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## Young People Open Assembly

Louisburg, July 1.—The Methodist Young People's Assembly convened here Monday, with registrations totalling approximately 300, according to Mrs. Earle Brian, director.

The keynote of the conference was sounded by the Rev. Walter Towns, D. D. of Nashville, Tenn., who addressed the assembly at the First Methodist church Monday evening. He developed the theme, "In My Name—Build." He interpreted this subject as building in intelligent and with love.

A reception was given at Louisburg College immediately following the opening session at the church. On Tuesday morning a business session was held at 10 o'clock at the Methodist church, and regular class periods were observed during the day. The faculty consists of 31 members.

The officers of the assembly are: President, Miss Nellie Cooke Robertson; Vice-President, Linwood Blackburn, secretary, Miss Sarah Spruill of Goldsboro; treasurer, Miss Hilda Lee Heitwold of Burlington, and publicity superintendent, Miss Eva Gnat, of Durham.

## New Law Firm Founded In City

Thomas J. Pearsall and Samuel Gorham, Jr., form partnership, open office.

Rocky Mount today had a new law partnership of two Rocky Mounters, both graduates of the University of North Carolina, and both young men known to many local people.

The firm of Pearsall and Gorham, effective as of today, opened its law offices in the second floor of the Planters National Bank and Trust company building today. The law partners are Tom J. Pearsall, one-time Rocky Mount's prosecuting attorney, and J. Samuel Gorham, Jr., son of a hardware man here.

Mr. Gorham, a graduate of the University of North Carolina law school who passed the bar in January, 1935, received his LL.B. in June of this year. This was five years after he was given his B. S. degree from the University at Chapel Hill.

He had worked here two years with his father, J. S. Gorham, from 1931 to 1933, and in 1933 returned to begin his law school training. Mr. Pearsall, who has practiced here since 1927, began his legal career with the late Joseph B. Ramsey, but started out alone after Mr. Ramsey's death in 1928.

Formerly his office was just north of Fire Station No. One on North-east Main street, but now he and Mr. Gorham have offices in the Planters bank building. Mr. Pearsall was recorder court prosecuting attorney (solicitor) formerly, resigning in 1933.

## LEGGETT NEWS ITEMS

Mrs. Phillip Koonce and children have returned from Erwin after spending a few days with Mrs. Koonce's parents Mr. and Mrs. Morgan.

Miss Mollie Brantley spent Sunday with Mrs. T. F. Savage.

Miss Blanche Lancaster of Raleigh spent the week-end with her father, W. D. Lancaster.

Beverly Gammon's entertained her little friends on her birthday last Monday.

Those from Leggett's attending the supper party that former Lieutenant Governor and Mrs. Fountain of Rocky Mount gave in honor of their niece Miss Mary King Fountain last Thursday evening were: Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Lawrence and family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Savage, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Fountain, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Fountain, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Fountain, Leon Fountain, Mrs. J. T. Lawrence, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. William Goodwyn.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Smoot of Goldsboro attended the Fountain-Hunt wedding and Grissom-Brain wedding Saturday.

Miss Elizabeth Fountain has returned home after visiting friends in Scotland Neck.

The Thursday Book Club met with Mrs. William Goodwyn.

Mrs. Ethel Everette Leggett of Palmyra visited friends here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Goodwyn entertained about 75 guests at a dinner last week at "Cedar Lane," in honor of their niece Miss Mary King Mountain whose marriage to E. W. Hunt of Greensboro took place on Saturday.

Mrs. Bruce Fountain gave a lovely luncheon at the community house Tuesday in honor of Miss Mary King Fountain and Miss Nellie Grissom. Over a hundred guests were there.

## GROUNDS FOR DIVORCE

Kinston, N. C.—In her suit for divorce, a woman claimed that her husband poured salt on her bed, threw liquor in her face, burned her legs with a cigarette and beat her with a suit of padded pajamas.

## Wilson Discloses Operation A.B.C.

County's Two Stores and Two in Moore County Will Net Around \$119,000

Wilson, June 30.—Wilson county's ABC stores and the two stores operated in Moore county the local board will realize a total net profit of around \$119,000 for the first year of their operation that ends July 2, according to an estimate made by Thomas H. Woodard, Chairman of the Wilson county commissioners Monday.

