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7-9-'10.

Senator Lee S. Overman Commended.

Washington Cor. to Baltimore Sun.

The lobby investigation by the United States Senate is even now certain to establish Lee S. Overman, junior Senator from North Carolina, in a position of power in that body.

It is Overman who heads the lobby probers. He is the backbone of the whole investigation. He made the fights on the floor for more time and more money to press the inquiry to the bottom, regardless of how many fathoms deep that bottom is. He determines the course and fixes the policy of the committee.

When the Mullhall letters came out and it was apparent that some Senators and Representatives might become seriously involved, Overman, instead of soft-pedaling his investigation announced that it should go on, regardless of whom it hit or how many of his personal friends were hit.

This investigation has started tamely. Each member of the Senate was called and politely asked what he knew of the President's charges that a lobby was at work in Washington. It looked for a time that the committee's report could be made in a week and the fact vouched for that no Senator or Congressman had been improperly influenced by lobbyists.

As the probes went on, however, clues of lobbying began to develop. A faint thread of suspicious work was discovered here and a trace of it was pursued there. Then the committee suddenly opened up a wilderness of jobbing. The exposures were so far reaching and startling that the committee itself was at first too bewildered to do more than assure the country that all the facts should be known.

Every fresh development is further vindicating Senator Overman's assurance that no whitewash would be applied by his committee.

Mr. Overman has been a Senator for ten years. Until last March he was a member of the minority, but he was preparing to take his place in the leadership of his party in the Senate.

The Carolina Senator's most important move, after the Democrats reorganized the Senate was to make a demand upon that body that the civil service of the United States be investigated. He made a strong speech on the Senate floor about a month ago, in which he showed by a republican testimony that the Civil Service laws had been applied for years to strengthen the Republican party in governmental machinery.

He showed that under the Republican administration every department had been crowded with officeholders, and produced the report of President Taft's Economy and Efficiency Commission to bear him out.

Down in North Carolina the people like to remark that years ago Lee Overman was Senator "Zeb" Vance's private secretary.

As chairman of the Senate Committee on Rules, as ranking member of the Committee on Judiciary and a member of the powerful Appropriation and Claims Committees, Senator Overman is in a position to render fine service to his State and to his party.

Sometimes the symptoms of kidney and bladder trouble are so plain no one can mistake them. Backache, weak and lame back with soreness over the kidneys, sharp pains, rheumatism, dull headache, and disturbed sleep, are all indications of a trouble that Foley Kidney Pills will relieve quickly and permanently. Try them. For sale by all dealers.

SOME EARLY NORTH CAROLINA HISTORY.

The Twelfth of a Series of Historical Articles Written by Attorney L. D. Lowe of Banner Elk, For The Democrat.

During the period of the early settlement of the mountain region of North Carolina, it was customary for the people of the same name and blood to settle in groups along the streams and mountain slopes in the same neighborhoods. If a settler should be the proud father of half a dozen boys and as many girls, he considered it his duty to procure a grant from the State or purchase a tract of land for each member of his family, and have his children located on little farms around him; and this was practiced to such an extent that we often find long stretches of country with more than half the inhabitants bearing the same family name, and, perhaps, just across the ridge only a mile or two away we find another family group of an entirely different name, and over in the next valley we find another family group; so we find such conditions almost throughout the country, and after generations great numbers become more or less related by blood or marriage, but being isolated they lacked the infusion of new blood which has a tendency to impart a diversity of thought, and quicken the energy and spirit. For generations they have been too much inclined to follow the footsteps of their fathers. In many places they have stripped the forests of the finest and most valuable timber trees which contained a mine of wealth. They thought it only necessary to clear lands, sow and reap, engage in stock raising and do as their fathers before them had done, being forgetful of the fact that the abundance of pure water, fresh air and salubrious climate are among the chief assets of this range of mountains.

