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ZEBULON BARRICK ALLEY

Zebulon Barrick Alley, son of the late Colonel J. H. Alley, was born November 19, 1862, in Whiteside Cove, Jackson County, North Carolina; departed this life, June 6, 1926.

On January 26, 1892, Mr. Alley was married to Miss Cora Davis of Clay County, Hayesville, North Carolina. To this union was born one son and four daughters, all of whom survive: Doyle D. Alley, Sylva; Mrs. Frank Morrison, Sylva; Mrs. N. D. Smithson, Asheville; Mrs. A. D. Dunn, Hyattsville, Maryland, and Mrs. Thomas Charchee of Baltimore.

Mr. Alley was a son of one of the most prominent families in Western North Carolina. He spent his boyhood days at home in the devoted care of his parents in their declining days and grew to manhood in Whiteside Cove near the magnificent structure known as Whiteside Mountain which he loved so well, and which will be an everlasting monument to the memory of one who stood staunch and strong in his life's service of doing good for his country and fellowmen. His example of life will be a guiding influence in that of many others. Mr. Alley's friends were numbered by his acquaintances. He was loved by everyone in that familiar role of "Uncle Zeb." He was one of the most influential men of Jackson County and his judgement and advice respected to the utmost. He lived up to the highest ideals of democracy and may we ever keep in mind the fact that he gave his life during the support of this great cause.

Mr. Alley, enroute from Cashiers to Sylva, on the night of June 5th, was fatally injured in an automobile accident when the car in which he was riding, driven by Mr. Henry Moss, was turned over an embankment off the road. Mr. Alley in company with his son and three other friends, had left Cashiers at the late hour after closing of voting polls, coming to Sylva to get final returns of the election in connection with his brother, Hon. Felix E. Alley, who lost the Congressional nomination by a very close margin. Mr. Alley was found by his son, who becoming alarmed at the delay of the missing car went in search of them, to find the car in which his father rode wrecked and his father injured. Dr. Candler was first consulted but advised that death had been instantaneous. Mr. Alley was taken to the Medford Undertaking Parlor where all arrangements were completed, later being removed to his home in Cashiers Valley.

Funeral services were conducted at 10:00 A. M., June 8th by Rev. Clark Medford of the Methodist church, of which Mr. Alley had been a member for 15 years. This was one of the most beautiful and impressive ceremonies ever rendered and was very fittingly held in the open under the lovely pine grove at the entrance of the Alley Cottage. Mr. Alley's favor-

ite verse of scripture was read, i. e., "Owe no man anything but to love one another for he who loveth another hath fulfilled the law," leads us into the light of his every day living and religious convictions. He was a genuine character of citizenship and his loss will be keenly felt in this entire community. Interment in Whiteside Cove cemetery.

"For when the one great scorer comes to write against your name he writes not how you won or lost but how you played the game."

A deeply devoted.

TOXAWAY LAKE TO BE REBUILT

The purchase of 6,000 acres in the heart of the Jennings Estate in Transylvania county, including the site of the once famous Lake Toxaway, by a group of Asheville men who guarantee to rebuild the dam destroyed by flood in 1916 and thus recreate Lake Toxaway and rejuvenate this entire mountain resort, was announced last night. The financial consideration was stated as \$1,500,000, making one of the largest, if not the largest real estate deals on record in Western North Carolina.

The new owners are the Toxaway Company, Inc., of which R. Lee Ellis is president, Holmes Bryson, vice president; H. G. Barnes, secretary and Charles Arbuthnot, III, of Pittsburgh, treasurer. The board of directors includes the foregoing officers and Chas. E. Waddell, Fred L. Sales, Gray Gorham and Dr. J. A. Sinclair.

Engineers employed by the Toxaway Company, Inc., are already at work on plans for a new concrete dam, the cost of which is estimated at \$150,000.

LOCAL AGENT FOR CHRYSLER

Mr. Enloe Moore has just been appointed local agent for the Chrysler automobile, in this section.

Mr. Moore's sale was made to Sheriff Sutton, it being the 70, which is a six-cylinder car.

Mr. Moore says the prospects are good for several sales in the near future, and he further states that he believes it to be one of the very best cars for the money.

PAVING AT CULLOWHEE STATE NORMAL

Mr. W. M. Brown of this place has just received a contract to pave the main entrance from the highway up to the front of the administration building of the Cullowhee State Normal. Mr. Brown says that this drive will be sixteen feet wide and that the work will be finished within the next two or three weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Buchanan Jr., Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Buchanan and children Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Buchanan and family and Mrs. Sadie J. Long spent the week end in Hamburg.