Chairman Woodard made the estimate on the basis of 22 per cent of the total gross sales of all the stores. It was estimated before the stores began active operation that the county would realize this profit on the stores.

Gross sales for the five stores in Wilson county and the two in Moore county totaled \$477,945.36 with only a week to go for the end of the fiscal year of the stores.

Of this amount \$294,831.52 represented the gross sales of the liquor stores in Wilson county while \$182,363.84 represented the gross sales in Moore county from the stores in Pinchurst and Southern Pines.

Both Chairman Woodard and B. J. Williams, chairman of the Wilson ABC board, declared the stores a success Monday as they ended the first year of their operation.

## Throng Attends Benson Songfest

A crowd of over 15,000 from this and other states attended the annual singing contest, held last Sunday in Benson.

Communities from all over North Carolina were represented and persons from Virginia, South Carolina and Georgia are known to have attended the event.

Singers from more than a dozen communities appeared on the all-day program. Convention officials said the crowd was the largest and the event the most successful in history.

## RED OAK NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Roberts of Washington, D. C. are visiting Mr. and Mrs. K. H. McIntyre this week.

Miss Elgia Jones of Rocky Mount spent last week with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Mann Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Frazier and children have returned to their home in Hartsville, S. C., after visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Frazier for several weeks.

Mrs. Budd Edwards entertained for Mrs. G. D. Coley, Jr., on Tuesday afternoon at a miscellaneous shower. The bride was before her marriage Miss Margaret Edwards.

El Harrell of Raleigh spent this week-end with his parents Rev. and Mrs. E. J. Harrell.

Miss Helen Beal is visiting Miss Marguerite Pope of Scotland Neck this week.

Miss Carrie Wilson of Durham spent Sunday visiting Miss Mary Ruth Arnold.

Mr. and Mrs. John Weaver of Rocky Mount spent Sunday with Mrs. Weaver's parents Mr. and Mrs. Walter Faulkner.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Alford of Salem visited their daughter Mrs. C. M. Jones Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Beal and small son of Nashville visited Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Williams Sunday.

Miss Effie Gray Biggs of Raleigh is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Biggs for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Pitt and small son were visitors in the community last week-end.

## DORTCHES NEWS

Miss Margaret Hester of Rocky Mount spent the week-end with her parents Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Hester.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Hardy spent Sunday evening at Grove Hill visiting relatives.

The Women's Club met Thursday evening at the church where they had their regular monthly meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Jones of Rocky Mount were visiting her parents Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ellen spent their vacation from Thursday until Sunday at Myrtle Beach.

Mrs. Kiris Crawford of Rocky Mount spent part of the week with her parents Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Hester.

Mrs. Emmitt Ellen of Rocky Mt. spent several days with her mother-in-law Mrs. W. E. Ellen.

Miss Kathleen Armstrong and Miss Margaret Hunter were guests of Miss Kathleen Hester Sunday.

Miss Edith Denon of Red Oak is a guest of Miss Martha Bett Robinson.

## Dr. G. W. Paschal Favors McDonald

The following excerpt is reprinted from "Under the Dome," written by the Raleigh News and Observer:

Dr. George W. Paschal of Wake Forest College, has a reputation for exactness, clear thinking and for uncompromising devotion to his beliefs. Generations of college boys remember now with that vast respect which is the heritage of four square teachers that no amount of cajolery, no amount of legging, no subterfuges could get them above a passing grade on Latin if the records of their work showed something less than a passing grade was deserved.

And since the school room is coming to figure prominently in the current election, McDonald supporters were delighted with a stirring pledge of support from Dr. Paschal, Baptist historian, devotee of scholarship always, and a champion of athletics when it was not so popular for members of the faculty to support athletics.

"Yes," said Dr. Paschal. "I'm for McDonald for Governor and here are some of my reasons:

"1. Dr. McDonald is able. I had heard as much before, and in his campaign he has shown extraordinary ability. If he is elected no other State will have an abler governor.

"2. He is honest; he speaks straight from the shoulder; he tells the truth without quibbling. Everybody knows where he stands.

"3. He is clean. It was not he who injected personalities into this campaign. And yet the mean charges have been brought against him that he is a young man, a 'foreigner,' a 'carper-bagger,' and a whole array of other abuse. It is a sad day in North Carolina if elections are to be won by personal abuse.

