

Unique Condition Found To Exist In Memorial Hospital

Confederate Veteran, "Yankee Soldier", And Widow Near Enough To Talk.

Mr. A. J. Rush Ill

Taken Ill In Courtroom Monday But His Condition Now Shows Improvement.

In Memorial Hospital Asheville, a unique condition exists. When Mr. A. J. Rush, Confederate veteran, of Farmer, N. C., was taken ill in the courtroom in Asheville Monday afternoon, he was taken to Memorial Hospital in the ambulance and placed in a room on the first floor with another old gentleman "for company". Soon, Mr. Rush revived and as he began to feel better, became his bright, cheery self again and began a conversation with the room mate.

It came to light that the man in the next bed was Mr. A. H. Pugh, 85 years old, of Ramseur. Further conversation brought out that Mr. Pugh is a retired farmer, and a "Yankee Soldier", drawing a pension from the government as such. Many and varied are the experiences that are told back and forth between the adjoining beds.

The discussion became so interesting that the patient in the adjoining room heard the tales, and announced the fact that she was the widow of a Confederate veteran. This is Mrs. Titia Burgess, of near Ramseur, widow of the late John H. Burgess. Mrs. Burgess is 76 years old herself, and while she has been quite ill, is improving and becoming interested in things again. She is the mother of Fred Burgess who is a well known teacher of the county, now in charge of the school at Peachland. Mr. Burgess wrote the second history ever published of Randolph county, the other having been written by the late Addison Blair, of Asheville.

Should the animated discussions take an unfriendly turn, which is not likely, the "Yankee Soldier" would stand but little chance in a word battle, for Mr. Rush would have a staunch champion in Mrs. Burgess. Mr. Rush, who is one of the most active men of the county, and among the best known despite his 87 years, has many friends who will be greatly relieved to know that his condition does not seem to feel that his pleasant stay in the hospital will be of short duration. He is commander of the Randolph Camp of Confederate veterans, and not only is he interested in all phases of the work of this organization, but is active in religious and political affairs as well.

Barn Struck By Lightning Burns To The Ground

Was Property of Davis Brothers, Sophia, Route 1—Much Property Is Destroyed.

Was Able To Save Cattle

Many Other News Items And Personals Of Past Week In Sophia Community.

Sophia, Rt. 1, July 15.—Davis brothers had the misfortune to get their barn, filled with this year's grain, drill, chickens and some other things, struck by lightning and burned Friday night of last week when a severe electric storm came up. It was by the merest chance that they got their mules and cattle out of the burning building. They expect to build another barn some time in the near future.

Master Eugene Miles has returned to High Point after spending two weeks with his brother, Sherbert Miles.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Barker and four children, of Westchester, Pa., visited relatives in this section recently. Mr. Barker is a son of the late Calvin Barker, who were once residents of this section. They visited Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Ridge while here.

Wister Hemphill and family, of Climax, and Troy Pearce and family, of Asheville, visited Mrs. Ruth Davis and family last Sunday.

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Mrs. J. C. Fuller, 89, Celebrates Birthday With Party Sunday

Many Friends And Relatives Gather To Show Respect And Love.

Mrs. J. C. Fuller, 89, and one of the county's most popular old ladies, celebrated her birthday Sunday with a large number of friends and relatives in attendance, at her home 15 miles from Asheville on Highway 90. Mrs. Fuller, despite her 89 years is still a most active, and keenly alert woman, interested in all the affairs of the county and nation.

The party ended Sunday afternoon with an invitation to all present to return next July to help celebrate her 90th anniversary to which she is looking forward with interest.

Randolph County S. S. Convention To Be Held July 15th-16th

At Marlboro Friends Church—Clark Welborn, Of Kansas, To Be Present.

The Annual Sunday School Convention for Randolph county will be held on Thursday and Friday, August 15-16 with the Marlboro Friends church, two miles north of Sophia.

A very interesting program is being planned, some of the state workers will take part in the program, and some of the best Sunday school workers in the county.

This convention is international and workers from all the schools in the county are invited to participate in the work.

We request the co-operation of all pastors, superintendents, and other Sunday school leaders in the effort to make the convention a great success.

Mr. Clark Welborn from Kansas who we all know as a singing master will be with us and have charge of the music.

A pennant will be presented again this year to the school having in the convention the largest attendance in accordance with the number of miles traveled.

LEE M. KEARNS, President, E. C. GARNER, Secretary.

Simmons Expressed Strong Opposition To The Tariff Bill

In Statement Recently Given To Publicity Director Democratic National Headquarters.

