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DEATH CLAIMS PIONEER RESIDENT OF WALTON CO.

Uncle Joe Ward, one of the oldest citizens of the county, passed away last week at the home of his son, J. J. Ward, former chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, at Bruce, and was laid to rest in Antioch cemetery on Thursday; the funeral being one of the most largely attended ever held in that section, Rev. J. W. Mathison officiating.

Mr. Ward had reached the very advanced age of 94, and up until almost the last was possessed of his faculties in a remarkable degree. Largely self-educated, he was possessed of a wide range of information and evolved a system of shorthand writing for his own use, by which, only a few years ago, he could write as rapidly as many expert stenographers. He could repeat chapter after chapter of the Bible, and was better acquainted with the Book as a whole than many ministers. Like many old people, his memory of events in the past was particularly vivid, and many instances of the earlier history of this section, which should have been preserved in written form, will now pass forever.

In his going, Walton county has lost a man whose charity was never failing, whose influence was for good and whose memory will ever be cherished by all fortunate enough to know him. Surviving this grand old man are five sons: William J.; Thomas F.; W. A.; C. P.; and J. J.; three daughters, all of whom were in attendance at his bedside with the exception of a daughter now in North Carolina.

FURTHER DELAYS ON THE CHOCTAWHATCHEE BRIDGE

The contractors on the Choctawhatchee bridge at Westville, have run into more trouble, meaning further delays in the construction. It has been found that what the soundings showed to be a rock foundation for the middle pier, is only a ledge jutting out from the bank, some four or five feet thick, and it will be necessary to drill through this and go down some thirty feet further to get a footing for the pier.

As the contractors make their bid

FORMER T. I. I. STUDENTS WED IN ATLANTA, GEORGIA

A telegram was received by DeFuniac relatives and friends last Thursday afternoon apprising them of the marriage at Atlanta, Ga., of Miss Gladys Townsend, niece of Dr. and Mrs. E. L. Townsend of this city, and Mr. W. A. Miller, of Atmore, Ala., the event taking place earlier in the day at that point.

Mr. Miller is in the naval service and was home on a furlough ere leaving with the U.S.S. Nevada for the Philippines. He was in DeFuniac the early part of the week on a visit to his alma mater—Thomas Industrial Institute, following which he proceeded to Atlanta, Ga., where Miss Townsend was engaged at her profession of trained nurse, and prevailed on her to have the ceremony performed a little in advance of their original plans ere his departure. Following a brief honeymoon Mr. Miller left for New York from which port he expects to sail last of this week, the bride remaining in Atlanta, Ga., where she will follow her calling until the return of her husband to the States.

This pretty romance had its inception some few years ago, when the bride and groom were students of the Thomas Industrial Institute in this city. Congratulations are extended them and best wishes for a safe voyage and early return to his bride and a legion of friends, accompanied the groom on his cruise to foreign shores, with the sincere hope that they may visit the scene of their romance at no distant date, with the assurance of most cordial greetings.

SANTA ROSA MOURNS DEATH OF ESTIMABLE LADY

Mrs. Lizzie T. Nealley, one of Santa Rosa's most highly respected residents, passed away Sunday, March 2nd, at 11:15 p. m., following a several weeks illness due to Bright's disease. Mrs. Nealley was born in Montgomery, Ala., February 3, 1844, being at death in her eighty-first year.

Mrs. Nealley, following the death of her husband, Dr. George F. Nealley, some years ago, located at Santa Rosa, where her son, Mr. Evnn L.

CONTRACT FOR STREET PAVING LET; WORK TO BE COMPLETED IN 90 DAYS

At a special session of the city council, held Friday, contract was let for a considerable amount of paving—Baldwin Avenue, from Sixth to Tenth streets; Seventh from Baldwin Avenue north to the alley; Eighth street from Baldwin Avenue to the alley on the north; Seventh street from Baldwin Avenue to the L. & N. Railway, and that part of Crescent street from Baldwin Avenue to the L. & N. Railway.

The contract was let to J. P. Carter, of Geneva, Ala., with the understanding that work is to start immediately, and under the terms of the contract is to be completed within ninety working days, the contractor being under a bond of ten thousand dollars for the faithful performance of the work. All that remains, from the legal viewpoint, is the ratification of the contract by the city council, and which will be done at that body's next regular meeting.

After consideration of various paving plans, the council decided upon concrete paving of a depth of seven inches, and of a 1-2-4 mixture, decided from the investigation at various places, that this depth of concrete, without reinforcement, will best stand the strain of such traffic as will be given it upon the streets of DeFuniac Springs.

The contract price is \$26,474.11, and calls for the necessary complementary work in addition to the paving proper, and which includes curbing, guttering, necessary storm sewers, catch basins, special basins, manholes, etc. The specifications and contract is such that the city will be assured of good and satisfactory work; a single instance will suffice to demonstrate this—the contract designates that box measurements shall be used in mixing the concrete, and that no shovel or wheelbarrow measurements are to be used.

According to the terms of the contract, the contractor is to be in payment but 85 per cent. of the monthly estimates, the remaining 15 per cent. being retained by the city.

