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## GEORGE SCRUGGS DIES OF INJURIES RECEIVED SUNDAY

Former Cliffside Boy Hit on Head With Stick of Wood By Shelby Boxer

Cliffside, Feb. 21.—Funeral services for George Scruggs, former textile worker of Eastside mill, was held here Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock.

George Scruggs, a son of Mrs. Sal Scruggs, of this place, and a native of Rutherford county, died at the Shelby hospital at two o'clock Tuesday morning of an injury received Sunday afternoon when he was struck in the head by A. J. (Kid) Hornbuckle, Shelby boxer, with a stick of wood, following an argument. Although no definite details of the encounter have as yet been made near to police officers, it is understood that Hornbuckle hit Scruggs over the head with a stick of green wood about 3 or 3:30 Sunday afternoon near the railroad crossing Limeberger street in Shelby. Several other men were about at the time, but they have informed officers that only a few words passed between the two men before Hornbuckle swung the six-pound stick of wood and caught Scruggs, who was said to be sitting, across the head. Hornbuckle made his getaway before the police were notified of the occurrence. The report was that one or two of the men were drinking, while another report is that there was no drinking. The explanation given in the section about the fight is that it was over some gambling, while still another reason advanced was that trouble developed over a debt between the two, but officers have no clear information as to either explanation. Chief Richards of Shelby, states.

Scruggs was immediately taken to the hospital in Shelby where he remained in a semi-conscious state until death claimed him Tuesday morning.

He is survived by his widow and two small children. His mother, Mrs. Sal Scruggs, resides in Cliffside. Three brothers and two sisters also survive, as follows: Jackson and James Scruggs, of Cliffside; Daniel Scruggs, Mooresboro; Mrs. James Shepherd, Shelby and Mrs. Viola Curry, of Gaffney.

The deceased was a native of Rutherford county, and lived at Cliffside until a short time ago.

Hornbuckle is being sought by the Shelby police force on charge of having inflicted the fatal wound. At latest reports he has not been apprehended.

## ROMINA THEATRE TO REPORT FIGHT

Arranges for Specially Leased Wire To Report Stribling-Sharkey Contest

Manager Hughes of the Romina Theatre has practically concluded arrangements to have a specially leased Western Union wire run into the theatre, over which they will give a detailed press report of the Stribling-Sharkey fight on Wednesday night, February 27. If negotiations for the lease of the wire are completed, Romina patrons will be given a detailed ring-side report of this interesting battle of heavyweights. This is a most enterprising move upon the part of Mr. Hughes in giving a report to Forest City which no town of this size will likely have of this interesting contest.

The picture for Wednesday night, February 27, will be Rod La Rocque in "Love Over Night."

## MR. A. C. ALLEN CRITICALLY ILL

Mr. A. C. Allen, who has been critically ill at his home for the past week, was removed to the Rutherford Hospital Tuesday night for a thorough examination and was found to have double pneumonia and several other complications. He is a very sick man and his many friends are greatly worried over his condition.

## Recent Bride



MRS. ROBERT E. WATKINS

The above picture is that of Mrs. Robert Ernest Watkins, who prior to her marriage February 10, was Miss Myrtle Gudger Harrill, attractive daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. June Harrill, of Forest City. She became

the bride of Mr. Watkins Sunday morning, February 10, in a beautiful church ceremony held in Pleasant Grove Methodist church. Mr. and Mrs. Watkins have returned from their wedding tour and are now at home in Forest City.

## KIWANIS CLUB HEARS SUPT. CLYDE A. ERWIN

County Superintendent Discusses County Schools in Masterly Manner

An unusually enthusiastic meeting of the Kiwanis Club was held Monday evening, at which the attendance was splendid, although not quite up to the standard set by the Kiwanians recently in boosting their attendance records.

The feature of the evening was the masterly address of Supt. Clyde A. Erwin, who presented the school problems confronting the county in a manner, showing his intense interest in the educational work and his familiarity with his subject.

Mr. Erwin was introduced by "Doc" Howes, who had been placed on the program for a speech but passed up his forensic classic when he found an opportunity to secure Mr. Erwin for the occasion, knowing that our silver-tongued County Superintendent is a prime favorite of the Kiwanians.

Mr. Erwin opened with some of his inimitable jokes, the first being his thrust at the bachelors, saying that he viewed with alarm the incorrigible bachelorhood of the club. He told the joke of the boy and girl, courting in the moonlight. The bashful boy was slow in his courting, and finally when the girl wanted to know why he did not kiss her, responded, "I can't, for I have sand in my mouth." "Swallow it," said the girl, "you need it." All of which evidently went to show that the speaker thought some of the Kiwanis bachelors need "more sand."

