

WITH HIS BOOTS OFF
(News Week)
Cincinnati, Ohio — Captured and sentenced to death as a Confederate spy in the Civil War, James Smith escaped on the eve of execution; later, at Gettysburg, he was so badly wounded that a grave-digger's detail was about to bury him in a mass funeral, but he managed to waggle his finger. On the way to base hospital, a boat capsized in the Potomac and Smith almost drowned. But the water washed his wounds clean and sped his recovery. Last week, at 101, James Smith died quietly in bed.

Esten Coker Stephenson 11/39

Esten Coker Stephenson, aged six months, died in the Baptist hospital, Columbia on Saturday morning. Funeral services were conducted from Stephen Greene Memorial Baptist church Sunday afternoon at three o'clock, by Rev. M. C. Padgett, and interment was in the Winnsboro Mills cemetery. Surviving are the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Esten P. Stephenson, the maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. K. B. Coker of Winnsboro and the paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Stephenson of Chester.

Fairfield Native Dies In Chester

Mrs. Ellen Stevenson, 82, widow of Samuel Stevenson, died late Monday night at the home of her sister, Mrs. Laura Kennedy in Chester. She had been ill three months. 3/1939

Surviving are three step-children, Mack Stevenson of Greenwood, Mrs. Caroline McKeown of Great Falls and Boyce Stevenson of Charlotte, N. C.; her sister, Mrs. Kennedy, of Chester; one brother, R. C. Stevenson of Winnsboro.

She was born in the Lebanon section of Fairfield county. Prior to marriage she was Ellen Stevenson and a member of the Presbyterian church. In the past 20 years she had made her home at Chester with her sister, moving there after the death of her husband. Aikin, J. A. McCintoc, and R. McMaster

RUSSELL SYKES KILLED BY TRAIN

Winnsboro Mills Man Meets Instant Death When Car Is Struck By 6 O'clock Special Sunday Afternoon. 1939

Russell Sykes, young man of Winnsboro Mills, was instantly killed Sunday afternoon about six o'clock when the automobile he was driving was struck by a north-bound passenger train on a railroad crossing at the south end of the Winnsboro Mills Village.

It was stated that the train dragged the automobile a distance of approximately 1,300 feet—practically the length of the new mill—before it was brought to a stop. The cow-catcher was so badly bent that it had to be removed, and the train remained here about 45 minutes. Coroner J. H. Gibson viewed the body of Mr. Sykes.

Funeral services, conducted by Rev. M. C. Padgett, were held Tuesday afternoon at the Stephen Greene Baptist Church, and interment followed in the Town cemetery.

Surviving are five brothers, Frank Sykes, of Clemson, Ga., Vance Sykes, Harold Sykes and Grady Sykes of Metter and Robert Hoy Sykes of Ridgeway.

At the inquest Wednesday morning, a coroner's jury declared "that the deceased came to his death as a result of his own carelessness."

Girl's Death Saddens People of Winnsboro

For many who knew her, the holiday, "Labor Day," was saddened by the news of the death of one of our finest young people. 1939

On September 2, Miss Thelma Sitton was seriously injured in a wreck which took the lives of three others. From the first everything that medical skill, efficient nursing and devoted care could do for her was done, but that dread disease, pneumonia, fastened itself on this young body and despite every effort put forth in her behalf, she slipped away into eternity on the morning of September 4.

To know Thelma was to love her. She was beautiful in body, but far more beautiful in spirit. The outstanding virtue of her lovely character was unselfishness. The bond of affection that existed between her and her family was unusually strong.

With apparently many years of a useful and splendid life before her, it is beyond us to understand why she should be taken in the glory of young womanhood. However we know that "He doeth all things well."

Funeral services were held September 5 in the First Baptist church of Winnsboro of which Thelma was a faithful member and Sunday school teacher. The lovely floral tributes and the many courtesies extended the family told the love people had for her.

"A FRIEND"

Final Rites for Miss Sitton 1939

Funeral services for Miss Thelma Sitton were conducted at eleven o'clock Tuesday morning at the First Baptist church of Winnsboro by the Rev. H. Floyd Surles, pastor and Dr. Oliver Johnson. Interment followed in the town cemetery. Active pallbearers were Marion Stevenson, H. F. Surles, Jr., J. J. Bolen, Jimmie Munn, C. C. Phillips and Grady Lemond. Miss Sitton was born in Blackburg in 1913 and moved to Winnsboro when a small girl. She was a graduate of Mt. Zion institute and Draughon's Business college. She is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bright Emory Sitton, and two brothers, B. E. Sitton, Jr., and Jack Sitton.

