

## DEATH NEAR ANABEL

B. F. Reed died at his home near Anabel Thursday, January 7. He was the son of Burrus A. Reed and Matilda Thomas Reed and was born July 27th 1849 near Indianapolis, Indiana. He was about 77 years of age at the time of his death.

He was the youngest and last surviving member of a family of eleven children, having six brothers and four sisters. When Mr. Reed was but one year of age his parents moved to Warren county, Illinois, where he made his home until about 20 years ago when he removed to his present home near Anabel. March 18, 1873, he was united in marriage to Sophia Ellen Bond at Monmouth, Ill., and to this union five children were born. Two died in infancy and the three remaining are: Mrs. Maude Miller of south of Macon; Ed F. Reed of Little York, Ill.; and Jas. W. Reed, who lives at home. Besides the children, one grandson and a host of relatives and friends mourn the passing of one so near and so dear to them.

When a young man Mr. Reed united with the M. E. Church, of which church he was still a member at the time of his death. During the many years of his life he has lived as a consistent follower of the Master should. As a citizen of the county, none stood in higher regard. His life may well be emulated by those who take his place in life's affairs.

The funeral was conducted by Rev. S. Knupp Saturday at 11 o'clock at the home. Burial was at the Bethlehem cemetery.

### Death of S. H. Gerard.

Stiles H. Gerard passed away at 11:30 o'clock Saturday morning, June 5, 1920, after several weeks illness of heart disease. He was born in 1842 at Ross County, Ohio and came to Illinois in 1868. Mr. Gerard served through the civil war.

He was married to Mrs. Elvira Howard on July 4, 1868. A year later they moved to Monroe County and lived there and in Macon County until seven years ago, when they came to Clarence. Six children were born to this union, Mrs. W. T. Wheat, of Marmouth, N. Dakota, Henry Gerard, of Deer Lodge, Montana, H. C. Gerard, of Lennon, S. Dakota, Mary and Howard died several years ago and Mrs. Anna Callison, of Kiowa, Kansas died last winter.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday afternoon at 1 p. m. at the residence. Interment Bethlehem cemetery.

### OBITUARY

Harry Crossman Williams was born in Van Orin, Ill., October 6, 1878, and departed this life May 31, 1925, being 46 years, 7 months and 25 days old. He was the eldest child of William and Sarah Williams. His early life was spent on a farm near Van Orin. Because of illness he was forced to come West. Later settling in Clarence, Mo. Here he was united in marriage with Elma Boyd. To this union one child was born, Elma Marie; the mother dying at this time. Since 1908 he has been in the live stock business in Kansas City.

June 26, 1918, he was united in marriage with Mrs. Francis Megee of Clarence, Mo. He has been affil-

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Arabella J. Cunningham was born in Mercer County, Kentucky, August 5, 1843.

She was married to James E. Burrus July 22, 1862. They moved to Missouri about 1868.

To this union five children were born: Mary E., who died in infancy; Waller H., who died while only 13 years of age. The other three still survive and are as follows:—Mrs. Sue B. Lostutter, of Kansas City, Mo.; Mrs. Lutie Cooper, of Clarence and Mrs. Annie E. Starke, of Hannibal.

Three grandsons also survive—Roy Lostutter, of Venice, California Earl Starke, of Hannibal and Edmond Starke, of Mt. Sterling, Ill. Five great grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Sam Oglesby of Clarence; Mrs. Emma Taylor, of Montana; two brothers, Lon and Hamilton Cunningham, both of Kentucky; a number of nephews and nieces also survive to mourn their loss.

Arabella J. Burrus was married to Rufus Farrell March 30, 1876, who preceded her in death almost 24 years ago.

Mrs. Farrell has made her home at Clarence for more than forty years. She has been a loyal and faithful member of the Christian church since childhood.

On Sunday morning, Feb. 17 at eight o'clock she answered the divine summons. As the church bells sounded the call to worship that morning the spirit had ascended the great white throne to worship with the Master and to hear the great angelic chorus burst forth in the universal refrain, "Glory to God in the Highest and on earth peace and good will toward men." Blessed be the name of the Lord.

Mrs. Farrell died in Hannibal at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Starke. Her death was the result of paralysis. She had been in good health and had no warning of approaching danger. Her grandson, Earl Starke, who lives with his mother, is pastor of the South Side Christian church in Hannibal. Sister Farrell had for many years made her home with her daughter, Mrs. Tom Cooper. The body was brought here Monday and taken to the Cooper home.

The funeral service was conducted by Rev. J. M. Harris, pastor of the Christian church, Tuesday afternoon, at the Christian church. Rev. C. E. Nichols assisted in the service. The burial was made in Maplewood Cemetery.

Sister Farrell was the last surviving charter member of the Clarence Christian church. She has always been a faithful member, and will be greatly missed from its fellowship and activities. The family and relatives have the deep sympathy of the church, and the people of the community.

iated with the Methodist church for twenty years. Seven years a member of the Linwood Boulevard Methodist church. He also was a member of the Masonic Lodge since early manhood.

Besides many friends, he leaves to mourn his death, his wife, one daughter, Elma; step-daughter, Mildred; three brothers, Charles Williams of Princeton, Ill.; Mark and Glen Williams of Van Orin, Ill. His mother preceding him in death two months his father 14 years.

He was a noble friend, a loving affectionate and indulgent father and husband. We shall miss his bright genial countenance and the inspiration and sunshine of his life.

