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## ATTY. WINT HORN CALLED BY DEATH

### Brilliant Attorney Dies From Attack of Ptomaine Poisoning—Many Present for Funeral Services.

Alfred Winton Horn was born in Macon County, N. C., on April 1, 1868; died May 4, 1928, age sixty years, one month, four days old.

He received his early education in the common schools of Macon county, and following the completion of these years of training he taught in public schools for several years.

On February 2, 1892, he was married to Miss Loucilla Barnard. To this union were born three children two girls and one boy.

In 1896, having determined to enter the legal profession, he went to Morganton, N. C., where he entered the law school of Judge A. C. Arvey, who was at that time a Justice of the Supreme Bench of this state. At the September term of the supreme court, of 1896 he was licensed, and returning to his native county, entered the practice of his profession, to which he devoted the remaining thirty-two years of his life.

He began the practice of law in partnership with John Mann, who had attended law school with him and who had been a friend from boy-

earlier years gave promise of the later brilliance which characterized his entire career. This partnership was continued until the death of Mr. Mann. He then formed a partnership with the late F. S. Johnston. After many years of successful practice, during which he rose to a position of leadership in the legal field of Western North Carolina, this partnership was again broken by the death of Mr. Johnston, following which he formed a partnership with George B. Patton, which endured until his death.

In May, 1915, he joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in Franklin and remained a faithful member until death.

During all of his lifetime, which was characterized by service of the highest nature to his native county, and although urged time and again to allow himself to be placed in some position of official trust, only once did he permit himself to fill public office. This was in 1925, when he represented Macon county in the state legislature. As a member of the legislature he made a splendid record and was recognized by the leaders of that body as one of its most brilliant members.

It is not necessary for anyone to comment on his life or on his place in the life of Macon county. That life and that place are too well fixed and too well known to everyone to need or require any eulogy. What he was all of us know, and the place that he held with us is one whose filling will be hard indeed.

He leaves a wife, two brothers, Bedford Horn and Ed Horn, one sister, Mrs. Jule Sanders, two daughters, Mahota Horn Sutton and Effie Horn Perry. His only son, Victor Hugo Horn, was killed in 1918, while serving in France in the World War.

He was a man of the soundest judgment, of the most rigid principles of truth and honesty, a man whose memory is forever enshrined in the hearts of his people.

Peace be to his ashes and comfort to us all, and especially to his family.

## I. N. McCoy Dies Of Injuries

I. N. McCoy, 44, was injured last Saturday while getting out tanbark in the Gold Mine section of the county on Cullasaja. A falling limb broke his leg and injured the man internally. A brother, J. T. McCoy, carried the injured man about half a mile to the road. He was brought to a local hospital where his leg was amputated. He died about daylight Sunday morning. The deceased is survived by his widow and seven children, father, mother, five brothers and five sisters. Born in the section where he was injured the deceased lived in Macon county all his life. For 26 years he was a faithful member of the Baptist church and only a short time before his death had announced that he had so lived that death held no terrors for him. The remains were interred at the Gold Mine cemetery Monday.



AND can I ever cease to be Affectionate and kind to thee, who wast so very kind to me— My Mother?  
Ah! No, the thought I cannot bear, And if God please my life to spare, I hope I shall reward thy care,— My Mother!

## An Idea That Has Become A World-Wide Reality

May 8th is the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of Jean Henro Dunant.

In 1862 this gentleman of Franco-Swiss parentage, then in his early thirties, presented to the world an idea conceived in the aftermath of one of history's bloodiest battles. In a pamphlet entitled "Un Souvenir de Solferino," he said: "Would it not be possible to establish in every country... Aid Societies, whose aim would be to provide during war, volunteer nurses for the wounded without distinction of nationality... Societies of this kind, once created, with a permanent existence, would be found all ready at the time of war... These societies should include in their own and each country, as members of the central committee, the most honorable and esteemed for men. The moment of the commencement of war, the committee would call on those persons who desire to dedicate themselves for the time being to this work, which will consist in helping and nursing, under guidance of experienced physicians, the wounded, first on the battlefield, then in the field and regular hospitals... These societies by their permanent existence, could also render great service at the time of epidemics, floods, great fires and other unexpected catastrophes."

This idea did not perish the vision Jean Henri Dunant saw in his young manhood has, in little more than half a century, become a living, vital world-wide reality in the

## ITEMS OF NEWS FROM HIGHLANDS

### Interesting Locals and Other News from Macon County's Popular Mountain City.

Mr. Summers, a teacher in the Highlands school, left for his home on Monday of last week.

