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## Dr. McDonald To Address Club

Dr. Ralph McDonald, candidate for Governor, addressed the Current Topics Club of Rocky Mount in the Y. M. C. A. on last Monday night. The meeting was attended by full membership and with a large number of extra invited guests.

His topic being "Current Political Events." Much of his speech was devoted to taxation.

After his address he met a group of friends in the Recorders Court room. He spent the next day visiting many points in Nash and Edgecombe counties in the interest of his candidacy.

## MRS. JEFFREYS DIES IN LOCAL HOSPITAL

Widow of W. E. Jeffreys Succumbs In Pinehurst—Funeral Here

Mrs. W. E. Jeffreys, 42, well-known former local resident, died Tuesday morning in Pinehurst at a hospital following an illness which began in January of this year, friends learned here.

Mrs. Jeffreys, who lived here several years, numbered many friends in this city.

The funeral services will be conducted Friday afternoon at three o'clock from the R. T. Jeffreys residence, No. 822 Hill Street, and interment will follow at Pineview cemetery.

Mrs. Jeffreys lived in Oxford before her husband, the late W. E. Jeffreys, succumbed.

Her church affiliation was Methodist, and she had her membership here at the First church.

She leaves her children, Margaret and Evelyn, both of whom lived here with R. T. Jeffreys; one brother, J. E. Cooper of Raleigh; and three sisters, Mrs. Horace Hardaway, of Durham; Mrs. R. B. Campbell, of Taylorsville; and Mrs. Jesse Congdon, of Three Rivers, Michigan.

## A. O. DICKENS

Wilson, Nov. 24.—A. O. Dickens, prominent attorney of Wilson, today announced his candidacy for the Democratic nomination to Congress in the Second District in the 1936 primary. He seeks the seat now held by Congressman John H. Kerr, who defeated the Wilson attorney by a majority of about 3,000 in the 1934 primary. Mr. Dickens carried Greene, Wilson and Halifax counties by a substantial majority in each county.

The Wilson attorney said today he would issue a formal statement as to his platform in the near future.

Mr. Dickens was born and reared on a farm in Halifax County, where he was educated in the public schools. He received his law degree at Wake Forest College. During the World War he served in France with the 30th Division, was cited by General John J. Pershing for distinguished military service and was promoted to a captaincy. He has been an active member and officer of the American Legion.

## REYNOLDS COMPANY SEEKS REFUND

The question of whether a taxpayer may sue the collector of internal revenue for refund of an export tax before he applies to the commissioner of internal revenue at Washington for such refund was laid before the U. S. Circuit court of appeals at Baltimore Thursday.

The case involves a carload of cigarettes shipped by the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co., to Norfolk, Va., for shipment abroad. On the way to Norfolk the cigarettes were stolen.

The government demanded payment of more than \$6,000 tax on the tobacco, because it never had been exported. The company contended that no tax was due, since the cigarettes had been designed for export and sought an injunction in United States district court at Greensboro.

The injunction was denied, the company paid the tax and instituted suit for its recovery. The suit was dismissed, the government contending it did not conform with legal procedure and that the company should have asked the refund from the commissioner of internal revenue at Washington.

## URGES MORE BUYING POWER FOR WORKERS AND FARMERS

Washington, Nov. 20.—Secretary of Labor Perkins advocated expansion of the purchasing power of the farmer and wage earner as a means of balancing "the mass production of the present machine civilization."

She told the Land Grant College Association that farm income in the first eight months of 1935 rose \$286,000,000 over the same period of a year ago. The increase, she said, has been a "substantial factor in speeding up production in industrial centers with a consequent rise in factory employment and payrolls."

## HOPKINS FLAYS CRITICS

Harry Hopkins, WPA Administrator, does not like much of the criticism directed against his program, asserting that most of it is ignorant, malicious and partisan in the political sense.

United States petroleum exports to Italy have risen 600 per cent.

