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## SENATOR OVERMAN AT ROCKY RIVER.

### Able, Eloquent, Convincing and Rousing—Good Crowd to Hear Him.

The democracy of North Carolina gave to the voters of Rocky River Friday afternoon the opportunity of hearing one of the ablest, most eloquent and convincing speakers delivered during the campaign by Senator Lee S. Overman. The speaker was introduced by Judge W. J. Montgomery, who spoke of him as a statesman who reflected great credit upon himself and the people of North Carolina during his term in the United States Senate.

Senator Overman devoted the first part of his speech to State affairs and began by a review of the two parties and contrasted the conditions that have existed in the administration of the affairs of North Carolina under Republican and Democratic rule. "Since the Democrats have been in power in North Carolina what pledge have they failed to keep? What promise have they broken? What Republican will tell you they have failed to give the State a clean, faithful and conservative administration of affairs?" asked the Senator, and "What Republican is proud of the record his party made while in charge of affairs in this State? Can he tell you of any time under their administration when there was not graft, thievery and corruption?"

Senator Overman showed with telling effect how the Democrats had assumed charge of the State when it was bankrupt, without schools, asylums and there were no pensions for the old soldiers. Contrasting this state of affairs with democratic government he pointed out the establishment of asylums, an agricultural department for the benefit of the farmers, and the building of school houses, one for each day in every year under Democratic administration, and without raising the tax, the increase in revenue by requiring the railroads and the insurance companies to bear their share of the people's burden, the granting of pensions to old soldiers and widows of old soldiers, although the republicans, including sixteen negroes in the legislature at the time the pension bill was passed, voted against it.

Senator Overman referred to the activity of a certain ex-Senator in the Republican party at the present time, although he refrained from calling any name, referring to him as a certain unnamed man. He bitterly denounced this unnamed man for accepting a fee to appear against the State of North Carolina, while representing this State in the United States Senate. Senator Overman reviewed at length the history of the bonds that are of such vital interest to the people of North Carolina, and emphasizing the importance of the election this year, he declared: "If these bondholders could collect \$43,000,000 they would give one million to corrupt the voters of North Carolina in electing a legislature."

Senator Overman laid bare the methods adopted by the unnamed man, who accepted the fee while in the Senate to collect these bonds. This man and a Senator from South Dakota got together and a bill was introduced in the legislature of that State to accept these bonds for their State University, and the Governor was instructed if these bonds were not paid to bring suit for their recovery. The same thing was tied in Michigan, New York and other states and turned down with contempt. They then go to Nevada and a bill is passed in that legislature commanding the governor to bring suit. This he refused to do and a mandamus is now pending to force the governor of Nevada to bring suit for the recovery of these bonds.

In discussing national affairs Senator Overman vividly portrayed the extravagance and corruption of the Republican administration and severely arraigned the Republican leaders in Congress for breaking their pledges to the American people. Senator Overman's exposition of the democratic doctrines was clear and powerful and will no doubt strengthen the cause of democracy among all his hearers.

### St. Elmo to Be Here This Week.

Neil Twomey, who wrote the stage version of "St. Elmo," which will be seen here on Thursday evening, October 20, at the opera house is an adept at dramatizing popular novels. His play is conceded by the best critics to be the most interesting and highest class production of the Augusta Evans' story now before the American public.

Mr. Twomey is a dramatic author of experience and a thorough master of stagecraft. He has embodied in his play the real story of the book together with the familiar characters, preserving that Southern atmosphere which makes the novel so attractive.

Miss Dora Grier of Fort Mill, S. C., is the guest of Mrs. S. J. Lowe.

## EFFORT TO CROSS OCEAN IN AIR SHIP.

### Walter Wellman on a Perilous Trip—Carries Crew of Five.

The first attempt to make a flight over the Atlantic Ocean from continent to continent began Saturday when the huge dirigible balloon America started from Atlantic City for Europe with Walter Wellman, a journalist, explorer and navigator, in command, a party of five men, one of whom is also a navigator, one an expert wireless operator and the others engineers.

The start was made at 8 a. m. in the thickness of a great fog and with a slapping breeze blowing to the northeast. In ten minutes from the time the America arose—a monstrous creation with a cigar shaped gas bag 225 feet long and 50 feet in diameter in its centre bearing two motors, one 90, the other 80 horse power, and two big propellers—the giant airship had slipped out of sight in the gray haze. She went away with motors silent and propellers motionless, taking the wind to sea for her motive power.

