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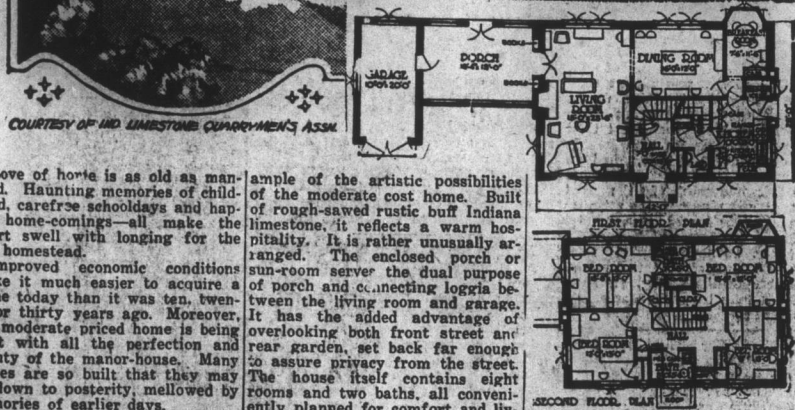
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CHARGES AGAINST DR. WOOTEN DISMISSED

Jury Returned a Verdict of "Not Guilty" in Five Minutes.

Raleigh, May 15.—Dr. Am. L. Wooten, state school dentist in the employ of the State board of health, who has been in the limelight in connection with charges of simple assault brought against him by three school girls in the school at Plymouth, Washington county, has been fully exonerated of the charges, according to an announcement today from the State board of health. He was tried in recorder's court in Plymouth Tuesday, May 11th, and the jury returned a verdict of "not guilty" within five minutes.

The whole affair appears to have been the outgrowth of a conspiracy among the school children," said an official of the board of health, who was present at the trial and had conducted a thorough investigation. "The parents of the children were anxious that the necessary dental work be done that was recommended, but the children objected and evidently concocted this scheme as a revolt. There was no evidence whatever to support the charges and the quick action of the jury in acquitting Dr. Wooten is taken as sufficient vindication."

Dr. Wooten has been in the employ of the State board of health since 1923, and there has never before been any complaint made either of his work or conduct, it was said today. "The State board of health has always considered Dr. Wooten an efficient and conscientious member of its force. He has never before been criticized and his conduct has always been above reproach. He will continue in the service of the board of health," according to a statement issued by a spokesman for the board.

A PRISONER WHO WOULDN'T BE DISCHARGED

H. C. Moore, of Rowan County, Refused to Leave the Caledonia Farm.

Raleigh, May 15.—A prisoner who refused to leave when discharged. State prison authorities were up against a real problem when H. C. Moore, who had been sentenced to from two to three years from Rowan county, upon the completion of his term and when presented with his discharge, a suit of clothes and \$34 in cash, refused to leave the Caledonia prison farm, claiming that "more money" was due him. Moore would not accept any of the "free" and announced his intention of remaining at the prison until the "rest of his money" was forthcoming. Although he was unable to state how much more he thought he ought to have.

And at the prison farm he remained, free, yet in prison, until the meeting of the prison board Tuesday at which time his case was taken before the board. It was finally decided to take him to Halifax, and there, in the presence of the sheriff, present him with his discharge, the mentioned suit of clothes and \$34, warn him that if he showed up at the prison farm again that he would be arrested for trespassing, and let him go whether he liked. Up until this morning he had not returned to the prison farm and as nearly as could be learned, he did not make a appearance of the \$34 to the sheriff in Halifax.

Moore's action apparently was based on the belief that the allowance of ten cents a day for each day of servitude still was in effect. However, this provision was repealed by the last General Assembly, and the \$34 was what had accrued to his credit up until the per diem provision had been repealed. Under the present law, being only a class B prisoner, he would have been entitled to only \$20 upon his discharge, instead of the \$34 that he was given. The present law allows \$15 to class C prisoners, \$20 to class B and \$25 to class A on discharge.

Free Transportation for School Children

Raleigh, May 15.—What the free transportation system has meant to the North Carolina public schools has been forcefully illustrated during the last few days while he has been making the rounds of commencement exercises in several counties, according to A. T. Allen, state superintendent of public instruction, said today.

Mr. Allen returned to his office yesterday after having delivered the commencement address before the graduating class of the Wilkesboro high school Tuesday night. "There were twenty-five young people in the graduating class and twenty-two of them were from the country, only three being from Wilkesboro. The high school is a thriving one, with 225 students, but only seventy-five of them being from the town itself. This offers a striking example of what the school transportation system is doing for the children who live in the country and who otherwise would not have the advantages of a high school education in the better type of high school," Mr. Allen said.

Late Farm News From the County

Kinston, N. C. May 15.—(AP)—A total of \$7,141.50 in cash has been received by Lenoir county farmers during the past 60 days for cooperative poultry shipments, according to County Agent C. M. Brickhouse. The second car was shipped last week with 220 farmers cooperating. This car contained 14,324 pounds of poultry and each farmer received an average of \$15.22 in cash at the car door. More than 30,000 pounds of poultry have been shipped during the past two months, states Mr. Brickhouse.

