

### Clarke W. McCants Prominent Lawyer Dies in Columbia

Clarke Wardlaw McCants, native of Winnsboro, and a prominent attorney of Columbia, died Saturday at his residence at 205 Wateree Avenue, Columbia. Mr. McCants suffered a severe illness a few years ago which kept him from his office for several months, but since that time, except for the past few weeks, he had worked regularly.

The son of the late James Glenn McCants and Nannie Wardlaw McCants, he was born Oct. 20, 1885, in Winnsboro. He was graduated from Mt. Zion Institute, and from the University of South Carolina in 1904, studied law in his father's office, was admitted to the bar in 1907, and went to Columbia to continue the practice of law in 1917.

Mr. McCants was at one time a member of the general assembly and served on the judiciary committee of the house of representatives. At the time of his death he headed the law firm of McCants & McCants, and was an elder and devoted member of Columbia's First Presbyterian church.

He is survived by his widow, the former Ethel Watson of Danville, Va., to whom he was married in 1919; one son, Clarke Wardlaw McCants, Jr., of Columbia; two daughters, Mrs. Katherine McCants DuBose of Charleston and Columbia, and Miss Ethel Wardlaw McCants of Florence; three brothers, Dr. C. S. McCants, Donnom W. McCants and L. A. Wardlaw McCants, all of Winnsboro; one sister, Miss Marie McCants, Winnsboro.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon from the First Presbyterian church of Columbia and interment was in Greenlawn Memorial Park.

### John McMeekin, Jenkinsville, Dies

John C. McMeekin, Sr., of Jenkinsville, died at a Spartanburg hospital Friday night after a long illness.

He was born June 12, 1869, the husband of the late Bessie Glenn McMeekin.

Survivors include five sons, D. G., J. C., Jr., and A. L. McMeekin, all of Jenkinsville, W. T. McMeekin of Varnville and J. G. McMeekin of Spartanburg; three daughters, Mrs. E. J. Poole of Enoree, Miss Margie McMeekin of Mullins and Mrs. R. E. Dale of Lafayette, Calif.; two sisters, Mrs. D. L. Glenn of Jenkinsville and Mrs. John Ragsdale of Greenville, and four grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon from the old Glenn residence in Jenkinsville by the Rev. Mr. Hook and the Rev. J. P. Isenhower.

The following nephews served as active pallbearers: Claude Ragsdale, William Glenn Ragsdale, W. T. Glenn, Arthur Glenn, Bob McMeekin, David Jeter and John M. Glenn, Jr.

### Mrs. Edith R. MacNally

Funeral services for Mrs. Edith Rabb MacNally were held at the Old Brick (Associate Reformed Presbyterian) Church cemetery in western Fairfield County at 11 o'clock Friday morning at the graveside in the family plot conducted by the Rev. Ollin J. Owens of Winnsboro.

Mrs. MacNally was the youngest daughter of the late W. C. and Mrs. Mary Holley Rabb, a native of Fairfield county, and had lived in Winnsboro for a number of years. At the time of her death of a heart attack Tuesday evening, she was a supervisor in a Richmond hospital.

Survivors include one sister, Mrs. Frank M. Gadsden of Winnsboro, and a number of nieces and nephews.

### Nelson Infant Dies Near Ridgeway

Carl Vernon Nelson, four-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Grover Nelson of near Ridgeway, died last Thursday afternoon (Dec. 21) at the home. Survivors include a brother, Lavon Nelson; three sisters, Claudia Mae, Sandra and Eva Alberta Nelson; the paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Nelson, and the maternal grandmother, Mrs. Belle Milwood.

Graveside services were conducted Friday morning by the Rev. Mr. Atkinson at Aimwell cemetery.

### Mrs. J. W. O'Neal Dies in Rock Hill

Mrs. Helen Ruff O'Neal, wife of John W. O'Neal of Rock Hill, died Thursday, November 2, at her home after a long illness.

Funeral services were conducted Friday afternoon from the First Presbyterian church in Rock Hill by the pastor, the Rev. H. Dockery Brown, assisted by a former pastor, the Rev. Dr. F. W. Gregg. Interment followed in Laurelwood cemetery.

