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Young Barrett Buried Sunday; Trial Tonight

X-Ray Discloses No Head Injury

Second Post Mortem At Lincoln-ton Fails To Reveal Any Body Hurt.

Max Barrett, 19-year-old Waco schoolboy, was buried yesterday afternoon at Prospect church after a post mortem x-ray examination late last week at Lincolnton failed to disclose any injury about the head or neck which could have caused his death last Wednesday morning.

The funeral services, originally scheduled for last Thursday afternoon, were held at 2:30 Sunday and a large crowd from the Waco section attended, the young man being popular in school and the community.

First Verdict Stands

The failure of the x-ray test at Lincolnton to show any head or body injuries reinforced the post mortem decision of physicians in Shelby last week. At that time Dr. L. L. Self, of Cherryville, Barrett family physician, and Dr. D. F. Moore, of Shelby, county physician, examined the body and stated that in their opinion death resulted from acute pulmonary edema, or congestion of the lung. This congestion was thought to have been caused by sucking contents of his stomach into his lung when he attempted to vomit when intoxicated by whiskey which he was not accustomed to drinking.

He secured the whiskey, according to the version given officers, last Tuesday afternoon while on route home from the Waco school. He encountered, it was said, a party made up of Boyd Barrett, his cousin; and Everett and Carl Bridges, brothers. Whiskey and wine were consumed and in a short time young Barrett was past going. A row of some kind developed among the others and officers were called. They brought Carl Bridges and young Barrett to jail here, the latter later being taken to the Shelby hospital where he died. Boyd Barrett was later arrested and the next day Everett Bridges came in and made bond until a preliminary hearing.

Preliminary Tonight

All were charged with some type of prohibition law violation. Since the two post mortems have disclosed that the Barrett boy was not injured in any manner while on the drinking party no more serious charges, it is said, have been recorded. The trio is scheduled to be given a hearing in county court tonight. The hearing will in all probability attract quite a crowd of people who have become interested in the affair due to the unusual manner of death.

Family Satisfied

Following the first post mortem here last Wednesday afternoon Barrett dying that morning, the body was prepared for burial Thursday. Later some members of the family got the idea that the youth's neck might be broken. The funeral was postponed and late Friday the body was taken to the Crowell hospital at Lincolnton. Dr. L. A. Crowell and Dr. Self made x-ray photos of the head and neck and other examinations. When they concluded they announced that no evidence of an injury could be located. This decision seemed to satisfy the family. The father of the dead youth, L. W. Barrett, well known citizen, was quoted as saying "I am satisfied now. I just wanted to be certain what caused his death." Members of the family were also quoted as saying they had no hard feelings against anyone and did not desire to have anybody punished.

Rev. W. R. Ware Taken By Death; Funeral Held Here

Native of County Who Was 50 Years Leader In M. E. Church, Succumbs.

Rev. William Reynold Ware, D. D., age 72 who for 50 years was a leader in the North Carolina Conference, died at his home in Greensboro Saturday morning and his body was brought here today for the funeral and interment.

The funeral cortege arrived at noon today from Greensboro and the body was taken to the Palmer funeral home for review by his many friends in his native county. At 3 o'clock the funeral was conducted from Central Methodist church by Bishop Mouson of Charlotte, Dr. A. L. Stanford of Salisbury and Dr. E. K. McLarty, pastor of the Central church. Interment took place in Sunset cemetery.

Born Near Shelby.

Dr. Ware had been in declining health for a long period of time and was placed on the supernumerary list when the Methodist conference met in Asheville last fall. He was born near Shelby and educated at Vanderbilt university. He became a member of the N. C. conference in 1884 and of the Western N. C. conference in 1890. At various times he served as presiding elder of the Greensboro, Salisbury, Shelby and Statesville districts. He had served numerous churches in the conference with ability and distinction.

Surviving are the widow, the former Miss Allie D. Brown, of Greensboro, two daughters, Mrs. C. A. Kriebbaum, Baltimore, and Mrs. John L. Randleman, Salisbury, and four sons, W. R. Ware, Jr., Greensboro; Henry Ware, Washington, D. C.; Rev. R. Dwight Ware, Charlotte; and Prof. Spence Ware, Albany, New York.

