

# TWICE DEAD TOO MUCH

By Allen Wishert

OLD man Reb Skinner was far along in his 80's, and age had taken its toll in hearing. At times he failed to catch all the words in conversation, and it caused embarrassment. Invariably he made the wrong reply resulting in amusement to listeners.

The telephone had been placed in his bedroom where he spent most of his time, and when a ring came over the wires, he, the same as all on the party line, would pick up the receiver and get the gossip.

This morning the phone rang a general alarm. All subscribers were urged to hear a message, a voice was saying:

"Folks, this is to let you know that old man John Hickman died suddenly last night. Old Doc Bradberry said it was his heart. Funeral services will be held at the Woodland meeting house tomorrow morning at ten."

Reb Skinner was thoroughly upset. John Hickman was one of the most well thought of farmers in that entire district, he had been the main cog in many of the projects sorely needed thereabouts, especially instrumental in securing the well planned and efficient roads throughout the county, and now old John Hickman was dead.

Reb replaced the receiver, then went to inform his wife. When told she could hardly believe it. She was in town three days ago, she saw John Hickman on the square, whittling and joshing with friends, he appeared in the best of health, why she even saw him laugh and slap Zig Turner on the back in merriment. However, she knew it was true. Reb wouldn't joke on such a serious matter.

"When are they holding services?" she asked.

"Ten o'clock tomorrow morning," replied Reb. "Woodland meeting house. Might as well lay out our funeral clothes. Reckon we'll be going."

The small meeting house was

swarming with people, and the strange part was; they were folks from the next county, mostly just a smattering here and there of John Hickman's neighbors. Surely the time had been misunderstood. However, they didn't, and when the church services were over, Reb allowed his wife, the horse and buggy to attend the burial, he would walk home, only a quarter of a mile.

Many thoughts crowded his mind as he walked along the lane. One in particular, he would miss the good-natured presence of his old friend, a man who could chase the Blue Devils with few words.

All of a sudden Reb stopped in the middle of the lane, rubbed his eyes and stared. Never had he believed in ghosts, yet standing a few yards away was John Hickman. A few yards away was John Hickman. A few yards away was John Hickman. A few yards away was John Hickman.

The confusion was the fact of Reb's hard of hearing, the messenger had said, "Folks, this is to let you know that old man John Wickman has died." Wickman lived in the next county.

The following summer, John Hickman did pass away. The same message came over the wires.

Reb's wife told him to put on his black suit, they were going to the services.

"Me, I'm not going," said Reb.

"Not going?" she asked. "Mercy me, why not?"

"It ain't mannerly to ask for a second helping," replied Reb. "I've already done my duty, I attend to his funeral once."

### NOTICE OF SALE

**NORTH CAROLINA YANCEY COUNTY**

The Board of Education of Yancey County, being of the opinion that the old Pensacola School House and the site upon which it is located in Pensacola Township, Yancey County, North Carolina, has become unnecessary for public school purposes, signed an order at a regular meeting of said board on November 28, 1955, directing the sale of the said old Pensacola School House and the site upon which it is located and in said order appointed Hubert D. Justice, Secretary of said Board of Education to advertise and sell said property at public sale in the name of Board of Education of Yancey County as provided by law:

### NOTICE OF RE-SALE

**NORTH CAROLINA YANCEY COUNTY**

The Board of Education of Yancey County, being of the opinion that the old Clearmont School House and the site upon which it is located lying West of the Jacks Creek State Highway, located in Jacks Creek Township, Yancey County, North Carolina, has become unnecessary for public school purposes, signed an order at a regular meeting of said board on 21 July, 1955, directing the sale of school property and in said order appointed Hubert D. Justice, Secretary of said Board of Education to advertise and sell said property at public sale:

That pursuant to said order the undersigned advertised said property and offered same for sale at the courthouse door in Burnsville, North Carolina on January 9, 1956 at which time Friel Young and wife, Maphra Young were the highest bidders at the price of \$500.00 which bid was duly reported on said day in the office of Clerk of Superior Court of Yancey County; that an increased bid has been filed in the Office of Clerk of Superior Court within the time provided by law and the Court has signed an order directing the re-sale of said property at public sale as provided by law:

**NOW, THEREFORE,** by virtue of said order of the Board of Education and the power invested in said Board of Education by the laws of the state of North Carolina, and by virtue of order of re-sale entered by the Clerk of Superior Court of Yancey County, the Board of Education of Yancey County, through its Secretary, Hubert D. Justice, will again offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at 11:00 A. M. on the 4th day of February, 1956 at the courthouse door in Burnsville, North Carolina the following described property:

**FIRST TRACT: BEGINNING** on a stake in the center of the pavement of Jacks Creek State Highway, North of Dave Peterson's store and running thence up and with center of pavement of the State Highway the following courses: South 0 deg. 14 min. East 109.3 feet; South 55 deg. 38 min. West 112.6 feet; South 86 deg. 36 min. West 100 feet; North 88 deg. 30 min. West 217 feet to a point in the center of the pavement; thence North 15 deg. East 63 feet leaving the highway and up the bank to a stake in D. F. Young's corner and in the old fence corner of the school land; thence North 21 deg. East 60 feet with Young's line and the old fence to a stake; thence North 21 deg. and 45 min. East 140 feet with Young's line and the old fence to a stake in the fence corner opposite the Northeast corner of the old school building; thence South 78 deg. and 30 min. West 324 feet with Young's line and the old fence, down the hill to the point of Beginning, containing 1.8 acres. The above description is according to a survey made by D. M. Sholes, Civil Engineer on October 28, 1955.