"4. Dr. McDonald is a young man. I have been teaching young men forty years. I know them and trust them. Dr. McDonald is older than Henry Clay was when he became United States Senator, almost as old as William Jennings Bryan when he was first nominated for the presidency, and twelve years older than was England's greatest statesman, William Pitt, when he repelled the charges of the corrupt Walpole of the atrocious crime of being a young man."

"5. Dr. McDonald is not a lawyer. All our Governors for the past sixty years have been lawyers. I have voted for the Democrats among them, beginning with Carr. I think now is the time for a change. His enemies sneered at Woodrow Wilson when he became candidate for President, calling him 'the professor.' We now know how contemptible their sneers were; the sneers against Dr. McDonald are just as contemptible.

"6. Dr. McDonald is not a lobbyist. He has never taken a reward for 'acts which injure the State,' a thing which Demosthenes, more than 2,000 years ago characterized as 'shocking and abominable.'

"7. Dr. McDonald believes that there is a machine in our politics—not a machine in our sense and intelligence by the existence of such a machine. We all know it is this machine which fosters the disgraceful laws under which we hold our primary elections. Even Tammany Hall in its worst days was no worse than our North Carolina machine; here is corruption right at the core of our political life. It is a most serious concern of all good citizens. Dr. McDonald promises to get rid of this machine. I believe him. He will get my vote.

"8. I am not certain that I like either candidate's views on the sales tax, but I do like Dr. McDonald's tax program better. I remember that his opponent appeared before a committee of the 1931 legislature in behalf of the Duke Power Company—not lobbying mind you, but looking after the people's interest—and urged the Legislature not to put a tax on electric current. That Legislature, in sore need of money for schools, put a fifteen cents tax on land instead of the tax on electric current."

## WHALE PROVES NUISANCE

Marblehead, Mass.—Towed out to sea on two separate occasions, the carcass of a seventy-five-foot dead whale drifted again ashore near here. It was towed fifteen miles offshore, rammed, riddled with machine gun bullets and left to flounder, or be torn apart by gulls and fish.

HEA WAVE IN ALASKA

Ketchikan, Alaska.—Believe it or not, Alaska is suffering from a heat wave. Temperatures as high as 110 in the sun were reported in and around Seward. Federal weather statistics at Cordova recorded an official maximum on June 16, of 75, the highest temperature ever recorded.

## TOMBSTONE HURTS CHILD

Powellton, W. Va.—As members of the family gathered around the grave of James Huffman to read the epitaph on the fifty-one-year-old tombstone, the 300-pound stone suddenly, and without any apparent cause, toppled over on Helen June Vance, 5, a grandniece of the dead man, breaking her leg.

## A Fantasy in Nature's Circus



Seal Castle in Bryce Canyon National park in southern Utah is one of the oddities in this region of strange eroded formations. Sometimes this is called "The Singing Seals." The formation is seen in the whitish rocks that look like giant seals standing erect just above the second rider from the left. Photograph by Union Pacific railroad.

## The Absentee Ballot Must Not Thwart the Will Of the People

How long shall the absentee ballot thwart the will of the people. The use of this ballot has become a stench in the nostrils of our people and if its use was ever justified, its abuse makes it necessary, if we are to preserve our Democracy, that it be repealed at once.

We are informed that people are voting in as many as eight counties and sometimes the voter doesn't even know it himself. If he happens to register in one county and votes one year and then moves on into another county, his name is still being used. They vote him just like they do a great many dead people who are still voting in North Carolina.

It has become so abused that public speakers in many instances address their remarks more to the absentee ballot than they do the real live voting Democracy. The public appeal has been made through the press to the absentees whether they be dead or live.

## WHY IS THERE DISCONTENT AMONG FARMERS?

Below is a paragraph copied from press reports of K. D. Battle's speech in favor of Hoey for Governor:

"I am not uneasy about his (Hoey's) nomination, but I am uneasy about North Carolina. . . . I don't know why it is but the tobacco-raising area has been for a number of years a center of political discontent. . . . We need to save our own political souls more than we need to nominate Clyde Hoey."

Mr. Battle states that he does not know why it is so but that the tobacco-raising area has been for a number of years a center of political discontent. This question can be answered very readily. The discontentment among the farmers has not been political. The discontentment has been because tobacco has been taken from the farmers practically for nothing except the last three years, and if the farmers had not protested the same would be taking place today.

