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DR. BLAIR, AFFLICTED WITH BLOOD POISON, IS IN HOSPITAL

Injection Resulted From Cut On Hand, But It Is Thought Amputation Will Not Be Necessary.

Correspondence of The Journal.

Marshallville, Nov. 17.—Dr. M. P. Blair was taken to the Presbyterian hospital in Charlotte Friday suffering from blood poison which resulted from a cut on his hand. Dr. Gibson of Charlotte was called in Thursday and thought best to remove Dr. Blair to the hospital for treatment. It is hoped that his hand will not have to be amputated as at first was feared. Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Herrell and Mrs. Blair accompanied the doctor to Charlotte. Latest reports from him are favorable.

Mr. W. O. Herrell and Mrs. J. Hurley Griffin went to Charlotte today to see their sister, Miss Sallie Herrell, who has been ill at the home of her sister, Mrs. Plummer Stewart, for two weeks. Miss Herrell has not been doing so well for the last few days and will be removed to the Presbyterian hospital for treatment at once.

Mrs. J. T. Garland and children, Jenn and Franklin, left Thursday for an extended visit to Mrs. Garland's parents at Donalds, S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Heron and children spent the week-end with relatives in Bishopville, S. C.

Mrs. H. C. Ashcraft spent several days last week with Mrs. B. C. Ashcraft in Monroe.

Measles, Clayton Pomeroy and W. G. Heron spent several days in Charlotte last week on business.

Miss Lottie Harrell of Polkton and Misses Lillian Stevens and Floy Myers of Winatale spent the week-end with home folks here.

Mr. H. A. Harrell spent Sunday in Charlotte with relatives.

Mr. Smith Medlin made a business trip to Charlotte Thursday.

Mr. C. M. Griffin has returned from the Presbyterian hospital at Charlotte where he underwent an operation. His health is very much improved.

There will be a Thanksgiving service held in the Methodist church on Thanksgiving morning, Rev. J. J. Edwards, pastor of the church, conducting it. A special collection will be taken for the Children's home at Winston-Salem. Everyone is invited to come and bring an offering.

Mrs. Alice Bivens has accepted a position at Mrs. A. P. Phifer's store. Mrs. Martin Braswell has been very ill with something like diphtheria, but is better now.

The Mission Study Class of the Methodist church met with Mrs. H. C. Ashcraft Monday afternoon. After an interesting discussion of the lesson refreshments were served.

Mrs. W. B. Marsh, who is teaching at Gilboa, spent the week-end at home.

Death of Mrs. W. F. Benton, Jr.

Friends and relatives were shocked and grieved Sunday morning when a message was received telling of the death of Mrs. W. F. Benton, Jr. at an early hour at her home in Sumter. She, with an infant, was buried yesterday afternoon in Sumter.

Before her marriage to Mr. Benton four years ago in Abbeville, she was Miss Martha Platt and was home demonstration agent for that county, an unusually capable and attractive young woman. Her parents died a number of years ago. Surviving her besides her husband is a small daughter, Mrs. Benton was only twenty-eight years old and was a woman of much charm and personality. She has often visited her husband's people in Monroe and has never failed to add to her scores of friends while here. A faithful member of the Baptist church she always remained true to its teachings.

The following friends and relatives from Monroe attended the funeral service: Mr. and Mrs. Murray Benton, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Clontz, Miss Pat Benton, Mr. and Mrs. Stamey Helms, Mr. W. F. Benton, Sr., Mr. Fred Benton and Master Woodson Benton.

TELEGRAPH CO. SUE FOR \$500

Mrs. Funderburk Claims Telegram. Announcing Death of Her Father. Not Delivered.

Suit for damages to the amount of five hundred dollars against the Western Union Telegraph Company for failure to deliver a telegram announcing the death of her father, the late Mr. Sam Arant, of this county, has been instituted by Mrs. T. J. Funderburk, of China Grove, route one. In her complaint Mrs. Funderburk says she suffered mental anguish by not knowing of the passing of her father until he was buried; thus being unable to attend his funeral.