Active pall bearers at the funeral this afternoon were C. S. Young, B. L. Smith, O. S. Anthony, J. D. Lineberger, Frank L. Hoyle and J. R. Osborne. Honorary pall bearers were C. R. Hoey, C. C. Blanton, R. L. Ryburn, J. J. McMurry, E. Y. Webb, Z. J. Thompson.

Richards To Higher Court Over Cutting

Held For Superior Court Under \$1,000 Bond, County Court At Night.

In Cleveland county recorder's court Saturday Ed Richards, of upper Cleveland, was bound over to superior court under a \$1,000 bond on the charge of assault with a deadly weapon. The charge grew out of a brawl some time ago between Richards and his brother Plato Richards, at the former's home. Plato Richards was severely cut in the mixup and for several days it was not known whether he would live. He has since recovered and was able to attend the preliminary hearing.

Sessions of county court will be held at night this week because superior court is in session during the day in the main court room.

Kendall Will Speak To Parent-Teachers

Dr. Ben Kendall will be the principal speaker at a meeting of the Parent-Teacher association this evening at the Jefferson school. The meeting opens at 7:30.

Dawes To Retire As Ambassador To Great Britain; Colorful Life

Retirement Significant, May Be G. O. P. Presidential Choice.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 11.—America's picturesque statesman, Charles Gates Dawes of the under-slung pipe and vibrant language, is to retire as ambassador to Great Britain.

His resignation will take effect after completion of "general work" as chairman of the American delegation to the arms conference in Geneva. As he puts it, he does "not expect to remain for the technical work" there.

The conference is not expected to take very long in disposing of general discussion and getting onto its technical problems after it opens

February second. Just before leaving Washington for Chicago, his home, he announced his plans to return to private life after years of almost constant service in the government.

A former vice president and often mentioned before the 1928 primaries as a possible candidate for president, General Dawes will retire on the eve of another national election. Although Dawes has put aside speculation as to his being a vice presidential candidate this year as "nonsense" the first reaction in political circles was to regard his resignation as significant politically.

Dawes' announcement was given

Program Outlined



This close-up shows Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt of New York as he read his message to the 1932 State Legislature. The Governor called for national leadership that is "practical, sound, courageous and alert," and pointed out the need for reconstruction of a better ordered civilization. He offered a 4-point tax plan for the increase of State revenues.

McElroy Opens Court Session In City Today

Norman Lee Foreman of Grand Jury For Week's Term Criminal Court.

A week's term of superior court for the disposal of the criminal docket convened here this morning with Judge P. A. McElroy presiding. Solicitor Spurgeon Spurling, of Lenoir, is here to prosecute the docket.

The court adjourned just before noon today after completing the preliminary procedure before getting down to an active grind, and morning at 2 in the afternoon. The reopening was taken up in the charge of Judge McElroy to the jury, the selecting of a petit jury for trials this afternoon and other opening details.

Norman Lee, of Lattimore, was made foreman of the grand jury and Deputy Henry McKinney is the officer in charge. Deputy Jerry Runyan is serving in his usual capacity as court officer.

No major trial of public interest are expected to come up during the week's grind, but at least two killing cases will likely be tried. One is the charge against Paul Wilkinson young South Carolina man, in connection with the fatal injury of Tom Wright, aged Mooresboro citizen, who was struck by an automobile a couple of years ago. In another killing case Wilkes Osborne, colored youth, is faced with a murder charge, degree yet to be determined, as the result of shooting and killing another boy while they were playing cowboy, according to Osborne.

A large crowd, filling the court room, was present for the opening session today.

Postal Council Meets Tuesday

Principal Address Will Be Made By W. C. Johnson, Carrier Of Lincolnton.

W. C. Johnson, rural letter carrier of Lincolnton, will be the principal speaker Tuesday evening when the quarterly meeting of the Cleveland County Service council of the postoffice department will meet in the Woman's club room of the Masonic Temple building.

Division One of the Woman's club will serve the banquet and the following program has been arranged to begin at 7:30 o'clock.

Song—America, first two stanzas; invocation, Dr. E. K. McLarty, pastor Central M. E. church; address of welcome, Editor Lee B. Weather; response, Mrs. Robert Wilson postmistress, Lattimore; music; reading, Miss Bettie Sue Laughridge; address, Carrier W. C. Johnson, Lincolnton; music; "Courtesy in the Postal Service," Fred W. Baber, City Carrier F. E. McSwain and R. Carrier Chas. M. Carson, music; answering questions relative to postal service previously assigned; spice box; miscellaneous; business; adjournment.

