Hartand turned over twice, lodging right son about four years but that she

The woman and her accomplice are originally from Wadesboro, N.

He weighs about 160 pounds and is a young man.

fordton before Judge Raymond G. to Paris." Parker the week of May 16.

All the negroes were employees of Zeigler Brothers road force.



State Commander Paul Younts Addresses Ex-Service Men. Public Meeting of Legion at Avondale May 16

Rutherfordton, May 9 .- A number of former service men and civilians attended the rally of Fred Williams Post No. 75, American Legion here Monday night of last week. Music by other negro one half mile from the a feature of the meeting. The band was sponsored by the post. Commander S. P. Dunnagan introduced State Commander Paul Younts, of Charlotte, in a short eloquent address. The State Legion chief stressed community service and the close contact of the Legion with community prog-

ress; told why the Legion was organized and traced its accomplishments briefly. The duty to our ex-service men was emphasized.

The speaker urged that each post in the State or county at least be represented at the Paris convention in September. North Carolina has practically reached her allotment of 362 now, he said. "We plan to take

sible to locate Hartson. He left here 400 Tar Heels with us to Paris. Withcoatless and wearing leather leggins. in the next few days we hope to invite five distinguished citizens of the State, who rendered special service The case will be tried in Ruther- during the World War to go with us

> The membership of the Legion in North Carolina is greater now than it has ever been in the history of the State, he said. He urged the



Citizens are Requested to Co-**Operate With Authorities** in Making Forest City **Cleanest** Town in State

Mrs. Ibbie Martin, on Duncans' Creek, Sunday May 8, in an all day The week of May 16 to 21 has celebration of Mrs. Martin's ninebeen set aside as clean-up week in ty-fifth birthday. At noon a bounti-Forest City, and the people are reful dinner was spread on a table quested to co-operate with the officials in charge and make Forest prepared for the occasion. Mr. J. O. Gettys read a poem, the subject be-City a 'spick-and-span' town. Visitors and tourists passing through Forest ing "Mother," and very appropriate City frequently pass on remarks for the occasion. He made a short Let's keep up the good work, and by Mr. S. G. McAllister, of Gastonia not only clean up the town next who asked grace. week, but keep it clean afterwards. Mr. Martin, in his talk, stated that

Clean - Up Proclamation

Cleveland county, having been born As health officer of the Town of ten years before the formation of Forest City, I wish to call the at-Cleveland from Rutherford. tention of the citizens of Forest City, that the week beginning May 16th has years of her life at the place where been set aside as clean-up week. I she now resides. She is the mother will appreciate and expect a hearty of eleven children and has twentyco-operation of all the people of our nine grandchildren, forty-two great good town. Please clean up all the grandchildren and two great-greatrubbish on your premises and put it in grandchildren. Five generations were boxes, or barrels, as our help will present at the dinner Sunday. not have time to get it unless it is in a container. Do not leave any old Allen Crowder and Phoebe Grigg cans, buckets, or barrels on your Crowder, and had fourteen brothers premises that will hold water as they and four sisters. make a very suitable breeding place for mosquitoes.

ion and dinner from all sections of I wish also to call to your atten-Rutherford and Cleveland counties tion the ordinance relatives to hogs as well as from Charlotte and Gasand hog-pens. If you do not under- tonia. stand this law, inquire at the town

MRS. MARTIN'S 95TH RUTHERFORD **BIRTHDAY OBSERVED COUNTY TEXTILE LEAGUE OPENS** Large Number Gather to Honor One of Rutherford

County's Oldest

Women

relatives gathered at the home of

Mrs. Martin was ten years older than

Mrs. Martin has spent seventy-five

Mrs. Martin was the daughter of

A large number attended the reun-

Teams Representing Six Towns of the County Organize **Baseball League.** First **Game Played Last** About one hundred friends and