## Whitaker Pleads For Use Toxoid

Dr. Allen Whitaker, health department superintendent, today issued a plea to the people of this city, asking that they realize fully the importance of the diphtheria toxoid.

Dr. Whitaker, who has served in the capacity of health officer for about a month and a half, said, "The importance of the diphtheria toxoid, can't be over emphasized." He went on to remark that only one dose is given, and that the reaction to the dose is generally rather small.

Advising the people who have not had the toxoid to see their family doctors, Dr. Whitaker indicated that when a child gets the disease, "someone is to blame."

## EXAMINE TEETH OF COLORED CHILDREN

Tarboro, Nov. 26.—Dr. Robert M. Bell, of the State health department, is working among the Negro school children making examinations of their teeth, Dr. A. D. Gregg, Edgecombe health officer announced. Dr. Bell is a Negro dentist and is doing work similar to that done recently by Dr. Robert Byrd, also of the State health department, for white children.

## DEAN OF LAW SCHOOL STRICKEN IN CHURCH

Wake Forest, Nov. 25.—Dr. N. Y. Gulley, 80, dean emeritus of the Wake Forest College Law School, fainted during church service yesterday morning and has been in bed since.

His physician stated that the attack was due to digestive disturbances and an overheated building. Dr. Gulley rested comfortably today and expects to resume his teaching within a few days.

## MARRIES HIS 105TH WIFE BY PROXY

The marriage by proxy of King Ibon Saud, of Saudi Arabia, to the only daughter of the powerful Sheikh Noufal Shehan, has brought the number of the king's wives up to 105.

Until the advent of the latest addition to the harem it was a popular jest that the king had two wives for each week of the year. Now it is suggested that in taking unto himself another, he is providing for the extra day of leap year, 1936.

It is said that the king paid the highest price ever actually handed over for a wife in that part of the world, no less than 5,000 head of cattle and a large number of camels.

King Ibon Saud is a strict non-drinker and non-smoker. His gift of camels is regarded as particularly significant because of his partiality to these animals owing to their reputed ability to go for a long time without a drink.

The king has not yet seen his latest wife, who is believed to be more advanced in years than many of his brides. The union was probably more of a political arrangement than a love match.

The name of the new bride was kept a secret at the time of the wedding, but it is now revealed that she bears the name of Aicha, which Rider Haggard immortalized.

The king, who is 55, makes no secret of the fact that his favorite wife is the poor beauty of Damascus, whom he married in 1927. "She is a woman in a hundred," he has been heard to declare more than once.

Naturally the other wives are madly jealous, and some time ago there was a revolt in the harem. The less favored wives went on strike. They only capitulated when the king threatened to have them sent back to their parents, the greatest disgrace a Mohammedan husband can put on a wife.

But if the king has little thought for any but his Damascus beauty, he has much thought for would-be Don Juans. He has doubled the guard, who have orders to shoot without challenge persons found inside the outer defenses.

## MOVE 90-YEAR-OLD TREES

In the old days trees used to stay put—at least until they felt the sting of an ax. With the aid of modern tree-moving machinery, however, trees now move and transplant 60 and 70-foot trees like so many pots of crocuses. In other words, if you want a ninety-year-old tree in your front yard, you don't need to wait for a sapling to group up. You can have a veteran elm moved in tomorrow. The mover, is used to maneuver specimens weighing up to 30 tons or more. It's all steel and it's all electric welded. The smaller mover carries loads up to around ten tons.—Scientific American.

## NRA STAFF CUT

The personnel staff of NRA has been cut to 2,348, as compared with over 5,000 at the peak of activity, according to George L. Berry, coordinator of industrial cooperation.

## REJECTS MANY CASES

Out of 931 cases considered by the Supreme Court last year only 256 were granted. The others were turned down flat, without a hearing.

## Miller Freed In Investigation

Tarboro, Nov. 26.—J. R. Miller, assistant forester of district five, was acquitted of blame for having struck and injured a 12 year old Negro boy, James Pittman, Jr., Saturday near Leggett. The boy ran into the side of the truck driven by Mr. Miller and he had both legs broken and lacerations about his face, hands and head. It was said that the boy was playing with another boy and rushed in front of the truck. The boy is in a hospital here for treatment of his injuries.