Bury Ledbetter, Tragedy Victim, At Cherryville

Prominent County Man Took Life

Buffalo Merchant And Farmer Broken By Accidental Death Of Son.

Funeral services for Jason E. Ledbetter, prominent merchant and farmer of the Buffalo cotton mill section of eastern Cleveland, who took his own life Friday afternoon, were conducted Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Lutheran church in Cherryville.

The services were attended by a large throng of people who paid their final respects to one of the section's most highly respected citizens whose life had been marred by a pathetic series of tragedies.

Used Shotgun.

Mr. Ledbetter, whose suicide was recorded in an extra edition of The Star late Friday, shot himself between 3 and 3:30 o'clock Friday afternoon. He was in a back room of his home at the time and other members of the family were in other rooms of the house. He sat down, it was indicated, on the edge of the bed, placed the muzzle of the single barrel gun over his heart, rested the butt of the gun on the floor, and touched off the trigger with a window stick. The discharge blew a large hole in his body as it tore its way to the heart. As the fatally wounded man fell forward several inches of the gun barrel ran into the gaping wound. The tragedy completely upset his family for several hours and a physician was called to administer to them. No note was left.

Last September, the 25th, Mr. Ledbetter shot and accidentally killed his young son, Odis. The tragedy ruined the father's life and he had brooded continuously over it since. For several weeks his actions, it is said, somewhat indicated that life held nothing in store for him. Following his son's tragic death the boy's grandmother died within a week or two, and just a few weeks ago another son was injured in an automobile in Shelby.

Surviving are his widow and five sons and two daughters. Three of the sons are married. A brother Henry Ledbetter, lives in the Lily mill village here.

Mr. Ledbetter's career was unusual. He started in life with many handicaps and rose to be an influential and well-to-do citizen. At the time of his death he could not read or write, but he was possessed of a high degree of intelligence and had served as school committee man in his district. He operated a large farm and also a store at Buffalo. He was thrifty and at the time of his death had saved several thousand dollars in addition to his farm and business. He was well known in Shelby and Cherryville as well as in his immediate section and many friends have sympathized with him in his numerous troubles, and his family, which is bearing up courageously under the latest misfortune, has the sympathy of the entire section.

School Pupils Will Aid Charity Drive

Rural Children To Contribute Food Supplies On Wednesday.

Rural school children of Cleveland county will do their bit for charity Wednesday of this week.

In a program, mapped out by J. D. Lineberger, head of the general charity committee, and J. H. Grigg, county school superintendent, all rural students will on Wednesday take their charity contributor to school with them. These contributions will be food supplies such as potatoes, corn, peas, molasses, canned goods, etc. Schools nearer to Shelby will bring their contributions to the charity headquarters in the Lineberger building here while those nearer to Kings Mountain will take their contributions to the headquarters there at the Home Furniture company.

The rural response to the charity appeal so far has been good, and a helpful contribution is expected Wednesday with the school children giving something, as they can afford, in the food line.

County Teachers To Gather On Saturday

A meeting of Cleveland county school teachers will be held at the Central school auditorium in Shelby on Saturday morning at 10 o'clock, it is announced by J. H. Grigg, county superintendent. In addition to the general session there will be group study work.

Held in Honolulu Lynching



Following the kidnaping and lynching of Joseph Kahahawai, a Hawaiian who was out on bail awaiting a second trial for an alleged attack on Mrs. Thalia Massie, Mrs. Granville Fortescue (inset), wife of Major Fortescue, of New York and Washington, and mother of Mrs. Massie, is under arrest in Honolulu on a charge of murder. Arrested with Mrs. Fortescue were her son-in-law, Lieut. Thomas H. Massie, U. S. N., husband of the alleged attack victim, and E. J. Lord, an enlisted man. Kahahawai is alleged to have attacked Mrs. Massie last November. Photo shows the accused lieutenant and his wife at the time of their marriage.

Democrats To Hold Convention In Chicago On June 27; Meet In Washington Is Harmonious

Prohibition Issue Sidetracked, Roosevelt Forces Lose Conventional Choice.

Washington, Jan. 11.—Democrats decided Saturday to hold their presidential nominating convention in Chicago, June 27. This will be two weeks after the republicans meet in the same place.

