

A Century of News

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110 Years Ago

The Fairfield Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., May 9, 1875.

Improvements - Mr. J. Groschell is making a great improvement on the old brick building near Doty & Co.'s livery stable. Mr. G. deserves great credit for the energy he has displayed on this building and we predict that when it is finished it will be one of the handsomest buildings in town.

Mr. T. Ross Robertson is erecting a handsome brick building on the corner of Congress and Moultrie, which will be an ornament to that portion of town.

County Commissioner Jacob is putting up three beautiful little cottages near the A.M.E. Church.

Mr. J.M. Elliott has nearly completed a substantial cottage on College Street. The above improvements speak well for those energetic citizens who are building up the waste places in our midst. Let the work go on.

SPRING CALICOES

Another lot of nice spring calicos just in at D. Lauderdale's which will be sold at the same old prices. Also, a 2nd arrival of nicely assorted millinery goods, which we guarantee to give satisfaction.

100 Years Ago

The Fairfield News and Herald, Winnsboro, S.C., May 13, 1885.

JUDGE ROBERTSON'S FUNERAL. The funeral services for the late Wm. R. Robertson were held in the Episcopal church on Thursday afternoon, the Rev. H.O. Judd, of Columbia, officiating. The pallbearers were Messrs. Geo. H. McMaster, James A. Brice, T.K. Elliott, W.G. Jordan, D.R. Fleniken, R.E. Ellison, H.A. Galliard, and Dr. T.T. Robertson. The remains were interred in the cemetery on the northwestern portion of town. The services, both at the grave and in the church, were attended by a very large concourse of people.

Local Briefs

The report is current that the Baptist Sunday school of Columbia will have a picnic at Rock City one day this week.

Mr. Habenicht received on Wednesday 40,000 pounds of ice. He is determined to keep our people cool during the summer and at a very slight cost. Let the ice house be patronized by the city of Winnsboro.

DEATH OF MR. J.F. ARLEDGE

Mr. J.F. Arledge, a well-known citizen of the county, who resided in the Rocky Mount section, died somewhat suddenly on Monday. He came to town with Mrs. Arledge, to attend some business, and went to the county treasurer's office to pay his taxes. He complained of feeling badly, but recovered enough to go on the streets and make some purchases. He then went to the store of Mr. J.O. Boag to meet Mrs. Arledge, and while standing with her he fell suddenly to the floor. He was taken to a room and medical aid was obtained. About two o'clock he seemed better, but soon grew worse, and about four o'clock breathed his last. Mr. Arledge was a good citizen and his death will be generally regretted. He was about seventy years of age, and leaves his wife and one child - Mrs. Wylie J. Davis of Ridgeway.

45 Years Ago

The News and Herald, Wednesday, May 16, 1940.

MOSSY DALE

I have received so many nice presents on my birthday that I have concluded to quit complaining and have another birthday.

As well I remember, my birthday, which was last Saturday, was spent more quietly and with less commotion than my first one.

Being born in the red hills of Lebanon surrounded by Stevensons Turners, Hardens and Brices, one lot was indeed cast on dangerous ground but my daddy, realizing what a pity it would be to raise such a pretty baby in such environment, moved with me when I was four years old to this garden of Eden - Mossy Dale - and here I "is" yet.

...My son sent me a gallon can the other day nicely packed. I could tell by shaking it that it contained liquid and he being a preacher I thought it was good old North Carolina whiskey, but, alas, it was apple cider, but so good it lasted for only about two days.