## Captain Hill Dies At Virginia City

Former Conductor Lived Here Once—Rites Were Held Wednesday At LaGrange

Robert Hill, 60, former Atlantic Coast Line Railroad conductor and Rocky Mount resident, died in Richmond Monday, friends learned here Tuesday night.

Mr. Hill, known to many people in the city as "Captain Robert Hill," who retired as a conductor only two years ago, had given more than forty years of his life in the Coast Line service. He numbered many friends up and down the line. He was considered a special friend of former General Superintendent W. H. Newell and Superintendent of Transportation W. B. Darrow, who died here only about a year ago.

"Captain" Hill, who succumbed Monday morning, will be brought through here on train No. 83 enroute to LaGrange where funeral rites were held at 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. The funeral party left Richmond Tuesday night, arriving here at 1:20 A. M. Wednesday. The body was transferred then to train No. 41, which left South Rocky Mount at 3:50 o'clock in the morning.

Mr. Hill, a Bertie county native, was born near Windsor, November 18, 1875. He entered the service in 1898 on the Norfolk district, serving several years as passenger and freight conductor between here and Norfolk. About January 1, 1906 he was transferred to the old Fayetteville district, and had his run on the Spring Hope branch train between here and Spring Hope. He was called a very popular conductor.

Several years later he moved to Richmond, working as passenger conductor on the through line trains until about two years ago when his health failed.

He owned considerable real estate here and in Richmond, and belonged to the Baptist church, the local Y. M. C. A. and the Order of Railway conductors.

His wife, formerly Miss Nora Sutton of LaGrange; an aunt, Mrs. Jeff Sumner, of Hertford county; and an uncle, S. J. Hill, also of Hertford county, survive. He was an only child, and his parents died while he was still a youth.

## SHOULD BE THANKFUL

The greater part of the 1935 tobacco has been sold. The farmers did not receive as much per pound as last year but yield more in dollars and cents than was paid to the farmers last year, by reason of the lower prices of tobacco, selling has been somewhat slower than last year, which has caused the fall trade to be as good as last year, but after all the Nash and Edgecombe counties have everything to be thankful for. We have a fine farming section, with a splendid rainfall, and generally delightful weather which has caused us to have an abundant crop not only of cotton, tobacco, peanuts and grain, but truck of every variety for our tables.

So in this season of Thanksgiving through which we are passing, let us enunciate the great blessings and benefits which have been ours during the past year. Many of which the population of other sections have not been blessed with.

## 465 DIVORCES IN FIVE DAYS

In five days in an Atlanta court the past week, 465 divorces were granted which led Judge Moore, who signed the decrees, to advance a few new theories on the matrimonial situation—one of them that feminine apparel may have something to do with it.

When women wore pantaloons and skirts which swept the ground fore and aft, he said, they behaved finely.

Dignity has grown scantier with clothing, he feels.

Then he voiced another theory—that perhaps women are more attractive than they used to be.

"My husband told me he did not love me any more, that he had found someone else who was more attractive than I and that she was sweeter," was a frequent plaint in divorce court this week, he pointed out.

He added that he believes women take more interest in married men than formerly, too, and this also has a good bit to do with the increase in divorces.

"Man is the pursuer and the woman is pursued," the judge said. "He woos and she is wooed. But the male will never stop pursuing until she calls a halt. The trouble now seems to be too few halts are called."

## PEOPLE ARE RIDING

For the first 10 months of the year 6,000 more new automobiles and 2,900 more new trucks were sold in North Carolina than were sold in a like period last year, car sales numbering 46,197 and truck sales 11,834 so far this year, as against 40,496 cars and 9,700 trucks last year to November 1, R. R. McLaughlin, director of the Motor Vehicle bureau, reports.