TRAIN HITS TRUCK; ONE MAN KILLED OTHER DYING

A truck load of dog wood driven by John Parker and son, was struck by a passenger train at a dark Wednesday night. The older Parker, a man about 55 years of age, is still living, but no hope is entertained of recovery, and his son is dead, his head mangled beyond recognition, and badly mangled that there is some question of the identity of the younger man. The two men were crossing the track near Dr. Simmon's residence, and a string of freight cars hid their view of the approaching train.

NOTICE TO CONTRIBUTORS

Several columns of good, readable matter—including Glendale, Eucheeanna, Bruce and Arcadia correspondence—are omitted from this issue on account of being too late for insertion.

Correspondents, whether rural or those covering special departments, will please bear in mind that the Breeze goes to press Wednesday, and only a limited amount of matter and no contributed articles, unless of special moment, can be handled that day. The Breeze wants this matter, but it wants it earlier in the week—Monday, preferably.

PALMER COLLEGE NOTES

Baseball practices has begun in earnest with a good squad coming out. Coach Brice is putting this through to show what can be done. They look good—so good that there is always a group of fans on the bleachers and about the diamond, to see how they work.

Our girls' basket ball team won both games played last week, one at Hubler and the other at Cotton. The girls are doing very well. The same cast of characters, to Milton last week, where they were the Episcopal church but there be

PENSACOLA PAPER TELLS OF SANTA ROSA GIRL

The Pensacola Journal of Sunday had the following to say of a young lady quite well known here: "At present, Miss Martha Shunk is the guest of Miss Katie Lee Bryars, and those who are interested in footlight scenes and stage life would indeed find her a delightful companion. Her home is in Winnipeg, Canada, but last June she came with her father to Santa Rosa, Fla., where they have since resided, and where she is taking a long, much needed rest, after quite a few years of hard work.

"When only nine years of age she began her public work and since then her artistic ability has carried her on and she has achieved success. She graduated in music in Canada and there studied under European artists among them the professor of the London Conservatory of Music. Her talent for the piano she uses for her own pleasure, but her voice has been heard in concert work, and she has also filled engagements with the Orpheum Circuit and with the 'Winnipeg Permanent Players (stock company).

"Her work has not though, been confined to vaudeville and stock, instead she has played in productions on the West Coast, and two theatricals in which she took prominent parts were: 'The Bird of Paradise,' and 'Come Out of the Kitchen'."

VENERABLE LADY DIES HERE TO BE BURIED AT OLD HOME

Mrs. Mary Lavina Rodifer, widow of the late Dr. Rodifer of New Market, Tenn., passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John Kennedy of East End, Sunday, March 9th, at 11 o'clock a. m., following a brief illness. She was a native Tennessean, born at New Market, July 10, 1840, being at death in her eighty-fourth year—a life filled with fruitage for the Master, and good deeds for mankind.

Mrs. Rodifer has been making her home in Knoxville, Tenn., with her daughter, since the marriage of the latter some years ago to Mr. John Kennedy of company with the latter's family in this city August, 1922. She was a member of the Episcopal church but there be

WOMAN'S CLUB PROGRAMS PAST AND FUTURE

The program last Wednesday the Woman's Club was a dell one, full of good things. Mrs. Burruss Caython's Conv Program, and great credit is her for so ably bringing forward items of special interest which had grouped for this afternoon following were the subjects speakers: "History of Royal Park"—Mrs. B. P. Morris; "Of Park Medal for Fire Protect Mrs. J. L. Moore; "Outline of E Council"—Mrs. Burruss Caython; "Convention Notes on Applied making money, as given by Women"—Mrs. Elliott; Mottoo discussion of Public Welfare" Currie. "Comments on Federation as viewed by the at-large"—Mrs. M. Stanton; and new Ideas on Prison Reform Mrs. W. W. Harbeson; "Duties of Club Women in reg Legislation"—Mrs. F. K. Bit The songs "America the Best "Little Lisa Jane" and "S River" were sung, Miss M. Caython playing the accompaniments, in her expressive manner.

At the business session Woman's Club it was decided March 20 and 21 as "Clean-up" For this purpose the town divided, and chairmen and teen appointed as follows: Section, Mrs. Jennings, Miss Parish, Miss Milbra Moore. trict, Miss Mary Lou Cawth J. R. Beard, Mrs. Hinesley. rict, Mrs. Florence, Mrs. J. ardon, Mrs. T. M. Foun District, Mrs. Ben Morris, Mrs. Caython. Mrs. Sess District Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. Mrs. McLeod. 5 Distri Brett, Mrs. B. B. Murray, I nady. Mill Section, Mrs. Miss Kirkwood, Mrs. Walts son.

Woman's Club Progr March 19, 1924.

- Miss Yonge—Leader
- No. 1: Rasklin in Modes
- Mrs. P. W. Smith
- No. 2: Some English
- Mrs. Kally Harbeson
- No. 3: Some English P
- Miss Carden
- No. 4: Harbeson's B