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#### MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR COL. WILLIAM T. DORTCH

Wayne County Bar's Resolutions in Memory of Lamented Lawyer, Official and Citizen.

With a full attendance of the Wayne county bar, a large number of citizens and members of the family of Col. W. T. Dortch present in the Goldsboro court house, Judge W. S. O'B. Robinson in behalf of the bar read the following resolutions in memory of Colonel Dortch, at the recent term of superior court, Judge F. A. Daniels presiding:

Mr. Chairman: The formal, sad announcement has been made to this court of the recent death of a beloved member of this bar, the late Col. Wm. T. Dortch, which occurred October 18, 1918, and this day and hour was then designated by your honor for a suspension of routine activities of the court—a turning aside for the time from the fever and strife of forensic controversy and debate, to give pause for reflection on the certainty of death and pay loving tribute to the memory of our lamented departed confere, in whose passing we are again brought face to face with the abiding truth of the pathetic utterance of Holy Writ: "Man that is born of woman is of few days, and full of trouble. He cometh forth like a flower and is cut down; he fleeth also as a shadow, and continueth not" so that in his going away he has but fulfilled the destiny that awaits us all—that pallid death, which with impartial hand knocks at all doors, summoning alike the children of men to their "long home" while "the mourners go about the streets."

William T. Dortch was born April 9, 1862, when war's rude alarms were holding the hearts of our people in suspenseful anxiety, his parents being the late Hon. W. T. Dortch, also of this bar, and Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Pittman Dortch, and from both he inherited a happy blending of those attributes of character that made him the courtly gentleman that he was. His mother passed away while he was yet of tender years, and his early training was directed by Mrs. Julia Brown Williams, who came to be governess in the family after the death of his mother and

who carefully taught him to spell, read and write, before he began to attend any schools in the town. In due course of time he went to the noted Bingham Military school afterwards to the University of North Carolina, and then to the University of Virginia. Graduating in law and subsequently securing his license before the state supreme court, he came home and entered his professional career as the junior partner of his late father, and continuously remained at this bar till his death, holding a large practice, the confidence and esteem of his professional associates and clients alike, the unswerving fealty of a veritable army of personal friends who were most happy to promote his welfare, and were rejoicing in the anticipation of seeing him representing this district in congress, when "the fell sergent of the glass and scythe," who is strict in his arrests, garnered him hence into that "silent land" across whose borine no traveler returns.

Soon after taking up the practice of his profession Col. Dortch was happily married to Miss Elizabeth Lewis, daughter of the late General Wm. Gaston Lewis, C. S. A., and to their union eight children, four sons and four daughters, were born: Wm. T. Dortch, Jr., Miss Elsie Dortch, now Mrs. Ralph Falson, whose husband, Capt. Falson, is with the colors in France—and among the first to go, Lieut. Gaston Dortch, with the colors in immortality, Miss Mary Dortch, Sergeant Hugh Dortch, with the colors in France, Miss Anna Dortch, Master Redmond and little Helen; and it was in his home that Colonel Dortch, "like a garden shut in," as the Psalmist says, revealed those beautiful attributes of soul and heart that converging and blending with the rare grace and refinement and holier qualities of the devoted wife who adorned his life, made his home ideal.

Into this home death had entered but once before he was taken, and that was the going away, years ago, of his son and namesake, his first born, who died in a hospital in Richmond from heart failure. So devoted was Colonel Dortch to his family, and so companionable was he especially with his sons, that when his first born was taken his anguish was intense and his sorrow and sense of loneliness were enduring, and when his two fine young stalwart sons went away with the colors in France he yielded them with

patriotic resignation and pride in their valorous spirit, and went with them in soul; and in the pathetic coincidence of the simultaneous death of himself and son, Lieut. Gaston Dortch, though thousands of miles of physical space lay between them, there is spiritual, and comforting testimony to our faith in the communion of saints—that we commune with our loved ones in God, who is everywhere, and that neither length nor breadth nor height nor depth can separate us from His loving care.

With this preamble your committee, your honor, submit the following resolutions: Resolved, that in the death of Col. W. T. Dortch this bar has lost a member who was ever courteous, considerate and fair in all his professional affiliations, able, aggressive and fearless as an advocate, yet without cherished rancor when debate was over, cordial and companionable, and in whose going away every member of this bar experiences a sense of personal loss and realizes a tinge of abiding sorrow.

