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MADISON MAN KILLS NEPHEW

SLAYER SURRENDERS FRIDAY

After being hunted for several hours on a charge of slaying his nephew, John Coates, 33, who died in an Asheville hospital at 2:30 o'clock Friday morning, Cornelius Higgins, 55, surrendered to Marshall officers Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Coates, a farmer of the California Creek section near Mars Hill, did not regain consciousness or make any statement after being cut by a knife, according to nurses and others.

According to Marshall officers, Higgins appeared unexpectedly near the jail here and stated that he had "come in to give up." Police chief Willard C. Rector said Friday night that the aged farmer refused to discuss the affair except to state that he cut Coates with a knife after his nephew had threatened him with a cross-cut saw. Officers stated that it was a story of self-defense. A hearing Monday resulted in his making bond in the sum of \$3500.

Witnesses say that the two men met on the highway near their homes Thursday evening at 6 o'clock and after a quarrel engaged in a fight. Higgins is reported as having used a small pocket knife, stabbing his nephew just below the heart.

SCIENCE ESSAY PRIZE

The North Carolina Academy of Science Prize will be awarded this year for the best Essay written by a bona fide high school student on any subject in the field of Chemistry or Physics.

General Regulations
Essays shall be limited to a maximum of 2500 words.

The essay shall be submitted in typewriting on one side of bond paper 8 1/2 x 11 inches.

It is not necessary that a student be registered in the subject in order to compete in this contest.

A title page, carrying the subject, the writer's name, the name of the school, the class to which the writer belongs, and the courses taken in science, shall accompany the essay.

Students may receive aid from instructors only in securing materials. The composition shall be wholly that of the competitor, and so certified by the principal of the school.

In case more than three students from a given High School submit essays, the school authorities are asked to select the three that rank highest and submit them.

Essays should be sent to Prof. R. N. Wilson, Duke University, Durham, N. C., not later than April 10, 1930. The judges will be selected by the High School Science Committee of the Academy and the winner of the prize will be announced at the Annual Meeting of the Academy to present the prize to the winner at the commencement of the school to which he belongs.

(The prize last year was offered for the best essay in the field of botany, zoology, or physiology. The prize, a silver loving cup, was won by Miss Lila Aaron, of the Lexington, High School, Lexington, N. C. The title of Miss Aaron's paper was "Community Health.")

Principals and Science Teachers are requested to call this announcement to the attention of their students. If further information in regard to the contest is desired by Teachers or Pupils, it may be had by writing to R. N. Wilson, Box 668, College Station, Durham, N. C.

ORGAN RECITAL ASHEVILLE

Dr. Alderson To Give Concert Next
Wednesday, Feb. 19, 8:15 P. M.
First Baptist Church

Mr. C. J. Hawkins, chairman of music, at the First Baptist Church of Asheville, wishes to announce that another organ recital will be given in the auditorium of said church next Wednesday evening, and a treat is in store for all who wish to go, as it is to be given by Dr. James Alderson, who became minister of music of the First Church Feb. 1. The musician is the noted organist who some years ago served for a time as concert organist at Grove Park Inn and also musical director at All Souls Episcopal Church in Baltimore. He has many degrees in music from a broad.

BRADLEY—BLACK

Miss Alice Black of Weaverville, N. C., age 22, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Black of Weaverville, and Mr. Alfred Bradley, of Beech, N. C., age 27, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Bradley of Beech, were united in marriage on February 12, 1930, at 8:30 P. M., at Marshall, N. C., the ceremony being performed by Rev. B. E. Guthrie.

DEATH OF LINCOLN

(The following poem was brought to us by "Uncle" George Lloyd, well known young-old citizen of Marshall, who says he is not the author)

'Twas on that sad and mournful night
Oh! What a fearful shock
Our country felt when news arrived
Our President was shot.
Our stores were closed, our flags were
draped;
Our hearts felt sick and sore—
Such fearful news we never received
From Washington before.

He lay upon his dying bed,
His eyes were growing dim,
When with a faltering step they
brought
His weeping son to him.

"Weep not, my boy," his friends did
cry,
But put your trust in Him
Who takes your father from your side
And from this world of sin.

The glorious news arrived from
Grant
Made his heart swell with joy,
Which caused the loyal North to shout
From Maine to Illinois.
But mark the change throughout the
land—
Oh! Curse the traitor's hand
That moved from earth our brightest
hope,
And crushed our Abraham.

On Springfield's calm and happy shore
His sacred form shall lie,
There Willie, too, may rest with him,
His name shall never die.
There Willie, too, may rest with him,
There spirits meet on high,
And choicest flowers deck their graves
And tears fill every eye.

