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Something of the Life of This Good Man Who Left His Influence for Good Upon His County—A Christian Gentleman and a Public Spirited Citizen.

Ex-Sheriff A. J. Price, whose death occurred Tuesday morning, June 27th, was a big man in body, mind and character. His life may be pointed to with pride by his friends and his community as one worthy of the emulation of youth and the respect and admiration of age. Last week The Journal was able only to give a few lines regarding his death. In this article we shall give some account of the long and useful life which was an ornament to his county and a blessing to the community in which he lived.

Andrew Joseph Price was the son of Joseph and Elizabeth Price and was born in this county August 1st, 1837, and died at his home at Weddington Academy June 27th, 1911. He was the youngest son of his father, who died shortly before his birth. But he was blessed with a good mother, whose wise instruction, earnest prayers and goodly example did much toward making him the useful citizen and earnest Christian that he was. On April 1st, 1862, he was married to Miss Emily J. Howie, who died July 11, 1870, leaving three sons, W. H., J. N. and J. B. Price, all of whom survive. On April 27th, 1871, he was married to Miss Nancy A. Howie, who now survives. To this union there were born two sons and seven daughters, three of whom are dead. The living ones are Mrs. F. H. Wolfe, Misses Beulah, Jennie, Lola, Ethel, and Lucy Price.

To his excellent private life he added years of public service in one capacity or another, and always with exact faithfulness, painstaking care and scrupulous honesty. He entered the Southern army August 1, 1862, on the day he was twenty-five years of age. Below is given some account written by himself, of his experience in the army. At the close of the war he came home like most of the southern boys, with nothing, and began life's work anew. On reaching home he had fifty cents in his pocket. But he began with that courage and determination that marked the men of that time and by hard work, good management, and the strictest integrity, he prospered in material things, so that at the time of his death he owned nearly one thousand acres of land, beside other property and interests. He was liberal with his means and gladly and liberally supported all worthy objects. As magistrate, county commissioner, county treasurer, member of the county board of education, he served faithfully and well. He was county treasurer from 1874 to 1878, and sheriff from 1880 to 1884, and county commissioner in 1896. He was a man of strong convictions and always stood squarely by what he thought was right.

His services to his church was no less marked than to his State. His religious life began at nineteen years of age when he was converted at Pleasant Grove and joined the Methodist church. From that hour till his death he never relaxed interest in his work. He was for a quarter of a century a Sunday School superintendent. In this capacity the eternal future alone will reveal the good that he did. The last few Sundays that he was able to attend church he leaned for support as he stood and talked to the children whom he loved so well. He filled all the offices of the church to which laymen are appointed, and was always both faithful and efficient. It was his desire to do something as long as he lived that would aid someone to live better. For months he had been expecting the summons of death, but had no dread. His life and death was a great blessing to his community. Not only was he of service in the way mentioned, but was a great friend of popular education, as indeed he was a friend to all ideas and movements that looked towards betterment. He not only educated his own children but he went his full strength in every move-

ment that was begun for the cause in general. At the time of his death he was a member of the board of trustees of Weddington Academy.

He was the ideal husband and father and always the unselfish Christian gentleman at home or abroad. His manners were refined and his bearing one of great dignity. He believed in doing things right and promptly. He had a nice sense of humor, and his company was always pleasant and much sought after by both old and young. A very large gathering attended the funeral and the pastor who spoke the words that day interpreted only the feelings of those who were present and knew the life that had closed. He always loved music and in his young days was a leader in the church choir. During his last illness he would often have his children sing for him and frequently tried to join in himself. He lived above petty things and held that it was easier to forget an injury than to harbor it. Gentleness and kindness always marked his way.

The following letter was written by Sheriff Price to one of his daughters while she was teaching in Catawba county:

"When the war began I was living with my young wife and my mother and we owned a few slaves. My brother had volunteered at the beginning of the war, and as there was no white man to stay with my mother and wife, I promised them that I would not leave till the laws of my country called me. So under the first conscript act I bade my wife and mother good-bye and joined the army at Statesville under Captain James C. McRae.

"The first two years of my soldiering I belonged to Mallett's battalion and soldiered mostly in this state hunting up deserters, etc. I was at Camp Vance, near Morganton, and hunted up deserters through all the western counties.

"I was in Catawba county a great deal. Several of the Catawba boys were with me and I stayed all night with some of them. I have forgotten most of their names, but I remember some of them. I stayed all night with Messrs. Leard, Little, Drum, Christopher and Yants. The soldier boys with me from Catawba county were Christo, Drum, Little Whesanthum and Suttleire.

