

DEATH OF JAMES WILLIAM BISHOP

1925

J. W. Bishop, formerly of Clarence died at St. Marys Hospital at Kansas City, July 23, after a short illness. The body was brought to Clarence Saturday night. Funeral services were held Sunday at the Hopper Funeral Parlor and were conducted by Rev. J. Morgan Harris. Interment was made in the Maplewood Cemetery.

James William Bishop was born near Clarence, October 24, 1878 and died in Kansas City, Missouri July 23, 1925 aged 46 years, 7 months and 29 days. On June 15, 1904 he was united in marriage to Emma Hopper of Clarence, Mo. Besides this devoted wife he leaves a half brother, Shelby Bishop of Holliday, Mo., and a large number of sorrowing friends and relatives.

CHARLES CRAIG FALLS DEAD FROM HORSE

1926

Charles N. Craig, a well known farmer of west of Clarence, fell dead a short time after noon Monday as he was riding horse back with his son, Melvin, to a pasture near his home, one mile north of Anabel, after some cattle.

Charles Napoleon Craig was born near Woodlawn, Dec. 10, 1866, and died Jan. 11, 1926. He resided near Woodlawn until about 20 years ago when he moved to the vicinity of Clarence.

On Jan. 5, 1890 he was united in marriage to Miss Sallie Kasney and to this union three children were born, Archie Pearl, George Melvin and Mertie Marie, all of this community. All were present at the funeral service.

He united with the Christian church at Clarence June 17, 1918, during the revival held by Rev. C. E. Nichols and the Evangelist Harris.

Besides the sorrowing wife and three children he is survived by one brother, Lee Craig, of Moberly, and three sisters, Mrs. Laura Bishop of Paris, Mrs. W. J. Rigby and Mrs. Rose Richards of Kansas City, two grand children and many friends.

Funeral services were held this afternoon at the Christian church at 2 o'clock conducted by Rev. J. M. Harris.

Obituary 1928

James Edward Hubble, son of John and Harriet Hubble, was born April 9th, 1880 and died April 15th, 1928, aged 48 years, six days. He was married to Mary B. Overstreet Feb. 14, 1901. To this union was born two children, one a boy dying in infancy and Rollie Hubble surviving. His wife died in 1911. On Feb. 27, 1913, he was married to Pearl Pollard. To this union was born three children, two of which are living. They are Raymond, who is attending school at Clarence and Victor at home. The deceased is survived by his wife and three sons.

Mr. Hubble also leaves two brothers, I. T. Hubble of Clarence and W. F. Hubble of north west of town, four sisters, Mrs. Eva Palmer, of Clarence, Mrs. Ella Axt, of near Redman, Mrs. Lettie Keel and Mrs. Bertha Huett, also of the Redman neighborhood.

He united with the Ten Mile Baptist church when a young man and was a consistent Christian to the last.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Smith of La Grange, former pastor of that church.

OBITUARY

1926

Abner H. Clark, son of Benjamin and Mary H. Clark, was born on a farm near Somerton, Belmont Co., Ohio, October 14, 1840, where he grew to manhood, except about two years he with his parents lived in Washington County, Ohio.

On January 5, 1860 he was married to Miss Hanah J. Brown of Belmont County, Ohio. To this union six children were born, W. F. and Mrs. I. M. Minick, of Clarence, Mo., Mrs. Annie Threlkeld, of Shelbina, S. W. and Fred B., of Tulsa, Okla., Miss Mattie J., at home.

On April 6, 1876, he with his family left Ohio and came to Missouri, locating on a farm five miles southeast of Clarence, where he engaged in farming until March, 1889, when he left the farm and engaged in the harness business in Clarence, where he continued for thirty-five years and ten months. Being unable to attend to his business any longer, owing to failing health, he sold his business to his son, W. F. Clark.

On July 8, 1881 his companion passed away and on October 27, 1887 he was again married to Mrs. Sallie Mathews. To this union one daughter was born, Mrs. Edna Palmer, of Clarence.