Mrs. O'Neal was a native of Ridgeway, where she was born October 14, 1872, and was a daughter of the late A. Fletcher and Mrs. Margaret Elliott Ruff. As a young girl, she moved to Rock Hill where she lived the remainder of her life.

She was educated at Salem Academy in Winston-Salem, N. C., and was an active member of the First Presbyterian church.

Besides her husband, Mrs. O'Neal is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Arthur Humphries of Columbia, and Mrs. King C. Tolles and Mrs. W. M. Mauldin, Jr., of Rock Hill; a son, John W. O'Neal, Jr., of Rock Hill; ten grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. John R. Shurley of Rock Hill; two brothers, Harry E. Ruff of Rock Hill, and A. Fletcher Ruff of Columbia.

Mrs. O'Neal had a wide connection of friends and relatives in Winnsboro who mourn her death.

### DIXIE L. POWELL

Dixie L. Powell, 67, of 2014 Assembly street, Columbia, died Sunday morning at the State Park sanatorium following many years of illness.

The son of the late Thomas Lewis Powell and Margaret Barker Powell, he was born in the Greenbrier section of Fairfield county. He had spent most of his life in Columbia where he was associated with the Columbia Stone company.

He was a member of St. Timothy's Episcopal church, a veteran of the Spanish American war and a member of Winnsboro Masonic Lodge No. 11.

Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Lila Brockington Powell, two daughters, one son, one sister, eight grandchildren and a number of nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon from St. Timothy's and interment was in the Episcopal cemetery in Winnsboro.

### Burrell Raines Dies at Home in Ridgeway Oct. 13

Burrell Raines, 53, lifelong resident of the Ridgeway community, died at his home there Friday, Oct. 13, at one a.m. He was a member of Sandy Level Baptist Church at Blythewood.

He is survived by three sisters, Mrs. P. H. Rimer of Blythewood, Mrs. Baron Watkins and Miss Annie Raines, both of Ridgeway; one brother H. W. Raines of Rock Hill, and a number of nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon, Oct. 15, from the graveside at Aimwell cemetery. The pallbearers were the following four nephews and cousins: James A. and Boyd Raines of Rock Hill, Julian Nix of Columbia, Blythewood. Services were conducted by the Rev. Mark Osborne.

### Mrs. Roberts Dies December 29th in Columbia Hospital

Mrs. Lugenia Gladney Roberts, who served for many years as The News and Herald's correspondent for the Salem community, died December 29 in the Columbia Hospital after a lengthy illness due to a broken hip.

The body was taken to her home in the Salem Cross Roads section, and funeral services were held Saturday, the 30th from the Salem Presbyterian Church at 3:30 P.M. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Roberts, the daughter of Carrie Aiken and Bunyan Gladney, was born and reared in Fairfield county. She was a member of the Salem Church and was active in its affairs and that of her community.

She was preceded in death by her husband, the late Preston Roberts, with whom she was going was difficult.

Every success that came to her was considered to be a stewardship from God, and many Christian enterprises, both in the home and foreign fields, felt the blessing of her hand.

Her greatest interest was her church life. She faithfully served the Salem Presbyterian church in various phases of its work. This ministry of service was ever rendered in the Christ-like spirit of combined dignity and gentleness which drew people to her and through her to the Lord whom she loved.

To those who knew and loved this Christian woman and servant of God, these words of Paul seem especially applicable to her life: "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith. . . Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness." II Timothy, 4: 7, 8.

To those of us to whom she hath bequeathed so great a heritage of Christian faith, there remains this challenge to carry on in the work of the Kingdom, that we, too, may be used to bear some fruit to God's glory.

Isabel Aiken Boulware —(A cousin) January 15, 1951.

### Mrs. Isabelle Ruff Passes in Columbia

Mrs. Isabelle Swygert Ruff, 87, the widow of Thomas Woodward Ruff, a prominent Fairfield county planter, died Christmas Day in Columbia after a long illness. She was a member of the Methodist church and had lived in Columbia for the past 20 years.