Miss Beatrice Keener, first grade teacher in High school, left Highlands on Saturday.

Miss Verna Holbrook, who has been visiting Miss Margaret Harry, since the close of school, left for her home in Mound City, Ala., on Friday. Miss Holbrook expects to teach again the coming term.

Miss Elizabeth Rice has been in Atlanta for a short visit. Miss Rice is also a teacher in our school.

Miss Elizabeth Kline has fully recovered from the injuries received from a bad fall some time ago.

Miss Eloise Rice spent a few days this past week visiting her cousin, Mrs. Bennett, in Hendersonville.

Mr. Lawrence Hicks was painfully injured on Thursday when the road tractor which he was driving crushed him. He was taken to a hospital in Franklin, where it was found he had a broken ankle and other injuries. His friends are glad to learn the accident did not prove so serious as at first feared.

Captain Dye and family, of West Palm Beach, Fla., are occupying their home on Cullasaja Drive.

and child, of West Palm Beach, Fla., were in town last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hodgson, Mrs. George D. Thomas and Mrs. Robt. White, of Athens, Ga., paid Highlands a visit last week.

Mrs. Minnie Edwards, proprietor of the Central House, and her son Lewis, are spending a few days in Atlanta.

Mrs. Lily F. Pierson has sold her stock of merchandise to Mr. G. W. Marett and is now associated with Mr. Marett. Mr. Marett and Mrs. Pierson are both popular business people in Highlands, and the combination will mean added prosperity for both.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob King, of Anderson, S. C., were in Highlands last week. Mr. King is proprietor of the Plaza Hotel in Anderson, and of King's Inn in Highlands. Mr. King has added another dining room and a number of rooms with private baths to King's Inn and will be able to accommodate more people this summer.

Mr. A. J. Davis and daughter, of Greenwood, S. C., have come up to open Highlands Inn for the summer.

Miss Albertina Staub, who has been quite ill with flu for the past three weeks, is able to be in her office again.

Dr. Neville, of Dillard, Ga., and Dr. Van Epp, of Cashiers, were called in consultation to the small son of Robt. Reese. The baby is quite ill with pneumonia, but at last reports he was showing some slight improvement.

The people of Highlands were shocked and sincerely grieved to learn of the death of Mr. Wint Horn on Saturday. Mr. Horn had many friends in this vicinity who will sadly miss him.

Mr. J. A. Hines is again able to be out after his illness. His friends are glad to welcome him back at his business.

Mrs. A. J. Anderson has returned to Highlands after several months' visit in Florida and Atlanta.

Mr. Charles Anderson, proprietor of the Highlands Drug store and of the Anderson Cafe, with his wife and little girl, has returned from a short visit to Tennessee.

Last but not least Highlands has been a mighty nice place to be in the past week, with her perfect spring days. Everybody is busy planting gardens and getting ready for the best season ever.

## Dr. Lee to Preach Here Sunday

Dr. Walter M. Lee, of Westminster, S. C., will fill the pulpit of the local Baptist church Sunday morning and Sunday night, May 13. Dr. Lee visited Franklin last week and made many friends while here. The congregation is seriously considering extending Dr. Lee a call to become pastor of the church here. Franklin has been without a Baptist pastor for about a year.

## CREAMERY BUYS FRANKLIN TO BE IN FESTIVAL

### Increase of 44 Per Cent Noted in Past Year—"Big Ten" of Macon County Named.

That the Nantahala Creamery company, owned and operated by a Macon county citizen, Bert Slagle, is of much benefit to the farmers of Macon and adjoining counties is indicated by figures obtained at the office of the county agent here today. During the month of April this year the creamery paid for butter fat a total amount of \$4,462.01. During the same month of 1927 creamery checks amounted to only \$3,100, the increase during the year being approximately 44 per cent over that of the previous year. The amount per pound paid for butter fat averaged around forty-four cents. About half the money paid out went to Macon county farmers, the remainder going to cream shippers from six nearby counties, two or three of these counties being located in Georgia.

Being assured of a dependable market at Franklin for butter fat there is a constant increase in the ranks of cream producers in this part of the state and in adjoining counties in North Georgia.

The names of the ten men who received the most money for butter fat in Macon county during the month of April follow: E. W. Howell, \$55.66; Frank Mashburn, \$50.63; C. L. Ingram, \$50.43; A. B. Slagle, \$49.55; G. W. Culver, \$44.27; C. H. Norton, \$41.51; A. L. Ramsey, \$39.84; Lee Crawford, \$38.13; T. N. Norton, \$38.05; E. A. VanHook, \$37.43.