Resolved, that this preamble and resolutions be spread upon the minutes of this court; that a copy hereof be sent to the family of the deceased, as an expression of our appreciation of his character and worth, and of sympathy for them in their bereavement, and that a copy be furnished the city papers for publication.

Respectfully submitted,  
W. S. O'B. ROBINSON,  
J. LANGHORN BARHAM,  
W. F. TAYLOR,  
D. H. BLAND,  
W. A. DEES, Committee.

Immediately following the reading of the above Judge Robinson, Col. A. C. Davis, Hon. D. H. Bland, Col. Jos. E. Robinson, W. F. Taylor, H. B. Parker, Jno. R. Hood, and W. A. Dees, paid personal tributes to the deceased, after which the resolutions were adopted. In ordering them spread upon the court minutes Judge Daniels paid his own personal eloquent tribute to the deceased.—Argus.

#### DEMAND WAR DEPT. GIVE 8 FEET TO FAYETTEVILLE

Senator Simmons Will See Department Today to Get Action and Quick at That.

By S. H. WINTERS.  
Washington, Dec. 14.—Senator Simmons is to confer with Maj. Gen. W. M. Black of the war department and demand that the mandate of congress to give an eight-foot channel on the Cape Fear river between Fayetteville and Wilmington be obeyed.

The office of Senator Simmons states that the war department has been dilatory long enough, and that action will be demanded. The least demand made will be that the shoals be removed so that boats can proceed uninterrupted between Fayetteville and Wilmington. Senator Simmons has already in engagement with the war department demanding that the same wage scale in operation at other cantonments throughout the country be put into force at Camp Bragg, Fayetteville. Complaints of discrimination have been filed with the office of the senior senator.

#### WALLACE TOBACCO MARKET.

Size of Crop Surprises All the Tobacco Men—\$2,000 for Red Cross. (Special Star Correspondence.)

Wallace, Dec. 14.—The tobacco season which closed here this week was a record-breaking affair. Everybody knew the crop was large but the quantities that poured in surprised even the best informed. The warehousemen and others were never so busy as to forget the Red Cross and nearly \$2,000 was contributed by them and the farmers.

Wallace boys honorably discharged from service include Lieuts. Edgar and Richard Southerland, William Carr, Edwin Wells, Wiley Knowles and Carr Southerland. Private "Ted" Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Smith, of Camp Hancock, is improving after an attack of measles.

#### LILY FAMILY HAS "BLACK SHEEP"—STAGGER GRASS POISON STOCK

The lily—symbol of all that is good and pure—has one member of its family that is poisonous—the "black sheep" of the family. To scientists this weed is known as Chroserma muscaetoxicum. To stockmen it is known by a number of names, including stagger grass, fly poison, crow poison, and fall poison. It is found in sandy woodland pastures from Long Island to Florida, and is known as far west as Arkansas. In experiments conducted by the United States department of agriculture, reported in Bulletin 710, just published, it was found that this plant is very poisonous to sheep and cattle. Reports from North Carolina state that horses and mules, but not swine, are also poisoned. Not much can be done in the way of medical remedies, says the bulletin, but doubling the purgative would aid in eliminating the toxic substances from an animal which has eaten some of the weeds. The bulletin warns stock growers to inspect their grazing land and eradicate this weed by grubbing whenever possible.

#### JUDGE EMORY SPEER DIES AT MACON, GA.

Succumbs To Operation For Gall Stones—Confederate Veteran and U. S. Judge Since 1885.

Macon, Ga., Dec. 14.—Judge Emory Speer, of the United States district court for the southern district of Georgia, died in a hospital here at 9 o'clock last night.

Judge Speer underwent an operation last Wednesday for gall stones which the surgeons announced as "serious." He had been ill for three weeks and his physicians had made preparations to take him to a Baltimore hospital for the operation. His condition became so critical, however, and early this week it was decided to perform the operation at a local institution. A rally after the operation was followed by a sinking spell and the condition of the jurist had grown increasingly alarming until the end came.

Judge Speer was born at Calloden, Ga., Sept. 3, 1842. Despite his age, however, he had been extremely active during the last few months.

Judge Speer was conscious to the last and recognized those about him. He is survived by his widow, one sister and five daughters. Judge Speer will be buried in Macon.

Enlisting in 1864, Judge Speer served until the end of the Civil War as a private in the Fifth Kentucky (Orphan Brigade). After the war he entered the University of Georgia and was graduated from that institution in 1869.