Mrs. Bessie Stall Dies in Greenville 1939

Mrs. Bessie Bacot Stall, wife of A. N. Stall and prominent matron of Greenville, died on Wednesday morning at her residence, following several months of illness. A native of Winnsboro, Mrs. Stall was of French Huguenot extraction, having been a direct descendant of the Huguenot, Bacot who came to America following the revocation of the Edict of Nantz and was a daughter of Plate Pierre and Eunice (Aiken) Bacot. She was 66 years of age.

Besides her husband she is survived by two sons: A. Newton Stall and Earl R. Stall of Greenville; by one daughter: Mrs. J. R. Gignilliat of Charleston, by one sister, Mrs. Eunice B. Caldwell of Mt. Pleasant and by six grandchildren.

She was a member of the Third Presbyterian church of Greenville and of the French Huguenot Society of America.

Funeral services conducted by the Rev. McLeod Frampton, Rev. J. H. Walker and Rev. Dr. Charles H. Nabers, were held on Thursday afternoon at four o'clock, at the Mackey mortuary in Greenville, with interment in Springwood cemetery.

H. T. Richardson Of Simpson Dies

Henry Thomas Richardson, 48, died at his home at Simpson Sunday after several years of ill health. He was a World War veteran and had served as a military police at Camp Jackson. 11/1939

Funeral services were held at 3 o'clock Monday afternoon at the graveside at the First Methodist church, Winnsboro. The Rev. J. H. Brown officiated.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Virginia Rogers Richardson; two sons, Leon and Harold Richardson; his step-mother, Mrs. Joe W. Richardson, Winnsboro.

The active pallbearers were: George Monts, Philip Beckham, L. V. Parks, Walter Beckham, D. R. Dove, E. L. Stevenson.

Mrs. Ophelia Roberts

Funeral services for Mrs. Ophelia Roberts, 54, were conducted on Thursday, November sixteenth at the graveside in Homerville cemetery. Mrs. Roberts died at her home in Homerville, Ga. after a short illness. She leaves many friends and relatives throughout South Carolina who will regret her passing. 4/1939

Mrs. Roberts is survived by her husband, Ruck Roberts; eleven children, Dewey Scott of Jacksonville, Fla., Mrs. Mae Scott Hornsby of Sylvester, Ga.; Marvin, Ora, Willifred, Amy and Henry Scott, all of Homerville; Mrs. Bonnie Morrell of Homerville, Mrs. Clara Harris of Ray City, Ga.; Hart Scott of Moultrie, Ga.; and Mrs. Josie Bell Beasley of Doerun, Ga. Mrs. Roberts was the only living sister of Mr. J. H. Fagan.

In memory of Miss Lizzie Shirley. 9/17/1939

Our community was shocked to learn Wednesday afternoon that Miss Lizzie Shirley, 78, the last member of this prominent family, had passed away at the home of her nephew, Robert Shirley, in the Halsellville section of Chester county.

Miss Shirley was a resident of the Avon section of Fairfield county, prior to moving to Chester county.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday morning at 11 o'clock at Bethlehem Methodist church with the burial in the church cemetery with the Rev. George W. Burke, pastor, officiating.

In the passing of this good woman, this entire community has lost a friend. A companion, friend and helper has she been in many homes.

Miss Shirley was humble in spirit and to some of her friends too self depreciative. Truly she left it to others to appreciate and praise her worth. The large and sympathetic audience that gathered on Thursday at Bethlehem church to pay respect to her memory testified to the esteem in which she was held.

She will be sorely missed!
A FRIEND

JAMES SMART DIES WEDNESDAY

Eight-Year-Old Winnsboro Boy Passes At Hospital After 10-Day Illness. 2/1939

James Worth Smart, aged 8 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Smart, died at the Buchanan Hospital Wednesday morning at 2:30 o'clock. He had been a patient at the hospital for ten days. He is survived by his parents, three brothers and one sister, Lewis, Sherman, Roy, Jr., and Rachel Smart, all of Winnsboro. Funeral services will be conducted at Clover Baptist Church, Clover, S. C., at 11:30 Thursday. Interment will follow in Woodside cemetery.

T. G. PATRICK DIES AT HOME 11/1939

One of Fairfield's Most Prominent Citizens Passes Wednesday At White Oak After Long Illness. He Was In His 89th Year.

Thomas Gilfillen Patrick, 88, one of the most outstanding businessmen and citizens of Fairfield county, died Wednesday night at 6 o'clock at his home at White Oak after several years illness.

He was born in the Bullock's Creek community of York county, September 19, 1851, a son of the late John R. Patrick and Sarah Hayes Patrick, prominent families. After taking a course in a business college in Atlanta, he clerked in Blackstock for a while for Thomas Mitchell. He moved to White Oak in 1874 and built up a large mercantile business. He was also a big landowner and extensive planter. Mr. Patrick early adopted the most modern methods of farming and was widely known in agricultural circles.

