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COL. P. B. MEANS DEAD

AFTER SEVERAL WEEKS OF INTENSE SUFFERING HE IS RELIEVED BY DEATH.

Remains Arrived from Charlotte Last Evening—Funeral at Central Methodist Church Tomorrow Morning at 11 O'clock.

Senator Paul Barringer Means died Wednesday afternoon at 1:15 o'clock at the Presbyterian hospital in Charlotte, of a lingering illness.

Paul B. Means was born two and one-half miles west of Concord, April 7th, 1845, and was a son of General William C. Means, a very progressive and successful farmer. His mother was Miss Catherine Jane Barringer, a daughter of General Paul Barringer, and Elizabeth Brandon. Her father was a farmer and successful merchant who was several times a member of the State legislature and a brigadier general in the war of 1812, commissioned by Governor William Hawkins, December 28th, 1812, and ratified by both houses of the general assembly.

He was educated in the high schools in Concord until 1859, then at the famous school of Dr. Alexander Wilson at Melville, Alamance county, N. C., and at the University of North Carolina, from which he graduated June 4th, 1868, in the last class under Governor Swain's administration, having left the University in 1863 and volunteered as a private in Company F, 5th N. C. Cavalry, and served as a soldier until the end of the war. After leaving college he studied law with Chief Justice Pearson and was licensed to practice in January 1870, and has been in continuous practice in Concord since January 17, 1870. He represented Cabarrus county in the State legislature 1874-1875 and was State Senator in 1885 and again in 1889. Since February 4th, 1876, he has been counsel of the Southern and old Richmond and Danville Railway Companies. He married November 27, 1894, Mrs. Moselle Foard Ross, daughter of Maj. Robert Foard.

Col. Means was always actively engaged in politics and his wisdom and counsel was often sought by the leaders of his party. He has represented Cabarrus in both houses of the legislature and was a member of the State Senate at the time of his death. He has been a member of the Democratic State Executive committee for 29 years and has canvassed this congressional district several times as elector. He has been a delegate to the National Convention on several occasions, attending the last at Denver, Col., two years ago. Col. Means was a graduate of the University of North Carolina and always took an active interest in the affairs of his alma mater having been member of the board of trustees for a number of years.

Col. Means is survived by his wife, Mrs. Moselle Foard Means and four brothers, Messrs. James M. Means, of Houston, Tex., Dr. V. C. B. Means, United States Navy, W. G. and G. W. Means and one sister, Mrs. B. M. Johnson, of this city.

LARGEST FISH CATCH.

Mr. Oscar Blackwelder Catches Over Fifty Pounds of Fish With a Pitchfork.

There have been a number of fishing parties to go out from the city this spring and the interest here in this simple pastime has increased until a number of the young sports of the city have been giving fishing parties at night. Large numbers of them have been going out to the different streams in the vicinity of the city to spend a few quiet hours on the creek banks and feel the gentle and refreshing breezes of the springtime as they were serenely communing with nature, while waiting on the banks to bobble.

But to Oscar Blackwelder, the young son of Mr. Pinkney Blackwelder, of No. 11 township, belongs the distinction of making the largest catch of the season. Last Monday afternoon young Blackwelder went down to where the Three Mile branch runs into Cold Water creek and caught more fish than all the fishing parties of the year have secured. The water in Cold Water creek was high and muddy owing to the recent rain, while the water in Three Mile branch was clear. Young Blackwelder, armed with a pitchfork, stood in the center of the branch where it runs into the creek and caught over fifty pounds of different kinds of fish by hooking them with the fork as they passed going into the clear waters of the branch and the shallow water that had spread over the meadows. Young Blackwelder brought his catch to town and found a ready sale for them. The fish weighed from one-half to six pounds each.

Mr. Jno. F. Moore, of Misenheimer Springs, was here Monday. He will move back to No. 8 township about the first of May.

CARNIVAL NOT TO COME.

Our People Contribute Just \$300 to the Firemen.