Since then no one, with the exception of the ships at sea, has seen the strange craft, and the only word from her came by means of the wireless telegraph.

Numerous messages were received during the day, and the latest indicated that Wellman is easily sailing northeastward off the Long Island shore. The ship, according to this last word from the adventurous crew has set a northeasterly course, with the intention of getting into the northern lane of trans-Atlantic liners.

Somewhere east of Nantucket Island, off the coast of Massachusetts and approximately 300 miles from Atlantic City, the starting point, Walter Wellman in his airship America signalled a wireless "All's well" and a goodbye at 12:45 o'clock Sunday afternoon and swung on up the coast through the fog.

## Stanley Ketchel, Noted Pugilist, Dies of Wound.

Stanley Ketchel, long known as middleweight champion pugilist, is dead. The noted fighter, who was only twenty-three years of age, passed away Saturday evening on the operating table of the hospital at Springfield, Mo., whither he had been brought after being shot in the lung this morning by Walter A. Hurtz, a farmhand.

Ketchel had been trying to regain his health and strength, wrecked by dissipation, on the ranch of R. P. Dickenson, five miles from Conway, Mo., which is forty miles from there. Hurtz, one of Dickenson's employees, and Ketchel quarreled that night and Hurtz went to bed in an ugly mood, but nothing especial was thought of the matter.

Ketchel was seated alone at the breakfast table Saturday morning and Hurtz entered the room and said: "Throw up your hands." Ketchel, though taken by surprise, did not turn toward Hurtz, who shot him with a rifle.

The bullet struck Ketchel below the right shoulder blade, ranged upward and entered the right lung.

## Ty Cobb Champion Batter.

Tyrus Cobb, by official verdict of President Johnson Saturday, was the leading batsman of the American League during the last season, with a winning percentage over Larry Lajoie, of Cleveland, of .000860. As the National Leaguers dropped out of the batting contest some time ago. President Johnson's announcement means that Cobb is the champion hitter of the country. The automobile, over which trophy there has been so much excitement and not a little criticism, goes to the Detroit, but the Cleveland captain, by permission of Mr. Johnson, will be allowed to accept a duplicate.

## Graded School Notes.

Mr. Chas. W. Rankin began his school at White Hall this morning. He has rendered splendid service in the Graded School and everybody regrets that he cannot remain longer. Miss Constance Cline will have charge of the work until Miss Stevens returns.

Miss Julia Foster is sick today and Mr. Webb is supplying her place.

Mr. F. L. Walker, of the Charlotte Schools, spent the day here installing sanitary drinking fountains in Central school. The children drink from a bubble and their lips touch nothing but the water.

## Mt. McKinley Has a Rival.

Thomas J. Riggs, Jr., a government engineer working on the Alaskan boundary survey, has reported the discovery, far north of the Arctic circle, of what he believes is the highest mountain on the continent, exceeding Mt. McKinley by 2000 feet. Mt. McKinley is 20,480 feet above sea level.

## FOREST HILL NEWS.

### Numerous Personal Items of Interest from Northern Concord.

Miss Sally Winkinson, accompanied by her niece, Miss Madge Wilkinson, spent several days in Rock Hill last week with relatives.

Mrs. J. C. Cook goes to Salisbury tomorrow to witness the circus production of Ringling Bros.

Mr. F. H. Ramsaur spent Sunday in Charlotte with friends.

Mr. Fleming, representative of the Virginia Life Insurance Co., has moved into Mr. Tom Litaker's house on Church street, and will make it his home for the future.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. R. Wood leave tomorrow for Salisbury where they will spend several days with relatives and enjoy the attractions of the circus.

Mr. R. F. Coble returned to his work last Saturday at Alta Vista, after spending several days in the city with his family.

Mr. Chas. Tucker is moving his family from Kannapolis to this city, where he will have work in the Locke Mills.

Mr. R. A. Outen, who has been living in Concord for several months, will this week move his family back to Bessemer City.

Mr. Jno. Stratford, of Kannapolis, spent Sunday in the city with his brother, Mr. C. E. Stratford.

Mrs. J. E. Wright goes to Salisbury tomorrow to see Ringling's circus.

Miss Stella Bruton has returned to Charlotte after spending several days in the city with her parents.

## PERSONAL MENTION.

### Some of the People Here and Elsewhere Who Come and Go.

Prof. S. A. Wolff has gone to Lowell.

