

OUR DISTINGUISHED GUEST.

The town, as well as the Deaf School, was honored yesterday in having with us the State's Chief Executive, Governor Locke Craig. His address was listened to with rapt attention by a large and appreciative audience. Governor Craig is an orator of no small ability; he did himself proud yesterday. His entire address is worthy of reproduction verbatim, and we regret that we can only give an outline of it to our readers.

Level-headed and conservative yet a progressive and energetic leader he has made one of the best governors North Carolina has ever had. His activities in the promotion of enthusiasm for good roads in North Carolina will make his name live through the generations to come.

Those interested in political matters will no doubt read with interest the forecast of Saturday's primary as made in a letter to the Editor of The News-Herald in this issue from Mr. James H. Holloway. Mr. Holloway travels constantly from one end of the State to the other. His intimate friendship with many of the leaders in the State politics and his keen insight into "inside" matters has put him in a position where he has often prophesied with great accuracy the outcome of some of the State's most interesting political fights.

The Flood-Tide of the Soul.

Joseph E. Wing.
With every soul there are days when the flood of life runs high. There are days when one has high courage; when he feels strength to do any task; when his day dreams lead him to look afar, and his vision is keen enough to reach to the highest peaks. Trust those days. They are the right ones on which to set out to seek fortune. Get clear in your mind on such a day the whole vision; see then the way to accomplishment of your desires; set out resolutely and at once on the way. That high flood-tide in your life can not last. Next day, as you go about your work, the way may seem long and hard; you may half repent that you have set yourself to travel it, yet be sure that the vision that came to you when your courage ran high and your sight was keen was the truest one—the one best worth pursuing.

The vision is the thing. We do not go beyond it, maybe do not reach it, yet it is worth the struggle. You have all sorts of schemes for your life, your farm and your children; the noblest of them are possible and best worth while. One soul takes counsel of its fears; it gets not far; another takes departure on the life journey on the day when the flood-time of life runs high; and it achieves.

ITEMS FROM WORRY.

Correspondence of The News-Herald.
Mr. Huffman, of Hickory, was in our section one day last week selling cream separators and establishing a cream route.

Miss Katharine Bost, who was a student at Mary McDonald College, Red Springs, the past session, came home Friday to spend the vacation.

Mr. Wallace Estes and family have moved out to their farm on Johns river to spend the summer.

Misses Virgie, Grace and Mr. Walter Hood, of Chesterfield, spent Saturday night and Sunday at the home of Mr. G. S. Ramsaur.

Miss Kate Ramsaur gave a birthday party last Saturday evening.

Services were held at Arney's chapel last Friday night by Rev. E. B. Troy.

May 31, 1916.

This J. C. Kennett is For Bickett

Editor of Greensboro Daily News:

In your issue of Sunday there appeared a long list of names endorsing Governor Daughtride. The name of "J. C. Kennett" appeared on this list. Some people who had understood that I was for Bickett have asked if I signed this paper. I wish to say that it was signed by Mr. Joseph C. Kennett, of Julian, which he had a perfect right to do while I, John C. Kennett, of Pleasant Garden, am originally for Mr. Bickett, and together with my two sons will vote for him next Saturday.

JOHN C. KENNETT.
Pleasant Garden, May 29, 1916.

MR SPAINHOUR MAKES STATEMENT ON EXTENSION

Shall the corporate limits of the town of Morganton be extended? Shall Morganton be changed from a town of irregular shape to a round town, and enlarged? This seems to be the paramount issue in this campaign. In fact, it is almost made, the test of ones democracy.

In as much as I was a member of the Legislature when the boundary line was changed so as to exclude the site of the New Alpine Cotton Mill, I feel that it may not be out of place for me to make a statement. In the first place let me say that the Lord made the foundation on which Morganton was built, and for some reason did not choose to make it round. Morganton is situated on a high ridge with Catawba river on one side and Hunting creek on the other. If you subscribe a circle from the court house large enough to take in the town as it has extended on this ridge, you will take in farm lands both on the river and the creek, and lands which can never be used for any other purpose than farming, as they are overflowed by every large freshet. This being true it has been thought unwise as well as unjust to try to make the town round. In fact there are very few round towns in the State.

In 1901 the Alpine Cotton Mill people, who then had a small mill within the corporate limits of the town, and on which they were paying taxes, and which received none of the conveniences of the town, proposed to the board of town commissioners, composed at the time of the following well known gentlemen, B. F. Davis, T. G. Cobb, I. P. Jeter, W. E. Walton and R. T. Claywell, that if the board would have the corporate limits so changed as to exclude a farm of some 25 or 30 acres of land, lying on Hunting creek, and known as the John Campbell place from the town, so that they would not be required to pay town taxes, then they would buy said farm and build on it another and much larger mill. After discussing this proposition and advertising it in The News-Herald, there being no opposition to it, the order was unanimously made by the board and a bill was prepared by their attorney, Mr. S. J. Ervin, providing for a change in the corporate limits so as to exclude said farm, which bill was sent to me and introduced and passed. The cotton mill purchased the farm and erected the mill, which brought to the town several hundred people and which I am told has a payroll today of from \$30,000 to \$40,000 a year, much of which is spent in the town of Morganton. Did the town act wisely in exempting this mill from town taxes? In my opinion it did, and that it would be justified now in extending the same privileges to all others who might be induced thereby to come our way. But whether it was wise or unwise it was a contract solemnly entered into, and common honesty would require that it be kept, at least until the town has something to offer these people in way of town conveniences, which it has not as yet. But our friends tell us that there are other enterprises, as well as a number of private citizens, situate outside the corporate limits that should be brought in and forced to pay town taxes, and that the town commissioners never agreed to exempt them, and that it is demanded that the question of their coming in be submitted to a vote.