Everybody that has anything to do with the tobacco seems to make money out of it except the farmer. The very one who grows it and is entitled to more than anyone else yet receives the least.

If Mr. Battle had visited the warehouse in 1932, he would have seen mothers carrying nursing children; the baby nursing from an empty breast and when the tobacco sold, seen this good housewife, an aid to her husband in the field turn in tears because the tobacco had only brought enough to pay the warehouse charges and in many instances not enough.

We do need to save our souls from this economic slavery and many have already given their lives. We hope their souls are at rest.

The issue should be political; it is economic. If the farmer was more political, he would not stand and see the fruits of his labor, his wife and his children go without a just return.

The farmer must be more political than he has been in the past if he is to receive his rights.

Rocky Mount must help in giving the farmers a square deal. The city of Rocky Mount cannot survive without the farmers.

## DOG DIES OF BROKEN HEART

Ticonderoga, N. Y.—Lindy, a springer spaniel, is dead, apparently of a broken heart over the death of his master, Joseph F. Osler, Jr., 12, who died in a hospital a few weeks before. For several days after the boy's death, the dog waited hopefully by the roadside for his master to return from school in the school bus. Gradually, he seemed to sense the fact that the boy would never return. He sulked, refused food, howled dimly each time he heard the bus, and finally died.

## BOY SAVES BROTHER

Thrumond, Md.—Robert Hengst, 11, climbed a tree and, in groping for a handhold in the foliage, grasped a live wire. His older brother, Maynard, heard his cry and climbed the tree, struck him with his shoulder, breaking his grip on the wire. Robert lurched and was about to fall from the tree when the older boy caught him. Other than severe burns on the hands, Robert was unharmed.

## A THOUGHTFUL MAN

Winchester, Va.—When Lyle Harrell, 32-year-old business man, decided to commit suicide, he chose a very convenient place in which to do it. He went to an undertaking establishment and there fatally shot himself.

## PARAGRAPHS ON NATIONAL PROBLEMS AT WASHINGTON

### Hancock Favors Gov't Grading

Congressman Thinks Flannagan Act Will Prove Widely Beneficial To Warehousemen And Tobacco Producers—Present System Needs Improvements

Reviewing hastily the efforts of the New Deal—administration to benefit the farmer, Representative Frank W. Hancock, speaking before the Kiwanis Club Tuesday night, laid particular stress upon the Flannagan bill passed by congress for the protection of tobacco growers.

Under the present system of marketing tobacco, the farmer has absolutely no say-so after he has left his tobacco in the custody of the warehouseman, who becomes his agent, said Mr. Hancock.

The Flannagan measure does not become effective until two-thirds of the tobacco growers have voted affirmatively for it, said Mr. Hancock as he predicted it would be one of the most effective aids to the farmer devised in the past 25 years.

The measure is predicated entirely on the preservation and improvement of the present looseleaf auction system and there is nothing in the act which refers to any other system, the speaker, who worked for passage of the bill in the firm belief that it was something for the benefit of the tobacco growers, declared. It is designed to remedy, correct and eliminate the defects of the present system of marketing.

"Every pile of tobacco approximately the same grade sold on the same warehouse floor the same day ought to bring approximately the same price," said Mr. Hancock.

He said he seriously doubts the competition which buyers claim for each pile of tobacco offered for sale, saying he had never seen a buyer who put a bid on every pile offered for sale. He insisted that the act would in no way hurt the tobacco warehouseman nor put any one out of his employment, but added that it would hurt the pinhooker by running him out of business, and that it would hurt the warehouse parasite.

Suggesting that the speed of sales of tobacco at auction are too fast to permit accurate judgment on each pile of tobacco, although the companies obtain the services of experts, Mr. Hancock feels that a more leisurely inspection of each pile by agents of the government, and an announcement of the grade as the pile is offered for sale, will provide a needed improvement in the selling method, insuring fairer treatment for the grower.

Bailey O. Currin was the guest of Ben H. Averett and G. B. Summers presided in the absence of President D. S. Johnson and vice president R. L. Noblin.