Mrs. Ruff is survived by a son, Thomas W. Ruff of Winnsboro; a daughter, Mrs. Clement H. Reynolds of Pautucket Island, Mass., and four grandchildren, Mrs. S. D. Cathcart, William Estes, Jr., and Thomas Ruff, Jr., all of Winnsboro, and Mrs. Edward C. MacDonald of New York City.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday by the Rev. Charles E. Edwards, pastor of the Centennial Associate Reformed Presbyterian church of Columbia, at the Greenbrier Methodist cemetery. Active pallbearers were Dr. James L. Bryson, J. Roy Robinson, D. A. Crawford, Dr. John C. Buchanan, R. H. Jennings and Ernest Blair.

### Ralph L. Sanborn Dies in Gastonia

Ralph Lyford Sanborn, 56, purchasing agent for Firestone mills in Gastonia, N. C., since 1935, died there Monday afternoon following a heart attack. Funeral services were held Wednesday.

Long prominent in the affairs of the North Carolina city, Mr. Sanborn was a native of Anderson, S. C., and a brother of Frank M. Sanborn (the husband of the former Ethel Buchanan), formerly of Winnsboro, now of Danville, Va.

### WILLIAM HUGH SIMPSON

William Hugh Simpson, 66, father of Mrs. K. R. McMaster, Jr., of Winnsboro, died at the Blalock clinic in Clinton Monday at noon where he had been critically ill for several days. He was a merchant and one of Clinton's most beloved citizens.

A veteran of World War I, Mr. Simpson was Master of the Clinton Masonic Lodge for five years, a charter member and past president of the Kiwanis club, a past president of the chamber of commerce, a one-time mayor of the city, a member of the board of stewards of the Methodist church for 35 years, during which he served as chairman and church treasurer.

He was the son of the late James Lewis and Martha Wright Simpson and in 1919 he was married to Miss Leila Edwards of Union.

Besides his widow he is survived by one daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. K. R. McMaster, Jr., of Winnsboro; one granddaughter, Ellen Simpson McMaster; one grandson, Kitt Rion McMaster, III; three brothers, one sister and a number of nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday afternoon from Broad Street Methodist church, Clinton, and interment was in Rosemont cemetery.

### CHARLES LEWIS SUMMER

Charles Lewis Summer, 41, died Sunday at his home near Winnsboro following a series of severe heart attacks. He was first stricken the preceding Monday.

Born in West Columbia, Mr. Summer has worked for 20 years with the United State Rubber company at Winnsboro Mills. He served with the Coast Artillery during World War II and was stationed in California. For the past several years, he had been connected with the Union Bus terminal in Winnsboro.

Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Ruby Brazewell Summer; one daughter by a former marriage, Miss Bobbie Lou Summer, and another daughter, Miss Barbara Jane Summer; one son, Lewis Derrand Summer; one half-sister, Mrs. Dora Bell of Winnsboro; two sisters, Mrs. Nadene McLendon of Winnsboro and Mrs. J. T. Craft of Orangeburg; and two brothers, A. R. Summer of Chester and Robert O. Summer of Inman.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday afternoon from the Pilgrim Holiness Baptist church by the Rev. J. H. Ellenburg. Interment was in the Winnsboro Mills village cemetery.

### C. O. Starnes Dies Sunday at Winnsboro Mills

Charles O. Starnes, 34, of Winnsboro, died at his home at 8:20 Sunday morning after an illness of two months.

He was born in Cherokee county but had made his home in Winnsboro for the past 15 years, where he was a mechanic at the Winnsboro Mills.

Mr. Starnes was a member of Gordon Memorial Methodist church.

Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Cymbeline Kelly Starnes; one son, Harold Starnes; a daughter, Brenda Starnes; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cletus R. Starnes of Kings Creek; two sisters, Mrs. R. J. Humphries of Winnsboro and Mrs. Elizabeth Branham of Columbia; and a brother, C. N. Starnes, of Spartanburg.

Funeral services were held on Monday afternoon from Pine Grove Baptist Church near Lugoff. Interment followed in the church yard.