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## REV. FRANK R. NALLS WAS NOT DROWNED

Found in Semi-Delirious Condition 40 Hours After Disappearance

## DOES NOT REMEMBER HARROWING EVENT

Mother and Sister of Minister's Wife Return to Brevard, Overjoyed

Rev. Frank R. Nalls, reported drowned last Tuesday, and who was found the following Thursday some fifty miles from home, in a semi-delirious condition, is reported as making rapid recovery at his home in Lylesville. Intense interest was taken in the case here, Mr. Nalls having married Miss Edna King, of Brevard, and was at one time English teacher in the Brevard High school.

Mrs. Cordia King, mother of Mrs. Nalls, and Mrs. Clifton DuRant, sister, both of Brevard, left here last Wednesday morning upon receipt of the news that Nalls was missing and reported drowned in the Pee Dee river. Following is an account of the circumstances, as given by Mrs. King to The Brevard News:

Rev. Mr. Nalls and his wife left their home at Lylesville on Tuesday afternoon of last week, to fish in the Pee Dee river, some seven miles from their home. After a while Mr. Nalls decided that he would take a swim. Mrs. Nalls pleading with him to stay out of the water. She had not been aware of the fact that he had brought his bathing suit along. Mr. Nalls said his suit was in the car, that he would change into his suit, and be in the water but a short time. He "set" his hook in the bank, asking Mrs. Nalls to watch out for his hook while he was away.

After a while Mrs. Nalls became uneasy, and went down the river in search of her husband, to ask him to come out of the water. The underbrush was so thick that she could not reach the bank of the stream. Becoming alarmed, Mrs. Nalls went back to the place where they had been fishing, and called to some boys near there to help her locate Mr. Nalls. A search was made by the boys, who found Mr. Nalls' shoes on the bank of the river. Nothing could be seen of the young minister, and the alarm was given. Lylesville was informed, and large numbers of people rushed to the place.

All night Tuesday night, and throughout the day Wednesday, and on through Wednesday night, a small army of men dragged the Pee Dee river. Experienced divers were brought to the scene, and made effort to locate the body that was supposed to be at the bottom of the river. Dynamite was used, also, in large quantities along the river where it might be expected that a body would sink.

At 11 o'clock Thursday morning first word came that Rev. Mr. Nalls was alive and had been seen. This was considered a false report and was kept from the grief-stricken wife, as it was considered dangerous to her in her frantic condition to have any hope revived, unless it was made certain that such report could be verified.

A few minutes later a telegram (Continued on page four)

## BIG TOURNAMENT TUESDAY, JUNE 12

On Tuesday, June 12, a Dinner Tournament will be played on the links of the Country club, in which about 58 players will participate. Thos. H. Shipman is captain of one side, while Randall W. Everett is the opposing general. The two teams will be paired, and each losing player must pay for the dinner for himself and the man who bested him. Dinner will be served in the Country club building, with Mrs. Harry Patton and Mrs. B. H. Garner acting as hostesses.

It is said much practice will be had by the players before the great event, as the two captains are ancient rivals on the golf course, and each will insist upon his men doing their utmost in the contest.

Captain R. W. Everett, T. H. Shipman, Dick Breese, Henry Carrier, Ed McCoy, Hinton McLeod, Dr. Hardin, Lawrence Holt, W. W. Crouse, S. P. Hammett, A. G. Kyle, H. Clarke, Mayr Whitmire, Dr. Zachary, Dr. Lynch, James F. Barrett, Duncan MacDougald, R. H. Morrow, H. Patton, D. H. Shipman, Rev. Monroe, D. MacDougald, Jr., John Smith, A. Trantham, Fory Jerome, H. Wilson, S. M. Macfie, Paul Smathers, Dick Zachary, Fred Miller, C. P. Wilkins, Rev. Crawford, Mr. Barclay, Dave Ward, Loy Thompson, W. F. Hart, Dick Zachary, J. S. Silverstein

