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TWO GOOD MEN GONE

In the passing of Eli Scarborough and Rev. J. S. Farmer, Wake county and the state lost two of its citizens who will be missed from church and state.

One was a layman who took a deep and active interest in the work of his church. The other was a minister who filled very acceptably the place of a successful business man and minister. One had rounded out fourscore years and left a good record behind. The other was stricken in the prime of a successful life. Both will be greatly missed. Their lives were such that the impress of their characters and services will speak for generations.

"A TREE PLANTED"—A MAN BORN

A quarter of a century ago the writer spent the night in a country home, arriving there after nightfall. Early the following morning he stood on the lawn of that home with its master and looked upward into the massive limbs of a great oak. Its long, graceful branches reach halfway to the house and spread across the highway nearby. At night cattle rested under its shelter and in the day they found coolness in its shade. The birds found homes for their young and protection from the storm among its branches. Children played beneath its protecting arms. On Sunday afternoons the master and his family with neighbors who visited sat under its canopy and discussed the past experiences and the coming events.

The master was a fine up-standing man in his prime. He was a successful farmer. Large acres spread out from the home by the oak. With his sons plenty filled his barns and loaded his table. He was leader in the community life. He filled an important place in the county affairs. He was a leader, better I should say, the leader in his church a mile away. Loyal was he to his pastor and all the work of the church. And so there they stood, two of God's most wonderful creations—a mighty oak and a mighty man.

A few days ago I passed again by that home after a quarter of a century had marked the passing of time on nature's face and man's shoulders. The oak is old. Its branches have grown gnarled. Many of them are dead and falling. Others have only the sign of life near the trunk. Earth has been piled with its richness at its roots to put new life into its agedness. But it is old, it is dying. No hand can stay its passing. No longer is its branches alive with nesting, singing birds. No more do children prattle and play in its shade. The old neighbors come no more to sit and talk. Other trees are growing on every side, even now taking its place.

Today I stood beside the casket and looked into the face of the man who had for fourscore years stood so uprightly in body and character.

His face showed the marks of toil and the prints of time. Yet there showed the moulding of character by his Maker's hand. It left its glow even after death had silently closed the eyes in sleep. After the preacher had, as one said, preached a fine sermon because he had a fine subject, the body was borne back near the old oak and laid to rest on the hill top above. And as I came homeward I recalled the beautiful words of the Psalmist in the first Psalm. "Blessed is the man . . . His delight is in the law of the Lord . . . And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of waters. . . ." The oak will stand a few more years longer and then fall to rise no more. The man—he lives and shall live forevermore. For he had the seal of a promise that he should never die.

PAGE WAKE

Below we give an editorial from the Hertford County Herald that expresses our own opinion so well that we are quoting it in full. It has been our opinion for some time that in our own county of Wake there is need of publicity, letting the people know, not only in relation to relief and charity funds but others, also of public concern. But read on

HONOR AND DISGRACE

That we are not alone in the opinion that has been expressed before in these columns that the public should be permitted to know the beneficiaries of public pensions and charities, we see by the weekly newspapers coming to the editorial desk that grand juries in at least two counties in different localities of the State have recommended that these lists be published by the welfare departments of their respective counties.

In Polk county, the grand jury's recommendation said, in part: "It has come to our attention that some persons on the relief rolls have been offered work, but would not accept it for fear of being cut off relief. We, therefore, recommend that the relief rolls of Polk county be published once every month, the list to include old-age and dependent children."

In Halifax county, likewise, the grand jury has found publication of county pension and relief lists a subject for consideration, and as a result of the grand jury finding the county commissioners have acted on their recommendation, instructing the superintendent of welfare to prepare and publish each month a complete list of all receiving assistance from the county's welfare funds.

The only objection that is offered to publication of the relief lists is that it might be embarrassing to some worthy pensioners to publish their names as recipients of public charity. There is, however, no disgrace in receiving the assistance of public funds set up for old age assistance or other relief, if it is a deserved assistance. The public has set up these funds for those who deserve help in their old age much as the State and Federal governments have set up pension funds for veterans, disabled and otherwise. Nor is it any disgrace for some politician who has served his party well to be awarded with some sinecure and to draw a pension in a government position. In fact, pensions of this sort are much sought after, and some little distinction is attached, instead of stigma. It is no longer a disgrace to live off the government; it is something of an honor, many consider.

Yet, even if the argument of embarrassment should hold water, it can not stand in the way of the public's right to know who receives the money it puts up in taxes.—Hertford County Herald.

DR. PETRY AT WAKEFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH SUNDAY MORNING

Dr. Ray C. Petry, professor of Church History in the School of Religion at Duke University, will preach at Wakefield Baptist Church next Sunday morning. He will use as his subject, "How Jesus meets human needs." Dr. Petry is a young man and is recognized as an unusually fine speaker. The public is cordially invited to attend. The pastor will preach at the evening service.

