

Rutherford County Offers Unequaled Opportunities To Manufacturers and Others

GASTONIA YOUTH KILLED AS TRUCK STRIKES TREE

Allen Price, 18, Dies Instantly When Truck Crashes Near Rutherfordton Thursday Morning.

Rutherfordton, Dec. 1.—Allen Price, 18, son of W. H. Price of the Avon Mills, Gastonia, was instantly killed here early Thursday morning when the truck in which he was driving left highway No. 20 in the west end of Rutherfordton and struck a large oak tree.

Price was thrown out and the heavy truck rebounded and crushed his life out. Marvin Pennington and Melvin Tony, both of Gastonia, were in the driver's seat with Price, and were only slightly injured. They were thrown over the radiator into a fill by the impact.

The party was en route to Waynesville, so states Pennington, who was held here in jail awaiting an investigation, to move Toney's father to Gastonia.

COMMISSIONERS HOLD SESSION

Geo. H. Blanton Elected Chairman of the Board—Monroe Carver Chain Gang Superintendent.

Rutherfordton, Dec. 3.—Monday was a busy day here. In addition to the first Monday a number of county officers were sworn in, which attracted a large number of people to the county seat. A crowd estimated at several hundred crowded the corridors of the court house Monday morning to witness the swearing in of the new officials.

Immediately after taking oath of office the new board of county commissioners, Messrs. George H. Blanton, J. P. Jones, and A. W. Deck entered into a business session. Mr. Geo. Blanton was elected chairman of the board. The day was spent in conferring with the old board in reference to unfinished business, and a few routine matters were attended to.

At the Tuesday session among other matters attended to was the appointment of a new superintendent of the chain gang. Mr. Monroe Carver of Rutherfordton, R-1, was appointed. Garret Edwards, traffic officer, was re-elected.

NEW FUNERAL HOME.

Padgett and King have moved into their new funeral home, next to the residence of Mr. T. R. Padgett, which has been thoroughly modeled, painted and equipped. The funeral home is the former A. McDaniel residence. Padgett and King now have one of the most modern and best equipped funeral homes in the county, and one of the two best embalmers in the county, the equipment including new and up-to-date funeral coach and ambulance. The new funeral home includes reception room and every convenience. Mr. Padgett is one of the oldest funeral dealers in the county, in service, and has been engaged in the undertaking business for about eighteen years.

WILL OBSERVE WEEK OF PRAYER

The Woman's Missionary Society, of the First Baptist church will observe week of prayer for Foreign missions, December 8th to 12th inclusive. The meetings will be held in the choir room each afternoon at 3:00 o'clock. The general business meeting will be held Wednesday afternoon in connection with the prayer meeting.

LEGIONNAIRES HOLD GOOD MEETING

Fred Williams Post Has Enthusiastic Meeting at Cliffside Monday Night—Largely Attended.

Cliffside, Dec. 2.—The Fred Williams Post No. 75, American Legion held a largely attended and enthusiastic meeting here Monday night in the Haynes Memorial building. Messrs. Clyde B. Edwards, B. B. Goode and L. G. Garvin local men arranged the program, which was one of the best this post has ever had.

While Rutherfordton is headquarters for this post, it has members in various sections of the county. Messrs. F. W. Jarvis, S. L. Powers and W. C. Barnes, all of Rutherfordton were appointed to arrange the January meeting, which will be held at the county seat on the night of January 5, 1931.

The Boiling Springs colored male quartet enlivened the occasion by singing a number of well known negro songs.

A play, "Silent Movies" was given by some students of the Cliffside high school with Miss Lou Jenkins in charge.

Commander D. C. Whitaker presided and introduced Supt. B. P. Caldwell of the Cliffside schools who delivered a short and instructive address. Mr. Caldwell pointed out that ex-service men are rendering an outstanding service and are active in community progress. He enumerated many things they are doing. In 1925, he said less than 1 per cent of the men who served in the World War were in any jail, on the chaingangs or in State prisons. He cited several instances of "disturbing stories of peace."

Following the meeting, oysters and smokes were served by wives of Legionnaires and high school teachers. They were introduced to the audience and given loud applause, also Mr. Robt. James, who cooked the oysters. The R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. of Winston-Salem donated 1,000 Camel cigarettes for the meeting, which was much appreciated.

One minute talks were made by F. S. Hall, R. E. Price, Joe C. Erwin, S. P. Dunagan, F. W. Jarvis and J. C. James. Each man present stood and told his name, where he lived and what outfit he served in during the World War.

