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THE GRIM REAPER'S TOLL

PROMINENT KINGS MOUNTAIN LADY DIED IN GASTONIA

MRS. MARY P. MURPHY PASSES

Mrs. W. Mack Morris—Arthur Lay—R. L. Smith—Mrs. Wm. Craig—H. K. Linberger—All are dead.

Mrs. Mary P. Murphy, widow of the late Dr. J. E. Murphy of this place, died Thursday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Moses Mauney, of Gastonia. Though practically an invalid for the past two years she was apparently but little if any worse than usual a few minutes before she died. Mrs. Mauney had been out of the room only a few minutes when she heard her mother fall and, going at once to her bedside, found that she had attempted to get up and had fallen dead on the floor. She was subject to heart failure and her physician stated that her death was due to that cause.

Deceased was 90 years old the last March. She was a native of Gaston county, having been born in the Beaverdam section. She was a daughter of the late Jacob Rudisill. Her husband, Dr. J. E. Murphy, who was for many years a prominent practicing physician of the Beaverdam section and later of Kings Mountain, died in 1881.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Con Oates of Kings Mountain, and Mrs. Moses Mauney of Gastonia, and one brother, Jacob Rudisill, in the Beaverdam section. Since the death of her husband Mrs. Murphy has devoted her time between her two daughters here and at Gastonia.

She was a member of the Kings Mountain Lutheran church. Her pastor, Rev. Chas. K. Bell, conducted the funeral services at Long Creek cemetery Friday afternoon where the remains were laid to rest.

Gastonia's death list as recorded in Friday's Gazette:

Gastonia was greatly saddened when the news was passed from one to another early yesterday morning that Mrs. Rosalie Morris, wife of Mr. W. Mack Morris had died at 8 o'clock yesterday morning in the City Hospital. While the news of her death was not altogether unexpected, it having been known all day Wednesday that her life hung in the balance, it was nevertheless shocking to the great number of people who know and loved her.

Mrs. Mary Reinhardt Boyd, aged about 80 years died at 5 o'clock this morning at her home at Maiden, Catawba county.

Arthur, the 16-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Lay, died Sunday after an illness of only a few days with meningitis.

Mr. R. L. Smith died rather suddenly at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Lee Mauney, on Clay street, yesterday afternoon at 6 o'clock.

Following a lingering illness of many months and after her life had hung for days by a very slender thread, Mrs. Bernice Williams Craig, the young wife of Charles M. Craig, passed away at 11 o'clock Tuesday night.

At 1 o'clock Wednesday afternoon at his home on West Airline avenue Mr. Henry Miles Linberger, one of Gaston county's oldest and best known citizens, died following an illness of several months duration.

KINGS MTN. FIXES GOAL

SETS A PACE OTHERS WOULD DO WELL TO FOLLOW

"CITY OF REVOLUTIONARY DISTINCTION"

Charlotte Observer gives Kings Mountain a big send off on account of contribution

Kings Mountain fixes the goal. That's what the Charlotte Observer has to say about us. "That city of Revolutionary distinction, etc." If Charlotte would keep in closer touch with us she would find that we are fixing lots of things. Here is what the Observer had to say about our contribution to the Wilson campaign fund:

"Fifty-three loyal and enthusiastic Democratic voters of Kings Mountain, that famous town of Revolutionary distinction, where the tide of battle was turned against Lord Cornwallis, making possible the present United States of America, have rallied to another cause—the reelection of Woodrow Wilson as President.

From P. Dilling, first vice-president of the Kings Mountain Progressive Association, a check for \$53, representing contributions of \$1 each from 53 of the leading business men of that town—all Democrats—to the Woodrow Wilson Campaign Fund being raised in North and South Carolina by The Observer. After giving a list of the contributors, Mr. Dilling adds:

"With this contribution we contributed 16 young men in the State Guard and will furnish more if necessary."

"That's real loyalty!"

"Money and men—a town's best assets—can accomplish what nothing else can do."

"Kings Mountain has shown its mettle and has set a pace that should stir the patriotism of every town and city in the Carolinas."

"Cornelius, Charlotte's little neighbor in the upper end of Mecklenburg County, set a pace last week with the first community contribution. Kings Mtn. caught the spirit and has fixed a goal that many other places of more ambitious proportions would do well to reach. If they pass it so much the better."

Be sure to read the back page.

MR. AND MRS. HARDIN MOVE TO SHELBY

Mr. and Mrs. Harris Hardin are expected to arrive here today or tomorrow from Hickory to make this their future home. Mr. Hardin has purchased a half interest in J. B. Murry's print shop which will be opened Monday. He and Miss Dilling of Kings Mountain were married about two weeks ago.—Cleveland Star.

