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State Making Big Progress in Road Building

NORRIS WITHDRAWS FROM CONGRESSIONAL RACE IN 4TH AGAINST POU; PERSON STILL IN RACE.

State Will Get About \$435,000 Inheritance Tax From Watts Estate; Cannon Estate Not so Much—Farmers Will List Prospective Acreage for Each Crop as Matter of Information and Not for Tax Purposes.

(By Maxwell Gorman.)

Raleigh, May 9.—The lurid and somewhat spectacular Wiley M. Person of Franklin county, who is "running" (if at a slow pace) against Congressman Pou in the Raleigh district, while largely regarded as a joke, is exercising himself to the superlative degree to attract public attention—and is succeeding beautifully.

When Wiley was in the state senate a few years ago he furnished daily amusement for his colleagues and the galleries (not to speak of the lobbies) by his demeanor and fiery manner of dress and potations of air following his numerous speeches on all sorts of matters that came up—bringing them up when they wouldn't come.

He has this week grabbed an old political skyrocket that has been discharged several times before with more or less fun, and here is the way he would have us newspaper fellows refer to his bomb, in a double-tax wrapper:

One billion dollars would be added to the total assessed valuation of the property on the tax books in North Carolina if the courts sustained the suit brought by him against the State Revenue Commission, seeking a peremptory mandamus to compel the listing of all stocks, capital, common and preferred, held by individual stockholders.

Summons was issued against the revenue commission in Franklin County, and the case will be heard in chambers in Raleigh before Judge Thomas H. Calvert two weeks hence. The defendants are directed to appear and show cause why a peremptory mandamus should not lie against it and all such properties be immediately placed on the books for taxation.

The complaint quotes from the constitution, from more recently enacted laws, and is finished off with several paragraphs of invective that make charges of fraud, camouflage and unconstitutional legislation designed to oppress the holder of lands and other visible wealth. It was filed in Louisville late Saturday, and is brought by Mr. Person "for himself, for the taxpayers of Franklin County and of the state of North Carolina."

Crop Census Not For Purposes of Taxation.

Governor Morrison, in a statement, calls attention to the fact that the law requires the listing of prospective acreage of the various crops is not for the purpose of getting more property on which to levy taxes.

"The crop acreage data collected during May by the tax lister in compliance with chapter 201 of the Public Laws of 1921, is of vital importance to the farmers of the state, and the efforts of the tax listers to secure the information should receive the vigorous support of every farm owner," says the statement, which continues:

"The proper analysis of the tabulated county and state figures tends to stabilize the market, and helps to save the farmers from losses that otherwise might result from a manipulation of the market by speculators.

"Although this acreage data is

collected each year by tax listers, it has nothing to do with any increase in taxation. An annual crop acreage census is a forward-looking, progressive movement that bears the same relation to agriculture as an industry that inventory does to other forms of business."

Norris Out of Race for Congress.

Solicitor Herbert E. Norris, who announced his intention of retirement from the solicitorship in order to run for congress against Congressman E. W. Pou, has withdrawn from the congressional race, so that Wiley M. Person, of Franklin, will be the only opponent in the field against the congressman from the Fourth District.

In retiring the solicitor intimates that he has not given up his ambition to go to congress from this district. He tells the folks, through his letter, that he will keep the place in mind when he will have more time to make a campaign, that is, when his candidacy will not be hampered by the necessity of performing official duties which will prevent his making an effective campaign.

State Collecting Inheritance Tax From Two Big Estates.

The North Carolina State Department of Revenue is completing the settlement of the inheritance tax on the estate of the late George W. Watts of Durham, and is now taking up the settlement of the inheritance tax due the state by the estate of the late J. W. Cannon of Concord—the two largest the department has had to deal with this year.