NEW AND MODERN OFFICES FOR THE DOCTORS BOSTIC

Dr. W. C. Bostic, Sr., and son, Dr. W. C. Bostic, Jr., have moved into new and handsome quarters in the Blanton hotel building, occupying five rooms on the first floor. Their new offices have been equipped with the most modern equipment and up-to-date in every appointment. The offices compose reception room, private office, X-Ray room, treatment room and lavatory. The best feature of the new offices is the fact that they are all on the first floor, making them very accessible and convenient.

And, in passing, The Courier wants to pay tribute to the Doctors Bostic. There are no finer men, or more proficient, in the county, than these gentlemen—father and son. Standing at the head of their profession, they are known to every one in the county, and not only highly regarded for the professional ability, but loved by all for their gentle, kindly personal qualities.

Toy lamps and lanterns, very unique. Only 25c each. Stahl's Ten Cent Stores.

MRS. J. B. LONG IS CLAIMED BY DEATH

One of City's Best Known Women Passes Monday Night After Short Illness—Funeral Wednesday.

Mrs. J. B. Long, one of Forest City's best known women, died at her home here Monday night, at the age of 66. Mrs. Long was taken ill last Friday night about eight o'clock. At first her condition was not regarded as serious. She grew worse, death claiming her Monday night at 11:40 o'clock.

Funeral services were held at the First Baptist church here Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Dr. W. A. Ayers, pastor of the church, was in charge of the obsequies, and was assisted by Rev. Z. D. Harrill, of Ellenboro, Dr. Zeno Wall, of Shelby and Rev. J. W. Williams, pastor of the Methodist church, of Forest City. Interment followed in Cool Springs cemetery.

Mrs. Long is survived by her husband, and the following children: Mrs. J. M. Burkholder, Misses Ottilee and Kate Long and Mr. Otto Long, of Forest City and Mrs. Robert Hair, of Pineville, N. C. Two sons, Harold and J. B. Long, and one daughter, Osteen, predeceased their mother to the grave several years ago. The surviving sisters are Mrs. Katie Flack, Fingerville, S. C.; Mrs. Mattie Bowman, Converse, S. C., and Mrs. Noonie Bridges, of Forest City. Three grand children survive, as follows: Joseph Burkholder, of Forest City; Margaret Josephine Long, of Shelby and Mary Katherine Hair, of Pineville.

Pall bearers were Messrs. G. C. King, Fred Harrill, June Harrill, Tillman Bridges, Palmer Harrill and Bob King. The large and profuse floral offering was carried by the following ladies: Mesdames Frank Newton, Nell Padgett Norris, Burwell Moore, C. E. Alcock, P. D. Harrill, Sr., Misses Fannie and Alice King, Lilah Padgett, Bunnah Harrill, Jennie Mae Harrill, Ruby and Ethel Moore, Jennie and Winnie Davis, Margaret Young, Hattie Jones, Bobbie Biggerstaff, Olema Flack, and Sallie Sitton.

Mrs. Long was born November 12, 1864, in Rutherford county. She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Harrill. She spent her entire life in Rutherford county. She was married to Mr. J. B. Long on October 12, 1884. Her mother, Mrs. Alfred Harrill was a Suttle before her marriage, which gave her claim to distinction of being a member of two of the oldest and best known families of Rutherford county. She joined the Baptist church in young womanhood, and throughout her entire life was a consistent and faithful member of that church. At the time of her death she was a member of the First Baptist church, of this city.

WELCOME TO FOREST CITY, REV. AND MRS. S. N. WATSON

Their hosts of friends here and throughout the county will be delighted to learn that Rev. and Mrs. S. N. Watson, who have been located at Bladenboro for a number of years, where Mr. Watson was pastor of the Baptist church, arrived here Wednesday night and are going to make their future home in this city. Rev. Mr. Watson was the beloved pastor of the First Baptist church here for a number of years, and he and his family endeared themselves to all with whom they came in contact.

Rev. and Mrs. Watson are temporarily guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. I. Barber until they get possession of their new home on Arlington street.

THIEVES ENTER SPINDALE STORE

Spindale, Dec. 2.—The store of Mr. L. G. Blanton was entered sometime Sunday night and some goods taken. Among the items missed were some dry goods, and a few items in the grocery line. The thieves also broke open the cash register. Entrance to the store was made by breaking out the glass in the rear door.

BALE PER ACRE CONTEST PRIZES

Contest Sponsored by Kiwanis Club—Many Prizes Offered by Business Men of Forest City.

