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J. J. BLANTON DIES VERY SUDDENLY

One of Fallston's Leading Citizens is Victim of Heart Trouble While Visiting a Relative.

Mr. John J. Blanton, age 69 years, 1 month and 23 days, died suddenly Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the home of his brother-in-law Columbus Ledford...

Mr. Blanton was one of the most prominent churchmen, Masons and business men of Fallston where he had lived for 20 years or longer.

Mr. Blanton is survived by his wife, two brothers, White Blanton of Bessemer City, George Blanton of Earl and two sisters, Mrs. Sara Mode of Cherrville and Mrs. P. W. Hammott of Hickory.

Funeral services were conducted Friday afternoon at the Beulah Methodist church, in the Grassy Pond section of Cherokee county.

Lattimore Man Dies On Visit To Son

James W. Phillips, Of Lattimore Passes At Home Of Son Near Gaffney, Funeral At Grassy Pond.

Gaffney, Dec. 5.—James W. Phillips 73-year-old farmer of Lattimore died Thursday while visiting at the home of his son, Summie Phillips, on Gaffney rural route No. 2.

Funeral services were conducted Friday afternoon at the Beulah Methodist church, in the Grassy Pond section of Cherokee county.

Little Billy Wilson Is Pneumonia Victim

Three Year Old Son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wilson, N. Morgan Street, Died Friday Evening.

William Judson, known as Billy Wilson, three years and two months old son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl B. Wilson died Friday evening of pneumonia at 7:25 o'clock at the home of his parents, after an illness of only one week.

His remains were buried Saturday afternoon at Mount Vernon church, Rutherford county where the parents formerly lived before coming to Lattimore for nine years and one year in Shelby.

Hits Politicians



Miss Flora Davis, of Raleigh, who is assisting in the work of instruction at the County Sunday School Convention here Sunday and Monday.

COTTON MARKET IS CONTINUING DULL

(By R. J. McCarley's private wire to New York, New Orleans and Chicago.)

New Orleans, La., Dec. 7.—As yet the cotton market shows no recuperative power, having ruled barely steady, the lower prices notwithstanding owing to prospects for better weather inland.

The Government's annual crop estimate will be released Tuesday, December 8th at 10 a. m. New Orleans time, and will report as to the indicated yield and ginnings to Dec. 1st.

Private estimates of recognized authorities, by reason of their larger estimates of late, have influenced the trade to anticipate the probability of a Government crop forecast of about 15,500,000 bales vs Washington's previous prediction for a yield of 15,298,000.

It is possible, however, for returns to the Government to indicate a smaller production than the 15,298,000 predicted as of Nov-14th nevertheless, Hatton and Co our New York correspondents, they estimated the probable crop at 15,725,000 bales exclusive of linters.

May Lose Sight of Eye From Hot Spark

John Durham Withrow, ten-year-old son of Grady Withrow of Hollis, may lose the sight of an eye as a result of a hot spark from a blacksmith's forge.

Sunday School Workers Here Attending County Convention

25 Schools Represented at Opening Program in Presbyterian Church, Several After Pennant

ASSISTS IN WORK.



Miss Daisy Magee, who is assisting in the work of instruction at the County Sunday School Convention here Sunday and Monday.

D. W. Sims, general superintendent of the North Carolina Sunday school association might well be called the "Billy Sunday in Sunday school work" for he is the premier in this work and has a delivery and a flow of humor and homely expressions that drive home his points of emphasis.

Miss Flora Davis, assistant worker in the state organization spoke at the Sunday night program on "Story Telling", emphasizing the importance of story-telling in the teaching of the Sunday school lesson, for, said she: "A good story well told will immediately draw attention of grown-ups as well as little folks."

Approximately 25 Sunday schools of Cleveland county were represented at the Sunday night meeting of the Cleveland county Sunday school convention at the Presbyterian church here.

A beneficial attraction of the meeting is the instructive work of Superintendent D. W. Sims and his worthy assistants, Misses Daisy Magee and Miss Flora Davis.

From the attendance at the opening session several Sunday schools of the county are apparently out to win the attendance pennant to be awarded to the school having the largest representative attendance considering miles traveled.

At the initial meeting Sunday afternoon there were two pastors present, seven superintendents, nine assistant superintendents, 46 teachers and three assistant teachers.

