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MAKE IT McIVER COLLEGE.

The alumni of the State Normal College are asking that the name be changed to McIver College in honor of the late Dr. Charles D. McIver who did so much for the college and the education of the young women of North Carolina. It would be a fitting thing to honor the man in this way. It is not known what steps the trustees of the college will take toward changing the name from the long and cumbersome "State Normal and Industrial College" to McIver College. But the women of the State who love and revere the name of Charles D. McIver would gladly welcome the change.

IMPORTANT MEASURES TO BE CONSIDERED.

The inauguration of Governor Bickett and the other State officers being over with and "Little Local Bill" a thing of the past, the Legislature now can get down to real business. And there is much business to come before it in the way of big things. One of the important things is the passage of a measure to carry into effect the amendment taking away from the General Assembly the passage of local bills affecting only neighborhoods, townships, towns and counties. It will take the combined wisdom of the men now in the Senate and House to devise and enact a measure that will solve the problems of local legislation and at the same time safeguard all the interests of the people. The passage of this measure will doubtless give to Boards of County Commissioners large and more varied duties, making it very important that these boards be composed of the county's best men at all times. The County Commissioners will in effect become a law-making body.

PROHIBITION GAINING.

The prohibition leaders of the country have a right to feel happy. The cause has won two great victories this week. The first was when the Supreme Court of the United States held the Webb-Kenyon Act constitutional. This act makes it unlawful to ship whiskey or other intoxicants into a dry State.

The second victory was when the United States Senate voted to make Washington City dry. The vote stood 55 to 32. For the bill 28 Democrats and 27 Republicans. Against, 22 Democrats and 10 Republicans.

The following are the leading features of the bill:

"The Sheppard bill prohibits the manufacture, sale, storing, offering for sale, keeping for sale, soliciting or receiving orders for the purchase of alcoholic liquors, the giving away or importing the same." It permits importation for personal use.

"The term 'alcoholic liquors' is defined to include all spirituous, vinous, malt or fermented liquors, and all other liquors which shall contain one-half of one per cent of alcohol, or more. The bill provides penalties for violations of a fine of \$300 to \$1,000, and imprisonment from thirty days to one year.

"The bill prohibits the drinking of liquors in the public streets, street cars and other public conveyances, including railroad trains. It makes it an offense to be intoxicated on the street, in street cars, railroad coaches, public places or buildings, at any public gathering, or to disturb the peace of any person while intoxicated, anywhere."

JARVIS NORMAL SCHOOL.

The Herald calls attention to the advisability of changing the name of the State Normal College to that of McIver College. If the General Assembly should get in the notion to make a few changes it would be fitting to take that long name away from that excellent school down at Greenville, known as the "East Carolina Teacher Training School," and give it a shorter and more popular name. We would suggest that its name be changed to Jarvis Normal School. This change would give it a nice name which would show what it stood for and at the same time honor the memory of one of the State's most faithful and patriotic citizens. Thomas James Jarvis served his State well in many great and responsible positions. He was one who stood by it in the days when the State sorely needed its best sons. Let us honor the school at Greenville, honor the State and honor the man, Governor Jarvis, by changing the name of the school to Jarvis Normal School.

ELECTING A PRESIDENT.

On Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1916, the people of the United States went to their respective polling places and, as they thought, elected a President of the Nation. But they did not quite complete the job. Last Monday the electors of the forty-four States met in their respective State Capitals and again went through the ceremony of electing a President of the United States. These 531 men met and cast the ballots as their party directed. But the job is not yet done. One of their number was appointed a messenger to carry the vote to Washington City and deliver it into the hands of the Vice-President.

On February 22, the birthday of the Father of his country, the votes will be opened and the result be declared in the Senate Chamber. Then it will be definitely known who is elected President of the United States.

SMITHFIELD BANKS DOING WELL.

Smithfield has two good live, safe and substantial banks—The First National and the Johnston County Bank and Trust Company. On December 27, 1916, when the bank statement was called for these two banks had on deposit more than half a million dollars—to be exact the amount was \$504,096.24.

A year ago, when the statement was called for on December 31, 1915, the amount on deposit in these two banks was \$255,006.72. The fact that the deposits of these two institutions almost doubled in one year shows that Smithfield and vicinity closed the year 1916 in a prosperous condition.

The deposits of The First National increased from \$198,228.37 on December 31, 1915, to \$396,703.12 on December 27, 1916. For the same period the deposits of the Johnston County Bank and Trust Company grew from \$56,978.35 to \$107,393.12.

This is a fine showing for our banks and shows how well they stand in the confidence of our people.

It is no news to the State that Representative George E. Hood, of the Third will be a candidate to succeed himself in Congress in 1918. When did we hear of a congressman, save Bob Page, declining to be a candidate to succeed himself?

Legislators From Johnston.

In our issue of January 9, there appeared a complete list of the men who have represented Johnston County in the General Assembly from the formation of the County in 1746. This most interesting article was furnished us by Mr. Robert W. Sanders, a Smithfield young man who is attending Trinity College at Durham.

In the list of the honored names there are found many men who served their county ably in the gone by years. The list is a valuable one and should be preserved by all those who are interested in their county's history.

Scotch tweed and hosiery manufacturers have opened schools for the Russian language, in order to do more business with Russia.

THIS, THAT AND THE OTHER.

By A. V.

It is with a certain pride that I chronicle to-day the success of Woodall and Peterson. These gentlemen have made for themselves a reputation of reliability that has gone beyond the limits of our town, and that should give pleasure to every citizen in Smithfield. These men are growing in their work and in the esteem of the County. The Methodist church here is a specimen of their work, so are many homes about town. We wish them greater and greater growth.

