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Oxford Minister Is Elected President Of Chowan College

IS WIDELY KNOWN AS TEACHER - SCHOLAR

NEW PRESIDENT OF CHOWAN COLLEGE



Dr. R. R. McCulloch, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Oxford, who was elected President of Chowan College, Murfreesboro, at a meeting of the board of trustees last Saturday to succeed the late Dr. W. B. Edwards.

The board of trustees of Chowan College at Murfreesboro on Saturday elected Dr. Roy R. McCulloch, pastor of the Oxford Baptist Church, president of the college to succeed the late Dr. W. B. Edwards.

Dr. McCulloch, for seven years pastor of the Oxford church, but prior to that time a teacher in high school and colleges, after having the matter under advisement for some time, announced Monday he would accept the college presidency. He will assume his new duties about February 15.

Dr. McCulloch has had broad experience in teaching and preaching. He is entering the service of the 88-year-old institution with enthusiasm and his background of training and experience and his particular interest in young people equip him admirably for his executive duties with the college.

Sketch of New President
Roy R. McCulloch is a native of Texas and was reared on a farm in the west central part of the State. He received his B. A. degree from Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, Texas, in 1919.

During his undergraduate days he earned many honors in college and fellow students elected him to number of responsible positions. He was president of the college Y. M. C. A., and won his letter in athletics as a football player. Through his college career, he maintained a high scholastic standing and was an honor graduate.

Served in World War
The college career of Dr. McCulloch was interrupted by service in the army during the World War. As a soldier, he advanced to the rank of second lieutenant. When he was graduated from college, he returned to his home-town, Coleman, Tex., and was elected principal of the high school. He also taught mathematics and bookkeeping and was athletic coach.

In 1920, following his ordination as a Baptist minister, Dr. McCulloch entered the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky. Three years later, he was awarded the degree of Master in Theology. He began his graduate work immediately in New Testament interpretation under the late Dr. A. T. Robertson. While pursuing his graduate studies, he preached each Sunday to the congregation of a rural church of which he was pastor and held a teaching fellowship to Dr. G. S. Dobbins in the Department of Church Administration and Christian Education. In Dr. Dobbins' absence from the seminary one year, Dr. McCulloch taught in course in Christian education, this work requiring thorough study in that field.

Awarded Doctor's Degree
These extra duties made it necessary to extend the period of his graduate studies and afforded opportunity for broader training. In 1927, he was awarded the degree of doctor in theology with scholastic distinction.

In September, 1924, Dr. McCulloch was married to Miss Lella Bradley, of Liberty, Missouri. She is a graduate of the Woman's Missionary Training School of Louisville, Ky. She is also an accomplished vocal soloist, having studied in Kansas City, Mo., and Louisville, Ky.

Following his graduation from the seminary, for two years Dr. McCulloch was pastor of the First Baptist Church of Ripley, Tenn., resigning his work there to accept a call to the Oxford church in February, 1929.

Distinction Earned

The distinction which Dr. McCulloch has won among his fellow ministers is one of scholarship in the field of New Testament interpretation. Though the Greek New Testament was not a part of his graduate work, he had the habit of studying it daily. He has continued these studies during the nine years of pastoral work. A studious pastor, he has come to be recognized by his fellow ministers and his congregation as an accurate interpreter of the New Testament. He is also at home in any study or discussion of the prophets of the Old Testament.

His style of teaching and preaching are in no wise technical, but vital and forceful.

Members of the board of trustees

Supreme Court Awards \$20,000 To County Folks

Verdicts published this week show the State Supreme Court upheld the Halifax Superior Court in the suit in which a \$20,000 verdict was returned against the Atlantic Coast Line railroad for a grade crossing accident at Enfield. Miss Edith Mozelle Woodward, severely injured in the accident, was given a verdict of \$15,000 and the estate of Mrs. Mary Virginia Woodward, who was killed, was awarded \$5,000. It was contended at the trial that the train which hit the car in which the two were riding was going too fast through the town.

Waddell Lowe, local boy, was severely injured in this wreck, which happened last spring.

At The Baptist Church Sunday

The pastor's subject for the morning hour will be: "The Jailor's Conversion." His subject for the evening hour will be: "The Wicked Man's Portion."

Our congregations for last Sunday morning and night were unusually good. The weather was bad, but the people came to both services, and their loyalty did the pastor's heart good. There were a large number of young people at the night hour of worship. The pastor rejoices when the young people are with us in our services. The new carpet will be down on the church floor for our services next Sunday. The carpet is beautiful, and we are sure that the carpet will help us in our worship. The church auditorium will be more attractive than ever now that the carpet is down.