The Bale-Per-Acre contest for the farmers of Cool Springs Township will close December 15. The Agricultural Committee of the Forest City Kiwanis club met on Monday evening and apportioned the prizes to be awarded to the farmers and agricultural students in the contest. This contest which is an annual feature, is sponsored by the Kiwanis club and conducted by the department of vocational agriculture in the Cool Springs high school. Prizes are given by the business firms and citizens of Forest City, and the contest has been very valuable in stimulating interest in growing more and better cotton.

The prizes were apportioned as follows: for men in the 5-acre contest; 1st, \$10.00; 2nd, \$8.00; 3rd, \$7.50; 4th, \$6.50; 5th, \$5.50; 6th, 1 auto tire; 7th \$5.00 pair of shoes; 8th, \$5.00 merchandise; 9th 98 pound sack of flour; 10th, 24 pound sack of flour. In addition to the above there are two valuable special prizes for men. The Alexander Mills will give \$15.00, in cash to the man who makes the most Coker No. 5 cotton, and the Forest City Seed and Fertilizer Co. will give a ton of 10-4-4 fertilizer to the man who makes the most cotton using their fertilizer.

For high school students the prizes are as follows: 1st \$10.00; 2nd \$7.50; 3rd \$5.00. There is a special also for boys. The Alexander Mills will give \$5.00 for the best three acres of Coker No. 5 grown by an agricultural student. For boys in the grammar grades the prizes are: 1st \$7.50; 2nd \$5.00 in merchandise, 3rd \$2.50. A special prize of \$5.00 will be given these boys for the best Coker No. 5 cotton by the Alexander Mills.

The judges for this contest will be the Agricultural committee of the Kiwanis club. D. H. Sutton, Terry Moore, John Dalton, J. W. Matheny and J. W. Eakes. Reports must be given to D. H. Sutton by December 15th.

The following Forest City firms and citizens gave the prizes: Alexander Mills, \$25.00; C. E. Alcock, \$25.00; Forest City Motor Co. \$5.00 Industrial Bank, by Bryan Harrill, \$5.00; U. S. Courtney \$5.00; Howard Doggett, \$10.00; F. I. Barber, \$10.00; J. W. Eakes \$10.00; \$5.00 pair of shoes, Horn's Cash Store; Auto tire, Farmer's Hardware Co., \$5.00 in merchandise, Dalton Bros., \$5.00 in merchandise, Stein's Dept. Store; 98 pound sack of flour, Piggy Wiggly; 24 pounds of flour, Sander's Groceteria. 1 ton 10-4-4 fertilizer, J. W. Matheny for Forest City Feed and Fertilizer Co.

There have been 95 entrants in the contest and the reports so far are good. Despite the bad season, there will be a large number of farmers in the township who will average a bale to the acre.

LIBRARY NOTES.

Mrs. S. J. Asbury very generously donated five books of fiction to the city library last week, and requested that the Woman's Club be credited with this gift. The library appreciates Mrs. Asbury's contribution and is glad to give this credit to the club.

WILL BROADCAST PROGRAM OVER WSPA

Caroleen, Dec. 2.—A. C. Jr. and Mark Lowlace of Caroleen, with their music teacher, Miss Lucille Wall, will broadcast a musical program over the Spartanburg radio station at 4:30 p. m., Thursday, December 11. The program will consist of vocal and piano selections.

We have the most complete line of Christmas toys ever before carried. Why not make your selections now, and avoid the rush. Stahl's Ten Cent Stores.

FORMER RESIDENT OF THIS CITY DIES IN PELZER, S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Hamrick received a telegram Monday telling of the death of Mr. W. A. Stone, of Pelzer, S. C. He died Monday, and was buried Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock in Pelzer, S. C. He had been in ill health for some time. Mr. Stone was at one time a resident of Forest City, and was an overseer in the Florence Mills.

MASS MEETING TO BE HELD MONDAY

Purpose of Meeting Will be to Discuss the Re-organization of the Family Welfare Association.

A mass meeting will be held in the City Hall Monday, December 8, at 7:30 p. m., to re-organize the Family Welfare Association. A meeting was held on Tuesday night and quite a number were present, but owing to the fact that so many of the business men were at the high school auditorium practicing for the play "Corporal Eagen", to be given this week on Wednesday and Thursday nights, it was decided by those present at the meeting on Tuesday evening to call for a mass meeting on next Monday night at 7:30.

It is urgently requested that every business man and each lodge, club, churches and all the citizens of Forest City be present at the mass meeting on Monday evening at 7:30 to express their opinions as to whether we as a town shall re-organize the Welfare Association this year. There are many needy families in our city, due to unemployment and other things over which they have no control, that need help, and it is important that the organization be formed to help the needy ones.

MINISTERS MEET.