The remains were brought to Clarence Tuesday night and funeral services were conducted this afternoon (Wed) at the Methodist church by Rev. Grant A. Robbins, of Louis. The A. F. & A. M. were in

### "Asleep in Jesus"

Grade Matilda Strachan was born in Shelby county, Missouri, June 23, 1884, died February 10, 1908, age 23 years, 7 months and 17 days.

She was united in marriage to Benjamin F. Morris February 8, 1905. She was an affectionate wife, a dutiful daughter and a pious christian and was a devoted member of the M. E. Church. She leaves to mourn her loss a weeping husband, an aged mother, one sister, four brothers and a host of friends. Another bright star has disappeared from our earthly vision to beam with dazzling splendor in the land of eternal day. Although a constant sufferer in the last days of her life, she never murmured for she said she was prepared to meet her Savior. She felt that she was going to Jesus, as He was with her then. Those dying remarks, accompanied as they were by a smile of happiness, told plainly that the Savior was waiting to cord her safely across the stormy Jordan of death into the sweet land of eternal rest. To those who stood around her dying bed many of whom had been her associates in days when she enjoyed health, witnessed a sad scene, the young wife, the daughter, the sister and neighbor, was about to make her exit from this world of sorrow to a world of supreme happiness. No doubt but what she heard sweet music—sweet music, not of this world, but of heaven; and no doubt but that she was happy, supremely happy. To those of her friends who witnessed her death, let us admonish you, one and all, "Be ye also ready" when the summons come, and so live at the parting hour you can say, "I am happy."

The funeral service was conducted by Rev. Kimbrell at Bethel in the presence of a large congregation. The loved wife, daughter, sister and friend was consigned to the tomb and with tearful eyes, we thought of the happy family of only a short time ago, and now we look and see the husband with bleeding heart, all his hopes crushed right in the prime of life.

O cruel grave, we cannot see any merciful providence in this—but from the grave we think I heard a spirit voice saying, go dry your tears, I will meet you again when Christ comes.

The sleeping saints blessed they be,  
Their earthly labor done,  
Their souls to all eternity,  
Their works do follow them,  
Weep not for her who dieth,  
For she sleeps and is at rest,  
And the couch whereon she lieth,  
Is the green earth's quiet breast.

### KILLED SUDDENLY

Fred Cook, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Cook, of Macon county, was killed while working on a water line near Chicago, Ill. While at work in a five foot ditch the dirt suddenly caved in and when the men that were working with him succeeded in removing the dirt he was dead.

Fred was born near Atlanta in Macon county, Oct. 16, 1894, departed this life Oct. 24, 1928 at the age of 34 years and 8 days.

He was united in marriage to Miss Dessie Farris, of near Atlanta Nov. 24, 1917. To this union one son was born, Holland Farris Cook. This wife was called to the great beyond Nov. 22, 1920.

He was again united in marriage to Mrs. Della Reaser Long May 1, 1922. To this union two sons, Billy Walt and Bobby Wayne, were born. He leaves to mourn his departure his wife, three sons, father, mother, one sister, Mrs. Jess Epperson, one brother, Elbert, and two step-daughters, Josephine and Geneva Long. His funeral was conducted at Hopewell Baptist church, west of Atlanta, Sunday, Oct. 28, and his body laid to rest in the cemetery near the church.

## Milby Randall Timmons

### Passed Away June 2

Milby Randall Timmons, the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Timmons, born in Clarence, Mo., February 1911. He passed away June 25, at the age of 14 years and 4 months.

His entire life was spent in Clarence where he attended the primary school in which he would have graduated from the grammar school department this last year had his affliction interfered with his attendance upon the same. He was a studious and industrious boy, performing the duties which came to him without hesitation or complaint and leaving his play and amusements to be engaged in after work had been accomplished. He was a worthy example among playmates, not only exercising himself in a commendable way among them, but endeavoring to promote peace and harmony as they engaged in their pleasures and pastimes.

He was well and favorable known to approximately all the people of the town and we have heard more than one give expression to the statement that he was a splendid boy. His attitude and conduct such as to commend itself to the grown people of his acquaintance and he won for himself a place in the hearts of all who knew him that was unusual in its character.

He united with the Methodist church in Clarence last fall, during our revival meeting and became a member of a Sunday school class of 15 boys of about his age which being taught by the pastor of the church. He was regular and punctual in his attendance until affliction made it impossible for him to be present. His preparation of the lesson and his interest in the recitation were marked features of his work in Sunday school, and was with great regret to us when he was unable longer to attend.

But notwithstanding his meek character and his splendid qualities he has been taken from us, and we mourn his going in ways that words cannot express. And we mingle our tears with the grief stricken family and other relatives. But we sorrow not as those who have no hope. Our loss is Heaven's gain, and while we are called upon to deny ourselves the pleasure of his association and companionship, his spirit has been transferred to that heavenly land where he shall bask in the sunlight of God's eternal presence and where his character shall develop and expand in ever increasing beauty and grandeur.

He leaves to mourn his passing his heartbroken father and mother, his two brothers, Max and Kenneth and one sister, Louise, with other relatives and a host of friends.

As an evidence of the high esteem in which he was held, a large congregation assembled at the Methodist church on Saturday afternoon, June 27, where the funeral services were conducted by his pastor, after which the remains were laid to rest in the Maplewood cemetery.

W. N. Giddens.