According to the complaint, Mr. W. T. Rorie filed a telegram to Mrs. Funderburk at the local office of the Western Union on June 21st, informing her of the death of her father. The agent, who the complaint reads, told Mr. Rorie that in case the message was not delivered he would be notified. Later in the day Mr. Rorie called at the office to ascertain if the message had been received, and on being told that the operator at China Grove had not then wired back his inability to deliver the message, went home. The message, however, did not reach her, says Mrs. Funderburk.

Monroe Water Makes Soap Expensive to the Housewives.

The waste of soap in Monroe, on account of the hard quality of our water, is something enormous, according to Major F. E. Harrington, who recently completed a sanitary survey of the town. He urges that measures be taken to have the water softened by a chemical process, claiming that the saving in soap alone would soon pay for the installation of the necessary machinery to successfully apply the chemicals. City Engineer C. W. Lee is interested in Major Harrington's recommendation, and intends to correspond with chemical houses with the view of securing fuller information before committing himself to the step. He fears the chemicals might affect the taste of the water, but admits that it ought to be softened if possible to do so without greatly marring that excellent twang to our artesian water which has brought it fame all over the state.

NEGRO BOY'S NECK BROKEN BY A BLOW FROM SHOTGUN

Tragedy Results From Incident That Occurred in August When Randolph Allen is Alleged to Have Searched Mule.

Randolph Allen, fifteen-year-old colored boy of Marshallville township, was almost instantly killed late Saturday afternoon when he was struck back of the neck with a shotgun by Kate Williams, about thirty-two years of age. The killing took place near Mr. Ed Marsh's place, a mile south of Marshallville, where the little negro's parents lived. Williams was arrested shortly after the deed was committed, and is in jail awaiting the result of his preliminary hearing in the Recorder's court, which is being held today.

The affair is said to have resulted from an alleged attempt by Randolph to scare Williams' mule sometime in August. Williams is said to have remarked, after the incident, that he would kill Randolph the minute he caught him away from home. Saturday afternoon he ran across Randolph, in a field a short distance from the house on Mr. Marsh's place, and is said to have remarked: "Oh, yes, da—n you, I've got you now!" He was then alleged to have struck the blow that ended the boy's life.

Williams, however, claims that Randolph advanced upon him with a drawn knife after some words relative to the occurrence in August had been exchanged between them. The two youth who were with Randolph are said to have denied this statement.

Sandy Ridge Co-Operative Store Organized.

The Sandy Ridge Supply Company is the name of a new stock company in Sandy Ridge school district, Buford township. Farmers of that section are the stockholders. Application has been made for letters of incorporation. The paid in capital stock is \$2,500. The following named are the officers: J. H. Edwards, president; E. S. Richardson, secretary; J. E. Richardson, general manager. The directors are James W. Richardson, John Richardson, T. N. Gay, G. W. Moser and H. E. Melton.

One Dollar Buys Chance to Marry Handsome Film Star.

Girls: Would you pay a dollar for a chance to win handsome Wallace Reid, the motion picture star, for a husband? Of course, he's happily married and has a little Wallace, Jr., and its only in his latest Paramount-Artcraft picture, "The Lottery Man," which is coming to the Strand theatre, Friday, that he offers this unusual opportunity to the ladies. And 300,000 of them jump at the chance.

Mr. Reid has the role of breezy Jack Wright, who, being young, good looking, in debt, and jobless, started a lottery with himself the prize offering to marry the woman who drew the lucky number. It was too late to stop these rash proceedings when he fell in love with a pretty girl. To cap the climax, a homely old maid held the winning coupon.

The manner in which the star finally extricates himself from the mess and wins happiness and a fortune furnishes side-splitting entertainment. The picture was adapted from Rida Johnson Young's play of the same name. Wanda Hawley and Harrison Ford are included in the cast, and James Cruze was the director.

Thief Stole 3,000 Pounds of Sugar.

Some unauthorized person could help alleviate the sugar shortage of Charlotte in some measure if thirty 100-pound sacks of sugar which he stole Sunday night out of a Southern Railway freight car were handed over to the fair price committee.

A freight car, with a consignment of sugar to the Charles Moody Company, wholesale grocers at 209 South College street, was entered and robbed of the quantity of the precious cargo some time Sunday night. The discovery of the theft was made at an early hour Monday morning when a shipping clerk of the firm went out to unload the car.

