

fully paid, and to his heirs and assigns,  
forever.

And, last: I hereby constitute and appoint  
my said son, J. C. Hood, to be the executor  
of this, my last will and testament,  
revoking and annulling all former wills  
by me made, and ratifying and confirming  
this, and no other, to be my last will  
and testament.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set  
my hand this the 1 day of October A. D.,  
1919.

Martha L. <sup>Wife</sup> Hood

Signed, published and declared by the  
above-named Martha L. Hood, as her last  
will and testament, in the presence of  
us, who, at her request, have signed  
as witnesses of the same.

J. A. Hughes  
B. H. Hughes  
W. H. King.

Recorded and filed  
March 24 - 1921.

J. E. Keener, Deputy C. S. C.

North Carolina }  
Cherokee County } ss. In the Superior Court.

A paper purporting to be the last Will and Testament  
of John C. Fair deceased, is exhibited before me, the  
undersigned, Clerk of the Superior Court for said County,  
by Tommie B. Fair the executrix therein mentioned,  
and the due execution thereof by the said John  
C. Fair by the oath and examination of W. P. O'Keefe  
and J. E. Keener two of the subscribing witnesses  
thereto; who being duly sworn, doth depose and  
say, and each for himself doth depose and say, that  
he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing  
now shown him, purporting to be the last  
Will and Testament of John C. Fair; that the said  
John C. Fair in the presence of this deponent sub-  
scribed his name at the end of said paper writing,  
which is now shown ~~to~~ as aforesaid, and  
which bears date of the 9th day of May 1920.

And the deponent further saith that the said  
John C. Fair the testator aforesaid, did at the time  
of subscribing his name as aforesaid declare  
the said paper writing so subscribed by him  
and exhibited to be his last Will and Testa-  
ment; and this deponent did thereupon  
subscribe his name at the end of said  
Will, as an attesting witness thereto, and at  
the request and in the presence of said  
testator. And this deponent further saith,  
that at the same time when the said  
testator subscribed his name to the said  
last Will as aforesaid and at the time of the  
deponent's subscribing his name as an  
attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the  
said John C. Fair was of sound mind  
and memory, of full age to execute a  
Will, and was not under any restraint, to  
the knowledge, information or belief of

of this deponent: And further these deponents say not.

W.P. Odon  
J.E. Keener.

Severally sworn and subscribed,  
this 29th day of March 1921,  
before me.

A.L. Johnson  
Clerk Superior Court

North Carolina, } ss. In the Superior Court.  
Cherokee County }

It is therefore considered and  
adjudged by the court that the said paper-  
writing and every part thereof is the last  
Will and Testament of John E. Fair, deceased.  
Let the said Will, together with the probate,  
be recorded and filed.

This 29th day of March 1921

A.L. Johnson  
Clerk Superior Court,

North Carolina, Cherokee.

I, John E. Fair, of the afore said County  
and State, being of sound mind, but  
considering the uncertainty of my earthly  
existence, do make and declare this my  
last will and testament:

First. My executrix hereinafter named,  
shall give my body a decent burial, suit-  
able to the wishes of my friends and rela-  
tives, and pay all funeral expenses,  
together with all my just debts, out of  
the first moneys which may come in  
to her hands belonging to my estate.

Second. I give and devise to my  
beloved wife, Tommie L. Fair, and her

heirs and assigns the house and lands where I  
now reside, being the property I bought from M. Bean  
on November the 19, 1894, as shown by deed recorded  
in the office of the Register of Deeds for Cherokee  
County in Deed Book No. 3 at page 462, and  
the property that I bought from M. A. Hughes  
as shown by the deeds from M. A. Hughes to me  
which are recorded in the office of the Register  
of Deeds for Cherokee County and as described  
in a decree of the Superior Court of Cherokee  
County in an action wherein John E. Fair  
was plaintiff and George Harvey Hughes et al  
are defendants, also the land purchased from  
Turnbill and others, said land purchased from  
adjoins the lands of C. S. Patton, Sam A. Kin,  
Jim Barnett, M. A. Brittain and others.

I also give and devise to my beloved wife,  
Tommie L. Fair, and her heirs and assigns seven  
lots in the town of Murphy purchased from B. L.  
Duke and the Duke land and improvement  
company, as shown by the deeds made to  
me for these Duke lots as recorded in the  
office of Register of Deeds of Cherokee  
County, To all of which deeds reference  
is hereby made for a more complete desc-  
ription of the above described lands,

Third. I give and bequeath to my said  
beloved wife all of my Bank stock in  
the Bank of Murphy and in the American  
National Bank, being 29 shares in the Bank  
of Murphy and 5 shares in the American  
National Bank; also all of my Liberty Bonds  
being \$2200.00 worth, also one cow and calf;  
all of the household and kitchen  
furniture.

Fourth. I have heretofore by deed given  
to my two sons, Mercer Fair and Porter  
Fair, Tract No. 17 known as the Iron Ore Property

The Ware House property on the L. & N. Railroad and the Lot adjoining the Regal Hotel Property; and it is my will and desire that all of the residue of my property, both real and personal of every kind and description wheresoever situate, whether mentioned in paragraph two and three of this will or not, go to my said beloved wife, Tommie L. Fair, and her heirs and assigns in fee simple, and I hereby give and devise all of my said property of every kind and description to my said beloved wife, Tommie L. Fair, and her heirs and assigns in fee simple, except my gold watch which I give to my grand son William Mercer Fair, Jr. when he is 21 years old.

Fifth I hereby constitute and appoint my beloved wife, Tommie L. Fair, my lawful executrix to all intents and purposes, to execute this my last will and Testament, according to the true intent and meaning of the same, and every part and clause hereof - hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made.

In witness whereof, I, the said John E. Fair, do hereunto set my hand and seal, this the 9<sup>th</sup> day of May, A.D. 1920,

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said John E. Fair, to be his last will and testament in the presence of us, who, at his request and in his presence, and in the presence of each other, do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.

U. P. Odon  
J. E. Keener  
J. D. Wallonee

Recorded and filed March 30<sup>th</sup>, 1921.  
L. H. Kinner & Co.

North Carolina,  
Superior Court,

Cherokee County,  
Before the Clerk,

In the matter of the Last Will and Testament of William Henry Griffiths:

A paper writing purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of William Henry Griffiths, who died Dec. 30, 1920, bearing date of January 10, 1908, is exhibited before the undersigned Clerk of the Superior of Cherokee County, on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of April 1921 by Geo. J. Griffiths, the Executor therein named; and thereupon comes Marshall W. Bell, one of the subscribing witnesses to said paper writing, and makes and subscribes the following affidavit:

"Marshall W. Bell, being duly sworn, says that he is one of the subscribing witnesses to the paper now shown to him and which bears date of January 10, 1908, and purports to be signed and sealed by William Henry Griffiths, as maker and to be signed by Marshall W. Bell and John W. Ford, as witnesses, that affiant drew said paper writing at the request of said William Henry Griffiths, and saw said William Henry Griffiths sign his name at the bottom of said paper writing with the word "I do thereto, ~~attached~~ which was done by him in affiant's presence and in the presence of the other witness to said paper writing, the said John W. Ford; that thereupon the said William Henry Griffiths stated that said paper writing was his Will to affiant and John W. Ford, in the presence of each other and requested affiant and said Ford to sign their names thereto as witnesses; and at the request of the said William Henry Griffiths, and in his presence, and in the presence of each other, affiant and said John W. Ford signed their names to said paper writing as