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## JAMES B. DUKE DIES AT N. YORK

**Creator of 40 Million Dollar Duke Foundation Passes Away After Long Illness At New York.**

New York, Oct. 10.—James B. Duke, tobacco manufacturer, died tonight at 6 o'clock at his home here after an illness of several weeks that followed a nervous physical breakdown.

Mr. Duke died in the presence of his family and Dr. Robert Z. Wylie, who has attended him through his long illness. The physician said that the end came as a direct result of bronchial pneumonia contracted after the breakdown.

Mr. Duke had fallen into a state of coma after several days of fighting for life. At times he showed such improvement it was thought he would recover.

He is survived by his widow, who was Miss Nanaline Holt; a daughter, Miss Doris Duke; a brother, Benjamin Newton Duke, and a niece, Mrs. Anthony Drexel-Biddle Duke, who before her marriage was Miss Mary Duke.

### Forms Duke Foundation

In 1924 he established the Duke Foundation for which he set aside \$40,000,000. This was the crystallization of ideas which Mr. Duke had had in mind for many years. The trustees were empowered to expend \$6,000,000 in acquiring lands, erecting buildings and otherwise extending the activities of Trinity college, at Durham, N. C., an institution in which the elder Duke had been much interested. The trust deed provided that the name of the institution should be changed to Duke University as a fitting memorial to the father, Washington Duke, and the family.

A large sum from the trust fund we given to the university, a like proportion was set aside for maintaining and securing hospitals, primarily in the states of North Carolina and South Carolina, and other sums for the benefit of white and negro orphans in the two states, for aiding in the construction of Methodist Episcopal churches in rural sections of North Carolina, for pensioning superannuated preachers, for the use of Davidson college at Davidson, N. C., a Presbyterian institution; for Furman university, a Baptist institution at Greenville, S. C., and Johnson C. Smith university for negroes, at Charlotte, N. C.

### Ellijay Items

Mr. T. P. Moses, accompanied by his son, Ansel, recently made a trip to Atlanta to visit his daughter, Mrs. Hume, on take in the Fair.

Mr. R. M. Peek, who is living in New York City, is home on a short visit. We are always glad to have him even for the short vacation.

It is with much sorrow we report the death of Mrs. Jess Worley who has been ill with blood poison. It might be said of her "None knew her but to love her." Our deepest sympathy goes to the bereaved husband and family and the hope that she is now at peace.

Mr. Eli Smith, returned from his trip to Atlanta Sunday where he accompanied his father and mother before they returned to their home at Boston.

Misses Annie Moore and Madge Haney spent the week end here.

Mr. Jim Ammons is still very ill but is better.

### Letter From T. R. Gray

Mr. Editor:—I occasionally see notices in the Press of some of our Methodist young women giving dances or attending dances. I feel like shrugging my shoulders and hiding my face with my hat out of very shame.

T. R. GRAY.

Mr. R. W. Shields, Forest Supervisor, made a business trip to Asheville last week.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL AT OLIVE HILL

The people of Olive Hill and adjoining communities met at the Olive Hill school house and organized a Sunday school Sunday afternoon. A large crowd was present from which the following officers were elected:

Superintendent, Crawford Poindexter.

Assistant Superintendent, Will Swafford.

Secretary-Treasurer, Miss Beulah Tallent.

Teacher Adult Class, C. C. Poindexter.

Teacher Beginners Class, Miss Abbie Willis.

Thee teacher for the intermediate class will be elected next Sunday.

This Sunday school is organized on the union plan and everyone will find a hearty welcome regardless of what denomination he or she may belong to. In short, it is to be EVERYBODY'S Sunday school. So everybody come and bring everybody with you.

This Sunday school meets in the afternoon so that people who attend Sunday school at other places may also have an opportunity to attend the BEST SUNDAY SCHOOL IN MACON COUNTY. Services will begin promptly at three o'clock and will close promptly. Special emphasis will be placed on having good singing and a special invitation is always extended to anyone who can sing or make a joyful noise.

Meet your friends and loved ones at Olive Hill each Sunday afternoon at three o'clock. Bring plenty of "pep" and don't forget to bring your brother, sister, dad, mother and any others you happen to see along the road or in the woods.

### Otto Locals

Miss Sadie Franks, of Glenville, N. C., visited her uncle, Mr. Floyd Houston last week.

Messrs. Fred and Ed Vinson have gone to Highlands to work.

Miss Pearl Cabé, of Tryphosa, spent Sunday with her aunt, Mrs. Yonce Bradley.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Henson, of Prentiss, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Henson of Otto.

Mrs. Barron Forrest, of Miami, Fla. is spending some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Mozeley.

Miss Lucy Cabe, who is in school at Franklin spent the week end at home.

Messrs. Nath and Curt Chasteen, of Dillard, Ga., are frequent visitors in our community.