October sales of new cars increased and trucks decreased as compared with the previous month. In October, 4,838 cars and 1,091 trucks were sold, as against 4,384 cars and 1,384 trucks in September, while the sales in October, 1934, were 6,978 cars and 1,915 trucks.

Total registration of all automobiles and trucks up to November 6 was 501,662, which is less than 2,000 cars below the high water mark for the entire year 1929, when registration reached 503,590.

## TUTTLE'S WORK IS REVIEWED

Retired Minister Performs A Number Of Services

Rev. D. H. Tuttle, seventy-eight-year-old retired Methodist minister, though not in active pastoral work, does each year considerable ministerial work. The habit of keeping records has continued through the years and for this reason a summary of his activities for the past year is available.

It is fitting to review his work of the year just closed when other Methodist ministers are rounding up their activities at the annual conference now in session at Wilmington.

An important part of Mr. Tuttle's work is the distribution of religious literature. Last year he gave out 22 Bibles, 478 one and two cent portions of the Bible, 18 Testaments and Psalms for aged, 433 religious papers, more than 1250 tracts, 30 assorted booklets.

He performed during the year 11 marriage ceremonies, conducted 13 funerals, and preached eight sermons.

AAA opens an inquiry into bread price rises in nine cities.

## Memory of a Squirrel Is Honored



Standing in solemn dignity adjacent to a statue of Beethoven and a majestic figure memorializing Los Angeles soldier dead, a bronze plaque was erected in Pershing square, Los Angeles, in honor of "Benny, a Squirrel." For many years Benny was one of the most popular and widely known of the denizens of Pershing square. A year ago, while on one of his trips across a busy street, Benny was killed by a speeding motorist. Friends buried his broken body in Pershing square and a mock orange tree was planted to mark his resting place. Through local civic officials, a bronze plaque was engraved in honor of the late squirrel.

## President Not Due Criticism

There is much criticism throughout the country of the manner in which the WPA and the PWA is functioning and most of the criticism is directed to the manner of which these agencies are being administered. This criticism should in no way affect our admiration for President Roosevelt in handling a most difficult situation.

The President never intended that politics should enter into the administration of these agencies, but there appears to be serious criticism throughout the nation because certain Governors Representatives and Senators have undertaken to build political machines through relief work which is repulsive to all right thinking people, but this is not the fault of the President. He has pledged to the people that the worthy hungry should not go unfed and to do this he has to deal with the frailties of human agencies who are responsible for the short-comings.

## Planting Lawns Commends Work Of Boy Drivers

Tarboro, Nov. 26.—Edgecombe home demonstration club women gathered in the office of Miss Catherine Millsaps, home demonstration agent Saturday to study yard improvement and the beautification of homes. J. G. Weaver, horticulturist from State College, Raleigh, discussed the planting of lawns and transplanting of native and nursery plants.

Miss Pauline Smith, district agent, and yard improvement specialist, urged the women to start their yard improvement work with a clean-up campaign. The plan should include laying out drives and walks, and filling in with woods mold and rich dirt where the top soil has been allowed to wash away, she said. Women were urged to start rooting beds in order that they might grow their own plants at a nominal cost.

## Gaddy Says They Have Good Record For Freedom From Accidents

Tarboro, Nov. 25.—In addressing a county-wide meeting of teachers here Saturday, Claude F. Gaddy, assistant executive secretary of the State School Commission, asserted that boys as bus drivers had made a wonderful record in freedom from accidents.

"In the State today 265,000 children are daily transported to the schools in 4,000 buses; there are some defects," Prof. Gaddy stated, "but we are working to remedy them. While the system has not reached perfection it is better today than at any time since it was established. The equipment eventually will meet all requirements," Mr. Gaddy explained in detail the method of operation of the School Commission. He dwelt at length on the taxation question to raise adequate funds to operate the schools and pointed out the serious divisions in sentiment among legislators as to the best way in which to raise the funds. He said the State School Commission is the best friend the teachers have. He stated that 250,000 children today are transported at less cost than half that number in 1929.