The Watts estate will yield the state \$435,000. Some of the details have not yet been completed, for deductions are allowed for the "death dues," the inheritance tax due in England under the English inheritance tax. When it is ascertained how much this will amount to, the department will be ready to close up this particular estate so far as the inheritance taxes are concerned. The department recently submitted to arbitration the question of whether or not the executors of the estate would be allowed to deduct the taxes due immediately after the death of the Durham man. The law was not clear on this point, and both sides agreed to leave the matter up to arbitrators, who held with the state that these taxes could not be deducted. The Watts estate amounted to about thirteen million, but the net amount left after all taxes and the cost of administration are deducted will be around ten million, it is estimated. In addition to the nearly half million that comes to the state, the federal government takes in some instances about twice as much as does the state. The English government taxes for the property owned in England.

Progress in State Road Building; More Contracts

With seven months of the year still to run, the State Highway Commission will have passed the 600-mile mark toward its program of "1,000 miles in '1922," when bids are opened for the construction of eighteen projects aggregating 171.14 miles of highways in seven of the nine districts.

Economies in construction and administration will at the same time leave in the hands of the commission approximately half the appropriation for the year, while the building program for the year will be advanced slightly beyond three-fifths of the original mileage contemplated for construction.

Included in the letting set for May 25th is 101.63 miles of hard-surfaced construction, and 69.51 miles of gravel road. Since January 10th, when the program was doubled for the year, and including the May 25th letting, 313.12 miles of hard-surfaced roads will have been let to contract, and 287.98 miles of gravel road.

The Department of Revenue is preparing for the collection of the inheritance taxes due from the estate of the late J. W. Cannon. This estate, according to the memorandums filed with the department, will not run more than nine million dollars, on which the state claims the inheritance tax is due. It is understood that the executors of the estate claim that there should be some deductions from this nine millions because of

bequests made before the death of Mr. Cannon. Negotiations are now under way regarding the settlement of this estate.

Six lettings have been held in the first four months of the year, calling for a total expenditure of \$6,896,766 81, for 430 miles of roads and bridges. Approximately one million dollars of the total is for bridges on the roads under contract. The total for May 25 will approach the three-million mark. Lettings have been held as follows:

	H. S.	G.	Cost
Jan. 10.....	22	0	\$ 47,289.00
Feb. 7.....	36.4	64.31	1,068,094.00
Mar. 15.....	46.45	13.64	807,053.30
Feb. 24.....	63.04	61.10	2,216,524.25
Mar. 29.....	25	52	1,225,577.15
Apr. 25.....	28	37	1,061,289.11
May 25.....	101.63	61.19	\$3,030,000.00
Totals.....	313.12	287.98	\$ 9,896,766.81

*Estimated.
The commission's biggest single undertaking is included in the list for May 25, when the highway to the Virginia line, 17.43 miles in length, is offered to contractors. This project will be built with federal aid, and is the road to which Commissioner J. Elwood Cox will expend all of the Fifth District federal funds.

Creamery Developments.

Much interest is being shown throughout the County over the prospects of a creamery to be established here.

Cream routes numbering five have been started to date. The Snow Camp-Bethel, Eureka and Bethany route is getting twice the amount of cream now it did two weeks ago. The Snow Camp-Rock Creek and Friendship route has made an increase of cream in every shipment. Mr. Charlie Durham, handling this route, states that the cream is of high quality and people are anxious for a permanent market.

The Spring, Green Hill, and Mandale route promises to be perhaps the best route in the county. Mr. Morgan, the route handler states that the cream increased from 125 pounds on first trip to 240 lbs. on last trip, and feels confident that the route will furnish 400 lbs. of cream in a short while.

The Hawfields route, and the Salem-Oaks route will make their first gathering of cream this week. Two live-wire young men are handling these routes, which promise to grow fast.

Surveys have been made through Alamance Battle Ground territory and in all probability routes will be established there in a few days.

Cream from these routes is being shipped to creameries outside of the county until the Alamance Co-operative Creamery gets its machinery installed.

Survey was made of the Mahan, King's, and Woodlawn section. Enough cows were not available to justify starting a route. However, several parties in this territory are shipping their own cream in order to find market for butterfat which has no sale locally.