Unfair And Dangerous

Says North Carolina Senator And His Purpose Is To Promote Fight Against Bill.

The Courier publishes the following authorized statement made to its Washington representative:

In discussing his recently published tariff statement, Senator Simmons said that his views with reference to the tariff and his aggressive opposition to the pending tariff bill were generally known, and that the statement recently given to Mr. Michaelson, Publicity Director of the Democratic National Headquarters at Washington, at Mr. Michaelson's request, and which has been the subject of much newspaper discussion and speculation, was in line with his well known views upon the tariff and the pending bill.

He said that in giving the statement to Mr. Michaelson, who himself expressed strong opposition to the bill, he had no purpose other than to promote the fight against a bill which he considered discriminatory, unfair and dangerous.

The Senator denied emphatically that his statement, or the manner of giving it to the press, had any connection whatever with the controversy within the Democratic party over the control of its national organization, and said that he thought he had made this clear in his conversation with Mr. Michaelson just before dictating the statement.

The Senator said that his own well known views upon the tariff were not the views known to be entertained by Mr. Raakob upon that subject or the views expressed by Governor Smith in his campaign speeches last year. Mr. Simmons said that he was, therefore, gratified to find the Washington Democratic Headquarters supporting the views that he himself entertains upon this subject, and he added, that if there had been any change or surrender of views on this question, such change or surrender had not been on his part but on the part of others.

Referring to recent newspaper speculations with reference to the significance, in the circumstances, of his statement, the Senator said that there had not been and would not be any statement in his contention and insistence that the control and domination of the national organization of the Democratic Party by Raakob, Tam-

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Mr. T. J. Finch, Prominent Citizen Of County, Is Ill

According To Members Of His Immediate Family His Condition Is Very Grave.

Mr. T. J. Finch, well known citizen of the county, is quite ill at his home in western Randolph. For some months Mr. Finch has been in ill health and has taken treatment at various hospitals, but his condition, according to members of his immediate family is now considered very grave, and little hope is held out for his recovery.

One of his greatest deeds was his recent gift of \$40,000 making it possible for Thomasville to have a hospital in the near future, a like gift from the Duke Foundation also having been provided. But for many years Mr. Finch has been president of the First National Bank, which he originated and also president of the Thomasville Chair company.

One man was burned to death and two others probably fatally injured at Birmingham, Ala., when a plane crashed into a back yard of an apartment home and burst into flames.

Randleman Chief Fired On Saturday In The City Hall

Chief Returns Fire And Institutes Search And Will Probably Find Guilty Man.

Assailant Misses Mark

Second Time Within Recent Months Chief Myers Has Been Target.

Chief C. W. Myers, of Randleman, was again the target for a shooting affair which makes the second time within a little more than a year. This time the man missed his mark, instead of painfully wounding the chief, as was the case before. On Saturday night around ten o'clock he had gone into the small wooden building used as a city hall to write a tax receipt when several shots from the outside were directed at him through the open door. Chief Myers turned and returned two shots, but apparently did not hit the person, as escape was effected in spite of bloodhounds and the sheriff and his deputies from Asheville rushing to the scene of the shooting.

Sunday night Joe Connor was arrested drunk, and held in Asheville in jail on suspicion until he "sobered up" Monday afternoon. The officers then satisfied themselves that Connor was drunk when he was reported to have been talking about being shot at by the officers, but it was true that a rural policeman seized his car containing whiskey Saturday night, Connor himself escaping. When learning Monday afternoon that he was under suspicion, Connor sent for adequate witnesses who testified to his whereabouts at the time of the shooting.

Chief Myers asserts that he has further suspicions and that he expects to make a thorough investigation and will perhaps at an early date make another arrest. No reason for the shooting can be accounted for by the Chief.

Sheriff Ben Millikan Holds Meeting Of His Deputies Saturday

For Purpose Of Discussing The Work And Outlining Plans For Law Enforcement.

Sheriff Ben Millikan, of Randolph, held a meeting of the deputies under him on Saturday afternoon. This meeting, which is an innovation for Randolph, was held at the Sheriff's office for the purpose of discussing the work, and outlining plans for law enforcement.