The Board of Education reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

The highest bidder shall be required to deposit with the undersigned the sum of ten percent of his or her bid made on said property on the day of sale.

This the 18th day of January, 1956.

**YANCEY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
By Hubert D. Justice  
Jan. 26, Feb. 2

### ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE

**NORTH CAROLINA YANCEY COUNTY**

Having qualified as Administratrix of the Estate of Claude Smith, deceased, late of Yancey County, this is to notify all persons having claims against the Decedent to exhibit the same to the undersigned Administratrix at her home at Rt. 2, Burnsville, N. C., on or before the 15th day of December, 1956, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons owing the Estate will please make immediate payment.

This 15th day of Dec. 1955.  
Louticia Smith Administratrix of the Estate of Claude Smith, Deceased.  
Dec. 29, Jan. 5, 12, 19, 26, F.2

**NOTICE OF SALE**  
**NORTH CAROLINA YANCEY COUNTY**

The METHODIST PARSONAGE BUILDING and the GARAGE BUILDING at BALD CREEK, North Carolina, will be sold for cash to the highest bidder, at said Parsonage Building, at 10:00 o'clock A. M., on January 23, 1956.

The PARSONAGE BUILDING will be sold separately, and the purchaser or purchasers will be given 30 days in which to tear down and remove said building or buildings.

BALD CREEK METHODIST CHURCH.  
By: Yates Bailey.  
January 19, 26

Yancey County reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

The highest bidder shall be required to deposit with the undersigned the sum of ten percent of his or her bid made on said property on the day of sale.

This the 10th day of January, 1956.

**YANCEY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
By Hubert D. Justice  
January 19, 26, Feb. 2, 9th

**AND BEING** the same lands described in a Deed dated April 7, 1923, from T. J. Wilson and wife, Julia Mae Wilson to J. F. Hensley, chm., L. D. Gillespie and R. C. Deyton as appears in the Public Registry of Yancey County in Deed Book 61 at page 437.

The Board of Education of

### NOTICE

In The Superior Court  
**NORTH CAROLINA YANCEY COUNTY**  
Raymond Lee Bowditch,  
Plaintiff  
vs.  
Mary J. Bowditch, Defendant

The Defendant, Mary J. Bowditch, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Yancey County, North Carolina, to obtain a divorce from the defendant upon the ground of two years separation, and the said defendant will further take notice that she is required to appear in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Yancey County by Feb. 24, 1956, and answer or demur to the complaint in said action or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This 2nd day of Jan. 1956  
Lowe Thomas, Clerk Superior Court.  
Jan. 5, 12, 19, 26



**"EASY DOES IT"**  
BY HELEN FILE

ONE or two turkish towels are much more absorbent than ordinary dish towels and you'll find them more than adequate when you're cleaning the refrigerator for mopping operations.

Save the cardboard that come around the collars of men's shirts. After laundering the shirts you'll find that they can be placed at

**RECIPE OF THE WEEK**

**Raisin Jumbles**  
(Makes 40 cookies)

1 cup butter or shortening  
1 cup sugar  
1 egg  
3/4 cup flour  
1/4 teaspoon nutmeg  
1/2 teaspoon vanilla  
1 cup chopped seeded raisins  
1/2 cup citron  
1/2 cup almonds.

Cream together sugar and butter. Add beater, egg and cream until fluffy. Sift together flour and nutmeg and add to butter mixture beating thoroughly. Add flavoring, fruit and almonds. Drop by spoonfuls on greased baking sheet and bake in a moderate (350° F.) oven for 15 minutes or until golden brown.

the collar to prevent the shirt from crushing when it's in the drawer. Sheets which have worn out in the middle need not be discarded. Use them for sewing on a mattress pad and you'll be able to tuck the sheet part in and then prevent the pad from slipping. Plastic spoons are ideal for supporting plants and vines which are in flower pots. They do not rot and can be moved easily since soil does not cling to them.

Bias seams will not sag if they are stitched twice, a fourth of an inch apart. Instead of opening the seam when pressing, press the whole seam to one side. You'll like this idea for skirts if you've ever had trouble with a sagging hem.

**SUBSCRIBE TO THE RECORD**

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