

HON. FRED WILLIAMS COMMITTS SUICIDE

The people of Pickens were shocked Friday afternoon when they heard by telephone that Hon. Fred Williams, a member of the house of representatives and a wealthy citizen of Pickens county, had committed suicide at five o'clock that afternoon, at his home about 4 miles from Easley. Members of the family heard the fatal shot and rushed to the shed room of the front porch where they found the unfortunate man with a bullet hole in the center of his forehead. His son was working in a field nearby and upon hearing screams rushed to the house. He immediately mounted a horse and rode into Easley for a physician. Dr. C. N. Wyatt and others rushed to the scene in an automobile, but the wounded man had passed away before they arrived. Dr. Wyatt stated that he lived only about five minutes after shooting himself.

The dead man left a note upon his dresser stating that he wanted his property to remain intact until his youngest child became of age, and that he wanted it to remain in the hands of his wife. He stated that he did not wish the impression to get out that he was crazy, but simply thought it best to take his own life. He went on to say that he was sound financially and that he had never done anyone an injustice, but that some people had done an injustice, to him and that he bore no enmity towards any man.

Mr. Williams was in Easley on business Friday morning and in apparent good health, but it was noticed by several people that something seemed to be worrying him.

Coroner Medlin went to the scene of death Saturday morning, and after examining several people most familiar with the circumstances decided that an inquest was not necessary.

Dr. Wyatt issued the following statement:

Easley, S. C., June 21, 1913.
This is to certify that I have this day examined the body of Hon. Fred Williams and find gunshot wound in center of forehead and that said wound is sufficient in my opinion, to cause death.

(Signed) C. N. Wyatt, M. D.
Mr. Williams is survived by his wife and 7 children. The family took his death very hard and they have the sympathy of friends all over this county in their hour of sorrow.

The funeral services were held at the Williams home Saturday afternoon and were conducted by Rev. J. D. Holler, pastor of the Easley Methodist church, and the body was laid to rest in the Mullinax burying ground.

Mr. Williams was born in Pickens District August 10, 1854, and was a son of the late Benjamin and Manda Garvin Williams. He was educated in the common schools of this county, and in 1883 he married Miss N. L. O'Dell, daughter of the late Calvin and Mrs. N. E. O'Dell.

He owned a large farm about four miles from Easley, besides a cotton gin, saw and grist mill, and was one of the largest cattle raisers in this county and returned more sheep for taxation than any other tax payer in the county. His estate is worth about \$50,000.

Mr. Williams had served one term in the legislature before and was elected in the second primary last August to represent this county again. He attended the last session of the legislature of this state and introduced several bills. He introduced a bill to abolish capital punishment in this state. It failed to pass. Also one asking the national Congress to repeal the 14th and 15th amendments of the constitution of the United States. This bill was passed. He also introduced during his first term the bill, which passed, giving farmers the right to retail meats of their own raising in towns and cities of this state without paying license tax.

In religion he was a Universalist, as were his ancestors for many generations before him.

Mr. Williams' Successor

The people of the county will be interested in knowing how and when a representative is to be chosen to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Hon. Fred Williams. For the information of all on this question the law is here given. Section 25 of Article III of the constitution of 1895 is as follows:

"If any election district shall neglect to choose a member or members on the day of election, or if any person chosen a member of either house shall refuse to qualify and take his seat, or shall resign, die, depart the state, accept any disqualifying office or position, or become otherwise disqualified to hold his seat, a writ of election shall be issued by the President of the Senate or Speaker of the House of Representatives, as the case may be, for the purpose of filling the vacancy thereby occasioned for the remainder of the term for which the person so refusing to qualify, resigning, dying, departing the state, or becoming disqualified, was elected to serve, or the defaulting election district ought to have chosen a member or members."

So it will be seen that the governor cannot fill this vacancy by appointment, but the speaker of the house of representatives will order an election. How soon this will be done is not known at present, but due notice will be given.

Dacusville News

Farming is progressing finely in this section and crops are looking well, especially corn where it has been well prepared and fertilized.

H. A. Looper, who had the misfortune of getting his leg broken on May 10th, is still on his crutches, but we are glad to say he is still improving. R. J. Hughes, who got his foot and ankle broken at the same time, is also improving.