Moody used to tell the story of a busy judge who, during a time, was approached by a soldier who presented a letter. The judge seemed disinclined to pay much attention to his visitor, as he was absorbed in an important case. Upon opening the letter, his whole attitude changed. It was from his own son. He read: "Dear Father: The bearer is a soldier discharged from the hospital, and he is going home to die; assist him in any way you can for Charlie's sake." All the tender emotions of the judge's soul were laid open. He said to a friend afterwards, "I took that soldier to my heart for Charlie's sake; I clothed him in Charlie's clothes; I let him sleep in Charlie's bed, and supplied him with every comfort for Charlie's sake." Moody added, "God will never turn away any needy one, for His dear Son's sake."

By the Pastor.

M. E. Services For Sunday

There will be an installation service for officers and teachers of the Sunday school at the morning hour. All officers and teachers are requested to sit in a body during the service. The pastor will preach on the subject, "Some Essential Qualifications of a Sunday School Worker." At the close of the sermon, the installation service will take place. All members of this group are urged to be present for this important service.

At the evening hour, there will be a sermon by the pastor on the subject, "Limiting God." Let all our people find their way to the place of worship on the Lord's Day.

The following slogans may be suggestive and helpful to us if taken seriously:
The secret of getting on is getting started.
Take life as you find it but don't leave it so.
To practice giving enhances living.

Plan for more than you can do— Then do it!
Bite off more than you can chew— Then chew it!
Hitch your wagon to a star. Keep your seat, And there you are!

—(Unidentified).

OYSTER SUPPER

The members of Royal White Hart Masonic Lodge No. 2, of Halifax enjoyed an oyster supper at Bud's Place last Wednesday night.

A number of visitors were present on this occasion.

ROANOKE RIVER RAMPAGES; TAKES TOLL LIFE, PROPERTY

The Roanoke River reached the peak of its latest high water mark today. It came within a few inches of forty-seven feet. This is the highest water since 1912 when it came up to the 50 foot mark.

The river is far out of its banks and doing much damage to cattle, crops and property. The known death toll, so far, is only one, Paul Massey of this place, but many have suffered by being driven from their homes and from the discomfort of the rising waters.

The Roanoke was not alone in its current flood for all other rivers and streams in East and Central North Carolina were rising and out of their banks. Lee A. Denson, meteorologist in charge of the Weather Bureau at Raleigh said the Roanoke had reached 16.4 feet at Clarksville, Va., late Wednesday. He expressed the opinion the high waters were doing "considerable damage." The heavy rains of Sunday sent all the streams up for their fourth

BENEFITS OF WIND, RAIN DO SOME DAMAGE IN THE COUNTY

In Line for Greater Benefits Than Under Old System

DETAILS PROPOSED LAWS NOT KNOWN

The tobacco farmer is in line for greater benefits under the proposed substitute for the AAA than he received under the old agency, according to reliable reports coming out of Washington. Details of the proposed farm legislation are not yet known, but one plan promises the tobacco farmer nearly three times as much in benefits as he received under the Agricultural Adjustment Act recently invalidated by the United States Supreme Court. The increased payments are in contemplation under the soil conservation program which the administration is expected to sponsor shortly, it was said.

Possibly the committee handling the tobacco section of the AAA substitute fully realize that attractive benefits will have to be offered to offset any increase in acreage now that the control feature is without biting teeth.

While all sums that may be mentioned at this stage of the program are tentative, it is quite possible that flue-cured tobacco farmers will receive as much as 7 cents a pound for keeping the conditions proposed to be incorporated in the soil conservation program.

That sum would be nearly three times the benefits received under the AAA, and those familiar with the situation think that the larger benefits would serve to offset the loss of the Kerr-Smith act, which furnished another form of deterrent in the nature of a penalty tax on excessive production.

It is not now proposed to have a separate program for tobacco or any other commodity, and the plan will require some form of new taxation in order to finance it, with processing taxes of one kind or another generally regarded as the most feasible means.

While there is no doubt but that many farmers will plant no more tobacco than allotted under their invalidated contracts, there is a report in the crop as a whole. Reports indicate that there will be an increase not only in this belt but also in other belts and states. Plans for a number of new barns are being considered generally, and most of them are not planned for replacements.