Then leaving the field of fun, Mr. Erwin returned to the serious, and held the audience spell bound while he told of the educational work of the county, opening with the statement that it takes courage to face the responsibilities devolving upon him as County Superintendent. He then ably discussed his policy and the work of the various schools of the county, the completion of the consolidation plan and the accomplishment of the teacher training, declaring that Rutherford county is ahead in this work. It was also brought out that we will have nine accredited elementary schools in the county before the end of the year. The speaker paid a glowing tribute

to the County Board of Education, the school boards and also the heads of the various schools, declaring that the fine work accomplished was through their wise judgment and splendid co-operation. He also expressed his appreciation of the fine support and loyalty of the Kiwanis Club, saying that all these things—the fine spirit and co-operation—made Rutherford County what it is educationally. And The Courier wishes to add here, that the splendid work of the County Superintendent has had a large share in contributing to the wonderful strides the County is making in its educational system. He is ably qualified for his work, and his wonderful faith and enthusiasm is contagious and draws to him the support of all elements. He is doing a splendid work and the county is fortunate in having such an able superintendent.

Mr. Erwin paid glowing tribute to the local school board, and the school heads, enumerating many of the splendid accomplishments of Cool Springs Schools. He was enthusiastic in his praise of the great work being accomplished by the agricultural students of the county, saying that these courses would do much to advance the county in its important agricultural work. He warmly approves the plan to train our boys and girls in home economics and agriculture, which fits them better to stay in our homes and help in the development of our county.

Mr. Erwin also ably discussed the tax situation and is a warm supporter of the eight months school term. He does not want any additional taxes on the people, but says the untapped resources should be tapped.

Among the visitors Monday evening were W. S. Moss, R. E. Biggerstaff, E. E. Smart and Supt. C. A. Erwin.

Have you noticed the new Kiwanis signs? That was the question asked by M. H. Hewitt, when reporting the new markers just erected by order of the Kiwanis Club.

It is reported elsewhere how and why the club appointed a Hotel Committee.

Miss Mary Crowell has returned to Shelby after spending two weeks here on account of illness.

## FOREST CITY TO PLAY SHELBY AT SPINDALE FRIDAY

Cliffside Highs Lose to Cool Springs Tuesday 24-14—Last Game of Group 7 Friday

Forest City, Feb. 19.—Forest City defeated Cliffside at Boiling Springs 24-14 Tuesday night in a hard fought game to eliminate the Cliffside team from the State Championship Contest. The Cliffside team put up a game fight and encouraged by the presence of hundreds of screaming Cliffside supporters possibly played their best game of the season. The "Golden Tornado" team was supported by their usual enthusiastic cheering squad of students and town fans.

By eliminating Cliffside from the Championship series Forest City won the right to play Shelby at Spindale Friday night in the last game of Group 7. Shelby has defeated Stanley High School and Claremont (The winner of the Fallston-Claremont game) while Forest City has defeated Central High School of Rutherfordton and Cliffside (winner of the Henrietta-Caroleen and Cliffside game). Of the eight schools starting in group 7 only one will remain after Friday night and it is needless to say that both Shelby and Forest City will put up a hard fight to stay in the series. Interest in the game is high and a large crowd of fans from all over Rutherford county will be present to cheer the remaining Rutherford County team to a victory over the Cleveland County team. Should Forest City win a new schedule will be made out for the eight teams left of the sixty in the Western District. The final game for the State Championship between the winner of the West and the winner of the East will be played at Chapel Hill on March 9th.

## SPINDALE SCOUTS ENJOY BANQUET

Anniversary Week Activities of Spindale Boy Scouts Closed With Parents-Scout Banquet

Spindale, Feb. 20.—A Boy Scout Parents-Son banquet was held in the gym of the Spindale House Tuesday night, and was well attended, twenty-five Boy Scouts and eighteen scout officials and parents being present.

The banquet was the closing event of the Nineteenth Anniversary week of Boy Scouting. During the past week the Spindale Boy Scouts have appropriately observed anniversary week in exercises in church, school and outside activities.

Mr. Fred C. Kinzie was toastmaster. The fine repast served to the scouts and parents was served by the local Parent-Teachers Association. Immediately after the luncheon Mr. Kinzie requested Mr. J. H. Hill, scoutmaster of the Spindale troop, to make any comments he desired on the Scout work. Mr. Hill told of the work of the Spindale troop, and gave some statistics on the troop. He was followed by Prof. Clyde A. Erwin, county superintendent of schools, who commended the scouts for their good accomplishments. Mr. R. M. Schiele, scout executive of the Piedmont Council, next spoke on Scouting in a general way, appealing both to the parents and scouts.

After the talks were concluded the scouts gave a number of yells, and the meeting was concluded with the Indian benediction.

Eighteen scout officials and parents and twenty-five Boy Scouts were present.

## REBUILDING FIRE DAMAGED STORE

Mr. Cowan Blanton set a force of carpenters at work Monday working to rebuild his storeroom damaged by fire recently. The work will be pushed rapidly and upon completion the building will be re-occupied by Mr. Jack Michalove with his Leader Store.