My Neighbor Says:

Always keep flour in a warm, dry place. Damp flour will never make light cakes and pies.

Do not add salt to potatoes until they are almost boiled if you wish them to be white and fluffy.

The fire over which an omelet is cooked should be very low so that the omelet puffs gently and sets before it browns.

When milk has turned sour allow it to stand until it wheys, then turn into a cheesecloth bag and hang up to drain until dry. You will then have cottage cheese.

Young chickens are fond of milk. It is highly nutritious and promotes growth. Skim milk is excellent. If whole milk is fed it is well to dilute it with one-third to one-half of water.

Associated Newspapers, WNU Service.

THE REAL CHARITY

(An editorial from the Rotarian Magazine)

No man, no honest man, wants coddling. A fair chance to help himself is all he asks. If blind or deaf or crippled, still for himself he bespeaks no more. The greatest gift one person can give another, Helen Keller has said over and over, is not to do something for him, but to enable him to do something for himself.

A case in point is Miss Keller herself, to men everywhere the symbol of a fruitful life grown from a blighted blossom through patient nurture by a friend. March 3, the 51st anniversary of Miss Keller's first meeting with her teacher, is to be observed as National Helen Keller Day, in aid of the blind. Civic and service club groups, which, on many fronts are doing much to help the blind and incapacitated, may wish to remember this word from her: "The heaviest burden on the blind is not blindness but idleness."

A NEW (LOOKING) CAR

A. G. Kemp was seen driving what appeared to be a new 1933 or '34 model Ford the other day. Some one remarked, "You've got a new car, I see." He replied, "New car nothing. I've been driving this car four years next September." "How many miles have you got on it?" he was asked. "A little over 8,000," he replied. The one he had before was his first, he said, and he used it thirteen years.

CONTEST ANNOUNCED

D. E. Ralston, general sales manager of Oldsmobile, today announced a nation-wide 30-day contest in which a car a day will be given to motorists who write the most interesting comments on their reactions to a trial drive in a 1938 Oldsmobile.

The contest, which extends from March 1 to March 30, inclusive, will be conducted through the 3,500 members of the national Oldsmobile dealer organization. It is being announced to the public nationally by a series of newspaper advertisements which will continue through the month of March. Any resident of the United States over 16 years old is eligible to enter.

After taking a trial drive in a car provided by an Oldsmobile dealer, each contestant will receive an entry blank which must be countersigned by the dealer or his representative. Space for six comments of 25 words each is provided on the blank under various subject headings such as performance, ease of handling, safety, etc.

When ready for submission the completed blanks must be mailed to the Oldsmobile factory at Lansing, Mich., where they will be judged by Chris Sinsabaugh, editor of Automotive Daily News, Clare D. Wright, co-publisher of Automobile Topics and D. P. Brothel, president of D. P. Brothel & Co., advertising counsel.

Postmark dates will automatically divide the contestants into 30 groups, each of which will be in competition for one of the 30 Oldsmobile Six Two-Door sedans offered as prizes. For example, a person who describes his driving impressions on an entry blank postmarked March 12 will be competing, not against all who may enter the contest, but only against the group whose entries bear the postmark of March 12. In case of ties, duplicate prizes will be awarded.

Winners will be notified by mail progressively in Oldsmobile dealers' showrooms as soon after March 15 as judging can be completed, continuing until all 30 winners have been announced. If it should occur that a winning contestant has purchased a new 1938 Oldsmobile car during the period of the contest, he will receive credit for the retail delivered price of an Oldsmobile Six Two-Door sedan in the city where the purchase was made.

THE NEW WAGE BILL

The Administration's wage-hour bill is being furnished a substitute which is on the way out from the inner cloisters of the House Labor Committee. It carries the plan of "standard" wage scales resembling those of 1934 under NRA.

This would practically re-establish the NRA industrial codes. When the Supreme Court smashed the NRA every newspaper office in Washington had copies of these codes piled several feet high. At the time they went to the junk heap there was a general impression that all the industries were glad of it. But that was not exactly true, because a great many industries profited by better prices under Government monopolies.

DRIVERS ABOVE THE LAW

J. E. Jones

Washington, D. C., March, '38.—Congressman Rich, of Pennsylvania told his fellow members of the House of Representatives the other day that they were "no better than anyone else," and that even though they did carry Congressional tags on their cars that there was no reason why they should

demand exemption from arrest, or ticketing, for violation of the traffic ordinances in the District of Columbia. "None of you wants to be fined for traffic-law violations back home, but some just do not care what they do here in Washington." His remarks were directed against a small number of Congressmen who are being severely criticized by Washington newspapers for abusing their special

privileges. The Representative was warmly applauded for speaking his mind and calling spades by their right name.

There will be a lot of dirt dug up in Congress and through the press of the country if any attempt is made to re-establish a new system of codes to regulate the business of the nation.

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