ROBERT L. HATCHER DEAD

Friends in Sylva and Jackson county, will learn with sadness of the death, Saturday, in Gastonia, of Robert L. Hatcher.

Mr. Hatcher lived in Sylva for a number of years and was employed at the Sylva Tanning Company. Leaving Sylva he moved to Canton, where he made his home for some time, before going to Gastonia.

The funeral and interment were in Gastonia Sunday.

Mr. Hatcher and his family have many friends in Sylva and Jackson county.

BUYS INTEREST IN MILL

Mr. L. P. Allen has bought the interest in the Allen Mill, owned by Mr. Ed Reed, and Mr. Jim Reed, and the mill is now owned by Mr. Allen and Mr. George Painter.

Mr. Allen states that they will make a number of improvements, and add some new equipment, which will enable them to give their customers the very best of service.

DILLSBORO LOCALS

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Jarrett and two small children from Andrews are guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Jarrett.

Dr. Robert Bell of this place left Saturday for Raleigh to take the State Board.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Jarrett and children of Greensboro, and Mr. E. M. Jarrett of Asheville are in Dillsboro this week visiting relatives.

Miss Alma Leatherwood spent one day the first of the week with friends in Webster.

Miss Maggie Parris of this place is attending summer school at Cullowhee. Mr. Kennon Davis of Georgia spent a few days this week with friends. Mr. Davis was a teacher in the Dillsboro graded school the past school term.

Mrs. S. W. Enloe entertained the W. A. Enloe chapter of the U. D. C Thursday at her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Rogers and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Staneford of this place motored to Andrews Sunday.

Mrs. Maggie Keever of Belmont, S. C., and daughter Elba and son Dan have been visiting relatives and friends for a few days.

Miss Bessie Hooper from Cullowhee is the guest of Mrs. F. I. Watson.

Mr. Neal Dills from Charlotte is the guest of home folks for a week or ten days.

Mr. Valli of Hendersonville was in town the latter part of the week on business.

Mr. J. N. Jarrett passed through Dillsboro yesterday enroute to his home in Raleigh.

Messrs. Lamberth and Griffith of Thomasville have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Powell this week. While here they enjoyed a fishing trip on Weirhut.

INVESTIGATE SLAYING OF CONVICT

Asheville, June 17. — George Ross Pou, superintendent of the state prison, is expected to arrive here Friday to investigate the death Tuesday night of William A. George, a 28-year-old negro convict at Asheville state prison camp, who was shot by a guard when he made a break for freedom.

F. G. Baker, head of the prison camp, was in receipt of a telegram from Superintendent Pou in which the latter stated he will likely arrive here Friday morning. Meanwhile the state superintendent advised Mr. Baker that he was endeavoring to communicate with the dead man's relatives in Craven county to see if they wished to claim the body. Mr. Baker had the body embalmed and it was being held at an Asheville undertaking establishment pending instructions from the superintendent.

George was serving a 30-year sentence for murder following his conviction last January in Craven county. He had the reputation among prison guards of being a "bad" character, and it was said that he declared he would never serve his sentence.

The prisoner tried to escape late on Tuesday afternoon when he was being returned to the barracks from a rock quarry near Asheville. When he failed to halt at the command of the guards one of them fired on him. A buck shot struck the negro in the back of the head near the base of the brain and he died an hour later.

It is Superintendent Pou's custom to make a personal investigation of the death or injury of prisoners under his supervision. According to Associated Press dispatches from Raleigh he will inspect the seven camps where state convicts are confined while he is in Western North Carolina.

THE PARIS REMODELING STORE

Mr. Simons has a force of carpenters and brick masons at work remodeling the store rooms and tearing out an opening for an arch between the two rooms. He also has painters at work touching up the front. When this work is completed it is said that The Paris will be one of the most up to date stores in this part of the state.

AUCTION SALE JUNE 25

The C. P. Wilkins Auction Company of Brevard will sell thirty-nine home sites about one and half miles from town facing Highway No. 106, Friday June 25, at 10 A. M.

There will be valuable prizes given away consisting of one \$50.00 kitchen cabinet and numerous other prizes. This is considered very desirable resident property. One makes no mistake buying either as investment or home site.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Clouse and small son left Friday for an extended visit to Gastonia and Charlotte.