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Construction On Community Club House To Start

Work Expected To Begin On May 29. Wiley Baldwin To Be Building Supt.

Construction on the Ashe Community Club House, which will be erected here on the vacant lot across from the Goss boarding house under the sponsorship of the county board of education, is expected to commence on Monday, May 29th.

The project was approved some time ago by WPA and an allotment of \$4,200.00 of federal funds was made for this building.

Wiley Baldwin has been appointed as building superintendent and around 15 men will be employed on the job.

P. G. Wright, chairman of the committee to raise the sponsor's part of around \$2,000, reports that good progress is being made.

Every one is requested to contribute and have a part in the erection of this community building. The drive is now well under way.

F. L. Colvard, 88, Died Monday

Well Known Citizen of Ashe County. Served 50 Yrs. as Justice of The Peace.

A large number of friends and relatives attended the funeral service of F. L. Colvard, son of Nathan's Creek yesterday morning at Senter church, with Elders Chas. Kilby and Bynum Blevins in charge.

Mr. Colvard who was a native of this section and had lived in Ashe county all of his life was one of the best known citizens of this section. He was an active Democrat and always showed much interest in all elections. He served as a Justice of the Peace for over 50 years, as well as a legal advisor to many. He wrote his obituary, to be read at his funeral, some time before his death.

He was born Dec. 2, 1850 and was 88 years old at the time of his death Monday which was the result of pneumonia. He was the son of William Colvard and Sallie Reeves Colvard and has a large number of relatives in this section. He is survived by his wife and eight children, Mrs. Myrtle Gambill, Independence, Va.; Mrs. Dela Bledsoe, Sparta, N. C.; Ben Colvard, Laurel Springs, N. C.; W. P. Colvard, Winton, Washington; Mrs. Jennie Dancy, Nathan's Creek; F. L. Colvard, Warland, Wyoming; John R. Colvard, Nathan's Creek; Mrs. Rachael Sheets, Mateland, Va. One brother, Robert L. Colvard of Halfway, Oregon, also survives.

JOSHUA SHEPHERD WAS BURIED TODAY

Funeral service for Joshua Shepherd, 88 years of age who died at his home at Transou, Tuesday night, was held today.

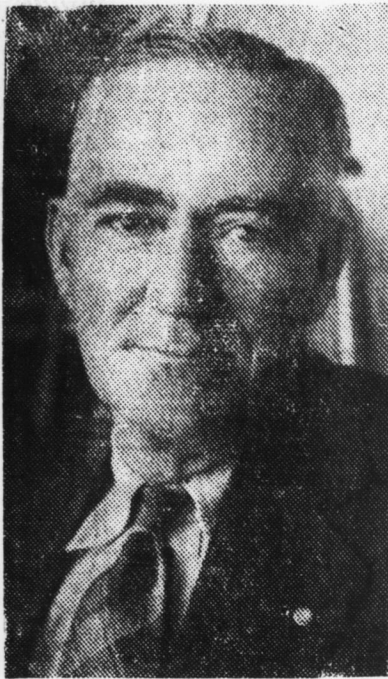
Mr. Shepherd who was one of the best known and oldest farmers of the Laurel Springs section, had been an invalid for some time before his death. He was a native of Ashe county and had spent his entire life here. His wife preceded him to the grave several years ago.

He is survived by a number of children and grandchildren and other relatives most of whom lived near him.

Colvard Reunion To Be Held Sun., June 4, In Wilkes

The Colvard reunion will be held at Union Baptist Church, near Wilbard post office, Wilkes county, the first Sunday in June. This will be the third annual gathering and it is hoped that all Colvards and Colvard descendants will be present. Those who have attended in the past know that it is the custom to have a picnic dinner which is a very interesting part of the occasion, and again everyone is asked to bring a well filled basket. "Even though you are not a Colvard but your great grandpa was you will be expected to attend", Miss Ruth Colvard, of North Wilkesboro, who was in town a few days ago, said.

DIRECTS BIG DRIVE



Roy Badger, who is director and supervisor of the Ashe County Hospital Association drive. He and his brother, Guy Badger, also contributed a lot for the hospital.

Hospital Drive Is Moving Along

Roy Badger Says Response Is Good. Workers Urged To Make Canvass Now.

Roy Badger, supervisor of the drive to organize the Ashe County Hospital, Association and thereby raise the sponsor's part for the erection of a modern WPA county hospital, yesterday reported that good progress is being made.