LIVE AE HOME

There will be a meeting in the auditorium of the Hot Springs High School at one o'clock P. M. next Tuesday, February 18, in the interests of a "live at home" agricultural program for Madison County. The County Agent and the Home agent will both be present to address the people. The parents and friends of the school are not only invited but urged to be present.

WAYNE FARMER, Principal.

GENERAL NEWS IN PARAGRAPHS

The United States Senate is surprising the country in entering into long drawn-out debate before confirming Hughes as Chief Justice to succeed Taft. There seems to be some doubt, as we go to press, that President Hoover's appointment will be confirmed.

A decision handed down by the North Carolina Supreme Court Wednesday seems to be a victory for the school board in Buncombe County, ending the fight between the board of commissioners and the board of education as to a purchasing agent for the school board. Under the decision the county auditor must approve requisitions and sign vouchers issued by the purchasing agent for the school board. This decision is of statewide importance, as troubles similar to Buncombe's are and have been brewing in Henderson, Transylvania, Graham, and other counties. Judge Finley, whose decision was sustained, ruled that the county board of education was created as a part of the state educational system and is subordinate to the state department of education, but is to be regarded as coordinate rather than subordinate to the county commission, which is local in its authority.

Asheville was to hold another meeting Thursday night relative to a tobacco warehouse for Asheville. The matter of such a warehouse for Marshall seems uncertain, as the amount of stock needed for it is far from being subscribed to date. However, some of our people still have hope that the required amount will eventually be subscribed.

Reports from Washington are to the effect that Congressman George M. Pritchard will not stand for reelection this year. His friends are boosting him for the Senate, but he himself is not ready to make any statement along this line.

Instead of dying, as was expected when he left Asheville, Taft's condition seems to be improving, to the delight of his many friends throughout the country.

Senator Simmons has joined in the fight on chain stores, which is now being waged all over the country. He is quoted as saying that the chain store is a menace.

THE PUBLISHER'S COLUMN ABOUT VARIOUS MATTERS

EMPTY CHURCHES AND CROWDED PRISONS

JUDGE Frank A. Daniels, when holding court in Wake County recently, is said to have asked before sentencing prisoners, whether there was room in the county camps or the State Prison, and was informed that both were crowded. Reports from Chicago and other cities recently lead one to believe that more crimes are being committed in our day than have ever been committed in our country. Madison County is by no means free from the deplorable situation of crime. We are told by Marshall merchants that the amount of goods stolen from Marshall stores in the course of a year would be at least surprising to the average honest person. Oftentimes the things stolen are insignificant—possibly not enough to cause an outcry or arrest, and in most cases the evidence might not be sufficient to convict any particular person, and yet one merchant in Marshall this week said that he figured on approximately six per cent of his goods being stolen. Of course this is a big estimate, but if the merchants are robbed of one per cent or even one half that amount the sum would be astounding in the course of a year. In most stores in the larger cities, floor walkers are employed for that purpose only—to watch the customers and see that nothing is carried off not paid for. Even with that precaution, many articles doubtless are stolen. A person who takes anything from another in the spirit of thievery, though the article may not be worth a penny, is guilty of the crime. The principle of the act is what counts.

And this crime wave is co-existent with many empty pews in our churches. Say what you may about the churches, but who would like to live in a town or community where there were no churches?

Usually people who are guilty of such petty crimes are not church going people. The children are not sent to Sunday School and church and at many of the homes they are not properly taught the simple rules of right and wrong. Somehow they believe that if they can do a thing and "get away" with it, all right. If filling our churches and Sunday schools will lessen the crime wave it is time people put aside petty differences and get down in all earnestness in a campaign for righteousness and honest living. The governing powers seem helpless. People cannot be forced at the point of a gun to make good citizens—they must be taught and led. For the last several years our people have swung the pendulum away from churches and righteousness and it is time for it to begin to swing back.

DRAFTING OUR REPRESENTATIVES

THE idea of going out for the man who is fitted both by preparation and character to represent the county or state, either in the legislative halls, or as county commissioners, is a good one. Not every man who aspires to fill such an office is the man the people need. It often happens that the man best suited for the place is one who will not consent to let his name run for the reason that he does not wish to get into "dirty politics". And if such a man consents to run, he must be practically drafted. Then if he is drafted by one party or faction, the other party or faction fights him to a finish. If only partisan politics could be abolished, especially in county affairs, and all unite on capable men to fill the offices, how much better things would be!

