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PILOT MAN SEES ACTION AT RALEIGH

Moore County Delegation Doing
Good Legislation

(Bion H. Butler)

For some time Stacy has been talking to me about going to Raleigh to see the legislature in action, and Josephus and Os. Coffin and maybe ride on the street cars and walk around the lobby of the Yarboro, so we arranged to go Monday and I got on the train. A seat in front of me was vacant and when we stopped at Vass I looked to see him come on, for when you go away from home like that a fellow from the country wants some one along with him that knows the way around town in a place like Raleigh and how to act when you get in that kind of a crowd, but Stacy fooled me, for he never came. And I went on by myself. I was comforted by finding on the train Senator W. B. McQueen, of Raeford, and we presently got deep into a discussion of the situation of things in the state. By the time we reached Raleigh everything was right well settled, and if the rest of the legislature would do as we said, the session could be cleaned up promptly and with highly satisfactory results.

McQueen has to work when he gets up there in the senate, so I left him and rambled about town awhile by myself, and was fortunate enough not to get run over by automobiles which are an everlasting nuisance in that town. And along about the time school is out I looked up a boy I had in State College and I found him with Bill Phillips, a boy from Manley who is also up there at school and the three of us took another turn at looking at the town. We didn't attract a great deal of attention for the folks seemed to be used to college boys and jay-looking hill-billies, so by not trying to cross the streets any oftner than we had to we got along pretty fair. By and by we rounded up at the legislature, and we went in to see how the thing is done. We hit the senate gallery the first crack. About the first thing a man with a good voice begun to read new bills. And it seemed as fast as he would call out the number and title of one and hit it two or three times with a rubber stamp and Elmer Long referred it to its proper committee another bill was there to be read by its title. From all parts of the senate the bills kept shooting in, and I didn't see much to get excited over until a measure was offered to repeal that ten million dollar tip toward Tom Bowie's railroad scheme.

It was referred like all the rest and as the avalanche of bills kept moving the boys failed to find sufficient excitement in the thing and suggested we go over and see the representatives in action.

It turned out that when we got over there we had just reached the real wide open fountain of new bills. The boys understood this was the place where they make laws but they had never been at a legislature before, although I had had my boy in congress one time, and they were surprised to see that making laws in Raleigh seemed to be carried on in car-lot style. We looked down from the gallery on the tops of the heads of the wise men and with the exception of two of the most perfect shiny bald spots that we had had a chance in a long time to look at from up above the collection didn't differ much from about the same number of folks you would meet anywhere. Bill intimated that brains didn't show through much, so he couldn't tell whether there was high grade skulls or just ordinary down below us. By and by I chased the boys back to the college as it was getting time for Sandhill youngsters to be in bed and I went gossiping around among some of the folks from various sections. It is interesting to see that our delegation representing Moore county is well rated in the legislature. Mr. Woodley has been at the disadvantage of going about on crutches as the result of a

UNVEILING OF ANDREW JOHNSON MONUMENT

The Pilot received the following letter, just as we are going to press, announcing the unveiling of the Andrew Johnson Monument at Carthage:

Aberdeen, N. C., Jan. 28, 1925.

Mr. Stacy Brewer,
Editor Vass Pilot,
Vass, N. C.

Dear Mr. Brewer:—

In your paper this week I would appreciate your making some mention of the unveiling of the Andrew Johnson Monument in front of the court house next Monday, February 2nd, at the hour of noon, and invite all the good people of this section to be present.

Very sincerely,

J. McN. JOHNSON.

fall in the gin house in December. And the day I was up there he had a tooth pulled. I don't know whether it was a sort of a welcome sign to us from the sticks or not. But these conditions kind of hampered him a little that day, yet I could see the other fellows sized him up as a full hand. And they all told me that Woodley has a good sensible conception of what he is, there for, that he is taking an intelligent hold of his work and that the other members look on Moore county as being well represented. Our senators are Arthur Ross, from Ashboro and W. B. McQueen from Raeford. Nobody needs to apologize for either one of these fellows. I was pretty well satisfied after observing their standing and rating given them by others that Moore county qualifies right well with any other county delegation in the state, and I felt positive that if the other ninety-nine counties had the same type of men like the three in our delegation we would have less freak legislation, much more expeditious action and much less half-baked stuff run thru without a knowledge of what the members are doing.