Judge Speer served four years as a solicitor general in Georgia (1873-76) and he had served two terms in congress. He was elected to the 46th congress on the democratic ticket but disagreed with that party's policies and ran for the 4th congress as an independent and won. Later he joined the republican party and was United States attorney for one term, after which he was appointed in 1885 as United States district judge for the southern district of Georgia. This position he had occupied continuously until his death tonight.

Judge Speer was widely known as an orator and writer on legal subjects and had served as dean of the law department of Mercer university since 1912. He had served in many famous cases during his time as United States judge, notable among these being the Greene and Gaynor case at Savannah in 1906.

#### ALL RESTRICTIONS ON RAW COTTON REMOVED

Distribution Committee Is Dissolved—Two Ships Assigned To Cotton-Carrying Trade.

Washington, Dec. 14.—All government regulation affecting raw cotton ended today with the dissolution of the cotton distribution committee of the war industries board.

While there was no announcement either by Chairman Charles J. Brand of the committee, or by Chairman Baruch of the war industries board, as to the considerations which led to the decision to abolish the committee, it was understood that officials no longer regarded it as necessary to control distribution now that the world markets have been re-opened with the ending of the war.

The committee appointed by President Wilson to investigate the general cotton situation was created several weeks ago after it had reported to the president that there was no necessity for fixing a price for the various grades of raw cotton.

Another action by the government today affecting cotton was the allocation by the shipping board of two ships of 21,200 tons for the carrying trade. The Kilkie, of 9,400 tons, was ordered to Galveston to load cotton for England and the Challenger, 11,800 tons, was sent to New Orleans to load also for English ports.

In making this announcement today, Bainbridge Colby of the shipping board said that great quantities of cotton are awaiting transportation and that he is "very hopeful of being able to follow up these allocations shortly with additional tonnage" as it is released from war requirements.

#### MORE THAN 137,500 ACRES OF WHEAT RECOVERED FROM HUNS

New York, Dec. 14.—More than 137,500 acres of wheat were recovered from German occupied territory in France by the British and French armies in the great offensive that ended the war, says the New York Federal Food Board. This is believed by the food officials to have materially contributed to the food crisis which helped to bring Germany to her knees. This wheat was harvested chiefly by the French. The work of nearly 17,000 men was required in the harvesting. The binding machines and threshing machines were supplied by the French office of Agricultural Reconstruction and when the harvesting was completed the machines were sold at reduced prices to farmers or groups of farmers who had been victims of the war.

#### EXPORT RESTRICTIONS OFF AFTER DECEMBER 16

Will be Virtually no Limit on Commodities to Allied Nations—Germany Still Under Ban.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Almost unlimited export of commodities to the United Kingdom, France, Italy and Japan and their colonies was announced today by the war trade board, effective December 16. At the same time the board said that a liberal policy would be adopted toward European countries generally for materials of all sorts except certain foodstuffs, but that there would be no relaxation of

the blockade against Germany during the armistice period.

The ruling affecting the allied countries and their colonies was described by the board as the most sweeping in its history and includes everything except those commodities on the conservation list. This list, originally covering most articles, already has been considerably reduced since hostilities ceased and will be further reduced within a few days.

Regarding countries other than the allies, the board forecasted the beginning of shipments to Norway, Sweden, Holland, Switzerland and Spain and also to South and Central America, the West Indies and the Far East within a short time. The board predicted ample tonnage for these trade routes within a short time.

The removal of restrictions affecting the neutrals, it was added, is made possible because the United States and the

allies have now an "abundance of manufacturing facilities and manufactured articles." America has also

which the country is now ready to release freely to neutrals. There will be no relaxation regarding enemy trade and no shipments of firms on the enemy trading list will be permitted.

#### MONROE H. ROSENFELD, THE SONG WRITER, IS DEAD

New York, Dec. 14.—Monroe H. Rosenfeld, who wrote "T'm the man who broke the bank at Monte Carlo" and other songs, which were played and whistled all over the country a score or more years ago, died of acute indigestion today at his home here. He was born in Richmond, Va., 14 years ago. He leaves a widow and daughter.



### For the Men and Boys

YOU MIGHT go a long way in your Christmas shopping and not do half so well as by coming at once to this big men's store of Wilmington and selecting just what you want for "Him." He will be pleased and so will you, for we try to make everything mutually satisfactory here for all concerned.

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- Smoking Jackets
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