On last Wednesday, 18th, during an electric storm, Mrs. Dora Looper, wife of H. A. Looper, was severely shocked by lightning and is slowly recovering. She was sitting in the door when she received the shock. Mr. Looper and William McCunkin and others were also shocked.

Arthur Jones and family of Easley, H. L. Jones and Jas. H. Hughes and families of Dacusville all visited at the home of W. M. Jones in the Oolenov section Sunday, June 15.

W. W. Robinson of Easley was seen in this section a few days ago. Come to see us again, Mr. Robinson.

W. N. Jones of Dacusville has begun threshing the golden grain. Guess he will find it a hotter job getting the biscuit stuff out of the straw than it is to talk a few hundred dollars out of some man for a Ford automobile. Ask him about it and see what he will say.

W. R. Nimmons and D. M. Freeman have also begun threshing grain. Any of them will do good work for you.

There is some talk of an all day singing at Peter's Creek church in August. If so, it will be published at a later date.

Progressive, you said ask Joe Hendricks how to plow corn. Now, you just go and ask Jack M. Looper how to plow corn and cotton. He has the best crop we have seen.

The Mt. Tabor Sunday school is making preparations to celebrate a children's day the fourth Sunday in July. They have a fine program arranged and a great time is anticipated. On the program there are something like 52 speeches for children, young ladies and young men. Great interest is being shown. Johnnie-on-the-spot.

Local News of Live Liberty.

J. J. Wakelin, of Atlanta, Ga., is here on a visit to friends and relatives.

Roy Greer, son of D. J. Greer, died in Birmingham, Ala., June 6th. His body was brought here and interred in the cemetery here. The funeral was conducted by Rev. J. C. Bailey.

The infant of Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Watkins, died the 10th inst., and was buried the day following at Carmel. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family.

Miss May Gantt left Tuesday for Rock Hill to attend the summer school.

The young people of the Baptist church have organized a B. Y. P. U. and we hope that all of the young people of the town will join and help to make it interesting and profitable to all.

Hon. W. G. Mauldin is not dead as was reported, but his friends will be glad to know that he is improving and is able to sit up.

Married Sunday afternoon at the home of Rev. J. E. Crim, Mr. Claude Elgin to Mrs. Bina Blair. The young couple have the congratulations of their friends.

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Edens will be grieved to learn of the death of their little girl, Jeffie Almeda. Mrs. Edens was on a visit to her parents, Rev. and Mrs. F. R. McClanahan, when the child was taken sick with meningitis and only lived a few days. May God bless the father and mother in their bereavement.

Rev. Wade H. Boggs, of Texas, preached Sunday morning at the Presbyterian church to a large and appreciative congregation. Wade has just finished at the Seminary and has been called to one of the largest churches in Texas. We wish him much success in his ministerial work.

This part of the county suffered considerable damage Sunday afternoon from a hail storm.

Rev. J. E. Crim left Sunday afternoon for Columbia where he will hold a series of meetings.

The U. D. C. was delightfully entertained Friday afternoon at 5 o'clock by Mrs. W. B. Glenn. Delicious refreshments were served. Mrs. Glenn was assisted in serving by her sister, Miss Louise Sheldon, of Westminster.

Mrs. M. Catter and two grand children, of Atlanta, Ga., are visiting at the Brown House for awhile.

Jeffie Edens.

"Death loves a shining mark." It was true in the case of dear little Jeffie Almeda, only child of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Edens, who died at the home of her grandparents, Rev. and Mrs. F. R. McClanahan, near Liberty on Wednesday, 18th inst., after an illness of only a few days. Mr. and Mrs. Edens live in Greenville. Mrs. Edens with the little girl was on a visit to Mr. McClanahan's when the little one was taken sick and suffered intensely until the sixth day when death came to release her from her sufferings. Jeffie's little body was laid away at Oolenov church yard the day following her death, after funeral services conducted by Rev. D. W. Hott. She was a beautiful, sweet child.

Last fall in the baby show at Easley, she was awarded first prize for the finest child of her age that was there. She was loved, not only by her parents, but by all who knew her. Perhaps she was idolized too much, so our Heavenly Father took her to Himself to draw hearts toward Him. Jesus loved little children when here on earth, and He loves them none the less now that he is in Heaven. No doubt that the little hands will beckon loved ones to Heaven.