Ladies Mrs. Macfie, Miss Rose Shipman, Miss Morrow, Miss Barclay, Nancy Macfie, Martha Breese, Mrs. Shipman, Mrs. H. Patton, Mrs. Smathers, Mrs. Perry, Mrs. Whitmire, Mrs. J. Smith, Bill Aiken, Janie Whitmire, Mrs. Barclay, Mrs. Carrier, Mrs. Ward, Mrs. Kyle, Mrs. Silverstein, Mrs. Everett, Adelaide Silverstein, Maria Vinton

## SILVERSTEEN TAX MATTER SETTLED

County Attorney Martin and Wm. E. Breese Reach Agreement

## INTERESTS OWED ONLY FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS

Concurring Opinion Rendered By D. L. English, Based on Report

Settlement of the back tax matter of the Silversteen property, which has been in controversy for some time, was one of the most important actions taken at the meeting of the board of county commissioners in session Monday. Budget for next year's expenditures as prepared by Auditor Kizer will come before the board as a special order of business on the third Monday of this month. The commissioners met with the school board, and at an adjourned session met with the board of road commissioners on Tuesday.

M. W. Galloway, until recently tax supervisor of the county, had presented to the board a list of property belonging to the Silversteen interest upon which the tax supervisor declared back taxes were due in the amount of about eleven thousand dollars. Mr. Silversteen, through his attorney, declared this report erroneous, and a check for the amount at issue was placed in escrow, pending investigation of the matter. Recently the board ordered that County Attorney Martin go into the matter with Wm. E. Breese, attorney for the Silversteen interests, and make report to the board.

Messrs. Martin and Breese made a comprehensive report on the property involved, and found that taxes on nearly all the property had been paid. An opinion of D. L. English, lawyer, on the matter was asked by the board. Mr. English, in his report, stated he could go no further than rendering an opinion upon the findings of Breese and Martin in the study of their detailed report, unless he first go into the records himself, which, he declared, would require several days time and an expenditure of quite a sum of money. Mr. English's opinion concurred with that of Messrs. Martin and Breese, based, of course, upon his examination of their report made by them.

According to the report made by Martin and Breese, Mr. Silversteen was due about \$400 in back taxes, instead of \$11,000, as charged up against him and his interests.

The commissioners will meet again with the road board on Saturday night. Much of the time last Monday was devoted to hearing of cases in which appeals were being made for relief by the county's indigent. It has been suggested that some man or woman be appointed to hear such cases, and report in writing to the commissioners at each meeting, so the commissioners may devote their time to the business of the county without having to lose so much time listening to these appeals for aid.

## INTEREST GROWS IN B. B. LEAGUE

Interest is growing in the Industrial Ball League since its organization as an amateur sports circle.

The Tanners are on top with three games won and no losses with Sapphire Mill second, having won one and lost one.

Last Saturday Sapphire defeated Carr Lumber company's team on the latter's diamond, and the Tanners carried off honors in the fracas with Rosman.

Schedule for the summer has been announced as follows:

Date	Game
June 9	Rosman vs Sapphire Mill
June 16	T. T. Co. vs Carr Lbr.
June 23	Rosman vs T. T. Co.
June 30	T. T. Co. vs Sapphire Mill
July 7	Sapphire Mill vs Carr Lbr.
July 14	Rosman vs T. T. Co.
July 21	Sapphire Mill vs T. T. Co.
July 28	T. T. Co. vs Carr Lbr.
August 4	Carr Lbr. vs T. T. Co.
August 11	Sapphire Mill vs Rosman
August 18	Rosman vs Carr Lbr.
August 25	Rosman vs T. T. Co.

