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FARMERS OF MT. PLEASANT WILL IMPROVE COTTON

Enthusiastic Farmers' Meeting Held at Mt. Pleasant School Thursday Night

Twenty-three farmers of the Mt. Pleasant community are going to grow a longer stapled cotton next year, according to D. H. Sutton, teacher of vocational agriculture. They have chosen Coker No. 5 as the variety they will grow and they have ordered 267 bushels of this seed. Plans for this progressive move were made at a meeting held in the Mt. Pleasant school house Thursday night, January 31st.

J. W. Matheny presided at the meeting. D. H. Sutton discussed the advantages of growing a longer stapled cotton, and gave the results of variety tests conducted by the Department of Agriculture last year. He said these tests showed that Coker No. 5 was the type best suited to local conditions. At the close of Mr. Sutton's talk, Mr. Matheny introduced J. R. Moore, Secretary and Treasurer of the Alexander Mills. Mr. Moore told the farmers that he had never buy the cotton for his mill at home if he could get it. That the longer stapled cotton grown in Cleveland County was superior to western cotton. He said that he was so interested in this community growing a better grade of cotton that he would transport the seed from the grower free of cost and that he would pay a bonus of at least one-half cent a pound for this cotton. He also offered two prizes for the best grade of cotton grown from this seed, one prize to go to a man and the other to a boy in the Vocational Agriculture class.

Messrs. W. E. Lewis, George Blanton, Adam Price and Boss Randall discussed briefly the advantages of this variety of cotton, and J. W. Eaks discussed the success of the variety tests run by the Department of Agriculture. J. S. Morgan then told of the variety test that his son, Norman, conducted. Terry Moore of the Alexander Mills discussed the advantages of a better grade of cotton and the following farmers bought seed: J. S. Wall, Will Henson, Burwell W. Womack, W. L. Hunt, A. G. Randall, K. M. Randall, A. B. Price, K. P. Hamrick, G. A. Davidson, O. C. Holland, J. W. Matheny, J. J. Manning, J. E. Morrow, Joe Jeffries, P. L. Kennedy, W. A. Jolly, J. W. Eaks, W. E. Lewis, G. H. Blanton, J. S. Morgan, H. C. Vickers, J. A. Peeler, and J. M. Price.

BURNS FATAL TO THOMAS HAMRICK, AGED THREE YEARS

Small Boy, Scalded When Mother Overturns Soup Pan, Succumbs to Burns

Avondale, Feb. 4.—Thomas Hamrick, aged three years, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norris Hamrick, of Alexander, died at the home of his aunt, Mrs. Chan Hamrick here Saturday as the results of burns and scalds received Saturday morning, January 26 when a pan of hot soup was accidentally spilled on him by his mother.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at Haynes Memorial Baptist church, with Rev. D. H. Rhinehardt in charge. Interment was in High Shoals cemetery. The pall bearers were Paul Wall, D. Womack, Clarence Deaton and Solon Smart. Among those carrying flowers were Mrs. Henry Smith, Mrs. C. E. Smart, Mrs. J. T. Womack, Mrs. A. D. Wilson, and Mrs. Fletcher Wilson.

The little fellow died Saturday morning at 7:15 after a week of intense suffering, most of the time of which he was unconscious. On Saturday morning, January 26, while in the kitchen, he accidentally ran against his mother who was carrying a pan of hot soup from the stove to the dining table. The mother dropped the pan, scalding the child's body seriously. His face was so badly scalded that all the skin came off with the exception of a small place on the chin. He was badly burned on the chest, abdomen and arms. A physician was immediately sent for. He responded within a few minutes but was unable to do anything more than relieve the child's suffering. On Monday night the little fellow sank into unconsciousness and remained in that state until death claimed him last Saturday morning.

His mother, Mrs. Norris Hamrick, of Alexander, was visiting her sister, Mrs. C. Hamrick, when the accident occurred.

SOIL SURVEY BOOKLETS FREE

The Courier Distributing Government Soil Survey Pamphlets of Rutherford County

The Courier has received a number of copies of the Rutherford County soil survey and map that was recently made by the United States Department of Agriculture. This is a valuable little pamphlet and everyone interested in Rutherford county should have one. The book has a complete survey of the various soils of the county, along with other information, with a map of the county in the back of the book. As long as the supply lasts any Courier subscriber may secure a copy of this publication free by calling at The Courier office, or sending us a card. The booklets are furnished by Congressman Zeb Weaver.