He was married to Miss Sara Jane Henry of Chester, who died in 1905. From this marriage the following children survive: Kilgough Henry Patrick and Matthew White Patrick, both of White Oak, Mrs. R. C. Grier of Due West, Mrs. John T. Moore of Orrville, Ala., Mrs. David R. Kennedy of Sarasota, Fla., 17 grandchildren and a great grandchild, and a sister, Mrs. John A. Smith of Huntersville, N. C.

Mr. Patrick was a charter member of the White Oak A. R. P. church. He was a ruling elder and was superintendent of the Sunday school. He was a liberal contributor to the A. R. P. church and its institutions and recently, he gave a handsome brick home to Erskine college to be used for the president's home.

He had been a director of the People's National bank of Chester

Mrs. Stevenson

Dies In Fairfield 1939

Mrs. Sadie Mae Dickerson Stevenson, 42, wife of David Lawrence Stevenson, died Saturday night, at her home near Cool Branch in Fairfield County following an illness of about two years.

She is survived by her husband, David Lawrence Stevenson, and six sons and three daughters, Lucius David Stevenson, James Hughey Stevenson, John William Stevenson, Miss Eloise Stevenson, Marion Stevenson, Miss Virginia Mae Stevenson, Ernest Stevenson, Mable Stevenson, Roy William Stevenson; one grandson, Lucius David Stevenson, Jr., all of the Cool Branch community, and the following sisters and brothers, David Dickerson of Rock Hill, Wood Dickerson of Charlotte, Raleigh Dickerson of Tabor, N. C.; Harold Dickerson of Charlotte, Robert Dickerson of Leeds. Paul Dickerson of Leeds, Mrs. Eloise Davis of Athens, Ga., and Claude Dickerson of Cool Branch community and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Dickerson of the Cool Branch community.

Mrs. Stevenson was a native of the Cool Branch community. She was a member of the Cool Branch Baptist church.

Funeral services were conducted at 11 o'clock Monday morning at Cool Branch Baptist church with burial in the church cemetery. The Rev. G. W. Gurley, pastor, officiated.

Active pallbearers were Horace Dickerson, D. M. Dickerson, Jr., James Crowder Dickerson, Wallace Boulware, Charlie Stevenson, Jr., George W. Stevenson, Jr.



for more than 30 years.

Funeral services were conducted at 11 o'clock Friday morning at the Associate Reformed Presbyterian church at White Oak with Dr. Oliver Johnson of Winnsboro, A. R. P. church officiating, with interment in the church cemetery at White Oak. Assisting in the services were Rev. W. A. Kennedy of Blackstock, Dr. Joseph Grier Chester, and Mr. Tom McDill of Erskine college.

Pallbearers were nephews of the deceased: W. B. Michael, Herbert Paul and Robert Patrick, and Hannah Wylie.

Mr. Patrick had two other children, Mrs. J. M. Matthews of Charlotte, and Dr. R. Bruce Patrick of Waycross, Ga., both having died a number of years ago.

Final Rites Held 4/1939

For Miss Mary Paul

Funeral services for Miss Mary Paul, 51, of Fairfield county who died Friday afternoon at the Providence hospital after an illness of a few days, were conducted Sunday afternoon from the Fairfield Baptist church near Winnsboro by the Rev. Arthur Martin, pastor. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Miss Paul was born and lived her life in the Hickory Ridge community of Fairfield county. She was the daughter of John F. Paul and Tweedle Timms Paul.

Surviving are a sister, Miss Mattie Paul; four brothers, J. Y. Paul, John C. Paul, Archie M. Paul and Riley M. Paul, all of Fairfield county.

Pallbearers were Andrew Timms, Billy Timms, Chalmers Timms, Leighton Timms, Jess Timms and George Park.

Mrs. Mamie Peak

Dies At Home

Mrs. Mamie Peak, 61, died at her home Sunday at noon after an illness of two months. She had made her home in the Ridgeway community for three years and was a member of Bloomingdale Baptist church. 11/1939

Funeral services were held in Pinegrove Baptist church Monday at 11 a. m., the Rev. Boyce Davis and the Rev. Mr. Marlow officiating. Interment was in the churchyard.

Surviving are three sons, J. L. Peak of Columbia, S. C.; Colie Peak of Newberry; W. M. Peak of Lugoff. Seven daughters, Mrs. Marie Perry, Mrs. Clara Wilson and Miss Inez and Miss Nellie Peak of Ridgeway; Mrs. C. W. Kelly, Blaney; Mrs. Pauline Alton, Lugoff; Mrs. Mamie Ray Camden; two brothers, Jerry Branham, Lugoff; English Branham.