## CHURCHES PRESENT CAR TO REV. DAVID J. HUNT

Biography of One of Most in part as follows: Prominent Baptist Ministers In County Read At Presentation Ceremony.

Forest City, R-2, Sept. 17.-The Springs, all in Rutherford county and federacy. Chevrolet Coach Sunday at Adaville known Baptist minister.

#### Presents New Car.

citizen and active worker in the pay his expenses in school. Adaville church was one of the origiwho spoke briefly; Mt. Olivet by Mr. Clay Blanton who told how easy it was to raise funds in his church for the car. Mr. McDonald spoke for Adaville church. Mr.L. C. Price, well known mail carrier on Hollis, route 1, farmer and active member of Mt. Olivet church presented the keys of the car to Rev. Hunt in a short and appropriate talk. Rev. Hunt responded in a short and pleasing address, stating that he accepted it in love and with the idea of rendering more service for his Master. He stated that his old "Ford" had been a faithful servant to him and that it had carried him to many a funeral, marriage and church service and that he would keep it in his family, as it had about "Seen it's best day."

Editor R. E. Price of the Ruther-

of the life of Rev. Hunt, which was

#### Born In Tennessee.

Rev. David Jesse Hunt was born on a farm near Jonesboro, Tenn., May 6, 1864. His parents had twelve children and he was the fourth. His father was captured in 1863 by the four country churches of Rev. D. J. Federal forces, while he was serving Hunt, Mt. Olivet, Adaville, Holly his country in the cause of the Con-

Green River church, in Polk county Mr. Hunt went to Sunday school presented their pastor with a new and church from infancy. He attended a four months subscription school when five years old and got impreschurch, following the regular month- sions from a saintly teacher that are ly services there Sunday morning. still with him. When Mr. Hunt was The car was filled up with gas and 13 years of age his people erected oil and had a license plate attached, a good school house and employed a when it was presented to the well- college trained teacher. This was the rising, "Star of Hope" for many. Mr. Hunt attended part of three schools. He rang the bell, swept floors and Mr. Monroe McDonald, well-known did anything that he could to help

Rev. Hunt expected to teach his nators of the idea to give the pastor first school near Carson college, Tenn. a new car. He was in charge of the but sickness caused him to lose a program. Green River church was year in school. He then joined the represented by Mr. C. W. Davis; church, lined up for service and Holly Springs by Mr. G. M. Cole, taught school near home. The next year he taught near the college, where he was so sick the year before. In 1890 he was chosen to represent his society in a joint debate. The next year, while in college he did substitute teaching in English and Science and was elected principal of the city graded school.

> In 1893 he took work in the country at Mill Springs. He taught school during the week and preached on Sunday. He enrolled 91 students the first year. From Friday evening thru Sunday night, 47 of the 91 students were saved and joined the church Within six weeks. 90 of his students were Christians.

ordained and in July of the same year was called as pastor of Limestone launched. ford County News, Rutherfordton, church, 80 miles away. In 35 days | Cliffside raised its full quota of

was born to this union. Mrs. Hunt forts of their pastor, Rev. D. died January 27, 1902.

#### Establishes Round Hill.

After some preparatory work at Carson-Newman college, Tenn., Rev. Hunt moved to Union Mills June 23, 1899 and started the erection of what was later Round Hill Academy. With the help of Mr. J. P. Nanney a building was erected and a school started in October 1899 with 60 pupils enrolled. After Mrs. Hunt's health failed, her sister, Miss N. M. Livingstone succeeded her as a teachsociation. Rev. C. B. Justice was

After having taught seven years at Round Hill and having been moderator of the Green River Association for four years, Mr. Hunt resigned to do some special studying at the Southern Baptist Theological Semientered the Seminary he had saved Union Mills. After some hard work

On December 24, 1914 Mr. Hunt was married to Miss Geneva C. Gardin. Four children were born to this union. On Dec. 29, 1923 Mrs. Hunt passed away. This was another severe blow to Mr. Hunt, but he was not to be discouraged he trusted in God and went forth to do his work.

#### Pastor at Cliffside.

school three years and was also pastor of the Baptist church. He was Associational chairman of the Million Dollar campaign. The quota of In January 1894 Rev. Hunt was Cliffside church was \$23,000 and they raised \$29,000. While at Cliffside the \$75,000,000 campaign was

spoke briefly and read a short sketch preceding Christmas of 1894 Mr. \$12,000, Sandy Plains, another of bargain prices.

Hunt saw a total of 150 conversions. Rev Hunt's churches, raised \$6,000 On July 30, 1896 he was married over her quota while Ellenboro did to Miss Julia S. Livingstone, near not quite reach her quota, \$5,000. Morristown, Tenn., a native of North A total of \$23,000 was pledged by Carolina. One child, Mary Sue Hunt these three churches, thru the ef-

> While at Cliffside the Haynes Memorial church was organized and Rev. Hunt was called as pastor. While at Cliffside, Ellenboro erected a handsome \$17,000 house of worship. While at Cliffside, the Hunt Baraca Class sent their pastor to the Southern Baptist Convention at Washington, D. C. He was appointed to preach in the Capital City on Sunday morning of the convention.

After leaving Cliffside, September er. In 1900 Round Hill church gave 27, 1921, Rev. Hunt spent two years the Academy to the Green River As- in Spindale. Here much good was accomplished and the work progresselected president of the Board of ed. On September 26, 1923 the family moved to the home of Mrs. Hunt's parents, at Glenwood, near the Rutherford-McDowell line, in McDowell county, where they reside today.

### School Teacher.

A summary of the work of Rev. Hunt shows the following: schools nary, Louisville, Ky. When Rev. Hunt taught, 35; churches served, 26; years of service to churches, total \$50, but he was not to be discour- 85; churches organized, 3; churches aged. After leaving the Seminary built and helped to build, 5; dedicaand holding meetings in Kentucky tion sermons delivered, 5; educationand Georgia, Mr. Hunt returned to al plants erected, 1; commencement sermons preached 2; commencement there he took up pastoral work at addresses, 4; associational sermons, Shiloh and Cliffside Baptist churches. 4. He has conducted hundreds and possibly thousands of funerals, baptized numerous church members and has married many happy couples.

Indeed his life has been one of service. The car was presented by his four churches in a spirit of love and helpfulness. All stated that it was an easy matter to raise funds with which to purchase the car. The Ban-While at Cliffside Rev. Hunt taught ner Chevrolet Co., made a liberal donation towards the car.

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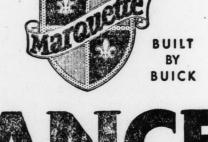
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