

CONFEDERATE VET, AGED 90, DIES

Mr. Paul S. Searcy, of Uree, Passes—Member of Co. F, 62nd, Regiment.

Uree, R-2, Apr. 21.—Mr. Paul S. Searcy, well known citizen and Confederate veteran died at his home in this section last Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock and was buried at Bill's Creek Baptist church Thursday afternoon with Revs. J. M. Brown and L. N. Epley in charge. A large crowd attended. Pall-bearers were grandsons as follows: Levi, Aden, Glenn, Ed and Phillip Searcy and Frank Elliott, while the many beautiful flowers were carried by Misses Nannie Dalton, Donna Mae Earley, Audie Lee and Mattie Flynn, Flora McDaniel and Ina Wilson.

Mr. Searcy would have been 99 years old had he lived until April 30th. He was twice married. First to Elmira Dalton. To this union were born ten children, nine of whom are living as follows. John S. Searcy, Henderson county; Joe

S., W. P., T. R., S. L., Sam and Flynn Searcy, all of this section; Mrs. Tilda Bradley, of South Carolina and Mrs. Plato Elliott, of Green Hill section.

His second marriage was to Annie Arrowood and six children were born to this union, as follows: Mrs. Julius Melton and Mrs. Frank Nix, Shingle Hollow section; Mrs. James Koon, Green Hill; Mrs. Furman Skipper, South Carolina; Melvin, at home and Manley Searcy, of Polk county. Mesdames Melvin and Nix are twins, also Koon and Skipper. Seventy grandchildren and 48 great grandchildren also survive.

Until a few months ago Mr. Searcy was unusually hale and hearty for one of his age. He was an active church member for nearly 70 years and a magistrate for many years. In 1861 he volunteered as a Confederate soldier in Company F, of the 62nd Western North Carolina Regiment. He was in the same company with Aden Rucker, Andrew Hyder, Mike Justice, later judge of this district. Captain Cowan and Colonel Love were his high officers.

Taken Prisoner.

After the battle of Cumberland Gap, Mr. Searcy was captured as a Federal prisoner and carried to Camp Douglas in Chicago where he remained until the close of the War Between the States. Although they were on the shores of Lake Michigan they were allowed only one pint of water per day, and that was in the evenings. The water was used in the streets during the day, in most in-

stances. They got "Ten Days Rations" i. e., the same menu was served for that time. Bacon and beef were served alternately. Often one day's rations was not sufficient for one meal. Many of the men joined the working squad for it was easier to pass time and the workers got more to eat.

After the first six months the food supply of the Confederate prisoners was cut in half, due to the fact that the South could only partly feed the Federal prisoners and this was done to retaliate. The sick men got little attention. Of the 63 men imprisoned with Mr. Searcy of Company F, 31 were living when the War closed.

Mr. Searcy often discussed his prison days in Chicago and once stated that he had sat up with the dead and dying all night. They were not allowed to speak above a whisper after dark. One night four men near Mr. Searcy's bunk were heard talking by the Federal guards. After asking several times, "who was talking," there was no answer and the guards ordered every man to dress and be in line within 15 minutes if any man refused, he was to be shot.

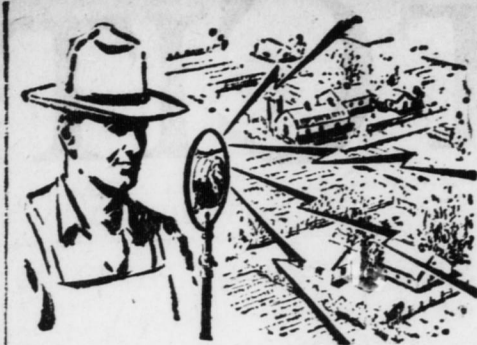
Seached at Intervals.

Mr. Searcy stated some time ago that if Lincoln had not been assassinated he would have been released from prison 60 days earlier than he was for there was 60 days of mourning. When they were released from prison and ready to come home, they were given a free railroad ticket but no allowance for meals. Their pay was \$11 per month. The soldiers were searched at regular intervals to prevent them buying their way out of prison from their guards, according to Mr. Searcy.

After Mr. Searcy was released from the prison in Chicago, he traveled three days and nights via rail without any food. It took him three days to reach Baltimore, Md. The next day he arrived in Charlotte and found that he could not cross the Catawba River, as the Federal army had burned all the bridges. He walked to his home near Chimney Rock from Charlotte, after his long ride from Chicago, without much to eat, glad to get to walk home.

He enjoyed relating instances of his prison life in Chicago and always enjoyed attending the May 10 reunions here when his health would permit. Despite his cruel treatment in the Federal Prison he urged the younger generation to hold no malice against the North, as the great struggle was over and the people are now united.

"He has crossed over the river to rest under the shade of the tree with the immortal followers of Lee and Jackson."



MR. AVERAGE FARMER BROADCASTS....