Those present were: Solomon Arthur, Central Falls; C. E. Henson, Franklinville; J. R. Trotter, New Market; W. M. Stout, Grant; J. M. Spencer, New Market; J. F. Black, Trinity; T. A. Brookshire, Asheville; E. S. Powers, Pleasant Grove; H. D. Smith, Seagrave; W. C. Robins, Asheville; T. E. Cox, Coleridge; C. M. Wells, Trinity; E. F. Clarke, Randleman; B. G. Frazier, Ramseur; J. P. Lineberry, Providence; J. B. Lanier, New Hope; J. L. Hinshaw, Liberty; Roy Routh, Providence; B. E. Swaney, Tabernacle.

The force was organized, and problems discussed which will doubtless prove beneficial. It is understood that a like meeting will be called by the Sheriff at intervals during his term, perhaps every month.

Joe Connor Released Monday Afternoon

Was Held On Suspicion Connected With Shooting At Chief Myers, Of Randleman.

Joe Connor, who was arrested Sunday night in Randleman and held on suspicion connected with the shooting at Chief of Police C. W. Myers, of Randleman, was released Monday afternoon after having proven his whereabouts Saturday night, and paying the fine for being drunk.

S. S. Convention Back Creek Township Sunday School Convention Will Be Held At Charlotte M. P. Church Next Sunday.

An interesting program has been arranged.

To Preach At M. P. Church Rev. W. F. Kennett, of Greensboro, Will Preach Sunday Morning At 11 O'clock At The Asheville Methodist Protestant Church.

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Divorces Feature First Week Of Randolph County Superior Court

Randolph Superior Court for the trial of cases on the civil docket only, convened in Asheville Monday morning, with Judge A. M. Stack, of Monroe, presiding. The court is expected to continue the balance of this week and all of next.

Several cases on the calendar have been either continued or disposed of during the first two days of the court this week. Five divorce cases have been granted. These were: T. M. Beane from Nancy Beane, Bessie Brown from Raeford Brown, Treva Pressnell from Ben Pressnell, Lola Pickard Boggs from William Boggs, Roy Coltrane from Sadie L. Coltrane and Mrs. Bertha Wiles from E. A. Wiles.

Andrew W. Mellon, Director of General Railroads vs J. A. Holder, resulted in a non-suit.

John T. Macon vs Frank Garner also ended in a non-suit.

Sarah Dault vs E. C. Hutton, J. D. Graves and Hattie Graves, judgment of \$364.00.

M. Eugene Newsom Will Speak To The Rotarians Friday

Asheboro And Liberty Clubs Will Observe "Ladies Night" At First M. E. Church.

Mr. Cleve Thayer, secretary of the Asheboro Rotary Club, announces that Friday night will be a "big night" for the Asheboro and Liberty Rotarians, as well as for the ladies of this organization. In addition to observing "ladies night", the clubs will have as their speaker and guest of honor on this occasion, M. Eugene Newsom, of Durham, international president of Rotary. Mr. Newsom holds the distinction of being the first North Carolinian to be elected international president of Rotary, having been elected at the Houston convention last month.

Dr. E. L. Moffitt is president of the Asheboro club and L. H. Smith is president of the Liberty club. The ladies from both clubs will be present as honor guests as well as the speaker, making it a gala occasion.

The meeting will be held in the social rooms of the First Methodist church, Asheville.

DePriest Battles For Racial Equality

Tells Chicago Audience Of Purpose To "Repeal Disfranchised Black Peons Of South".

CHICAGO—Back in the heart of the Chicago Black Belt which saw him rise from the obscure son of a slave mother to the colored representative in Congress of 12,000,000 American members of his race, Congressman Oscar DePriest has launched a fight for race equality under the law.

DePriest drove up to the Metropolitan Methodist Church in a big pastel-shade limousine last night and mounted the pulpit before a colored audience for his first public appearance here since he was elevated from ward healer to Congressman. He delivered a fighting address in which he announced that he would organize "the prosperous colored folks of the North to rescue the disfranchised black peons of the South."

Refers To White House Tea The gray-haired Congressman said that he proposed to introduce a Federal election law that will create more storm than the White House tea party.

That was DePriest's only reference to the controversy over Mrs. Hoover's entertainment of Mrs. DePriest at a White House tea. He said that he would fight "not for social equality but for equality under the law."

He said that with a Federal election law and an enforcement of the Constitution "we will make the Southern states give the negro his vote or we will reduce the states' representation in Congress."

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An interesting event for the week-end is the excursion trip which is being put on by the Asheville Bus Station. The bus, which will accommodate twenty people, will leave Asheville Saturday, July 20th, and will arrive at Wrightsville Beach in time for supper. Sunday will then be spent at the beach and the party will leave Wrightsville at 5:00 o'clock in the afternoon, returning to Asheville before midnight.

