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### GREAT SPEECH BY HON. JOHN G. WOOLLEY LAST NIGHT.

A Magnificent Appeal Made for Better Conditions.—Rev. R. L. Davis Makes Some Vigorous Remarks And Says He Will Back Them Up By Action.—Advise Concurrent Jurisdiction By Superior Court.—Says Blind Tigers Here Have Gotten Rich.

Central Methodist church was taxed to its utmost seating capacity last night to hear Hon. John G. Woolley, of Ohio, and Superintendent Davis, of the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League speak on temperance. The audience was a magnificent gathering of men, women and children, the entire student body of young ladies from Laura Sunderland School graced the occasion with their presence. A magnificent audience greeted a great speaker.

Rev. J. H. West presided over the meeting. Rev. W. H. Causey invoked God's divine blessing on the meeting, and Mr. D. B. Coltrane introduced Mr. Woolley.

Mr. Woolley easily demonstrated the fact that he is a most gifted speaker and the manner in which he handled his subject bespoke of a brotherly feeling for all mankind and caused his message to fall with most pleasing effect. His speech was not an exhortation to bring a drunkard to repentance but an appeal to the Christian citizenship to stand four square to all the winds that blow and demand that the pitfalls and hell holes that speckle the path of the unfortunate inebriate, who is waging a bitter battle for a better life, be removed in accordance with laws of our State.

Mr. Woolley told of consecrating his life to this great work twenty-five years ago when he became active in the Prohibition party. He reviewed the work of the party and told how the churches, ministers, newspapers and political conventions had turned a deaf ear to their undertaking. He pointed out the work of the party, its failures and weaknesses and showed how from it the Anti-Saloon League was evolved.

This question ought to be of importance to every man who lives his country, his home and his own soul. There is nothing in the outlook to make us doubt that we are in the beginning of the end of liquor domination of American politics. There is absolutely nothing to justify a wine.

There is one message that I want to impress upon the men who stand for civic righteousness and are behind this move and that is, that they must make good, or in the language of the street they must "put up or shut up." The men who are nature's moulders and makers of society want to commit not only their heads and hearts, but their hands to this work. After all the great achievements of the past the fight is lost right now unless Christian manhood of North Carolina has the stuff in them to back these workers to a finish. Liquor sellers exist in your city, and of all men I know the meanest man is the keeper of a whisky drug store who hangs on the edge of the disappearing liquor traffic. Despise the man who wilfully violates the law, and let him know that he hasn't the respect of decent people.

Mr. Woolley told of the Anti-Saloon League, which was the offspring of its parent the Prohibition party, of its parent, the Prohibition party, a man to quit being a Democrat or a Republican but the Anti-Saloon League says for him to retain his party affiliations but Democrat or Republican and Baptist, Methodist, Presbyterian without regard to sect, when the liquor question confronts us come forward and fight it. Mr. Woolley said that it was necessary to be reasonable and he would take his text from the words of the Apostle: "I beseech you, therefore, brethren by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service." I beseech you in the gentle spirit of these words. I don't believe in scolding. The spirit of criticism is rampant in minds of the reformer. Scolding is worse than drinking liquor. The scolding teacher, preacher, wife, mother and husband make all about them unhappy. The day for the scolding reformer has passed. Twenty-five years ago men were asleep and it was necessary for Frances Willard and others to go out on the trail and scold men to action. But that day has passed.

"Brethren," that shows the foundation of Christian brotherhood and Christian Democracy; that must be the basis of our work. The speaker made a most convincing appeal for

a united brotherhood of Christian men to stand solidly together being the movement.

"By the mercies of God," Mr. Woolley was most eloquent in his appeal for men who had been blessed by birth, training and environment that was such as to keep them from being cursed with the appetite of the inebriate to do their part in helping him to fight his fight toward a better life and remove from his path the tempting tigers that held an irresistible grip on his depraved appetite. His picture of the suffering of such a man's family and the duty of stronger and more fortunate men toward such a brother was truly the picture of a master and most impressively brought out that part of his text, "which is your reasonable service."