HOW THEY STAND

Team	W	L	Pct
T. T. Co.	3	0	1000
Sapphire Mill	1	1	500
Carr Lbr Co.	1	2	333
Rosman	0	2	000

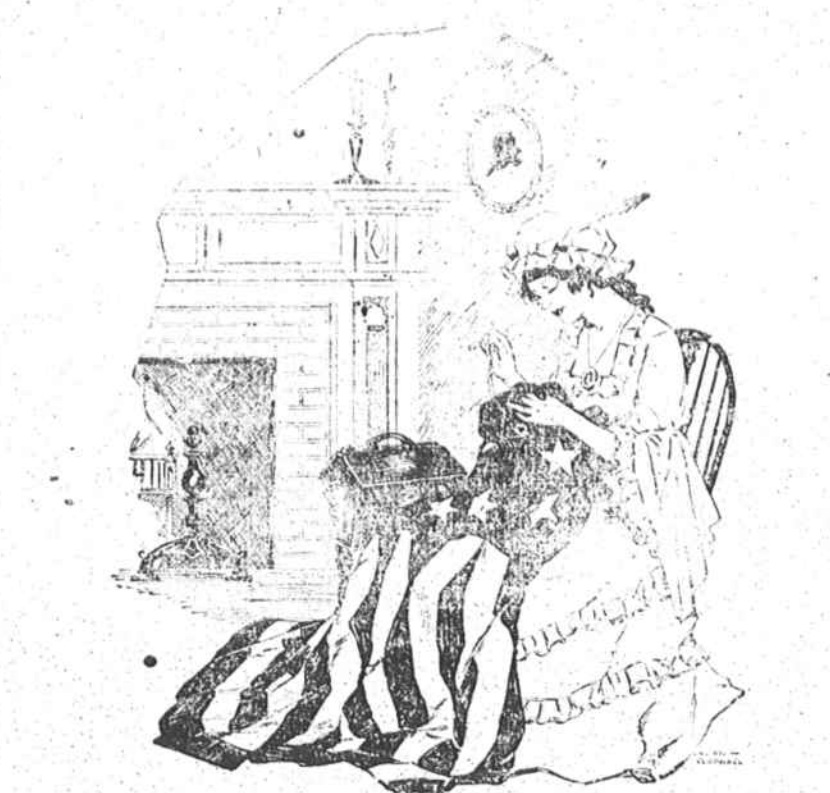
## CHICKEN DINNER FOR JUNIORS ON SATURDAY

With a chicken dinner as the main drawing card, members of the Junior Order in Brevard are expecting a big crowd at the meeting this Saturday night. Members are to bring their families, and some especially invited guests will also be present.

## REV. V. A. CRAWFORD WILL PREACH SUNDAY

Rev. V. A. Crawford announces that he has returned from Charleston, S. C., where he was called on account of the death of his brother, and will occupy his pulpit at the Presbyterian church on next Sunday for the regular services.

## Flag Day Will Be Celebrated Here



Flag Day, June 14, will be observed in Brevard on that date, with an appropriate program rendered at 7 o'clock in the evening on the court house lawn. The service will be under the auspices of the local chapter of the D. A. R., with the assistance of different clubs of the town and the boy scouts and girl scouts. A speaker for the occasion will be secured, who will talk on matters relative to the proper respect and use of the national flag. Members of the local scout troops will also participate on the program, and the municipal band will render patriotic musical selections. A cordial invitation is extended to all people of the town and county to be present on this occasion.

## TO HOLD MEETINGS AT THE NOON HOUR

Kiwanis Club Changes Time of Meeting from Evening Hour to Noon Time

Brevard Kiwanis club has changed meeting hour to noontime, and all members are requested to take notice that the luncheon this Thursday will be at 12:15, prompt and on the dot.

The meeting has been held each Thursday evening, and the change to the noon hour was made for several reasons, chief among them being the fact that many members cannot attend the evening meeting. Then it is pointed out that nearly all the clubs throughout the country hold their meetings at the noon hour, and as there are to be many Kiwanians here during the summer, it is considered to the advantage of the visitors that the meetings be held at noon.

Notices have gone out to all members, and this additional reminder is to further impress upon the membership the change in the meeting hour.

