

# A. R. SMARR IS LAID TO REST SATURDAY

Popular Winnsboro Man Dies At Columbia Hospital After Ten Days Illness of Pneumonia.

4/2/1936  
Albert Roger Smarr, died at the Columbia hospital Thursday night, March 26th, at 10:30 o'clock.

Mr. Smarr had been ill with pneumonia for ten days. He was taken to the Columbia hospital Thursday afternoon, where he died a few hours later.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Hazel Haynes Smarr; two small children, Hazel and Anne; his mother, Mrs. Annie Smarr, Columbia; two sisters, Mrs. H. W. Shannon and Mrs. Frank G. Vance, Columbia; four brothers, Dr. Roy Smarr, Fred Smarr, Columbia; Copeland Smarr, Charlotte, N. C.; William Smarr, Marion, N. C.

Mr. Smarr was born in the Bullock's Creek section of York County, and came to Winnsboro from Columbia shortly after he was discharged from the U. S. army after the war. Since that time, he had made his home in Winnsboro and had occupied several important offices and had been engaged in the insurance business. At the time of his death, he was city clerk and treasurer of Winnsboro. He was a member and past commander of Fairfield Legion Post No. 16; a member of Winnsboro Lodge No. 11, A. F. M.

Mr. Smarr had many friends throughout the state to whom his death is a personal loss. The many lovely floral tributes gave expression of the high esteem in which

(John C. Brawley, M. D.)  
The windy gales of Fairfield Laid claim to his noble soul. And wafted him on High to his Creator,  
Who made him whole.

This loved and loving son, brother, husband, father and friend, passed from time to eternity where manhood's morning almost touches noon and while the shadows still were falling toward the west. He had not passed on life's highway the stone that marks the highest point, but being weary for a moment he lay down by the wayside and using his burden for a pillow fell into that dreamless sleep that kisses down his eyelids still.

While in love with life and raptured with the world, he passed into silence and pathetic dust. Yet after all it may be best, just in the happiest, sunniest hour of the voyage while eager winds are kissing every sail, to dash against the unseen rock, and in an instant hear the billows roar above a sunken ship. Every life, no matter if its every hour, is rich with love and every moment is jeweled with a joy will at its close become a tragedy, as sad, and deep, and dark, as can be woven of the warp and woof of mystery and death.

This brave man in all of the storms of life was oak and rock, but in the sunshine was vine and flower. My acquaintanceship with him had its inception in the cradle and terminated at the grave. He was a man of major business capabilities and enviable personality, and of high ideals. A friend to the needy. He was pious without pretension; charitable without parade; erudite without pedantry. He added to the sum of human joy. He was a gentleman of the old school.—As a gentleman was before the light of that poor worn province to invade the sacredness of the most high in order to pass judgment on a brother, let he that is without sin cast the first stone.

# S. A. C. Spence Passes Sunday

1937  
Marion, July 6.—S. A. C. Spence, 52, of West Marion, died at his home there, Sunday evening about 6:30, after an illness of some time. Mr. Spence had been in ill health for many months, but apparently had regained his health and had returned to his work during the last few months. He had been employed at the Camp Manufacturing company for the last several years as a lumber inspector. He was the son of the late Patrick M. Spence and Mattie M. Spence of Ridgeway, who originally came to this country from Ireland.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Irene Bryan Spence, and the following children, all of West Marion: Bryan Thomas, Mattie Belle and Palmer Spence. The following brothers and sister also survive: David Spence, Chester; Willie Spence, Misses Lillie, Maggie, Eliza and Mittie Spence, all of Ridgeway.

Services in charge of the Rev. John K. Johnston, assisted by the Rev. Dr. J. M. Holladay, were held Monday afternoon at the home at 6:30, and the funeral cortege left here this morning for Ridgeway for interment.

# FORMER NURSE OF BLACKSTOCK DIES IN COLUMBIA

Miss DeLyla Gilliam Thorne of Blackstock, former United States navy nurse, died at Waverley sanatorium Sunday night after a long illness.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday morning at 11:30 o'clock at Catholic Presbyterian church near Blackstock in Fairfield county.

Miss Thorne, the daughter of Charles Thorne and Mrs. Mary Ann McDuff Thorne was born in 1878 at Blackstock. She entered training at Garfield Memorial hospital at Washington in 1904 and was graduated with honors in 1908. Before entering the navy service she served at a number of hospitals.

During the World war she was stationed at several hospital ports and later was sent to the Philippines. After her health failed she was a patient at government hospitals a number of years. Later she was retired and came to Blackstock before going to Waverley two years ago.

Surviving are two cousins, Mrs. James A. Hayne, of Columbia, and Miss Adelaide Thorne, of Blackstock.

# MR. CHARLES M. WATKINS DIED AT ANDERSON

10/8/1936  
Married Miss Eloise Phillips, of Chester.

Mr. Charles Mattison Watkins 47, Anderson resident and salesman for the Gulf Refining Company with which he had been identified for a number of years, died suddenly Saturday afternoon of a heart attack while engaged in a golf game at Boscobel Lake golf course near Clemson.

Mr. Watkins was in company with a number of friends at the popular resort and was standing on a tee ready to drive off when he was suddenly stricken. He died before medical assistance could be rendered.

Mr. Watkins was married to the former Miss Eloise Phillips, of Chester, daughter of the late Dr. D. G. Phillips, well known A. R. P. minister, and sister of Dode Phillips, former football star of Erskine College.

In addition to his widow, he is survived by one son, David Watkins, of Anderson; his mother, Mrs. F. E. Watkins, and one brother and one sister, F. E. Watkins and Mrs. Forest D. Suggs, also of that city.

