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## CHARLES B. AYCOCK DIES MAKING SPEECH.

Former Governor Suffers Fatal Attack Of Heart Failure In Theater At Birmingham, Alabama.

Birmingham, Ala., April 5.—Former Governor Charles Brantley Aycock of North Carolina dropped dead last night at 10:03 o'clock while addressing the Alabama Industrial Association at the Jefferson theater in Birmingham. While in the midst of a beautiful phrase the Governor reeled to the floor. Life was extinct when physicians arrived. Death was pronounced to be due to heart failure.

"While Governor of North Carolina I was called upon to deliver many addresses," said Governor Aycock. "Oft times I went to churches on Sunday, and when I talked I always talked education." With this assertion cut of his lips, the Governor swayed and fell to the floor. The audience thought as he reeled that it was a part of the gesture. However, the truth was realized to the sorrow of over 5,000 teachers of the State of Alabama, when it was announced that he was dead. It was the most tragic happening in this city in years.

Governor Aycock was preceded by Governor Emmett Oneal of Alabama, who was among the first to rush to his side when he fell. The Alabama Governor, in introducing Governor Aycock, referred to him as the "Educational Governor of North Carolina." It was a glowing tribute paid the former Chief Executive of North Carolina.

The Governor addressed 5,000 people Thursday morning talking as his topic, "Universal Education, Its Necessity and Benefit. His style of delivery appealed to the audience.

The body left today over the Seaboard Air Line for Raleigh. It will arrive there tomorrow and the funeral is to be held Sunday. Clarence Poe, editor of The Progressive Farmer, published in Birmingham and Raleigh, who is to marry Governor Aycock's daughter shortly, and State Superintendent of Education Joyner of North Carolina, who came here from Nashville, have charge of the body, and, accompanied by a delegation of the North Carolina colony here, go with the body to Raleigh.

## Court Week.

Court convened Monday with Judge Cook presiding. His charge was lengthy and full of good solid instruction. Solicitor Gattis is looking after the State's end. There is nothing of importance to come up, and at this writing, Tuesday, only a few minor matters have been heard. We will give a report as to the cases disposed of in our next issue.

## THE FLOOD WATERS BURST THROUGH LEVEE.

150,000 Square Miles of Farm Lands an Inland Sea.

Hickman, Ky., April 5.—With a roar that could be heard for miles, the Mississippi river flood burst through the government levee five miles west of Hickman late today, and tonight is racing over several counties in Kentucky and Tennessee toward Reelfoot lake. By tomorrow 150,000 square miles of farming lands in Fulton county, Kentucky, and Lake and Obion counties, Tennessee, will be an inland sea. Grave apprehension is felt for the safety of farmers in remote sections of the sparsely settled country. The water when it came through tore a gap 60 feet in width in the levee and the swirling current is fast eating away the earthwork and widening the breach.

The Reelfoot basin, over which the water is forming a blanket, is made up of small farming communities. Farmers homes are generally frail structures and with the great rush of the flood are being swept away as chaff before the wind. A number of the residents had abandoned their homes and with their families sought safety in the towns on the surrounding hills, but others, more optimistic as to the ability of the protecting wall to hold back the raging water way, remained on their lands, when the crash came efforts were made to communicate with the scattered villages by telephone but with little success. Considerable live stock is still in the lowlands.

## PROPERTY DAMAGE LARGE.

The property damage will be large but farming operations will not be seriously hampered except that the crop will be retarded. Because of the unusually heavy rains of the early spring, but little of the ground has been filled and the deposits left when the flood recedes will add to the productiveness of the land.

## ENTIRE TOWN FIGHTING THE FLOOD.

St. Louis, Mo., April 5.—The Mississippi river at St. Louis registered 30.8 feet at sundown, a rise of 2-10s since morning, and 4-10s in 24 hours. Unless there are heavy rains in this vicinity within a week, the river is not expected to pass the 31-foot stage.

The flood situation at Saruthersville, Mo., is reported growing more serious each hour. The river is rising at the rate of five inches in 24 hours, and the stage has passed that of 1903 by 23 inches.

Every store in the city was closed today and the 2,000 men employed in them joined the already large force of flood fighters.

## "Booster Week" Starts to-day in The Courier's Automobile and Prize Contest.

An Encouragement Offer Made in Order to Stimulate an Early Start in the Race for the Prizes. This is the Time to Boost the Campaign of Your Favorite Candidate.

15,000 Extra Votes for Every Yearly Subscription Turned in Before Tuesday April 23rd at 9 p. M. On addition Double votes will be issued on all Subscriptions, turned in before Tuesday, April 16th at 9 p. m.

## THE PRIZES

Ford Touring Car,  
A High Grade Piano,  
Four Gold Watches.

(By Harold A. Dickinson.)

On another page of this issue will be found an announcement of especial interest to all contestants and their friends. It announces the inauguration of "Boosters' Weeks," in The Courier's big contest. An offer is made to encourage an early start among the candidates for the prizes. The management believes in putting the best efforts at the beginning of the contest instead of at the end, and the wise contestants will do most of their work as early in the game as possible.

The offer is this: During these weeks an extra certificate calling for 15,000 votes will be issued for every yearly subscription turned into The Courier. In addition double votes will be issued on all subscriptions turned in before Tuesday, April 16th at 9 p. m.

This is simply an offer of encouragement and will expire Tuesday April 23rd; at 9 p. m. The ballots do not have to be counted at once but may be held and voted at will. See list of candidates and their standing today.

## TO OUTSIDE CANDIDATES.

You have until 9 o'clock Tuesday night to mail in your subscriptions so that they will count on the "Booster Weeks" offer. Any letter mailed before 9 p. m., will count. Ask your postmaster when he changes his date stamp, then be sure you get your letter in on time.