The police department was notified, but no clue as to the guilty parties had been found Monday afternoon.

NEW 100-BUSHEL CAPACITY MILL TO BE ERECTED SOON

Henderson Roller Mill Company, Now Doing Annual Business of Nearly a Million Dollars, is to Triple Capacity by Erecting Larger Plant on Dargan Lot.

The Henderson Roller Mill Co. will begin the erection of a mammoth new mill on the old Mill Dargan site near the railroad, at the end of Church street, within a few months. This announcement was made this morning following a meeting of the board of directors of the company. The new mill will have a capacity of three hundred bushels per day, tripling the present capacity.

The charter of the company has also been amended allowing an increase in the capital stock from twenty-five thousand to one hundred and fifty thousand dollars. Fifty thousand dollars in preferred stock will be offered the public on December 1st. The stock is non-taxable, and will bear eight per cent. payable semi-annually.

Nearly a million dollar business has been done annually by the company for several years at its present mill, and with the tripling of the capacity, this figure will be materially increased. The new mill will also enable local growers to have their wheat ground immediately, thus eliminating the long waits they have been forced to undergo in recent years.

The capacity of the feed mill will likewise be increased from twenty to forty tons a day, and one thousand bushels of meal a day will be a minimum production at the new mill. Huge elevators, with a storage space of twenty thousand bushels of wheat, will be installed; and, in fact, plans call for the erection of one of the largest and most modern mills in this part of the country.

A Seaboard railway service man will be down in a few days to lay out trackage for the mill, and make recommendations as to locations of warehouses, and platform facilities. Following his visit, the officials of the company hope to have plans drawn for mill immediately so work can be started by the contractor in the shortest time possible.

The officers of the company are: J. E. Henderson, president; D. B. Snyder, vice-president; W. A. Henderson, secretary and treasurer; Fred Huntley, sales manager; and F. G. Henderson, chairman of the board of directors.

Organized eighteen years ago, the Henderson Roller mill made a success from the beginning. Not a year has it missed paying at least ten per cent dividends, and some years the returns to the stockholders has far exceeded this figure. The present expansion is in keeping with the policy of the company to meet the demands of their products regardless of the required outlay for new machinery and better equipment.

Cotton meeting. This week a meeting in the interest of the cotton association will be held at the following places: Weddington and Marvin, Friday night, and at Suster school house, in Vance township, Saturday night.

Recent Deleo Light Purchasers.

The following Union county men recently added to the convenience of their homes by buying a Deleo lighting plant: J. V. Medlin, C. J. Braswell, F. N. Helms, and J. A. Bennett.—Adv.

THAT'S THE UNION COUNTY WAY

The Folks Gathered to Pick Cotton For Widow of Mr. Pressley.

Correspondence of The Journal.

Indian Trail, R. F. D. No. 1, Nov. 17.—Friends and neighbors of the late Mr. Cull Pressley gathered at the home of his widow the other day and picked a bale of cotton for her free of charge. They also gathered her corn and dug up her sweet potatoes. There were in all twenty-two workers, including young scribe. Another exhibition of that good old Union county spirit.

It is gratifying to the people of this community to learn that Rev. T. J. Higgins is to be back with us for another year in charge of the Methodist church. He is a good preacher, and has won the hearts of his people.

We don't know what's the matter with Esq. A. W. McManus. In 1906, when cotton was sixteen cents a pound, he refused to sell, and now when it is forty cents he is holding again. We wish him the best of luck, only wish that more of us could do the same, thus keeping the price up to present standards.

The farmers are rapidly planting small grain at this writing. Miss Pearl Hill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hill, is receiving congratulations on a happy event that belongs to her cousin. Not long ago a cousin that Jp Battistau, her cousin was married, and as the initials of her father was given as the name as Miss Pearl's father, a number of people thought she was the bride.

We all know him. She had seven million dollars. Placed in bonds and stocks and rents; He had seven million dollars. So they merged their sentiments. Now they've raised a son whose value is exactly thirty cents.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE

Latest Happenings In and Around Monroe

A campaign for the introduction of pure bred hogs will be waged in this county, beginning Dec. 1, and continuing for two months.