"After we got through that work hunting up deserters and bushwhackers, our battalion was disbanded and the most of us Union county boys and some from the upper counties got a transfer to the thirty-ninth and twenty-ninth regiments in the western army, and were with General Johnston in western Georgia down to Atlanta; then with General Hood until Atlanta fell; then with to Nashville, Tenn. There we got whipped and were driven out of Tennessee. Then we marched through western Alabama down and through Mississippi and into southern Alabama to Mobile. Our division was left there under General Dick Taylor. Our last fight was there, defending that place. The enemy captured Mobile and we retreated to Meridian, Miss., and there surrendered. We got our paroles and set out afoot for home. I got home about the first of June, 1865."

A deal was pulled off a few days ago wherein Lincoln loses a citizen and gains another. Mr. W. C. Crowell and Mr. T. W. Boatright of Cherryville exchanged bottling plants, Mr. Crowell going to Cherryville and Mr. Boatright to this city. While we regret to give up Mr. Crowell, who is a fine fellow, in turn we are glad to welcome Mr. Boatright to the "best town on earth," where the hum of the mosquito is unknown. Mr. Boatright is expert in making soft drinks.—Lincoln County News, 27th.

For Craig and Aycock.

While the talk of gubernatorial and senatorial candidates is going on, I want to say emphatically that I am for Locke Craig for governor and Charles B. Aycock for senator.

I stand for good roads, if I have to stand alone.

Progressive Seventy-Six.

TO NUMBER HOUSES.

Aldermen Agree to Have This Done When Postoffice Department Calls for it for Free City Delivery.

The city aldermen met last night and passed upon quite a number of interesting matters. Postmaster Love was present and stated that the time had come when free city mail delivery could be secured if the streets were named and the houses numbered. It was agreed that this would be done promptly when the department gave notice.

Tax collector Crowell submitted his report for June, showing collections as follows: Water and lights, \$933.20; miscellaneous, \$90.88; special license tax, \$132.00; delinquent taxes, \$408.00—total, \$1,564.08. The salary of Mr. Crowell was raised to \$600.00 per month.

A tax of \$10.00 was placed on cigarette dealers.

An ordinance was passed forbidding any owner to allow a dog to wear a tax tag other than for the current year. The dog tax of \$1.00 goes into effect on the 15th. An additional ordinance was passed, making a charge of 50 cents expense upon every dog impounded and redeemed.

The tax on opera house was reduced from \$50 to \$25.

Messrs. J. H. Lee and A. W. Biggers, from the school board, appeared and stated that about \$10,000.00 would be needed for the school for the coming year. The school board was authorized to make another room for one of the grades.

The superintendent of the power plant was ordered to put two lights on the railroad overhead bridge.

The board will meet Thursday morning to take up the matter of sewerage and the sanitary condition of the town.

It was decided that license would be withdrawn from hack drivers who refused to give information when required about disorderly passengers.

Give Us the Mile Post and the Sign Post.

I am glad to see the article in The Journal from Mr. Hinson calling for the establishment of mile posts and sign posts along our public roads. I was talking to one of my neighbors some time ago about this very thing. I hope our road men will get a move on themselves and give us these helps to travel. Let's all do everything we can to get the posts and marks up. Lee Yandle.

(The editor of The Journal traveled nearly a hundred miles over mountain roads last week and every mile of the stretch had a neatly painted mile post giving the distance in each direction. This is a vast help to travellers and our roads should have them.)

Death of Mrs. Helms in Charlotte.

Mrs. Mary Helms, widow of Mr. John M. Helms, formerly of this county, died at her home in Charlotte Sunday morning, June 24. She was about 61 years old.

Mrs. Helms was a good woman, one who lived a Christian life, caring well for her family, helping her neighbors, doing the duty that was at hand. She leaves two sons, Messrs Raymond and Reece Helms and one daughter, Mrs. Noah Williams. Messrs. S. A. and Miles A. Helms are brothers of the deceased.

Mrs. Helms was a faithful member of the Baptist church.

Colored Peoples' Big Day.

The colored people are preparing to have an all day celebration at Lee Park on the 18th. A circular which they had issued reads as follows: At 3 o'clock there will be a great speech by Prof. M. D. Lee, A. M., D. D., general secretary of the A. M. E. church, associated by Rev. L. J. Melton and others. This is hoped to be one of the greatest days in the history of Monroe among the colored people. Merry, merry time! eating ham, chicken, ice cream, and drinking lemonade and cold drinks and ice. Everybody come and bring your whole family and enjoy one pleasant day in your life.

Miss Kitty James of Chester is visiting Miss Mabel Lane.

WROK OF RECORDER COURT

Number of Cases Tried, Fines Collected and Sentences Imposed During Three Months.

Mr. J. M. C. Vann yesterday made the following report to the county commissioners and the city aldermen:

Gentlemen:—I have the honor to hand to you a report of the amount of work done by the Recorder's court during the period April 4 to June 30, inclusive.