Instead of building good roads and furnishing fine drives through our mountains, we have neglected to develop our resources and show the outside world that we are living in the "Switzerland of America." It is said of those who live among the mountains, they have lofty ideals and high aspirations, but we must frankly admit that in failing to develop our country and to take advantage of the opportunity the God of the universe has given us, we have suffered by permitting this favored region to remain in a state of seclusion and isolation. But since the completion of the Carolina, Clinchfield & Ohio Railroad across the Blue Ridge, it has been demonstrated that the great dividing ridge is no longer an insurmountable obstacle to the progress of civilization, and it is only a matter of time until other lines of railway will be constructed across the mountain, thus connecting the south and east with the west and uniting together as one common people.

Until within the past few years that portion of North Carolina lying west of the Blue Ridge might as well have belonged to the State of Tennessee, and especially has this been so from a commercial standpoint, for the reason that railroad points on the west have been more accessible than those on the east side of the ridge. Hundreds of carloads of the choicest cattle and sheep being shipped annually over the Tennessee and Virginia road, while they might have been shipped south if they had had railroad facilities, and these conditions will continue to exist until we have an outlet to the southern markets.

But even the building of rail-

STATE AND GENERAL NEWS.

Nearly 10,000 automobiles are owned and run by North Carolinians.

A barn on the N. Glenn Williams place in Yadkin county; filled with alfalfa hay, was recently burned by lightning.

The Wilkes Patriot says that W. H. Barnett, of the Brushy Mountains, cut a bee tree on A. M. Vannoy's lands that netted him 80 pounds of sour wood honey.

Rev. L. T. Hendren, a Methodist minister whose home was in Asheboro, died suddenly in Spencer on the 3rd. He was 60 years old and leaves a family.

The Episcopalians are also to have a colony at Black Mountain. Mrs. James Weatherly has donated two hundred acres of land near that town to that denomination.

A Washington correspondent of the Charlotte News says that through the efforts of Congressman Doughton and Senator Overman, W. V. Davis, of Taylorsville, has a job on the Senate police force at the capitol.

President Wilson declines leaving Washington while Congress is in session. His family is at their summer home in New Hampshire and he is at the White House.

The Buffalo Bill Wild West and Pawnee Bill's Far East Show has been forced into bankruptcy by its creditors, and C. C. Cook has been appointed receiver. The show is at Denver, Colorado.

I. J. Harris, proprietor of a drug store in Concord and convicted of aiding and abetting the illegal sale of liquor, got off by agreeing to surrender his drug store liquor license and cut out the booze department.

Col. J. G. Hall died on the 1st inst. at his home in Lenoir. He had been in declining health for some time, but injuries received from a fall a few days before hastened his death. Col. Hall was a veteran of the Civil war, having enlisted at the tender age of 15 years. He was truly a gentleman of the Old School, and one of the most influential citizens.

Roads will not bring about the desired results unless we augment these conveniences by building good roads throughout this section. We treat railroads as a public necessity, while good public roads are not only a public necessity but they are a private convenience; and it can make no difference how many railroads we have until we have fine drive-ways through this section for automobiles and other vehicles, we can never realize what a grand and glorious country we have.

Occasionally we read an article from the pen of some poor mortal who attempts to describe the poverty and ignorance of these mountain people, but we have to scan over only a few lines to observe that the writer is guilty of gross misrepresentation of the facts, basely ignorant, or he or she has made a very poor selection of his or her associates.

No one will doubt that we occasionally find here, as well as elsewhere, a person of low and degrading type, as almost all rules have their exceptions, but one who dwells here or pays an occasional visit to the mountains of North Carolina must be impressed with the fact that instead of being poverty-stricken and ignorant these people are exceedingly hospitable and kind, intelligent, prosperous, of the pure Anglo-Saxon type and a better people God Almighty never created. (To be continued.)

FOLEY'S URINO LAXATIVE
FOR STOMACH TROUBLE AND CONSTIPATION

Rev. Jacob G. Hagaman.

Rev. Jacob G. Hagaman who departed this life July 22, 1913, at the age of 63, was a man far removed from the ordinary in many respects. At the age of about 27, he became afflicted with a most malignant type of rheumatism. His sufferings were the most intense that I have ever witnessed. For 36 years he has walked, when able to walk at all, by the aid of crutches and has been a constant sufferer.