What is it you present? Songs, prayers, tears? You might as well play a guitar to a deaf bull dog as to try to talk a barroom man into repentance. But it is your bodies that you must present. If you have blind tigers and liquor selling drug store your officers are not capable or they are dishonest. You got the kind of blind tigers you deserve. It is your fault if the blind tiger politician doesn't have a wholesome fear of you. The trouble with our religion is that does not have body enough. It has got a good "head" and a good "fz" as the barroom man would say. But it does not have body enough. You take a barroom man he is on the job morning, noon and night. He is all there working, thinking planning. He is there body, arms, all and a real man when it comes to standing for his occupation. "Whenever the Christian man gets to be as true to his church and his intellect as the barroom man is to the god of greed you won't have any liquor drug stores or blind tigers."

The spirit of criticism balks us at every turn. It is not honest to let some hired minister do what God entrusted us to do. The proxy devil is the worst that ever broke into the church. Do it now. What would you think of a soldier when ordered to present arms to turn and ask "when?" The voice of God Almighty is ringing through the land tonight calling on you to present your bodies to this great work. It is time for you to take your stand. Don't be like some men who are watching prohibition religion on one side, blind tiger politics on the other and their neighbors in between until they get so wall eyed that when they weep over the liquor traffic tears run down their backs.

"We can break good men of this country from wearing the collars of political slaves. The liquor traffic ought to die. The Christian man can kill it. Come on—make good."

At the conclusion of Mr. Woolley's address Superintendent R. L. Davis, of the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League, made a talk. Although Mr. Davis made only a short talk it was a vigorous appeal for the churches to bring their strength together in a united, persistent effort toward a better enforcement of law. He said we have whisky drug stores in Concord, and added: "If you have whisky drug stores or blind tigers here, it is because you have officials that are incapable or dishonest and the people themselves are responsible. There isn't body enough in our religion. The officials haven't a wholesome fear of the people. When the Christian man is as true to his cause as the whisky man is you won't have any whisky druggists or blind tigers."

"Here is a town," continued Mr. Davis, "that has had prohibition for 26 years, and get blind tigers have gotten rich here and own thousands of dollars worth of property. You men ought to be ashamed of yourselves; go home and put on mother huddards and let the women clean up the town."

"I have been keeping in touch with the situation in your town and I want to give you some advice. One of the things is that you make a fight in the legislature for concurrent jurisdiction. Another is that when you have another election see that the men you vote for are men who will enforce the prohibition law. I know your officers and I was in school with some of them. And I want to serve notice on the liquor people in this town and the officials if they don't clean out things I will come here and do it. I will remove the things here in this town that cause Christian people to hang their heads in shame and I will see to it that this place shall not be a blot on the map. The Anti-Saloon League is for the purpose of educating the people in this great work and that is why Mr. Woolley is now on this speaking tour."

Mr. Davis told of the necessity for funds to continue the work and a collection was then taken. Many present agreed to give a certain amount each month.

## LUTHERAN LAYMEN'S CONVENTION OPENS.

Inspiring Addresses by Prominent Men From Other States Heard at Opening Services.

Salisbury, Feb. 7.—With the inspiring strains of Martin Luther's great battle hymn sung by 700 men, the Lutheran laymen's convention began its first session today. Governor Kitchin delivered the address of welcome, saying that while he had welcomed many conventions to the State, he had never welcomed one that was of as great importance as this. He sounded a clear call to men for consecrated service.

Dr. George B. Cromer, chairman, responded in a stirring address on the responsibility of laymen. President R. L. Fritz, of Lenoir College, and W. C. Stoever, president of the Lutheran League of America, made inspiring addresses. The three addresses of the Wednesday evening session made a perfectly rounded programme.

In the opening address Dr. Edward Thorn, of Philadelphia, gave in unusually profound and scholarly presentation of his subject. "An Awakening World." President J. Henry Harms followed with a clear, thrilling call of the opportunity of this generation.

The climax of the evening session was the address of Rev. S. P. Long, of Mansfield, O. With the power of the born orator Dr. Long moved his audience from laughter and applause to the most profound silence of conscience-stricken conviction.

Every train is bringing delegates. The convention lodge, the Lutheran coat of arms, is much in evidence. Twelve States are represented in the registration books. A number of large delegations are expected on Thursday and Friday.