## PASTOR'S BROTHER IN FATAL ACCIDENT

Rev. V. A. Crawford was called to Charleston, S. C., last Thursday on account of the news of the sudden death of his brother, Richard T. Crawford, who was knocked from the new Cooper bridge, and was drowned in the waters below. Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon in the Episcopal church of that city.

Mr. Crawford was a civil engineer and was engaged in work on the new bridge when the sad accident occurred. It is thought he was struck by some of the bridge material and probably fatally injured before falling into the water.

Surviving are his widow and two small children, besides his mother and father, two sisters' and one brother, Rev. Mr. Crawford.

## ROSMAN REVIVAL GREATLY ENJOYED

Rev. A. L. Aycock, pastor of the Brevard Methodist church, concluded on Tuesday night a ten-day revival meeting in the Rosman Methodist church.

Much interest was manifest in the series of meetings, a good attendance was in evidence at each service, and splendid gospel messages were delivered each night by Rev. Mr. Aycock.

The opinion is expressed by many who have been in attendance at the various meetings that much good will result to the members of the church and to the community of Rosman as a whole, on account of the searching messages of the Bible which were preached during this series of meetings.

## HOLT MAKES HOLE IN ONE ON THREE

Lawrence Holt made a hole-in-one Tuesday morning on the golf course. It was on No. three that Mr. Holt made the unusual drive.

## BREVARD EPISODE GIVEN AN OVATION

Town Takes Part in Rhododendron Pageant at Asheville

## 100 BREVARD PEOPLE TOOK PART IN PLAY

Presents Rhododendron Scene from China—Bromfield in Leading Role

For a few hours last Tuesday evening Brevard forsook Twentieth century progress, left the land of civilization, donned the character of the Chinese of many centuries ago, lived with a dragon and worshipped the Goddess of Mercy, offering the blossoms of the Rhododendron to her, that she might protect them from the Demon Famine that threatened them. The occasion was the big Rhododendron pageant staged at Asheville, in which seven towns participated. A cast of about one thousand people took part in the pageant, while Brevard had more than one hundred men and women in the episode presented by local talent.

Throughout the entire pageant, the Rhododendron Blossom was the center of thought, of action, of sight. This mountain flower which grows more beautifully in Western North Carolina than anywhere else in the world, was given a place of prominence and permanence in the affairs of this section through the presentation of the pageant.

All the Brevard people played their parts well, and Mrs. O. L. Erwin, general chairman of the committee on arrangements for the Brevard episode, has been highly complimented for the success attained. Mrs. Hugh R. Walker was the Goddess of Mercy, while J. S. Bromfield had the leading part and played it like a veteran of the stage. There is not time to tell in detail the fine work done by each individual for Brevard.

Miss Edith Russell of Asheville, had full charge of the pageant, having written the parts and planned the whole affair. It is believed the pageant will prove out to be one of the really big events in the Rhododendron Festival Week now being celebrated in this section.

## SAYS THIS COUNTY FINE FOR POTATOES

Because of the high altitude and the splendid quality of the soil of this county the agriculture department of the Southern Railway company is making effort to interest the farmers of Transylvania county in growing certified seed potatoes. According to authorities, potatoes that are to be used as seed must be grown in a high altitude.

Julian Glazener, vocational agriculture teacher of the Brevard High School, has long contended that the farmers of this county ought to make the growing of potatoes for seed their chief object. And now the experts connected with the Southern Railway company, after thorough examination and many tests, make the same analysis as that of Mr. Glazener. Friends of the latter experience new pride in the local teacher's knowledge of farming.

Mr. Kelley, of the Southern Railway, or Mr. Glazener will be glad to discuss the question with any interested farmers, until the arrival of Mr. Gaston, the new farm agent, who is scheduled to begin work the first of July.

## PREDICT HOOVER WILL BE DEFEATED

Members of the republican national executive committee are now in Kansas City, making final preparations for the big event on next Tuesday, when candidates for the Presidency and vice presidency are to be named for the coming campaign and election.

