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BROOKS TO OPPOSE SENATOR OVERMAN

Greensboro Lawyer Who Stands for Woman Suffrage Is in the Race for United States Senate.

Formal announcement was made Wednesday that Aubrey L. Brooks of Greensboro, would be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for the United States Senate to succeed Lee S. Overman. In his statement concerning his candidacy he said that his decision to become a candidate for the senate was born of the conviction that he was in entire sympathy with the currents of thought that are shaping the lives of the people. He further said his candidacy was in no wise dependent upon the ratification of the federal amendment granting equal suffrage to women. However he declares himself to be an ardent supporter of their aspirations.

Mr. Brooks was born in Person county, May 21, 1871. He was admitted to the bar at Roxboro in 1894 and removed to Greensboro in 1897 where he has since lived. He was educated at the State University and at the Kentucky State University. Mr. Brooks has been active in politics ever since his Person county days.

Clayton Halcyon Club.

Clayton, April 1.—Mrs. R. A. Wall was hostess to the Halcyon Club Wednesday afternoon. After the regular business meeting, Mrs. Robbie Sanders, who had charge of the program for the afternoon, read a very interesting paper on the life of Mark Twain. Mrs. Glenn Pope then read a short selection from Huck Finn after which Mrs. Hugh Page told most beautifully the story of "The Prince and the Pauper" by Mark Twain. Mary Todd, one of the children from the Pythian Orphanage, entertained the club with a beautiful piano solo. At the close of the program, Mrs. Wall assisted by her sister-in-law, Mrs. A. S. Johnston, of Smithfield, served a lovely "daisy" salad course with ice tea followed by mints. The club colors, yellow and white, were nicely carried out in the cut flowers and refreshments.

Child Bride is Granted Divorce.

Annie Lee Walker was yesterday on the ground that he married her granted a divorce from W. E. Hobbs, when she was less than fourteen years of age.

The little girl who looks scarcely more than ten, took the stand for herself, and in a barely audible voice, answered the questions put to her. Her age, she said, was fourteen last February, and she went through the marriage ceremony the June previous in Bladen county.—Wilmington Star.

Meeting of Book Club.

An interesting meeting of the John Charles McNeill Book Club was held at the home of Mrs. J. H. Rose Thursday afternoon.

The program was a continuation of the study of Southern Literature. Mrs. J. R. Barbour read a most interesting paper on "Southern Society Novelists." Following this Mrs. I. P. Roberts read an interesting paper. Round table discussion of the servant problem, led by Mrs. J. R. Barbour completed the program, after which refreshments consisting of brick cream and cake were served by the hostess assisted by Mrs. T. T. Lanier. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. Preston Woodall. A musical program will be used.

Benson, March 29.

Buncombe Schools.

In five years past, special school districts of Buncombe have voted \$310,000 for new schoolhouses. The county superintendent and the board of education are guiding the material equipment of the school system toward large central schools, and eliminating as rapidly as possible the one-teacher schools. The best of these high schools are in effect training grounds for teachers, since after completing a high school course the graduates may attend a normal and be eligible for the best positions under the rank of principal. The school buildings outside the city are now worth \$600,000; they are worth more as agencies of progress than can be measured in money.

OVERMAN MAKES STATEMENT.

Takes Notice That Brooks Is in the Race for Senatorship.

The announcement, says a dispatch from Washington, of A. L. Brooks, of Greensboro for United States Senator in opposition to Senator Lee S. Overman, did not occasion surprise in Washington.

Senator Overman has stated that his candidacy will be based on his record in the Senate and that he will present it to the people of North Carolina fully although they know what it is. He does not expect to return to the Tar Heel state until Congress adjourns, but an organization will be perfected by his friends. Woman's suffrage is expected to play a part in the results of the Democratic primary this year. Mr. Brooks is for Woman's suffrage while Senator Overman voted against the Anthony amendment.

HOPEWELL NEWS.

The people of this community are looking forward to a happy Easter.