Rev. John A. Wray urges the membership, so far as is possible, to be present at prayermeeting services tomorrow night.

Prizes for the "Egg Shower" are on display in the Monroe Hardware Store. First and second prizes for schools making largest average donations are a large blackboard on a pedestal and a picture of President Wilson in a handsome frame. A small easel blackboard and desk combined will be presented the child making the largest individual donation.

The Union Mercantile Company on Franklin street will open for business tomorrow morning. The store is entirely modern, goods attractively displayed and it compares favorably with grocery stores of the larger cities. Officers of the company are W. A. Lane president, V. H. Wood vice-president and W. B. McManus secretary and treasurer. Mr. J. F. Carter, the efficient manager, will have associated with him Mr. Frank Ellise, a most accommodating and business-like young man. Monroe and Union county people are invited to inspect the company's line of goods which is complete in every respect.

All boys and girls under 18 years in the First Baptist church are urged to meet in the church auditorium tomorrow afternoon at four o'clock for the purpose of organizing and planning work for the campaign now on. Men and women of the church are already greatly interested but it has been remarked that the campaign will fail in its greatest purpose if the children are not enlisted. Last year they were taught loyalty to their country through work and giving of their small means. It is earnestly urged that all parents send their children tomorrow that they may be taught these things in regard to their church. Each boy and girl is expected to help in some way.

An airman, temporarily sojourning in Charlotte, had planned to make exhibition flights in Monroe yesterday, but failed to show up. Judge W. O. Lennond had already agreed to make the first flight with the bird man, and was anxiously scanning the sky during the day in the hope that his ambition to soar above the clouds might be realized. It was announced that passengers would have been carried up for a price of \$1 per minute, and several Monroe men had declared their intention of purchasing a five or ten minute ride. Lack of a suitable landing field is believed to have caused the airman to give up his contemplated Monroe trip.

A high official of the International Harvester Company recently wrote the Charlotte branch of the company the following relative to a recent advertisement inserted in The Journal by R. C. Griffin & Bro.: "It would be impossible for us to offer any adverse criticism on the R. C. Griffin & Bro. advertisement which you mailed to us recently, because from the standpoint of display, illustration, white space, and copy it seems to us almost a hundred per cent advertisement. You may tell this firm for us that we heartily congratulate them upon the appearance and contents of this advertisement and that we wish every one of our dealers were so well equipped and so well represented."

An effort was made last week by a group of well-known farmers to order a car-load of the famous Wamaker big boll cotton seed, but they were informed that the section where these seeds are raised is under quarantine against the boll weevil, and that it would be impossible to ship seed from there unless a permit was secured from the North Carolina department of agriculture. A well-known authority in this county says that good seed will be scarce this year, and that he believes Union county farmers, by holding their seed, can ship in car-load lots to the far South for prices ranging from \$2 to \$3 per bushel, in the spring. Boll rot ruined huge quantities of seed in Alabama, Texas and Mississippi this summer, and the farmers in those states are going to be hard put to get seed for spring planting.

The county road commission has bought ten acres of land on the railroad west of Lee Park for a permanent location for the road forces. A sidetrack will be put in by the railroad for the delivery of sand and other material. A modern prison camp will be constructed for the chain gang after the sanitary plans furnished by the State board of health which the law requires to be adopted. Modern plans for the care and work of prisoners will be adopted and a modern camp maintained. This will draw prisoners from other counties and thus enlarge and increase the efficiency of the force. On the location is a splendid rock quarry and a crushing plant will be put in. Mr. P. A. Raralson, representing the national committee on prisons and prison law, from New York, and Mr. R. F. Beasley, state commissioner of public welfare, spent Saturday with county engineer Mullis, visiting the location and conferring about plans. Mr. Mullis and Captain Fletcher will have one of the most up-to-date and efficient plants of this kind to be found anywhere.

Don't Sneeze!

Listen, you who sneeze, you who have hay fever, Scientists say that we are never nearer death than when we sneeze, the act causing a momentary convulsion of the brain.

Recent Happenings.

Four thousand dogs were listed for taxation in Robeson county this year.

