

W. R. ELLIOTT DIES SUNDAY

10/15/1936

Prominent Citizen and Former Mayor Of Winnsboro Passes At His Home After Illness of Ten Days. Funeral Services Last Monday.

William R. Elliott, former mayor of Winnsboro, died at his home here Sunday evening at 9 o'clock, after an illness of ten days. He had been in ill health for more than two years.

Mr. Elliott passed his 64th birthday the day before his death. He was educated at Mt. Zion academy and Clemson College. For a number of years he was county demonstration agent in Fairfield and did much to aid in the improvements of the crops of the county. He was also a Charter District Farm Agent and served eleven counties for a number of years. Mr. Elliott was regarded as one of the outstanding scientific farmers of the state. For several terms he served as the mayor of Winnsboro.

He was the son of Henry L. and Tirzah Ketchin Elliott. Popular throughout the county, Mr. Elliott leaves a host of friends over the state who will be saddened by his passing.

He is survived by his widow, the former Kitty Riee of Union; two sons, William R. Elliott, Jr., of Winnsboro and Spencer Rice Elliott of Walterboro; one daughter, Mrs. Mary Carlisle McDonald of Winnsboro, and five sisters, Mrs. R. C. Gooding, Mrs. Marion Caldwell and Mrs. Oliver Johnson, all of Winnsboro; Mrs. J. R. McAlpine of Clarksville, Ga., and Mrs. A. F. Ruff of Rock Hill, and a wide family connection throughout the State. Funeral services were conducted from the Associate Reformed Presbyterian church Monday afternoon, and interment followed in the church cemetery.

Dr. Oliver Johnson conducted the services.

The active pall bearers were nephews of the deceased: Oliver Johnson Jr., Elliott Caldwell, T. K. McDonald, C. F. Elliott, Talley Elliott and Henry Gooding. The honorary pall bearers were R. R. Macfie, G. R. Lauderdale, W. M. Quattlebaum, C. A. Stevenson, J. C. McMaster, J. E. Coan, John W. Cathcart, H. E. Ketchin, A. Lee Scruggs, Wilson Hannahan, H. C. Elliott, J. H. Cathcart, H. S. Wylie, A. M. Owens, B. E. Lyles, Dr. Samuel Lindsay and Dr. David Aiken.

Among the out-of-town relatives and friends who attended the last rites were: Mrs. C. H. Peake, Mrs. W. A. Walker, Mrs. D. M. Rickenbaker, S. M. Rice, S. R. Perrin, Drs. W. H. and Lewis Perrin, all of Union; Mrs. J. D. Harrison and Mrs. M. G. McDonald of Greenwood; Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Caldwell, H. E. Matthews, H. L. Elliott and Oliver Johnson Jr. of Charlotte; Mr. and Mrs. George Wright of Great Falls; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McDonald of Chester; Dr. and Mrs. John Harris Cathcart of Gaffney; Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Ruff, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Shirley, Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Ruff, Fletcher Ruff Jr. and Mrs. C. A. Robinson Jr. of Rock Hill; Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Belser, Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Burke, Mr. and Mrs. Julian Shand, Mrs. H. L. Elliott, Mrs. Arthur Humphries, Mrs. J. R. Foard, Mrs. Avery Lowry, Misses Bessie McMaster, Agnes McMaster, Lizzie Elliott, Evans Elliott, H. E. Gooding, W. T. Elliott, Joe Miller, and H. E. Ketchin Jr., all of Columbia.

God rest thee, good friend, from all thy labors, in that happy land where beauty is perfection.

W. W. FANT, 68, DIES SUDDENLY TUESDAY

1936

Spartanburg, March 19—William Woodward Fant, 68, resident of Spartanburg for the past 50 years, died suddenly Tuesday night at 8:45 o'clock at the residence of his cousin, N. C. James, at Strother. Mr. Fant was a son of the late Captain and Mrs. S. R. Fant.

The body was brought to the J. F. Floyd mortuary where the funeral was held this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, conducted by Dr. W. H. DuBose. Interment was in Oakwood cemetery.