Attendance at the opening program by schools was as follows: First Methodist, Kings Mountain, 15; Second Baptist, Kings Mountain, 16; Lutheran, Kings Mountain, 15; New Hope, Kings Mountain, 19; Fallston Methodist, Kings Mountain, 16; Presbyterian, Shelby, 27; Central Methodist, Shelby, 21; First Baptist, Shelby, 7; First Baptist, Kings Mountain, 6; Buffalo, 3; New Bethel, 3; Normans Grove, 2; Second Baptist, Shelby, 1; Walston Baptist, 1; Double Shoals Baptist, 1; Keesler, 1.

15 SHOPPING DAYS BEFORE CHRISTMAS

\$45,000 Involved In Recent Realty Deals

Trading Continues Brisk in Cleveland Real Estate, Despite Feeling of Pessimism

Trading in Cleveland county real estate continues brisk despite the feeling of pessimism among some.

D. H. Abernethy to N. L. Abernethy, Hattie Bess and Maggie Towery 130 acres in No. 5 township for \$8900.

G. A. Spangler and wife to B. H. Elliott and Coleman Elliott, two tracts of 10 and 27 acres for \$3000.

A. P. Spake and school board to trustees of Ellis Chapel church lot in No. 3 township for \$10.

M. A. Spangler and J. L. Suttle, to H. O. Huddleston, lot in Shelby \$10.00 and other considerations.

South Carolina Gas and Electric Co to Chas. H. Hayne 16 acres in No. 2 township for \$3,200.

W. D. Poston and others to Renn Drum and G. H. Cox lot on highway 20 for \$10.00 and other consideration.

Evans McBrayer to Mike L. Borders and V. O. Cline 170 acres in No. 5 township for \$8500.

Josh R. Wright and wife to Geo Spangler and wife two small lots in No. 9 township \$2500.

Cleveland Springs Co to Frank Hoey and wife, two lots in Cleveland Springs Park for \$2700.

W. Geo. Spake and wife to Herbert Long and wife 23 acres in No. 6 township for \$2000 and other considerations.

J. O. Bowen and wife to C. H. Reinhart, 1-3 interest in J. M. Bowen lands \$200.

J. H. Kennedy and wife to E. S. Weaver and wife, lot on Dodd St. \$1100.

L. A. McSwain and wife to Odessa McSwain 41 acres on Sandy Run in No. 7 township \$1000 and other consideration.

C. D. Hicks and wife to J. M. Whisnant, 10 acres in No. 8 township for \$200.

L. C. Walker and wife to W. J. Jones, lot in Fallston road for \$350.

C. C. Patman and wife to J. B. Lowery undivided interest in lot in No. 3 township \$25.

CHRISTMAS SPIRIT SHOWING ALREADY

Santa is in the Windows and Shelby is Decorating Colorfully For The Year's Big Event.

Only 15 more shopping days before the arrival of old St. Nick! Get that straight, then get out the savings purse and get busy.

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"Ma" Fights



Governor "Ma" Ferguson's latest battle is with the Texas state legislature. The governor stated she would not call a special session of the legislature and defied them to meet in special session, "to tear her apart."

NO FIRE LOSS IN SHELBY FOR MONTH

State Fire Loss Shows Decrease In October, Far Below Last Year Figures, Shelby On Honor Roll.

Raleigh, Dec. 5.—North Carolina's fire loss during October of this year was almost \$100,000 less than during October, 1924, and was more than \$40,000 less than during October, 1923.

The report was issued late, it was explained at the Insurance Department, due to the belated vacation of Andrews Joyner, publicity director and statistician of the department who has just returned from his vacation.

The exact figures from the three Octobers are: October, 1923, \$323,053; October, 1924, \$381,981 and October 1925, \$282,064.

Of the total loss during October, last, \$180,650 was due to nine fires. The remaining 163 fires caused a loss of only \$101,414, or an average loss of \$620 per fire.

The heaviest loss of the month was at Oxford, where a fire in a hosiery mill caused damage of \$55,000; the next largest loss was caused by a store fire at Winston-Salem, with a loss of \$40,200; a veneer plant at Edenton came third, with a loss of \$22,000.

Aside from fires in Winston-Salem and Durham—one for each city—there was not a single fire loss in any of the larger cities of the State amounting to more than \$5,000.

While there were many fires in the State during the month, Commissioner Stacey W. Wade takes pride in the records made by Charlotte, Wilmington, Greensboro, Rocky Mount, Raleigh and High Point, where the combined loss for October was \$27,595, or an average per city of \$4,500.

