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TAR-HEEL SCRAP BOOK

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Kentucky after two years experimentation with the unpopular and unfair sales tax has got wise enough to chuck it overboard. It is always a pleasure to see a mistake corrected. Right wins out finally—as a principle but many individuals find their load too heavy to carry in the interim.

Representative Frank Hancock has apparently expressed the soundest views, yet, financially speaking. He says by his way of thinking there can be no "inflation" except when there is more money than there is goods to be bought—therefore no danger of inflation here. For everyone knows our problem has been too many goods—too many hungry—and too much money all tied up in the hands of a few who cannot possibly even want or need to use it. The masses need the goods, but have no funds.

Nomenclature Notes: Rev. M. Y. Self resides in Laurinburg. We read in one item of a Mrs. Fold, and learn that Mr. Twiford resides in the eastern part of the state. The Rev. Dr. Jay Thomas Stocking was a native of New England. Pink Powers resides in Robeson county. Pigfoot is a name sometimes seen in Eastern Carolina. Hornblow is another name not easily forgotten. Billy Blizard lives in Colorado.

But would you ever imagined Maury Maverick to be the name of a Texas Representative. Gasaway, of Oklahoma, however, seems appropriate enough to suit the most exacting monicker critic.

Ten Mile, Pink Hill, Moss Hill, Hanging Dog and Wheat Swamp are place names in Tarheelia. Very good names, too. Certainly they are not so startling as some of the names one encounters in Texas—or in England.

One thing I like about reading columnists—they so often give us actual news, with marked brevity and which is presented in such an interesting way that we do not forget it. I also like the swift tempo which is achieved by many of the better ones.

Just the other day in glancing over the columns of the Express, I learned that Grace Gebbie Drayton was the creator of the Campbell Kids which were the joy of picture collecting for years—and which of course went very far toward popularizing Campbell's soup.

Except for the fact of having seen that line I am sure I would not have read the long write-up on Mrs. Drayton in the N. Y. Herald Tribune. Dead of a heart attack at the age of 59—she was drawing the Pussycat Princess strip for King Features Syndicate. She also originated the Dolly Dimples and Bobly Bounce strips. Children who have loved and preserved paper dolls treasured the Dolly Dingle cut-outs in Pictorial Review, and the clever bear cub series in St. Nicholas. In addition to her enormous activity as illustrator and popular artist she also found time to write and illustrate 17 books for children. Her creations are distinctive and to be remembered in the same manner that Rose O'Neill's Kewpies are.

The Tribune also carries a story about the wife of a great-grandson of Daniel D. Tompkins, Governor of New York from 1807 to 1817 and Vice-President of the U. S. under James Monroe.

The deceased who had just imbibed a quart of rye tipped over a kettle of boiling meat and scalded herself fatally, was interred in the Potter's field.

Of course we have our Scottsboro cases in the deep South, and we detail executions minutely on the front page in Tarheelia but I think we do not ever report deaths, or funerals in the manner noted above. Certainly an unflattering obituary for a descendant of one Vice-President.

A special board is to decide how to use the \$250,000 which the late Oliver Wendell Holmes bequeathed the U. S. A. One suggestion is a special Holmes collection of books for the Congressional Library. Holmes left 12,000 volumes to that library. Another suggestion is the establishment of legal scholarships. Another is the suggestion of a collection of paintings of former Supreme Court Justices.

Ye Humble Scribe casts her straw vote of course for the scholarships—with the proviso that they not necessarily be legal scholarships. There seems on over-supply of new legal talent and the bars are possibly stepped up a little to prevent lawyers being

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MEMORIAL SERVICE HELD BY KIWANIS FOR J. R. RIVES

The Kiwanis club met in an enthusiastic attendance at the Wilrik Hotel Friday at 6:30 o'clock L. L. Thomas presented Joe Brinn and Charlie Rogers in an apple race stunt. Each was given a red apple which was placed on each one's bald pate wherewith they were commanded to walk steadily to the rear of the dining room without spilling the apple. Joe Brinn came out winner in that he succeeded in walking the full length of the room without losing his apple and was awarded a valentine novelty as his prize. Charlie Rogers became the final owner of the red apples.