This is proving quite a popular affair and seats were being reserved at the Bus Station early in the week for the trip. The owners of the Bus Line announce that this is the first of several proposed week-end trips. The other trips will perhaps be made to other points at intervals during the summer.

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Costume Concert Friday Night At Ramseur School

By Local Talent For Benefit Of The School—Everyone Urged To Attend Affair.

Socials And Personals

"Chicken Eatin' Contest" Given By Dr. C. A. Graham And Mr. G. Ed York.

Ramseur, July 15.—A costume concert by local talent will be given at Ramseur school auditorium Friday night this week. A small fee is charged for benefit of the school. Everybody is urged to come and enjoy this entertainment.

Mr. Pickett Turner and family, of Greensboro, were visitors here last Friday.

Mr. James Clarke, of Goldsboro, spent a day or two here last week with his son, Walter Clarke, and Mr. and Mrs. T. E. West.

Miss Paige Leonard, who underwent an operation at a hospital at High Point last week, is improving, we are glad to hear.

Mrs. S. A. Cavness and daughter, Mrs. Spencer Blacklock, of Greensboro, were visitors here Monday.

Messrs. Paul Sands and Glenn Smith, of Reidsville, were visitors here Sunday.

Miss Linnie Dorsett, of Farmer, spent last week here with friends.

Rev. Dr. Widenhouse, of Cedar Falls, preached a fine sermon here at the Methodist church Sunday.

Miss Nellie Allen, of Snow Camp, spent the week-end here with friends.

Miss Clara Smith, of Reidsville, is the guest of Miss Daile Marley this week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Moffitt and son, of Greensboro, visited Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Moffitt, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Cox and daughter, Miss Ruth, of Mt. Gilead, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Smith last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Y. L. Busbee and child, of Greensboro returned to Greensboro Sunday afternoon after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Steed.

A greatly enjoyed chicken dinner, or rather a "chicken eatin' contest" was given by Dr. C. A. Graham and Mr. G. Ed York at Mr. York's country place on Route 90 one night last week, when six of their friends from Greensboro, Dr. Robertson, Dr. Taylor and others were present. With "Five Points" as their chief, ten fine chickens were cooked and served with all the essentials. Dr. Graham seems to have been acclaimed the champion chicken eater with twenty sizeable pieces of chicken to his credit. As the champion's bell, won by Dr. Graham, was presented and fitted at the close of the contest, he now finds it difficult to find enough chickens to keep it the right size.

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Dr. C. H. Phillips Commends Craven's Stand On Bonds

In Letter, Adds That No One Living Will Ever See Randolph In Good Shape Financially.

Thomasville, N. C. July 12, 1929

Editor Courier, Asheville, N. C.:

I notice in your paper a protest against all other bond issues in Randolph county by Major Bruce Craven, of Trinity. I write to endorse all Mr. Craven has to say in the matter. I am glad there is one man in the county who has the nerve to raise his voice against continuously going deeper in debt in Randolph. Randolph county is hopelessly in debt now, and there isn't anyone living who will ever see it in a good financial condition again, and I think it is high time the board of county commissioners should look about for ways and means to reduce the county debt, instead of issuing more bonds without the hope ever of seeing them paid off. I want to thank and congratulate M. L. Wood and Mr. Hinshaw, two of the county commissioners for their stand against this bond issue.

Sincerely, C. H. PHILLIPS.

Startling Figures Showing Proposed Tariff Duties On Oil

Given By Senator Tydings Of Maryland To The Finance Committee.

Will Hurt Farmers

By Adding \$164,330,000 Per Year Increased Cost To Operation Farm Machinery.

Senator Tydings of Maryland put before the Finance Committee today some startling figures showing what the proposed tariff duties on oil would entail.

He pointed out that there was consumed in the United States 64,000,000 barrels of oil more than we produce every year. "The effort" testified Senator Tydings, "now being made to place a tariff on oil of \$1 a barrel represents greed gone mad. It illustrates how law-making can be used to extort money from the people."

He presented that there were on the farms of the United States nearly five and a half million automobiles, trucks, tractors, etc.

"An increased price, due to a tariff of 2c per gallon would mean an added cost to the farmers alone of \$164,360,000 per year in the operation of their farm machinery. The cost of his electricity for light and power would, likewise, be increased. The cost of building roads in rural communities also would be increased. If the tariff raises the cost of gasoline 4c a gallon, the farmers would have to pay \$328,730,320 per year more than they now pay for the operation of their motor vehicles.