In this class, Asheville holds first place, with a total loss of \$1,300 for the month. Records made by other cities which are noted by the report include those of Goldsboro, \$400 loss; Washington, \$220; Kingston, \$50; New Bern, \$160; Lumberton, \$300; Salisbury, \$580; Lexington, \$200; Gastonia, \$1,600; Elizabeth City, \$1,400; Hickory, \$2,000 and Dunn \$40.

The following points had no fire during the month, and are placed on the department's honor roll: Greenville, Roxboro, Waynesville, Clinton, Sanford, Lincolnton, Marion, Shelby, Graham, Ayden, Elkin, Smithfield, Mount Airy, Raeford, Aberdeen, Fairmont, Jefferson, Bon Lee, Pinetops, Elm City, Weaverville, Hookerton, Middlesex and Granite Falls.

When your car gets stuck in the mud and the rear wheels merely spin around and your friends advise you to call for help, get a bunch of newspapers slip them under the rear wheels turn on the juice and see the car come out of the mire.

SHOP EARLY ONLY 15 MORE DAYS UNTIL CHRISTMAS

SCHOOL ATHLETICS MORE RESTRICTED

Standard College and High School Students Must Devote Less Time To Their Training.

With a feeling that too much attention is given to athletics in the colleges and high schools of the south officials of the Southern Association of Standard colleges and high schools placed restrictions around the athletes at their meeting in Charleston, S. C. last week, according to Supt. I. C. Griffin of the Shelby high school who has just returned from the meeting.

Their action is of utmost importance in North Carolina where there are 77 colleges and high schools holding membership in this association, said association having for its purpose the adoption of fixed standards in the physical training and equipment as well as in the courses of study that are followed.

The Shelby High school is a standard institution so the ruling adopted by the Southern Association applies to the Shelby High as well as to 76 other standard colleges and high schools in North Carolina.

Practice Only Two Hours One of the most important rulings of the association is to limit the practice and training to two hours daily. To give more time than this to physical training is looked upon as interfering with the mental training of students.

There has been a tendency among some of the colleges and high schools to turn the athletes over to the coaches for unlimited time, thus neglecting the mental training for which the institutions were established. It is felt that the schools would give so much time to sports will resent this restriction, but the school authorities have felt that it is necessary. It therefore applies to all standard schools which constitute the majority of the institutions all of which give attention to athletics.

Further than this, no student will be allowed to be away from school more than five days during any term on account of athletic games. Freshman teams at colleges will not be allowed to play more than one game each term away from the home ground. Recently the freshmen teams at colleges have played regular schedules of baseball and football, much to the neglect of their studies, but this will not be permitted in the future.

To Teach Bible The Bible will be substituted to a large extent for athletics. The association voted to offer course in Bible in the various member colleges and high schools and give credit for the same just as is given for any other study.

After Reminiscences of Dixon's Boyhood Mrs. Helen Dixon, wife of the late A. C. Dixon, one of Cleveland county's most noted sons, has written friends here in the interest of securing information regarding the boyhood and life in this section of the Dixon boys, particularly reminiscences of the youthful days of Clarence Dixon family years ago.

Dr. Clarence Dixon was the eldest of his family and even members of his own family can recall little of his early boyhood and it is about this period of life that Mrs. Dixon is interested.

Mrs. Dixon with Mrs. Frank Dixon plans to visit the section of their husband's youth sometime after Christmas and would like to meet and talk with old friends of the family while here. Those remembering points of interest and entertaining reminiscences of the early life of the Dixon boys are asked to write her and convey what information they may.

Her address is Homewood apartment, N. Charles and 31st street, Baltimore, Md.

Wake Forest Glee Club At Boiling Springs

The Wake Forest Glee club, one of the most talented college musical organizations in North Carolina will give a concert at Boiling Springs high school Thursday night of this week, beginning at 8 o'clock.

This is the first time this organization has been at Boiling Springs and the school officials feel confident that a large crowd will attend.

Baptist people from Shelby as well as from every other section of the county will no doubt hear these representatives of the Baptist college. The college students render a varied program of vocal and instrumental music, both classical and popular. They visited Shelby two years ago and a full auditorium greeted them. In the organization there are 24 students, the most talented musicians in the student body which numbers over 500.

Seats are on sale at Riviere's drug store for the convenience of those who wish to procure choice seats.