Misses Bessie and Irene Stephenson spent the week end with Misses Alma Stevens and Madeline Peterson of the Sanders Chapel section.

Little Miss Helen Brown of the Sanders Chapel section is spending this week with Miss Sarah Stanley.

Miss Lula Davis of Smithfield is spending this week with Miss Lena Wallace.

Mr. Needam Stafford and Miss Carrie Thompson of near Selma were visitors at the home of Mr. Ransom Wallace Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Alford and mother, Mrs. John Alford, of Smithfield, attended church at Hopewell Sunday.

A very quiet wedding was solemnized last Saturday afternoon at the home of Mr. D. U. Thompson about 6:30 o'clock when Miss Nettie Wright became the bride of Mr. Herman Johnson. After the ceremony was performed the bride and groom accompanied by Rev. Mr. Faircloth, Mr. Clarence Johnson and Miss Sallie Wright motored to the home of the groom where a delicious supper awaited them. Mrs. Johnson is a popular young lady of near Princeton and Mr. Johnson is a prosperous young farmer of this community. They will make their home with the groom's father, Mr. Lee Johnson, at the present. We wish for them a long and happy life.

8TH GRADE PUPIL.

Automobile Tires Require Large Amount of Cotton.

It is estimated that there are now running in this country 7,000,000 automobiles and that 1,500,000 will be built this year.

To supply these cars with tires will require that 40,000,000 tires be produced in 1920. As tires, including truck tires, require an average of four pounds of cotton after allowing for waste these figures show that it will require nearly 400,000 bales of cotton to produce automobile tires and that explains to some extent the unusual demand for cotton yarns. Many mills that formerly made weaving and knitting yarns have changed to tire fabric yarns because the demand has made them more profitable.

One of the influences that is causing mills to change their machinery to tire fabric yarns is that the use of automobiles and therefore automobile tires is steadily increasing and a steady and profitable increase seems to be sure for several years at least.

So great is the demand for tire fabric yarns that mills making them are in some cases being offered contracts extending over a period of two years and guaranteed a fixed profit per pound.

It is estimated that in 1921 more than half a million bales of cotton will be converted into tire fabrics.—Southern Textile Bulletin.

Coast Guard Aviation Station.

Instead of abandoning Camp Glenn, the government has found a new use for it. A coast guard aviation station is to be established as soon as arrangements can be made. Within the next five or six weeks a force of 100 men will begin work there. At present this is the only aviation station maintained by the Coast Guard Service in the United States and it is possible the only one in the world. It is in the nature of an experiment.

MR. HUNT AND THE COUNTY Y.M.C.A. WORK

Program to Be Given at Smithfield Graded School Auditorium Sunday Afternoon April Fourth.

The work of Mr. S. K. Hunt, State-County Y. M. C. A. Director, is now in progress in this county and is meeting very flattering success. The work is styled educational service and is being presented by Mr. Hunt and his staff which consists of Mr. Floyd Ransom and Messrs. Haynes and Franklin. The work opened up in Clayton on Monday of this week. It is estimated that 1200 people attended the service in that town. The two following days the service was presented at Archer Lodge with something like 300 people in attendance. The Service will observe the following schedule for other points of the county:

Thursday, April 1, at Selma Graded School.

Friday, April 2, Brogden.

Saturday, April 3, Brogden.

Sunday P. M., Graded School Auditorium, Smithfield.

Monday, April 5, Glendale.

Tuesday, April 6, Glendale.

Wednesday, April 7, Kenly.

Thursday, April 8, Meadow.

Friday, April 9, Meadow.

As announced last week, this service is primarily an educational service. It calls upon all the school forces for attendance and publicity. Very attractive slides and films illustrating good roads, good farming, health and hygiene are shown in the work. Games and recreation are coached also by expert physical directors. The County Home and Farm Demonstration Agents, the County Superintendents of Public Instructions and of Public Welfare have arranged to be in most of the meetings and can assist in making the program attractive and profitable. It is requested that all the schools near these group centers attend these shows at night. It is absolutely free to everybody who will attend.