Indications are that enough cream will be shipped out of the county by another month to justify full capacity for an averaged sized creamery.
W. KERR SCOTT
Co. Agent.

It is not generally known but one of the brightest magazines appealing to the pleasure loving crowds of New York, is written by one man. He writes of the bright lights, the yags of the flesh, the lobster halls, and the theatre. His is a philosophy of cheerfulness and scintillating wit and satire. It is all written from a cell in a western prison.

A J. Livingston, living near Ashland City, Tennessee, says: "I feel like going from house to house and telling the people about Tanlac." Sold by Farrell Drug Co.; Graham, N. C.

Some men tell their wives everything that happens; some tell them even more than that.

Subdivision.
Flowers and rumors of flowers
Strangled in hedges of weed;
Symptoms of streets and of showers;
Sproutings of catalogue seed.
Rows of top houses and fences,
Noah's Ark trees that are quaint,
And over the sound of expenses
An odor of guaranteed paint.
Wayside Tales.

LaFollette Praises Senator Kendrick and Former Secretary of Navy Daniels.

In his speech supporting his resolution for an investigation of the leases of the naval oil reserve to private interests controlled by subsidiaries of the Standard Oil Company, Senator LaFollette (Rep., Wis.) paid a fine tribute to Senator John B. Kendrick (Dem., Wyo.) for having brought this annual to light and to former Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels for having resisted the efforts of these oil-grabbing corporations during his entire term. He said:

"Ever watchful of the public interest, the junior Senator from Wyoming, Mr. Kendrick, was the first member of this body to call attention to a public way to what had been done. The junior Senator from Wyoming introduced a resolution calling the attention of the Senate and the country to the leasing of naval reserve No. 3, located in Wyoming, the richest of all the naval reserves. He first informed the public that this lease had been made without open competitive bidding to some favored party. That brought the matter to my attention.

"The able Senator from Wyoming took the initiative in this matter and by this matter and by his resolution focused upon it the attention of the public. For that action he deserves the gratitude of the country. I propose to support and sustain him in the stand he has taken.

"The truth compels me to say that when Josephus Daniels was Secretary of the Navy he did not supinely surrender to these oil-grabbing corporations. I have read from the testimony of the Secretary of the Navy Daniels, who during his entire tenure of office resisted the efforts of the oil monopolists of this country to take within their control the last remnants of the public domain reserved for the use of the Navy of the United States."

To the Memory of John W. Bason, Who Died January 5th Last.

In memory of our beloved brother and fellow Elder, John W. Bason, who was called from this to a brighter world on high at the ripe age of 84 years, 3 months, 1 day:

Resolved 1st. That while we mourn our loss and will miss his wise counsel as we meet in our church court, yet we would bow in humble submission to the will of Him who doth all things well, realizing that our loss is his gain.

Resolved 2nd. That according to his testimony, our beloved brother's long and loyal service as a deacon, superintendent of Sunday school and brother Elder, has been exchanged for the higher, sweeter service that doth not tire and endeth not; "And there shall be no more curse but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it and His servants shall serve Him."—(Rev. 22-3).

Resolved 3rd. While we cherish his memory most of all as a true soldier of the cross of Christ, yet, with uncovered head as we approach his last resting place in God's Acre, we would whisper softly, "I read tightly, a Soldier sleepeth here." Of the heroic sons of his native county, he was among the first to answer the call of his beloved Southland in '61. Is it not highly befitting to say: "Truly he fought a good fight?"

Resolved 4th. It was only those who knew him best that could appreciate his real worth; a true and tried friend, a comrade in arms that never shrank from duty, who was ever ready the roll call to answer. Not only was he a true and valiant soldier, but as fellow-prisoner at Point Lookout for 18 months, a period that tried men's souls, he was never found wanting. He lived a devoted Christian life, with heaven to crown it all.

Resolved 5th. That these resolutions be spread on a page of the Sessional records designated for the purpose, and that a copy be furnished the sorely bereaved family.