Miss Connie Bradley, of Prentiss, spent last week end with her parents.

Mr. Ernest Vinson, of Sealy, was a visitor in our community Sunday.

Mr. Lewis Cunningham, who has been in Angel Hospital at Franklin for several weeks, with a fractured leg, came home last week. We are glad to note that he is on the road to recovery.

Misses Nellie and Iris Cabe shopped in Franklin Saturday.

The school children and community are very glad to have their principal, Mrs. Gaston Curtis, back after an operation at Angel Hospital. Mrs. W. F. Curtis of Franklin taught for her during the past month.

There are thirty-nine children between the age of sixteen and twenty-one in this district attending no school. Nearly all of these are ready for high school. It would mean a great deal to this community and Macon county if these pupils could be transported to and from a central high school at Franklin. We hope to see this happen in the near future, and also a consolidation of all the one, two and three teacher schools near Otto.

### Fire

A flue in the store of J. T. Moore & Company caught fire last Thursday and ignited adjacent sills. The fire was discovered in time to prevent a serious conflagration. Mr. Joe Ashear Franklin's volunteer fire chief, was on the job with several other volunteers and soon extinguished the fire.

## MUNICIPAL DAM NOW FILLING UP

**Power Plant Going Up—A Few Minor Details Of Work to Be Completed as Early as Possible.**

Franklin's municipal lake has been filled to the level of the power house. The entire river is now running through the power plant and will so continue until the concrete recently poured in the water ways is sufficiently hardened to permit the gates to be closed. It is unsafe to bring any great amount of pressure against the green concrete.

However, there is quite a good sized lake now, the water being backed up Rabbit Creek for a considerable distance. Wild ducks on their way to invest in Florida periwinkles are daily alighting on the lake and are no doubt wondering what has happened to the Little Tennessee. Some of the local sportsmen have been wasting a considerable amount of ammunition taking half mile shots at these wise old birds.

### New Industry For Franklin

Mr. J. E. Stimson, a former resident of this state but who has been living in Florida for nine years, has rented Mrs. Kelly's garage building and will operate a paint shop, making a specialty of painting automobiles. He will also repair automobile bodies and will do upholstering work of all kinds. Mr. Stimson has had 40 years experience in this kind of work and will no doubt find a good field here in his line.

Mr. Stimson's children all live in North Carolina, one of them being a Methodist preacher belonging to the Western North Carolina Conference and now located at Nebo, N. C.

Franklin extends a hearty welcome to Mr. Stimson and wishes him success. He opened for business last Monday morning.

### Toccoans Buy Lot

Messrs. Ben and George Palmer of Toccoa, Ga., stopped over in Franklin on October 6 on their way to the Indian Fair at Cherokee. These gentlemen had been here only an hour or two before they caught the spirit of progress that is now manifest on every hand in Franklin. So impressed were they with Franklin's future possibilities that they decided to invest in real estate here. After a few minutes negotiations with the Carolina Realty company they purchased for cash the Shanklin lot on Harrison Avenue and went on their way rejoicing.

### Leatherman Locals

Mr. Tom Shepherd, accompanied by two of his daughters, Annie and Eula, and son, Wile, of Gastonia, have been visiting friends and relatives at this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Howel Hurst and children, of Franklin, was in this community Sunday.

Mr. Arthur Carden and children Alva and Lyndon and Asbury, of Sylva, visited Mr. Carden's mother, Mrs. N. A. Carden Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Allen of Harmony, visited Mr. Allen's sister, Mrs. Joe Hurst, at this place Sunday.

Mrs. M. M. Beasley has returned to her home here after an extended visit with relatives and friends in Jackson county. While on her visit Mrs. Beasley's friends and relatives gave her a birthday dinner. With tables full of good things to eat and many a nice present.

Mr. Hastin Buchanan, of Green's Creek is spending a few days with his sister, Mrs. Dock Leatherman.

### HIGH HAMPTON SOLD

High Hampton, located in Cashiers valley in Jackson county, has been sold to a syndicate. The new owners will make extensive improvements.

## Forest Service and County Cooperate In Fire Control

The local forest organization is now in the midst of preparation for the fall fire season after having just passed through a serious season during the summer months, due to the extreme drouth. Supervisor Shields and County Fire Warden J. J. Mann are planning to cooperate in controlling fires in the county, both on private and government lands. It is believed that this cooperation will result in better fire control in the forests in all sections of the county.

### Fire Organization Complete

The work of organizing the county for the purpose of preventing the forest fires has been completed by County Forest Warden J. J. Mann and the following men have been appointed as district or township Wardens:

Zeb Shope, Franklin.  
Jack Berry, Millshoal.  
T. G. Harbison, Highlands.  
Ernest Brown, Flats.  
J. E. Cabe, Smith's Bridge.  
J. A. Parrish, Burningtown.  
Weaver Gibson, Cowee.  
J. M. Cochran, Lower Nantahala.  
Neal Hays, Upper Nantahala.  
Geo. Moffitt, Cartoogechaye.  
John T. Henry, Ellijay.