### Rotarians Picnic At Lake Myra

Members Of Clubs From Raleigh, Clayton, Zebulon, And Wendell Enjoy Bob Melton's Barbecue At Lake Myra

One of the largest picnics of the season for this vicinity was the annual Rotary barbecue picnic at Lake Myra. This year the fledgling Wendell Rotary Club was included for the first time in the annual outing, the club having been organized within the past several months.

Two hundred and thirty-nine Rotarians and Rotary Anns gathered around the tables at the lake at six-thirty when Bob Melton, veteran feeder of large crowds, began dishing out the barbecue.

The affair was entirely informal, and no set program had been arranged, the time before the meal and after it being given over to fellowship, and to a season of getting acquainted.

### BOLT FIRES FURNACE

Lynchburg, N. J.—Lightning proved very obligating to Mrs. Fred Muhleisen recently. A bolt set fire to rubbish which filled her furnace, emptying it for her. However, it also hurled part of the chimney into a bedroom and knocked her about fifteen feet from where she had been standing.

### DEMOCRATIC CONFIDENCE HAS IT A REAL BASIS? THE AL SMITH BLAST THIRD PARTY A THREAT REPUBLICAN PLANS RANDON'S PROGRAM G. O. P. SEES FARM DRIFT THE CHAIN STORE BILL IMPORTANT READJUSTMENTS

By Hugo Sims, Special Washington Correspondent

Surveying the political situation after the Democratic Convention at Philadelphia, one finds the supporters of the Administration highly confident as to the outcome of the election next fall. The Republicans, with campaign activities increasing, are much more hopeful than before the Cleveland Convention and determined to put on a campaign which can and will win. The candidacy of Representative Lemke has been announced but the political effects of his entry into the presidential race are not yet clear.

Taking up the Democratic viewpoint first, one finds them cocky, relying upon registration statistics which point to the President's reelection and confident that the bulk of the Farm and Labor groups will continue to support the President. Asserting that the Cleveland platform all but endorsed the Roosevelt principles, the Democrats insist that the Party has a record of achievement to counter "mere promises" which are an "imitation."

The enthusiastic Democrats assert that the Republican record, including that of Governor Landon, is mixed up with the New Deal, that the Tipaldo case removed the constitutional issue, and that the Farm and Labor policies of the Administration are sure to win widespread support. In addition, the Democrats count heavily on the improved condition of the country economically since March, 1933, the popularity of President Roosevelt and his campaigning skill and the confidence of the masses that the President is with them. The strength of the Democratic organization, fed during the past four years by many appointments to the payroll, is also considered an asset.

The warning message sent to the Democratic Convention in an open telegram from Alfred E. Smith, Bainbridge Colby, James A. Reed, Joseph B. Ely and Daniel F. O'Connell, definitely presaging a bolt, did not affect the confident mood of the party leaders. Most of them insisted that the "walk-out" was expected and that the net result of the attack from the Democratic right—hostile to Roosevelt before Chicago—will weld party support and when coupled with the attacks of Representative Lemke and his left wing attack, will leave the President in the key position he likes to occupy—a little left of center."

The blunt threat of Smith, former Governor of New York; Colby, Secretary of State under Wilson; Reed, former Governor of Missouri; Ely, former Governor of Massachusetts, and O'Connell, former Justice of the New York Supreme Court, included a sharp and unequivocal condemnation of the New Deal, asserting that it was a campaign "to buy the Presidency" thru "misuse" of public funds, intended "to alleviate need and distress."

The Smith blast came as a culmination of a long and aggressive attack on the President and can hardly be attributed to his policies since his inauguration because the opposition began prior to Mr. Roosevelt's nomination in 1932. The feud between Smith and Roosevelt is well known. Colby is held to represent the Hearst position, and O'Connell was prevented from becoming United States Senator twenty-five years ago by Mr. Roosevelt. Mr. Reed sought the presidential nomination in 1932 and Mr. Ely fought Mr. Roosevelt before Chicago and has not been pleased with Democratic management in Massachusetts since that time.

More disturbing to the Democrats is the entry of Representative Lemke, of South Dakota, as the presidential candidate of a Third Party, with the backing of the Rev. Charles E. Coughlin of Detroit, the Rev. Gerald L. K. Smith, head of the "Share-the-Wealth" movement and the probable support of the Townsend organization. While the vote to be

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