Mr. O. B. Walter spent Sunday in China Grove.

Miss Fay Polk spent yesterday in Charlotte with relatives.

Miss Mary Rankin is visiting friends in Lawrenceburg, Ky.

Mr. Cloud Corl has gone to Raleigh to attend the State Fair.

Miss May Oates, of Charlotte, spent Saturday in the city the guest of Mrs. Plato Durham.

Miss Rose Leffer, who has been visiting relatives in he county, returned this morning to Charlotte.

Mrs. Chas. Stone, of Charlotte, is visiting at the home of her parents, Capt. and Mrs. J. M. Alexander.

Mrs. E. T. Cannon has returned from Goldsboro, where she has been visiting relatives for several weeks.

Miss Mary Cole, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. P. T. Durham, will return Thursday to her home in Raleigh.

Miss Studie Smith will return to Converse College tonight after spending two days here with the family of her father, Rev. T. W. Smith.

Mr. Leslie Bell has returned from Philadelphia, where he has been working for the Success Publishing Co. during the summer months.

Miss Carrie Heilig, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. J. A. Peck, for a week, will return to her home in Mt. Pleasant this afternoon.

Misses Lucy Freeze and Lucy Grovis have returned from China Grove, where they have been visiting friends.

Mr. J. Locke Erwin has gone to Morganton on business.

Mrs. D. A. Garrison, of Gastonia, arrived this morning from Greensboro, where she has been visiting her sisters, Misses Ruth and Elizabeth Coltrane, of Greensboro Female College, and is visiting at the home of her father, Mr. D. B. Coltrane.

## Negro Kills Woman and Attempts Suicide.

Bob Miller, a well known negro, shot and instantly killed Mary Jones, a woman of his own color Saturday night, and then shot himself through the breast in an effort to commit suicide while trying to escape from a pursuing officer and was fatally shot down by the policeman. Miller was a cocaine fiend, it is said, and the presumption is that he was crazed with the drug when he emptied the contents of the pistol into the woman. This occurred at Charlotte.

## Hons. R. L. Doughton and L. T. Hartsell's Appointments.

Tuesday, October 18.—Bethel 2:30 p. m.; Concord, 7:30 p. m.  
Wednesday, October 19.—Pitts school house 8 p. m.

Salisbury's big fair is destined to eclipse all former efforts and Manager Daniels is expecting an immense crowd there next week. The attractions are many and of high character.

## STATE BANKING INSTITUTIONS.

### Gratifying Growth of State Banks—\$2,000,000 of Undivided Profits Shown.

A special report that has just been issued by the State Corporation Commission of North Carolina shows most gratifying growth in the State banking institutions. The report covers the period of a year, ending September 1 and shows the condition of the banks in detail. It is shown that the resources of the State banks have increased \$7,400,000 during the period considered. Some of the interesting details of the report follow:

The total resources of the banks are now \$58,352,185, against \$50,944,061 a year ago. Loans and discounts increased \$6,409,810 during the year.

An increase of \$188,150 is shown in the holdings of State bonds, and in banking buildings, furniture and fixtures an increase of \$188,799 is shown, the rest of the increase being in smaller items.

Deposits subject to check show an increase of \$1,477,000, the total now being \$22,828,000, which is nearly \$15 per capita by the last census.

Savings deposits have reached a total of \$6,470,000, the increase being 7,799,000. Time certificates of deposit now total \$6,684,000, an increase of \$1,602,000.

The total capitalization of the State banks at present is \$8,767,000, an increase during the year of \$1,008,000. There are \$2,000,000 of undivided profits shown.

The figures contained in the report of the Corporation Commission are for the State banks alone, of course, and when it is taken into consideration that the resources, deposits, etc. of the national banks are far in excess of these figures it is readily realized that the people of this State are getting the banking habit.

## DEATH OF SENATOR DOLLIVER.

### Iowa Senator Passes While Doctor is Testing Heart Beat.

United States Senator Jonathan Prentiss Dolliver died of dilatation of the heart caused by an attack of acute indigestion at his residence at Fort Dodge Iowa, Saturday night while being rubbed by an osteopath physician.

Senator Dolliver's death was unexpected by his relatives and close friends, who thought that he had almost entirely recovered from the attack of indigestion with which he had been suffering for a week.

While working over Senator Dolliver the osteopath physician was using an instrument to listen to the senator's heart action. The physician unexpectedly discovered that he was no longer hearing the heartbeats. He at first thought that his instrument was faulty. An examination revealed that his patient was dead.