A couple of hours around the state-house in Raleigh is a pretty good place to get acquainted with the state. Some of the things that transpire there indicate that in a way we continue to be close to the crudities of the earlier day. This has certain advantages, but it has certain objections. But the objections are offset by the further discovery that there is a fair group of strong men who hold an intelligent leadership on the mass, and I feel

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"THE DIXIE HANDICAP"

A Variety of Entertainment at
The Carolina Theatres Next
Week

Variety is not only the spice of life, but the spice of moving picture entertainment. No matter how good they are, we tire of the same types of picture entertainment and knowing this full well the Carolina Theatres always strive to provide that needed variety. They do not always succeed because it some times happens that the right kind of pictures are not available but next week's program offers just the proper variety.

On Monday and Tuesday a real racing picture, "The Dixie Handicap," taken from Gerald Beaumont's story, "Dixie," laid in Kentucky the home of thoroughbreds, an engrossing tale with the background of the turf to provide color, will be presented. It is interpreted by a wonderful cast including Claire Windsor, the most beautiful girl on the screen, and Frank

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DR. TAYLOR TELLS WORTH OF SERVICE

But He Says Men Must Not Be
Standardized—Recorders
Court

At the Kiwanis Club dinner Wednesday at Aberdeen the speaker of the occasion was Dr. George Taylor, a New York clergyman, who has made a hit by an address at the Mid-Pines Club recently and before the Forum Club at Pinehurst, Sunday night. Dr. Taylor talked about the virtues of service and the worth of being able to say "no" when no is the word that is needed. He argued that service has its place, and that it is a valuable offering to mankind in a way, but he thought that where we have too much emphasis on service we are liable to go to the wrong extreme and leave too little to the individual effort and to the inner impulses, and that we tend to become the victims of industrial organization and of machine dependence. It was a line between the individual development and the tendency toward standardizing everything, and Dr. Taylor could not accept the doctrine that all men were standardized or of the same individuality and type. He spoke of the man who wondered what kind of a country we have where Harold Bell Wright is the foremost author, Billy Sunday the leading evangelist, Hearst the most prominent journalist, Charlie Chaplin the greatest actor and W. J. Bryan our leading statesman. The inner force, he said, must be our stimulus, not the standardization of service, and the applause his audience gave him indicated that had uttered a convincing doctrine. He was not enthusiastic over our habit of piling up new laws until we are a law-ridden country, and a people that is so overwhelmed with laws that we give little attention to any of them and are automatically the worst law breakers in the world even though we have no intention of breaking laws and no knowledge that we do.

Dr. Poate presented a petition to our representative in the legislature to secure a measure that would permit a recorder's court in the three townships of this end of the county, and it was signed by practically every member present. This is in line with the movement that has been on foot since last summer. The doctor gave some figures to show the need of such a court, and his statement was convincing.

A delegation will go from the club to present to the agricultural committee of the legislature the need of the experiment station cotton and peach station in the Sandhills, with the expectation that it will be established.

John Bloxham urged the substantial backing of the boy scouts movement and proposed a camp for the district, which was received with favor, and a hope the scheme can be carried out. Arrangements for a Kiwanis ball are planning, and also an auxiliary meeting at which the women folks or some other members of the families may be present.

OUR RALEIGH LETTER

(By R. E. Powell)

Raleigh, Jan. 28.—Probably before this is read a compromise of some sort will have been reached, but just now—at the time of writing—it looks as if Governor McLean had met the enemy and they are his'n.

It's been but a short time since the Cameronian obstinacy in person moved majestically about the Executive Chamber. If a little of that has been bequeathed to the Morrison successor and that little is added to the endowed and acquired Calvinistic leanings of the Lumberton Scotchman, there will be no gubernatorial surrender to a \$35,000,000 road bond issue now. The advocates of the same say they have His Excellency whipped and, although they may be whistling to keep courage and with a hope of attracting votes, they lament his action is forcing at this time a test vote to determine primarily the size of the bond issue but, incidentally and dangerously, the McLean leadership with the legislature.

