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MOCKSVILLE-MOORESVILLE

The North Carolina Railway Lease—
A Forecast—Paste it in Your Hat.

Editor the Citizen:—It is authoritatively announced that the Southern Railway company will immediately build the long-talked-of line of railroad between Mocksville and Mooresville, a distance of about 23 miles. This will give a through north and south line independent of the North Carolina railroad and only 16 miles longer than the present route. There are abundant reasons apart from the attack upon the lease of the North Carolina railroad to justify the construction of this link and, in connection with that question, the motive becomes irresistible; so we may rely upon the statements made and expect to see the new line completed before the snow flies.

No one at all conversant with the situation has doubted that, sooner or later, the Atlantic & Danville road will fall into the hands of the Southern. The Atlantic & Danville reaches the same deep-water terminal as the Southern, and on a line 10 miles shorter than the Southern's. By the new Mocksville line and the Atlantic & Danville the Southern will have a line to Norfolk about 6 miles longer on the haul from the south and about seven miles shorter on the haul from the west than its existing line and quite independent of the North Carolina road.

The partially successful negotiation of the Southern for a controlling interest of the Seaboard Air-Line is recent history. It will be remembered that T F Ryan, whose connection with the Southern was indisputable, bargained to pay more than double the market price for enough stock to control the Seaboard, but a complication arose by which the other party to the contract was at the time unable to deliver the goods; but Ryan did actually buy a very large block of Seaboard stock at the fancy price agreed upon. And from that day to this there has never been a doubt in any rational mind that the Southern syndicate would bob up some fine morning with a majority of the stock of the Seaboard Air Line. Until they shall have acquired such control the large sum of money invested by Ryan is simply thrown away, for the stock pays no dividend.

With the Southern in control of the Seaboard what becomes of Gov. Russell's bidder for the North Carolina lease—the only possible bidder, by the way, other than the Southern?

I predict that the aforementioned three several things will have happened before the assembling of the next North Carolina legislature. And about that time the Southern will probably come up with mock humility and say "Maybe we were a little previous; 99 years is a long time. We have no objections to the cancellation of the lease."

Then there will be wailing and gnashing of teeth. Then will Gov. Russell, Josephus Daniels and the other self-constituted saviors of the State's road be called upon to figure out the profits on the operation of a local road without through traffic connections of any sort. Then will visions of a semi-circular road which nobody wants fit through a legislative mind. Then will it be seen that for every dollar

which the Southern could lose by the cancellation of the lease the State will lose ten by the diversion of traffic from its road and the irreparable injury thereby done the towns and industries tributary thereto.

I would not be understood as prophesying the cancellation of the lease. By no means! The lease will stand as a valid contract, but as a political bonanza it will vanish into thin air. We shall see a very extensive metamorphosis of Road Saviors into Lease Saviors. And, incidentally, Gov. Russell and Josephus Daniels will have to roost somewhat lower than at present.

FRANK CARTER.

Morse's Call.

The good people of Charlotte gave me the wagon and one horse, and I gave another horse to God. We belong to Him, to be used for His cause, and your good. I will ask you to help in any way you wish to keep the wagon going. If you will feed me and the horses it will surely continue to run. Your help I must have and your prayers I need to do what I feel that God has called me to do. Fathers and mothers, I have spent in the last 14 years over half of my time and all the money I could to protect you and your children from the curse of strong drink and all other evils in this life and an eternal hell in the life to come, and now am willing to spend all of my time and all you give me for the same, and with God's help will do it. I fought four years to protect your property and you clothed and fed me and gave me \$11 per month. You might do the same to protect yourself and children from a one hundred fold worse enemy. If you will not help me in any other way, please help me with your prayers. My intention is to travel all over the state, distributing religious and temperance literature, singing and preaching the the Gospel and temperance. All you give me will be spent for the cause of Christ and the welfare of man, therefore don't think you are giving to me alone when you give, but to the cause of Christ and welfare of man, and I will thank you and God will bless you. Respectfully your brother in Christ.

R H MORSE.

Col. S Mc Tate Dead.

Morganton was greatly shocked Friday evening at the news that Col. S McDowell Tate had died suddenly at 7:30 at his home there from heart failure.

The deceased was a man of the highest respectability and was widely known. He leaves a wife and seven children.

He was in his 67th year of life.

He Soon Got Back.

A negro trusty named Smith belonging to the Mecklenburg chain gang broke faith Friday and left his team. Superintendent Beatty finding that he was not returning in time took his six-months-old blood hound pup and went in pursuit. The pups led him four miles to where the convict was hiding.

Little time was lost and Smith is at work.

It's rather funny that Washington Duke and Julian Carr should contest in a cake walk. The former won too by a vote of 66 to 65. To the wealthy, simplicity is the spice of life.

PERSONAL POINTERS.

—Capt. J M Odell went down to Bessemer City today.

—Mr. H M Barrow has gone to King's Mountain.

—Rev. Dr. J C [unclear] is spending the afternoon [unclear].

—Mr. [unclear] has gone to [unclear] on a brief business trip.

—Miss Nan Shaver, of Salisbury, is expected in the city next week, to visit Miss Maggie Bown.

—Messrs John P McDowell and D R Hoover arrived in the city last night after a busy week on the road.

—Misses Lucia and Iva Parks, of Harrisburg, are expected in the city this evening to spend some time at Mr. W S Bingham's.

—Mr. Richard Gra returned to Charlotte this morning after spending a week in the city with Mr. and Mrs. W G Bostamer.

—Mrs. W A Caldwell and child returned to their home in Salisbury this morning after sending several drays in the city.

—Miss Maje Essent left this morning for Juxasom, Davie county, where she will visit among friends and relatives for a month.

—Miss Clara Her, who was attending school Rural Retreat, Va., has returned to her home at Mt Pleasant.

—Mrs. Geo Kestler, Sr., Mrs. Kestler, Jr., and Mrs. Lucy Coffin, who were visiting friends and relatives in the city have returned to their homes in Greensboro.

—Mrs. M Lutt, who has been visiting relatives and friends in this city and county several months past, left today for Charlotte, from whence she will return to her home at Oxford.

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