Saturday

The Rutherford County Textile League opened the season Saturday with games over the entire circuit. The league was recently organized and is composed of six teams from Caroleen, Cliffside, Henrietta, Avondale, Alexander and Ellenboro. Z. O. Jenkins is Club president. The Alexander team has E. L. Cantrell as about the cleanliness of Forest City. talk on "Mother," and was followed president; D. B. Randall, secretary and treasurer and C. W. Halford as manager. Ellenboro is managed entirely by Mr. Garrett Edwards. The officials of the Henrietta Club are J. M. Mauney, president, L. O. Newton, manager and Frank Weast, secretary-treasurer. Prof. F. S. Hall is president of the Avondale Club with W. Smith as manager. J. L. Brown is manager of the Caroleen team while Mr. Reinhardt manages the Cliffside team.

> Each club will play every Saturday, as shown on the schedule below. The season will be split, the winner of the first half of the season playing the winner of the second half of the season. Saturday's games were the openers for the first half, which will close July 2. The second half of the season will open July 9th and close September 10th.

Th following is the schedule: Schedule Rutherford County

League

and suffered minor cuts and MEMORIAL DAY bruises, while Sherrill was hurt about the mouth and suffered a number of body bruises. Both were under the care of a physician during the week end. Mr. Harris, driver of the Ford, had two ribs fractured and his spine injured.

The three occupants of the Studebaker were young men. Tommie Culbreth is the twenty-one year old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Culbreth, of Spindale, and Sherrill is the eighteen year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Sherrill, of Spindale. Mr. Harris is about fifty-five years old and lives near Concord Baptist church.

It is reported that the Studebaker was running at about thirty miles per hour when the accident occurred.

Funeral For Mathis Sunday Funeral services for Joseph Lee Mathis was held Sunday afternoon at Sulphur Springs Baptist Church, and were attended by what was possibly the largest number of people ever gathered at that church. It was variously estimated that between two and three thousand attended the service, showing the high esteem in which he was held. Only a small part of the large assemblage was able to get seats in the church.

The services were in charge of Rev. John Smith, of Gaffney, assisted by Revs. Loss Wright, William Hardin and W. V. Tarlton. Interment was in Sulphur Springs cemetery.

Mr. Mathis was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mathis, of the Sulphur Springs section. During the last eight years 'he had been a barber. and had worked over the entire county. He had been located at Spindale during the last three years, associated with the Ridings barber shop. He i survived by his parents, three brothers, Messrs. Henry, Minter and Horace, all of Sulphur Springs and one sister, Miss Magdalene Mathis, of Sulphur Springs.

His former barber associates acted as pallbearers and were as follows: Messrs. Wilber Ridings. Boyd Dobbins, W. G. Godfrey, Harris Morgan, Elbert Sisk and Robert Culbreth.

Mr. Mathis was twenty-eight years old and unmarried. During his eight years as a barber he had made hundreds of friends over the county by his wonderful personality and manLIFFSID

Annual Event Observed Sunday-A Tribute to the Messrs. Haynes

Cliffside, May 9 .- Annual memorial day, which is always the second Sunday in May, was observed yesterday by hundreds of people who came from far and near to place

tering flowers here and there in the ex-service men of the county to atcemetery at Cliffside. Words of praise tend. The program will consist of

and appreciation for Mr. Chas. H. special music and speaking. It is beautiful, not only on "Memorial

mound of each grave was carefully raised and smoothed, and not a blade of grass, or weed could be seen.

