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Chicago, Ill., July 28.—Because most lenses are so dated, April and October are the great moving months in the big cities of the country. But July was moving month of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Toms. And next October while city movers are in the midst of packing and worrying about breakages by careless workmen, Mr. and Mrs. Toms will be comfortably settled in their West End abode, to which, says the Route Two Items, they moved last week.

False standards are reared in times of great prosperity, so more than one profound thinker has recently pointed out. We have exalted the man of wealth regardless of his methods of acquiring it. Even the racketeer has become the "big shot" and the envy of more than one member of the young generation. At the Sandy Run B. Y. P. U. convention, presided over by Kenneth Dobbins of Caroleen, those in attendance realized more keenly than ever before that the worship of gold must be superseded by a value of the higher things, if the best in mankind is to be preserved for future centuries.

Fixing up the spare room was a part of Mrs. F. T. Davis' task when she learned of the approaching visit of her grandson James Berry Ellis. The room was arranged in just the manner she knew her loved one liked it best. And it required no tax on the grandmother's memory to recall just how to prepare certain dishes so that they would most appeal to the young man. The chicken must be cooked just that way... and the apple pie just so. Too, there came to light more than one jar of favorite preserves that had long stood on a shelf awaiting just that very visit reported in last week's Courier. Then James Berry returns to Portsmouth, Va., his conviction will be stronger than ever that there is no cooking in the world that can justify be compared with Grandma's.

The wisdom of an attempted finesse when the loss of that particular trick might turn the tide of the play and cost "game" and the intricacies of "rook" made up part of the discussion at the home of Mrs. O. B. Green last Wednesday morning when it was the scene of the pretty bridge party described in last week's paper. But you may be sure that many other things came in for attention, especially after the prizes had been awarded to Mrs. P. D. Harrill, Jr., and Miss Sudie Young and the guests were partaking of the dainty luncheon prepared by their hostess. International, national and local subjects were the topics of the conversation. And the wise merchandisers of Forest City know that their advertisements in The Courier did not go unmentioned by the ladies.

Her many friends read with pleasure, I know, last week's report of the recovery of Mrs. C. A. Harrill, of Oak Grove, from her recent illness. Now they are assured that she will be able to make the most of the remaining days of summer. In the sunshine strength will be built that will enable her to withstand the rigors of the approaching winter. They know and Mrs. Harrill knows that though temperatures may be high, and the location of prosperity a matter of conjecture, winter is surely just around the corner.

Amid the turmoil and strife of the day, the good pastors of Forest City and vicinity maintain their activity, so local neighborhood correspondents tell us each week. They continue the age old battle against sin, and exhort all to turn from the paths of unrighteousness and give heed to the Gospel of the advocate

MOTORCADE WILL VISIT TENNESSEE ON AUGUST 21

County Club Sponsoring Farm Tour To Greene County, Richest Agricultural County in South.

The program committee and officials of The Rutherford County Club are working on plans for a farm tour to Greeneville county, Tennessee, on August 21, at which time it is expected that more than 125 farmers and their families and business men of Rutherford county will make the trip. The Greene county Chamber of Commerce is co-operating with The County Club in sponsoring this trip, while the local service clubs of Rutherford county will also be given an opportunity to assist in making the tour a success.

The motorcade will leave the court house at Rutherfordton on Friday morning, August 21, at seven o'clock. It is expected that the motorcade will cover the 105 miles to Greeneville by eleven o'clock. The Chamber of Commerce of that city is working out a schedule of the itinerary, which calls for visits to several large farms, a milk condensing plant and other points of interest. A picnic luncheon will be spread at noon. The return trip home will begin about four o'clock.

All farmers who desire to go on the tour are requested to get in touch with county agent F. E. Patton. Inform Mr. Patton as to whether you will take your own car, or expect to have transportation furnished for you. Every farmer in the county is invited to take his family, or his neighbor, and also his car. If you do not have a car please let Mr. Patton know at your earliest convenience that you expect transportation, in order that arrangements may be made to secure a place for you in somebody's car.

All are expected to carry a basket luncheon, which will be spread at noon in Greeneville.

It is hoped to have fifty or more cars in the motorcade.

