

**Introducing Some Solons**

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and his ability.

**Chairmen of Other Committees.**

Senator Lloyd Crum, of Chowan county, and Representative R. L. Harris, of Person, drew the chairmanships of the committees on Education. Both are capable, well-rounded gentlemen. Mr. Harris, as everybody should know but doesn't, was speaker of the 1933 house, and proved a most capable and popular presiding officer.

Senator U. L. Spence is chairman of the Senate Committee on Highways, and Representative C. W. Tatem, of Tyrrel county, chairman of the House committee. Mr. Spence is one of the two senators from the district embracing Harnett, Moore, Randolph, and Hoke. He is one of the ablest and most experienced men in the General Assembly. I am not well enough acquainted with Mr. Tatem to size him up.

Senator Rivers Johnson, of Duplin, and Representative R. B. Morphew, of Graham county, head Judiciary No. 1, two other highly important committees. Rivers Johnson is the orator of the senate, though it is quite unlikely that any occasion will arise this year to call forth the oratory displayed during the sales tax contest of 1931. It was a treat during those debates to hear Rivers Johnson. I shall have to size up Mr. Morphew later; he comes from too far west for me to have full knowledge of his personality or ability.

Chairman of the Senate Judicial No. 2 is Senator Horton of Chatham, who is one of the most experienced men in the legislature and will doubtless play an important role in this session. Representative W. A. Sullivan heads the House committee.

**A Country-Minded Millionaire.**

Maybe John Sprunt Hill is not a millionaire, but compared with most of the members of the Legislature he is a very wealthy man. Yet there is scarcely a man in the Legislature that more definitely clings to the traditions imbred upon the farm. He sees things from the countryman's standpoint. Yet Senator Hill was one of the favored country boys of a half-century ago.

To be a Hill or a Faison along the Duplin-Sampson border meant that one shared in the traditions of a prosperous past and a somewhat aristocratic tradition, and his mother was a Faison. Plantations were large, even if they were not what they were before the war. Besides, John Sprunt's father was a physician and therefore had an income apart from that of the plantation. Yet the boy worked and was picking cotton along with grown men when he was seven or eight years old. And the consequence of that boyhood spent on a farm is that Senator and Capitalist John Sprunt Hill looks askance at a constitutional amendment which would give Congress the right to endow Miss Frances Perkins, Secretary of Labor, with the authority to forbid country boys from working on the farms before they are eighteen years old. In fact, Mr. Hill feels that he owes much of his rugged vigor and health to those boyhood days spent largely in farm labor. But to those of us who grew up in cruder environments, it is hard to conceive that young John Sprunt knew much about the real hardships and privations of the farm life of fifty to sixty years ago. When I fell in with him on the train from Raleigh to Goldsboro, he returning from the University and I from Wake Forest, forty-five years ago, he seemed a very sophisticated and fortunate youth. Yet he tells me that he sold suits at Chapel Hill to help pay his way, and that good suit he had on

when I first met him was probably purchased from the profits of others for other University boys.

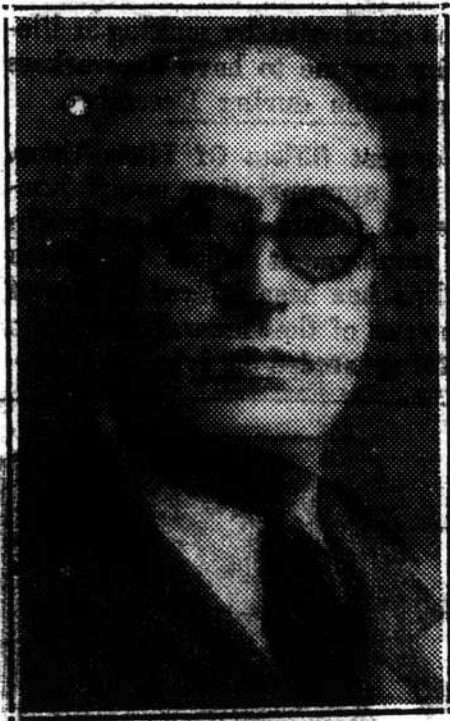
That Mr. Hill could see and improve such an opportunity to make money at college, indicates that his initiative early flowered—an initiative and enterprise that has never failed him. Even when he met the millionaire Sage, by mere chance, when on poverty row in New York, he knew how to win the friendship of the old gentleman. It has been several years since I heard him tell about that acquaintance, but it occurs to me that that friendship was instrumental in enabling Mr. Hill to return to North Carolina with quite a nest egg.

Well, Mr. Hill is chairman of the

for years engaged in the turpentine business. But the family got back to the old home community in what is now Hoke county. He is one of the finest kind of fellows and it will not be surprising to see him turn up in the senate one of these days.

**A Grandson of the State Now a State Senator.**

About the beginning of the last quarter of the 19th century, Dennis Paschal Warren of Mocksville, Davie county, picked up bag and baggage and moved to the state of Mississippi. His son William Martin was an eleven-year old lad. He grew up and reared his own family at Olive Branch, Miss. Dalton, a son of the Mocksville lad, was educated at the University of Mississippi,



**SENATOR P. A. LEE**  
Dunn, N. C.

Senate Committee on Banking and Currency, and those are two matters that he knows as much about as anybody in the General Assembly, I guess. But that "currency" part must have been attached to the name of the committee away back when the State and its banks actually issued currency. I hardly see what the North Carolina Legislature can do about currency in these latter days—except to provide for its collection and spending.

