

65-Pound Melon Cut By Stovall

Felix Stovall, owner of the American Fruit Stand, was somewhat disturbed when he learned that a little girl in a Philadelphia hospital, suffering from a kidney ailment had to have watermelon juice although it is December, and he had just a few days before cut a 65-pound melon

"just for fun." The Philadelphia hospital called the Farmers Federation in Asheville, and they in turn called Mr. Stovall, knowing that only recently he had a 65-pound melon on display. Because of the extra large size many people had lifted the melon until it was getting a little soft on the bottom, and so Mr. Stovall decided to cut it before it spoiled. The melon was in perfect condition, and would have been enough to last

Claimed By Death



W. G. BROREIN

Summer Visitor Passes Away In Florida Home

William Gerhart Brorein, 76, pioneer civic and business leader, of Florida, died on Sunday at a hospital in Tampa, following an operation. Funeral services were conducted on Wednesday afternoon and burial was in a Tampa cemetery.

Mr. Brorein was a frequent Waynesville visitor coming early and staying late in the season, and was a great booster of this section.

He was president of the Peninsular Telephone company rated as one of the largest "independent" telephone companies in the United States. He founded the company in Tampa, about 1901.

Mr. Brorein was a native of Marion, Ohio. He was first mayor of Buckland, Ohio, and later postmaster, and also served as a representative and state senator in the Ohio legislature. He was a colleague of the late President Warren G. Harding, when the latter was a member and succeeded

the little girl for several days. Efforts to locate melons through Atlanta produce houses by Mr. Stovall failed.

Three melons were found in Robbinsville, and sent to the little girl via plane Sunday.

HEADLINES of The PAST

NINETEEN YEARS AGO
(From the files of December 12, 1918)
The Democratic majority near 50,000, according to reports from Raleigh. Popular pastor A. V. Joyner appreciated—given pounding. Nurse Johnson Memorial funds growing.

Lt. Commander John Ferguson receives praises for his services. Wilson may not sit at Peace table—Clemenceau may be president. Letter of interest from Lt. Henry MacFayden.

FIVES YEARS AGO
(From the files of December 8, 1932)
Crawford on All-American team. Duke Day will be observed on Monday.

Tobacco brings an average of \$16.23 on the Asheville markets. Al Smith's singing makes hit in New York.

American Legion to sponsor community Christmas tree. \$25.00 in gold to be given school.

Harding as president pro tem of the senate.

Last year Mr. Brorein was appointed by Roosevelt as a member of the DeSoto commission to plan for a pan-American exposition in 1939 in Tampa to commemorate the landing of DeSoto in America.

Surviving are his widow, a daughter, Mrs. Edna B. White, a nephew, Carl D. Brorein, and several brothers and sisters living in Florida and Ohio.

children on Saturday.
ONE YEAR AGO
(From the files of December 3, 1936)
Park streams are restocked with

150,000 trout.
Two fires last week did considerable damage to homes.
Mayor's Court collects \$700 more on costs.



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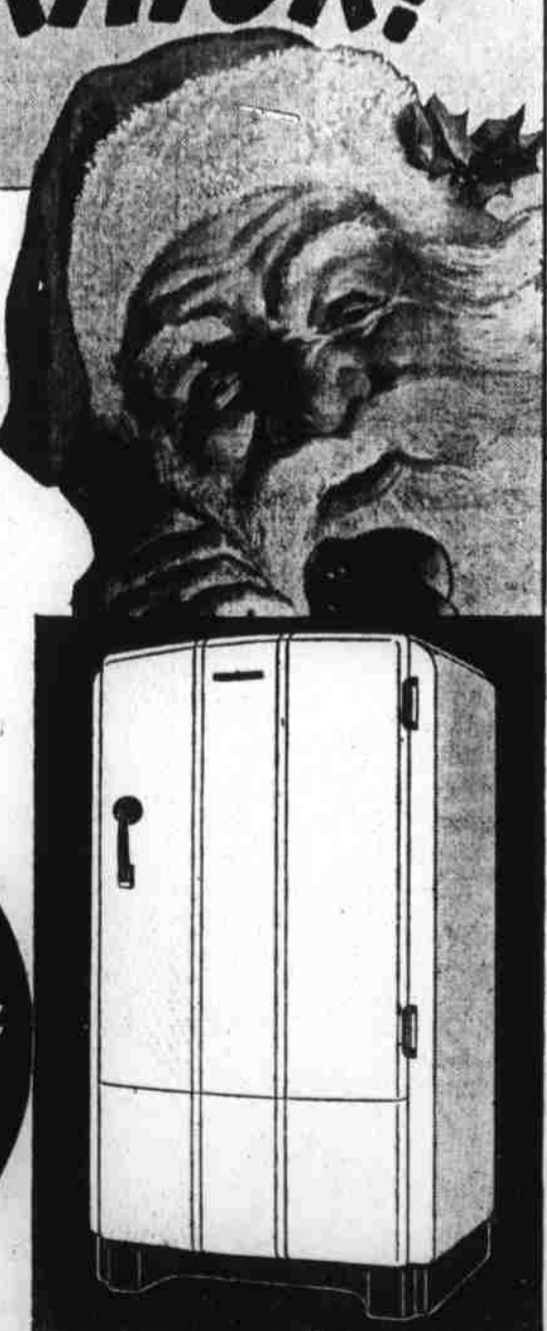
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