N. E. Gresham, superintendent of schools in Edgecombe County, presided.

## FALC BUNN INJURED IN AUTO COLLISION

Falc E. Bunn of Zebulon, clerk at the State Local Government Commission was injured in an automobile accident at Wakefield Saturday afternoon.

Mr. Bunn's car collided with that of Bud Perry, Negro, at the Wakefield crossroads on Highway No. 91. Neither Perry nor the Negro riding with him were injured seriously.

Mr. Bunn who was suffering from shock received a serious head injury. At the last reports he was responding satisfactorily to treatment.

## PARAGRAPHS ON NATIONAL PROBLEMS AT WASHINGTON

### Sanford To Run For School Post

Black Mountain Man Announces Candidacy As Superintendent Of Instruction

Asheville, Nov. 25.—Jordan H. Sanford, of Black Mountain, has announced that he will be a candidate for Superintendent of Public Instruction of North Carolina in the Democratic primary election of the State next June.

Mr. Sanford, prominent in educational circles of the State for many years, attended Georgia Military College at Milledgeville in 1891 and entered Mercer University in 1892. In Mercer, Mr. Sanford organized the University's first baseball team and was its captain for four years. He also played right end on the varsity football team and once had an opposition in a game with Georgia Tech, General Leonard Wood, a half back.

Mr. Sanford was twice a champion debater for Mercer and won the first sophomore declamation medal. He was the anniversary speaker in 1897 and the commencement speaker in the same year. Mr. Sanford represented the student body at the banquet held in Macon to add \$1,000,000 to Mercer's endowment. After graduating at Mercer, Mr. Sanford attended Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y., where he studied under Dr. Decarion, education instructor, Dr. Charles Bennett, Latin instructor, and Dr. Hiram Corson, English instructor, three internationally known educators.

### Wilson Farmers Buy Certificates

Wilson, Nov. 26.—Wilson tobacco farmers have bought surplus certificates from the office of Farm Agent W. L. Adams, here totalling 1,875,000 pounds to date, according to the figures of Mr. Adams made known Monday. The crop in the county is larger, according to the farm agent, than it has ever been before. The certificates bought by the Wilson farmers to date cost them \$75,000. They have to pay 4 cents a pound for them to the government.

### HOMEMADE MATTRESSES BEING BUILT IN STATE

Raleigh, Nov. 25.—The extra allotment of 110 pounds of tax-free cotton allowed growers for their own use is stimulating interest in homemade mattresses among Catawba county home demonstration club women.

Some time ago, as the women were outlining their club projects, a number of them decided to make mattresses to replace straw ticks now on their beds, reported Miss Ruth Current, district home agent at State College.

Mrs. Marie Cox Matheson, Catawba home agent, told them that under the Bankhead act each grower is allowed for home use an additional allotment of 110 pounds above his regular tax-free quota.

She also told the women that they could use the cotton themselves to make the mattresses, or they could secure the services of a commercial mattress manufacturer.

Since there are still a number of straw ticks being used over the country, Miss Current said, a large number of women immediately expressed their desire to take advantage of this opportunity to utilize their husband's extra cotton allotments.

### WATCH BORAH

The attitude of Senator Borah is causing some concern to conservative Republicans who do not relish a Borah attack upon their candidate if they are able to put him across at the Convention.

Gov. Floyd B. Olson of Minnesota, believes the New Deal will collapse and that by 1940 things "will be right" for a third party.

Canada reduced its duties on 180 commodities and guaranteed lowest rates for any non-British country on 767 items. Widespread reductions on agricultural products included a cut from thirty to twelve cents a bushel on fresh fruits, vegetables and wheat, the transfer of potatoes to a free list, with orange or it for for parts of the year and raw cotton "bound" to it.

The President thought that the concession made on fresh vegetables was very important because Canada has long distinguished between season and off-season marketing of vegetables. He felt that this would be of particular benefit to the North eastern and some border states and that the adjustment in connection with citrus fruits would benefit Florida and California growers. (Please turn to page eight)

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