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Dr. Royster Outlines a Plan to Industrial Club

REX A POOR HOSPITAL

Movement Is for Thoroughly Modern and Ample Building With the Most Approved Equipment—A Concerted Movement Contemplated—Dr. Royster's Address—Young Men Hold Important Meeting.

The Industrial Club of Raleigh last night passed a resolution appointing a committee to take steps toward securing for Raleigh the best hospital general offices here instead of rebuilding in Portsmouth.

One of the most interesting features of the session of the club was a brief address by Dr. Hubert Royster in which he outlined as far as that can be done at this time the plans being developed for improved hospital facilities in Raleigh and the crying need that there is for better facilities.

In explaining the hospital situation Dr. Royster pointed out the fact that the provision for the care of colored patients by the hospitals of the city are about three times as great as the provision for white patients, this being brought about by the fact that there are, in addition to the provision for the colored patients at Rex Hospital, the well equipped hospitals for negroes at Shaw University and St. Augustine School. This difference in the provision for the two races though Dr. Royster says as it should be, as there are many more negroes than white people for whom the hospital care is a necessity.

One great drawback to the most advantageous management of Rex hospital, he said was that the care of patients of both races in the same institution necessitated largely a double equipment and double corps of attendants. And if arrangements could be made for concentrating the colored patients in Shaw and St. Augustine hospitals on an equitable basis, and leave Rex hospital solely to the treatment of white patients the management could be far better from both medical and economical viewpoints.

So far as can be stated at this time the plans for hospital improvement are to utilize the Rex plant which is valued at about \$40,000 and is located very desirably, and raise, one way and another, not less than \$50,000 in cash with which to provide a thoroughly modern hospital building.

Dr. Royster addressed the Womens Club yesterday afternoon and suggested to them that in the event the plans work out all right and the new hospital is assured, that they undertake the work of equipping it. Much more, of course, than the \$50,000 cash will be required in providing such a hospital as is contemplated and much of the additional funds will probably be raised by means of establishing memorials, different parts of the hospital as provided for through memorial funds, being known by the name of the parties in whose memory the donations are made.

In the matter of the getting of the \$50,000 necessary to be raised among the citizens of the city, Dr. Royster thinks that one of the most effective plans would be for each of the organizations interested in the movement to raise a certain part of the money.

He suggested that there be a joint meeting of committees from the Industrial Club, the Chamber of Commerce, the Woman's Club, the trustees of the hospital and the Raleigh medical board within the next few weeks and that this joint committee call a public meeting of the people of the city in Hanes Library hall for the purpose of formally launching the movement.

At the conclusion of Dr. Royster's address the following resolution was adopted:

"Resolved, That the Industrial Club has heard with pleasure the report of Dr. H. A. Royster, of the hospital committee, and we suggest that there be a general meeting of the hospital committees of the Industrial Club, the Chamber of Commerce, the Woman's Club, the Medical Board, and the trustees of the hospital to prosecute the plans now in prospect, to the end that better facilities may be provided."

A resolution was offered by Mr. W. W. Robards providing that the club co-operate with the Chamber of Commerce in the movement for the extension of the city limits. He gave notice that he would call up this resolution as a special order for the April meeting of the club.

Another resolution by Mr. Robards was for the endorsement of the movement to secure the enlargement of the state capitol building. This was unanimously adopted.

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MORE RUMORS IN SEABOARD

Said Now that President Barr Retires in May

C. H. HIX MAY GO HIGHER

Likely to be Appointed General Manager in Event of Change—Blair-Ryan Interests, it is Thought, Are About to Consolidate Management of South and Western and Seaboard Air Line.

According to a report published last night by the Richmond News Leader it is believed in railroad circles that President J. M. Barr of the Seaboard Air Line is shortly to retire in spite of official denials to the contrary. Alfred Walter chairman of the board of directors of the South and Western will succeed him and it is also said that a new office, that of general manager, will be created, in that event C. H. Hix, formerly of Raleigh, will be appointed. In Norfolk last night President Barr declined to discuss the matter of his probable retirement.

The story in the News Leader is as follows:

In local railroad circles the reported resignation of President J. M. Barr of the Seaboard Air Line, to take effect May 1, is not only believed by high officials of other systems, but only there is a rumor among these officials to the effect that Alfred Walter, chairman of the board of directors of the South and Western, will succeed Mr. Barr as president of the Seaboard.

Mr. Walters, this rumor says, will retain his connection with the board of the South and Western, in addition to the presidency of the Seaboard.

According to the official Railway Guide, Mr. Walter is located in the Blair Building, 23 Broad street, New York.

Railroad officials who believe that Mr. Barr will be succeeded by Mr. Walters say they have heard that the two have been recently going especially over the entire system, and Mr. Barr always seemed to be explaining thoroughly the details of operation and management to Mr. Walters.

This rumor is probably given more credence because of the fact that the South and Western is recognized as a Blair-Ryan property and so is the Seaboard. Furthermore, since it has become known that the Clinchfield Corporation (Blair-Ryan interests) is behind the South and Western, and has plans for the combination of both the South and Western and the Seaboard in the near future, the belief is rather strengthened in the changes as here announced concerning Mr. Barr's resignation, the unification of the Seaboard and the South and Western and the enlargement of both systems.

The placing of Mr. Walter at the head of the Seaboard, while still chairman of the South and Western, is believed to be an economic move by the controlling interests.

Another change which current reports say will be brought about by the retirement of Mr. Barr is that when Mr. Walters takes charge there will be a new office created, that of general manager to take charge of operation of the Seaboard. In this connection it is said that the present office of general superintendent will be abolished and the incumbent, C. H. Hix, will be the first general manager.

Mr. Hix was formerly superintendent of the Richmond division of the road, with headquarters in this city. That he made a good impression on the management of the road while in Richmond was proved by his promotion to general superintendent. High officials of other roads who have known Mr. Hix for years and have watched

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