Greene county, Tennessee, is recognized as the richest agricultural county in the south. Diversified farming has placed it high among the richest counties in the United States. Greeneville is one of the largest tobacco markets in the south. Permanent pastures, small grain crops, dairying and livestock raising is carried on to a successful degree. One of the nation's largest condensed milk plants is located in Greeneville, and all milk used in the plant is furnished by the farmers of the county. A trip will be made through the plant by the delegation.

RETURNS FROM CHICAGO.

Forest City, R-3, July 27.—Mrs. T. J. Withrow and son Earl, have returned from a motor trip to Chicago. They visited Mrs. Withrow's son Alfred, who was in an automobile accident June 29.

Alfred was coming home to spend his two week's vacation. Near Indianapolis while on a wet road, his car collided head-on with another car. Both cars were total wrecks. Alfred received several cuts and bruises on the arms and legs and fractured two ribs. The driver of the car was very badly injured also. After spending a few days in a hospital in Indianapolis, Alfred returned to Chicago with friends with whom he remained until returning home with his mother. He has almost recovered from his injuries now. While in Chicago Alfred is a salesman for Swift and Co.

of peace. And the words of these devoted servants of their Lord are not falling on empty benches, we are reminded by our Shiloh writer, who reported the gathering of large bands of pious men and women at the daily revival services being conducted by Rev. Geo. W. Davis. These congregations of the faithful are but a few of the many revealed to the distant reader by The Courier each week.

Reporter



The above picture of Mr. Arval L. Alcock appeared in a recent issue of The Asheville Citizen-Times. Mr. Alcock is correspondent for a number of daily papers. He is a representative of The Sentinel, Winston-Salem; The Daily News, Greensboro; The Observer and The News, Charlotte; The Herald, Spartanburg and The Citizen-Times, of Asheville. During the month of June Mr. Alcock had a total of 800 inches of news in these papers. Mr. Alcock, who is twenty-five years old, is associated with his father in the publication of The Forest City Courier, being assistant manager of this paper. A native of Kentucky, Mr. Alcock moved to Forest City from Louisville about eight years ago. He is also managing editor of The Amateur Radio Bulletin, a monthly magazine for amateur radio operators that has just been started in Forest City. C. W. G.

DR. F. B. SCRUGGS DIES AT SHELBY

Funeral Held at Rutherfordton Monday—Had Been in Ill Health Sometime.

Rutherfordton, July 27.—Funeral services were held at the First Baptist church here Monday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock for Dr. F. Bobo Scruggs, aged 38, who died Saturday at midnight in a Shelby hospital. The first Baptist church was filled to overflowing for the funeral, which was conducted by Dr. Zeno Wall, pastor of the First Baptist church of Shelby and pastor of Mrs. Scruggs and Dr. E. B. Jenkins, pastor of the First Baptist church here, in charge. Seven physicians from Shelby and six from Rutherford county were honorary pallbearers, while 12 nurses from the Shelby hospital attended in uniform in a body with the superintendent, Miss McNichols and assistant superintendent, Miss Bevely. Dr. Scruggs was on the staff of the Shelby hospital. The floral offering was large and beautiful.

Dr. Scruggs was the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Scruggs of this city. For nine years he practiced medicine at Cliffside. He went to Shelby two and one-half years ago where he was located until the time of his death.

Dr. Scruggs had been in poor health for some time but he did not have a serious attack until 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon. His death was due to a paralytic stroke.

He was a member of the Baptist church, and a Shriner. His training was received at Wake Forest college, the University of North Carolina, and the Jefferson Medical college of Philadelphia.

Dr. Scruggs is survived by Mrs. Scruggs, who was Miss Kate Hillard of Little Rock, Ark., before their marriage in January, 1929; his parents; five brothers, Dr. W. Marvin Scruggs, Dr. W. N. Scruggs, and Dr. C. J. Scruggs of Charlotte, V. P. Scruggs, Robert Scruggs, of Rutherfordton; and seven sisters, Mrs. W. M. Moore of Cowpens, S. C., Mrs. Robert Harston, Mrs. Mal Wilson, Miss Rosalie Scruggs, Miss Gwendolyn Scruggs and Miss Fran-

MEMBERS OF PRESS Former Pastor First Baptist Church Dies

Annual Session of North Carolina Press Association Met Last Week in Morehead City.

