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## THE COUNTY CLUB CELEBRATES 7TH ANNIVERSARY

Evangelist George T. Stephens, Dr. Baxter Haynes, and C. H. Flory Among Speakers At Friday's Meeting.

Spindale, Nov. 18.—The November meeting of the Rutherford County Club was held at the Spindale House here Friday at one o'clock. Fifty plates were served by the ladies of the Missionary Society of the First Baptist church, of Spindale.

Mr. C. F. Cline, president, presided, and call upon Rev. R. T. Baker to return thanks. During the luncheon hour a primary was held for 1930 officers.

Mr. Powell Lee, director of music at the Stephens tabernacle, was present, and enlivened the meeting with several song selections during the lunch, period, in which all members of the Club joined. He was accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Powell Lee.

Evangelist George T. Stephens was next introduced. He brought a stirring message to the club, and one much appreciated by all of his hearers. He spoke on "Spiritual Problems." He declared that this was the most embarrassing problem facing the American people today and characterized the home as the world's greatest institution.

Rev. W. G. Haymaker extended an invitation to the Club as a whole to attend the tabernacle services Thursday night, November 21. That night has been set aside as "Civic Clubs night," at which time representatives from the Rutherfordton and Forest City Kiwanis Clubs, the Henrietta-Caroleen-Cliffside Lions club and the Rutherford County Club will be present.

Charles H. Flory, assistant State Forester, of Raleigh, was presented by R. E. Price. Mr. Flory explained the work of the state forestry department, and gave some interesting facts and figures.

Dr. Baxter Haynes, of Spartanburg, spoke briefly, and took occasion to pay tributes to Dr. Henry Norris and the late S. B. Tanner and R. R. Haynes. He gave some interesting reminiscences of Rutherford county of twenty-five year ago.

This meeting of the County Club marked the seventh anniversary of its organization. The club was organized at a meeting held in the old Spindale Inn, at Spindale, in November, 1922.

## "BALE PER ACRE" BANQUET SOON

Contest Will Close on Saturday, December 14.—Banquet Will Be Held Following Contest.

The Agricultural committee of the Forest City Kiwanis club have announced the week of December 16th as the date for their "Bale-Per-Acre" banquet. The 5-acre contest for the farmers of Cool Springs township will close on Saturday, Dec. 14th, and all reports should be in the hands of D. H. Sutton by sunset of that day. The fifty farmers and twenty boys who have enrolled in that contest have already reported some excellent yields, a number reporting more than a bale to the acre already. The district banquet at Charlotte, two weeks later, will have an attendance of at least sixty farmers and boys from this township.

The prizes in the 5-acre contest amount to more than \$300.00 and the judges, Terry Moore, J. W. Eaks and D. H. Sutton, believe that the contest will be very close. These prizes, which were given by business firms of Forest City are made up of cash and valuable merchandise, and have been of much value in the creating of interest in the contest. The Kiwanis club and the Department of Agriculture of the high school are greatly indebted to the business firms for their cooperation.

## Rutherford County Men Who Will Decide Fate of Strikers



—Courtesy The Asheville Citizen

The twelve men pictured here compose the jury hearing the evidence in the strikers' trial now under way in the McDowell County Superior Court. They are, front row: Harold Williams, J. A. Frady, P. H. Poole, Frank Kelley, C. A. Toms, G. McDaniel; back row: L. P. Rollins, J. O. Ledbetter, R. R. Scruggs, J. A. Peeler, J. D. Weeks, Jr., and J. F. Taylor.

## PLAN TO ENLARGE CITY LIBRARY

Woman's Club Departments to Raise Funds to Purchase Additional Books For Library.

The finance committee of the Literary and American Home departments of the local Woman's Club met in the ladies' rest room at the city hall Monday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock to discuss and formulate plans to raise funds to enlarge the public library. The library is in urgent need of more books to supply the increasing number of patrons. Mrs. W. C. Huntley, our librarian, reports that books suitable for children of the grades one to three are in great demand.

This committee of the Woman's Club has fallen upon a unique plan to raise funds to help supply these much needed books; a plan which will not place a financial burden on any individual but one that will place a large number of new books in our library with all the citizens of the town and community cooperating heartily with the members of the Woman's Club.

Just how many mickles it take to make a muckle, probably nobody ever calculated, but the finance committee of the Woman's Club has learned that sixteen pennies make one foot. There are 214 feet around the city hall, in which the public library is located. It will take 3,424 pennies to encircle the city hall one time. It is the plan of this committee to canvass the city and ask each individual to donate one foot of pennies, or the small sum of, sixteen cents. It is believed that many will want to contribute yards of pennies toward this worthy cause.

Friday and Saturday, November 22nd and 23rd, are the days set apart to canvass the city. Get your change ready. Let's see how many times we can encircle the city hall with pennies.