STEVENS CHAPEL NEWS.

Mrs. Leroy Creech is out again after being sick at her home for the past three weeks.

The farmers in our section are very busy getting ready to plant their crop. They would be glad to see several more weeks like last week was.

The road hands are doing a nice piece of work on our new road from Brogden school out to the Central Highway. They will soon have it completed.

Little Sadie Hartley is on the sick list this week.

Since moving in his new building Mr. J. Walter Thompson has had his light plant put in. He expects to have bright lights from now on.

We are glad to say the flu has ceased in our section but sorry to say the chicken pox has taken its place.

GUESS WHO.

Oteen Condition Investigated.

Following the investigation of Col. C. C. Kinney of the Army Inspector General Department, of conditions at Oteen hospital, announcement has been made that conditions existed which needed correction. Improvements have been made and another inspection will take place soon. In view of Colonel Kinney's recommendation that none of the men who protested against conditions be disciplined, it is thought that Senators Simmons and Overman will accept the report. Major Frank A. Crawford, Sanitary Corps, who was the Oteen mess officer, has been dismissed.

Falls Through Elevator Shaft.

Miss Sarah Baldwin, a graduate nurse on special duty at the Pittman hospital in Fayetteville, fell through the elevator shaft Monday morning, dying an hour afterward, her skull being fractured. It was thought that she opened the entrance to the elevator shaft thinking it was the door of her room.

Hoover Will Accept.

In a telegram to the Hoover Republican Club of California, Hoover has announced the fact that if it is demanded of him he will accept the Republican nomination for President. He states that he does not and will not seek the nomination.

NEWSY NOTES FROM KENLY AND BEULAH

Rev. C. E. Stevens of Four Oaks filled his appointment at the First Baptist church Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Edgerton visited friends in Farmville Tuesday.

Miss Ina Morris of Wendell spent the week end with Mrs. K. C. Morgan.

Miss Eunice Jerome from Garner was in town during the week end visiting her mother, Mrs. C. P. Jerome.

Miss Inez Edgerton arrived Tuesday night from G. C. W. College and will be at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Edgerton during the Easter holidays.

Messrs. H. M. and Fred Richardson of Zebulon are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Bailey.

Miss Lida Darden is on a visit in Raleigh for several days.

Mrs. R. A. Turlington visited relatives in Wilson during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Darden spent Tuesday in Wilson.

Mr. Jessie Broughton from Elizabeth City spent the week end with his brother Mr. A. J. Broughton.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Z. Woodard spent Tuesday in Wilson.

Mrs. Frank Capps entertained Wednesday afternoon in honor of her cousin, Mrs. Shackelford of Farmville. Mesdames J. J. High and A. J. Broughton and Mr. B. Bailey spent Wednesday in Wilson.

Mr. Claud Edgerton made a business trip to Wilson Tuesday.

Mrs. J. H. Alford visited relatives in Wilson last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Etheredge of this section and Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. N. P. Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Gurley, Mrs. John Deans and Mrs. G. C. Bryan, all of Pikeville, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Etheredge Sunday.

Misses Annie Griffin of Norfolk, Va., and Louise Elliott of Cataw, N. C., will arrive Wednesday night to be the guests of Miss Inez Edgerton during the Easter holidays.

The fish fry and box party which was given by the ladies of the Baptist church Friday night over the Watson Co. store was largely attended and a considerable amount secured for the benefit of the church.

Kenly, March 31.

Mrs. I. F. Medlin Dead.

Tuesday afternoon, March 30, death claimed the wife of Mr. I. F. Medlin, who lives near Powhatan in Clayton township. Mrs. Medlin had been a sufferer from a complication of diseases for several months, but it was not until recently that her condition became serious.

The funeral was conducted Wednesday afternoon at the home by Rev. Mr. Faircloth, pastor of the Free Will Baptist church at Powhatan, and the interment took place at Bethesda Baptist church.

Before her marriage she was Miss Annie Duncan. She was thirty years of age. She joined Bethesda Baptist church in her girlhood and was a faithful member till her death. She is survived by her husband, Mr. I. F. Medlin, and two small children, the oldest being about four years and the youngest about six months old.