"However, reports from the different community workers are not coming in as fast as I should like for them to and all solicitors are urged to make complete canvass of their sections just as soon as possible," Mr. Badger said.

"Everybody in the county should join the hospital association. If you can't afford one or more memberships, then why not contribute at least one dollar for every member in the family and thereby have a part in the establishment of this great institution that we need so badly," he asserted.

He said that he and other local workers are planning to visit the various communities and assist the local solicitors in their canvasses. "Work on the building can commence just as soon as we raise the sponsor's part," he said. From time to time a complete list of the members and contributors will be published in this paper.

Frank Adams Is Bound Over To Superior Court

Charged with Assaulting Norman Jones. Hearing Held Before H. C. Tucker.

In a hearing before Magistrate H. C. Tucker Monday, Frank Adams was bound over to superior court under a \$400.00 bond for striking and seriously wounding Norman Jones with a knife at the Shell cafe here May 2.

Jones, who is one of the owners and operators of the Shell cafe, testified that in order to avoid having a public disturbance in his place of business as a result of an argument which Adams and his wife had gotten into while eating in the cafe on the night of May 2, that he asked them to leave. He said that he escorted them to the door and that Adams then struck him in the shoulder with a knife.

Robert Barr, manager of the Ideal Laundry who witnessed the affray, testified that he saw Adams strike Jones with a knife. The defendant could not fill bond and was placed in jail.

Judge Tucker stated that he had received complaints relative to misconduct at the Adams home and told Mrs. Adams that he would not issue warrants against her, but would give her an opportunity to leave here.

The Adamses have several small children. They are reported to have come here from Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Reeves and family, of Laurel Springs, visited friends and relatives here last Sunday.

Good Progress Is Being Made On Prison Camp

Work Half Completed. About Forty Men At Work On The Job.

WEAVER IS SUPT.

Splendid progress is being made on the construction of the new state prison camp in Ashe county.

Walter Weaver, superintendent of this big building project for the Miller Construction Company, of Thomasville, contractors of the job, this week stated that the work is almost half completed.

Three buildings—the laundry, kitchen and dining room and the guards' home—have already been erected and will be finished in a short time and work is now well underway on the prison dormitory, garage and repair shop. Two guards' towers have also been built.

The prison dormitory, which is of course the principal building, will be 32 by 118 feet, with a back wing 30 x 40. This will be a brick structure and the foundation work has been completed.

The laundry building is 76 x 16 feet and the dining room is 27 x 105 feet long. Both of them are located back of the prison.

Work was started on the modern \$45,000 prison camp on March 15 and is scheduled to be finished by August. Mr. Weaver said that around 40 men are employed on the job. With the exception of two brick masons, all of the employees, who are certified by the State Employment Service, live in Ashe county. Dallas Whitener is the state inspector on the job and C. B. Kugler is book-keeper for the Miller Construction Company.

The Crutchfield Plumbing and Heating Company, Greensboro, has the plumbing contract and Mill and Marine Electric Company, of Gastonia, has the wiring contract.

The new camp is being built on the Emmitt Stanley farm on Buffalo Creek. The state has purchased around 180 acres of land, much of which the prisoners will cultivate.

Typhoid Clinics Are Being Held In Ashe County

Free Vaccinations Given To Everybody. Conducted By Health Department.

Several typhoid clinics are now being held in Ashe county by Mrs. Mary Belle Breece, public health nurse of the county health department.

These clinics are free for every one and each clinic will last for three weeks, meeting at the same place on the same day and hour three different weeks.

Clinics were started at Scottville last Friday morning at 9 o'clock; at Nathan's Creek last Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock; at Buffalo Baptist church last Tuesday at 9 o'clock and Lansing at 2 o'clock last Tuesday. A clinic at Glendale Springs will start tomorrow at 2 o'clock in the afternoon and at Warrensville next Tuesday at 11 o'clock in the morning.

Vaccinations are given free in the office each Saturday morning and clinics in every other section of the county will be held next month.

Mrs. Breece said the response has been very good.

JEFFERSON PRESBYTERIANS TO BURN NOTE ON SUNDAY

During the service of worship this Sunday morning in the Jefferson Presbyterian church, a kind of incense that the congregation will like will be burned.