If any one doubts that sixteen pennies make one foot, find the window in which the poster of the Woman's Club is on display.

## FOOTBALL FRIDAY.

Forest City Hi will meet Cliffside Hi on the local field Friday afternoon. Game called at 3:45 p. m. Will be a good game, don't miss it.

Mr. Wilkie T. Meares, of the post-office force, is confined to his bed with appendicitis. As we go to press the latest report is that he is more comfortable today. His friends wish him a speedy recovery and that he will soon be well enough to get back on his job as clerk in the postoffice.

## Rutherford Men Jury On Marion Strike Cases

Three Days Taken in Picking Jury From List of 175 Men From This County.

Marion, Nov. 18.—After exhausting a venire of 100 men, drawn from Rutherford county, and part of the second special venire of seventy-five men, also drawn from Rutherford county, the jury was selected to try the Marion strikers, for alleged violence. The trial opened Tuesday, Nov. 12, and the jury was completed Friday. Those chosen for jury duty follows: John F. Taylor, farmer; Gordon M. McDaniel, farmer; J. A. Peeler, farmer; L. P. Rollins, mill employee; C. A. Toms, farmer; J. D. Weeks, farmer; R. R. Scruggs, filling station operator; P. H. Poole, mill employee; Frank Allen, Mill employee; Howard Williams, farmer; J. O. Ledbetter, farmer and John F. Rady, farmer.

The trial entered its second week Monday. The first testimony in the trial was given Friday.

On trial are Alfred Hoffman, organizer for the United Textile Workers of America; Wes Fowler, Lawrence Hogan, Del Lewis and J. Hugh Hall. All the defendants are union members except Hall.

Testimony already given in the case has centered around five unlawful acts alleged to have been committed by strikers and sympathizers. The first was an attack, related by Sheriff Oscar Adkins, upon workmen engaged in unloading cotton and coal at the Marion Manufacturing Company mill on July 17. Again on August 16, Sheriff Adkins testified, strikers attacked him and a group of deputies as they were serving eviction papers upon strikers who lived in mill owned houses.

Testimony has also been presented that strikers on August 19 refused Clinchfield Mill and on August 30 ed to permit workers to enter the threw furniture from the house of a workman employed by the Clinchfield Mill after a strike started there and attacked Sheriff Adkins and deputies when they attempted to protect the furniture.

The fifth act of violence attributed by the State to strikers in testimony was the dynamiting of mill machinery at the Clinchfield Mill the night of August 29.

A riot on October 2 at the Marion Manufacturing Company mill in which six strikers were wounded fatally has not as yet been brought into the present trial. Eight sheriff's deputies are under indictment for murder in connection with the killings. Judge G. V. Cowper, presiding at a special term of court called here

## Legion Doubles Its Membership

The Willis Towery Post, American Legion, doubled its membership since November 11th. Prior to November 1st the membership was 52. A number of ex-soldiers joined the post Armistice Day, and with the members that have since been secured the total membership is now 105. This places the Post among the few posts of the state who doubled their membership during November.

A meeting of the local post will be held in the City Hall here Thursday (tonight) at 7:30 o'clock. All members are urged to be present.

## CIVIC CLUBS NIGHT AT TABERNACLE

Stephens County-Wide Revival Resulting in Many Conversions—Inclement Weather Lowers Attendance.

Spindale, Nov. 20.—Due to inclement weather the attendance at the Stephens tabernacle was not up to expectations last week. On last Thursday night the tabernacle was practically filled with people on occasion of "Forest City night". A large delegation, which filled one side of the huge building, were present from Forest City. Union services were held in the tabernacle Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, when the congregations of all of the Spindale churches gathered for preaching services. Special services for all denominations were held at the tabernacle Sunday afternoon, and on Sunday night the young peoples organizations of all denominations met at the Presbyterian church for services. At the same time the men of the town met at the Spindale House for prayer service.

Splendid results are being shown in the meeting. Several conversions were reported throughout the week, and each service adds to the number.

Thursday night (tonight) will be Civic Clubs Night, when members of the Rutherford County Club, Rutherfordton and Forest City Kiwanis Clubs, the Henrietta-Caroleen-Cliffside-Avondale Lions Club, their sweethearts and wives will be special guests at the tabernacle.

to handle cases arising from labor disorders, has announced he will permit a change of venue for their trial. In making the announcement Saturday he said he would name the county to which the trials will be removed Monday.

## Red Cross Roll Call This Week

Rutherford People Asked to Support Worthy Institution--County Officials of Organization Announced.

### Annual Sunrise Service At First Baptist Church

One of the sweetest and most beautiful services held by the First Baptist church here, is the annual sunrise service held each Thanksgiving morning. At this time the members meet in the church and express their thanks for the many blessings they have received during the year. Several have not missed any of these services which have been held for the past six years.