It is understood that but few of North Carolina's delegation will support Hoover, now apparently the leading candidate for the nomination. Republicans who are in position to know something of the sentiment over the country, however, are emphatic in their assertions that Hoover will not be named in the Kansas City convention.

## MANY VISITORS IN THIS SECTION NOW

Many visitors to Western North Carolina are in Brevard this week, several tours arranged by the Rhododendron Festival being routed through this section to points of interest in this county. Waterfalls, the Pink Beds, Caesar's Head, Toccoa, and the Beautiful Sapphire Country, all being visited by the throngs of visitors to the festival.

On account of the manner in which the tour were arranged, it was found impracticable to have a Brevard Day, as had been planned, the rewards preferring to come and go at will, so as to be as much as possible in the day's time. It is believed that the tour will result to the section in many benefits being secured from the Products company for the

## HARTSELL BEGINS SIXTH YEAR HERE

Summary of Work Continued at Morning Services Last Sunday

## GREAT ADDITION MADE TO THE CHURCH ROLL

Four Hundred in the Sunday School—Forty Teachers—Property Value \$75,000

In beginning his sixth year as pastor of the Brevard Baptist church, R. W. Hartsell, featured the Sunday morning service with a summary of the work accomplished by this church during the past five years, all of which attested to the fact that this church has been prospering during the past five years in a thriving condition, both spiritually and materially.

It was brought out in Rev. Mr. Hartsell's review of the past years history of the local church that 20 years ago the present church edifice was erected and that nothing further in the way of building had been done until in 1924, when the handsome new pastoring was erected on the lot adjoining the church, at a cost of approximately \$10,000, and is generally rated as one of the finest pastor's homes to be found anywhere in the state. Other evidences of growth of the past five years are to be found in the erection of an imposing rock wall around the pastoring and church property, at an approximate cost of \$700, the erection of the modern and well-equipped three-story Sunday school building, with 35 rooms conveniently arranged for the different departments, at a cost approximating \$21,000, five pianos are now in use for the different departments of the Sunday school. One-quarter of an acre lot and a dwelling house has been purchased by the church at a cost of \$10,000, totaling the church property at the present time to an amount of one-half an acre in the heart of the city. The entire property of the Baptist church at this time is valued at not less than \$75,000, it was pointed out.

Not only is growth evidenced in the amount of property acquired, but also a decided increase is noted in the church and Sunday school enrollment during the past five years. A total of 285 members has been added to the church roll during this time, making a total membership at present of 546, and the Sunday school has grown from an enrollment of 100 to 400 pupils, with 40 teachers and officers in the various departments, under the supervision of Julian A. Glazener. A full graded W. M. U. is now in active working order, with five B. Y. P. U. organizations doing splendid work, and five years ago there was only one B. Y. P. U.

It is the first time in the history of this church that the same pastor has remained for five years, with regular full-time preaching services every Sunday, all of which combined indicate a thriving condition of the church from practically every aspect, pointing to the fact that in many ways the church has accomplished more in five years, both materially and spiritually, than in perhaps the past 40 years.

## GOING TO CANADA TO ATTEND MEET

Rev. and Mrs. Wallace Hartsell and two children will leave on Monday for a motor trip to Toronto, Canada, going with other Baptist pastors from various sections of the country, to attend the session of the Baptist World Alliance meeting in that city from June 23-30. This will be the largest meeting of the Baptist denomination in the world, a striking feature of which will be the roll call of nations.

Mr. Hartsell and family will be away from Brevard for a month's vacation, returning home through the New England states, visiting historic points of interest in that section of the country.

## SECOND PRIMARY IN STATE CONTEST

In the state primary held last Saturday, Commissioner of Labor and Printing Frank D. Grist has defeated both his opponents, Shipman and Peterson. In the contest for nomination as lieutenant governor, the leading new show Fountaine in the lead with Langston second and Burgeon as third man. This latter situation may, however, be changed with the tabulation of precincts as yet not reported.