The action was taken by the democratic national committee on one ballot in an exceptionally harmonious meeting. Smouldering tension between the Franklin D. Roosevelt group and other factions was ever-present in the background. But National Chairman John J. Raskob, at the opening of the meeting, did much to shut this feeling out of the committee session by a frank statement that he bore no hostility toward Governor Roosevelt.

Prohibition Ignored. The bogey of every democratic meeting in the last decade, was elbowed silently out of the scene. Chairman Raskob laid his recent prohibition referendum

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Kester Goes With Firm At Hickory

L. C. Kester, who has been manager of the Kester-Groome furniture store in Shelby left over the week-end for Hickory where he becomes manager of the Better Home Furnishing company, the firm with which he was connected before coming to Shelby. Z. M. Groome, assistant manager, is now the manager of the local store on North Lafayette street.

Closing At 8 P. M.

After today the Shelby Western Union telegraph office will close at 8 o'clock each evening. The office opens at 7:45. The early closing is due to the fact that night business has been off in volume, and the later closing hour, says R. E. Blackwelder, manager, may return when business picks up.

Stop Autos With Old Tags Tuesday; To Start Making Arrests On Friday

Sale Of Plates In Shelby Still Behind That Last Year. Final Warning.

The sale of 1932 automobile plates in Shelby is still lagging behind that of last year, although quite a number of the new tags have been purchased by motorists of this section since the first of the month. The license bureau, formerly operated by Chas. Eskridge, on N. Washington street, is now being conducted by the Hopper brothers at the Carolina Motor Inn on East Warren.

From Raleigh comes the following warning about using old tags after today: "Owners of automobiles who have not yet secured their 1932 license

Gurley Will Not Return As Lenoir Rhyne Coach, Said

Former Shelby High Coach Will Not Renew Contract, Weathers Stars Again.

Dick Gurley, former Shelby high athletic director, will not return to Lenoir-Rhyne college as coach next year, according to a story by Jake Wade in Sunday's Charlotte Observer. A portion of the Wade story follows:

"Dick Gurley is serving his last year as head coach at Lenoir-Rhyne college, and his successor probably will be announced early this week. "Dr. Harry Brent Schaeffer, president of the Hickory institution, told The Observer over long distance telephone last night that Gurley's contract would not be renewed, making no elaboration of this statement.

"Gurley has been at Lenoir-Rhyne a number of years. He has had his good years and his bad years, but it is understood alumni and officials this year reached the conclusion that a change would be beneficial to both Gurley and the college. Some dissatisfaction was registered over the showing of the Mountain Bear football team last fall."

Scores 15 Points.

Virgil Weathers, former Lattimore high school basketball star, again featured Saturday night in Carolina's 49-25 victory over Davidson at Charlotte. Weathers made seven field goals and a foul goal for a total of 15 points and second scoring honors. To date the Cleveland youth is the second highest scorer in the "Big Five" basketball group. (Other sports on page eight)

Dying Man Is Found On Road In This County

Later Identified As Union, S. C., Man

Skull Fractured And Leg Broken, Presumably By Hit-And-Run Auto.

The man who died in the Shelby hospital about 9:30 Saturday night after being found in a dying condition on the Kings Mountain-Grover highway, about five miles south of Kings Mountain, was identified early yesterday as Robert Lee Walker, of Union, S. C.

A passing motorist saw the body lying beside the highway around 9 o'clock Saturday night and notified Kings Mountain police. An ambulance picked the badly injured man up and rushed him to the hospital here where he died a short time later.

Many Injuries

There was not the slightest hope for his recovery and he never regained consciousness as a large hole had been knocked in the top of his head, his right leg was broken just below the knee and there were other injuries.

Officers who went to the scene expressed the opinion that Walker, who was either walking or hitchhiking back to South Carolina after a visit to relatives at Concord, was struck by a passing automobile, knocked down and then run over.

When first found there was no clue as to his identity. His tie had a Union, S. C., trade mark and in his coat pocket was a piece of paper with the name of "J. T. Rector" and the address "24 Spring street" and the telephone number 622, but no city was given. After he died Coroner Roscoe Lutz and city police telephoned to Union, S. C. They were put in touch with a Mrs. Rector there and then called J. T. Rector at Concord. It was soon learned that the name of the dead man was Robert L. Walker. Early Sunday morning a brother-in-law came here from Union and officially identified the body and carried it back to Union for burial. It was learned from him that Walker had been on a visit to J. T. Rector, his brother, at Concord. Rector had loaned him the coat he was wearing and it was Rector's name and address in the pocket.