This service is held at 7 a. m., and everyone, regardless of denomination, is cordially invited to be present.

## TRAIN HITS TRUCK AND INJURES MAN

Otho Melton Seriously Injured When Truck is Demolished by C. C. & O. Passenger Train Tuesday.

Spindale, Nov. 20.—Mr. Otho Melton, of this place, was seriously injured Tuesday afternoon at 4:05 when the truck he was driving was struck by a C. C. & O. passenger train No. 38, at Blanton siding, near Alexander. The truck was almost demolished, Mr. Melton suffered severe injuries about the head, and the smoking car of the passenger train was damaged.

Mr. Melton was hauling poplar blocks from near Blanton siding. He drove up the incline to the crossing, and as the front of the truck went on the track the train struck the truck, and threw it off the tracks. The train came to a stop a short distance away, and the crew secured an ambulance and sent Mr. Melton to the Rutherford hospital.

The truck was badly damaged by the impact, and a smoking car, attached to the passenger train was disabled. The smoker was sidetracked, and left.

A telephone message from the Rutherford hospital, as The Courier goes to press, states that Mr. Melton is in a serious condition, but his recovery is expected.

Friends will be sorry to hear of the illness of Mrs. W. R. Harrill, who is confined to her home with a bad case of tonsillitis.

Mr. T. R. Padgett, who has been quite ill for the past week, is showing improvement.

DEY'S JES' TWO PLACES WHAH DE RICH EN DE PO' EN DE HIGH EN DE LOW' MEETS TOGETHER EN GITS A BLESSIN', EN DAT'S IN DE CHUCH-HOUSE EN DE PIGGLY WIGGLY STO'.



The annual Red Cross Roll Call for Rutherford county will be held this week, November 20 to the 23rd inclusive. From Wednesday to Saturday every public spirited citizen in the county will be asked to join. The membership fee is only one dollar per year. Superintendent L. E. Spikes, of the Rutherfordton-Spindale Central high school is county chairman and Rev. E. B. Jenkins, of Rutherfordton, is Roll Call chairman; Mrs. Badger C. Williams, of Rutherfordton, is treasurer and Prof. W. R. Hill, of Rutherfordton, is secretary.

All the officials and workers of the county held a get-together meeting and dinner at the Iso-thermal Hotel Monday evening, at 6:30 o'clock at which time tentative plans for carrying on the campaign were made.

One person from each town and community has been appointed to solicit funds for their localities. It is hoped to secure at least 1,000 members in Rutherford county. It is hoped to secure enough funds to employ a Red Cross nurse for part time, at least.

During the last seven years the Red Cross has expended in direct disaster work from its general funds a total of \$6,500,000, or an average of \$936,000 per year, over and above the restricted contributions for disasters.

The Red Cross is always on the job in time of disaster. Victims of floods, tornadoes, wrecks, etc., always get help from the Red Cross. It does good in many other ways.

Half of the \$1.00 membership fee stays in the local treasury to do good in our country.

## FUNERAL HELD FOR MRS. J. M. HAMRICK

Henrietta Woman Passes After Lingering Illness—Funeral At High Shoals Church Saturday, Nov. 16.

Henrietta, Nov. 19.—Mrs. J. M. Hamrick, aged 68 years, died at her home here Friday morning at one o'clock. She had been in ill health sometime, suffering from pellagra, which caused her death.

Funeral services were held at High Shoals Baptist church Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. J. A. Brock was in charge of the funeral services, assisted by Rev. W. T. Tate, of Pacolet, S. C., Dr. Zeno Wall, of Shelby, and Dr. Suttles, of Shelby. Interment was in the High Shoals cemetery.

Mrs. Hamrick is survived by the following children: L. P. Hamrick, M. F. Hamrick, Mrs. S. Holland, of Henrietta; Mrs. G. L. Holland and R. B. Hamrick, of Forest City; Mrs. C. G. Long; Mrs. J. A. Turner, of Charlotte; Mrs. C. D. Moore, of Shelby. One brother and one sister, as follows, survive: J. L. Hopper, Shelby and Mrs. S. B. Thornton, of Suwanee, Ga. Her husband preceded her to the grave sometime ago. Thirty grandchildren and seventeen great grandchildren also survive.

Pall bearers were Messrs. Eugene Holland, Ed Cantrel, Tom Moore, L. Jolley, Una Hamrick, D. Hopper. Flower girls were Mildred, Grace and Jessie Hamrick, Mary Sue and Ruth Turner, Katherine, Mary Sue and Sarah Holland, Grace Cantrell, Sarah Doggett, Effie Daniel, Mrs. Tom Moore, Mrs. Janet Porter, Mrs. Ed. Cantrell, Mrs. W. C. Hightower and Mrs. Chivous Tate.

Mrs. Hamrick was a member of the Henrietta Baptist church, where she had held membership almost since the organization of the church.