GOVERNOR GARDNER'S LIVE AT HOME CAMPAIGN

FOR Madison County, Governor Gardner's "Live-at-Home" idea is an enlargement of or stressing of practically the idea which has been preached in Madison County by the Farm Demonstration Agent, Mr. Earle Brintnall, for the last three or four years. We do not mean that the Governor got his idea from Madison County's agent. But wherever the idea may have originated, it is practically the same. It means to have cows and chickens and hogs and sheep and turkeys and grow the feed necessary on your farms to supply this live stock and poultry without having to go away to buy it. It means to live at home as nearly as possible without spending money for things that can be made at home. The idea is all right and should be lived up to as far as practicable. The trouble is that people in this generation do not like to live at home. They are spending too much time on the roads burning gasoline and wearing out automobiles. And automobiles and gas cannot be produced at home. So many people would rather have a ride than something to eat, at least they will live on half rations and ride if they cannot get the ride with full stomachs. In Marshall this week a pupil at the public school mistook the slogan. Instead of "live at home" he thought it was "stay at home", which was what many pupils would probably improve things.

MISS TEAGUE NOT MARRIED

In our last issue the statement was made in the Leicester news that Miss Hilda Teague, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Teague of Leicester, R. F. D. No. 3, and Mr. Blaine Scott of the same address had been married in Spartanburg the Saturday before. Miss Teague came to Marshall to visit her half-sister, Miss Frances McDevitt, and declares that she was not married. We regret the error occurred in our paper and are glad to correct it and to apologize to Miss Teague.

HOME DEMONSTRATOR'S COLUMN

SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEK
Monday, 1:00 o'clock—Sandy Mush girls.
Tuesday, 10:30—Spring Creek girls.
Wednesday, 10:30—Bull Creek girls.
1:00—Beech Glen girls.
Thursday, 10:30—California Cr. girls.
1:30—California Cr. women.
Friday, 10:30—Little Pine girls.
1:30—Little Pine women.

Jack (dreamily)—Darling, I have but a single thought.
Jill (coldly)—Yes, anyone can see that!

—The Publisher.

The Merchants Point Of View

Preaching Against His Practice

The New York Times, Issue of Sunday, January 10, 1930, says:

In the campaign he has been waging against chain stores, the owner and announcer of a radio station in the South has promised, after complaint was made to the authorities, not use "cuss" words in the future. However, he has made this promise, he explains, in order to preserve harmony so that the fight on the chain might go on and the public not lose sight of the main issue by his injection of colorful language.

Most radio listeners no doubt have thoroughly enjoyed hearing a bit of this campaign from time to time and probably few have been offended by its invective. The real humor of this campaign against the chains, however, is found not in the flow of sweeping adjectives applied to the creations of the mass distributors, but in the fact that the broadcaster is selling products of his own to towns and hamlets throughout the country. He is taking money out of these communities even as he thunders against the practice.

The moral of the case is that criticism of the chain store system is not always of an unselfish sort. Frequently the retailers who attack the system are only disturbed over their own profits and have little solicitude for the interests of their fellow citizens. They hope too often to promote sentiment and raise bars against the chains when the energy they use up in this way might be much better applied to the task of fitting themselves, their stores and their merchandising for present conditions of competition.

SPRING CREEK HIGH SCHOOL

County Agent, Mr. Brintnall, and Demonstration Agent, Miss Crafton, met with the 4H Club last week. Besides the usual work the club worked the club worked on plans for improving and beautifying the school grounds. Mr. Brintnall and Miss Crafton ask that the P. T. A. cooperate in having teams plow the grounds as soon as the weather permits in February. This is to prepare the ground for sowing grass seed in the early spring. These County Agents expect to be present and help do the work. Miss Pauline Woody, a member of the club, will present drawings of the plans to the next meeting of the P. T. A. These plans, as worked out by the club will show location of driveways, shrubbery, grass plots, playground space, etc., and the question now is, who has pride enough in our splendid school to take the lead, or help in doing this work? Let's fall in and do some work which will speak well for our good old Spring Creek community.

Next to mention this week is athletics and sports. The boys' basketball team last week won a game over the Fines Creek team of Haywood county with a score of 32 to 27. Boys and girls played Beech Glen High at Marshall gymnasium last Tuesday losing both games. The Beech Glen folks treated us nicely and we want them to know we appreciate their fine sportsmanship. Boys and girls go to Marshall to play Mars Hill this week. We hope to give the names of the boys and girls composing our teams in next week's paper.

We have had some bus trouble and transportation of pupils has been hindered somewhat last week and on Monday of this week but all busses are operating again and everything moves on nicely.

Records Of No Account

Now a woman drives a car for 80 hours without stopping for sleep in order to establish an endurance record for women. A boy sets up a pole in his back yard and remains perched on top of it for days, just to make a record. One woman even claims to have set the record for continuous rocking in a porch rocking chair.

