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THE HISTORY OF WILSON COUNTY

Historical Association Organized in Wilson.

IT STARTS OUT WELL

Prof. R. D. W. Connor's Interesting and Instructive Sketches of the Distinguished Man For Whom Wilson Was Named.

(Special to News and Observer.) Wilson, N. C., August 6.—"The Wilson Historical Association of Wilson was organized here today by prominent and influential citizens.

The county of Wilson was named in honor of the late Hon. Louis D. Wilson. Last spring Mr. R. D. W. Connor contributed a newspaper article on General Wilson that is now of special interest.

General Louis D. Wilson. One looking over the journals of our ante-bellum Legislatures, is forcibly struck with the length of service most of the members rendered their counties and their State.

General Wilson was one of nature's noblemen, and his sympathies were ever on the side of justice and humanity. He was a man of strict integrity of character.

Colonel L. D. Wilson was born May 12th, 1789, and died August 12th, 1847. On the second side appears this sentence: "A tribute to his public service and private worth."

"I give to the chairman of the County Court of Edgecombe county, his successors in office, the residue of my estate, both real and personal, for the use of the poor (paupers) of said county."

The manner in which General Wilson was a General in the military came to the United States army was an honor to himself and a credit to the State.

"Mr. President! It's all very well for the honorable gentleman from Edgecombe to be so enthusiastic over this contemptible war since he knows that he is too old to be expected to fight."

It was an electric shock. The old man sprang to his feet, his face flushed, his features set, and every nerve in his body tingling.

Oh, they sing the old songs over! They sing the way they go! The roses and the rainbows the summer and the snow!

The green grass of the gardens—the heaven overhead! The singers are but echoes of the great days that are dead.

Mr. R. L. Durham has moved from Sparta, S. C., to Charlotte, and will carry on his cotton business there in the future.

A BIG ROMANCE MEET AT MANASSAS

Revenue Man Written Up as Woman's Dupe. Details of Maneuvres of the Troops There.

Will Sue Richmond News Leader for Libel—The Tale as Told by Muskrat Mike and Flossy May Mostly "Poetry".

The tricky moonshiner and the devices used by those who engage in the profitable but risky business of beating Uncle Sam out of his liquor tolls have ever been fair game for newspaper and novelists alike.

If amid the gross surroundings of the sequestered still, there can be painted the miracle of a marooned lady of quality whose innate gentleness and refinement has remained unspoiled while she grew up wild in the woods.

Maneuver camp No. 1 will be located about two and one-half miles northwest of Manassas, Va. The Manassas maneuver held includes fifty square miles of territory in Prince William county, Virginia.

The following roster of troops to take part in the maneuvers will be official up to date, but it is subject to revision hereafter: CORPS HEADQUARTERS—NEAR GAINESVILLE, VA.

One Troop Seventh Cavalry—A Siege Battery Without Guns—Division Near Manassas, Virginia.

Two companies United States engineers, and band; 6 officers, 153 men. Eight troops, Seventh cavalry, headquarters and band; 36 officers, 583 men, 619 horses.

One troop Connecticut cavalry; 3 officers, 65 men, 68 horses. One battery Massachusetts F. A. (one thirty-two inch guns); 5 officers, 85 men, 65 horses.

Eight companies Fifth infantry, headquarters and band; 31 officers, 511 men, 14 horses. Eight companies Ninth infantry, headquarters and band; 29 officers, 250 men.

First Maine infantry; 52 officers, 550 men, 20 horses. First Connecticut infantry, 53 officers, 816 men, 18 horses.

Third Connecticut infantry, 53 officers, 816 men, 18 horses. One Separate company, Connecticut infantry; 3 officers, 65 men. Staff, Connecticut; 9 officers, 5 men, 14 horses.

Fifth Massachusetts infantry, 53 officers, 773 men, 25 horses. First Tennessee infantry; 54 officers, 480 men, 22 horses.