Each square lot is marked by marble corners and the walks planned straight and accurate, and as we stood in the center of the silent city of the dead, and viewed its beauty and the hand-carved work of man, the fragrance of sweet flowers wafted on the breeze reminded that tomorrow they, too, would be dead, and that we likewise shall pass away. We turnseemed to stand in silent watch around the granite tombs of our lovcame the sublime and eternal words tion and the life. John 11:25." Standing beside the tomb of the late R. R. Haynes, our friend and tribute to his memory, realizing that

it was through him the foundation of beautiful Cliffside was established; COOL SPRINGS HIGHS and it is through his son, Mr. Chas. H. Haynes, whose every courtesy bespeaks for him the true gentleness, for which he is, and who is held in ball team defeated the Central High the highest esteem by his fellow school baseball team Tuesday afterworkmen, and employees, that we en- noon by a score of 7-3. Batteries for joy the many privileges we have to- Central High were Wilson and Hardin day in Cliffside.

ner. People from every section of forward to attending Memorial serv- Central High plays here Friday af-Rutherford county were present to ices at Sulphur Springs which were ternoon at 3:45. This is the last pay their last respects to him Sunday held Sunday, and it was very approp- game of the season and the last opas he was laid away in the cemetery. riate that his funeral should be con- portunity to see the high school boys and see them. Courtney's 5c and 10c was a story of History from pre-his- is a source of gratification to many For some time he had been looking ducted on Memorial Day.

all and they boys to "carry on for the Legion it to you. and their country."

Mr. Younts said Rutherfordton needs a woman's auxiliary of the let us all strive to make it the clean-Legion. The Legion is furnishing est. \$4,000 per year for a nurse and clinics at Oteen Hospital for our

disabled buddies. It has helped to secure the passage of 3247 bills before Congress and the various State Legislatures for the benefit of exservice men. Mr. Younts declared the Legion is for the masses and not the classes.

After the meeting adjourned it flowers on the graves of loved ones was decided to hold the next meetand of friends. From the early morn- ing at Avondale public school building until the evening shadows, lov- ing, May 16th, 7:30 p. m. and ining shadows, loving hands were scat- vite the public and especially al

Haynes were expressed by many for hoped to have Judge Raymond G. his kind and thoughtful consideration Parker and Solicitor J. W. Pless to in keeping the cemetery as clean and be present and make short talks.

Day," but throughout the year. The ONE INJURED IN FREE-FOR-ALL FIGHT

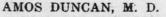
Chimney Rock, May 11.-James Mathews, young white man, engaged by the people of Rutherford county as a truck driver at the Zeigler Brothers road camps near here, was injured made homeless by the overflow of the Tuesday morning about 2 o'clock when he was assaulted by a drunken negro. According to reports reaching the Courier several negroes engaged in a free-for-all fight Tuesday morning. During the fight Mathews ed our eyes to evergreens, which came near the negroes and one hit him on the face with knucks or billet breaking his jawbone. Deputy Shered ones, and in the sacred stillness, iff Curtis Hardin was called to the scene of the fight and arrested three of our Savior, "I am the resurrec- negroes. They were tried in recorder's court Tuesday. The negro charg- Smith. ed with assaulting Mathews received a twelve months' road sentence, while brother, we bowed our heads in silent two others were fined \$50.00 and costs for fighting and drunkeness.

DEFEATS CENTRAL HI

The Cool Springs High school base and for Cool Springs were McKeithan day, was pronounced by many as one al center. and Moss.

in action.

will be glad to explan We have one of the prettiest little towns in Western North Carolina so





There will be a general meeting of the Womans' Club Thursday afternoon May 12th at 4 o'clock in the Kiwanis Hall. It is desired that every member of the Womans' club be present and let all who intend to be members for next year come prepared to pay their membership dues to the general club of \$1.00 per year.

Remember the time and place of meeting. Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock, Kiwanis Hall.

COUNTY RAISES \$607.16 FOR MISSISSIPPI SUFFERERS

To date \$607.16 have been donated to alleviate the suffering of those Mississippi River, according to a report from Miss Virginia Grayson, county Treasurer. Prof. B. L. Smith, county chairman of the Relief Committee, states that he is gratified with the response of the people of the

contributions.

of the very best. The program for the

ensuing week is unusually good.

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FESTIVAL HELI

Children From All Schools in Township Participate in National Music Week Program

National music week was observed in Forest City in a unique and delightful way. A music Festival was put on by all the schools in Cool Springs Township at the high school auditorium on Thursday evening, May 5th at 8 o'clock. The auditorium was packed with people from all over the township and the program was a rev- Avondale. elation to the citizens of the township. It was a splendid exhibition of the quality of work in public school music that is being done in the schools. 200 children took part in the program and they showed excelient training.

The program opened with a musical play, "A Picnic Day in the Woods" by the Forest City grammar school. This was a pretty tuneful litle play. The costumes were bright and the children took their parts extremely well.

A group of choruses from the Bostic and Mt. Pleasant grammar schools, the Forest City grammar school sextette and the boys quartette from the high school came next. These choruses showed good training, well matchcounty in contributing to this worthy ed voices and were much enjoyed by cause. "We are not poorer, but rich- the audience. This group closed with er by our donations, which will do a violin number by six violinists from much to relieve the dire misery and the high school. They played Barcawant of our fellow citizens of the role first, then a selection from Rose Mississippi Valley States", says Capt. Marie. The grammar grade sextette from Forest City sang Rose Marie Rutherford county was asked for with the violins. This last proved only \$250.00 for the Relief Fund and to be one of the most popular numthe committee is delighted with the bers on the program. All the memmanner in which people have respond- bers of the sextette have lovely voiced and went "over the top" with their es and they carried the two part chor- costumes in this play were beautiuses beautifully. The group of chor- ful and it was an illustration of how

uses was an excellent illustration of the work in public school music can Manager W. L. Horn, of the local the work the children are doing. The be correlated with other studies. The movie, has been warmly congratulat- value of this kind of training in the costumes and dances were most efed upon the installation of a new schools can not be over estimated. It fective displays of each period in Seeburg orchestrion. He has also will show in church, in school, in ev- history and the songs were beautiful. been giving some splendid pictures. ery type of community work and For- The most popular dances in this play "The Last Frontier," shown Satur- est City is rapidly becoming a music- were the minuet and the Virginia

The program closed with an oper- terday" in the United States. etta given by the 4th and 5th grades The festival was an unqualified from Alexander school. It was en- success and the work of Miss Wilder New phonograph records. Come in titled "Day Before Yesterday" and and the township teachers in music toric days down to the present. The citizens in the township.

May 14. Alexander at Cliffside: Ellenboro at Caroleen; Henrietta at Avondale.

May 21. Cliffside at Alexander; Caroleen at Ellenboro: Avondale at Henrietta.

May 28. Ellenboro at Alexander; Henrietta at Caroleen; Cliffside at Avondale.

June 4. Alexander at Ellenboro; Caroleen at Henrietta; Avondale at Cliffside.

June 11. Alexander at Avondale; Ellenboro at Henrietta; Cliffside at Caroleen.

June 18. Avondale at Alexander; Henrietta at Ellenboro; Caroleen at Cliffside.

June 25. Alexander at Henrietta; Ellenboro at Cliffside; Caroleen at

July 2. Henrietta at Alexander; Cliffside at Ellenboro; Avondale at Caroleen.

(Close of first half of season). July 9. Alexander at Caroleen; Henrietta at Cliffside; Ellenboro at Avondale.

July 16. Caroleen at Alexander; Cliffside at Henrietta; Avondale at Ellenboro.

(The schedule repeats from top to close of first half of the season, constituting the second half of the series.)

Results Saturday

Saturday's games resulted as follows:

At Alexander 12; Caroleen 5.

At Henrietta, 9; Cliffside 3.

At Ellenboro, 8; Avondale 7.

Through the courtesy of Mr. E. L. Cantrell, of Alexander, the Courier will carry the results of each week's games and the standing of the clubs, beginning next week.

Mr. C. A. Wilkie had his hand badly lacerated at a saw mill. No serious results are expected, although the wound was a painful one.

Reel illustrating "Day Before Yes-

