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MILL TENANTS AIDED BY ALLSBROOK BILL

KERR SAYS P. O. BUILDING HERE STARTS IN SPRING

UP AND DOWN The Avenue WITH THE EDITOR

The following merchants represented the Roanoke Rapids Merchants Association at the sales tax hearing before the joint Revenue committee at Raleigh yesterday: G. N. Taylor, G. N. Ranhorn, A. N. Martin, President C. C. Shell, W. F. Joyner, J. W. Taylor, F. M. Coburn, H. S. Loy, J. J. Wade, J. I. Starke and Henry Moore.

More than 25 Associations from all sections of the State sent delegations to appear and show reasons why the sales tax should be defeated. W. F. Joyner was spokesman for the Roanoke Rapids delegation. Willard Dowell, secretary of the State Association, had charge of the hearing for the merchants, and brought out such strong points as the loss of hundred million dollars in sales driven to other States and a 63 per cent jump in money orders after the sales tax went into effect.

Legalization of liquor was sidestepped by Mr. Dowell on the grounds that he did not wish to confuse that issue with the sales tax issue. This question also popped up in the merchants meeting held before the hearing but did not get far. However, there was much sentiment among individual merchants to bring forward legalization as one of the main means of raising revenue.

Joe Kolva, Montana cowboy, was a visitor at Kiwanis Club tonight and told the members how he expected to ride wild horses and steers here Saturday afternoon when he appears in his rodeo at the ball park. Joe said he was not much of a talker as all a cowboy had to talk to on the range was a bunch of horses and steers. He was told to go right ahead.

Pallbearers at the Edward Smoot funeral Friday were Alvis George, Howard Pruden, Hugh Hockaday,

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The plans for the new Post-office Building in Roanoke Rapids are being completed, according to a letter received by the HERALD this week from Congressman John H. Kerr, and the contract will be let right away.

The building should be in the process of construction by the early Spring, says Judge Kerr, who this week investigated the status of the Postoffice building project for Roanoke Rapids and said the matter is progressing satisfactorily.

The building will be located on the corner of Roanoke Avenue and 7th Street. Preliminary surveys of the property are completed by the Postoffice Department and the plans are now nearing completion in the Washington office.

YELLOW SHADOW COMING

Young Mens Club To Stage Mystery Play Here February 22

The main cast of characters for the mystery drama, The Yellow Shadow, which will be staged here on the night of Feb. 22 by the Young Mens Civic Club, has been chosen from the cream of local talent.

Those chosen are Misses Helen House, Phala Vick, Ethel Parker, Esther Pridgen and Mrs. Louise Lampley, Messrs Roland Johnson, Stanley Garris, Edward Harrell, Byron Gurley, Rufus Vick.

The cast has started practicing every night.

CROWDER INJURED

Walter Crowder, former local merchant, was severely burned Monday morning at his home in Lawrenceville when a heater, with hot water coils in it, exploded in his face as he started to fix the fire early in the morning.

Mr. Crowder, burned about the face and hands, was rushed to a Petersburg hospital and was improved enough today to be brought here to the home of his father-in-law, M. D. Collier.

INCREASES NOTICE TO QUIT TENANCY



STATE SENATOR JULIAN R. ALLSBROOK who yesterday introduced a bill giving week to week tenants one week's notice in case of ejection proceedings instead of the two day's notice they have been given in the past. Last week he introduced a bill requiring proper notice and abolishing the tax collector's fee in garnishment proceedings for taxes. These measures are the first labor legislation ever introduced directly benefiting the textile workers of Roanoke Rapids. The young Senator from Halifax is now looked upon by the members of the present legislature as one of the most brilliant additions to the General Assembly in many years. He is a busy member of twelve important Senate committees and as one Senator said last week is "one man who studies every new bill dropped in the hopper". He will be one of the leaders in the Senate in the fight against the sales tax when the revenue bill comes before the Senate for action.

R. A. Shearin Dies

R. A. Shearin, 64 years old, died Monday at his home in Butterwood township after an illness of three years. He is survived by his wife and two children, Edward and Emily. Funeral services were held at the home by Rev. J. J. Boone with interment in the family cemetery. He was a member of Tabor Methodist Church.

J. H. Carroll, who was slugged in the Littleton depot last Saturday night, is a mechanic in the White Oak Mills at Greenboro. His folks there have been notified. He says he was on his way from Portsmouth to his home and got a ride as far as Littleton where he was waiting for the train when assaulted.

INCREASES TIME FOR EJECTION

Bill Introduced Yesterday Gives Tenants Week Notice

WAS TWO DAYS

For the past ten years, tenants in mill houses were only given forty eight hours to move in case of ejection proceedings. Yesterday, Senator Julian Allsbrook introduced Senate Bill 95 which increases the time to one week.

With the statement that forty eight hours is not enough time to make anybody move and is a real hardship imposed upon tenants, Mr. Allsbrook expects to see his bill passed without trouble. The bill was referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2 of the Senate of which the Halifax Senator is a member.

The new bill will amend chapter 196 of the 1925 laws on notice to quit tenancy which says that a tenancy from week to week may be terminated by notice to quit of two days. A tenancy from year to year requires a months notice, while tenancy of month to month requires one week's notice, the same length of time which will be required for the week to week tenancy under Mr. Allsbrook's amendment.

This bill fulfills another campaign pledge made by Senator Allsbrook during the primary to textile workers of Roanoke Rapids.

He had promised to introduce the above amendment and also abolish extra fees on tax garnishment proceedings. The latter bill was reported out favorably by the Senate committee and passed the Senate last Friday and was sent to the House where it was referred to committee. The House committee today reported the bill out favorably.

He has also introduced a bill which makes it illegal for the county chairman of nay political party to run for office in a primary unless he resigns the potent post of chairman prior to the selection of election officials for the primary. Comment from other legislators points to immediate passage of this State-wide measure which has the approval of the State Board of Elections.