The 59th annual session of the North Carolina Press Association was held in Morehead City last Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Each session was largely attended, and the entire state was well represented, with the exception of the extreme west. The Forest City Courier and The Rutherford County News were the most westerly newspapers represented at the meeting. The first session was held Wednesday evening. C. S. Wallace, of the Carteret County Herald, of Morehead City, welcomed the visiting newspaper men, and was followed by an address by Dr. Frank Graham, of the University of North Carolina.

The president, J. W. Noell, of the Roxboro Courier, gave his address Thursday morning, and Miss Beatrice Cobb made a report as secretary-treasurer. Reports were also made by Lee B. Weathers, on the progress of the audit, and by J. L. Horne, Jr., of Rocky Mount, on the legislative committee. The Thursday afternoon session was given over to recreational features, boating, bathing, fishing, etc.

A dinner was given Thursday evening at the Morehead Villa, through the courtesy of the management. At that time an able address was given by Hon. E. B. Jeffress, chairman of the state highway commission, and also by Hon. J. W. Harrelson, director of the department of conservation and development. A stunt program was put on by John Park, and other features were enjoyed during the evening. A variety and musical program was given at Atlantic Beach Pagoda after the program, with R. W. Cordon, the manager, as host.

A short business session was held Friday morning at Morehead Villa, and at 10:30 o'clock the newspaper representatives left for Swansboro and old Fort Macon on the U. S. Cutter Modoc. A short program was held on board boat. A fish fry was given at Swansboro at noon. The boat returned to Morehead City at 5:30.

A larger number of newspaper than ever before were entered in the contest for the Savory loving cup. This cup is awarded annually to the best North Carolina newspaper, and was given this year to the Lenoir News-Topic. Officers elected for next year are J. L. Horne, Jr., of Rocky Mount, president; Isaac London, of the Rockingham Post-Dispatch, Rockingham, vice-president; Miss Beatrice Cobb, of Morganton, secretary-treasurer; B. Arp Lowrance, of Charlotte, historian. The executive committee, in addition to the first three officers named above, are John Park, of Raleigh; W. C. Dowd, Jr., of Charlotte; Hiden Ramey, of Asheville and Herbert Peele, of Elizabeth City.

The Forest City Courier was represented at this session by Clarence Griffin, while R. E. Price represented the Rutherford County News, of Rutherfordton.

PYTHIAN CHILDREN AT MT. PLEASANT

An interesting program was to have been given Wednesday night, July 29, at Mt. Pleasant school house by the Pythian Home entertainment class, Pythians and others seeing this notice should make it a point to be present. No admission charge.

RESIGNS POSITION.

Mrs. B. B. Goode, for the past four years efficient and popular employee of the bank at Caroleen, has resigned her position, effective last Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Goode will go to housekeeping in Cliffside, where the former is the manager of the Cliffside Motor Co.

ces Scruggs of Rutherfordton, and Mrs. T. W. Proffitt of Richmond.

Rev. S. N. Watson Passes Following Lengthy Illness in Charlotte Hospital—Funeral Held Here Friday Afternoon.

Descendants Assemble



The above is a photograph made in 1862, showing Sergeant L. W. Griffin, (right) Co. D, 16th Regiment, N. C. T., "Burnt Chimney Volunteers," and his brother, James Griffin, (left) also of the same company. Both were grandsons of Chisolm Griffin, a Revolutionary soldier of this county. Several hundred will gather at the old Jim Frank Daniel place, near Oakland Sunday, to honor the memory of Chisolm Griffin, and his son the Hon. William L. Griffin. A large number of the descendants of L. W. Griffin will also be present. This is the second annual reunion of the Griffin kindred. A similar reunion was held last August at the same place.

LAST RITES FOR REV. B. M. HAMRICK

Veteran Baptist Minister Succumbs to Extended Illness—Funeral Thursday.

Rutherfordton, R-1, July 27.—Rev. Barney M. Hamrick, 77 one of Rutherford county's oldest and best known retired Baptist ministers, died in the Rutherford hospital Wednesday afternoon, where he had been for several days, undergoing treatment. He had been in declining health for sometime.

