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MARION MAN KILLED IN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT

Alexander White Victim of Automobile Smash up in Western Pennsylvania.

Alexander Sinclair White, (familiarily known as Tannie White), a well known young man of Marion, son of Mrs. Mamie White, met death in an automobile accident near Johnstown, Pa., Saturday night. Details of the accident are not available, but from meagre reports it seems that Tannie and two companions were driving on the highway near the Pennsylvania city when they were struck by a powerful Cadillac going at a terrific rate of speed, almost completely demolishing the Ford, killing young White and injuring his companions.

Young White, it is said, was thrown from the car, his head striking the cement pavement, crushing his skull. He was picked up and carried to his boarding place and later removed to Memorial Hospital in Johnstown, where he died Sunday morning about four o'clock.

News that "Tannie" White had met death in a tragic accident, closely following on to the report that Louie Poteat was probably fatally injured, brought gloom to Marion and entire section.

"Tannie," as he was known to his friends, left home several weeks ago to accept a position in Western Pennsylvania as a civil engineer. He was in charge of a force of surveyors who were locating a traction line. He was a young man skilled in his profession and making a fine record for himself. His untimely passing brings sadness and gloom to the hearts of his many friends and relatives in this section.

Funeral was conducted from the residence Tuesday afternoon by Rev. J. C. Story. Interment was made at Oak Grove cemetery in the family plot. The floral tributes were many and beautiful, attesting the popularity of the deceased young man.

The deceased is survived by the immediate family—Mrs. Mamie White, mother; a brother, George, and a sister, Miss Margie.

A host of friends in Marion and surrounding country extend the deepest sympathy to the stricken family in their great bereavement.

Out of town relatives here for the funeral were Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Sinclair, of Asheville; Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Sinclair, of High Point; Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Sinclair, of Hickory; Mrs. J. L. Henderson, of Burlington, and Mrs. Shaw, of Greensboro.

BLANTON AUTREY KILLED BY OFFICER

Blanton Autrey was shot last Thursday by E. H. Good. The shooting took place in upper North Cove township. J. A. Good and brother, E. H. Good, deputized to arrest Autrey, finding their man in company with a man by the name of McPeeters, proceeded to make the arrest, when it is said Autrey advanced on Deputy J. A. Good with a pistol, and McPeeters advanced with a knife. Good, it is said, failed to make his pistol fire and called to his brother, E. H. Good, to shoot Autrey. The latter fired upon Autrey, when the latter dropped his pistol, falling himself. McPeeters, it is stated, made his escape.

The Good brothers after calling aid to Autrey came to Marion. Efforts were made to get Autrey to a hospital but it seems his people interfered and he died on Friday night.

KINCAID IS HELD FOR AUGUST TERM OF COURT

Morganton, July 23.—Sidney Kincaid, Burke county commissioner and prominent farmer in jail on the charge of murdering his wife, today waived examination and was ordered held without bond until the case shall be called at the August term of Burke county court, which convenes here two weeks from Monday.

COUNTY SCHOOLS SEND-ING IN GOOD REPORTS

About half of the schools of the county opened last week and from the reports coming to the office of County Superintendent the schools in operation are making very satisfactory records. Before the beginning of school a meeting was held which was attended by the teachers whose schools opened last week.

When the year's work was planned and the school machinery put in motion, the things upon which teachers and officials are laying much emphasis are the matters of attendance, school improvement and physical equipment. The schools now in operation have opened up with the best initial enrollment on record and a number of schools are reporting all children within the compulsory age are already in school and attending regularly. Several schools have reported very large enrollments considering the census of school children. Teachers report that much enthusiasm is being aroused for the improvement in beautifying buildings and grounds and a number expect to not only have the best attendance in the history of the schools but much is expected to be done in the way of improving the physical equipment.

Miss Mary Greenlee, who is looking after the matter of attendance, is already in the field and reports her work to the effect that no opposition is contemplated in the matter of school attendance. Miss Greenlee expects to assist in making the schools attractive and efficient and thus induce the children to attend because of the benefits to be derived therefrom, rather than have to resort to a matter of force.

LOUIE POTEAT MEETS DEATH IN EXPLOSION

The many friends and relatives of Louie M. Poteat, son of S. A. Poteat of this place, a young man of thirty-one years of age, were shocked to receive the information that he had been blown up in a dynamite explosion while engaged in road construction work at Fayetteville, Tenn. Relatives were advised by wire Friday night that Mr. Poteat was seriously injured and Millard and A. E. Poteat, brothers, left immediately for the scene of the accident. They had hardly reached there probably before the end came.

The body was prepared for shipment and brought to Marion on No. 12 Tuesday afternoon and the funeral was held from Providence church by Rev. Terrell Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock. Interment was made in the family plot in the Providence cemetery.