The steamer John Owen, with a crew of 22, sank Nov. 15 in a terrible gale on Lake Superior. No lives were saved.

A baby boy was found on the steps of Mr. J. A. Albright in Durham last Saturday night and no clue as to its identity has been disclosed. No one was seen near the home.

By a vote of 142 to 12 the House on Friday refused to incorporate in the Esch R. R. bill a provision which would compel the abolition of "Jim Crow" cars on Southern railroads.

The week, Nov. 15-22 has been designated as "Farm to Table" week and the movement has become nation wide. Then inhabitants of the cities are expected to motor to the country and fill their market baskets.

University of North Carolina is now foot ball champion of the State and much interest is being centered on the outcome of the annual Virginia-Carolina game. It will be played at Chapel Hill on Thanksgiving Day.

Sgt. John C. Byrum of the Old Hickory division, who lost his left leg in the offensive that broke the Hindenburg line is in receipt of a telegram from the Prince of Wales requesting him to be in New York City Nov. 22 to receive one of the world's most coveted honors — the English medal of Honor for heroism. Sgt. Byrum's home is in Edenton, N. C.

Missing for 60 days from Hampton Roads and classed as a deserter, H. J. Harley, enlisted in the navy as a third class fireman, was found Friday evening under a bungalow at the naval base. He was in a semi-conscious condition and his weight was reduced from 161 to 61 pounds. Harley was wounded and shell shocked in France and it is thought the latter trouble returned when he became apprehensive of punishment for an absence. Groans emanating from his hiding place caused his discovery.

Esq. Laney Looking For Super-Hen.

The recent announcement of the president of the American poultry association to the effect that a super-hen, capable of laying an egg three times the size of the present day egg every twenty-four hours has interested Esq. Jerry C. Laney, peer of the turkey raisers in this county, very much. He isn't inclined to doubt the statement of the poultry man; but, still he would just a little rather see the super-sized egg first. Esq. Laney says he has had hens that would occasionally lay an egg twice the usual size with two yolks in it; and that many of his neighbors have oftentimes reported having hens that would do the same. He is ready to breed the super-hens when they are put on the market for that purpose.

AMERICAN PROHIBITIONIST IS BEATEN UP IN LONDON

Medical Students Were Assaulted at a Meeting Arranged for Debate of Question.

London, Eng., November 13.—William F. Johnson, an American prohibition worker and anti-saloon league organizer, familiarly known here and elsewhere as "possy-foot," was dragged from a platform from which he was speaking today, severely beaten and paraded through two miles of crowded west-end streets on a plank.

His assailants for the most part were medical students, and against them at times he put up a strenuous fight, receiving a badly damaged eye and other injuries, so that finally owing to his weakened condition, he was obliged to submit to the indignity.

Eventually Johnson was rescued by the police, who during the early part of the march simply kept the crowd moving. He was rushed to Bow Street station, where his injuries were dressed and then he was able to go home.

The occasion of the attack was a meeting in Essex Hall, just off the Strand, at which a debate had been arranged under the auspices of the Overseas Club and Patriotic League between Mr. Johnson and R. Mitchell Banks, a lawyer on "The How and the Why of American Prohibition."

MONROE TESTIMONY

Home Proof Here, There and Everywhere.

When you see Doan's Kidney Pills recommended in this paper you must always find the recommendation a Monroe resident. It's the same everywhere—in 5,800 towns in the U. S. Fifty thousand people publicly thank Doan's. What other kidney remedy can give this proof of merit, honesty and truth? Home testimony must be true or it could not be published here. Ask your neighbor. Read this Monroe recommendation. Then judge on having Doan's. You will know what you are getting.

M. L. Flow, notary public, 406 W. Jefferson Ave., says: "Six years ago I suffered a good deal with my back and kidneys. My back ached continually and I could hardly go. When I tried to bend over it was hard for me to straighten and sharp, knife-like pains would shoot through my back. My kidneys were out of order and the secretions contained sediment. I also had dizzy spells and black specks came before my eyes, too. Finally I was advised to try Doan's Kidney Pills. So I got a supply at the English Drug Co. I only used a few, when my back felt like new and in a short time I was relieved entirely."