As stated in Tuesday's Tribune a petition was being circulated for signatures and contributions to the firemen to enable them to have needed funds without the revenue usually derived from the carnivals that come here. Mr. H. P. Deaton took charge of the matter, and in a few hours had the necessary amount, \$250, contributed. He did not stop at this, however, as he found our people disposed to cheerfully contribute not only to help the firemen but to keep the carnival away from Concord. The list of contributors with the amounts is as follows:

J. W. Cannon	\$25.00
The Dayvault Co.	10.00
Jno. L. Miller	10.00
J. F. Honeycutt	10.00
M. L. Widenhouse	5.00
J. F. Harris, Register of Deeds	5.00
C. M. Isenhour	12.50
Bell & Harris Furniture Co.	12.50
M. L. Marsh	10.00
R. M. King	5.00
W. C. Houston	10.00
J. B. Sherrill	10.00
V. L. Norman	2.50
J. D. Lentz	5.00
Cabarrus Drug Co.	5.00
Jno. M. Cook	5.00
Z. A. Morris	5.00
White-Morrison-Flowe Co.	15.00
Cannon & Fetzer Co.	10.00
J. Lee Stone	12.50
Home Educational Co. per B. L. Umberger	10.00
Jno. M. Hendrix	5.00
Ritchie Hardware Co.	10.00
J. F. Dayvault	5.00
Davis Drug Company	5.00
Holschouer & Lippard	5.00
M. C. Walter Co.	2.50
Barrier-Widenhouse Co.	5.00
Correll & Stratford	2.50
H. L. Parks & Co.	5.00
Yorke & Wadsworth Co.	15.00
W. J. Glass	2.50
Cline & Moore	5.00
C. M. Ivey	3.00
Cabarrus Savings Bank	5.00
Peoples Drug Co.	5.00
A. F. Hartsell & Co.	3.00
Dove-Bost Co.	2.00
D. L. Bost	2.00
W. J. Montgomery, Jr.	2.50
Black & Shepard	1.00
Citizens Bank and Trust Co.	5.00
C. J. Williams	2.00
D. B. Coltrane	6.50
Total	\$300.00

REV. J. E. SHENK RESIGNS.

Popular Pastor of St. James Lutheran Church Forced to Give up Work on Account of Continued Ill Health.

Rev. J. E. Shenk has resigned as pastor of St. James Lutheran church, having tendered his resignation to the council of the church at a recent meeting held by them. Mr. Shenk was forced to retire from the pastorate of the church on account of his continued illness.

Several months ago the council of the church gave Mr. Shenk six months leave of absence, hoping that a complete rest would restore him to health and strength. Mr. Shenk has been spending his vacation at the springs. Although his health has improved he finds that he will be unable to resume his duties as pastor of the church, and for this reason tendered the resignation, which will take effect at an early date, the day to be mutually agreed upon.

Mr. Shenk came to Concord as pastor of St. James church five years ago, from Woodstock, Va., and his labors as pastor of the church have resulted in great good being accomplished, not only for the people of his own church but for the whole community. Mr. Shenk and his excellent family have won a warm place in the hearts of the people of Concord and their going away is sadly regretted.

Rev. S. W. Kuhns, of Salisbury, who has been supplying the church during Mr. Shenk's absence will continue the work until a successor to Mr. Shenk is selected.

Says Ex-Sheriff Harris will Run Again

Salisbury Cor. Charlotte Observer, 18. The Observer correspondent learns today that ex-Sheriff James F. Harris of Concord, a brother of Mr. W. M. Harris, of this city, will be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for sheriff of Cabarrus this year. Mr. Harris is probably the strongest man the Democrats could name for sheriff in that county. He has several times been elected by a good majority and they believe he can again win over a Republican opponent. The Republicans now hold the office. Mr. Harris was not in the race during the last campaign. His friends have been pushing him for the nomination for some time.

Mr. W. A. Foil spent Monday in Salisbury with his mother, Mrs. Joe Foil, who is in the hospital there. Mr. Foil reports that his mother's condition is very much improved.

FUNERAL OF COL. MEANS TO BE HELD TOMORROW.

Services at Central Church Friday Morning at 11 O'clock, Conducted by Rev. Plato Durham.

The body of Col. Paul B. Means, who died in the Presbyterian hospital at Charlotte yesterday afternoon, shortly after 1 o'clock, was brought to Concord on train No. 12 and placed in Central church, where it will lie in state until tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock when the funeral will take place. Rev. Plato Durham, and Mr. W. G. and Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Means went to Charlotte on train No. 7 yesterday afternoon to accompany the remains to Concord. Mrs. Means, and her son, Mr. J. Lindsay Ross, and Mrs. Bettie M. Johnson, were with Col. Means when death occurred.

Col. Means died gently and peacefully as if falling to sleep. It was thought by those who watched by his bedside that he would live a few hours longer, but he passed quietly away, almost before his loved ones knew it.

Col. Means' death was the result of a severe spell of the gripe which he had in January and from which he had never rallied. From the first of his last illness no hope was entertained of his recovery. Col. Means was 65 years of age April 7.