It is the last note, paid in full, given for the manse. This week the final payment was made. The congregation, but with little help from other churches within the county, has paid one thousand dollars for money borrowed for the manse. This is in addition to the generous cash gift made when the building was begun.

The Jefferson manse is one of the nicest in the Presbytery which serves the smaller churches.

The congregation invites its friends to attend this service at 11:00 A. M. and the one in the evening at 8:00 P. M.

Rev. T. E. Wagg Was Buried At Morganton Tues.

Retired Methodist Minister, Native of This County Died Monday.

WELL KNOWN HERE

Friends and relatives throughout Ashe county were saddened by the news of the death of Rev. Thomas Eugene Wagg Sr., 85, superannuated Methodist minister who in his active career occupied some of the leading appointments in his annual conference, who died suddenly on Monday at his home at Rutherford College.

Mr. Wagg who was a native of this county has a host of friends and relatives here who were grieved to hear of his death. T. E. Parker is a namesake of his.

Members of the West Jefferson Methodist church recalled that he organized this institution in 1921. Charter members were Mr. and Mrs. J. Lester Segraves, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Parker, Mr. and Mrs. James Allen, Mrs. A. E. Graybeal, Miss Nona Kirby, Miss Jennie Graybeal, Mrs. E. D. Jones, B. B. Graybeal, J. A. Rowland, and Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Faw.

Funeral service was conducted Tuesday afternoon at Rutherford College Methodist church by Rev. W. L. Scott, of Lexington, assisted by Rev. J. P. Morris, of Rutherford College. Interment followed in Morganton.

Born January 15, 1854, in Jefferson, Mr. Wagg was the son of Dr. James Wagg and Elizabeth Duvall Wagg. He was educated for the practice of dentistry and was active in that profession a number of years before he became a member of the Holston conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, south, in Virginia, in 1885. He served as pastor of a number of churches. At that time the Holston conference also included a large section of western North Carolina.

When the Western North Carolina conference was formed, four decades ago, Mr. Wagg became a member of that conference, in which he served as pastor of a number of important churches.

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Chataqua At Foster Memorial Will Start Wed.

Rev. Ted Fix Will Do The Preaching. Public Is Invited To Hear Him.

On Tuesday the tent is scheduled to be pitched in front of the Foster Memorial church for the beginning of the Bible School on Wednesday morning. On Wednesday evening at 8:00 P. M., Rev. Ted Fix, recently graduated from the Dallas Theological Seminary, will begin the series of evangelistic services.

Mr. Fix has many friends in the county because of his connection with Rev. Dan Graham. Mr. Fix spent three weeks in Jefferson several years ago and Ashe people have frequently heard his voice over the radio. Mr. Fix has a splendid voice for singing as well as for preaching.

He and Mrs. Fix are under appointment to go to Africa as missionaries in September. The Foster Memorial church considers itself quite fortunate in securing him for this meeting.

The congregation invites all of the friends of the Chataqua movement to attend the services. Miss Marie Clark, of Lansing, will be the pianist and one of the teachers in the Bible School. Miss Kathryn Hunt will be the teacher of the Young People and the director of the Bible School. The meeting will continue for two weeks.

Straw Hat Day This Saturday

Saturday is Straw Hat Day in the Jeffersons and Ashe county! Local fashion observers have set this Saturday as the day for all men to discard their old winter hats for new, bright, cool spring and summer straws.

The weather has promised his co-operation. Come to West Jefferson and get a new Straw Hat!

Senator Receives Expensive Postcard



WASHINGTON, D. C. . . . What is believed to be the world's largest postcard was received here by Senator Ernest Lundeen of Minnesota, urging him to vote for a bill granting annual sick leave to substitute employees of the Postoffice Department. The card is 6 feet by 4 and cost \$2.50 in postage. Shown left to right: Senator Ernest Lundeen, W. I. Horner, Leo George, W. H. Duke, and A. B. Crombie.

Man Posing As 'Lawyer' Bound Over At Sparta

Charles Lienback, Wanted In Elkin and Lynchburg, Va., Arrested Last Week.

Charles Lienback, of Washington, D. C., was bound over to federal court in a hearing held in Sparta this week, on charges of forcible trespass and larceny of valuable papers in Elkin.

Lienback, it is understood, is also wanted by Lynchburg, Va., police on a felony charge.

The Washington man first came to the attention of lawyers in Elkin when he went there some time ago, posing as an attorney representing Mrs. Steve Allred, who, separated from her husband, had been making Washington her home. However, it was soon learned that the man was not a lawyer.