These shipments have helped to stabilize prices for poultry in the county, he states.

R. LEO TATUM HAS DROPPED FROM SIGHT

Fayetteville Man Worried Over Financial Troubles and Sickness in His Family.

Fayetteville, May 15.—Worried over financial troubles and continued sickness in his family, R. Leo Tatum, well known automobile man of this city, has disappeared, and neither his family nor his business partner have been able to locate him since he left town several days ago. A mental breakdown is thought to have been the immediate cause of the disappearance, and Mr. Tatum's friends advance the theory that he is seeking much needed rest. He is said to have been seen near Pinehurst.

Mr. Tatum has been a member of the firm of Tatum and Torrans, operating a garage on Maxwell street. He was until three months ago the local dealer for Star and Durant automobiles, and was apparently doing well, having sold a large number of cars in this section. It is understood, however, that he had become involved in financial difficulties, and on January 21 he was placed under arrest at the instance of a credit company in this state which had been financing car movements on the "floor plan." A compromise with the creditors was made by Mr. Tatum's attorney, however and the charge of embezzlement was dropped. It is said that Mr. Tatum's notes to the amount of thousands of dollars were held by credit companies and individuals.

WEBB RULES FOR TOWN OF NEWTON

Says County-Seat Highways Must Connect Central Sections.

Shelby, May 15.—The town of Newton was victor today in the decision rendered by Judge James L. Webb regarding the routing of highway 10 through the county seat of Catawba. The judge held that a highway connecting county seats means entering the centers of the main section of the town, and not merely the town of Newton which objected to the proposal of the Highway Commission to bring Highway 10 through the edge of town.

The decision was made public late this afternoon following reflection on the matter by the jurist since Monday when the hearing was held here. The judge has been in Ruth-erford court since that time and was unable to give the matter his attention, until today.

Clung five apparent facts from the evidence, and the road law enacted by the legislature. Judge Webb granted a permanent restraining order against the highway commission as to that part of the proposed route 10 in Catawba county. However the restraining order as it pertains to the Irredell county portion of the proposed road was released, permitting road work there to go forward.

Finals at Queen's College, Now Under Way

Charlotte, May 16.—Commencement exercises started Saturday at Queen's college, the first event of the program being the meeting of graduates and former students at the institution. A "baby" show was a unique feature of the meeting. A business session, presided over by Miss Eloise Rankin, president of the alumnae association was held during the afternoon.

Cotton Growth Being Much Retarded

Raleigh, May 15.—Cotton is being very much retarded in growth and truck crops generally are suffering from a lack of rain, according to Frank Parker, crop statistician, state department of agriculture, who has just returned from a week's tour of the agricultural sections of the southeastern part of the state. His trip took him into twenty counties.

"In Robeson county, where by this time of year the cotton should be a foot high, I found that in many places the seed had not even sprouted," Mr. Parker said that he did not see a single good stalk of cotton on the entire strip.

The strawberry crop is about over, due to the dry weather, and the bean crop, which should be coming on soon now, promises to be very poor unless rain comes at once in this area. Cabbage and other truck crops are also in poor condition.

Didn't Want Anyone Else to Enjoy His Garden

Raleigh, May 15.—The Rev. W. S. Soacklette, recently deposed chaplain and welfare officer located at the Caledonia prison farm, evidently is not anxious that his successor—if any—should share the fruit of his labors, certainly not when it comes to the fruit of the soil.

One of the last official acts of the ex-chaplain, before his removal from the residence provided by the state for its welfare officer, was to plow up the garden which he had previously planted. The report that tears came to his eyes when he pulled up his onions could not be verified.

SMITH-MCADOO FACTIONS ARE GETTING TOGETHER

On the Matter of Abrogation of the Two-Thirds Rule.

Raleigh, May 15.—"Considerable interest is being manifest in Democratic circles here in the apparent getting together of the Smith-McAdoo factions of the party on the abrogation of the two-thirds rule. Almost without exception everyone who has been asked for an opinion has been in favor of abolishing this rule in national convention procedure.

The further fact that Gov. A. W. McLean not only is in favor of the abolition of this rule, but is a pioneer in the fight against it came to light when, in discussing the present situation, it was learned that when he was a delegate from North Carolina to the Democratic convention in Omaha in 1904 and was a member of the committee on rules, he offered a resolution proposing to abolish the two-thirds rule.

But I did not get very far with my resolution," he remarked with a smile "as it failed to get a second in the committee. However, the idea seems to be growing in popularity now."

That was his first experience in a big political convention and he was somewhat disappointed that the first resolution he had offered had failed because no one would second it.

However some are inclined to look upon the apparent harmony springing up between the Smith-McAdoo groups with a grain of salt, holding that it does not necessarily indicate that there is the harmony that appears on the surface.