The number of cases disposed of within the time mentioned is 173. Of these cases, 87 would be in the jurisdiction of justices of the peace and 86 within the jurisdiction of the Superior court, were it not for the Recorder's court.

Of the 173 cases, 93 prosecutions were for crimes committed within Monroe, and 80 for crimes committed outside of Monroe. The total number of defendants tried is 192; of whom 93 are white persons and 99 are negroes.

The number of defendants convicted is 148. The number acquitted is 24. The number of defendants against whom no verdict was asked or a nolle prosequi entered is 13. Of the above cases 3 were hearings on peace warrants; in 2 of which bonds were imposed, and in 1 the defendant discharged. Four cases were preliminary hearings in cases of felony. In three of these the defendants were bound over to the next term of criminal court, and in one preliminary hearing the defendant was discharged and the prosecutor taxed with the costs.

I am unable to give the amount of fines and costs collected. Information as to this may be obtained at the office of clerk of the Superior court. According to the entry of fines made by me when the cases were disposed of, and a calculation which I have made as to the costs, the total of fines and costs is approximately \$1,800.00. The aggregate of road and jail sentences is 5 years, 7 months and 12 days.

Very respectfully,
J. C. M. Vann,
Prosecuting Attorney in the Recorder's Court of the City of Monroe.

Proceedings in Recorder's Court.

Mae, C. Helms, assault with a deadly weapon, \$25 and costs.

Fred Helms, assault with deadly weapon, \$10 and costs.

S. C. Hayes, acting as advertising agent without paying license tax, not guilty.

Walter Braze, colored, assault with deadly weapon, not guilty.

William McDonald, colored, assault and battery, \$15 and costs.

Nook Cauthen, colored, assault and battery, costs.

W. C. Carlisle, assault and battery, costs.

Jeff George, jumping board bill, not guilty.

William McDonald, carrying concealed weapons, \$19 and costs.

Beauregard Robinson, colored, violation of ordinance 76, \$2 and costs.

Dedication of Banks Church.

The dedication of Banks Presbyterian church in Sandy Ridge township, will take place on the first Sabbath in August, services on Saturday before, basket dinner on the grounds and two services on Saturday. Friends will be present from Charlotte, Pineville, Ft. Mill, Rock Hill, Monroe and far-away Texas.

Governor Kitchin to be at Wingate July 23.

The corner stone of the handsome new brick building at Wingate School will be laid July 23. Governor W. W. Kitchin will deliver the address, and it goes without saying that it will be a fine one. A great crowd will be present.

Mr. J. A. Smith and Miss Alice Hinson, daughter of Mr. R. H. Hinson, of New Salem township, were married on the 18th at the residence of the bride's father, Esq. Ellis B. Purser officiating. Mr. Smith is a popular and prosperous citizen and a man of fine character. Mrs. Smith is a popular young lady. A large number of friends attended the wedding. A splendid supper was served.

A. S. Dockery Passes.

(Rockingham dispatch, 27th.)

Alfred Settle Dockery, who was stricken with typhoid fever four weeks ago, passed away today at four o'clock. He was a desperately sick man from the time the disease fastened itself upon him, but it was hoped his youth and naturally robust constitution would triumph and succeed in throwing off the deadly toxins. Such was not to be the case. Complications set in early which made his condition dangerous at the outset. With the cheerfulness and high spirits so characteristic of him in health, he made a brave fight for recovery and expressed the belief that he was going to get well. However, after the contraction of pneumonia about a week ago and the development of jaundice a few days later, it was soon seen that there was very little chance for him in his weakened condition.

Alfred Settle Dockery was the eldest son of Col. H. C. Dockery and was born at the old Dockery home, 6 miles from Rockingham, October 29, 1876. He was educated at Wake Forest College and the University of North Carolina, going before the Supreme Court and receiving his license to practice law in Sept., 1897, a month before he was 21 years of age. He practiced in Rockingham for the practice of his profession and soon built up a large practice.

Heat Wave Will Break this Week

The weather bureau at Washington promises that the coming week will be one of moderate temperature in the South Atlantic Gulf States and generally over the region west of the Mississippi river. High temperatures will prevail the first part of the week in the northern and middle States east of the Mississippi, followed by a change to lower temperature in these districts about Wednesday.

A barometric depression that now covers the Rocky Mountain region, according to the bureau, will drift slowly eastward, preceded and attended by local showers and thunder storms and will cross the Mississippi valley Tuesday or Wednesday and the Atlantic States Thursday or Friday. It will be followed by cooler weather over the plains States, the Mississippi valley and the region east thereof.