"Beautiful hands at the gateway tonight,
Faces all shining with radiant light.
Eyes looking down from yon Heavenly throne
Beautiful hands are beckoning, come." H.

Easley Local News.

Mrs. A. T. Folger, Miss Mildred and Messrs. Jack, James and Ted Folger arrived here from Ottawa, Canada, on Monday morning. Their many friends are delighted to see them.

Miss Fannie Caudle of Greenville is visiting her sister, Mrs. E. L. Bolt.

Mrs. Fred Singletary and son are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Robinson.

Mrs. James H. Myers and children, Helen and James, are visiting relatives in Seneca.

Misses Lottie and Nellie Whitten of Greenville are visiting their aunt, Mrs. J. Milton King.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. McNaron of Alabama are visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Folger.

Mr. Warren Thornton of Elberton, Ga., spent part of last week with Mr. S. W. Thornton.

Mrs. R. O. Pickens, of Spartanburg, and several children are visiting Mrs. Pickens' parents, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Robinson.

Miss Estelle Babb, who has been visiting her brother, Rev. E. V. Babb, has returned to her home in Laurens.

Miss Maggie Anderson has returned from College of Women in Columbia.

A. L. Campbell is visiting relative in Ohio.

Dr. and Mrs. H. I. Sterling of Greenville were the week-end guests at the home of R. T. Thornton.

Miss Mary Shumate of Greenville spent part of last week with Miss Mabel Clyde.

Dr. L. C. Martin of Olemson College visited his parents here last week.

Mrs. C. N. Wyatt, Misses Eva and Alene and Claude and Charles Wyatt spent last Friday in Greenville.

Miss Janie Thornton visited relatives and friends in Greenville last week.

Dr. C. N. Wyatt and daughters, Misses Eva and Ethel, and Joseph E. Leach spent last Wednesday in Anderson.

The Ladies Missionary and Aid societies of the Presbyterian church met at the home of Mrs. W. M. Haggood last Tuesday.

Miss Ruth King charmingly entertained at a party, on last Saturday evening, given in honor of her guest, Miss Ione West, of Greenville. Much amusement was afforded by a poetry contest. Progressive conversation occupied a great part of the evening. Delicious punch was served by Miss Janet Bolt, and late in the evening a delightful salad course was served.

Married at the Mountain View Hotel Sunday afternoon, 22nd inst., Mr. A. E. Neal to Miss Ethel Steadman. Only a few friends and relatives were present. Mr. Neal is a young business man of Spartanburg. Mrs. Neal, the bride, is the daughter of Mr. Steadman, manager of the Mountain View Hotel. Rev. Mr. Ross, of Spartanburg, performed the ceremony.

The Chicago Ladies' Orchestra with a reader will give an entertainment at the Easley school auditorium Friday night, the 27th, at 8:30. The company consists of eight musicians, and they come well recommended as artists. Admission, children under 12 years 25c, adults 50c.

More Editors Appointed.

The senate has confirmed the appointments of W. E. Gonzales, editor of the Columbia State, as minister to Cuba, and P. A. Stovall, editor of the Savannah, Ga., News, as minister to Switzerland.

LIBERTY

It was my good fortune recently to visit Liberty and talk with some of the leading business men of that town. I was pleased and very much impressed with the way they talked. They believe in Liberty. They think it is the best town in the county, and one of the very best in existence. They are looking forward very hopefully to the fall trade. In my judgment that is the way to build a town—talk it up, not down.

Liberty is without doubt one of our coming towns. Already she has her streets paved all over the city and many handsome brick buildings and stocks of goods that would do credit to a very much larger town.

The Presbyterians and Baptists of Liberty are getting ready to erect expensive church houses, one to spend about \$5,000, and the other \$10,000. They have electric lights, and they are talking about a system of water works some time in the future. The enlarging of the cotton mill has helped business.

How about another cotton mill for Pickens? H.

Prof. Rutledge Resigns; Hail Storm

Six Mile.—Quite a number of the Six Mile people attended the children's day at King's Grove and had a very enjoyable time.