## CALL FOR LETTERS.

Have you obtained any of the letters that we furnish the contestants to send to their friends? If not, why not? You would indeed be surprised if you only knew how readily your friends would respond.

Now is the time to get them. If you have not already obtained a supply, come in or write for them at once.

## BE A BOOSTER.

Be a booster you will enjoy the contest as much as some of the candidates, if you can be of assistance to some worthy candidate.

Remember you can give your favorite 15,000 extra votes by paying your subscription during "Booster Weeks."

There is still plenty of room for new candidates, as daily some drop out and others take their places. It will appeal to any one with a little ambition to see that they can enter in an almost open field and have the best kind of a chance to win a fine prize.

Nominations cost nothing and

the prizes will cost the winners nothing. A candidate cannot possibly lose anything more than a little time, and if the proper energy is put behind the time expended there is little chance to lose this. It is a friendly struggle that The Courier has inaugurated, with handsome rewards for the winners and no obligations whatever.

It makes no difference where a candidate may reside, the chances are strictly the same for winning the capital prizes.

## JUST GETTING STARTED.

At present the candidates are just started. They know that subscriptions are what count, and that to secure them is the surest way to pile up votes, though the coupons are by no means to be despised, as the winning of a prize sometimes depends on a few votes. Get your friends into the habit of cutting coupons out for you, and it will keep up their interest in you. Later they will not let their favorite candidate fall behind for lack of help they can give.

## THE VOTING RULES.

During the next two weeks of the contest ending April 23rd, no candidate will be permitted to vote more than 10,000 votes a week than the highest candidate had in the previous week's publication.

After April 23rd the limit will be raised 10,000 each week until one week before the end, at which time the restriction will be removed altogether and candidates may vote as they choose during the last week.

A full list of Contestants and their votes will appear in our next issue. Watch for the list.

We are in receipt of the report of the Washington Public Schools, Prof. N. C. Newbold, Supt. The graded school at Washington, under the management of Supt. Newbold, is easily one of the very best in the State, and we doubt if we would go far wide of the mark if we should say the best. Supt. Newbold is a born teacher, and as a leader he has few equals. He was superintendent of our school here for a number of years and while he did not accomplish all he wished to, still he laid the foundation for much of the good work which has been done since he left.

## Card of Thanks.

To our neighbors and friends we wish to express our sincere thanks for their kindness and help during the sickness and death of our little babe. To each one we sincerely thank you from the bottom of our hearts. Everything that could be done was done for the little sufferer.

O. D. Bailey and family.

## A Progressive Farmer.

Not every farmer who makes money farming is entitled to being called a progressive farmer no not even if he makes big money. A real progressive farmer is the man who measures his success by more than mere money making, who looks after the comforts and conveniences of those around him. And such a man is Mr. C. B. Brooks. He has one of the best farms in the County—you know it is good for it adjoins the Pines.

Mr. Brooks has just installed a complete set of water works and sewerage, hot and cold water all over the house, water at the barn, etc. In addition to this system he has recently installed a lighting plant, acetylene, and has lights the equal of electricity. If you want to see real progress take a look at his farm, and see just what many more of the farmers ought to do.

Too many of our farmers think when they have bought improved farm machinery that they have done their full duty. Remember the wife and give her some of the advantages, for her part in your prosperity has figured probably more largely than you have ever given her credit for.

Are you interested in The Courier's Automobile and Prize Contest? A little work will pay you handsomely.

## Tax Listers for Person County.

The County Commissioners at their last meeting appointed the following persons to take the tax list for this county:

Allensville, A. H. Gentry, Bushy Fork, J. D. K. Richmond, Cuningham, R. A. Clay, Flat River, J. S. Noell, Holloways, J. B-Day, Mt. Tirzah, J. W. Noell, Olive Hill, F. H. Wagstaff, Roxboro, W. A. Winstead, Woodsdale R. P. Brooks.

## Oxizbo Soap.

If you really want to enjoy the use of the best, most pleasing soap you have ever you want to get a cake of the Oxizbo, made by the Oxizbo Soap Company, of Durham. For the skin and complexion any lady who has used it will tell you that there is nothing like it. It is pure, free from all adulterations. If you have never used it try a cake and you will use no other.

## Tells The Cause of Appendicitis.

Hambrick & Austin states that much appendicitis in Roxboro is caused by constipation, gas on the stomach or sour stomach. These troubles are almost INSTANTLY relieved and appendicitis guarded against by taking a SINGLE DOSE of simple buckthorn bark, glycerine, etc., as compounded in Adler-ika, the new German appendicitis remedy.

## We Carry Nice Line of

LEDGERS,  
DAY BOOKS,  
NOTE BOOKS,  
ORDER BOOKS,  
Stationery of all kinds, and

The Parker Lucky Curve Fountain Pens.

## Whitted's Drug Store.

Agents for Whitmans Candy.  
Roxboro, N. C.

## New Arrivals.

During the past week we have received a number of items in popular dress fabrics which we didn't have to start the season with. They are new and most desirable merchandise. A few of them are:

Irish Poplin, white and tan, at 25ct.  
Dupionne Silk, blue, tan and pink at 25ct.  
Twisted Ratine, white, at 25ct.

Silk Marquissette, popular shades, at 35ct.  
Ramie Linen, the genuine, at 50ct.

There are several others but these are exceptional styles and values which we feel sure that you will appreciate.

Another big shipment of Thomson's Glove Fitting Corsets, the kind that you will always use if you try one.

## Harris & Burns

## Nominate a Candidate.

NOMINATION BLANK—Good for 1,000 Votes.

The Courier Automobile and Prize ontest.

I Nominate \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Only the FIRST nomination blank cast for each candidate will count as 1,000 votes.