## 32 Indictments Against Union Labor Officials.

Indianapolis, Ind., February 6.—Union labor officials and agents, said to number between thirty and forty, whom the government holds criminally responsible with the McNamara and Ortie E. McManigal for perpetrating more than 100 explosions which occurred in cities from Massachusetts to California in the last six years, and in which the wrecking of the Los Angeles Times building was an incident, were indicted today.

Thirty-two indictments were returned. Capiases for arrests have been issued, and all the men indicted are to be taken in custody on a day secretly fixed by the government, but known to be within a week.

March 12 has been set for the arraignment before Federal Judge A. B. Anderson in Indianapolis. The papers for the arrests designate the amount of bond which the defendants may give in the Federal districts in which they reside for their appearance here. The amounts of the bonds in the individual cases were not made known, but it was said in the aggregate they would total \$300,000.

## McCurdy-Hudson.

This evening at 6:30 o'clock, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hudson, in No. 10 township, Mr. C. Samuel McCurdy and Miss Lena Hudson will be married. The ceremony will be performed by Rev. Jas. Lapsley, the bride's pastor. A large number of friends of both the contracting parties have been invited to be present. Mr. McCurdy is a son of Mr. and Mrs. D. B. McCurdy, of Concord, and is one of the most progressive young farmers of No. 10 township, while the bride-to-be is a most popular young lady among a large circle of friends. They will at once begin housekeeping at the D. B. McCurdy home in No. 10.

## Live Stock Men Meet.

Columbia, S. C., Feb. 8.—The annual meeting of the South Carolina Live Stock Association, which began a two days' session in this city today, has attracted an unusually large number of breeders from all parts of the State. The chief purpose of the meeting is to consider ways and means of eradicating the cattle tick and increasing and bettering the live stock industry in South Carolina.

## Judge Montgomery to Be Brought Home This Afternoon.

It is now expected that Judge W. J. Montgomery will be brought home this afternoon from the Charlotte sanatorium on train No. 46, due at 3:40 p. m. His condition is still serious, but it has been decided to bring him home.

Everybody likes a cute child and everybody should see "Baby's Choice" at the Theatrum today. It's a good comedy film that will make you sit up and take notice of the doings of a baby.

## WURT IN RUNAWAY.

Frightened Horse Causes Buggy to Turn Turtle On Kannapolis Road This Morning.

Mr. Ira Mehaffy was badly bruised up and Mr. James Wheatley, a traveling salesman for W. H. Crawford & Co., dealers in spices, teas, etc., of Baltimore, sustained several painful injuries this morning when a horse they were driving became frightened at a wheel barrow in front of the Luberger place and turned the buggy over. Mr. Mehaffy was more seriously injured of the two. He received a number of cuts and bruises, two ugly cuts on his face forming the most serious of his injuries. When the buggy turned turtle the horse stopped and this gave the men a chance to escape. They caught the horse and continued to the city. When they arrived their clothing was covered with dirt, mud and blood but they stood their misfortunes bravely and after a visit to the doctor and changes of apparel came out smiling if slightly disfigured.

## PERSONAL MENTION.

Some of the People Here And Else where Who Come And Go.

Mrs. S. J. Lowe spent yesterday afternoon in Charlotte.

Squire C. A. Pitts has gone to Troy on a brief business trip.

Mrs. C. C. Howerton, of Durham, is visiting relatives in the city.

Mr. H. Bryant, of Randleman, is a business visitor in the city today.

Rev. A. O. Lindley has returned from a visit to relatives in Thomasville.

Mr. J. S. Turner and Miss Etta Turner, of Thomasville, are visiting Mr. E. C. Turner.

Mr. Sam Sloop has returned to his home in Providence, R. I., after visiting relatives in the city for several days.

Mrs. William Webster has returned from Charlotte, where she has been the guest of Mrs. C. W. Tillett for a week.

Miss Ethel Hooks returned yesterday to her home in Dunn, after visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Archibald, for several weeks.

Mayor C. B. Wagoner and A. R. Howard have returned from Charlotte, where they rode the Masonic goat to a higher degree in the fraternity last night.

Miss Laura McGill Cannon has returned from Durham, where she has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Julian S. Carr, Jr. Miss Cannon was accompanied home by Miss Lida Carr Vaughan, who will be her guest for some time.

