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RICHARD H. BATTLE PASSES AT AGE OF 77

Long and Useful Life Brought to Close When This Grand Old Gentleman Passes At Rex Hospital

FUNERAL TO BE HELD TOMORROW AFTERNOON

Services Will be Conducted From Church of the Good Shepherd and Interment Will be in Oakwood—Mr. Battle Had Been in Freble Health for Two Years and in Hospital Ten Days—Activities Extended in Many Directions and Was Honor Graduate of University and Loved Institution Devotedly—Story of His Life.

Hon. Richard H. Battle, distinguished for public services and noble virtues, died last night at 10:30 at Rex Hospital, after an illness of several months. Had he lived until December 3 next, he would have been 77 years old. The end came peacefully, with his family at his side, and at the close of a life given over largely to the uplift of his fellow-man. Mr. Battle died as he had lived, a Christian and a gentleman.

It is impossible to estimate the good this honored citizen had done throughout a long and useful life. He never raised his voice unless to speak for justice; never took a position that he could not square with his conscience, and by precept and example preached honesty and righteousness. Eminent success in the practice of the law and in his business enterprises, his life has been a sermon and a blessing to thousands. He will be sincerely mourned by the whole state.

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CONDEMNED MAN CHEERFUL

Richeson Bears Up Well Under Strain In His Last Hours

Boston, May 20.—That the last hour of his earthly existence might come speedily was apparently the dominating thought of Rev. Clarence V. T. Richeson, who shortly after midnight tonight will probably pay the penalty for murdering Avis Linnell, courageously faces his doom. "I'll be ready when you want me, Warden," he said to Warden Bridges last night when the warden visited Richeson's cell. Richeson added, "Don't worry, I shall not break down."

Richeson bore up well on his last Sunday at night. He was cheerful as he sang hymns with Chaplain Herbert Stebbins until late last night, several times repeating his favorite selection "Sometime We'll Understand." Then he read from psalms. His exposition of the lessons were described by the chaplain as remarkably learned.

It was not until daylight this morning that Richeson fell into fitful sleep. Realizing his hours were few the condemned man openly declared he did not want to sleep. No relatives of the former inmate will console him in his last hours or see him a farewell visit. His aged father, at home near Lynchburg, Va., is too feeble to stand the journey and strain. His sister in New York does not wish to have her last thoughts of her brother in his cell. His brother, Douglas Richeson, of Chicago, although here, declared he would not go to the prison but will wait until after the execution to order the disposition of the remains. Richeson's spiritual adviser, Rev. Herbert Johnson and his lawyer, William A. Morse, will accompany the body to Virginia, where it will be buried beside Richeson's mother at Adherst courthouse.

Rev. Mr. Johnson arrived at the prison as Richeson awoke from sleep. "I'm all right and in good condition," the prisoner said. Richeson had no appetite. He refused breakfast.

GRAND SUCCESS

May Day Fete Witnessed by 3,000 People—Splendid Work. Greensboro, May 20.—The May Day Fete and Pageant at the State Normal College, Saturday afternoon and evening, was a brilliant success, artistically and financially. It is estimated that fully 3,000 people witnessed the revival of the old English May Day with its dress, costumes, songs, plays and games. There were 1,000 players and each and every one gave a creditable presentation of the part assigned. Practically every section of the state contributed to the immense throng, every incoming train Saturday contributing its quota of the crowd.

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MERGER IS ACTED ON TODAY

The proposed merger of the Jefferson Standard and Greensboro Life Insurance Companies was practically killed this afternoon, when the stockholders of the Raleigh company voted by a large majority to appoint a committee to confer with a similar committee from the policyholders as to a basis of agreement. This action followed a long discussion, in which the policyholders, who were represented by ex-Judge R. W. Winston, and the stockholders took part.

Loyal difficulties in the way of amalgamation were pointed out by Judge Winston and Judge J. Crawford Biggs, and it was apparent that the consent of the policyholders to a reinsurance must first be had before a merger could be effected. Because of serious opposition on the part of these parties, many of whom resided in other towns and cities, the question of the merger in the original form was not voted on.

A committee will meet with a similar committee from the Greensboro Life, which are strong institutions, will pursue their business alone.