From down in Georgia comes a report that one farmer declares he will increase acreage from 700 last season to 2,000 acres this season. While the report was not official, its source was considered fairly reliable.

Farm leaders are appealing to the farmers to hold their plantings down to the old contract allotment level, and while many, probably even a majority, will do so, there are indications now that there will be an increase in the crop this year unless some system supplants the three A's.

When a man's religion is laid aside with his Sunday clothes, his week-day conduct is usually ragged.

Narrow Escape As Car Goes In Deep Ditch

Lester Medlin, local white boy, narrowly escaped death Saturday night when the Essex Coupe, which he was driving left the highway and turned over in the big ditch which marks the town limit at the southern end of Washington Ave.

According to Medlin he was coming into town from South Weldon down the highway when a car entered the highway at the corner of Peoples Filling Station and forced him into the ditch. The car did a nose dive, turned completely over and finally came to rest on its side.

Herbert Nowell was with Medlin. Neither boys were hurt seriously but Medlin received several severe bruises.

Applications Being Taken By Credit Association

Persons Seeking Loans Asked to Apply Early

The Weldon Production Credit Association, which serves the farmers and land owners of Northampton and Halifax counties is now accepting loans for 1936, and farmers are being urged to make their applications early, according to J. L. Juddins, secretary of the Association. Mr. Juddins pointed out that applicants do not have to get their money until they actually need it, and do not pay interest on it except during the period which they actually have it, hence it costs no more to make applications early than it does to delay.

The office here is open from 8:30 a. m. to 5:30 p. m. for the purpose of taking applications. Applications for loans are also being taken at the following places: Jackson, at the office of county agent E. P. Gullidge, Scotland Neck by Miss Kate Beyette; and in Enfield at the firm of P. O. Peteway & Sons by Mr. Barnhill.

During the year 1935 this Association made a total of 587 loans amounting to \$232,954.00.

VEACH ADVISES WEED GROWERS

Tobacco farmers who are planning to have a good crop of tobacco the coming year, should plan now to have a sufficient quantity of first grade plants to set the crop at the proper time. Whether a farmer has good plants or not will determine many times whether or not he will have a good crop of tobacco.

In the raising of good plants great care should be used in the selection of a suitable soil and location for the plant bed. A loamy, fertile soil which is friable with sufficient moisture, but with good drainage should be used for beds. It is advisable to select a new ground site each year for the beds, so that the loss from blue mold can be greatly reduced. Since 1932 blue mold has been the most destructive disease of tobacco plants.

There is abundant evidence from experimental work and observation that damage from blue mold can be substantially reduced by selecting a new site each year. This is based on the fact that in past years, blue mold has always made its first appearance on beds of old sites. The evidence indicates that the disease spreads from beds on old sites to those on new sites. This usually happens from one to four weeks after it has appeared on old sites. In most cases beds should be burned if possible. Burning will not only aid in the control of blue mold, but will also improve the texture of the soil and will materially aid in the control of weeds.

It is better to have several small beds widely separated on the farm rather than one large bed. The chances for some of the beds escaping blue mold infection are greatly increased by this practice. Locate the bed in warm, sunny place. Southern or Southwestern exposures are better than Western or Northern exposures.

Fertilize the beds so as to promote good growth of the plants. Two hundred pounds of an 8-4-3 (Continued on page 2)

Hundreds Farmers At Weldon Credit Assn. Annual Meeting Here

Miss Paris Smiles



PARIS Smiles, Madeline Balestre (above) flashes the smile which won for her the title of 'Miss Paris of 1936' in a nation-wide beauty contest. Miss Smiles is featured here.

TRIO KIDNAP MAN; NOW IN JAIL HALIFAX

Facing charges of kidnaping and assault, three men are in the Halifax jail awaiting trial next week in Superior Court.

The three men, George Smith and Dick Tutor of Roanoke Rapids and Jewell Gray of Warren County are held under \$3000 bond following charges of Frank Mitchell of Emporia, Va. He claims the men called him from a dance in Roanoke Rapids Saturday night, stuck a gun to his ribs, placed him in a car and "took him for a ride."

The men are said to have taken Mitchell across the river into Northampton County and beat him up. The accused men's story, according to police, is that Mitchell had stolen a gun from one of them and they were only trying to make him confess the theft. The accused men are said to have bad reputations.

Mitchell is the son of the chief of police of Emporia.

Short Session Court Tuesday

Only six cases were on docket at the regular meeting of Recorders Court Tuesday, January 21. Of these, two were charged with gambling, and one each of larceny, liquor, and assault with deadly weapon.