For the serious part of the program, Dr. J. F. Foster Chairman of the program committee stated that the program would be one in memory of the late J. R. Rives who was a very active and faithful Kiwanian until his health failed him. Dr. Foster called on Dr. R. J. Sowers who spoke on J. R. Rives as a neighbor. He spoke of the close and intimate friendship of himself and "Senator" Rives as every one knew him, paying tribute to Mr. Rives' sincerity, honesty and integrity, quoting the familiar phrase so much a part of Mr. Rives' belief: "To thine own self be true, and it must follow as the night the day, Thou canst be false to any man."

Then Dr. Foster called on President J. C. Pittman to speak on the Life of Mr. Rives from a professional Standpoint. Mr. Pittman stated that some 30 years ago, Mr. Rives came to Sanford, became a member of the State Senate about 1907, was in the Real Estate business, and later devoted his time to his work as Justice of the Peace. Mr. Pittman paid fine tribute to the fairness to his fellow man in all his decisions in matter of dispute which came before his court. He classed him as magistrate of the old school who exercised rare judgment in his decisions, and was constitutionally built to oppose those brought into his courts guilty of violation of the law through use of intoxicants.

Finally Rev. C. B. Culbreth paid higher tribute to Mr. Rives as a Christian Gentleman. Mr. Culbreth stated that Mr. Rives had acquired and won for himself a "god name," a thing which is not easily won and which is with difficulty maintained. He stated that Mr. Rives was big enough, broad enough, loving and generous enough to enter into all phases of christian activity. He mentioned church service, Sunday School, Social union or what not he was there lending his support and enthusiasm to every good movement. He looked upon it all as a privilege, having served for 40 years as a member of the Board of Stewards and for many years as superintendent of his Sunday School. Mr. Culbreth closed his tribute by quoting Kipling's, "If," of which he said he applied to the life of Mr. Rives.

President Pittman appointed Rev. C. B. Culbreth, D. E. Teague and Dr. R. G. Sowers as a committee to write suitable resolutions on the death of Senator Rives.

Dr. Foster stated that the program for February 21st would feature a talk on the Graham Plan of Athletics by D. B. Teague, and a debate; and the program for February 28th would be furnished by the Sanford Music Club.

Carolina Power & Light To Aid Bonus Seekers

Realizing that thousands of former soldiers, sailors and marines, who are entitled to participate in the settlement of the bonus as authorized by the recently enacted law, do not understand the proper method of applying for the Baby Bonds, the Carolina Power and Light Co. has issued a folder which fully explains every detail of how the Adjusted Compensation settlement can be secured.

According to Mr. Strong, District Manager of the Carolina Power and Light Co., any ex-service man or others interested in the matter can secure a copy of this informative folder at the company's office without cost or obligation.

"There are so many reports as to the best method of procedure in applying for a settlement of the bonus that our company has issued this folder as a courtesy to the former service men in our territory," says Mr. Strong, "and we have a copy for every one who desires correct information on this subject. As settlement will be made in order which applications are received, it is important that veterans acquaint themselves with the facts as soon as possible and our folder will tell exactly how to proceed in Veterans do not have to be patrons of the Carolina Power and Light Co. to secure the folder as a sufficient supply is on hand for every ex-service man in this vicinity."

BRYAN JOHNSON IMPROVING

Bryant Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Johnson, of Sanford, who is a sophomore at the University of North Carolina and has been seriously ill for the past several days, is improving at the home of his parents. Mr. Johnson was taken suddenly ill while on class at the University and grave concern was felt for his condition for a time. His illness was diagnosed as the result of influenza.

Pioneer Textile Man Dies At St. Paul Home

Alexander R. McEachern, 75, leading citizen of St. Pauls and a pioneer in developing the cotton manufacturing industry in upper Robeson county died in a hospital in Fayetteville Monday night. His death was unexpected, and brought keen regret throughout this section.

"Sandy" McEachern, as he was affectionately known, was born two miles from St. Pauls, the son of Neil and Ellen McEachern. He was one of the organizers of the first cotton manufacturing company established in St. Pauls. At the time of his death he was secretary-treasurer and manager of the St. Pauls mills. Mr. McEachern was also interested in the Holt Williamson Cotton Manufacturing company of Fayetteville. He also had considerable farm holdings.

He was a member of the board of trustees of Flora McDonald college and was always interested in the progress of this Presbyterian institution. He was an elder of the St. Pauls Presbyterian church.