The dead man is survived by a wife and one child, who are at Marion, and two sisters, Mrs. G. H. Rector and Mrs. Rome Walker—at Union.

Funding.

Officers here at Kings Mountain are somewhat puzzling over the nature of the injuries. It is difficult to them to figure out how a man struck by a passing car could have had a hole knocked in the top of his head. The body was found in a side ditch on the left of the highway going South. The find was made by two young men of Kings Mountain who had taken a brother of one down the highway to see a girl and were returning. Their car was examined and there was no indication whatever that it had struck anything.

Basement Fire At Cleveland Drug Co.

A fire in the basement of the Cleveland drug store called out the fire company during the rain about midnight Friday. Origin of the fire has not been determined. The store was filled with smoke but the damage was confined largely to the stock room in the basement. This is a fireproof structure so the building suffered no damage other than smoked walls.

Fishing License On Sale In County Now

The new North Carolina fishing license are now on sale at several points in Cleveland county. It is announced by H. C. Long, county game warden. He reminds fishermen that the 1931 license were out of date December 31. The new license are on sale at Washburn's hardware, Shelby; Chas. Dilling, Kings Mountain, and Fields & B. Toney, Fountain.

Lawyers Banquet On Tuesday Night

Members of the bar association of Cleveland county will hold their annual banquet Tuesday evening, promptly at 7 o'clock at the Hotel Charles dining room. Special guests for the evening will be Judge McElroy and Solicitor Spurgeon Spurling who are holding a term of court here this week.

Agent Held In Death Of Shelby Youth On Train

McCorvey, Who Shot Ivey Haynes On Hobo Trip, Under \$1,000 Bond.

Police Chief McBride Poston said today that he had heard nothing more from Alabama officials about the disposal of the body of Ivey Haynes, 21-year-old Shelby man killed there by a railroad detective while Haynes was on a hobo trip, and it is presumed that Haynes was buried there.

Tuskegee, Ala., Jan. 11.—L. E. McCorvey, special agent of the West Point railroad, was released on \$1,000 bond last week to await action of the grand jury on charges of murder for the slaying of a youthful hobo, Ivey Haynes, of Shelby, N. C., in a box car near here Tuesday.

Justice of the Peace J. D. Randall heard testimony at a preliminary hearing from 3 p. m. Thursday until 1:15 a. m. Friday and announced McCorvey would be held to the grand jury and fixed the bond which the agent immediately posted.

Haynes was shot by the agent in a box car in which he and five other youths were "bumming" a ride. McCorvey claimed self defense, testifying he fired as Haynes advanced on him in a threatening manner.

The five companions who were locked in the box car and taken to Montgomery, after the shooting, testified McCorvey shot Haynes during an argument.

Farmers Get "Bum" Checks For Cotton

Extradition Papers Sought For South Carolina Buyer On Charge Here.

Attorney Horace Kennedy has forwarded extradition papers to the Governor of South Carolina with the aim of bringing W. E. Dye, South Carolina cotton buyer, back here to face worthless check charges.

It is alleged by Kennedy's clients, R. L. Shuford and C. C. Dalton, that Dye gave them worthless checks for 30 bales of cotton. The complaint alleges that Dye, whose headquarters are at Spartanburg, purchased 20 bales of cotton from R. L. Shuford's gin in No. 8 township and gave him a bad check for \$500. The other complaint is that a \$404 check was given Dalton for 10 bales of cotton.

Missing Mails Will Be Met

The Star has had considerable trouble with the prompt delivery to subscribers at Waco, Cherryville and Cherryville routes. Instead of the paper being routed on the eastbound Seaboard on the afternoon on publication days, it has been routed via Blacksburg and Charlotte.

This trouble has been located and hereafter The Star promises prompt delivery. There has been some interruption at Blacksburg, Grover and Kings Mountain due to the holiday rush of mails, but we trust this will not occur again.

Subscribers will oblige us by reporting any delay in delivery of their paper. Drop us a postal card or telephone No. 11.