W. L. Lumpkin, recent candidate for the speakership, and one of the finest young fellows in the house, is chairman of the House committee on Banking and Currency.

Columbus has got into the way of sending Walter H. Powel to the senate when its turn in the district comes. He is there this year and is head of the Committee on Insurance, a matter that grows more and more important as the years pass. The matter of automobile insurance alone is of more moment than all the phases of insurance were 25 years ago. Young E. N. Gardner, hailing from the former governor's county of Cleveland, and a promising young man, is the chairman of the House Insurance committee.

Another committee whose business has become magnified is that of Public Welfare. Senator E. F. Griffin, of Franklin, whom I consider one of the finest personalities in either body, is chairman of that committee in the senate; while the one lady member of the house is chairman of the corresponding committee in that body.

If Senator W. L. Ferrell, chairman of the Senate Committee on Propositions and Grievances, and Laurie McEachern (Ma-ke-hern, with the accent on the ke and the hern pronounced nasally) as chairman of the house committee actually satisfactorily solve all the propositions and smooth out all the grievances, they will have a busy session.

Mr. McEachern, like Mr. Lumpkin, was an unsuccessful candidate for the speakership, but drew this important chairmanship from the good graces of the generous victor. Mr. McEachern was born in Georgia, in which state his father was



**REP. W. I. FARRELL**  
of Montgomery County.

taught school in his native state, represented his county in the Mississippi legislature two terms, and then came back to his grandfather's state as principal of the Sparta school. But it wasn't long before he turned his attention to the mercantile business. Mrs. Warren, however, continued to teach and is at present a member of the Sparta school faculty.

Just ten years after the return of the grandson to his ancestral state he was elected senator from his district, and is possibly the only man in the present legislature who has served as a law-maker in two states.

Mr. Warren is still youthful in appearance, a man of fine personality, and, located in Sparta where he may have the tuition of both the Doughtons in the political game, it will not be surprising if Mr. Warren becomes quite a well known personage in political circles in North Carolina.

That Paschal in his grandfather's name suggests that the grandson of the exile might find a host of distant relatives of the Paschal strain in Chatham, Randolph, and Guilford.

**A Chatham Youngster Represents Montgomery.**

It was only eight or ten years ago that Ihrie Farrell was attending a dental college in Atlanta. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Farrell of Pittsboro. On graduating, he began practice over in Montgomery and had soon annexed one of the fine Montgomery girls as a bride. As a representative of the State Department of Health in school dental work, he had an opportunity to extend his acquaintance throughout Montgomery county. Knowing Ihrie Farrell for ten years, I feel that Montgomery did no bad day's work in choosing him to represent the county in the legislature. He is a member of the following committees: Counties, Cities, and Towns; Banking; Constitutional Amendments; Health; Public Welfare; and Libraries.

As a stopping point for this issue, I will introduce you to my next-door neighbor, Senator P. A. Lee, of Harnett. Lees are numerous in upper Sampson, and lower Harnett

**Too Early To Decide Upon Question of Liquor Control**

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DON'T BE IN A HURRY.

Let's not be in too big a hurry. Let's give all the experimenting States an opportunity to discover a panacea if such is discoverable. It will be time enough then to swap a poorly enforced prohibition law for the successful scheme, and lots of us who still hold prohibition to be the only feasible scheme of minimizing the liquor evil will join in the crusade for the change. But, for one, I shall not favor the State's jumping out of the frying pan into the fire.

Wait two years, gentlemen, and in the meantime let's see how well North Carolina can enforce her sovereign decree that liquor shall not be sold in her borders. If we cannot have enforcement of one decree, there is little reason to believe we can have the effective enforcement of another.

But the revenue! Let the devil keep the revenue. It is his business and to him belongs the profit. As a citizen of North Carolina I do not want her to dirty her hands with any such source of income.

**FORD CHIEF SEES PARTING OF WAYS**

**Cameron Declares Capitalism and Industry are Finally Face to Face**

Detroit, Jan. 20.—In a speech on "money and management" tonight, William J. Cameron, of the Ford Motor Company, asserted that capitalism and industry "have reached the parting of the ways."

"At last two opposed system of business confront each other in this country," Cameron said. "Management economy is taking the place of the old capitalistic economy. Money management is being challenged by engineering management. It is one of the most significant movements of the century because of its unlimited social import."

Cameron said that "exposing and denouncing the abuses of capitalism is the only way many persons can make their contribution toward a better world," and he added that "by 'capitalism' in its common current use is meant the control of any human interest by money for the sake of money."

"Such control, everyone is agreed, is socially unintelligent and is morally disastrous because it is morally wrong."

Remarking that interest "as a recognized and respectable means of gain was bootlegged into decent business practice only 400 years ago," Cameron said industry suffers great disadvantage under "financial overlordship."

"Even business cannot serve two masters," he continued. "It will serve either the production of dividends or the production of goods, but hardly both. The thought that dividends may be only a by-product of business is utterly fantastic to the professional financial mind."

**Clyde Hoey Adjudged In Gubernatorial Race.**

The writer saw Clyde Hoey last week and was convinced by a short interview that Mr. Hoey is in the race for the governorship. It has been assumed that if either Hoey or Doughton, or both, should enter the field the supposedly smaller fry would shy off. Yet the indications are that the field will be full of candidates. "Sandy" Graham is almost sure, I believe, to be a candidate.

and Johnston. Senator Lee was born in the Johnston area but has lived practically all his mature life in Dunn, where he is a popular druggist. With him and the veteran U. L. Spence representing this district in the senate, its interests should not suffer.