It was stated that Lienback entered the Allred home and took valuable papers. He was arrested in Sparta last Wednesday where he had been making his home.

May Session Of Federal Court Gets Under Way

Two-Weeks Term For Trial Cases In Four Counties Began On Monday.

May term of federal court for trial of cases in Wilkes, Alleghany, Ashe and Watauga counties convened in Wilkesboro Monday for a two-weeks' term.

Judge Johnson J. Hayes, of Wilkesboro, is presiding over the term, and the criminal docket will be tried first.

District Attorney Carlyle Higgins, of Sparta, and his assistants are prosecuting the docket. Practically all of the cases calendared are for alleged violation of the liquor tax laws and the docket contains about the average number of cases.

Two 4-H Clubs Are Organized

A 4-H club has been organized at Lansing and at Nathan's Creek, Horatio Quessenberry, assistant county farm agent, announces.

The Lansing club has 14 charter members and its regular meetings will be held in the school gymnasium. The next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, May 27.

James Roe is president of this club; Russell Spencer, vice president; Richard Weaver, secretary; Kermit Sexton, treasurer; and Kent Testerman, reporter.

The main projects which were adopted at the organization meeting were corn, potatoes and baby beef.

The Nathan's Creek club has 15 members and will hold its monthly meetings at the school gym, too. Its officers are Bill Pennington, president; John Wiley, vice president; Bill Emmitt McMillan, secretary; Loyd Goodman, treasurer and Thomas Gentry, reporter.

WANT A HOSPITAL?
If you want a Hospital in Ashe County, JOIN the ASHE COUNTY HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION. Co-operation and support from everybody is needed to put the movement over. We now have a Golden Opportunity!

Mrs. Sullivan Fatally Injured In Car Accident

Aged Tuckerdale Woman Dies In Wilkes County Hospital. Truck Driver Held.

FUNERAL MONDAY

Mrs. Rosa Lewis Sullivan, 85, of Tuckerdale, was fatally injured in an automobile near Bina last Friday morning when the car in which she was riding was forced by an approaching truck to the edge of the road and turned over.

The aged woman suffered several broken ribs and lacerations about the face. She died within an hour after she was taken to the Wilkes hospital.

Noey Webster Graham, driver of the car, and his daughter, escaped unhurt.

Ambrose E. Reed, of Boone and formerly of Warrensville, who was driving the Seven-Up bottle truck that was said to have skidded to the center of the road when brakes were applied on a curve and thus forced Graham to the side, is being held under a \$500.00 bond, pending a hearing before Judge H. C. Tucker here on May 20.

Deputy C. O. Parsons and Patrolman Thomas, who investigated the unusual accident, stated that there was no collision. The Graham automobile, they said, turned over when it was pulled off from the road and the driver lost control on the soft shoulder of the highway.

Funeral service which was held Monday at the Nella Presbyterian church was attended by a large crowd of friends and relatives. Revs. R. H. Stone, Eli Graham and M. D. Hart were in charge of the service.

Mrs. Sullivan's second husband, Wesley Sullivan, died about eight months ago. She is survived by several children, Jess Lewis, of Tazewell, Va.; Gordon and Carretta, W. Va.; Mrs. Thomas Powers, Tuckerdale; Mrs. Lilly Nelson, Rockford, Ill.; Mrs. Lena Farmer, Kiwanee, Ill. She also leaves two sisters, Mrs. Lenina Thompson, Taylors Valley, Va.; Mrs. Ira Finley, Konorrock, Va.; several grandchildren and one step-child, John L. Sullivan, Konorrock, Va.

Red Cross First Aid Course Will Be Given Here

Miss Bulah Osborne To Conduct Course for Ashe Chapter Of Red Cross.

Starting this afternoon at 2 o'clock, a first aid course will be conducted here in the American Legion hall under the sponsorship of the Ashe county chapter of the Red Cross. L. P. Colvard announces.

Miss Bulah Osborne, of Laurel Springs, who has taken special instruction and has been approved as an American Red Cross first aid instructor, is giving the course.

Boys and girls between the ages of 12 and 20 are eligible to take the course and those interested should enroll not later than tomorrow afternoon.

About two hours of instruction will be given each afternoon for the next week or ten days.

Those who complete the course will be awarded certificates.

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