Henry Clanton and Horace Stith, charged with gambling, pleaded guilty as to each. Prayer for judgment continued on condition defendants do not violate any criminal statute for one year and pay 1-5 cents.

Frank Bradshaw, charged with gambling, pleaded not guilty but was found guilty. Prayer for judgment continued on condition defendant pays the costs and does not violate any criminal statute for one year.

Lillie Cheek, charged with assault with deadly weapon, pleaded guilty. She was sentenced to 4 months in jail to be worked at the jail or County Home.

R. B. Tutor and George Smith, charged with liquor, pleaded guilty as to Tutor, not guilty as to Smith. Both were found guilty. Smith was sentenced to 5 months in jail to be assigned to do work under the direction of S. H. & P. W. C., suspended on condition defendant pays costs and gives bond in the amount of \$200.00 for his appearance the first Tuesday of each month for 2 years and shows good behavior at each appearance. As to Tutor, 5 months in jail to be assigned to do work under the direction of S. H. & P. W. C.

James Burnett, charged with larceny, pleaded not guilty. He was found guilty and sentenced to 12 months in jail to be assigned to do work under the direction of S. H. & P. W. C.

There are two things on this earth that are always bad; too little and too much.

When you begin to tell the story of another's weakness, think twice upon your own blunders and mis-steps.

SUCCESSFUL YEAR IS SHOWN BY REPORT

The annual stockholders' meeting of the Weldon Production Credit Association was held in the high school auditorium here last Wednesday with an estimated crowd of five hundred farmers and visitors present. Plans had been made for the attendance of a thousand or more farmers of Halifax and Northampton counties but the inclemency of the weather hindered the attendance of many.

The major portion of the day's program was devoted to business of the association with officers and other members giving financial data on the stability and progress of this association, which serves the farmers and landowners of the two counties.

W. A. Thorne, president of the association, called the meeting to order and shortly after 11 o'clock and after ascertaining that a quorum of the stockholders was present, the business session got underway. A report on the activities of the association during 1935 was read and this report showed that during the past 12 months the association had made 579 loans for an aggregate total of \$232,954 as compared to 672 loans made in 1934 for an aggregate total of \$211,490. In 1935 760 applications were received by the association, while in 1934 a total of 672 were received.

At the close of 1935 the association had a total membership of 709 as compared to 617 members at the close of 1934. It was pointed out by officers of the association that at the present time approximately 8 percent of the capital stock of the association is owned by members, while in 1934 less than 7 percent of the stock was owned by them.

Figures presented at this meeting showed clearly that the association was showing a fair profit above its operating expenses.

Among those who spoke during the meeting were Mrs. E. H. Leggett, of Scotland Neck; John B. Mann, field representative of the Production Credit Association of Columbia, S. C.; W. E. Smith, Harold C. Baker of the Farm Credit Administration, Columbia, S. C.; C. R. Arnold, deputy commissioner of the Farm Credit Administration of Washington, D. C.; E. P. Gullidge, county agent of Northampton county and W. O. Davis, county agent of Halifax County. All of these persons explained various phases of the work the Credit Association is doing and urged farmers to join with the association in carrying on its work.

A nominating committee was appointed by Chairman Thorne to nominate two members for election to the board of directors for a term of three years. This committee brought back the names of Wiley J. Long of Northampton, and W. A. Thorne of Roanoke Rapids, both of whom were elected by motion from the floor.

Following the meeting the merchants and business people of Weldon were hosts at an oyster roast held at the Coca-Cola bottling works, to which all attending were invited.

George W. Massey Died Thursday

George William Massey, 60, well known farmer in Halifax and Northampton counties, died Thursday at his home near Camp's store following an illness of several days. Funeral services were held Friday at Spring church with Rev. G. L. Curry, officiating.

Mr. Massey was born and reared in this community. He was a member of the Odd Fellows lodge and was secretary of the Roanoke National Farm Loan Association.

The deceased is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mollie Massey; six children, Clifton Massey and Carey Massey, Roanoke Rapids; Calvin and Clayton Massey, of Emporia, Va.; Misses Inez and Ellie Maud Massey, at home, and three sisters, Mrs. Ollie Thompson and Mrs. Mary Lucy Crew, of Roanoke Rapids, and Mrs. Ollie Wimberly, of Emporia.

A sense of humor is the best shock absorber on the wagon of life. Watch out for the people who are always watching other folks.