## Will Raise the Maine.

President Taft has finally approved plans for raising the wreck of the battleship Maine from Havana harbor which calls for the completion of the work on or before the thirteenth anniversary of the destruction of the war vessel, February 15 next. The work is to be done according to plans made by army engineers and is to be under the direction of an engineer officer.

The paramount question in the raising of the Maine is the determining for all time of the cause of the explosion and whether the source of destruction was from the outside or inside the vessel. For this reason the President desires that the work be left in the hands of the army engineers and not let out by contract.

By direction of President Taft, Spain has been invited to send a representative to Havana to be present during the work of exposing and removing the wreck.

## Bishop Kilgo's Visit Here.

Bishop John C. Kilgo, of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, spent Saturday night and Sunday in Concord. Bishop Kilgo preached at Forest Hill Methodist church yesterday morning and a large and representative congregation was present to hear this able and distinguished divine. Bishop Kilgo's scholarly discourse was delivered in his usual eloquent style, which has placed him among the foremost pulpits orators of America. While here Bishop Kilgo was the guest of his friend, Hon. W. R. Odell. He left this morning for Nashville, Tenn., to attend a meeting of the Missionary Board and will go from there to New Orleans to attend the session of the College Bishops.

Returns from the World Championship series between the Philadelphia Americans and the Chicago Nationals are being received at the Davis Drug Co. and quite a number of the baseball bugs of the city are awaiting each bulletin with intense eagerness.

## YOUNG ACTOR DROWNED.

### Dixon's Leading Man Loses Life at Wrightsville Beach.

Robert Barton Pahr, aged 23, leading man in Thomas Dixon's latest play, "The Sins of the Fathers," was drowned at Wrightsville Beach Sunday afternoon while in surf bathing. Heroic efforts were made to save the young actor but in vain. His body has not been recovered and it may be days before it is washed in by the tide.

Several members of the troupe were at the beach when the tragedy occurred. The young actor is said to have been a good swimmer and ventured out too far and was caught by a powerful undertow.

Pahr took the part of Tom Norton, the son in Dixon's play. He was a native of Baltimore and his father and mother reside there. He was unmarried. Mr. Dixon stated that he would take the part in the play played by Mr. Pahr, until a new man could be secured. The company plays in Fayetteville tonight. Mr. Dixon was at the beach when the tragedy occurred.

It was almost high tide when the drowning occurred, about 4 o'clock, and up to a late hour Sunday night the body had not been washed ashore. Several men are patrolling the beach and grappling irons and seines will be used today if the body is not recovered in the meantime.

## Dr. Detwiler Goes to Nashville—Dr. Byrd to Asheville.

Interesting to Methodists throughout the State is the announcement that Rev. G. H. Detwiler, formerly pastor in Greensboro and Charlotte and for a year pastor of Central Methodist church at Asheville, has been transferred by Bishop Hendrix who is to hold the Western North Carolina conference this year, to the Tennessee conference. Dr. Detwiler becomes pastor of West End Methodist church, the Vanderbilt University church, at Nashville, succeeding Dr. Charles W. Byrd, who has served two pastorates at Central Methodist church, has been transferred to this conference and again becomes pastor at Central church. The exchange will become effective about November 1st. In transferring Dr. Detwiler to another field Bishop Wilson wrote some while ago that it became necessary in order to adjust about fifteen of the big pastorates in the general conference which became vacant by time limit this year. Strong inducements were made to get Dr. Detwiler to go to Atlanta and Memphis, but he chose Nashville because of the strong petition which the Vanderbilt people sent him.

## The Speaking at Mt. Pleasant.

Hon. R. L. Doughton and L. T. Hartsell addressed the voters of Mt. Pleasant and No. 8 township Saturday night at Mount Pleasant. The seating capacity of the large and spacious town auditorium was taxed to the utmost, many ladies being in the audience. Both speakers delivered strong and forceful speeches and aroused their audience to a high pitch of enthusiasm, as was evidenced by the frequency they were forced to hesitate amid the deafening roars of applause. Both the speakers and a number of citizens of Mount Pleasant express themselves as not only highly gratified with the results of the meeting Saturday night but with the democratic situation in No. 8 as well.