Mr. Fant is survived by four children, W. W. Fant, Jr., Greer; S. R. Fant, New York city; Mrs. W. T. Porter, Jr., Emerson, N. C.; Miss Mary Bird Fant, Charlotte, N. C.; one brother, F. D. Fant, Jacksonville, Fla.; two sisters, Mrs. W. B. Tolleson, city, and Mrs. W. B. Allen, New York city, and one grandson.

Mr. Fant was a member of Rock Creek Baptist church, and was very active in all church work. He was superintendent of the church Sunday school. He was one of the organizers of the Southside Baptist church.

Mr. Fant had been making his home for the past four years with his nephew, N. C. James, near Strother, Fairfield County. He was a former resident of this county and lived in Winnsboro when a small boy about 55 years ago when his parents, Captain and Mrs. S. R. Fant resided here for a short time. Since his return to Fairfield several years ago, he had become greatly interested in the affairs of the county, and the community in which he lived.

He was of genial, social and unselfish nature and made many warm friends wherever he lived.

He was an active church worker and took great interest in the affairs of old Rock Creek church, of which he was a member. He was superintendent of the Sunday school which had had considerable growth recently under his direction and supervision. He will be greatly missed and his sudden passing was a shock and grief to his family and friends.

FRANCES FEE DIES FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28

1936

Frances Fee, 15, daughter of Joe N. and Catherine Wilkes Fee, died at her home, near Blairs, on Friday morning about 3 o'clock. Besides her parents, she is survived by three sisters, Catherine, Evelyn and Joye Fee.

Funeral services were held Saturday morning at 11 o'clock at Salem Presbyterian church, conducted by Rev. J. P. Isenhower and Rev. Charles Harris. Interment followed in the family plot in the cemetery. The students of the seventh grade of Monticello High school were honorary pallbearers, and a committee of classmates were flower girls.

The brothers of Mr. and Mrs. Fee were active pallbearers.

E. G. FRIDY DIES IN CLEARWATER, FLA.

1936

News was received in Winnsboro Saturday that E. G. Fridy, 77 of Clearwater, Fla., died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. L. A. Harmon, of Clearwater, Saturday morning.

Mr. Fridy had been in ill health for several years prior to his death. He has many friends and relatives in South Carolina who will mourn his death. Mr. Fridy was formerly of Fairfield county, having lived there most of his life. He was buried in Brooksville Sunday afternoon by the side of his wife who was formerly Minnie Irby, of Fairfield county.

Funeral services for Blaise Gardner who died Saturday night from injuries received when the motorcycle he was riding ran into an automobile, were held on Monday morning at 11:00 from the Union Baptist church in Blaney, by the Rev. Brooms.

Surviving are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gardner of Pine Grove, four sisters, Mrs. Almeter Osborne of Winnsboro, Misses Mary, Susie, and Lois Gardner of Pine Grove and eight brothers, James, Elmer, Edward, Elbert, Louis, Lemuel, Harvey and Gene Gardner, all of Pine Grove.

Mr. Gardner was born and reared in Kershaw County near Pine Grove, but had been living here for some time where he was employed by the Winnsboro Mills. He was a member of the Union Baptist church at Blaney and has several relatives living in Winnsboro.

R. C. GOODING PASSES ANOTHER MILESTONE

10/22/1936

Mr. Robert C. Gooding celebrated his eighty first birthday on Tuesday. Mr. Gooding has been a resident of Fairfield County and Winnsboro for nearly seventy years, having moved here from Kentucky when a young boy.

His son, H. E. Gooding and Mrs. Gooding of Columbia were unable to spend the entire day with their father, but stopped over to congratulate and spend an hour. The three daughters, Mrs. Ernest Gladden, Mrs. Spencer McCants and Mrs. Fleming McMaster, at the home of the latter, prepared and served a delicious turkey dinner with all the trimmings. There were sixteen present, and a pleasant day was spent.

The many telegrams, messages and gifts received by Mr. Gooding, evidenced the high regard and love felt for him by relatives and friends both here and from other places.

MRS. MAGGIE HARMON

2/13/1936

Mrs. Maggie Harmon, 55, formerly of Winnsboro Mills, died at her home in Bath, S. C., Saturday, February 1, after a two week's illness. During her stay at Winnsboro Mills she made lots of friends who mourn her passing.