## Tractor Runs Over J. L. Hicks

On Monday, April 30, J. L. Hicks, one of the maintenance men on the Highlands-Dillard Forest Service road, had a novel experience.

While driving a 2-ton Caterpillar tractor the motor stopped and Hicks thought he had put the gear in neutral. He cranked the tractor and it started moving backward. He started to run around to put it out of gear and slipped and fell under the tractor and it ran over him, fracturing two bones of the leg and causing other injuries.

By a queer coincidence the tractor ran upon a rock, releasing Hicks, who pulled himself from under the track. Just before the tractor stalled he was pulled from the track by his companion, H. J. Baty who expected to find a dead man under the tractor.

He is recovering nicely at a local hospital.

### This Town Will Take Part In Pageant Featuring Rhododendron Festival at Asheville Week of June 4-10—Franklin's Efforts to Result in Much Publicity for Town.

Miss Edith Russell and Mr. Harrington, representing the Rhododendron Festival to be held at Asheville on the week of June 4-10, visited Franklin last Friday and met with a few citizens to discuss the matter of Franklin's taking part in the pageant to be held at the football stadium on the night of June 5th. Due to the death of a prominent citizen on that day only a few could meet with Miss Russell and Mr. Harrington. Many others were reached over the telephone and all agreed that Franklin should not overlook this opportunity to receive an immense amount of publicity at a small cost. With the exception of Brevard Franklin is the only town west of Asheville that received an invitation to take part in the pageant. It was agreed that Franklin would be represented in the pageant. The episode assigned to this town is based on a Russian folk legend. Every country where the rhododendron grows will be represented. In addition to Russia these countries include England, Japan, China, Greenland and one or two others.

Miss Russell stated that one hundred dollars would be required of each town participating and that each town would likewise be required to organize from fifty to one hundred men, women and children who are to appear in the pageant. Miss Russell will come to Franklin to conduct the two rehearsals, the first being on May 15 and the other on May 31. As to the amount of advertising that Franklin will get from participation in the pageant attention is invited to an editorial in this issue.

## Bass and Trout Station for W. N. C.

Congressman Abernethy is very much pleased at the action of the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries, of which he is a member, in the matter of the favorable report of the bill which provides for a five year construction and maintenance program for the United States Bureau of Fisheries.

This bill is a very comprehensive one for the whole country, and takes care of many experimental, fish-cultural and other stations to be maintained and operated by the govern-

Dunant expended his talents, enthusiasm, his energy, his money, to gain recognition and support for his idea. He traveled, he wrote, he talked. He visited the rulers and leaders of the time and fired their active interest. Largely through his own efforts a convention was held in Geneva in 1863, attended officially by representatives of the principal nations, and this convention paved the way for a formal diplomatic convention a year later which wrote Dunant's idea into the phraseology of an international treaty—the Treaty of Geneva—which created the Red Cross.

Today there are 56 nations bound by the terms of this treaty, each with its national society of the Red Cross. Each society functions independently in its own country; all are joined for concerted humanitarian effort in peace and in war through the International Committee of the Red Cross and with six exceptions—the League of Red Cross Societies.

Twenty million men, women, and youths, are enrolled in these national societies under the white banner with its cross of red. They are prepared, in even of war, to ameliorate the sufferings of the wounded; they are relieving distress in catastrophes; they are promoting the fundamentals of health; they are building foundations of better international understanding; they have won world-wide respect and confidence.

In our own nation four million adults are enrolled in the American Red Cross, more than six and a half million boys and girls are members of the Junior organization. Thirty-five hundred Chapters are carrying forward the work of the Society, in accordance with the stipulations of the charter given it by congress.

The services rendered the boys of our nation in the World War were Dunant's vision in action. The services rendered those who suffered in the Mississippi Valley floods, in the Florida hurricane, in the hundreds of disasters of the past decade in the United States were the living realities of Dunant's idea. Millions of men and women have several as volunteers to carry out the vision seen by the "man in white" as he performed his services of mercy on the battlefield of Solferino.

The world let Dunant die in obscurity, almost in poverty. A debt of gratitude is due to him. It can be paid only to his memory.

ment in various sections of the country.

Mr. Abernethy was able to have included in this program a fish-cultural station in eastern North Carolina to cost \$35,000, and also an experimental bass and trout station in the Pisgah National Forest, the Great Smoky National Park, North Carolina, upon the acquisition of said park by the United States, this station to cost \$35,000. This station will be located in the western part of North Carolina, and is the result of a bill introduced by Congressman Weaver, and is his project. Mr. Abernethy was able to have this incorporated in the general legislation.