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Publisher's Announcement.

It is a settled point in newspaper ethics that editors and publishers are not responsible for the views of correspondents, and the publication of a communication does not mean that the editor or publisher endorses the communication. The Publishers of this paper adhere to these general principles.

North Carolina has quite a plentiful crop of candidates for the various offices that are to be filled in the State this year. For each office there can be only one successful candidate, and this means disappointment. If we could rest on the old time custom of the office seeking the man, there would not be so many disappointments.

There seems to be but one opinion amongst prohibitionists whether or not prohibition will be carried on May 26th, and that is that prohibition will surely win. There are different opinions concerning what the majority will probably be. Whatever it may be, it is well for the prohibitionists to remember that it cannot be too large. The larger the victory the greater will be the blessing to the State, so let's make it as large as possible.

The farmers who are hurt less by the disappointing prices of cotton are those who raised corn, oats and hay enough last year to feed their stock until another crop is harvested, and have meat in their own smoke houses, and lard enough in their own pantries. Said a reader of THE COMMONWEALTH recently, "You have preached home supplies to the farmers for twenty years." So we have, and we expect to preach it as long we preach anything to them; for there is no other practical plan for successful farming.

The death of Prof. Joshua W. Gove, of the University of North Carolina, removes from the State one of her ablest and most useful citizens. He died in Baltimore last week, having gone there for special treatment. For some time his health had been failing, but his death was quite a shock to his closest friends and to the State generally. He was dean of the Department of Applied Science in the State University at Chapel Hill, and much of the success of that institution during the past quarter century was due to his efforts and influence.

The Governor Not to Run for the Senate.

(Charlotte Observer April 10th.)

For a year or more the purpose of Governor Glenn concerning the senatorship now held by Mr. Overman has been the subject of interested speculation and discussion by press and people. His own uniform statement when he has had anything to say to the public about it has been that he had not yet determined whether or not he would be a candidate. His doubts have evidently been resolved in the negative, as witness this sentence from the report of our Gastonia correspondent of his prohibition speech at Dallas yesterday: "A most significant part of the Governor's speech was his assurance that he would within a short time issue a public statement to the effect that he was not asking for any office in the gift of the people but purposed to retire to private life at the end of his term as Governor."

This statement will be received with the utmost pleasure by many of Governor Glenn's best friends, who appreciate the fact that Mr. Overman has proven a Senator of exceptional capability and acceptability and who feel that to retire him at the end of his first term would be not only to deprive the State of the services of a Senator of great worth but to visit upon him a humiliation which he has done nothing by commission or omission to deserve. This becoming step on the part of Governor Glenn is to be passed to his credit and will add to the number of his friends.

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Halifax Photographs.

(Cor. to The Commonwealth.)

Halifax, N. C., April 13, 1908.

Mr. Joseph McMahon spent a few days in Norfolk last week. Miss Miller, of Richmond, Va., a very excellent trained nurse, who has been attending Mrs. McMahon since the death of Mr. Marshall Gary, returned to her home last Saturday.

Misses Virgie and Alice Butts have been visiting their aunt, Mrs. M. V. Froelich and grandmother, Mrs. V. S. Grizzard, at Rosemary for several days.

Master Monroe Jenkins went up to Rosemary Saturday to see his grandmother.

Mrs. L. G. Grady is spending some time at her old home in Duplin county.

Miss Ellen Harvey, who goes to the graded school in Weldon, spent Saturday and Sunday here with her father, Mr. J. H. Harvey.

Hon. E. L. Travis spent a day or two in Wilmington last week.

Mrs. C. S. Roberson, of Ringwood, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Willis Wilcox.

Miss Lena Cuthrell, of Enfield, spent last Friday with Mrs. R. H. Deaton.

Mr. Henry Cuthrell spent a day here last week.

Mrs. R. L. Deaton spent last Saturday and Sunday in Enfield visiting friends.

Mr. J. F. Coppedge, of Scotland Neck, spent Saturday and Sunday here with his people.

Rev. D. E. Vipperman filled his regular appointment at Tillery Sunday.

Mr. Hearn, of Whitakers, spent last Saturday and Sunday with his brother-in-law, J. H. Batts.

Mr. M. W. Riddel, a very popular traveling salesman for the Richmond Hardware Co. spent Sunday at Hotel Roanoke.

Mr. Frank Whitaker, of Enfield, was here a day or two last week selling pianos.

Mr. W. D. Wilcox spent Sunday in Weldon.

Mr. W. D. Faucett, one of our Halifax boys who is steadily and surely winning his way up the ladder, because of his ability, was here Sunday to see his mother, Mrs. W. A. Wilcox. Mr. Faucett is civil engineer for the Seaboard Air Line system, with headquarters at Portsmouth, Va. He is quite a young man, but being capable and trustworthy he has won high regard from the higher officials and is recognized as a very valuable man. Mr. L. M. Coburn, of Raleigh, N. C., who is also in the service of the Seaboard as civil engineer accompanied him.