J. W. Philips and O. P. Dickerson come in for a hearty word of praise. Heaven knows how hard it is to start anything in Smithfield and see it through. These men have gotten together a band—a brass band—and they are playing. They have mastered a few pieces and they are on the way to complete success. Bros. Philips and Dickerson are doing something for Smithfield, and this something will eventually be worth while.

The big slide has come, and of all the sliding ever done—this is the greatest. The grown as well as the young enjoy the play apparatus. The Camp Fire Girls organized a sliding party and they report a grand old time. It is a joy to hear the merry laughter and the shrieks of purest pleasure as the children come down. Incidentally the boys and girls learn the rules of courtesy on the play grounds. They learn to respect each other's rights. They must neither push nor break in. This is as valuable a lesson as any. The good ladies of the town who put their energy behind this play-ground movement deserve our thanks.

The coming of Dr. Ott to our town should mean much. A few lectures of that kind would bring our citizens closer together—and here is something worth thinking about: HOW MANY FRIENDS HAVE YOU, GENTLE READER? I mean FRIENDS, not in the sense of acquaintance, who gossip and help you run down the other fellow. But just warm-hearted fellows who will go to some trouble for you—just to help you? Friends who care for you as a matter of pure friendship, and not for the dollar they may collect from you. How many such friends can you count?

Do Smithfield men visit? The women have their clubs and their social life is well enough organized. What about the men? How many of your neighbors have called on you? How many have you called on? Is our social bump undeveloped?

Once I heard of a clergyman—a man of the finest intentions—who visited his flock. Of all the men of his church perhaps half a dozen called

in a year. Few ever shook hands with him on Sundays, except in a perfunctory way. The fine energy of that man was chilled. The members prayed for new life in their church—for new conversions. They forgot to pray for warmth of the heart, and their church grew colder and colder, and emptier yet!

A few men who can shake hands and mean their handshake can revive a church. How many does it take to make a town a pleasant place to live in?

I will refer, en passant, to a fine act of courtesy which I saw done by Judge Brooks the Recorder of our court. I saw him generously advance to one of the best boys of this county, the necessary funds wherewith to complete his education. The whole transaction betrayed a supreme spirit of service and is worthy of the highest praise. It is an act of fine sentiment, one of these things a man does when he is a man.

Matters of County Interest.

By an act of the Legislature of 1915 the office of Treasurer of Johnston County was abolished. At the expiration of Mr. Eason's term of office on December 1, 1916, the county was without a treasurer. Under the law the County Commissioners had the right to designate some bank within the county as the county's financial agent. The First National Bank of Smithfield has been designated financial agent for Johnston County and is placed under a heavy bond for the safe keeping of the county's money. Under the law abolishing the Treasurer's office the financial agent of the county receives no fees or commissions for handling the county funds. This will mean a saving to the county of one thousand dollars a year, the amount of the salary paid the treasurer last year.

The County Commissioners at their December meeting appointed Mr. Ed. S. Abell, County Attorney at a salary of two hundred dollars a year.

Two years ago the Commissioners cut the salary of the Judge of the Recorder's Court from \$1200 to \$1000 a year. When they met at their session on the first Monday in December they increased the salary to twelve hundred a year, the amount paid before the reduction of two years ago.

Farm Loan Bank Meetings.

People all over the County are becoming more or less interested in the rural credits system, known as the Farm Loan Bank. Meetings have been held at Smithfield and Elevation. We understand that the people of Oneals are becoming interested and we are asked to announce that all those interested in a meeting should write to or confer with Mr. Wm. Parker at Atkinson's Mill. By doing this it can be ascertained when would be the most suitable time to hold a meeting to consider the organization of a Local Association in Oneals.

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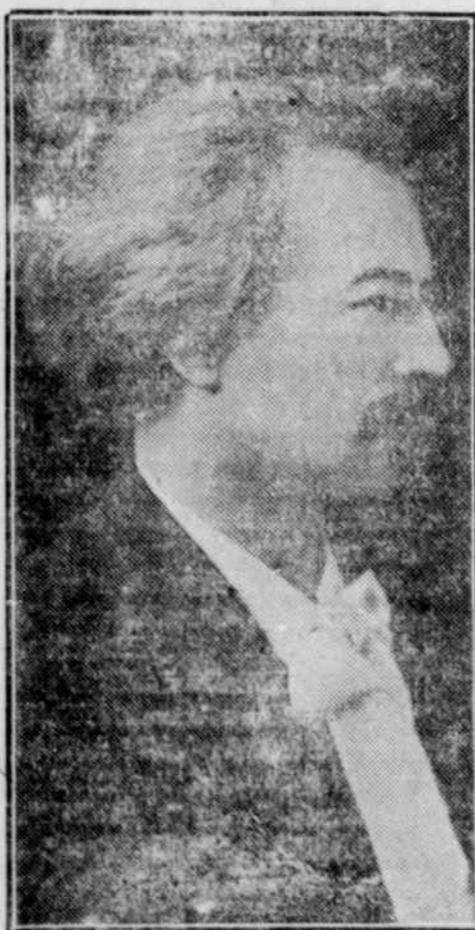
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Mail orders will be filled in the order received, beginning Friday evening, January 19. Those who are present in person at the city ticket sale Friday morning have the privilege of selecting the choice seats. There will positively be no reservations made prior to that time, except to the schools. No tickets will be laid aside and all of them must be paid for in full when delivered. Orders for seats, accompanied by national bank checks or money orders, may be sent to J. C. ALLISON, Secretary, Rotary Club, Raleigh, N. C.



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