# JOHN M. SMITH FUNERAL SUNDAY

1936  
John M. Smith of Winnsboro, died suddenly at his home here Saturday morning following a heart attack. He had been ill for several weeks, but the end came unexpectedly.

Mr. Smith was in his 85th year. He was born in the Mt. Olivet section of Fairfield county, but spent most of his life in Winnsboro. He married Miss Lizzie Smith of Fairfield County.

Mr. Smith is survived by two sons, Earl Smith, of Washington, D. C., and Otis Smith, of Charlotte, both of whom were at his bedside. He was a member of Zion Presbyterian church. The funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at Sion Presbyterian church, and were conducted by his pastor, the Rev. G. G. Mayes, D. D.

# S. S. SMITH FOUND DEAD

5/12/1936  
After searching quite a while themselves, several citizens from Winnsboro reported to Captain B. A. Grimball that an aged man had been missing for some time and was last seen entering the woods a few miles from Camp. Searchers had been hunting without avail and the aid of the Winnsboro Camp was asked, and Captain Grimball immediately called for volunteers and at once fifty enrollees stepped forth. The party was quickly organized and after two hours search, Mr. Smith, as shown by identification tag was located, dead and in a badly decomposed state.

# ROGER SMITH PASSES AWAY

A TRIBUTE TO THE MEMORY OF A FRIEND

The evening shadows were lengthening, marking the close of a day in June. Somewhere a mourning dove spoke to his mate. The silence was significant, speaking a language that only hearts can understand. A great concourse of people stood, with their heads bowed and their hearts saddened. Occasionally there could be heard the stifled sob of someone for whom the grief was too great. "Forasmuch as the spirit of our deceased brother hath returned unto the God who gave it, we therefore commit his body to the ground—"

The great Greek poet Homer once said: "He was a friend to man, and lived in a house by the side of the road". No greater epitaph can be written to the memory of a man. Today we know that the success of life isn't measured by length of days. The Redeemer of men died young. It is the quality and not the quantity of anything that causes men to cherish a memory. Some men stamp their lives indelibly upon the lives of others. We thank God that the good that men do lives after them.

It was the privilege of the writer to have known Rogers Smith nearly five years. A short time, you say. Yes, but long enough to discover in him that quality that makes a man. This is a quality prized among men. Quiet-spoken, unobtrusive, loyal and faithful to the high principles of right-living, he was a man among men. As a husband and parent, his love and devotion knew no bounds. No man in want ever came to him and went away with his cry unheeded. His community and his Church never made a call upon him that was not answered.

This soul winged its flight into eternity on the evening of June 25, 1936, Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, Maryland.

—A FRIEND.

# D. L. STEVENSON DIES SUNDAY

3/19/1936  
Had Been In Bad Health For Some Time—Funeral Held Monday Afternoon.

David Leonard Stevenson, aged 73, died Sunday night at his home in the Lebanon community. He was a prominent Fairfield county farmer and business man. He was born and lived his entire life in this community.

His first wife, Mrs. Anna Turner Stevenson died four years ago.

He is survived by his second wife, who was Mrs. Agnes Ward, and the following children, by his first wife: E. L. Stevenson, L. A. Stevenson, W. J. Stevenson and Mrs. Jim McClintock, of the Lebanon community, and Mrs. Annie Stevenson Castles, of Greenbriar community, this county. Thirty grandchildren also survive and one brother, R. C. Stevenson, of Lebanon.

Funeral services were conducted from Lebanon Presbyterian church at four o'clock Monday afternoon, conducted by Rev. Charles Harris.

The active pallbearers were the five grandsons and a nephew of the deceased.

The honorary pallbearers were: Daniel Hall, J. M. Harden, Sr., W. L. Holley, W. D. Douglas, J. M. Lyles, John W. Cathcart, E. P. Blair, Ernest Gladden, A. M. Owens, P. A. Matthews, S. G. Clark, M. B. Martin, James Macfie, Sr., W. J. Lemmon, T. C. Camak, S. F. Castles, W. W. Ligon, S. U. Robinson, Edd Burley, J. W. Pope, Sr., W. W. Turner, J. H. Aiken, Neely Bankhead, C. S. Ford, Alex Turner, U. G. DesPortes, John Ameen and W. R. Aiken.

(Signed.)  
LEBANON SESSION  
Hugh B. Aiken, Clerk.

# Mrs. R. C. Stevenson Dies In Columbia

11/1939  
Fairfield Woman Passes Thursday After Illness Of Few Days. Funeral Services Conducted From Lebanon Church.

Mrs. R. C. Stevenson, of the Lebanon section, died last Thursday morning at 5 o'clock in the Columbia hospital after an illness of a few days. She had been in failing health for several months.

Before her marriage in 1905 she was Eleanor Carroll LaBorde, eldest daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. C. LaBorde of Richland county. She attended school in Columbia and later taught for a number of years in schools in Richland and Fairfield counties.

She is survived by her husband, R. C. Stevenson of Winnsboro; five daughters, Mrs. Sol Brown of Barnwell, Mrs. C. T. Funderburk of Pageland, Miss Nell Stevenson and Miss Hermine Stevenson of Columbia, and Miss Peggy Stevenson of Winnsboro; five sons, Ernest Stevenson and Max Stevenson of Winnsboro, R. C. Stevenson, Jr., of Chattanooga, Tenn., D. L. Stevenson of New Rochelle, N. Y., and James Stevenson of Parr Shoals, and several grandchildren.

She is also survived by three sisters, Mrs. U. R. Brooks, Mrs. R. G. Fellers and Miss Ada C. LaBorde, all of Columbia, and three brothers, Dr. J. B. LaBorde and Pierre F. LaBorde, both of Columbia, and J. C. LaBorde of Asheville, N. C.

Funeral services were conducted Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock from Lebanon Presbyterian church near Winnsboro. Interment was in the churchyard.