## Forest City May Get New Hotel

Kiwanis Club Appoints Special Committee to Work For Badly Needed New Hostelry

Opens Drug Store



MR. O. J. MOONEYHAM

Mr. O. J. Mooneyham, of Henrietta, is opening a drug store in connection with the Haynes Store No. 1, at Avondale. Mr. Mooneyham has been connected with the Henrietta Drug Company for sometime, and is a first rate druggist. He will carry a complete line of drugs, toilet articles and a general line of other items usually found in first-class drug stores.

## DEATH CLAIMS AVONDALE WOMAN

Mrs. Essie Hunsinger Dies in Hospital Monday After Long Illness

Avondale, Feb. 20.—Mrs. Essie Hunsinger died Monday morning in the Rutherford Hospital where she was taken for treatment. She had been in ill health for some time and was taken to that institution last week, where her condition became worse, death claiming her at 8:30 o'clock Monday morning.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at High Shoals Baptist Church, with her pastor in charge of the funeral services. Interment was in the High Shoals cemetery.

Mrs. Hunsinger is survived by her husband, three small children, several brothers and sisters, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Baynard, of Alexander.

Mrs. Hunsinger was thirty-three years of age.

## MEETING WITH SUCCESS IN NEW YORK CITY

Miss Ellis Credie, who was a member of the Forest City Grammar school faculty a few years ago being head of the art department, has met with great success in her art work since going to New York City.

Specimens of her work in drawings for Saks, used in a New York shopping guide, have just been received by a friend here. These drawings show great merit and her art work is in great demand in the great metropolis.

Miss Credie made many friends while in this city who will be pleased to learn of her success.

## KIWANIANS TO TAKE VETS TO REUNION

Rutherfordton, Feb. 19.—Plans are being made by the Rutherfordton Kiwanis Club to transport all Confederate veterans who wish to go, to the Confederate reunion in Charlotte in June. Any Confederate veteran in Rutherford county desiring to attend the reunion and have no way or means of doing so are asked to get in touch with Mr. J. H. Burwell, secretary of the Rutherfordton Kiwanis club, Rutherfordton.

It seems that at last a definite move has been made to procure for Forest City the greatly needed new hotel; for with the appointment Monday night of a special Hotel Committee, to work in co-operation with the Industrial Committee of the Kiwanis Club, something should eventuate from the efforts of the Club and this special committee.

President Charles Z. Flack appointed on the Hotel Committee John W. Dalton, H. H. Doggett, Marshall Giles and C. E. Alcock. The purpose of this committee is to advise with certain individuals whom they think may be interested in building a hotel, to show the need of the hostelry and in every way cooperate with any party or parties whom they may interest in the project.

It is an outstanding fact that the field is open for a new hotel in Forest City, and that, without any doubt, it can be made a paying proposition. The committee will appreciate any suggestions or help from any individual interested in the growth and prosperity of our city. If you know of anyone whom you think would be interested in giving this paying project consideration, please report to any one of the Hotel Committee, so that they may advise with them and show just why it is a profitable investment to build a new hotel in this splendid field. Let everybody cooperate in this move to get the new hotel, and we feel sure we can get the proposition over and have some one interested and willing to undertake the building of the new hostelry.

About all that is needed is for this committee to be in position to furnish self-evident facts on the need of a hotel, to be able to show interested parties that is a paying proposition and a safe and sound investment. If you are interested in your city's welfare join in with the Kiwanians in boosting and planning for the new hotel.

The movement is now definitely under way. Let there be no let up until the brick are being laid for our badly needed hotel.

## CENTRAL HIGH STUDENTS VISIT POTATO HOUSE

Prof. Robinson, teacher of vocational agriculture in Rutherfordton-Spindale Central high school, brought a number of the students of his agricultural class to Forest City Wednesday morning, where they were allowed to inspect the potato curing house. Mr. O. J. Holler accompanied the class and explained the method of storing and curing the potatoes, and answered other questions of the class.

## MR. J. P. CARPENTER HURT IN AUTOMOBILE WRECK

Mr. J. P. Carpenter, of Cliffside, was severely cut about the head and otherwise bruised and injured when the Ford car he was driving left the road and struck a telephone pole early Monday night. The accident occurred just beyond the residence of Prof. Lovelace on the Caroleen road. The glare from the headlights of a passing car blinded Mr. Carpenter, causing him to let his car jump from the road and cause the wreck.

He was severely injured in the crash and suffered the loss of considerably blood from a severe cut from broken glass. A most fortunate circumstance was the passing of Dr. F. B. Scruggs shortly after the accident, who gave him immediate attention and then took him to his home. While severely injured, it is reported that should no complications arise, Mr. Carpenter should have an early recovery from his injuries.