If any one in the county should locate a fire notify any one of the above men at once and let us all cooperate in protecting our forests, the greatest asset of any country.

Let me urge all the public school teachers of the county to instruct the pupils of the county to be careful about fire.

J. J. MANN,  
Macon County Fire Warden.

### Forest Officials Here

Mr. A. C. Shaw, an official of the Forest Service, Washington, D. C., is spending a week in the Nantahala National Forest in connection with timber management work. After leaving here Mr. Shaw will make an inspection trip to the Benning National Forest at Columbus, Ga.

### Lake Emory Exhibit

The Franklin Lakes Development has a booth at the Southeastern Fair advertising Lake Emory and Franklin. The display is well gotten up and shows Lake Emory with miniature lake and surrounding mountains. The municipal dam is also shown. This booth is constantly surrounded by hundreds of people and is attracting wide attention. Franklin is to be congratulated that the Franklin Lakes Development has installed a booth where thousands of visitors will have their attention called to this section of the Carolina mountains.

### Money in Old Clothes

Our second hand clothes sale has kept up better this summer than any previous summer and we feel that it is largely due to the space which the newspapers of our state so kindly gave us in June, but I fear that our people are forgetting us once more and so we are asking you to remind them once more to send us clothes.

We are simply overwhelmed with boarding pupils this term and are having to buy double decker beds in order to house them. We must provide work for each of these boarders for we take only those who need to be self supporting. It all depends upon the quantity and quality of clothes which possibly can and as often as you possibly can.

Also will you appeal through your columns for Auto Knitters which were used during the war by the Red Cross and others to knit for the soldiers. We have not the money with which to buy these machines, but if they can be given to us, each one will make it possible for a boy or girl to become self supporting.

Please act promptly for our need is urgent.

Yours truly,  
CROSSNORE SCHOOL, Inc.  
Parcel Post—Crossnore, N. C.  
Freight—Spruce Pine, N. C.

## BIG REAL ESTATE FIRM ORGANIZED

**Carolina Realty Company, Composed of Local Men Organized With Paid UP Capital of \$10,000.**

The Carolina Realty company composed of Mr. S. H. Lyle, Jr., Attorneys G. A. Jones and R. S. Jones, and Mr. Sam L. Franks, all of Franklin, was recently organized for the purpose of doing a general real estate business in Western North Carolina. Mr. Lyle is an experienced real estate man having been engaged in this business in Franklin for the past several years. Attorneys Jones will look after the legal matters of the new firm while Mr. Sam L. Franks, Franklin's popular postmaster, has a wide acquaintance in the county and is familiar with the topography in this section and knows the locations of several sites suitable for development.

The Carolina Realty company recently purchased from Mr. Lee Barnard 75 acres adjacent to the municipal lake. This property is situated at the widest part of the lake and its topography is such as to make one of the most beautiful developments in all Western North Carolina. This tract will be subdivided into lots and offered for sale in the near future.

The new firm is now negotiating for another large body of land near Franklin and expects to close the deal soon. Further news of this big deal will be made in a future issue of the Press. When this trade is finally closed the land will be divided into lots and sold.

The Carolina Realty company expects to widely advertise its holdings during the coming winter in many Florida papers. They also expect to list lands for sale all over Macon county. Due to the extensive advertising campaign now planned the new firm anticipates no trouble in finding ready purchasers for all lands that may be listed with them.

### Contractors Move to Florida

The Electrical Constructors company, contractors for Franklin's municipal power dam, shipped their equipment Monday to Dunnellon, Fla., where they have a contract to build a power house and do other work on the Withlacoochee river for the Felkins Utility company of New York.

Mr. T. L. Harrison, president of the Electrical Constructors company, who was here to see the dam closed and the lake begin to fill stated that he and all his subordinates are delighted with the treatment received at the hands of the Franklin officials and the public in general.

### Holly Springs News

The box supper held at the Holly Springs school house Friday night, September 25 was a real success. Everyone seemed to enjoy and appreciate what entertainment was offered. The proceeds taken in amounted to \$90 which will be used for benefit of the school, exclusively, after the expenses of the supper have been extracted. We wish to thank all those who came as well as those who partook.

### Card of Thanks

We want to thank the dear friends and relatives for their kindness and help during the sickness and death of our dear son and brother, Floyd Potts.

And many thanks to our dear minister, Mr. Cloer, for being so faithful and so attentive in the last hours he administered all his help unto him.

And also we thank the dear ones who came and sang and prayed with him, he enjoyed their singing so much. We will always remember them.

Father, Mother, Brother and Sister.  
Mr. W. C. Cunningham left Sunday for Lynchburg and returned Tuesday. While there Mr. Cunningham bought a large stock of goods.