## Colorado Republicans for Harmony.

Denver, Colo., Feb. 8.—Next Monday will be a notable day for Colorado Republicans, if plans now completed are successfully carried out. A big "harmony" conference is to be held here on that day, and the expectation is that peace will be restored among the rival factions in which the party in this State has been so long divided. Supporters of President Taft and the followers of Roosevelt and LaFollette, standpatters and progressives, all have been invited to join in the conference, and the Republican editors of the State will be here in masse to help the peace plans along. The State committee will meet in the forenoon to fix upon the time and place for holding the State convention. In the evening a Lincoln Day banquet will be held with former Senator Beveridge of Indiana as the chief speaker.

## All Roads Consolidated.

Raleigh Times, 7th. The Raleigh, Charlotte & Southern Railway Company came into existence officially today and the Norfolk Southern, Raleigh & Southport, Aberdeen & Asheboro and Durham & Southern officially went out of existence.

All these roads have been amalgamated into the greater railroad, with Mr. E. T. Lamb, of Norfolk, as president, and Mr. E. C. Duncanson, of Raleigh, as first vice president.

This Raleigh city will figure on the stationery of one of the greatest systems in the country, and the smaller roads will lose their identity. All this is the result as well known of the purchase by the Norfolk Southern of the smaller and the consolidation of them all into the Raleigh, Charlotte & Southern Railway Company.

Misses Mary Fry, of Greensboro, and Mary Burwell, of Chase City, Va., who have been visiting Miss Shirley Montgomery for several weeks left Tuesday night for their respective homes.

## DYNAMITE DEMONSTRATION.

Large Number of Farmers Are Shown What Dynamite Will Do On the Farm.

Expert demonstrators of what dynamite will do for the farmer were sent here Tuesday by the Jefferson Powder Company of Birmingham, Ala., and gave a demonstration under the direction of the local agents of the company, the Ritchie Hardware Company, of what a great agent dynamite is in advancing the work of the tillers of the soil.

The demonstration was held at the farm of Mr. Jno. A. Sims and was attended by a hundred or more farmers from various sections of the county. Large stumps, tap root and all, were blown into kindling wood. Holes were bored in the ground at a specified distance apart and dynamite discharged in them. The result proved that this is the most complete method possible of going down beneath the surface of the soil and preparing a subsoil. Many other tests that would be beneficial to the farmers in cultivating lands in an improved and more profitable way were made which clearly showed that the use of dynamite in modern farming has become essential in order that a farmer can secure the best results at the least expenditure of labor and expenses.

## A TRIBUTE TO MR. PETZER.

A spirit of sadness, a sigh of sorrow, a something akin to pathos seems to pervade the hearts of our people today because of the death of one of its most loved citizens. In the twinkling of an eye he went from among us to that "home from which no traveler ever returns." It is so hard to realize the fact that P. B. Fetzer is no more in our midst to strengthen and brighten the lives clustered around him. It seems as if a great benediction has left us forever. Only last week it was he who stood forth at his post of duty, the noblest of the noble; with all that stands for the highest and grandest in human life encircling him, with a character so high, a soul so sublime; and today we weep above his bier. This is the saddest thought that one can imagine in this vale of tears to those who knew him. Surely a prince has fallen in our midst. His place will be hard to fill again. There are human souls along every path that charm us for a time with their magic and eloquence. There are others that appeal to us by the grandeur of their intellect and strength of character. Others for a time gain our love by the benefits they strew to neighbors and friends. But seldom do all the finer attributes of life combine in one as they do in our friend just gone. For years and years he lived in our midst without a fear or foe, without an evil thought or unkind act towards any man, and all—the high and low, the good and bad—wipe tears from their eyes that he is gone. This is the highest tribute ever paid to any man. His memory will live in other lives for years. In after years as we trace the men of character and worth that helped to build our loved city his name will lead them all. His life will be the ideal life towards which we can teach our youths to try to emulate so as to reach the best that comes to mortals here below. It is an inspiration that such men yet live in this sordid age.

Precious was his life and character. Bright his words and deeds of love, First citizen, first patriot, first Christian.

Every day he loved his fellowman, Trust in God, trust in man—his motto.