Mr. Poteat was a young man well known in Marion and McDowell county where he has spent his entire life. He was a young man of good habits and a good worker. During the world war he saw service abroad and won an enviable record as a soldier. He was a member of the local post of the American Legion. A delegation in full uniform attended the funeral.

Young Poteat is survived by his father, S. A. Poteat; Millard, A. E. and Arthur, brothers, and one sister, Mrs. E. D. Odom.

The sympathy of the entire community is extended to the stricken relatives in their hour of great grief.

WEATHER REPORT.

Thos. McGuire, local government weather bureau observer, reports the temperature and rainfall at Marion for the week as follows:

Maximum, 89 degrees; minimum, 61 degrees; rain, 1.46 inches; sunshine, per cent, .64.

CIRCUS COMING.

Gentry Brothers Famous Shows and Wild Animal Circus combined will exhibit in Marion next Thursday, August 4. Gentry Brothers carry a large number of horses, ponies and dogs and is said to be one of the best shows of the kind on the road today.

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE COUNTY

Brief Mention of Some of the Happenings in McDowell—Items About Home People.

OLD FORT

Old Fort, July 25.—Mrs. J. L. Nichols and daughter, Edith, spent the latter part of the week in Asheville.

Miss Pauline Hawkins of Marion returned home after a few days visit to her aunt, Miss Gertrude Dula. Rev. Mr. Marley of China Grove spent the first of the week with his daughter, Mrs. I. L. Caplin.

Mrs. John Blalock and children left Wednesday for a visit to relatives in Tennessee.

Miss "Pet" Greenlee of Greenlee spent Tuesday in Old Fort. Homer Walker of Canton, who has been visiting Mrs. Grover Freeman, returned home Thursday.

Lee Williams of Greenlee was in town on business Thursday.

Mrs. William Allen, who has been very sick, is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Johnson left Friday night for Tate Springs, Tenn., where the former was called by the illness of his father.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Levere, July 23, a daughter.

Misses Lillie Lytle, Thelma Hyams and Nelle Wilson returned Friday from a camping trip to Chimney Rock.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Greene and little son, Jack, who have been visiting Mrs. Henry Greene, returned to their home in Charlotte yesterday.

Frank Thomason of Forest City visited friends here during the week. Tom Sandlin of Bryson City is spending a few days with his aunt, Mrs. J. C. Sandlin.

The Old Fort base ball team defeated the Marion Manufacturing Company team Saturday afternoon, the score being 11 to 10. Batteries for Old Fort were Thomason and Allison.

CATAWBA VALLEY

Old Fort, Rt. 1, July 25.—The showers continue and the threshers are not progressing very well.

Tate Parker spent Sunday on Crooked Creek.

Miss Annie Bradley has opened school on Mill Creek.

Miss Edith Allison of Asheville is visiting at the home of T. H. Allison.

Logan Bradley and Walter Porter have accepted positions at Swannanoa.

A revival meeting is in progress at Ebenezer. We hope much good will result from the meeting.

H. A. Hensley of Ridgecrest spent Saturday and Sunday with home-folks.

Lat. Wilson of Burnsville is here on business.

Bulow Kelley went to Crooked creek Sunday.

Mrs. E. W. Griffin was right sick last Saturday but is improving.

T. A. Porter went to Swannanoa last week on business.

The river was up last week and washed all the logs away.

CROOKED CREEK

Old Fort, Rt. 2, July 26.—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rominger of Winston-Salem are visiting Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Davis.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Parker, a daughter.

Mrs. John Gilliam and children of Gastonia have been visiting relatives here.

School opened at Belfont July 18, with Tom Stacy and Miss Bessie Cuthbertson as teachers.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Lavender, July 20, a son.

Lee Lavender has gone to Ellenboro on business.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Erwin of Henrietta are visiting relatives here.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Davis, a son.

CHAPEL HILL

Chapel Hill, July 25.—Mr. and

Mrs. Joe Mainor of Weaverville are visiting their daughters, Mrs. A. S. Coats and Mrs. Floyd Fisher.

Misses Evelyn and Thelma Holland spent the week-end with Misses Nora and Sadie Hunter at Nealsville. Mrs. Will Huffman has returned from the Rutherford hospital much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Poteet spent Sunday at the home of C. D. Holland.

G. W. Kaylor and Jesse Brown made a business trip to Old Fort the latter part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Swann spent Sunday with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Huffman.

NEBO

Nebo, July 26.—Taylor Jaynes, an aged man, died at his home Friday and was laid to rest in the Nebo cemetery Saturday afternoon. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. M. V. Snipes. Mr. Jaynes was a consistent member of the church. He leaves to mourn his loss a number of relatives and a host of friends.

Misses Lizzie and Vivian Parks, who are teaching school at Harmony Grove, spent the week-end here.

Mrs. Wade and children, after spending some time here with relatives, returned to her home in Gibsonville last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Simpson and baby of Rutherfordton visited thier parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Wilson, last week.