J. S. GIBSON,
J. R. WHITE, } Committee,
JAMES P. KERR,
Hawfields Presbyterian Church,

Speakings Planned For Community Betterment—Several to Speak.

Some weeks ago the following letter was sent to a number of citizens in Alamance county from Supt. Terrell's office.

"The moral, social, business, educational, and religious progress of Alamance county is dependent largely upon cooperation. People cannot learn to cooperate when they live an isolated, individualistic existence. About seventy-five per cent of the people in Alamance live in the country and have very few opportunities to meet and mingle with their neighbors. The Sunday school or preaching once or twice a month furnish practically the only opportunities for social gatherings and the interchange of thoughts and ideas in most of the rural communities. There are fifty white schools in Alamance county. I believe there are enough public-spirited men and women in Alamance county to provide a sufficient number of speakers, so that there might be a meeting held, at least, one night a month in every school house. At these meetings, the folks could have the pleasure of having an 'outside' speaker.

I have discussed this idea with the Farm and Home Demonstration Agents and the Public Welfare Worker. It is not our idea that these speakers should be orators, necessarily, but anyone with a message. We want business men, doctors, ministers, lawyers, farmers, anyone who has a message. Some subjects which might be discussed are: Better Methods of Farming, Dairying, Thrift, Good Roads, Better Schools, Health, Literature, Sanitation, Poultry, and Orchards. You can think of many more subjects in which an intelligent citizenship should be interested. We believe that you can take a message to some of these school communities which will be worth while to them, and the doing of this thing for your county would be worth much to you. Will you not agree to make at least five speeches between now and July 1st? We will arrange your itinerary and give you an opportunity to approve it. Of course, this is purely an altruistic enterprise, and it will be necessary for each speaker to furnish his own transportation. If you haven't a car, get your neighbor to take you. It would be a fine outing to drive to some country community about once a month. Please advise me if we may count on you when arranging these Community Meetings."

There has been a cordial response to this request. Men and women from all parts of the county have shown a willingness to help in these get-together meetings.

As a result, the following meetings will be held this week: On Wednesday night, Mr. E. S. W. Dameron of Burlington will speak at Green Hill School, Mr. Ed. McPherson at Mahan, Dr. W. S. Long, Jr., at Midway.

On Thursday night, Rev. E. N. Caldwell of Graham will be at Shoffner School, Mr. R. H. Hutchison at Bethel, Mr. McBride Holt at Shallowford, Mr. Haworth at Sidney.

On Friday night, Mr. W. L. Cooper, Jr., will be at Isley School, Mr. C. F. Cates at Friendship, Mr. E. P. Dixon at Eureka, Mr. R. W. Scott at Center, Mr. A. H. King at Highland School.

The above should have appeared last week, but was not received until after our last issue was printed. However, we are publishing it, hoping it will bear fruit. The speaking could be put on from time to time throughout the year and not confined to a short term.—EDITOR.

Miss Maud Earl, an English artist, has painted the portraits of all the principal dogs of Great Britain, including the pets of the royal family.

The largest spiders in the world are found in New Guinea, and their webs are so strong that they are used by the natives as fishing nets.

Skeleton remains of a lizard about eight feet long, which lived in England millions of years ago, have been found in Essex.

To Cure and Prevent Spread of Venereal Diseases

The Guilford County Medical Society at its last regular meeting invited the North Carolina State Board of Health to conduct a campaign in High Point and Greensboro to see to what extent syphilis existed among people not able to pay for the administration of salvarsan.

Similar invitations have been extended by physicians in Richmond, Anson, Union, Robeson, Duplin, Sampson, Wayne, Lenoir, Craven, Beaufort, Bertie, Martin, Pitt, Wilson, Edgecombe, Halifax, Northampton, Vance, Granville, Person, Iredell and Johnston counties.