On August 20, 1925, he with his wife and daughter, Miss Mattie, went to Tulsa, Okla. to spend a few weeks, but after being there a few months, his health failed and he was not able to return home. And on October 25, 1926, he passed away peacefully at the home of his son, Fred, without a struggle. All during his sickness he made no complaint, every thing was all right. He leaves to mourn their loss, besides his companion, seven children, fourteen grandchildren, one great grand child and one brother, I. B. Clark, of Tulsa, Okla.

When a young man he was converted and joined the Methodist Episcopal church, and has ever loved the church to which he belonged. Thus has passed from our midst, to his eternal reward, a devoted husband, a loving father, a kind neighbor and noble citizen. But he still lives in the memory of those who knew him.

Funeral services were held at the home Thursday afternoon at 2:30 conducted by Rev. J. A. Sneed, assisted by Rev. L. C. Maggart. Interment in Maplewood cemetery.

DEATH OF MISS SUSIE WENSEL

1927

Again the death angel has been in our midst and taken a loved one.

Miss Susie Wensel was born in Armstrong county, Pa., March 25th, 1853, and departed this life at the home of G. S. Purdy Feb. 28, 1927. Her age at death 73 years, 11 months and three days.

She with her family moved from Pennsylvania to a farm near Clarence, Mo., when about 14 years old, and spent most of her life there. A few years ago she with her brother, J. A. Wensel, moved near Nickellton. Two weeks ago they were moving back to Shelby county. She stopped at the G. S. Purdy home to rest and was never able to leave there. She has been in failing health for several years, but her last illness was short. Her father, mother, one brother and one sister preceded her in death several years ago. She leaves one brother, J. A. Wensel, and a nephew, Charles Wensel, who she reared from a child, two other nephews and one niece and a host of friends. For to know her was to love her. She united with the Presbyterian church when quite young and lived a devoted christian life, always thinking of others rather than herself, this even in her last illness.

The funeral was held in the Hopper funeral parlor Tuesday, March 1st, conducted by Rev. S. Knupp, after which she was laid to rest in Maplewood cemetery.

Old Clarence Citizen Dies

Roswell C. Bright, Well-Known
Thruout This Entire Com-
munity, Passed Away
Thursday. 1929

Roswell C. Bright, one of the well-known citizens of this part of the county, died at his home in Clarence, Thursday, Dec. 5th, after several years of failing health.

Mr. Bright, son of Abram and Margaret Bright, was born in Lewisburg, W. Va., Sept. 16th, 1852, making his age 77 years at the time of his death. On Sept. 2nd, 1875 he was married to Laura Ann Givens, who preceded him in death. Dec. 12, 1912, he married Miss Letitia Livesay, of Frankford, W. Va., who survives him.

In the spring of 1881, Mr. Bright moved to a farm south of Clarence and six years later he moved to Clarence where he made his home until his death. During the many years he made his home here, he made friends with practically every person in the Clarence community and, while many of his friends have passed on, hundreds of the younger generations still remember him when he was a familiar figure on the streets of Clarence before his illness had confined him to his home.

Beside the wife, six children survive, Mrs. Nelle Duss, Mrs. Chas. Insley, Miss Dorothy Bright, of Los Angeles, Calif., John Bright of Carthage, Mo., Jack Bright of New Orleans, La., and Mrs. J. L. McCoy, of Clarence. He also leaves four grandsons and two granddaughters.

A funeral service was held at the residence, Saturday morning at 10:00 o'clock conducted by Rev. R. A. Mitchell. Burial was in Maplewood cemetery.

Aged Resident Dies Monday

S. M. Brewington, 90 Years Old,
Had Spent Entire Life
Near Clarence 1929

S. M. Brewington, 90 years old, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Mary Gray, near Hagers Grove, Monday, January 21st. He has been in failing health for the past two years and old age was primarily the cause of his death.