The entire community regrets very much that Prof. S. A. Rutledge has resigned as principal of the Six Mile Academy on account of ill health. He has lately gone to New Mexico. It is hoped that the change of climate will prove an aid to his recovery.

The recent storm which swept over the little town here and extended south did much injury to crops. The wind was terrific for awhile and was accompanied by rain and hail which was severe enough to break glasses out of the windows in some houses.

Those who have been ill with typhoid fever are reported better.

There will be a children's day at Six Mile the second Sunday in July. A large congregation is expected and a nice time will most probably be had by all who attend.

There will be a family reunion or picnic at the old home place of J. C. Garrett the 4th of July.

Norris Local News.

Mr. Houston Craig, a hustling salesman for R. E. Allen & Bro. Greenville, was in town last Thursday.

Mr. E. W. Pickens and wife, of Mile Creek, spent last Saturday night and Sunday with the family of C. E. Mauldin, of near Norris.

Mr. R. M. Baker and wife, attended an all day singing at Wolf Stake, Oconee county, last Sunday and report a good time.

John Williams was in Pickens last Wednesday on business.

It is reported that a severe hail storm struck Six Mile last Wednesday, damaging crops considerably.

Furman Robinson, son of J. B. Robinson, had the misfortune of getting pretty badly hurt on last Wednesday by a wagon running over him.

C. T. Mauldin, of Waterloo, Laurens county, who up to a few weeks ago was traveling salesman for the Palmetto Brokerage Co., of Greenville, was in Norris a few days ago. He is now working with another firm.

M. C. Rhodes, depot agent at this place, has purchased a lot from L. G. Phillips and we understand he is going to build an up-to-date residence on it in the near future.

Three deacons were ordained at Norris Baptist church last Saturday night, viz: R. M. Baker, W. A. Gilstrap and Claude C. Bourroughs. Rev. E. V. Babb, of Easley, preached a very interesting sermon on the qualifications and duties of the deacon. The ordination prayer was offered by the pastor.

Quite an interesting meeting was held at the Norris Baptist church on last Sunday morning. After the sermon by the pastor one confessed Christ. The holy spirit was present in great power.

Married at the residence of the officiating officer, J. Alonzo Brown, N. P., near Catechee, S. C., Mr. John Fry, of Rosman, N. C., to Mrs. Mary Shirley, of Liberty, S. C., on the 19th inst. The happy couple have the congratulations of their friends in both states.

J. Alonzo Brown says it pays to advertise your business for by speaking through the columns of The Sentinel some time ago about his latch string hanging on the outside of his door and that anyone of a matrimonial inclination could raise same either day or night by hanging a dollar to it, caused him to get this job.

J. Alonzo Brown says it is a fine time to marry now for blackberries are in full blast and by the time they are gone people will be through laying by and the couple can go visiting.

Miss Gussie Cureton spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. K. L. Cureton.

Destructive Hail Storm Sunday.

Last Sunday afternoon quite a destructive hail, wind and rain storm passed over the section of country from Liberty to Flat Rock and extended for some miles toward Easley. The corn and cotton in many places was badly damaged. The same afternoon hail did some damage to crops just west of this place near Secona.

It is also reported that a severe hail storm visited the Cross Roads section Saturday.

Thursday of last week the Six Mile section was visited by a rain, wind and hail storm. It is said the hail damaged the crops and the rain washed the lands very much.

Cedar Rock News.

A hail storm passed thru the Cross Roads and Cedar Rock sections Saturday afternoon, and did considerable damage to several of the farms.

Mr. and Mrs. John Anthony visited the latter's mother, Mrs. Millie Hendrix, of Easley, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Whitmore of the Cross Roads section, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joel H. Miller Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Williams, of the Cross Roads burg, were visiting at Mr. B. H. Williams' Sunday.

Listen! Everybody is invited to attend the all day singing at Cedar Rock church the fifth Sunday. Come and enjoy the day with us.

Mr. Hovie Singleton and sister, Miss Jeannette, and Miss Della Robinson, of the Peter's Creek section, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Singleton Sunday.

Grayson Miller and sister, Miss Ada, attended Sunday school at Cross Roads Sunday.

Sterling Turner, of Traveler's Rest section, was visiting here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Stewart, were the guests of the latter's uncle, Mr. Joel H. Miller, last Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Williams and family were visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. Andrew Williams of the Vineland section recently.