Through the cooperation of local physicians who have been behind these demonstrations, surprising and satisfactory results have been obtained. 1,991 examinations have been made and 418, or 21 per cent found to be in need of treatment. 1,201 treatments have been given. About 50 per cent of these thought themselves to be perfectly well, but the "Blood Test" which they applied for revealed the hidden truth that they had syphilis.

The intent of the demonstration is to make permanent provisions for treatment for the class of patients who for financial reasons have neglected themselves. The plan is worked out and approved by local medical societies. The idea is being carried out in most counties where demonstrations have been completed.

In Lenoir county much interest has been shown by the physicians and they have cooperated with the local health department in the work. The demonstrations conducted in February found thirty people in need of treatment. The profession saw the great need of continuing the work. Since then over seventy additional cases have been to the clinic run by the physicians and over 700 treatments given. As high as 91 have been treated in one week.

A large percentage of people visiting these clinics are negroes—the people who do your washing, cook your food and raise your children.

The above facts seem to be of sufficient interest to demand the attention of everybody in this county.

W. R. GOLEY,
Quarantine Officer.

The seven languages spoken in the British Isles are English in England, Welsh in Wales, Erse in Ireland, Manx in the Isle of Man, Gaelic in Scotland, French in the Channel Islands and Cornish in Cornwall.

Don't let that sour stomach sour your disposition and make your life miserable, while Tanlac is ready to give you relief. Get it now. Sold by Farrell Drug Co., Graham, N. C.

The ancient prejudice against woman students in the universities of Japan has been broken down to a great extent, and many of the colleges and universities are now open to women.

NOT DUE TO SEX ALONE

Graham Women Have Learned The Cause of Many Mysterious Pains and Aches.

Many women have come to know that sex isn't the reason for all backaches, dizzy headaches and urinary disorders. Men have these troubles, too, and often they come from kidney weakness. To live simply, eat sparingly, take better care of one's self and to use Doan's Kidney Pills, is bound to help bad kidneys get better. There is no other remedy so well recommended by Graham people. Ask your neighbor. Read this case:

Mrs. W. R. Perry, Albright Ave., says: "A good many years ago I was bad off with a dull ache in my back, and my back was so sore and weak, I was in misery. I had severe headaches and sometimes got so dizzy the room seemed to be whirling. Doan's Kidney Pills were recommended to me and I got a box from Graham Drug Co. After taking a few doses I was relieved, and continued use made me feel better in every way."

Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Perry had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfgs., Buffalo, N. Y.

THE HOME TOWN PAPER.

BY EDMUND VANCE COOKE.

A dozen times I've said it!
Some warm word to its discredit,
Some derogatory adjective beginning with a "d,"
"It's a soporific session!
"It's the ultimate transgression!
"It's as newsway as an epitaph of eighteen sixty-three!"

"It's editor's a moron!
"He's a man I'm always sore on;
His head's a Faber Number Two and paste is in his veins,"
"His sheet's an anaesthetic,
Tempered by a mild emetic;
It has every sort of childishness, excepting growing pains."

Yes, it's "sad" and it is "sloppy,"
But when I find a copy,
When on some sad vacation far away
from home and biz.,
Oh, my comrades, what a capture!
As I seize on it with rapture,
For the dear, old home town paper is
the only one which is!

So here I light a taper
To the good, old country paper,
And I lay upon its altar praise,
apologies and such;
May the old sheet hang together
Braving every wind and weather,
And may its readers multiply like
rabbits in a hutch!

Thousands of game birds were needlessly destroyed every season at Las Vegas, Nev., by oil discharged on waters frequented by the birds, but the Union Pacific Railway has remedied this condition.

In 1306 Edward I of England issued a proclamation prohibiting the burning of coal in the city of London because of the "sulferous smoke and savour of the firing."

About 1300 Yakima Indians have received the freedom of their reservation, in Washington State, for 10 more years without acceptance of duties or privileges of American citizenship.

Rub-My-Tiam, antiseptic and pain killer, for infected sores, letter, sprains, neuralgia, rheumatism,—ad.

The first man to wear a silk hat in the streets of London was arrested for creating a riot.

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