Price 60c. at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Flow had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y.

ONE KILLED, AND ANOTHER

HURT IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Car Turns Somersault Fatally Injuring Theodore Hough, And Seriously Hurting Henry Polk.

A fatal automobile accident occurred Saturday afternoon near the home of Mr. Frank Krauss, a short distance from Mineral Springs, when the Ford car in which were riding Theodore Hough and Henry Polk overturned, pinning them beneath. As a result of injuries received in the accident young Hough died 24 hours later, and Mr. Polk is in a Charlotte hospital in a serious condition.

The car was running smoothly down the road until one of the rear wheels dropped into a small ditch. The terrific jolt the car thus received caused it to pitch a summersault in the air, and when it fell, the two young occupants were pinned under it. Mr. Hough's stomach was crushed, which caused hemorrhages to develop. He was taken to the home of Mr. Lee Polk, where he was given medical attention. The next day the doctors were preparing to take him to the hospital at Chester, but he expired about ten minutes before the train left the station at Mineral Springs.

Henry Polk was crushed about the kidneys, his injury forcing blood into the bladder, and he is in a precarious condition. The doctors, though, hold some hope of his recovery. He is under the attention of a skilled surgeon in Charlotte, and local physicians believe he will survive if it is humanly possible under the circumstances.

The deceased is a son of Mr. Amos Hough of Waxhaw. He had been living with Mr. Lee Polk since the death of his mother two years ago, and was a young man of fine promise. He was only sixteen years of age. His companion in the car, Mr. Henry Polk, was about the same age. He is a son of Mr. Lee Polk. Funeral services over the remains of Mr. Hough were conducted Monday morning at the Waxhaw Baptist church, Rev. Mr. Myers officiating.

Cotton Scarc and the Roads Are Bad in Georgia

To the Editor of The Journal:—Please tell Bob Howie to buy all the cotton he can in Union county for the crop is almost a complete failure in South Carolina and Georgia. Also tell Brother Frank Williams not to follow me on my trip to Atlanta via Columbia and Augusta for the roads are in such a bad condition that he would have to listen to many of Brother A. C. Davis' sermons to get him back in good standing. Frank told me he was going to make the trip in a few days, so stop him if you can. The old Rocky River road is a credit to the roads of South Carolina and a part of Georgia. We may go on to Florida. I have wished many times I had left my Hudson home and brought my Ford.

On my return I am going to go around South Carolina as much as possible. I may return by way of Louisville, Ky. One party from Michigan joined me on my trip to Columbia and when we struck those bad roads they yelled, "hurrah for the good roads of North Carolina." Well, I hope to get to Atlanta tomorrow, so tell Frank Williams if he wants to meet me to come will Bill Cason.

VANN SIKES, Madison, Georgia, Nov. 16.

FIRE AND BRIMSTONE COMING

SAYS JUDGE W. O.'S FRIEND.

Sun Is Due to Throw Off Large Nebula Spot on December 17, and For Several Days We Are Going to Have a Time Of It, So the Astronomers Claim.

Judgment day, or the next thing to it, is slated to occur Dec. 17, according to the astronomers. Writes a friend in Kansas City, Mo., to Judge W. O. Lennond. On that day the sun is going to throw off one of its nebula spots, which will bring a rain of fire and brimstone to the earth for several days. The letter of the Kansas City man, containing this interesting prophecy, follows:

"W. O., with my little knowledge of astronomy, I have been making some observations lately and, whether you agree with me or not will not change any of the planets in their course. I will quote from Wiseman from Cal., who is my mind is the greatest astronomer of the age. He says in part, 'that the sun spots we see are nebula fragments thrown off from the sun by some superior force and found later at some point between us and the sun.' Time, he says, 'is a something mass of heat, which at stated times explode and throw tremendous flames of heat for millions of miles in every direction.' The one nearest the earth, and the largest one known to astronomers, he says, 'is due to explode December 17, 1919, and for several days, on or about this date, we will have a tremendous rain of fire and brimstone.' Look out for the date."

She Won.

First Debutante—"They say Jack's quite an expert in the art of self-defense."

Second debutante—"Hardly, Marie made him propose in just one week."

—Life.