MR. WILLIAM HULLENDER DIES

Another old veteran has fallen. Mr. William Hullender was found dead in bed Saturday morning at the home of his son-in-law, Mr. Foster, at Johnstown. He was a soldier of the Sixties being about 75 years old. His wife preceded him to the grave a few months ago.

LOOK IT OVER

Look over that long list of fine city property on the back page offered for sale by the Kings Mountain Realty & Insurance Co.

OCT. 7TH. MASS MEETING THURSDAY NIGHT

There will be a mass meeting at the opera house Thursday night July 6th. for the purpose of adopting a Constitution and By-Laws of The Battle of Kings Mountain Memorial Association and the further consideration of plans for the Seventh of October Celebration. Everybody invited and urged to be present.

W. A. Ridenhour, Pres.

EAST KINGS MTN. ITEMS ANNUAL REPORT OF CITY

Mrs. Laura Regina Ford died at her home in East Kings Mountain Wednesday morning, June 26, 1916. She was a daughter of John Jacob and Elizabeth Jane Harmon, born November 29, 1876, in Cleveland county, near Kings Mountain. Early in life she gave her heart to God and joined the M. E. Church South, of which she was a loyal member until March 1912, when she connected herself with the M. E. Church, and there remained a consistent member till death. In October, 1902, she was married to Mr. Earnest Ford. To this union there were born eight children, seven of whom are still living, the youngest only six weeks old at its mother's death.

The funeral was held Thursday afternoon at Grace M. E. church, of which she was a member, in the presence of a large number of relatives and friends who came to pay their last tribute of respect to her remains, Rev. B. A. Cobb, her pastor, officiating.

Mrs. Ford took great pride in reading her Bible, and Sunday morning it was her delight to arrange the children for Sunday School. She was a great believer in prayer, and invited her pastor into her home to pray with her and the family.

Her body was laid to rest in the Mountain Rest cemetery to await the voice of the general resurrection.

Our enemy is put to shame, His short-lived triumph o'er; Our God is with us, we exclaim, We fear our foe no more. Fearless we lay us in the tomb, And sleep the night away, If thou art there to break the gloom And call us back to day.

Mr. A. E. Smith and family of Misenheimer, N. C., who have been visiting Mr. Smith's sick mother for the past week, left for their home Saturday morning. Mrs. Smith appears to be slightly improved at this writing.

CARD OF THANKS.

I take this method to express to my friends and neighbors my heartfelt thanks for the sympathy and helpfulness shown me and my little children in the sickness and death of my wife. E. E. Ford.

Mr. Ralph Howser who enlisted in the hospital corps for service in Mexico was rejected on account of under weight and bad eyes. Some of the other boys from here were rejected for one cause or another.

In this issue of the Herald appears the annual report of the treasurer of the town of Kings Mountain. By reference to this report each taxpayer can readily see where the town gets its revenue and for what purpose it is used. This is right. Every person who pays taxes for the support of the city government has a right to know just what goes with his money. The city government is a public business and the mayor and commissioners are public servants and the people are entitled to a detailed account of the procedure of the business. By reference to Page 2971, Section 2973, Pell's Revision 1908, we read, "The commissioners shall annually publish an accurate statement of the taxes levied and collected in the town, together with a statement of the amount expended by them and for what purpose. And any board of commissioners failing to comply with this section shall forfeit and pay one hundred dollars to any person who will sue for same."

Upon investigation you will find that the town's finances are in good condition. And we believe that the tax money has been wisely used. We call especial attention to the water and light departments which show a net profit of over \$900 after giving the town the street lights.

COTTON BLOOMS JUNE 27

Cotton blooms are coming in. The first reported opened on the farm of Mr. John McMurray on Route 5. The same day Mr. Adam Hovis of Oak Grove had some open. Miss Ethel Davis sent us one that looked as if it opened Thursday. She lives with her mother and sisters on the J. L. Mauney farm just north of town. Mr. Jim Smith of Route 1 also had blooms Thursday. Some folks have blooms and some have grass. The folks who were lucky enough to get their cotton up and ahead of the wet weather and grass have it in pretty good shape, but those whose cotton and grass came up together or the grass ahead of the cotton have seen no easy time and most of them have but very little brag cotton. The favorable weather last week, however, pulled some of our best farmers out of the hole.

ATTENDED FUNERAL IN GASTONIA

Mrs. E. P. Rankin attended the funeral of Mrs. W. Mack Morris in Gastonia Friday.

CLEVELAND CO. SCHOOLS

SUPT. AND TREASURER'S REPORT GIVES FIGURES

10,962 SCHOOL CHILDREN IN COUNTY

Value of school property—Number of schools—Buildings and equipment—Teachers.