This rage for doing silly things longer than anybody ever did them before is silly and ridiculous—and often harmful. The one purpose behind it all is, of course, getting publicity. Just why a sane person wants publicity is one of the little mysteries of human nature. If those powers of the press who confer this coveted prize on misguided aspirants would use more discretion it would greatly help. They ought to know when to ignore things. If they would pay no attention to the foolish fellow who is trying to eat the largest number of ears of corn at one sitting, or to the deluded wight seeking the endurance record for standing on one foot, those seekers of publicity might begin to seek for some useful work to do—or do nothing in a less obtrusive way.—The Publisher.

D. N. ANDERSON DIES AT HOME

Was Father Of Late Dr. J. G. Anderson; Funeral Was Held Sunday At Paint Fork, N. C.

Funeral services for D. N. Anderson, who died at his home at Paint Fork, N. C., at 3 o'clock Saturday morning, following an illness of a week from pneumonia, were held at the home at 2:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon, the Rev. J. M. Corn officiating.

Mr. Anderson was the father of the late Dr. J. G. Anderson, who died four weeks ago at an Asheville hospital. Mrs. Anderson, wife of D. N. Anderson and mother to Dr. Anderson, preceded her husband by only six months.

Palbearers were chosen from the members of the Ivy Lodge at Paint Fork. Masonic honors were accorded Mr. Anderson, who was a Past Worshipful Master of Ivy Lodge, Lodge No. 665 of West Asheville and Mars Hill Masonic lodge assisted the Ivy members in the services.

Mr. Anderson was the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson, who also resided at Paint Fork, in this county at the old Anderson homestead. He was born October 10, 1857 and was a prominent citizen. Mr. Anderson was especially interested in education.

He is survived by Mrs. C. Whit Gaskins of Asheville; John Anderson, attorney of Asheville; Mrs. J. E. Robinson, of Ivy; Mrs. W. T. Martin, of Raleigh; Mrs. R. C. Shelton, of Asheville; and Oscar and Kenneth Anderson, of Paint Fork, also eighteen grandchildren.

MRS. WHITEHURST DIES

Mrs. T. W. Whitehurst of Greene County, Tennessee, mother of Mr. A. W. Whitehurst, of Marshall, died almost suddenly Monday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Whitehurst went immediately where they remained until after the funeral, which was held at 2:00 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Whitehurst, cashier of the Citizens Bank at Marshall, has the sympathy of the community in the loss of his mother.

Others from Marshall who attended the funeral were Dr. Frank Roberts, Mr. Guy Roberts, Mr. S. B. Roberts, Mr. Roy L. Gudger, Mr. O. C. Rector, Mr. J. Herschel Sprinkle, Mr. Lee Tweed, Mr. Ernest (Dube) Ramsey, Mr. Carl Stuart, Mr. S. J. Buquo, Mrs. Annie May White, Miss Queen McDevitt, Miss Stella Carver, from Hot Springs Mr. and Mrs. Warren T. Davis, and from Paint Rock Mr. B. Y. Owensby, Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Ramsey, and Mrs. Houston. From Walnut Mr. Jonas Chandler and mother, Mrs. H. Chandler.

THE BAPTISTS AND METHODISTS ALIKE

Dr. A. T. Robertson, professor of New Testament in Louisville Theological Seminary, in describing a Baptist congregation paints the picture of a Methodist church. The names are the only points of difference. Robertson says:

"When the church is trying to get a pastor to accept the call, the attractions of the field are painted in vivid colors. He is told that charming people are in the church. His Magnetic eloquence is to draw crowded houses. The young people are going to flock to his support. After the first year his salary will be increased. The offerings are sure to be doubled. The Sunday school will grow by magic. There will be a great rush of new members. He will catch the floating population. The trunk Baptists will all get out their letters and join. Some of the rich members stand ready to double their subscriptions. All the factions in the church have united in extending a unanimous call. He is the only man who has been able to get them all together. It is a fascinating picture that dazzles the eyes of the new pastor who has grown weary of the race in the former pastorate. But after some months the new broom no longer sweeps clean. The crowds begin to grow smaller. The new members do not join. Deacon Skinfint is still hoarding his money. The trunk Baptists are still supporting the church back home by not sending them any money. The Sunday school pupils still slip off home or down town instead of remaining to morning worship. The young people in the B. Y. P. U. still go home instead of staying to the evening service. Prayer meetings are still thinly attended. The collections for missions do not increase. The pastor's eloquence begins to grow monotonous to some who whisper their preference for the old pastor, whom they helped drive away by sharp criticism of his preaching. The new pastor soon begins to feel at home because he has settled down to the same old atmosphere of indifference or criticism that he left behind him. The new church turns out to be like the old one: it got a bit worse."—In N. C. Christian Advocate.