ENTIRE HOUSE CARRIED AWAY

Only a Few Bricks to Show Where It Had Been.

Raleigh, May 15.—"Oh where, Oh where has my little house gone?" was the question one Stonewall J. Adams was asking here Saturday after he had discovered that small house he owned here was missing from its foundation, with only a few bricks here and there to indicate where it had been.

The house was occupied by tenants until recently and he is quite sure the house was there up until a few days ago. He did not discover the theft of this dwelling until Saturday and immediately appealed to the police to help him locate the phantom habitation. No trace of it had been found and Mr. Adams had no idea who removed it.

It is believed, however, that the house must have been taken apart piece by piece and loaded onto a truck and hauled away, as it would have required expert house movers to have moved it bodily. However, no one has been found who witnessed such an operation.

Some consolation is found in the fact, however, that Mr. Adams had intended to tear down the house soon and erect a new one. The theft of the house, he says, has saved him this trouble.

It is suggested by his friends that when Stonewall builds again that he make the walls of stone so that it will not be so easily stolen.

North Carolina Day October 6th

Raleigh, May 15.—North Carolina Day at the Sesqui-centennial in Philadelphia has been officially set for October 6th, in conformance with the request of Gov. A. W. McLean that that day be designated. October 7th had first been selected as North Carolina Day, inasmuch as that was the anniversary of the battle of Kings Mountain. However, Tennessee had already spoken for that date, so that Governor McLean selected the day preceding.

Special programs dealing with the Old North State will be presented on that day and information concerning the state generally disseminated. North Carolina will also participate in special exercises at the exposition on June 14th, June 15th and July 4th.

"Better Sires" Campaign in Davidson

Lexington, N. C. May 15.—(AP)—A "better sires" campaign will be put on in Davidson county this summer, reports County Agent C. A. Sheffield.

Twenty-five farmers from all parts of the county met with J. A. Arey, dairy extension specialist at State College, last week and agreed to carry on the campaign under his direction. Each farmer will make a survey of his particular township and report on the number of scrub sires so that arrangements may be made for replacing them with pure-breds. This movement is being promoted to stimulate interest in dairying in the county according to Mr. Sheffield.

Hog Feeding Demonstration

Oxford, May 15.—(AP)—As a result of the hog-feeding demonstration put on by County Agent J. H. Blackwell, on the farm of W. J. Brummitt, in Granville county, more than 150 head of swine have now been signed up for demonstration feeding, the agent reports.

Only 60 Raleighites Hear Dr. Brown Make Talk on "The Bible and Science"

Tom Best in Greensboro News.

Raleigh, May 15.—Sixty Raleighites, some of them evolutionists and therefore the very incarnation of contumacious diabolism, gave audience to Dr. Arthur I. Brown, of Vancouver, who as "the greatest scientist in the world," spoke tonight in the county courthouse on "The Bible and Science."

It begins to appear that the people are not so much excited over evolution in the schools as the agitators have thought.

Dr. Brown came in while Rev. E. H. Gattis, of Raleigh, was praying and after being introduced, he offered prayer and began his address by declaring that for real beauty he has not seen anything to equal the state. He was not sure that he could leave the place. Dr. Brown recommended that the people get good and mad over this thing. The tendency of the times is toward disbelief in the Bible. There is a society for the propagation of atheism in New York and one like it will be formed in Canada, he said. So there is fighting ahead. "I believe God chose the language of the Bible and that there is no scientific or historical error in the book," he said. "If there were such an error, it would not be God's book," he said. "These Biblical words were selected by the Deity, but there are different interpretations of the meaning. 'Nevertheless, there is no error in it,' he continued, 'and the science of the Bible is true.'"

North Carolina, the Strawberry Center

Raleigh, May 15.—North Carolina continues to be the shipping center of the country for strawberries and lettuce, according to reports from the United States department of agriculture, state department of agriculture.

Out of 48 carloads of lettuce shipped in the entire United States Wednesday, 31 carloads were from North Carolina, with virtually all shipments consigned. On this same day 50 carloads of strawberries were shipped, prices ranging from \$5 to \$7 per crate for 32 quarts. Cloudy weather with some rain has slowed up picking. Demand is good.

Yacht design and model making, a course for yachtsmen, many of whom have long recognized the advantage of technical knowledge of yachts, will be given this summer at Massachusetts Institute of Technology by one of America's most noted yacht designers, George Owen, who is associate professor of naval architecture and marine engineering at the institute.

Six thousand delegates from the United States, Canada, Hawaii and Porto Rico are expected to attend the first American health congress, to be opened at Atlantic City today under the auspices of the National Health Council.

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More than 10,000 acres of valuable timber were burned when a huge forest fire swept across the Black Hills National Forest, near Rapid City, S. D., blazing for two days before a timely rain helped forest rangers and residents from the South Dakota School of Mines check it. A remarkable picture was taken from a mountainous vantage point.