The funeral service will be conducted at Central church by Rev. Plato Durham. The following will be the pall bearers:

Messrs. D. B. Coltrane, D. A. Caldwell, J. S. Harris, J. L. Hartsell, P. B. Fetzer and T. J. White.

Col. W. H. S. Burgwyn, of Weldon, Judge Armistead Burwell, of Charlotte, Mr. Lindsay Ross, of Anderson, and Miss Minnie Ross, of Raleigh, are here to attend the funeral. Quite a number of friends from Charlotte, Salisbury and elsewhere will arrive later to attend the last rites.

The Confederate veterans will attend the funeral in a body and will immediately follow the pall bearers on the way to the grave. The interment will take place in the old Lutheran cemetery. Col. Means' father and mother, grandfather and grandmother, two brothers and five sisters are all buried there.

Game Forfeited by Concord to Mt. Pleasant Yesterday.

The Concord baseball team returned last night from Mt. Pleasant, where they played the Collegiate Institute team, a part of game yesterday afternoon, the game being forfeited to the Mt. Pleasant boys in the sixth inning. The boys here state that they received a rough deal in the umpiring. Cline and Morris, two of Concord's players, state that their reasons for quitting the game were as follows: Morris was on base; a ball was hit and he started for third and the Mt. Pleasant felder threw to third base to catch him, the ball going into the crowd, and Morris scored. A bystander picked up the ball, making it a blocked ball. The umpire sent Morris back to third base. The Concord boys contend that he should have been allowed to score. They give this as their reason for calling the team off the field and forfeiting the game.

Clothes for the Orphans.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist churches of the city are preparing a box of clothing for the orphans at the Methodist orphanage at Winston-Salem. The city has been divided into districts and the ladies of the districts meet and form a sewing circle. The mills and the merchants of the city have donated the cloth for about seventy-five garments and as soon as these have been completed the box will be sent to the orphanage.

Miss Josephine Smith entertained one of the sewing circles yesterday afternoon at her home on Spring street. A number of ladies were present and spent a most pleasant afternoon in making the goods which was so kindly donated to them by the mills and merchants into garments for the little ones at the orphanage. More than fifty garments have been finished by the ladies of the different sewing circles.

Marriage Last Night.

Mr. C. A. Henry, of Forest Hill, and Miss Pearl Stuart, of North Church street, was married last night. The ceremony was performed at the Forest Hill parsonage after prayer-meeting by Rev. W. L. Hutchins. It was rather a surprise marriage, and only a few relatives and friends were present. Mr. and Mrs. Henry are among the most popular young people at Forest Hill, and are today receiving the congratulations of their many friends.

Rev. T. E. Wyche, a local preacher of Albemarle, has been secured by Presiding Elder Taylor of the Mt. Airy District, to fill the vacancy caused by the removal of Rev. C. A. Swift, the former pastor.

CURE FOR HOOKWORM.

Former Cabarrus Man Discovers Cure for this Disease.

A New York dispatch of recent date is as follows: "After having traced the wicked hookworm to its lair and taken its photo in many poses for the benefit of the medical fraternity, Dr. Mason W. Pressly, of Philadelphia, has returned here from Dutch Guiana.

"The physician, who is a specialist on nerve and stomach disorders, said he had spent six weeks in the Paramaribo hospital in Dutch Guiana, and during that period had learned all about the 'million-dollar parasite' that Mr. Rockefeller has commissioned the doctors of this country to stamp out.

"Besides bringing back a full set of lantern slides, illustrating the complete development of the worm, Dr. Pressly said that while in Dutch Guiana he had found a bona fide cure for hook worm. He declined to reveal what this cure was.

"The medicine of today and the future must be based no longer only on chemistry and pharmacopoeia, but on microscopic and laboratory research work," was all Dr. Pressly would say.

"Apart from his studies of the hook worm, Dr. Pressly found leprosy so prevalent among the negro and coolie population of the Dutch West Indies that it was no uncommon occurrence for a policeman to arrest a man who seemed to be languid, only to find that he was suffering from a pronounced case of leprosy."

Dr. Pressly is a son of the late Rev. Dr. Jno. E. Pressly, of Coddle Creek, this county, and who for several years was a prominent minister of the A. R. P. church. The Statesville Landmark says that some years ago he took up osteopathy and abandoned the ministry for the work of healing the sick.

Two Items from Stanly Enterprise.

The sale of the Whitney property will probably take place on or about June 15, and it is understood that work at this great plant near Albemarle will be resumed not later than July first. The original plans will not only be carried out but enlarged upon as far beyond the expectation of the Whitney people, it is claimed. This is indeed good news to this section.