They tell us that this is democracy. In this I am inclined to agree with them. If the town has enough to offer in the way of conveniences, such as lights, water, streets, sidewalks, etc. to those living without, to induce a majority of them to vote to come in, then the majority should rule, and the boundry should be extended. But only those living within the territory proposed to be brought in should vote; not the town. There would be no democracy, old-fashioned or otherwise, in allowing a town of 500 voters to vote a part of its debt off on a hundred voters who live outside its border, and who had no part in making the debt, and who received no part of the benefits from it. That could not be termed democracy of any type. If that were true then the town might extend its borders into the country, too, or any number of miles, so that the voting population of the town was greater than that of the territory sought to be brought in. No town could afford to do this. No town should have the right to extend its borders beyond where its advantages go. To do so is to force a tax on others for which they receive nothing. Whenever the town is ready to offer those of us who live outside its borders water, lights, streets and sidewalks, then we are ready to come in, and to share with it the expense of furnishing these things. Until then we should not be required to do so.

When Burke county was placed under the stock law, it was done by a small part at a time, and in most part by a vote, and always by a vote of those only living in the territory to be brought in. Avery county was taken from Mitchell, Caldwell and Watauga, but

A LEAGUE OF FOUR TEAMS.

Gastonia, Kannapolis, Morganton and Statesville Arrange to Play Ball.

Statesville Landmark.
In a meeting held here yesterday in which representatives from Kannapolis, Morganton, Gastonia and Statesville participated, the Western North Carolina Baseball League, to be composed of the four teams named, was formed. Mr. Holland of Gastonia was chairman of the meeting and Dr. J. F. Carlton was secretary. Dr. Carlton was later elected secretary of the league.

The following definition of a professional player was adopted by the league: "One who has participated in any part of more than three regular league scheduled games as a member of any team, playing under organized ball, under rules governing same by the national organization or association or the Federal league games."

Some of the citizens living in the Watauga territory were opposed to going, and demanded that the question of their going into the new county be submitted to a vote, which was done, but only those living in the Watauga territory were allowed to vote; not all of Avery county, or any part of it. That was thought to be democracy.

If the town of Morganton is ready to extend its advantages, such as water, lights, streets, sidewalks, etc. into the territory beyond its present borders, then we on the outside are ready to be taken in and to share with it the expense of such extended improvements. Until then it would be unjust to those without and unwise for those within to force an enlargement of the corporate limits of the town.

J. F. SPAINHOUR.

The salary limit of each team was fixed at a maximum of \$800, this to include salary of manager but does not include expenses for board, transportation of players or expense of securing players. Each club is limited to 12 members, excluding manager, and said manager is debarred if he comes under construction of professional. No player who has signed contract with a club will be allowed to play with another club except with consent of releasing club. All matters of dispute are to be settled by the presidents of the several clubs.

The series were so divided that the first five weeks will constitute first half and the last five weeks the second half. The presidents of the winning teams will determine the playing of the after games to determine the winner of the league. No player will be allowed to play in the after games with a team unless he has played with the team for ten days prior.

Each team gives \$250 bond to carry out faithfully terms and conditions governing rules prescribed by the various clubs. The schedule is being arranged so as to give three days each week in each town.



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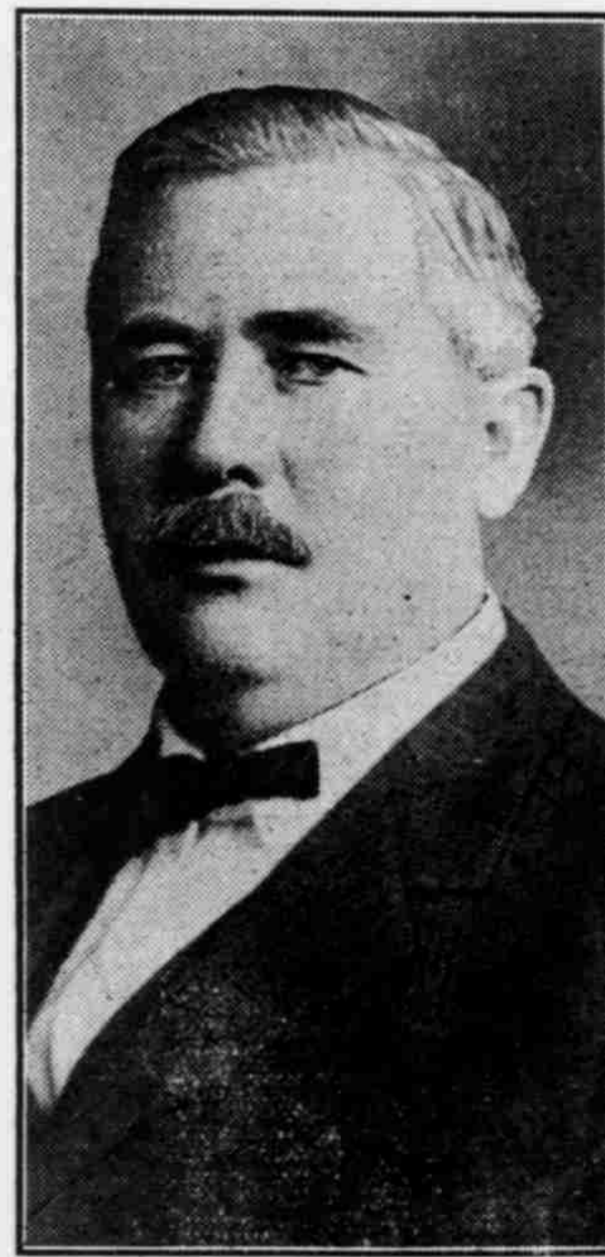
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Vote for Daughtride and Progress

The News-Herald Covers Burke County Like the Dew