Member of that church as long as she lived.

Favorite songs of the deceased were sang at the funeral services Monday and included "Nearer My God to Thee" and "Shall We Gather at the River". A quartet composed of Messrs Leroy Jolley, Jim Robertson, Fay Jolley, and Therman Jolley, of High Shoals, rendered touching vocal selections.

The pall bearers were Orvis Pannell, Cato McGinnis, Dan McGinnis, Broadus McGinnis, Grover McGinnis, and Vaughan McGinnis. Honorary pall bearers were J. L. Kendrick, D. G. Wall, B. S. Wall, S. C. Robinson, J. B. Robinson, and W. L. Luckadoo.

The profusion of beautiful flowers were borne by the following flower girls: Misses Louise McGinnis, Janie McGinnis, Ona McGinnis, Mary Ester McGinnis, Matilda Pannell. Hightower & Matheny had charge of the funeral arrangements.

Groundhog Saturday—Snow and Sleet Monday

And it won't be Springtime until along about the middle of March.

A prophecy something like that was what the groundhog left here Saturday when he came from his hole and cast his eyes about in the warm sunlight until he saw his shadow.

To those who follow the groundhog legend—and there are many such—it will be six more weeks before the winter or bad weather season is at an end. Monday night saw the beginning of the real winter weather here. When Rutherford county awoke Tuesday morning a blanket of snow from four to five inches greeted the beholder on every hand. It is said that along the mountain chains of the county the snow was from six to ten inches deep Tuesday morning, while the two hours snow Tuesday afternoon added to the depth. Tuesday night's sleet turned to rain and as we go to press indications are that winter has arrived.

MRS. M'BRAYER BURIED SUNDAY

Funeral of Forest City Woman Held in Shelby—Died Here Friday

Shelby, Feb. 5.—A large crowd attended the funeral Sunday afternoon at two o'clock of Mrs. Amanda Logan McBrayer, widow of Robert B. McBrayer, who died Friday night at 11:15 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. C. King, at Forest City. Services were conducted from the home of Mayor and Mrs. W. N. Dorsey on N. LaFayette street by Dr. Zeno Wall, pastor of the First Baptist church of Shelby of which she was a member, assisted by Rev. M. F. Moores, Methodist minister of Forest City who visited the sick bedside often during her last illness.

Mrs. McBrayer was seventy years of age June 2 of last year. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Logan and a member of one of the most prominent and substantial families in this section, her ancestors fighting in the battle of Kings Mountain. Practically all of her life was spent in Cleveland county and she was noted for her fine motherly traits and her beautiful, beaming countenance. Seventeen years ago her beloved husband died and her body was interred beside his in Sunset cemetery under a mound of floral designs.

She was the mother of eight children, six daughters, and two sons. One daughter, Mrs. D. O. Davis and the two sons, Logan McBrayer of Shelby and Robert McBrayer of St. Louis preceded her to the grave. Surviving are the five daughters, Mrs. W. N. Dorsey of Shelby, Mrs. Wm. Lowery of Patterson Springs, Mrs. Grover King of Forest City, Mrs. M. D. Honeycutt of Monroe, Mrs. H. A. Dozier of Charlotte. Thirty grandchildren and four great grandchildren to whom she was tied with true mother love, also survive.

Mrs. McBrayer is the last of the J. R. Logan family although her connection is wide and her friends are legion.

A number of beautiful selections were sung by Messrs. Tom Lattimore, Mal Spangler, Horace Eason and Rush Hamrick, while Mrs. Nell Padgett Norris of Forest City sang "Some Day We'll Understand."

Pall bearers were Messrs. C. S. Young, Roy Sisk, John R. Dover, H. Fields Young, Jesse Lowery and J. L. Suttle.

The flower girls were Misses Ailene McBrayer, Lillah Gordon King, Mary Logan King, Kathleen Hord, Marian Frances Hord, Geneva Dozier, Mildred Thompson, Charlotte; Genie Sisk, Mrs. Julian Hord.

Miss Myrtle Hemphill spent Sunday with her mother in Bridgewater.

FIGHT OVER BILL TO EXEMPT LAKE LURE PROPERTY

Representative Hutchins Says Hon. George Biggerstaff's Bill Would Set Bad Precedent

Raleigh, Feb. 4.—The bill to exempt a tract of land within the corporate limits of Lake Lure, from the payment of taxes and liability against the bonded indebtedness of the town was vigorously assailed when it came up in the house here late Thursday. The bill was introduced by Representative George Biggerstaff, of Rutherford county, and the attack upon it was led by Representative Charles S. Hutchins, of Yancey county.

Representative Hutchins argued that if the house should pass this bill to exempt a small tract of real estate from the corporate limits, and thus relieve the owner of this tract from the payment of the taxes, that it would be setting a dangerous precedent that would tend to weaken the credit of every city and town in the state.

"This bill merely exempts the owner of this tract from responsibility for the bonded indebtedness of the town, and relieves him from paying the regular taxes which the other owners have to pay. Hence I do not think this bill should pass.

Representative Biggerstaff made a futile attempt to have the bill acted upon, but he was not sustained and the bill was finally referred to the judiciary No. 1 for further consideration.

Other local bills introduced last week were measures to regulate the penalties on taxes, and to facilitate the collection of town taxes in Forest City. The first bill was introduced by Senator Amos R. Beam and is intended to regulate the penalties and discounts on taxes in Rutherford county. The second bill, also introduced by Senator Beam pertains to the collection of back taxes in the town of Forest City, and authorizing the sale of property to secure payment of town taxes.

MRS. JOHN BURGESS DIES AT AGE OF 81

Funeral Service for Forest City Woman Held Friday—Interment at Rutherfordton

Mrs. John Burgess, aged 81 years, died at the home of her nephew, Mr. M. E. Dorsey, on Powell street, Thursday morning at 9 o'clock. She had been in ill health for several months, but had been confined to bed only four weeks before her death.

Funeral services were held at the home of Mr. Dorsey Friday, and were in charge of Rev. M. F. Moores, assisted by Dr. W. R. Ware, of Rutherfordton. Interment was in the Rutherfordton cemetery.

She is survived by one brother, Mr. T. A. Dorsey, of McKinney, Texas, one step son, Mr. Frank Burgess, former register of deeds of Polk county, now of Columbus; one step daughter, Mrs. John Dalton, of Polk county, and several nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Burgess was a daughter of the late Rev. and Mrs. John Burgess, and was born January 11, 1848. She was known to her many friends here as Aunt Lilah, being much loved by everyone. She had made her home here with her nephew, Mr. and Mrs. Dorsey for the past three years, and was given the tenderest love and care by her devoted relatives. She was a member of the Forest City Methodist church, and was faithful in her duties toward the church.

The pall bearers were Messrs. N. H. Welsh, G. V. Frye, Ray Burnette, G. P. Doggett, E. G. Flack, and F. Y. Hamrick. The profuse floral offering was carried by Misses Vivian and Fay Dellinger, and Mrs. W. P. Dorsey, of Shelby; Misses Kathleen and Ruth Dorsey, Mesdames M. F. Moores and C. E. Alcock.

Mrs. Ada Dean Killed By Train

Head Almost Severed From Body When Southern Freight Train Cab Strikes Woman

KIWANIS CLUB FAVORS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HERE

Poll of Members Show Only One Opposed to Organization—Attendance Record Good

With 93 per cent of membership in attendance Monday night, the Forest City Kiwanis club made a good start to duplicate the month's attendance record for January. Kiwanian Hull, of Spartanburg, kept intact his 100 per cent attendance record for four years by driving 37 miles to attend the Forest City meeting.

Howard Doggett, chairman of the committee on Public Affairs, was in charge of the program and brought to the attention and interest of all present many vital facts and suggestions as to what Forest City needs in the progress and development of her future. Many interesting opinions and suggestions were brought out by several speakers chief of which was a poll of 18 business men of the city, resulting in almost unanimous belief in the beneficial results of a new hotel and additional pay-rolls. Of those interviewed 13 were heartily in favor of a Chamber of Commerce, four were neutral on the subject and but one against such an organization, as the means of interesting manufacturers in locating here. It seemed to be the consensus of opinion that such an organization would work hand in hand with the present Kiwanis organization as an integral part in the building up of our town. John Dalton, Winnie Brown, Howard Doggett and G. R. Gillespie were the speakers assigned different phases of the subject.

During the month of January the local club was accorded 107 1-2 inches newspaper publicity by the Forest City Courier, The Rutherfordton News, Charlotte Observer, and Charlotte News.

PROCEEDINGS OF SUPERIOR COURT

Civil Term of Court Now In Session—Record of Cases Disposed of This Week

Rutherfordton, Feb. 5.—Judge T. B. Finley, of North Wilkesboro, convened superior court here Monday morning. This term of court is for trial of civil cases only. On the opening day a number of cases were continued and order made in others. Other proceedings were as follows: Mack Lee Logan, a minor, by his guardian Rutherford County Bank & Trust Co., vs. Farmers Federation, Inc. Defendant who is deaf and dumb, was injured while in the employ of the defendant and asks for damages in the sum of \$1000.00. Judgment against defendant Co. for the sum of \$271.50, to be applied to the expense of hospital, attorney fees, etc.

Mary Logan and State of North Carolina vs. Charlie Logan, judgment against defendant in the sum of \$200.00.

Carl Deaton vs. Ida Ward Deaton. Divorce granted.

Kathleen James vs. Roy James. Divorce granted.

D. Childers vs. Chambers and Turner. Plaintiff called and failed. Non suit. This case has been before two juries at previous terms, resulting in a mistrial each time.

W. D. Galloway vs. I. Goodman. Non suit.

A. S. Harrill vs. Silvers. Voluntary non suit.

Doggett & Champion vs. G. M.

One of the most tragic accidents ever occurring in Forest City took place about noon last Saturday when Mrs. Ada Dean, aged 43, was struck by the rebounding cab of Southern freight No. 68, and instantly killed. The accident occurred at the Southern depot here. Mrs. Dean, accompanied by Mrs. Carrie Brady and Misses Maude McCluney and Eugenia Blackburn, had finished their work at the Florence Mill and were on their way home. As the train of cars had blocked their usual route they ran to the rear of the string of cars standing on the track, where Mrs. Dean, in attempting to cross, was struck down and ran over by the cab. Mrs. Dean was crossing the track directly behind the cab. The engine further up the track at the other end of the string of cars; coupled with the cars, preparatory to making the trip on to Marion, just as Mrs. Dean was in the center of the tracks. The rebound caused the string of car to move backward several feet. Mrs. Dean was struck down, her body falling across one track. Her head was almost severed from her body, and the body was mangled and crushed, resulting in instant death.

The tragedy caused a pall of sadness over the entire community, where the deceased had been living for over a score of years and had made many acquaintances and friends, who regret her sudden and unexpected demise.

Before her marriage, the deceased was Miss Ada Linker of Cabarrus County.

Surviving are her two daughters, Miss Myrtle Dean and Mrs. Wm. Lytle, both of this place, also an aged father, several brothers and sisters, and a host of friends.

In the presence of probably the largest congregation ever to assemble in the church the funeral was held Sunday afternoon in the local Wesleyan Methodist church, of which the deceased had been a faithful and consistent member for nearly seven years.

Rev. B. H. Hiatt, the pastor, was in charge. Revs. M. R. Harvey of Cherryville, G. F. Settlemyre of Hendersonville and J. E. Conner of Gastonia, each made brief remarks in regard to the life of Mrs. Dean, after which, Rev. Edwin M. Graham, pastor of the First Wesleyan church in Charlotte, preached the funeral sermon using as a theme, "The Inevitable Debt."

The body was carried to the Cool Springs cemetery and interred by the side of the husband who preceded her about sixteen years ago to the grave. The floral offerings were profuse and quite beautiful.

The flower bearers were: Miss Mary Melton, Mesdames Effie Hill, G. W. Lytle, Nannie Burgin, Osie Hardin, Ethel Hardin, Pearl Doggett, Annie Hardin and Ruby Doggett.

The pallbearers were: Messrs. G. K. Lytle, R. C. Burgin, J. A. Hardin, D. S. Hardin, A. L. Doggett and E. J. Doggett.

WOMAN'S CLUB

The Citizenship Department of the Woman's Club will meet in the City Hall Friday night, February 8th, 1929, at 7:30. All members are cordially invited to be present at this meeting.

Music Club Meeting Changed

On account of the meeting of The Rutherford County club at Blanton's Cafe on Friday, February 15, the meeting of the music club has been changed to Tuesday, February 12. All members are requested to take notice and bear the change of date in mind.

Self. Defendant withdraws appeal and defendant taxed with cost of appeal.