Funeral services were held Thursday morning at eleven o'clock in the Shiloh Baptist church, with Rev. E. P. White in charge, assisted by Rev. J. D. Hunt and other ministers of the Sandy Run Baptist association. Interment was in the Shiloh cemetery, beside his wife, who preceded him to the grave about a year ago.

Grandsons of the deceased acted as pallbearers. The profuse floral offering was borne by his granddaughters.

Mr. Hamrick was active in the ministry for forty-six years, serving during that time a large number of churches in Rutherford and adjoining counties.

Mr. Hamrick was born June 22, 1854. His wife preceded him to the grave about one year ago. Surviving are three sons, W. C. Hamrick, of Harris, A. G. Hamrick, of Rutherfordton, and W. B. Hamrick, of Davidson. Two brothers and two sisters and fourteen grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren also survive.

GAMBLE-BLANKENSHIP.

Ellenboro, July 27.—Of interest to friends in the county is the announcement of the marriage of Miss Eunice Blankenship and Fay Gamble, which was solemnized July 5. The announcement of the marriage was made on July 19. Both are from well known families and popular in the community. Following the announcement they left for a short trip to the coast, after which they will live in the Golden Valley section of the county.

The entire community was stricken with grief last Thursday afternoon when word was received here of the passing of Rev. S. N. Watson, one of the city's most prominent and most beloved men, who died at the Charlotte Sanatorium at 4:30. The Rev. Mr. Watson had been in declining health for about two years but had only been seriously ill for about four weeks. For over three years he was pastor of the First Baptist church here and during that time he made hundreds of friends throughout the county who were greatly shocked to learn of his death.

Rev. Mr. Watson had been suffering from an abscess in his head and as his condition gradually grew worse, on Sunday, July 19, he was carried to the Charlotte Sanatorium, where he died four days later. All that medical aid could do to save him was resorted to, but his condition was so weak that he could not respond to the treatment. During the four days that he was in the Sanatorium Rev. Mr. Watson was in a coma from which he never rallied. Unable to speak he was also unable to recognize anyone.

Leaving here in 1922 after serving the local church as pastor for over three years, Rev. Mr. Watson accepted a call to the Baptist church at Bladenboro. He was pastor of this church for eight years ill health causing him to resign seven months ago. Moving back to Forest City, he and his wife purchased a house on Arlington street, where they intended to make their future home.

A native of Greenville county, S. C., Rev. Mr. Watson was born February 23, 1866, near Travelers Rest. He was the youngest son of the late John and Laura Southerne Watson. Educated at Furman University, he was ordained a Baptist minister in the First Baptist church, of Greenville, S. C. Becoming a minister in early manhood, he served several churches in South Carolina. He moved to North Carolina twenty-three years ago, and since that time has made his home in this state. During these twenty-three years he served as pastor of the churches in the following cities: Concord, Wingate, Winston, Forest City and Bladenboro. While at the latter place he was moderator of the Bladen Baptist Association.

While pastor of the Baptist church at Lancaster, S. C., in 1896, Rev. Mr. Watson was married to Miss May Burns of that city, who survives with the following children: Charles N. Watson, of Johnson City, Tenn.; Dr. Paul S. Watson, of Madison, N. C.; Max Watson, of Spindale; Joe Watson, at home, and Mrs. H. R. Dobson, of Spartanburg, S. C. He is also survived by one sister, Mrs. T. B. Cunningham, of Travelers Rest, S. C. Although 80 years of age Mrs. Cunningham attended the funeral of her only surviving brother.

Funeral services for Rev. Mr. Watson were held from the First Baptist church here Friday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock with Dr. W. A. Ayers pastor in charge, assisted by Rev. J. W. Williams, pastor of the East Main Street Methodist church, and Rev. W. Arthur Barber, pastor of the Spindale Methodist church. Rev. Mr. Watson was always a lover of the old gospel hymns and the choir, composed of many who were members of the choir during his pastorate, sang three of his favorite selections during the service.

Pallbearers were as follows: Honorary: C. S. Hemphill, R. E. Biggerstaff, G. M. Huntley, Oscar Geer, B. H. Allen, C. E. Alcock, Roy Blanton, J. R. Moore, J. B. Meares and C. M. Padgett.

Active pallbearers were Charles Z. Flack, M. O. Dickerson, Jr., G. (Continued On Last Page)