The heat record for the North American continent was not held by the United States, but went to Canada, for at Rockliffe, Ont., the thermometer registered 108 degrees. The hottest place in the United States was Marquette, Mich., 104, while St. Joseph and Kansas City, Mo., Des Moines, Iowa, Omaha, Charles City, Iowa, reported 102 degrees; Fort Smith, Ark., Louisville, Keokuk, Ia., 100; Chicago, St. Louis, Detroit, Harrisburg, Cairo, Ill., and Toledo, O., 98.

Six big cities reported 96 degrees of temperature while New York and Philadelphia sweltered under a temperature two degrees less.

Where Crops are Good.

A gentleman who last week travelled over parts of Chesterfield, at Ruby, Mt. Croghan and Pageland, tells The Journal that he found a great contrast in the condition of crops there and in this section. Cotton is fully up to the average and corn is very good. Numbers of cotton blooms, ear tassels and silks are in evidence and a great part of the people are beginning to think of laying by time. There have been several big rains recently and in places the land is washed considerably. At Mt. Croghan the crops are exceptionally good for clay land, but it is a first quality of clay, with black, loamy soil, red clay subsoil and just enough sand to make cultivation easy. The Rivers Brothers, J. H., N. T. and W. A., are doing good farming. Last year they had 210 acres in cotton which yielded a bale per acre. And the attractive feature is that they used only 700 pounds of fertilizer and 50 pounds of soda per acre. They have 225 acres in cultivation this year, 90 of which they replanted owing to the dry weather. They are also in the mercantile business.

Farmers' Institutes.

Mr. T. J. W. Broom will be in charge of the party that will hold the farmers' institutes in this county this year and he will certainly have the best of speakers along. The dates for institutes have been fixed as follows: Friday, August 4th, Marshville; Saturday, the 5th, Waxhaw; Monday, the 7th, Monroe; Tuesday, the 8th, Indian Trail. Two halls will be needed at each place, as there will be a woman's institute in connection.

Principal and Teachers Elected.

The graded school trustees have elected the following teachers: C. J. Henley of Mecklenburg, principal; Miss Jessie Eagle of Salisbury and Miss Jessie Porter of Lancaster, eighth grade; Miss Clara Jordan of Bennettsville, seventh grade.

DEATH OF MR. A. C. JOHNSON

End Came last Wednesday Night After Brief Illness — Well Known Man.

Mr. A. C. Johnson, whose serious illness was noted in The Journal last week, died at his home here last Wednesday night of congestion of the brain. On the previous Friday night he attended a meeting of the Masonic lodge at Wingate, and came home late. It was supposed by the family that he was sleeping late Saturday morning, and so there was no alarm when he did not arise at the usual hour. However, he was conscious at five o'clock because he then got up to wake a member of the family who wished to get up early, and again retired. When first seen in his room after that, he was walking about unconsciously. Only a few lucid moments came before his death on Wednesday night.

Besides his neighbors and near relatives living here, Mrs. E. F. Johnson of Wilmington, Mrs. J. M. Marshall of Cronley, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Cuthbertson of Charlotte, were by his bedside when death came.

The funeral was conducted by Dr. J. H. Weaver and the remains were buried with the honors of the Masonic order, of which he was an intelligent and enthusiastic member. When the new lodge at Wingate was instituted some time ago he carried his membership there to help them organize, and at the last meeting, which he attended the night before he was stricken with the fatal disease that caused his untimely death, he was unanimously elected Master of the lodge. Mr. Johnson was also a Knight of Pythias.

Mr. Johnson was born in Sampson county July 16, 1850, and was therefore nearly 52 years old. When he was about grown he went to Wilmington and lived in that city for some time and on October 20, 1882, he came to Monroe and went into the grocery business. He commenced business on a small scale but he gave it his most careful, constant and intelligent attention and he prospered and left a good estate.

On December 31, 1885, Mr. Johnson was happily married to Miss Eugenia Cuthbertson, who died on the 2nd of last November. To Mr. and Mrs. Johnson five children were born. Two sons, Mr. P. H. Johnson and Master Nathan Johnson, and two daughters, Misses Eugenia and Susie Johnson, survive. Mr. C. B. Barden of Monroe is a half-brother and Mrs. J. M. Marshall of Cronley is a half-sister of the deceased.

Mr. Johnson was a very intelligent man and had decided views upon all subjects to which he turned his attention. He was a man of the highest integrity, and had good business judgment. He never feared to show his colors and did his own thinking. He was a magistrate for 15 years. He was for many years a steward in the Methodist church, and always a member of that denomination. He had always had the idea that he should die suddenly, and had often told his family so. He was devoted to his family. The writer knew A. C. Johnson for years and never knew him to do a thing to be ashamed of or unbecoming an upright and a just man. He had many warm friends and was recognized as a man of individuality and independence.

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