In other words, without considering his increase in taxes due to increased cost of road construction, increased cost of light, heat and power, a 4c tariff per gallon on gasoline would take from the farmer's pocket each year approximately the same amount of money appropriated by Congress for farm relief last spring. Considering that this Congress was called primarily to help the farmer, this proposed tariff on gasoline is one of the most ridiculous propositions ever considered. It promises to increase the farmer's living cost one half billion dollars per year.

"It takes ages to create an oil supply and we are draining our oil supply at an alarming rate. When it is gone, it is gone practically for all time. A sensible country, instead of

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Gov. Gardner Addresses Governors

Governor O. Max Gardner addressed the 21st session of Governor's conference in session at New London, Conn., July 16th. The subject of the Governor's discussion was "Our Youthful Criminals", and while no panacea was suggested by the Governor, he stated that public support of law is a great need of the times. Public opinion, and encouragement of the youth in the American homes will be a great improvement. He complimented President Hoover's crime commission and stated that he felt that it was approaching the problem intelligently. Governors from many states were present at this annual conference and heartily endorsed the North Carolina Executive's address.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Bulletins from the bedside of King George, who underwent an operation Monday for draining an abscess in the right lung are most encouraging. Both physicians and family of the ruler are pleased with the progress made since the operation.

National mourning was declared, theatres and places of business closed, resulting from the instant death of eleven high school girls from prominent families in Honduras. The girls had spent a happy day picnicking and were laughing and singing when the bus in which they were riding went over a thousand feet into an abyss near San Jose, Honduras.

Soldiers At Camp Glenn Are Having Wonderful Time

Athletics, Group Games, And Various Amusements Being Enjoyed By Boys.

Near Atlantic Beach

Which Affords Bathing, Dancing, Etc., Which Is Free To Members National Guard.

(By Sudie E. Pyatt) Atlantic Beach, July 15.—"I want my boys to have a good time while in camp. In fact I insist on their having all of the fun they can pack into their fifteen days of training at the camp," said Col. Don E. Scott, commander 120th Infantry North Carolina National Guardmen now at Camp Glenn.

On the shores of Bogue Sound, across which ocean breezes are constantly blowing, and within a few minutes of Atlantic Beach, by way of the Bogue Sound Bridge, the camp is ideally located for both pleasure and work. For National Guardmen at Camp Glenn work as well as play. Col. H. G. Davids, senior instructor of the N. C. National Guard, says the 120th Infantry National Guardmen is one of the army's prize outfits. National Guardmen are an important part of our national defense program. Col. Davids stated, and he is especially proud of the 120th Infantry.

Men not otherwise engaged participate in athletics, group games and individual games every afternoon under the supervision of Major M. B. Fowler, athletic officer. The first afternoon, early in the training program 300 young men turned out for the athletics. Baseball games, battalion teams and company teams are much enjoyed by the men.

The day's work over visits to Atlantic Beach play a prominent part in the recreation program of the boys. Dips in the surf and dancing in the evening to the music provided by Happy Felton and the Kellogg Pap Orchestra at the Atlantic Beach Pagoda vary the military training program, games and athletics at the camp. The dances are free to the national guard boys. The people of Morehead City and Atlantic Beach are doing all in their power to show the visitors a good time. The usual military regulations have been modified for the camp in order to allow the soldiers' freedom to enjoy themselves at the resort. After their day's work at the resort, the boys have been taking all advantage of Atlantic Beach's amusement facilities. Numbers of the young men have said that they expected to return later in the season for a real vacation.

Asheboro has twenty-three enlisted men in the North Carolina National Guard. Officers are: Major G. H. Hobbs and Lieutenants C. J. Lovett and Roy Cox.

Citizens Meeting For Franklinville Has Been Called

For Purpose Organizing Betterment Society To Aid In Much Needed Work In Town.

Other News Items

Sunday School Day To Be Observed Next Sunday—Much Visiting In Community.

Franklinville, July 15.—Every citizen of Franklinville is requested to come to the school building next Friday evening, July 19, at 7:30 o'clock. The purpose of this meeting is to organize the Betterment Association. It will be remembered that this society a few years ago did a great work, not only in furnishing the school building with needed supplies, but in making the town a better place in which to live. Our new school building is nearing completion and we realize there is a great deal to be done after the building is finished before it is ready for the opening of school. This work can best be done by team work. That is every person in Franklinville working in co-operation with our school board. So with this end in view we hope to see a large crowd at the school auditorium next Friday evening.

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