Thursday is the day set for a hearing on the bill, introduced by Major W. C. Heath, of Monroe, in the Sen-

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DEATH WILLIAM POSTELL DAVIS

Was Native of Anson County—
Resided in Moore for Past
Twelve Years

On Tuesday, January 20th, Eureka community was saddened by the death of W. P. Davis, a man who for the past twelve years, has been an active participant in all of the community's activities, and who has always been a loyal citizen, a staunch friend, and a kind neighbor.

William Postell Davis was born in Anson County, N. C., on May 24th, 1853, and died, after a lingering illness, on January 20th, 1925. His age at the time of his death was seventy-one years and seven months. He was the oldest of ten children, born to Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Davis, of Anson, and here he grew to manhood, was married, and resided for the greater part of his life. In 1900 he moved to Union County, and from there to Moore in 1912.

Forty years ago Mr. Davis married Miss Martha Green, of Union county.

DR. LEIBY ADVISES LIME-SULPHUR SPRAY

Should be Applied on Trees Dur-
in the Month of February
or Early March

The dormant spray on peach trees for the control of scale and leaf curl should be applied any time during the month of February or early in March according to Dr. R. W. Leiby of the Agricultural Experiment Station. He advises the lime-sulphur spray for orchards where the scale is not prevalent to an injurious extent, and an oil spray where the scale is abundant especially if scale was found on the ripened fruit last season. Even where the oil spray is used to control scale, a separate application of lime-sulphur concentrate diluted one-eighth would seem advisable, and if this is done, Dr. Leiby advises that the applications be separated by a period of at least four weeks.

According to experiments conducted by the peach insect laboratory last winter, the oil sprays including the miscible and lubricating oil emulsions, killed an average of 98 per cent of the scale, whereas the lime-sulphur solutions killed an average of 88 per cent of the scale. It is on the basis of increased killing efficiency of the scale by the oil compounds that a dormant spray of oil is advised for this season where scale is unusually abundant in an orchard, but Dr. Leiby points out that the grower runs a risk in the control of such diseases as leaf-curl and brown rot when oil alone is used and not followed by an application of lime-sulphur.

Doctor Leiby states that he will gladly advise what dormant spray materials any individual grower should use in his orchard if the growers write him at his winter headquarters at the Department of Agriculture at Raleigh. He suggests that each grower make a careful examination of his trees for scale before deciding whether to use the oil or the lime-sulphur as a dormant spray. Although the lubricating oil emulsions are generally regarded as safe to use on peach trees, he cautions against purchasing the cheaper compounds commonly offered on the market. The grower should feel reasonably sure that any emulsion he may purchase will remain stable and not break down, otherwise the oil is apt to injure the trees.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis were blessed with eight children, six of whom are now living. They are, William Hurd Davis, Baden, Lorenzo LaMar Davis, Greensboro; John Marvin Davis, Vass; Rena Davis (died in infancy); Harvey Davis (deceased); Ethel Davis, Vass; Herman Postell Davis, Vass; and James Emerson Davis, Vass.

In addition to his widow and six children, Mr. Davis is survived by two brothers and three sisters. They are, C. S. Davis, Marshville, Union county; J. E. Davis, Hartsville, S. C.; Mrs. John W. Kiker, Anson county; Mrs. J. W. Beacham, Stanly county, and Mrs. J. C. Austin, Marshville.

Mr. Davis lived a life of great usefulness. Having farmed all of his life, he put forth his efforts to make the community in which he resided, a better place to live in. He was broad-minded and progressive, ever ready to lend his aid in any movement for the betterment of himself and his neighbors. During his life, he was for a number of years a member of his local school board; for a number of years he served his community as magistrate. He was a staunch supporter of all organizations for the betterment of farming conditions; and, was throughout his life an earnest, sincere Christian, and an earnest worker in the Methodist Church. At the time of his death, he was a steward in the Methodist Church, at Vass.

The funeral service was held in the Methodist Church at Vass, on January 21st, by Rev. McWhorter, of Aberdeen. The large number of neighbors, friends and relatives which filled the church, bespoke the love, esteem and respect in which this good man was held by all who knew him.