Miss Sudie Alexander of Marion spent the week-end here with home-folks.

Horace Conley was a visitor here last week.

Prof. Rowland, the new principal of Nebo High School, was here last week on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Alexander were welcome visitors here last week.

Tom Stacey and Miss Bessie Cuthbertson left last week for Belfont where they will teach school.

MONTFORDS COVE

Union Mills, Rt. 1, July 25.—The revival closed yesterday at the Cove Baptist church with two new members.

Mrs. Ina Parker and children visited Mrs. Parker's sister, Mrs. Hensley, Saturday.

Jonas Harris and sister of Maple creek spent last week in the Cove.

Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Hemphill and little son are visiting Mr. Hemphill's parents.

Miss Mary M. Greenlee, County Superintendent of Public Welfare, was the guest of Mrs. Verno Harris last week.

Miss Estelle Houck is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. L. Ledbetter.

Mrs. T. M. Hemphill and sons, Frank and Thomas, of Marion, attended revival meeting here during the week.

Miss Ethel Ledbetter entertained a few friends Thursday evening. The following were present: Misses Estelle Houck, Gertrude Hemphill and Nell Harris; Messrs. Ransome and Zerbie Hemphill and Robert Harris.

Fanny Koon of Thermal City is visiting in the Cove.

Robert Misenheimer of Spencer is visiting his grandmother, Mrs. Nancy Mitchell.

Josh Harris has received his discharge from the army and will make his home with his mother here.

Miss Lou Harris is quite ill.

John Williams of Rutherfordton spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Williams.

Miss Mary Sue Hemphill spent part of last week with her cousins, Misses Clara, Mattie and Nelle Harris.

White Pine school is progressing nicely under the management of Miss Goodloe Haney.

L. M. Stott is hauling some fine peaches to Marion and receiving fancy prices for them.

Mrs. W. G. Harris is visiting her mother, Mrs. Adeline Hall.

Verno Harris made a business trip to Marion today.

NEWS ITEMS FROM OVER THE STATE

Items Concerning Events of Interest and Importance Throughout the State.

A freight train came uncoupled Friday night between Barber Junction and Salisbury, causing a couple of cars to turn over. The wreck delayed No. 16 nearly two hours.

Frank L. Wells, of Leicester township, was elected superintendent of public instruction in Buncombe county to succeed Miss Ethel Terrell, at a special meeting of the board of education Thursday afternoon.

A very sad ending to what was intended for a baseball game took place at Beaufort Monday when Charles Noe was struck on the head by a pitched ball. He fell dead running to first base. Noe was about 25 years old and leaves a widow and two children.

R. A. Kohloss has taken charge of his new job as prohibition enforcement director for North Carolina, succeeding Col. T. H. Vanderford. For the present he will occupy the same quarters Colonel Vanderford has had in the federal building in Salisbury and temporarily will have the same office force.

Aston Coffee, a youth accompanying his father to Black Mountain from Cherokee county, was instantly killed Friday night when the automobile in which they were riding, skidded off the road and turned turtle, breaking the boy's neck and pinning him in a small stream beneath the wrecked car.

INDICTMENTS AGAINST GOVERNOR OF ILLINOIS

Springfield, Ill., July 20.—Indictments charging Governor Small, Lieut-Governor F. E. Sterling and Vernon Curtis with embezzlement, conspiracy and operation of a confidence game were returned by the Sangamon county grand jury this afternoon.

On the first indictment the Governor, Lieut-Governor and Curtis were charged with embezzlement of \$700,000.

The indictment for conspiracy and confidence games charges that the three obtained divers drafts, warrants, vouchers and documents to the amount of two million dollars.

There will be an ice cream supper at Sugar Hill school house next Saturday afternoon from 4 to 8 o'clock, after which a short program will be given by the children. The proceeds will go for the benefit of the school.

Your home paper comes to you as an old friend and neighbor, telling you all the home news while the large city paper enters your home as a stranger. Send in your subscription to The Progress and keep posted on local affairs.

CURFEW

Curfew, July 26.—Mrs. William Clontz and children and Misses Mamie and Grace Brown of Spartanburg, have been visiting relatives and friends here for the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hawkins of Marion were visitors at S. A. Hawkins Sunday.

Miss Laura Reel has returned home from Marion for her summer vacation.

Mrs. Caroline Hawkins has been on the sick list for the last few weeks.

Mrs. Lillie Simmons of Sugar Hill visited relatives here Sunday.

Miss Edna Hawkins is spending a few days with homefolks.

Mrs. Mary Simmons spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Carolina Hawkins.

Little Louise Saunders of Marion is spending a few days with her grandmother, Mrs. Lou Reel.

There will be an ice cream supper at Bethlehem school house Friday night, July 29. The proceeds will go for the benefit of the school. Everybody invited.