Sampson Melson Brewington was born in May, 1838 near the farm where he passed away. His father, Henry Brewington, was one of the first settlers in Clay township and the subject of this sketch was born soon after Shelby was organized as a county. He has lived on the same farm since the close of the Civil War. He married Sarah Elizabeth Webb, of an old Maryland family, and they followed farming as their life work. Mrs. Brewington died about 15 years ago. Of their children, Dr. G. F. Brewington lives in Michigan. He and his daughter returned to attend the funeral. Mrs. Mary Gray lives in the old home neighborhood; W. B. Brewington is rural carrier on route 5 out of Clarence and one daughter died in 1903. Mr. Brewington also leaves one brother, George B. Brewington, of California.

He was a member of the Methodist church. The funeral services will be held Thursday morning at 10:30 at the home and will be conducted by Rev. Sneed. Burial will be in the Pat-tor cemetery near Hagers Grove.

Obituary

Once again the "Grim Reaper" has invaded our midst, and our esteemed friend and brother, Giles Fletcher West has been called upon to answer the summons.

The aforesaid was born in Pletcher, Chenango County, New York, December 21, 1841. He grew to manhood in the locality of his birth and lived there until 1869 when he came West and located in the western part of Shelby County, Mo. On March 2, of the same year he was married to Miss Virginia Doyle, of Clarence, Mo., whom he had formerly known in New York state and who a short time before had, with her parents, preceded him to the State of Missouri.

To this union were born three children, a follows:—Levi Earl, now of Long Beach, California; Arthur Eugene, who passed away when but four years of age; and Mrs. Grace Elizabeth Minnick, of Shelbina, Mo.

Brother West spent most of his Nothing delighted him more than to discuss with some one any portion of the work of God, and his mental grasp of the spiritual truths of God's word was something remarkable. Only the afternoon before his death he engaged with interest in a discussion of the Sunday School lesson with a couple of brethren who were visiting him.

Bro. West had been in feeble health during the winter, having two attacks of bronchial trouble, from the first of which he rallied and it was thought he would survive the winter months. But with the second attack, while he seemed to improve for a time, yet on Friday night about eleven o'clock, there was a decided change for the worse and on Saturday night at 8 o'clock, February 2, 1924, at the advanced age of 82 years, 2 months and 11 days, he closed his eyes to all things mortal, and his spirit passed on to be with his God. He leaves life on the farm, residing a short distance northeast of Clarence. But 17 years ago, with his advancing age, he decided to move to Clarence, which he did, where he has since resided.

He professed religion and joined the Methodist church when but 10 years of age, and during the remaining 72 years of his life, he has been a consecrated, devoted christian. But few people can lay claim to as many years spent in the service of their Master. But such was the experience of Bro. West. He began teaching in the Sunday School when but 18 years of age, and thereafter was connected with Sunday School work, either as officer or teacher, during his long and useful life. He was teacher of the Older Men's Bible Class in the Methodist Sunday School at the time of his death, and was present and taught the class next to the last Sunday preceding his passing away.

He was a great student of the Bible and his knowledge of the Holy Scriptures was exceptional. To mourn his passing his loving and devoted wife, who so faithfully ministered to him during the 55 years of their married life, the children above mentioned with four grandchildren, besides other relatives and a host of friends.

Truly it may be said that a good and great man has gone from us. He lived well his day. Faithful to his God and his church, his contribution to the success of the kingdom of our Lord in this world can scarcely be estimated. But now that his labors are ended, we can say of him with the poet:

"Servant of God, well done;
Rest from thy loved employ;
The battle fought, the victory won,
Enter thy Master's joy."

Funeral services were held from the Methodist church on Tuesday afternoon at 2:30, conducted by the pastor, Rev. W. N. Giddens, assisted by Rev. Knupp and Rev. Howard, both of whom were life long friends of Bro. West. The remains were laid to rest in the Maplewood Cemetery.

Will Move to Co. Mo.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Nausch