"Well, folks, I'm back on the job again this week, broadcasting from Station FYBL—YOURS FOR BETTER LIVESTOCK. I'm proud to say that I heard lots of comment on my last talk. Sure made me feel good because I didn't know whether anyone was listening in or not.

"I almost didn't get here this time, as I have been out on a field trip with the cow tester in the D. H. I. A. of which I am a member. He certainly didn't forget the three principles on which the associations are founded—WEED, BREED, FEED.

Here was his main talking point, and I think it's a good one; BREED for improvement of the herd, FEED for improvement of the individual. He left a sound warning with each member we visited—DON'T DEPEND ON GRASS ALONE FOR FEED.

"Do you think you could do a full day's work every day with nothing to eat but cabbage, or lettuce, or celery, without even a bit of bread? Then how do you expect your cow to do the work expected of her if she has nothing but grass?

"Fresh green grass is mostly water and must have some help in producing milk. The cows should be broken in on the grass slowly and allowed to run on pasture only a short time each day for the first few days, while the winter roughage is being reduced gradually, and while the grain feeding is being reduced to one pound of the following for each 4 or 5 pounds of milk: ground corn, hominy, or barley, 300 pounds; ground oats, 100 pounds; wheat bran, 100 pounds; linseed meal, 25 pounds.

"Now, don't get too anxious about the new grass, but break in on it gradually and keep up the proper amount of grain feed right on through the spring and summer. If you need any help on the subject just drop me a line, to XYL Box 420, New London, Wisconsin. Well, you'll hear from me again soon. Station, FYBL—YOURS FOR BETTER LIVESTOCK, signing off. Goodby."



TRUSTEE'S SALE OF LAND

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain deed of trust dated the 31st day of May, 1929, made and executed by Cleter Spikes, Dan Hull, Lee Hampton, George Rogers and Gilbert Peeler, Trustees John Simmons Lodge, to Marvin Doggett, trustee, and appearing of record in the office of the Register of Deeds of Rutherford County in Book A-8 of Deeds of Trusts, on Page 160, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured thereby, and the holders of the same having requested the trustee named therein to sell the said property in accordance with the provisions of the said deed of trust, the undersigned will offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash at the court house door in Rutherford County, N. C., on

SATURDAY, MAY 17, 1936.

at about the hour of 12 o'clock, M., the following described real estate: Tract of land lying and being in the town of Forest City, North Carolina, and on the West side of Hardin street, being lot No. 10 in Block "F" of the Weathers Subdivision of the Harrill and Huntley property as shown on map made by J. A. Wilkie, Surveyor, and on record in the office of the Register of Deeds for Rutherford County in Book _____ at Page _____, reference to which is made for a more complete description of said lot.

Being that same lot or parcel of land as conveyed by Deed from Marvin Doggett, trustee, to Doggett & Champion, which deed is of record in the Register of Deeds office for Rutherford County, N. C., in Book 135, at Page 535.

MARVIN DOGGETT, Trustee C. O. RIDINGS, Atty. 28-4t.

ELLENBORO HIGH DEFEATS TRYON TEAM

Ellenboro, Apr. 28.—The Country Gentlemen of the Ellenboro high school defeated Tryon high school on the local ground last Tuesday. 13 to 7. Claudius Allen allowed the

visitors just two hits, but two timely errors in the fifth inning by his teammates allowed the boys from Tryon to tally four runs.

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SOUTH MOUNTAIN

Bostic, R-3, Apr. 28.—School will close at South Mountain Institute on May 9th. The following program will be given:

May 4th, 7:30 p. m.—Bible and Missionary night; Speaker, Miss Bostic, China.

May 6th, 7:30 p. m.—Faculty party for seniors.

May 7th, 7:30 p. m.—Class night.

May 8th, 7:30 p. m.—Praise service and sermon, Rev. W. B. Sprinkle, Morganton, N. C.

May 9th, 10 a. m.—Pageant; Address, Speaker to be announced; Three minutes talks; Presentation of diplomas and awards.

All interested friends are invited. During the Easter holidays all the primary, junior and senior folks were made very happy by a large gift of eggs which made egg hunts possible. Friends from Morganton and Rutherfordton made the above gifts.

A piano was presented to our school by Mrs. F. I. Barber, of Forest City. We are indeed grateful to her for this lovely gift.

In the past week we have had several groups of visitors. Some were from Forest City, Morganton, Marion Rutherfordton, Lattimore, Gastonia, and Tryon. The junior B. Y. P. U. from Gastonia spent Monday afternoon at the school. The time was happily spent in ball games and visiting with guests.

Mr. Parmelee from Knoxville, Tenn., and father of one of our former teachers, paid us a visit last week.

Several of the students from here made a business trip to Shelby last Saturday. The trip was enjoyed by all.

Miss Abigail York, a tenth grade student, represented us in the county contest, by giving "Aunt Jerma's Courtship."

A number of students spent the Easter holidays with relatives. They all reported a good time.