C. E. Ritchie, cattle inspector, who has been in Stanly off and on during the past three years, is guarding closely all quarantine regulations against cattle infected with ticks. Charges were brought against W. B. Chance recently and the case will come before the superior court for a hearing. Mr. Ritchie says that the ticks are fast disappearing in the county, though there are several farms that must be guarded. To this end, that restrictions may be raised as early as possible farmers and cattle owners should co-operate with the inspectors sent out by the government.

Firemen Had Nothing to do With Circulating Petition.

In the matter of soliciting a subscription for the benefit of the firemen, I desire to state that the good firemen of the city had nothing to do whatever with the petition being circulated. It was taken up on a suggestion by parties who are against carnivals and as is seen heartily supported by the moral sentiment of our city. The subscription list has been turned over to Chief John L. Miller, who will put out one of the firemen as collector. It can be said that \$1,000 could have been raised as easily as \$300.

Mr. Arthur G. Odell, General Insurance Agent.

On page two of this issue there will be found a most attractive advertisement of the general insurance business here of Mr. Arthur G. Odell. Mr. Odell handles life, accident, health, liability, burglary and fire insurance, and is the special agent of the Aetna. He sells a most attractive accident and health policy. Mr. Odell has just established handsome quarters in the Phifer building in the rooms formerly occupied by Dr. Watkins.

Services at Cannonville Church.

Preparatory services will be held at the Cannonville Presbyterian church this week. Rev. J. B. Cochrane, of the McKinnon church, will assist the pastor. Services tonight, Thursday night and Friday night at 7:30. A children's service will be held Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock. There will be communion service on Sunday morning.

Mr. Mangum Here.

Mr. A. G. Mangum, of Gastonia, who is a candidate for solicitor in this district was here Tuesday in the interest of his candidacy. He is accompanied by his friend, Mr. Arthur C. Jones, also of Gastonia. Mr. Mangum has quite a good many friends in Concord, who will support him.

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LOCAL AND OTHERWISE.

What has become of the Boys' Corn Club in this county?

Over fifty game cocks were sent out from this city to Albemarle Tuesday morning.

Rev. Dr. J. M. Grier is this week conducting a series of meetings in the First Presbyterian church at Statesville.

Rev. J. A. J. Farrington will deliver the anniversary sermon to the Odd Fellows of Salisbury Sunday morning.

The infant of Mr. D. V. Dry, of No. 11 township, died Tuesday night. The funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at Center church.

There will be services at Mt. Hermon Lutheran Church, in No. 11 township, next Sunday at 3 o'clock p. m. Rev. Chas. R. Pless will preach.

Mr. J. C. Honeycutt and Mrs. Little, of Cannonville, were married Tuesday at 8 p. m. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. A. J. Farrington.

Waddell's Store has a new ad in this paper in which they name some low prices that will interest you. See what they say about why they can sell so cheap.

Tuesday was the day on which the contract for the new postoffice building were to have been awarded, but as yet no information has been received here as to who were the successful bidders.

Mr. Ira Mehaffy has resigned his position with Max Moses & Co. and accepted a similar position with G. W. Patterson. Mr. Mehaffy will have charge of the produce department at Patterson's.

The Woman's Home Mission Society of Central church is meeting this week at the homes of the various members to make clothing to send to the orphans at the Winston-Salem orphanage.

The Bell & Harris Furniture Co. have just received another car of those celebrated Leader stoves. They have been selling these stoves for 20 years, and they claim it is the best on the market.

Mrs. N. F. Yorks left Wednesday for Spartanburg, S. C., where she will enter the hospital there for treatment. She was accompanied by Miss Mae Pitts, who came up Tuesday afternoon from Spartanburg to accompany her on the trip.

Mr. V. L. Norman spent Monday at Misenheimer Springs. Mr. Norman went down to let the contract for the painting of the buildings there. Mr. J. L. Brown, of this city, has the contract and the work is now in progress.

To hear Jomelli sing the great aria from Die Freischutz is one of the treats in store for those who will attend the concerts to be given by the famous Pittsburg Orchestra on Friday afternoon and night the 27th, at the Meroney theatre in Salisbury.

Mr. R. M. Odell returned Tuesday from Greensboro, where he attended a meeting of the cotton mill men of the State. There were 946,654,000 spindles represented. The mill men present at the meeting adopted a resolution agreeing to curtail the output of their mills 33 1-3 per cent.

More rain has fallen in the last week, the country over, than had fallen all during the month of March and February. Fourteen inches fell at Memphis Thursday night between 11 and 7 o'clock, 2 inches of this amount falling in 30 minutes.