Mr. H. W. Gowen is home after several weeks traveling through the southern and western States.

Mr. J. H. Lord, of Saricata, Fla., was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gowen Saturday and Sunday. Mr. Lord's home is New York in the winter and the South in summer.

Misses Callie Otley, Ellen and Genevieve Keeter, of Weldon, spent Saturday and Sunday here with their aunt, Mrs. H. M. Keeter.

Mrs. J. R. Baggett, of Buie's Creek, N. C., is visiting her mother, Mrs. H. M. Keeter.

Rev. J. E. Hutson preached on Sunday morning at the Baptist church one of the finest sermons we have heard in some time from John 3: 15, 16, and at night on "Heavenly Recognition." Mr. Hutson certainly leaves no loop-hole for excuses of any kind for not becoming a follower of Christ. He emphasizes the truth so forcibly, and proves his ground with God's word.

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A STRONG ADDRESS.

Superintendent Harrison at Hobgood.

(Cor. to The Commonwealth.)

Dr. A. S. Harrison, Superintendent of Public Instruction, addressed the people on the necessity of education at this place Friday night, April 10th. By eight o'clock there was a large crowd gathered at the Baptist church and at eight thirty Dr. Harrison arrived, and in a few brief and fitting remarks as to the nature and purpose of the meeting, Mr. W. P. White introduced to the audience the speaker.

Dr. Harrison dealt with the subject in such a forceful and masterly way that he held the attention of the entire audience from the beginning, and one hour and a half seemed only too short in hearing him set forth the necessity of education on a broader basis and showing so clearly the tax levied by brains on illiteracy. He also spoke of the way a good many look at public instruction in Halifax county. The old free school, not fit to send any child to, was the ideal of a good many, but he told them there was no such thing as free school. Why? Because everything connected with it had to be paid for by direct taxation, and the class of public school was just what the people in the community wish it to be. If they join in aiding the teachers and in sending their children regularly and all work together with one aim and purpose, such concerted action fails not to build a good and prosperous school.

He expressed himself as being highly pleased with the location and the school work being done at this place, and cited the audience to the schools and the great work they are doing at Scotland Neck, Enfield and Weldon, and urged the people of this community to wake up and vote local taxation, which he clearly showed would be right; build and equip a suitable school building, hire more teachers, and above all pay them more money, and we will see a school here the equal of any and a thing that every one will be proud of in a few years. He closed his address by thanking the audience for their attention and promising not to stay away so long next time.

Dr. Leggett made a motion that the audience tender the speaker a rising vote of thanks, and it was seconded by W. P. White, whereupon the audience arose in a solid body, thus expressing their appreciation and gratitude in all sincerity.

The President Invited.

A special from Tarboro to the News and Observer of April 10th says:

"The Tar River-Roanoke Gun Club decided at the meeting here yesterday to extend President Roosevelt an invitation to hunt on their large game preserve along the Roanoke river next fall. The club has a tract consisting of seventeen thousand acres, and game is plentiful. A new club house will be erected before the next season begins."

Pay Your Poll Tax at once.

I want to remind every voter in Halifax County, who is liable to poll tax for the year 1907, that he cannot vote in any election that may be held during this year, unless he pays his poll tax before the first day of May, 1908. The elections to be held this year are more important than usual. There will be an election of all county and state officers, and of President in the fall, and an election on Prohibition on the 26th day of May. No one who is liable for poll tax can vote in ANY OF THESE ELECTIONS, unless his poll tax is paid before the first day of May. I therefore urge every voter liable for such tax to pay the same at once, and get a receipt BEFORE THE FIRST DAY OF MAY. Postponement of the matter may lose you your right to vote.

If you are not able to pay your entire tax within that time pay your poll tax anyway, and get a receipt for that.

Those who owe taxes in other counties, should write at once to the Sheriff or Tax collector there, and pay the same, and have a receipt sent you so that you will not fail to get it before the first day of May.

The tax collectors of the county are urged to see all voters, and make them pay their poll taxes before the first day of May.

Respectfully,
E. L. TRAVIS,
Chmn. Dem. Ex. Com.

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Was it an Indian Tomb?

(Rich Square Times.)

Mr. Thomas Britt, while plowing on his farm near Conway last week, struck the top of a grave stone, which, upon examination, was found to be fitted to another, and had marks upon it thought to be Indian hieroglyphics. Much interest is being taken in the stone, as it is of a soft soap-stone formation, not like any of the stones of this part of the state; and it is likely this stone will be of much historical interest, and may lead to some important discoveries.

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This February 17th, 1908.
S. J. EVERETT,
Commissioner.
Williamston, N. C.
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