Surviving are a son, Duncan McEachern; two daughters—in-law, Mrs. Neil McEachern and Mrs. Shaw McEachern and two grandchildren all of St. Pauls.

The funeral was held Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock at the Presbyterian church at St. Pauls by Rev. Malcolm Calhoun.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. King, Margaret and James King and Miss Maggie Wicker attended. Mrs. Neill McEachern, daughter-in-law of Mr. McEachern, is a sister of Mrs. King.

MRS. R. A. MURCHISON

Funeral services were held on Sunday afternoon in Hay Street Methodist church, Fayetteville, for Mrs. Emma Rives Murchison, wife of the late R. A. Murchison, of Fayetteville.

Mrs. Murchison died early on Saturday morning at the home of her step-daughter, Mrs. T. L. Lambeth, in Jonesboro, after a long illness and was buried in the cemetery at Jonesboro.

Mrs. Murchison's husband, who was for many years an official of the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad Company, died two weeks ago. Her only brother, James R. Rives, died last Tuesday.

After attending the funeral here of Mr. Rives, on Wednesday, she remained on for a visit to Mrs. Lamgeth.

Mrs. Murchison, who was Miss Emma Rives, of Chatham County, was thrice married; her first husband was Thomas Green of Chatham county and after his death she married his brother, John Green. In July, 1916, she married Mr. Murchison.

She is survived by nine step-children one step-son, Thomas M. Murchison, who was killed in an automobile accident a month ago.

EXPOSITION GETS UNDER WAY WITH SPEECH MONDAY

The Sanford Merchants' and Manufacturers' Exposition, sponsored by the local Lions Club, opened in the 3-W warehouse last Monday night with a short speech by Dr. Ralph McDonald.

Dr. George G. Chiles, president of the club, explained that the proceeds from the exposition would be used in helping underprivileged children. Dr. McDonald, one of the candidates for the Democratic nomination for Governor, delivered an address on loyalty and community betterment. He urged use of the natural resources in each community, saying that North Carolina is signally blessed in this respect and that Lee is one of the most productive counties in the State. Throughout, his talk was interspersed with bits of humor but the political situation was not discussed. Mr. McDonald was introduced by Dr. Chiles.

The exposition continues until Saturday evening, closing on that evening with the exposition ball. Free acts are given each evening. The prizes will be published in this paper next week.

The Merchants and Manufacturers Exposition which is sponsored by the Lions Club of Sanford opened Monday evening at 8 o'clock with a splendid warehouse in the 3-W warehouse. The entrance is made very attractive with gay decorations. The bright colors of the booths and numerous lights give it an inviting appearance and the six 50-gallon coke ovens make it comfortable for all.

J. C. Roberts, who has charge of the hall, has had a great deal of experience in this line of work and he has spent much time in the preparation of the exhibitions.

The merchants have cooperated heartily in the preparation of the exhibits and their booths are quite attractive.

At the entrance is the Bingo game, and the articles on display were furnished by the merchants of Sanford and a great variety is shown.

Dalrymple, Marks and Brooks' booth has a landscape scene as a background. An old spinning wheel with hanks of yarn are on display with a suit and material of Chatham Homeopun their special line of men's suits. In large letters on the Story of Ragging and Sewing.

Blanche Tuck, colored woman from the Pocket section was acquitted of a charge of the theft of a quarter sack of flour, about three pounds of meat and a couple of pounds of lima beans. Goldie Kelly was the prosecuting witness. A number of witnesses were heard on both sides and it was hotly contested case.

The strength of the case seemed to rest on "track evidence." Kelly testified that his flour and meat and beans were taken while he was at work and his family away.

The Tuck woman admitted having passed Kelly's place on the way in question, but stated that she was on her way to a nearby store. She told of a purchase at the store and corroborated in it by Will Murchison, young white man who works in the store. Kelly called the officers and they searched the Tuck woman's house and found an empty flour sack which Kelly identified by certain cuts on it as the one in which his flour was. He also stated that there were red mud stains on his sack before it was taken and exhibited to the court a flour sack with such stains. The evidence showed, however, that the sack found in Tuck's house did not have red mud stains on it. Tuck was acquitted.

Frank Snipes, local white boy, pleaded guilty to operating a car under the influence of intoxicants. He was fined \$50 and costs and privilege to drive a car suspended for six months.

Gus P. Murchison, Jr., of Goldston, was convicted of driving a truck on the highway at a speed greater than reasonable under existing circumstances. He was let off with the costs.

Students On Honor Roll

Five Lee county students made the Campbell College honor roll now as a Campbell College semester honor, as follows: Melba Poole, Jonesboro, made the "B" honor roll and Florence Wicker, also from Jonesboro, the "C". Three commercial students made the "B" honor roll. They are: Marguerite Thomas and Josephine Gross, Jonesboro, and Mary Frances Lasater, Broadway.

Business Census Enumerator.

Miss Elsie Monroe, of Sanford, Mrs. Albert Hamilton, of Jonesboro; and Miss Sadie Matthews, of Lemon Springs, were appointed by D. W. Maldox, supervisor of the business census for the eighth congressional district. These three women are now at work on the census.

LEE RECORDER HAS BUSY TERM TRYING ROAD VIOLATIONS

S. M. Horton, young white man of Durham, pleaded guilty for fast driving through the town of Sanford and on the highway to Pittsboro when he faced Judge T. J. McPherson in Recorder's Court Tuesday. He was allowed to pay the costs.

Patrolman James Bradshaw testified that he was standing on the corner of Carthage and Steele streets and that his attention was attracted to Horton's car by the fast manner in which he was driving. He gave chase but was unable to catch Horton until he stopped for gas in Pittsboro. Horton pleaded guilty and did not take the stand but told the Court that he was hurrying with a girl friend who was a nurse at Duke Hospital and had but little time to spare to make the hospital on time.

Herman Fox, colored, was fined \$50 and costs for operating a car under the influence of intoxicants. Patrolman A. Leavitt stationed in Raleigh testified that Fox ran him off of the road out near Buffalo church one morning a few weeks ago. Fox testified that he was chauffeuring for Max Cox and was sober. Policeman Doyle Wicker corroborated Leavitt as to Fox's condition.

Athur Adams, colored swain, of Sanford, pleaded guilty to two charges, namely, assault upon his wife and gambling with dice. The former charge grew out a row he had with his wife on January 9 and the latter on the preceding Sunday. He was allowed to pay the costs amounting to \$36 without further punishment.

Clarence Willett, local young man, pleaded guilty to possession of about a pint of whiskey and of being drunk on the streets. He was unable to pay any costs and was sent to the roads for 30 days.

W. Z. Wood was convicted of carrying concealed weapons to wit, a long barreled Smith and Weston pistol, and of driving under the influence of intoxicants. He was fined \$50 and the costs in each case. In the charge of operating a car under influence of intoxicants, his license to drive was suspended for six months. Wood, it developed during the hearing of the evidence, had been operating a jitney in Dunn for a long time and he brought several witnesses who testified to his good character heretofore. Policeman Doyle Wicker made the arrest in this case.

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SCHOOLS OPEN

Prof. G. R. Wheeler, superintendent of Lee county schools says all schools in the county are now open but the attendance is not good due to colds and influenza.

Narcotic Agent Arrests Local Drug Operator

The following news item is quoted from the Greensboro News of Tuesday: Dr. John Symington, of Carthage, Moore county health officer, was arrested Tuesday by Federal narcotic Agent William T. Atkinson on a charge of unlawful sale of narcotic drugs—morphine and pareal. At the conclusion of a preliminary hearing in Carthage he furnished bond of \$500 for his appearance in United States district court in Rockingham at the term beginning March 2.

Meeting Held In Regard To Baseball Prospects

A meeting was held here this week to discuss and plan for the organization of a baseball team here this spring. Much interest is being manifested over the matter and it is thought that equally as good or better team can be organized and supported during the summer season than the town had last summer. In fact it is planned to have a much stronger team. The people of the town will be asked to give the team both their moral and financial support. Mr. Louis Isenhour, who did so much for the success of the team last year, will be asked to have the financial management of the team again this year. He will be assisted in the work by a manager. It is proposed to organize the team early in this spring and ready to become a member of some league. It is stated that a number of professional ball players have expressed a desire to become a member of the team.

The business men of Sanford will be asked to give the team their financial support as was done when last year. It will be money spent as it will do much to advertise the town to the outside world. Sanford is profited by good ball teams in the past. It has furnished recreation to the people of the town by furnishing them a needed rest each week of the summer season. The games were well attended last summer on the half day weekly holidays.

Canvassers will call on the people of the town during the next few days and ask them to give the team their financial support.

Local Hunting Season Cut Short By Snow

Hunting season for quail and rabbits closed throughout this section last Saturday, while seasons for other game had already been closed by official dates. The closing, however, was more or less a formal thing because the weather had already rather effectively stopped hunting in Lee county. Prior to Christmas the hunting in the county was reported the best in years, particularly as regards to quail, but since the extremely cold weather set in there have been very few days when hunters could get into the fields to any effect and most of the veteran hunters here have not even been afield since Christmas. Recurring snows and heavy rains have simply prevented the hunting of either quail or rabbits with any degree of success. It is reported that a lot of various kinds of birds in this section died for lack of food while the ground was covered with snow for three or four weeks. Some of the citizens of the town kept them alive by feeding them. The vanguard of red birds and robins have arrived for the opening of spring.

Local Rotarians Hear Vocational Teacher

Professor Herbert Detjen, teacher of vocational work in the Sanford high school spoke at the Rotary Club luncheon Tuesday on Boy Scout work. In his talk he emphasized the great work that is being done among the boys by this organization. Last week was Boy Scout Week marking the 20th anniversary of Boy Scout work in America.

Visitors consisted of several Rotarians from the North who are spending the winter at Southern Pines and Pinehurst.

John Melver Has Close Call At Rail Crossing

Mr. John Melver, of this place, narrowly escaped being killed in a wreck here Monday afternoon. He started to drive his horse and wagon over the crossing of the Atlantic and Yadkin Railroad track near the Makepeace a year or more. The business was moved to Sanford two years ago and has an ideal location on Chatham St. In stock is carried McCormick Der- ringer farm machines and implements. A new repair stock of goods have arrived, also black hawk corn planters, one and two horse wagons, disk harrows, distributors and John A. McKay new ed type fertilizer distributors for the farmers to begin their spring planting with.

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LOCAL ALDERMEN PASS ORDINANCE FOR FRANCHISE

The board of aldermen at their meeting here Tuesday night passed an ordinance granting the Carolina Power and Light Company a 30-year franchise. This was the second and final reading. This action has been hanging fire for several months and the chapter precedent this one was the decision of Judge N. A. Sinclair dissolving the temporary injunction which had been issued prohibiting the board of aldermen from granting the franchise until further steps could be taken by the Citizens' League to defeat the measure in the courts.

The meeting was presided over by Mayor pro-tem E. M. Underwood. Mayor Wilkins and Aldermen Pitts and Harrington made it convenient to "take a w.a.k."—that is absenting themselves at the hour of meeting. The people of Sanford are curious to know why they were absent at a time when an important meeting like that was held. If there was ever a more vital matter than that to be passed on by the board of aldermen of Sanford we are not able to recall it. Fight to the last ditch if you know that you are in the right. No one admires a quitter. They are liable to turn their backs on you when you need their support most.

The franchise was granted by the vote of Messrs. Underwood, Gregson and Fields.

The Citizens League have been agitating a change in city government by reducing the board of aldermen from 5 to 3. Mayor Wilkins and Aldermen Pitts and Harrington put plan "A" in effect for last Tuesday night by absenting themselves from the regular meeting of the board.

Promoter Here To Stage First Class Boxing Show

Jack Summerfield, Baltimore, now making his home in our city at the Wilrik hotel has gone to heavy expense of putting in the 3-W warehouse an up to date boxing arena which will be 100 percent in every detail.

Mr. Summerfield was at one time an all round wrestler and professional boxer and he understands the sport and the way that he is going about it means business.

Mr. Summerfield said that Sanford will have one of the most complete boxing arenas in the state.

He has engaged a trainer and promoter of bouts to come to Sanford and aid him. He will take charge of all training and match making for the boxing bouts.

Asks For Cooperation.

Mr. Summerfield invites all young men of Sanford and surrounding territory that would like to enter boxing tournament to call at 3 W warehouse February 24th at the office entrance and report to him or Mr. Fankie Rice. The sport will be strictly amateur. Hours at office will be from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M. every day until further notice. Remember don't report before February 24th.

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