"Christian Patriotism" was the subject discussed by the Rutherford County Ministers' Association at their November meeting held in the Spindale House here Monday morning. The leader, Rev. C. L. Taylor was unable to be present, but the subject for discussion brought forth many comments. Rev. C. L. Taylor will discuss at the January meeting "Christian Citizenship."

The Association went on record as endorsing the China Child Welfare work, and commended it to the citizenship of Rutherford county with the hope that the \$300 asked of Rutherford county may be contributed and in hands of the treasurer, W. W. Nanney, by Christmas.

WILL DECORATE STREETS.

A large number of small cedars, pines and other evergreens have been secured by the town, and Mr. Broadus Green will superintend the placing of them sometime next week. These trees will be placed in front of the places of business of the town, and will be electrically lighted. The streets will also be decorated as in former years.

MORROW-KEETER WEDDING.

Mr. Ernest Morrow and Miss Minnie Sue Keeter surprised their many friends by motoring to Gaffney, S. C., Saturday, November 29, and being quietly married by the Probate Judge. Miss Keeter is the daughter of Mr. J. P. Keeter. Mr. Morrow is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Louie Morrow. Both are of this city and hold prominent positions with the Hosiery Mill of Spindale. Their friends wish for them a long and happy life in their new venture.

Cotton batting for making quilts and other useful purposes. Only 10c roll. Stahl's Ten Cent Stores.

Misses Winnie and Jennie Davis visited Mr. and Mrs. Grady Carpenter in Greenville, S. C., and attended the Furman-Clemson football game on Thanksgiving day.

P.-T. A. TO SPONSOR TREE PLANTING

Will Dedicate Trees in 1932—Offer Prizes for Most Attractively Decorated Outside Christmas Tree.

The executive committee of the Parent-Teacher Association held its regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. A. C. Duncan Monday afternoon.

A tree planting day has been planned at which time a large number of trees will be planted in Forest City. These trees will be dedicated in 1932. In order to further the preservation of cedars and other evergreens, the Parent-Teacher Association will give an award to the home having the most attractively decorated outside Christmas tree. These trees will be judged either the night of the 23rd or 24th. It is important that everyone who has outdoor lights be sure that the equipment used is particularly designed for this use; that is, the sockets and wire should be weather-proof. Indoor lighting equipment cannot be used satisfactorily outdoors, as snow, sleet or rain will damage the sockets and wire and cause a short circuit. Never change bulbs in a set or adjust the connection while the current is on because while standing on the damp ground one might receive a shock.

Strings of Christmas lights which are made to connect with dry batteries or storage batteries may be used where the homes are not equipped with electric lights.

The welfare committee has already distributed a number of clothes and other provisions to the needy in the community, and it is hoped that any one who knows of a needy family will report it to Mrs. G. P. Reid, chairman of the Welfare Committee.

A teachers reception is planned for December 11th, which all the parents of the children in school and the members of the P.-T. A. will be invited.

In the near future the ways and means committee with Mrs. R. E. Biggerstaff, as chairman will sponsor a moving picture show. It is earnestly requested that every one cooperate to make this a success. Watch for the date.

County Medical Society Meets

Rutherfordton, Dec. 2.—The Rutherford County Medical Society held its regular monthly meeting at the Isothermal hotel, Rutherfordton, N. C., Tuesday evening, December 2, at 7:30 p. m. A sumptuous turkey dinner was served, and enjoyed immensely by those present. After dinner the election of officers for the ensuing year was held and the following elected: president, Dr. W. C. Bostic, Jr., Forest City; vice-president, Dr. G. O. Moss, Cliffside; Delegates to the State Medical Society Dr. R. H. Crawford, Rutherfordton. Alternate delegates to the State Medical society, Dr. T. C. Lovelace, Henrietta, secretary and treasurer, Dr. W. C. Bostic, Sr., Forest City.

Resolutions were passed requesting the general assembly to repeal the annual physicians' privilege tax, also a unanimous endorsement by the society of the present compensation law as now in force. After dinner and the transaction of business mentioned, Dr. Robert W. McKay an eminent Urologist, of Charlotte, presented a very interesting paper on Specific Urthritis, which was discussed at length by a number of the physicians present.

UNION MILLS, R-2.

Union Mills, R-2, Dec. 1.—Born, November 16, to Mr. and Mrs. Herman Whisnant, a fine baby girl, Sara Louise. Both mother and child getting along nicely. Their little son, Miles, has been ill for some time and is not improving very fast.

Mrs. P. E. Morrison and Mrs. W. W. Morrison have been ill, but are improving.

Most of the people in this section have reported a nice Thanksgiving.