Zealous that the good and just should live, Eventide gathered him to his sweet rest—

Rest among the angels in heaven. G. E. K.

## Varnor Enthusiastic Over Underwood's Presidential Candidacy.

Lexington, Feb. 7.—Mr. H. B. Varnor, who spent several days in Washington last week, has returned here with enthusiasm for Underwood. While in the capital he talked with the great House leader, and is convinced that Mr. Underwood is in the fight to stay. Underwood is the second choice of practically all the Democrats in this section, and when they realize that he stands a good chance for the nomination they will rally to him as one man. "The South for a Southerner" is the battle-ery.

## Mileage Bill Passes in South Carolina.

Columbia, S. C., Feb. 7.—The Senate today concurred in the amendments made in the mileage bill by the House, the bill having passed the Senate last year, and the bill requiring railroads to accept mileage on trains instead of having it exchanged for a ticket as is the case now, was ordered enrolled as an act. It will now go to the Governor for his signature. The return of the bill to the Senate caused a slight debate over the time for the change to take effect, which is May 1, 1912.

Lexington Dispatch: Her friends will regret to hear that Mrs. Will Farley suffered quite a severe stroke of paralysis last Sunday morning. At the breakfast table she started to address her daughter and found that she use of her tongue had failed her. She had not spoken a word since although she is perfectly conscious.

Mrs. C. N. Fields, who has been visiting Miss Bertha Hill, has returned to her home in Charlotte.

## LAI'D TO REST.

Funeral Service Over Remains of Mr. P. B. Fetzer Held Wednesday Morning.

The funeral of the late Mr. P. B. Fetzer was held Wednesday at 11:30 o'clock at the home on Georgia avenue. The services were conducted by Rev. Dr. J. M. Grier, pastor of the deceased, assisted by Rev. T. W. Smith and was attended by a large gathering of friends and relatives in every station of life. Many magnificent floral designs were sent by friends and admirers from every section of the county as tokens of esteem for the beloved citizen.

After the services were concluded the interment was made at Oakwood cemetery. The active pall bearers were: Messrs. C. B. Wagoner, A. Jones York, E. L. Morrison, J. L. Hartsell, W. W. Flowe, E. W. Freeman, of High Point, C. L. White and A. R. Hoover. Honorary pallbearers were Messrs. J. W. Cannon, W. J. Hill, R. E. Gibson, D. B. Morrison, H. I. Woodhouse and J. P. Allison.

During the hour of the funeral the business houses and banks were closed as a mark of respect for a man who had played such an important part in the business life of the community for many years.

## THE GREAT LUTHERAN MEETING OPENED.

Salisbury Entertains Laymen's Convention Covered By All The States in the South.

Salisbury hotel accommodations have been exhausted and the citizens are opening their homes to the delegates to the Lutheran laymen's convention which opened Wednesday.

The territory covered by the convention consists of the State of Virginia, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Mississippi and Alabama, but the registration books already show that men from half a dozen other States will be in attendance.

In addition to the laymen about two-thirds of the entire clerical membership of the church in the South have registered.

Registrations are not limited to men of the Lutheran church, and the unusual strong programme is attracting men of other denominations who are forming parties to come in from nearby towns.

The convention will unquestionably be the largest gathering of Lutherans every held in the South, and will afford to men of other denominations as well as Lutherans an opportunity to hear speakers of national and some of international reputation.

## Mayor Wagoner Invited to Join the Benedicts.

If Concord don't soon have a "mayoress" no one will be to blame but Mayor Wagoner. For in this good leap year the handsome bachelor Mayor has been granted the privilege of joining the benedicts. The invitation is of the genuine variety and is extended by a person capable of safely conducting the Mayor into the realm for she is none other than a lady and a Charlotte lady at that. The Mayor received a letter yesterday and judging by its contents he has received one of a similar nature before. The letter was a proposal and a request to send along a silk dress, which tradition requires that a man should donate to a young lady who had proposed to him during leap year and was not accepted. The young lady preface her request with a proposal. She then gives the following description of the dress she desires:

"Sky blue preferred. Size 48. Length of skirt, 42. Waist 40." "She must be some hefty girl to have a 40 inch waist," was the only comment the Mayor would offer on the contents of the epistle.

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