Florida infantry (Provisional regiment); 54 officers, 640 men, 24 horses. Fourteenth New York infantry; 5 officers, 800 men, 18 horses.

PICTURE OF DAVIS

Drawn by Pen of Former Resident of Raleigh.

Mr. Scott Says He Reminds One Strongly of Robert E. Lee and Z. B. Vance. "The Two Greatest Men on Whom My Eyes Have Chanced to Rest."

In a private letter to Ed. Chambers Smith, Esq., of this city, Mr. Charles H. Scott, of Elkiv, W. Va., who formerly lived in Raleigh, writes most interestingly of Hon. Henry G. Davis, the vice-presidential candidate.

That was a great and good piece of work that you did in nominating Senator Davis for vice-president. We who knew him well here never doubted his fitness for any place in the councils of government of the country—even the highest.

"He is not at all like what one often naturally fancies or sees the successful man of our day to be—hustling, bustling, nervous, excitable, or fussy or showy—but all the same, perhaps largely because of the absence of these characteristics—one soon sees and feels that he is talking to a man of clear intelligence, of broad mental view, of high and noble character."

"I should be glad, indeed, if every man in North Carolina could know him as I do; for I am sure that such knowledge would drive them to the polls in November, and bring out such a vote as the old State never gives, but to the best and bravest of her sons."

"The voters of North Carolina will make no mistake in doing what they can to put ex-Senator Henry G. Davis, of West Virginia, in the vice-presidential chair. He is a man who never gives up a man of solid worth—free from sham, pretence, arrogance and affectation of every sort—wise, just and brave; simple, magnanimous and upright; and certain to do all that any one man can well do in the place assigned to him or any to which he may be called to give us a safe, peaceful, dignified and honorable government, in all our relations, domestic and foreign. I have yet to meet the man who, knowing Senator Davis, doubt or questions this."

opportunity to demonstrate their belief in this. This year a contract has been let by a municipality for a road to be built underground.

Watauga News Items. (Watauga Democrat.) Court next week with Judge McNeill presiding. With the Potter and Watson murder cases, and a number of others of more or less importance on the docket, we may look for the entire term of two weeks to be consumed.

Mr. Clarke McBride has shipped 6,200 sheep out of this county to date that have brought the people of the county \$18,600. Mr. McBride is a moving man and may he live long and prosper accordingly.

Architect Wheeler, of Charlotte, who furnished the plans for the new court house, arrived in town Sunday and inspected the work on Monday morning, leaving at once for Jefferson. He expressed himself as being pleased with the work on our building.

A few days since Mr. Wiley Hodges was traveling the road near Mr. L. H. Trivette's heard a noise, and upon investigation he found a weasel and a large black snake in deadly warfare. The weasel would pounce upon the snake, bite it and then jump off before his snakeship could do anything to defend itself.

It was noted in The Express last week that the store of Alfred & Evelyn, at Aberdeen with its stock of goods, was destroyed by lightning, and that the loss was estimated at \$3,000. In a letter they state that the loss is \$6,000, with no insurance. They expect to rebuild.—Sanford Express.

Some see in them a great menace. Others are of the opinion that they are but the natural order of development, and that no great harm will be done.

It is argued that such combinations can be formed to enter into competition. Competition is the life of business, but it was long ago settled in England that whatever tended to thwart the good of the country or its people was illegal. The common law there became the law here.

In an article by a laboring man, which I read the other day, I was struck by the ideas advanced. This is a reason that in spite of all the people can do when you set a principle in motion it will develop.

In business the fact that people are in the same work causes competition. A partnership took the place of the individual. Later still, more capital was needed to reach a higher plane, and the corporation found its place.

After a time men came to a still higher state of perfection, still larger capital and labor interests were needed, and there came into existence a partnership corporation, its place was the trusts, and now we can't stop!

It has recently been demonstrated that the oil business could be and is conducted by one man, at a less cost per gallon than when there was competition. It is the same with sugar, and it is soon to be demonstrated that the steel business of the country can be carried on under one man.