L. F. Smith attended church at Corinth Sunday.

E. N. Robins, of Greenville, visited friends and relatives here last Sunday.

Mrs. Mandy Roper, who has been very ill at the home of her son, Walker Roper, is very much better at present.

Mr. and Mrs. Remus Henderson, of Anderson, were the guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. McD. Farmer, last Sunday.

Mr. Crisp, of Greenville, visited in this vicinity recently.

Don't forget the all day singing at Cedar Rock Sunday.

Rexie.

Pickens Route 6.

Hello! Here comes Smiles once again.

Smiling comes so easy.

Do not wear a frown.

If you feel one rising,

Always smile it down.

If everybody would always think of this wouldn't we have a beautiful world filled with beautiful people?

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Nix and their two little twin daughters, Edith and Ethel, of Salem, were the guests of J. E. Nix and family last Saturday and Sunday.

Rev. B. C. Atkinson filled his regular appointment at Mile Creek last Sunday.

There will be a children's day at Mile Creek the fifth Sunday in June. Everybody invited to come and bring song books and well filled baskets.

Walter Seaborn and wife visited W. E. Curtis and family last Sunday.

Smiles.

O. T. Hinton and wife, of Easley, both formerly of Pickens and who have numerous friends here, visited Mrs. Hinton's mother, Mrs. J. H. Newton, here Sunday.

Destroyed Five Stills Last Week.

Deputy Collector of Internal Revenue E. A. Aiken, of Greenville, accompanied by Deputy Collector Pritchard, of North Carolina, and Constable B. B. LaBoon, of Pickens, seized and destroyed five illicit distilleries and a quantity of whiskey and arrested one man last week.

Three of the stills were located in Pickens county and the other two in Oconee county. The captive gave his name as James Morgan, of North Carolina. He was arrested in Pickens county near the North Carolina line.

Shocked by Lightning Last Sunday.

During an electric storm here last Sunday afternoon the residence of Judge Newbery was struck and the weatherboarding ripped off one corner of the house. His daughter, Miss Stella, was on a bed within a few inches of the bolt and was severely shocked. Mrs. Newbery was standing a few feet away and she was also shocked. Mr. Newbery was in another room and only received a slight shock. The terrific noise of the report from the bolt affected Mrs. Newbery's hearing and it is feared that she may not hear again. Two trees were also struck on Poplar hill, in the rear of the jail, near one of which was a hog pen and the hog was killed.

Reported Dead But Still Lives.

Two weeks ago The Sentinel published an account of the death of Hon. W. G. Mauldin, but since have learned that Mr. Mauldin is not dead. The report that he was dead was current on the streets of Norris, four miles from his home, and accounts of it appeared in several papers of this state. The Sentinel being among the number.

Mr. Mauldin suffered a severe stroke of apoplexy and it was thought that he was dying, but we are glad to say that he recovered, and we are sure his numerous friends in this county will be glad to know he is still among us, and join us in wishing him a complete recovery. We are sorry the error occurred and are glad that we can correct it and wish him many more years of usefulness.

Don't Take The Wrong Medicine

If Your Liver Gets Lazy You Need a Liver Tonic, Not Merely a Laxative for the Bowels.

Many people take a simple laxative when their liver gets sluggish rather than take calomel, which they know to be dangerous. But a mere laxative will not start a sluggish liver. What is needed is a tonic that will live on the liver without forcing you to stay at home and lose a day from your business.

You have such a tonic in Dodson's Liver Tonic. Dodson's Liver Tonic must be all they claim for it because they guarantee it to take the place of dangerous calomel and agree to hand back the money with a smile to any person who tries Dodson's Liver Tonic and is not satisfied with the relief it gives.

Dodson's Liver Tonic is a harmless vegetable liquid with a pleasant taste, and is a prompt and reliable remedy for constipation, biliousness, sour stomach and the other troubles that come from a torpid liver.

The Pickens Drug Co. give it their personal guarantee and if you will ask about this guarantee you will protect yourself against imitations that are not guaranteed. Large bottle of Dodson's Liver Tonic is 50 cents. (Advertisement)

T. T. Barton, a prominent citizen of Easley, was visiting in Pickens Sunday.