## Children Who are Sickly.

Mothers who value their own comfort and the welfare of their children, should never be without a box of Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children, for use throughout the season. They break up Colds, Cure Feverishness, Constipation, Teething Disorders, Headache and Stomach Troubles. These Powders never fail. Sold by all drug stores, 25c. Don't accept any substitute. A trial package will be sent free to any mother who will address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

## Doughton and Hartsell to Speak Here Tomorrow Night.

Hon. R. L. Doughton and Hon. L. T. Hartsell will address the voters of Concord and Cabarrus county at the court house Tuesday night at 7:30 o'clock. A brass band has been engaged to furnish music for the occasion. Every voter should avail himself of the opportunity to hear the sses of the campaign discussed by these able speakers, one the next Congressman from this district and the other the next Senator.

## At The Theatorium Today.

"A Plucky American Girl." This picture is filled with thrills and throbs and will grasp your attention every minute of the play. Also a Biograph, "Examination Day at School," and a corker it is.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Davis spent yesterday in Salisbury.

## TO-DAY'S WEATHER.

Fair tonight and Tuesday; increasing cloudiness with probable showers in east portion; northwest winds increasing on coast.

## LOCAL AND OTHERWISE.

Tickets will go on sale tomorrow morning for St. Elmo.

Mr. Luther Hendrix has accepted a position at Ritchie's Hardware.

Hon. R. L. Doughton and Hon. L. T. Hartsell will speak at Watt's store in No. 6, tonight.

The Peoples Drug Co. sells the famous Allegretti candies. These candies are always absolutely fresh. Phone 333.

The Concord National Bank has made application to the Postmaster General to be designated as a depository for the funds of the Postal Savings Bank.

Bertha May Howard, the 18-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Howell, died Saturday at the home of her parents on Caldwell street. The interment was made yesterday at Oakwood cemetery.

Messrs. A. G. Odell, R. M. Odell, F. L. Smith, H. L. Smith, Martin L. Cannon, Joe Hartsell, E. T. Cannon and James Cannon, Jr., have been appointed marshals at the State Fair, Raleigh.

A gentleman from Forest Hill tells us that for three years past frost has appeared on the 13th of October, but that it missed this year. It was thought that we would have an early fall this year, but the signs now point to the contrary.

The Ladies Aid Society of St. James Lutheran church will meet in the lecture room of St. James church Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Final arrangements for the Fall Flower Exhibit are to be made, and a full attendance of the members is desired.

There will be preaching at New Bethpage church, in No. 4 township next Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. This church has recently added a choir loft, and also begun the use of individual communion cups, the first church in the county to inaugurate this custom.

Manager Biles, of the opera house, is making a house to house canvass in an attempt to raise enough funds to secure Sousa's band for December 6th. If the local manager can give a sufficient guarantee the people of this city will have the opportunity of witnessing a concert by this famous band of musicians.

The State Fair at Raleigh will take place this week, beginning tomorrow.

A plate glass front is being put in the warehouse in rear of the Hudgins building, on South Union street, and when ready the building will be occupied by the Sanitary Plumbing Co. and R. A. Brown's Sons.

The announcement is made of the coming marriage at an early date of two of Goldsboro's popular young people, Mr. Graves J. Smith, a member of the John Slaughter Company, to Miss Rosalie Smith, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. R. A. Smith. Miss Smith has several times visited Miss Shirley Montgomery here. Miss Montgomery will leave next week for Goldsboro to remain until after the wedding.

Mr. DeBerry Barringer, of Mount Pleasant, had the misfortune to have the thumb of his left hand mangled today, while placing a corn shredder at the barn of Mrs. R. A. Brown. Mr. Barringer caught his finger between two wheels of the machine and the thumb of his left hand was so badly mangled that it was necessary for the attending physician to amputate it at the first joint.

## Mecklenburg Fair Next Week.

All the railroads within 100 miles of Charlotte, including this year for the first time all branch roads, will give rates of only one and a third fares for the round trip to Charlotte during the Mecklenburg Fair, according to an announcement just made by Railroad Commissioner Fitzgerald. Tickets will go on sale Monday, October 24 and be good for the return trip as late as Saturday, the 29th.

The management of the fair has awarded the contracts for the installation and operation of the lights on the fair grounds during the fair, October 25th to 28th. Approximately 3,000 16 candle power incandescent lamps and about 100 arc lights of the street lighting type will be used in the various buildings and on the grounds, which will be made as light as day.

Mrs. Robt. Bost has resumed her work with the Curtis Publishing Company.

The greatest men do not always get their pictures in the newspapers.