She is survived by her husband, Mr. Will Harmon, of Bath and the following children: Mrs. O. E. Wells, of Winnsboro Mills; Mrs. John Harmon, of Augusta, Ga., and Mrs. Laura Reese, of Bath, S. C. She also leaves 9 grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Sunday February 2, at Pine Grove Baptist church, Bath, S. C., conducted by Rev. Albert Carter. Interment followed in the church cemetery.

Mrs. O. E. Wells, of Winnsboro Mills wishes to extend her thanks to friends for the flowers and kindness shown to her mother during her stay here.

ACCIDENT FATAL TO MR. J. S. HENDERSON

4/23/1936

John Stoughton Henderson, 21, Newberry farmer, died in the John Buchanan hospital Winnsboro, Monday morning following an accident sustained at 11 o'clock Sunday night, when he and a companion, whose name is not learned here, were riding. The accident occurred on the Winnsboro-Newberry highway, about seven miles west of Winnsboro, between Winnsboro and Salem Cross-roads.

The injured man was picked up by E. K. Rabb, Fairfield county sheriff who happened along shortly after the accident. The sheriff rushed Mr. Henderson to the hospital here where he was given emergency treatment. He was in an unconscious condition when he was taken to the hospital.

Henderson and a sister, Miss Jessie Faye Henderson.

DANIEL HALL DIES AT HOME

12/17/1936

Former Member of the Red Shirts, and Long-Time Fairfield County Treasurer Passes Tuesday. Funeral Services Held Wednesday At Concord Church.

Daniel Hall, former Fairfield County Treasurer, died at his home here Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock following an illness of several weeks. Mr. Hall, who was in his 77th year, had been in ill health for a number of years.

He is survived by his wife, the former Mamie McDonald, three daughters, Mrs. Joseph Sprout of Walterboro, Mrs. R. E. Arnette and Mrs. Sue Hall Davis, both of Winnsboro; six sons, J. Leland Hall of White Oak, Daniel Hall, Jr., and Carlisle Hall of Birmingham, Ala., Bratton Hall of Columbia, J. H. Hall, and J. M. Hall of Winnsboro and by a number of grand children and great-grand children.

This county was saddened by the death of Mr. Hall who has been a prominent citizen in the community since 1876. For 12 years he served Fairfield as County Treasurer. Death followed a heart attack about noon Tuesday, after a lingering illness resulting from a stroke of apoplexy more than a year ago.

Mr. Hall was a noted and picturesque character in the days of his early manhood, when our State was over-run by Scalawags and Carpetbaggers. He was fearless and daring in all the enterprises devised by General Bratton, Major Woodward and the older men of those Red Shirt Days. Indeed, he was the ablest and most resourceful one of the young men in his section, Gladden's Grove. He possessed the confidence and admiration of his elders who esteemed and loved him for his patriotism. His time, energy and wealth were always at the service of his State and he gave freely all of these for the redemption of his section from moral degradation, political infamy and negro domination. Time saddens us. His scythe has cut down all Confederate soldiers in the county but one, and is now busy in the ranks of the Red Shirt heroes of which the deceased was a gallant leader.

Mr. Hall took the complete course at the Kings Mountain Military Academy under the superintendency of Colonel Asbury Coward. Some of his class mates were Colonel James L. Orr, Colonel Joseph K. Alston, Spanish American War Veterans, John J. Mobley, C. S. Ford, T. M. Boulware, Clarence Brice and others. He comes from a long line of distinguished ancestors. The Halls and the Hicklins were among the first settlers of the eastern part of the county and in the neighborhood of Catawba Falls, acquiring lands and wealth and investing in lands in Georgia and Florida. His father, Daniel Hall and his uncle, W. E. Hall were the principal founders of Bethesda church at Mitford. His mother was Sarah Hicklin and one of his nieces married J. Lyles Glenn, father of the present Federal District Judge, J. Lyles Glenn.

Mr. Hall first married Elizabeth Mobley. In 1929, he married Mamie McDonald, who survives him.

Hundreds of friends throughout the county and State, on hearing of his death, will pause and think of his brave and chivalrous youth, his superb honesty of character, his loyalty in friendship and his sympathy and charity towards his fellowmen.

His wife, Mrs. Daniel Hall, was beautiful.