While nothing was learned officially as to the action of the stockholders, it is learned that many of them are of the opinion that the merger proposition is practically off. It is not thought that an agreement can be reached with the policyholders, and it seems that both the Jefferson Standard and the Greensboro Life, which are strong institutions, will pursue their business alone.

When the proposition was explained to Mr. James H. Post at 4 o'clock this afternoon, he said that the policyholders would not take any action until the other plans are learned. It was his hope that an amicable adjustment, such as was outlined in his letters, could be reached.

UNVEILING OF THAT TABLET

Impressive Exercises Incident to Placing Marker of First Declaration

The unveiling of the tablet in the hall of the house of representatives was an impressive sight, the ceremony being performed by thirteen members of the North Carolina Society of Colonial Dames of America.

The following had a notable part in the exercises: Marshal Col. Pennebaker Cameron (chief marshal), Mr. Marshall D. Lacey Haywood, Dr. Daniel Harvey Hill, and Prof. William Alphonso Withers. Esquires: Misses: Mary Arnold Jones, Pauline Hill, Amy Winston, Eugenia Clark, Mary Grime Cowper, Jennie Proctor, Daisy Haywood, Betsey John Haywood, Bessie Hinton, Lucy Moore, Virginia Pickel, Lucy Dorch, and Belle Cane on. Hon. J. Bryan Grimes, chairman of the State Historical Commission, presided, being escorted to the chair by Chief Marshal Cameron. The following order was observed: Chief Marshal Cameron and Chairman Grimes, Governor Kitchin and Mrs. A. B. Andrews, chairman of the Wake county committee, Chief Justice Clark, orator of the day, and Miss Violet G. Alexander, chairman of the tablet committee. Unveilers: Mrs. A. B. Andrews, Miss Violet Alexander, of Charlotte, Mrs. Walter S. Liddell, Mrs. Henry A. London, Jr., Mrs. John Halliburton, Mrs. Chas. C. Hook, Miss Mary Irwin, Mrs. William J. Martin, Mrs. Ralph Van Landingham, Mrs. J. S. Allison, Mrs. Edmond L. Prince, Mrs. Robert F. Dalton and Mrs. Hubert Haywood. Committee on Arrangements: Mrs. Armistead Jones, Mrs. S. W. Brewer, and Mrs. Harry Loeb, members of the State Society of Colonial Dames. Mrs. Laura Morrison Brown and Miss Ellen Graham, of the Daughters of the American Revolution; Miss Martha H. Haywood and Mrs. J. Leigh Skinner, of the Daughters of the Revolution; Mrs. Fannie Ransom Williams and Mrs. Leo D. Heart, of the United Daughters of the Confederacy; Mrs. William M. Moore, of the Order of the Crown, members of the Order of the Revolution, the Order of the Cincinnati, and the Sons of the Revolution. The blue and yellow of the Colonial Dames of America was

LORIMER TO HOLD SEAT IN THE SENATE

Special Lorimer Committee Submits Report Today In Favor of the Retention of His Seat By Illinois Senator

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NO NEW EVIDENCE THE REPORT SAYS

Majority Took the Position That Since the Senator Had Once Been Exonerated and Since There Was No New Convincing Evidence Since the Last Investigation That the Senator Should Be Permitted to Hold His Seat—Not Much Credence in Funk's Story—Four Republican and Two Democratic Members of Committee Approve the Report—Nothing Against Lorimer Personally.

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MISS ELIZABETH LATIMER. The famous society beauty, who has just been buried at Wilmington, N. C. Miss Latimer was hailed by artists the world over as the "Queen of Beauty," and her premature death has caused deep sorrow among her friends in this country and abroad.



DR. BEN REITMAN. The hobo king and manager of Emma Goldman, the anarchist queen, who was tarred and feathered by a mob of citizens of San Diego, Cal., when he attempted to deliver a lecture on his theories of how this country should be governed. After making Goldman kiss the American flag, tarring and otherwise man-handling him, he was run out of town and compelled to walk twenty-five miles across the desert to the nearest town, Bernardo, where he was given clothes and continued on his way to Los Angeles.