As a citizen, he was one of the most progressive and public spirited with which any community has ever been favored. No public enterprise, looking to the advancement of the social, educational or religious betterment of his community or country failed to receive his hearty cooperation and support. Being shut in for so many years he became a constant reader of books and papers, especially, those of a religious character. The Bible, he read, studied and knew as but few men know it. He kept in close touch with every phase of his denominational life; and every important religious movement of the world through the religious press. In his last few years he read more than a hundred good books, besides keeping up his reading of a number of the best news and religious papers.

He loved and labored for his home church with a devotion that puts to shame the man of health and better opportunity. He was constantly urging his neighbors and their children to provide themselves with plenty of good reading matter. In order to the better mental and spiritual development of his church, he established a church library at Forest Grove, his home church; furnishing more than half the money and has left a bequest of from \$50.00 to \$75. to supplement the same.

He was the most incessant Sunday School worker that I have ever seen. Many years ago, when the Sunday School became lifeless in the late autumn he would furnish literature at his own expense and by his earnest effort kept it going through the winter, although, he was unable to attend much of the time. For many years he was unable to attend church meetings, notwithstanding the church was but a few hundred yards away; but when the hour of preaching arrived he spent the hour in reading, praying and worship in his room. He told me that these were some of the most precious seasons of his life.

I measure my words when I say that he was the most intense Missionary of any man in the Three Fork Association. About two years ago he asked those of his church who visited him in his room to sign an agreement to lay by something each Sunday morning for the spread of the gospel unto the uttermost parts of the earth. About 25 signed the agreement, and so far as I know, they are all keeping the agreement. He always sent his contribution for missions to the church every meeting. He gave a tenth of his income to the Lord's cause and often supplemented it with a "thank offering."

He was a man of very limited means and no way of making much money, yet his offerings, how liberal! It may be truly said of him, he was a man of prayer—he prayed nothing doubting. His faith was firmly anchored, always cheerful; he saw the bright side of life. He saw all things working for his good.

In his last sickness he seemed to have entered the "Holy of Holies." At his request, I went to see him about midnight, two weeks before he died. He was suffering intensely. I did not think

he could live until morning. He wanted to talk, not about his sufferings, but about the sufferings of Christ and the glory that is to follow. He said to tell every body that he had never doubted the power of the Christian religion, but that now he understood its depth and fullness as never before. How awful, he said, it will be for man to miss heaven when Christ is so near and thousands and thousands of the human race dying everywhere without any knowledge of heaven, and so many pastors and churches of this Association asleep to this, the greatest human privilege of taking a part in carrying this message of life, and paying no attention to the plain commands of Christ.

During his last days and hours he often asked his friends to sing for him. He said it was so glorious. He seemed to be floating from these shores on a sea of love.

He spent his last hours, when he had grown so weak that we could scarcely catch his words, urging us to do our very best for the church of Christ, and especially to do all in our power to help save our churches to the cause of missions, without which no church can prosper long.

What a glorious life! What a triumphant death! How it stirs our hearts! How sweetly he rests.

SMITH HAGAMAN,

A PUBLIC DISCUSSION.

There will be, on Tuesday night at the meeting of the Three Forks Association, at Cove Creek church, a discussion of the following subject:

"The preparation and work of a pastor from the view point of a layman," by I. G. Greer and W. S. Farthing, followed by short talks by preachers and laymen.

This is subject to the approval of the Association.

SMITH HAGAMAN,

W. J. HAGAMAN,

Committee on Order of Business.

Flying Men Fall

victims to stomach, kidney and liver troubles just like the other people, with like results in loss of appetite, backache, nervousness, headache and tired, listless, run-down feeling. But there is no need to feel like that as T. D. Peebles, Henry, Tenn., proved. "Six Bottles of Electric Bitters," he writes, "did more to give me new strength and good appetite than all other stomach remedies I used. 'So they help everybody. It's folly to suffer when this great remedy will help you from the first dose. Try it. Only 50c. at all druggists."

Die when I may, I want it said of me by those who knew me best that I always plucked a thistle and planted a flower when I thought a flower would grow.—Lincoln.

Indian Killed On Track.

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The queenly woman is the one who can rule her home with a smile instead of a scowl, though, of course much depends upon the nature of her subjects.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA