

MRS. C. W. STEED DIED SATURDAY

Had Been In Critical Condition For Some Time and Hope Was Held For Her

Mrs. C. W. Steed died at Memorial hospital in Asheboro Saturday following a serious operation a few days before. For some time before the operation, Mrs. Steed's condition had been considered grave, and little hope was given by the physicians. Before her marriage Mrs. Steed was Miss Susie Pritchard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Pritchard, living a few miles west of Asheboro. In early youth, she professed religion in the Methodist Episcopal Church, and this was the church she attended. She leaves her husband, C. W. Steed, Chief of Police of Asheboro, and five small children, the youngest being three weeks old. The funeral and burial were conducted at Charlotte Church, four miles west of Asheboro. Rev. W. H. Willis officiated. Mrs. Steed was known by all to be an excellent wife and mother, and while she was quiet and retiring by nature, she had a large number of staunch friends, who with the family mourn their loss.

A. W. McLean, Lumberton Man, Announces His Candidacy For Gubernatorial Nomination

Hon. A. W. McLean, member of the national democratic committee, has announced his candidacy for the gubernatorial nomination in the democratic state primary election to be held in June.

Mr. McLean was for four years a member of the war finance corporation under the administration of Presidents Wilson and Harding. He has entered the race against J. W. Bailey, who has already announced his candidacy.

Mr. McLean has named W. J. Brogden, of Durham, as his campaign manager. He is a member of the law firm of Brogden, Reid and Bryant, of Durham and is well known in political circles throughout the state.

Mr. McLean is a farmer, lawyer, banker, manufacturer and a former president of the Virginia-Carolina and Southern railroad. He was born in Robeson county on April 20, 1870, the son of Archibald Alexander and Carolina A. McLean.

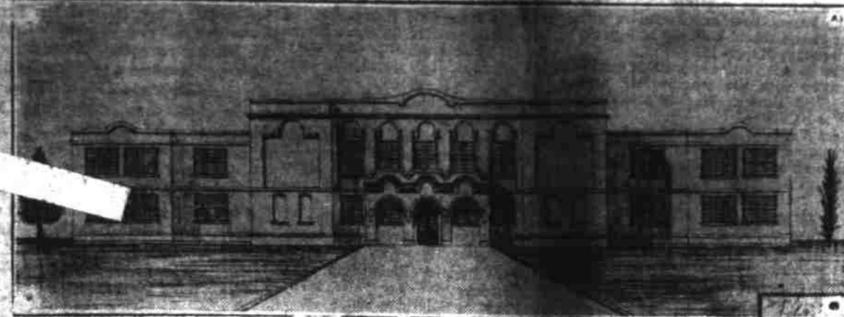
Mr. McLean first entered politics at the age of 21; being elected chairman of the Robeson county Democratic executive committee. He was a delegate-at-large to the national Democratic convention in 1904 and was a member of the convention committee on rules. He was also a delegate-at-large to the Democratic national convention at Baltimore in 1912. Mr. McLean has been a member of the Democratic national committee since 1916.

NEAR EAST MEETING AT M. E. CHURCH SUNDAY EVENING

A union service was held at the M. E. church Sunday evening in the interest of the Near East Relief work. Rev. J. S. Gillispie, of Gastonia, was the speaker of the occasion, and his talk was composed chiefly of his observations while visiting these countries last year. Many interesting incidents were told in Rev. Gillispie's interesting and earnest manner. Aside from being an unusually fine worker, he is also a talented speaker and has the power of making his stories "hit home." An offering was taken at the close of the service which will help toward the amount to be raised in this county. Mr. J. K. Wilson, of Asheboro is the chairman of the work in Randolph this year, and he arranged this service.

Star Will Put In Water Works

The progressive town of Star has passed an ordinance for the issuance of bonds for a water and sewer system. The town has been surveyed, blue prints made and an estimate presented.



Asheboro's New School Building

ASHEBORO SCHOOL BOND ELECTION NEXT TUESDAY

Will Be Held For Issuance of Bonds for Completion of School Building.

The Asheboro School Bond election, which was called by the school board will be held next Tuesday, March 18. The election is to authorize the school board to issue bonds for the necessary amount for the completion of the school building and for the seating of the auditorium. The amount of which not to exceed \$50,000. When the building is completed Asheboro will have one of the most modern and best equipped school buildings in the state. The first bond issue was considered sufficient for the completion of the building but after the work was begun it was decided that the plans were not adequate for a period long enough in the future, accordingly larger plans were made and the necessity arose for a larger expenditure of money for the completion of a building which would suffice the need for several years to come. There are now more than eight hundred pupils in school and there will probably be more than a thousand by next year. At this rate of increase in attendance, it is necessary to plan for the future. There has been an erroneous report that the present bond election is for funds with which to build a teachers' home. The above explanation has been obtained in order to give the citizens the truth concerning the plans for the education of the children in the town, both now and in the future.

It is important that everyone who registered for the bond election go out and vote if they are in favor of it otherwise their vote will be counted against the issue.

FRIENDS CHURCH NEWS

The Ladies' Missionary society will meet with Mrs. E. E. Lewallen on Thursday night at 7:30.

The Southern quarterly meeting will be held at the Friends church in Asheboro on Saturday and Sunday, March 22 and 23. Lunch will be served at the church on Saturday.

Rev. Calvin Gregory, wife and baby attended the ministerial conference at Goldsboro last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Welch, Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Parker, Miss Virginia Saunders and Miss Irene Beasley motored down from Mt. Airy Sunday to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Gregory.

The Senior C. E. society held two services at the county home Sunday afternoon.

Next Sunday will be Dollar day at Sunday school. Everyone is urged to bring as large an offering as possible, the collection to go to the missionary work.

ENJOYABLE PARTY AT JULIAN

Miss Pauline Whitaker was hostess to a number of friends at a very enjoyable party at her home at Julian, last Saturday evening, March 8, at 7:50 o'clock. Rook was played at three tables. After the conclusion of the game a delicious course of refreshments, including cake and hot chocolate, was served. Those present were: Misses Mozelle Coble, Mae York, Mabel York, Grace Garrett, Elizabeth Hanner; and Messrs. Floyd Garrett, J. Norman Deviney, James Brown, Keith Whitaker.

ASHEBORO CITIZEN DIES UPON LEARNING OF BROTHER'S ILLNESS

A shock to the entire town was the death of Mr. J. N. Bennett which came suddenly Sunday morning from apoplexy. For several weeks Mr. Bennett has suffered from rheumatism, but for over a week prior to his death, he had been able to be out on the streets some. Sunday about noon a message came saying his brother at Wilmington was at the point of death, and Mr. Bennett had gone to his room to pack a bag to go although his wife and two daughters felt that he was not strong enough for the trip. Before he was ready to start, he had a stroke of apoplexy which resulted in his death soon after eight o'clock that evening. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Bennett having been born in Town Creek, Brunswick county fifty-one years ago. In early life he professed religion, and a few years ago, recommenced himself along with his youngest daughter, joining the Methodist Episcopal church at Winston-Salem. For about five years Mr. Bennett and his family have lived in Asheboro, having charge of the Ashby hotel. Here they have made many friends in business as well as personal friends. The family

joined the M. E. church at Asheboro, and from this church the funeral services were conducted, Tuesday afternoon, by Rev. W. H. Willis, pastor of the church. Many beautiful flowers and a large number of people who braved the snow to attend the funeral and burial were proof of the esteem in which the deceased and his family are held in the town. Especially sad was this case, for the family have been doubly bereaved in that the other brother who was ill died two hours later and was buried in Wilmington Monday afternoon. Surviving are a wife, and two daughters, Mrs. Henry Ingram, and Helen Bennett, four sisters and one brother. The burial occurred at the local cemetery, and was in charge of the Masons of which organization Mr. Bennett was a staunch member. Among those who attended the funeral from out of town were: Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Casstevens, of Winston-Salem; Mr. Sam Briles, of Winston; Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Adams, of La Grange; Dr. and Mrs. R. M. Adams, of La Grange; Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Bolton, of Union, S. C.; Mr. and Mrs. Butler, of Columbia, S. C.

WILCAT OIL SCHEME BEING WORKED IN STATE

Teachers and All Other Citizens Are Advised To Let This Wildcat Scheme Alone.

Howard Nethkin, an oil promoter who has his headquarters in the state of Sonora, Mexico, has been sending literature to practically every teacher in North Carolina urging them to take stock in certain oil stock company. This oil promoter has evidently had out a scout throughout North Carolina getting up a list of the names of the teachers in the state. It is said that Nethkin writes a very convincing letter in which he promises a fortune to those who are inclined to take a chance at such a long distance wild cat scheme. This is the first wildcat oil scheme to be worked in North Carolina by a promoter outside of the United States, according to the State Insurance Department. All teachers and all other citizens are advised to let this wildcat scheme alone.

DEATH OF MRS. REITZEL OF HIGH POINT

Mrs. J. R. Reitzel, widow of Dr. J. R. Reitzel, of High Point, died last Monday afternoon at a High Point hospital. Mrs. Reitzel was about 60 years old and had been a resident of High Point for many years. She was one of the leading workers of the Methodist Protestant church and was a much beloved woman. The funeral services were held yesterday. J. M. Brooks, of Randolph county is a brother of the deceased.

McADOO TO ENTER STATE PRIMARY

William G. McAdoo will be entered as a candidate in the presidential primaries in North Carolina, according to a statement given out by Judge Walter E. Brock, State manager for McAdoo, after a conference with McAdoo leaders in Washington the day of the week. This determination was reached after a consultation with Mr. McAdoo's national campaign manager, Judge Brock states that in his judgment the Democrats of both Carolinas favor McAdoo and believes his election will follow his nomination.

S. E. ALLEN DEAD

After years of ill health, S. E. Allen, of Rameur suffered a second stroke of paralysis this week, resulting in his death Tuesday. Mr. Allen was a well known man of the county and is a Confederate Veteran, having gone through the four years of the war without being wounded. He was 80 years old. His wife, who was Miss Ursula Masten and three sons survive. The sons are W. H. Allen, of Rockingham; M. E., and C. E. Allen, of Asheboro. The funeral and burial services were conducted by Rev. T. G. Green and Rev. John Allred, at Pleasant Ridge church Wednesday. Mr. Allen had a great many staunch friends who mourn his death.

FRANK HOOVER DIES SUDDENLY

A sudden death which shocked the family and friends occurred Tuesday afternoon when Mr. Frank Hoover, of near Farmer, dropped dead. Mr. Hoover was 70 years old, and for several months had been in ill health. His wife, who was Miss Annie Walker survives, also two brothers, T. J. Hoover, of this place; D. S. Hoover, of Washington; W. O. Hoover, Indiana; Jno. W. Hoover, Indiana; Henry A. Hoover, Buffalo, N. Y. The funeral will be held at Farmer at eleven o'clock today, Rev. Mr. Clay conducting it.

PROSPECTIVE ROAD FROM MOCKSVILLE TO ASHEBORO

Representatives from the chambers of commerce of Davie and Davidson counties met this past week at Lexington and joined hands in an effort to secure the construction of a highway bridge across the Yadkin River. They also pledged themselves to push with vigor a movement to secure the construction of a hard surfaced highway between Mocksville and Asheboro, through Lexington, and to invite their neighboring counties of Iredell, Randolph, Moore and Guilford to join in the promotion of this Pinehurst to Blowing Rock road.

H. B. Varner was elected chairman of a central committee to work for these objects, and A. A. Holland was elected secretary.

Cleveland county is planning to paint up and beautify its farmsteads during March and April. The newly formed Board of Agriculture is backing County Agent R. E. Lawrence in this wise movement.

PRIZES OFFERED TO HIGH SCHOOL BOYS AND GIRLS

U. D. C. To Give Scholarship For Best Essay on Life of Jefferson Davis.

Mrs. E. L. Moffitt, president of the Randolph Chapter United Daughters of the Confederacy is in receipt of a communication from Mrs. L. B. Newell, chairman of Education in the State organization, explaining scholarship offered by United Daughters of the Confederacy. Every High school boy and girl in the county should be interested in this offer.

The high school boy who writes the best essay on the life of Jefferson Davis will receive a scholarship at the University of North Carolina or at State college, as he wishes, valued at \$200. The paper must not exceed 2,500 words.

The girl who writes the best essay or paper on the same subject will have her choice of a \$200 scholarship to North Carolina college or Eastern Carolina Teachers' college. These papers must be typewritten and sent in to Mrs. Newell not later than June 1.

HEAVY SNOW-FALL SUNDAY AND MONDAY NIGHTS

Again Monday morning the people of the town opened their eyes to a white world, and Lowell's words were indeed true, "Every pine and fir and hemlock wore ermine too dear for an earl, and the lowliest bough on the elm tree, was ridged inch deep with pearl."

And again Monday night more snow came and stayed until the sun drove it away Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday. This marks the second snowfall of the season in this section, and it would have been the deepest in the history of several years had the ground not been so damp that it all did not stay on the ground.

THREE INJURED IN WRECK NEAR ASHEBORO

Saturday afternoon three men were injured painfully when the car driven and owned by Ex-Register of Deeds J. W. White, left the road and plunged into a branch. The accident occurred on the detour between Worthville and Central Falls, on a sharp curve. The steering wheel locked and caused the car to go down the steep embankment into the branch. With Mr. White was Mr. Jesse Overman, of this place, who was injured painfully, but not seriously. The third occupant of the car was Mr. N. C. McDowell of Trinity, who went to the hospital here for treatment and was then able to go home. Mr. White sustained a fractured rib, and numerous bruises, but was also able to go to his home at Archdale. The car was badly wrecked. The men were on their way to the Republican County Convention which was held at the court house in Asheboro Saturday.

REV. RAYMOND BROWNING TO CONDUCT MEETING

Rev. Raymond Browning, a noted evangelist, will conduct a series of meetings at Fair Grove church, near Thomasville, beginning March 16th. The people of Randolph and surrounding counties are fortunate in having another opportunity to hear Mr. Browning. He recently held a series of meetings at Trinity.

Blizzard in Virginia

Another blast of winter sweeping north Monday night and blanketing North Carolina with a coat of snow struck with heaviest force in Virginia, knocking out wire lines and delaying trains. More than 1400 telegraph and telephone poles were blown across the railway tracks on the main line of the Southern Railway between the Virginia-North Carolina border and Washington. Some of the main trains were delayed 15 hours or more.

Civil Court Begins Monday; Judge W. F. Harding Presides.

A three weeks term of court begins Monday with Judge W. F. Harding presiding. The first two weeks will be given over to the trial of civil cases, the third week to the trial of criminal cases. There are a number of important cases on the civil calendar and there are now twenty-one prisoners in the county jail.

Mr. Winfred Carr, Optometrist, Opens Office in Asheboro.

Mr. Winfred Carr was in Asheboro Saturday practicing his profession. He has equipped an office over the Bank of Randolph in the offices formerly occupied by Dr. F. C. Craven.

SENATOR LA FOLLETTE NOW HAS OPPORTUNITY TO LEAD THIRD PARTY

Political Developments as a Result of the Oil Scandal Have Given Him the Opportunity; He and His Followers Maintain that They Are All That Is Left of Real Republican Party.

(By David F. St. Clair.)

Washington, March 11.—Political developments as a result of the oil scandal have given Senator La Follette of Wisconsin what he believes to be the opportunity he has longed for, to lead a third party as a candidate for President of the United States. It is now definitely understood in political circles here that the Wisconsin senator refused to allow his name to be entered as a candidate for President in the Republican primary in North Dakota for no other reason than his intention to head a third party. Both the Coolidge and Johnson managers attributed this action on the part of the senator to the desire to give Johnson a chance but La Follette's friends have repudiated that interpretation.

It is declared that he has no more place in his heart for the Johnson brand of Republicanism than he has for the Coolidge brand. The senator's refusal to enter the North Dakota primary and his bitter denunciation of the Cleveland convention as "already packed" definitely read him by his own words out of his party.

His plans to lead the insurgent progressive group of the Republican party are now formulated. He is to have his great chance, he believes. In every Republican national convention for the last twenty years he has had his handful of followers. During all these years he has been a thorn in the side of his party and his party was unable to cast him out because he persisted in remaining and calling himself a Republican and he means to continue this course. But now he and his followers raise the banner of revolt on which they retain the Republican name.

La Follette and his followers maintain that they are what is left of the real Republican party—the party of Lincoln. They have come to hold the balance of power in congress. In the house this insurgent element voted on tax legislation almost invariably with the Democrats. It is predicted they will do likewise in the senate.

The regular Republicans are therefore beginning to take the La Follette candidacy seriously and the Democrats are becoming jubilant.

Grimes and Clark, High Point Real Estate Auctioneers, Have Two Sales in Randolph.

Messrs. Grimes and Clark, real estate auctioneers of High Point, are beginning their sales early in Randolph county. They announce two sales in The Courier this week, one a farm known as the William Caviness place at Coleridge, next Saturday, March fifteenth; the other, the H. D. Smith place near Seagrave, March 19th. They will also conduct a sale at Bennett in April. Messrs. Grimes and Clark have conducted a number of sales in the county. Mr. H. J. Hoover, son of Mr. Ivy Hoover, Asheboro Route 1, is one of the contract men for the firm.

Senator Lenroot Resigns From Oil Investigating Committee

Senator Lenroot of Wisconsin, chairman and member of the oil investigating committee of the United States Senate, has resigned on account of ill health. He will be succeeded by Senator Ladd of Wisconsin, a progressive Republican. Senator Lenroot is at Southern Pines recuperating his health.

Underwood Leads in Home State

Senator Oscar Underwood, candidate for the Democratic nomination for president in the preferential primary held in his home state, Alabama, Monday carried most of the counties of the State by large majorities, leading his nearest opponent by more than 15,000 votes.

though the senator's followers claim that the oil scandal has raised such a fog in the country that the people are ready to turn their backs on both the old parties. But independent political observers here are convinced that the oil scandal has not affected the fortunes of the Democratic party in anything like the measure it has the Republicans. It is now punctured the boom of the outstanding Democratic candidate while it has bespattered not only the Republican administration but besmirched certain members of congress who belong to that party.

The Wisconsin senator's strength is regarded as remaining confined to some half dozen Northwestern states. They are Wisconsin, Minnesota, the Dakotas, Nebraska, possibly Iowa, Washington and Oregon. Washington and Montana have sent to the senate Democrats of the progressive La Follette type. With the exception of Montana all these states are rock-ribbed Republican. With the exception of Oregon the progressive Republican-Democratic element is in the ascendant. Leaving Oregon, Wisconsin, Minnesota, and Iowa out, it is not believed that President Coolidge could carry any one of these against a progressive Democrat.

The La Follette candidacy is Republican. It is to Republicans he will make his appeal and if he can cut off from 50 to 75 electoral votes from the Republican column, the loss in the opinion of observers here, means a decisive defeat to the party for it is believed the Wisconsin senator can win certain states in the Northwest that no Democrat could capture. It is held that he can not possibly win any rock-ribbed Democratic state. Some calculators give him Kansas but Kansas is Republican.

The La Follette followers are however counting on the probability that the oil investigation drag itself along through the whole summer and the scandal will extend itself to the names of men yet unmentioned in both parties and it will become so black that the whole country be ripe for revolt. They say that La Follette is the real father of this investigation and the country will come to see in him its Moses.

Hon. Josiah W. Bailey formally Opens Campaign in Raleigh.

Hon. Josiah W. Bailey formally opened his campaign for Democratic nominee for governor Monday night with an address in Raleigh. "The Way of Progress in North Carolina" was the subject of the discourse. In his speech Mr. Bailey praised the progress along the line of education, roads and other things, but stated that lower freight rates and less tax on land as a means of aiding the people of the State. He also maintained that progress is measured by welfare in the homes of the North Carolinians. Mr. Bailey announced his candidacy about two months ago.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH MATTERS

(By W. H. Willis.)

Mrs. Jennette Luck, Mrs. W. H. McMahon and the writer attended a district Epworth League meeting at Greensboro Sunday afternoon.

Again, death invades the ranks of our local Methodism. Mr. J. N. Bennett, a man in his prime, went from us Sunday morning.

The committee on superannuate endowment, Mr. Parks, chairman, will lead in the effort to raise our quota for that cause, next Sunday. A church wide canvass will be made.

W. R. Myers and Julia Sumner, of near Thomasville, were married Wednesday by the writer at Asheboro.

Themes to be discussed by the pastor Sunday, are as follows: 11:00 A. M.—"Foot Washing". 7:30 P. M.—"Liars".

YOUNG ASHEBORO MAN HAS BECOME AN INVENTOR

Mr. Tyson T. Ferree, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Ferree, of Asheboro, is a young man with an inventive turn of mind. Last May, when he graduated from the local high school, the class prophecy was that Mr. Ferree would become a great inventor. Even now, it looks as if this prophecy will come true. He certainly has one invention to his credit that bids fair to be a most useful and profitable one to ice men and busy housekeepers.

The device invented by Mr. Ferree is an indicator that will register at one's front door the number of pounds of ice the ice man is to leave without the cook or housekeeper losing time or steps to go to the front porch to hang out the card. This indicator is an improvement over the old-fashioned card in another way. The wind will not blow it down nor flap it over with face to the wall. In fact, young Mr. Ferree first conceived the idea when walking along the street one day, he saw an ice card blown down from its place at the front door. The one in the kitchen

has figures around the edge representing all the usual numbers of pounds of ice a housekeeper wishes to buy. She steps to this dial and turns a pointer to the desired number, when the same number automatically appears in a cut out space of the otherwise blank dial at the front door. The necessary connection between the two dials is made by means of a wire run under the house.

Mr. Ferree has applied for a patent on his unique invention and is preparing to put it on the market. Indications are that the indicator will have a large sale in many towns and cities.

The indicator will be made of strong material so that when once installed it will last an indefinite period of time and will cost nothing for upkeep. Those who have examined the indicator say that it makes a good appearance and that no one could object to its being located in the best of houses. It can be installed in a few minutes without injuring the house in any way.