We regret to note that Miss Nan Archibald has been quite ill for several days with tonsillitis.

The W. O. W. Lodge will hold the annual unveiling service at the cemetery next Sunday afternoon. Monuments to the following deceased Sovereigns will be unveiled: J. B. Caldwell, W. A. Caldwell, H. M. Barrow and W. P. White. Every member of the camp is requested to be present at the lodge rooms at 2:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

Let every Democrat pay his polltax before May 1. The Republicans are as never before active in this regard. Only \$2.00 is the amount required, no matter whether the tax payer owes an additional amount on his poll for special purposes, or whether he owes other taxes on property or not. The Constitution requires the payment of \$2.00 and no more to qualify to vote.

Mt. Pleasant Department.

CONDUCTED BY H. M. FARRINGTON.

Dr. G. D. Moore, Mr. L. E. Foil and Misses Ella Moore and Mary Heilig, spent Wednesday in Salisbury.

Messrs. Lee McAllister and Sam Kinley went to Concord Monday, where they will assist in building the addition to the Young-Hartsell mill.

Foil Bros. are building a new roller mill. This is a new enterprise for our town and is much appreciated by the people.

Mr. J. L. Miller received his new motor-buggy last week, and is now devoting his spare moments to its construction. Mr. Miller has a nice car and is well pleased with it.

The Institute ball team will go to Belmont Saturday, where they have a game scheduled with St. Mary's College. This will be a tight game as St. Mary's has a good team on the diamond this season.

Mr. J. M. D. Barrier, a traveling salesman for the Kimball Piano Co., spent Saturday and Sunday with home folks.

Mr. Shoaf, of Lexington, visited his daughter, Miss Lettles, at the seminary Friday.

Mr. O. L. Flowe returned to the institute Monday after visiting his parents at Matthews for the past ten days.

Mr. R. O. McCoy spent Friday and Saturday in Charlotte.

Mr. Hugh Barrier spent a few days last week at Matthews, assisting the band in furnishing music for the closing exercise of the Matthew High school.

Prof. Karl Jansen, of the Radcliffe Entertainment Bureau, of Richmond, Va., was in town Saturday negotiating with the authorities of the Institute and M. A. Seminary for a series of entertainments next session. An attractive list will very probably be offered the school community and townspeople.

The students of the Institute and Seminary are well preparing for the contest and other exercises to be held at commencement. The marshals are negotiating with the Mt. Pleasant Cornet band for music. The program will prove quite an interesting and attractive one and will very probably be of great interest to the many friends who annually attend these exercises.

The annual contest in impromptu debate was held Friday evening, and was much enjoyed by a large audience. The question discussed was, "Resolved, That life in the city is more desirable than life in the country." The contestants had ten minutes to think on the subject and were privileged to speak on either side. Messrs. J. C. Peck, D. L. Ridenhour, D. S. Lippard, W. H. Dutton, H. A. Fisher, Z. B. Trexler, D. C. Trexler, I. R. Crane, J. E. Miller and F. S. Cline participated in the discussion. J. C. Peck winning the prize, ten dollars in gold. This is the second contest of the kind which has been held at the Institute and was an altogether creditable performance. The fluency and well-ordered arguments of the young men bear testimony to the good work done during the session in the literary societies.

ANOTHER CLEAN-UP DAY.

City to Have One at an Early Day in Next Month.

Encouraged by the success of the results of clean-up day here last year, the city will in a few days have another day devoted to cleaning up the trash and filth in the back lots, etc. Last year 3,000 barrels of refuse were collected by the boys and hauled to the dumping ground, and it is hoped to increase this amount this year.

The city officials hope that the older people will take more interest in this movement than they did last year. At that time the children were enthusiastic about it, but the adult population were not as deeply interested as they should have been.

The following committee has been appointed by Mayor Wagoner to have charge of this clean-up campaign: Dr. R. M. King and Messrs. W. B. Bruton and C. H. Barrier.

Wreck this Morning.

Mr. Richard Gibson left this morning for a trip on the road on train No. 45, but on account of the wreck of train No. 29 last night he was compelled to stop at Bessemer City. He returned here on No. 44 about noon. No. 29 was wrecked about three miles this side of Bessemer City. The train left the track about three miles this side of Bessemer City and most of the cars left the track, several of them turning completely over. A number of the passengers were badly bruised and cut but only one woman was seriously injured. The wreck was caused by a broken rail.

Rev. W. T. Talbirt, of Kannapolis, is spending today in Concord.