The reports of the county superintendent and the county treasurer to the county Board of Education showed our school to be in a healthy and growing condition. The enrollment was 200 more than last year, and the average attendance was 756 more than last year.

Below is a summary of the two reports: Value of school property including Shelby and Kings Mtn. \$106,600.00; Paid for new houses \$5426.71; paid for repairs \$607.21; paid for teaching and supervision \$41211.87; paid for wood, interest on Waco bonds, rent, insurance, loan fund, desks, stoves, and libraries \$3104.98; paid for institutes, bond election at Grover, printing, and club work \$623.91; paid for taking census, treasurer's commission, mileage and Per Diem of county board, and taxes refunded \$1671.30.

Total spent for all purposes \$53108.89; Total receipts from all sources \$57394.70, Balance \$4285.90. The balance includes the remainder of the bond money of Grover, and \$300.00 sinking fund for Waco.

Some statistical reports: Average term of white schools 114 days; average term in tax districts 132 days; average term outside of tax districts 100 days; 55 schools are equipped with patent desks; 52 have libraries; 50 schools have painted houses, libraries, and patent desks. No. 7 is the only township in the county in which every school has a painted house, patent desks and a library.

Report of the teachers: There are 170 white teachers, 44 men and 126 women; 139 held first grade certificates and 31 second grade; 68 teachers work in tax districts, 31 have normal training and 39 have some college training; 76 have taught the same school for the past two years; 68 have taught the same school for the past three years; 38 have taught in the same school for the past four years.

Census, Enrollment and Attendance:

White census 8749, boys 4502, girls 4247; colored census 2213; boys 1162, girls 1051; total census 10962; white enrollment 6922, boys 3540 girls 3382; colored enrollment 1588, boys 791, girls 797; total enrollment 8510; average attendance for whites 5356, boys 5598, girls 2658; for colored 1156, boys 561, girls 595.

BIG SALE at Anton's all week.

MR. F. A. BAKER GOES TO ATLANTA

Mr. F. A. Baker, recent graduate of the A. & M. College, left Saturday for Atlanta where he has a position with the Southern Bell Telephone Co. The position not only carries a good salary but affords a special training in the engineering department of the telephone business.

We call attention to Anton Brothers sale which goes on all this week. Their big ad appears in this issue of the Herald. Read it. It's on the back page.

B.P. UNION SUNDAY

MEETS WITH BOILING SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH

AN EXCELLENT PROGRAM IS ARRANGED

Special addresses by Hon. Clyde R. Hoey, J. T. Bowman and B. E. Roach—Report of State Convention.

The fourth quarterly meeting of the Baraca Philathea Union of this county will be held on Sunday, July 9, at Boiling Springs.

PROGRAM

10 a. m.—Song by the choir. Union called to order by the President.

Solo—Ollie Skinner. Welcome Address—J. Y. Hamrick.

Song by Mt. Sinai Choir. Response to Welcome—Mrs. Geo. A. Hoyle.

Duet—Ollie Skinner and Aquila Lovelace.

Echoes from the Convention—Mrs. R. E. Ware.

Song—By Mt. Sinai choir. Report from the Convention—Miss Meldonna Livingston.

Limitations of the Sunday School Teacher—J. T. Bowman. Dinner.

1:00 p. m.—Song by different choirs.

Admission of new classes. Roll call and report of classes. Selection by Cliffside quartet. Address by Hon. Clyde R. Hoey.

Selection by Boiling Springs quartet.

Baraca Classes and our Young Men—B. E. Roach.

Song by Mt. Sinai choir. Unfinished business.

Place of next meeting. Reading of minutes. Collection.

Song. Benediction.

COUNTY SOIL SURVEY

Washington, D. C.—The North Carolina Department of Agriculture and the North Carolina Experiment Station will co-operate this season with the U. S. Department of Agriculture in soil surveys of Stanley, Cleveland and Orange counties. The work will be begun in the near future, it is expected. Under the co-operative arrangement adopted for these soil surveys, each institution pays the salaries and expenses of its own men, while the Federal Government bears the expense of inspecting the work and publishing the report for each county.

This report will be accompanied by a large map showing in colors the location of the various kinds of soils with reference to roads, schools, churches, water-courses and other features of the county. The nature of the soils, their adaptability for various crops and suggestions for the most advantageous use of fertilizers will also be discussed in detail, together with full information on existing agricultural conditions. Several months will be required to prepare the report and map after the survey has been completed.

Mrs. J. A. Smith and daughter, Miss Pauline, and Miss La House, of Carey, N. C., are visiting at Rev. W. L. Beach's. Mrs. Smith is Mrs. Beach's sister.