Bentonville Precinct Meeting.

The Democratic voters of Bentonville township met at Bentonville March 27 and elected the following township executive committee:

J. T. Langston, L. G. Westbrook, W. H. Upchurch, Wilbert Stafford, Julius Stevens, R. D. Marler and John W. Langston. J. T. Langston was made chairman and L. G. Westbrook secretary.

The following were elected delegates to the county convention: Joseph Lee, L. Langston and W. B. Joyner.

W. H. Upchurch was recommended for delegate to the State convention.

The meeting passed a resolution endorsing President Wilson's administration.

The township primary also took a \$500 option on the post office building to be offered to the voters of Bentonville township for a township site.

J. T. LANGSTON, President.
L. G. WESTBROOK, Sec.

Three dipping vats in Pitt County were destroyed by dynamite Saturday night. It seems that tick eradication is not popular in that county, even though the government was tendering its aid along this line.

THE HERALD LATE.

Just before ten o'clock this morning as we were ready to go to press the Power Company had some trouble on their line and the current went off. We were without power all day until 5:45. Hence the delay in getting out today's paper.

JONES SCHOOL HOUSE NEWS

The farmers are very busy getting ready for planting.

The box party recently held was quite a success. The sum of \$52.25 was realized.

Those from this section who attended the reunion of the family of Mrs. Susan Jones, were Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Jones and little son, Louis; Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hall and little son, Wilbert. Mrs. Jones is 93 years old and has about 100 grandchildren. She has 8 children all of whom are living.

Our Sunday school is getting along nicely. There will be an Easter egg hunt at the Jones school house Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Everybody is invited to come and bring a large basket of eggs.

REPORTER.

Mary Pickford Weds Fairbanks.

Mary Pickford, the popular movie star, who early this month obtained a divorce from Owen Moore, was married Sunday to Douglas Fairbanks. Fairbanks' former wife obtained a divorce from him about two weeks ago. No time was lost after the divorces were granted. The ceremony was performed at the residence of the Rev. J. W. Brougner, pastor of the Temple Baptist church, who used the Bible which the bridegroom's mother gave him as she was dying. Their honeymoon will be spent near Los Angeles at the Fairbanks residence in Beverly Hills.

The Funeral of Mrs. Stanley.

Mrs. Lucinda S. Stanley whose death was announced in Tuesday's Herald was buried Wednesday morning. At 10 o'clock the burial services were conducted at the home by Rev. H. W. Baum of the Baptist church, assisted by Rev. S. A. Cotton, pastor of the Methodist church. She was buried in the Smithfield cemetery by the side of her first husband, Mr. G. H. Watson and near her two children. The pall bearers were Messrs. J. C. Ennis, W. S. Stevens, N. B. Grantham, D. H. Jones, J. M. Beatty and Ex-Sheriff Grimes. She had lived in Smithfield many years and was a member of Smithfield Baptist church. She was a sister of Mr. Julius Lee, of Ingrams township, several of her nieces and a nephew living here. The immediate members of her family who survive are her husband, Mr. L. S. Stanley and a step daughter, Mrs. J. W. Stezer.

Miss Wilson Adopts War Orphans.

Miss Margaret Wilson, eldest daughter of the President has adopted two Serbian war orphans. The children will continue to live with their mother at Negotin, Serbia.

Sunday School Plans for Pisgah.

We have reorganized our Sunday school at Pisgah Baptist church with a new superintendent.

We are going to meet next Sunday morning at nine-thirty for the purpose of organizing a singing school. We are planning to devote thirty minutes each Sunday morning to singing practice with Mr. R. E. Thomas as leader. Everybody has a special invitation and especially the children. Mr. Thomas is a splendid singer and let's all come to help him sing. Now the cold weather and influenza are gone it will do us all good to sing.

J. B. BEASLEY,
Superintendent.

Fourteen Year Old Girl Divorced.

A romance started at Camp Greene was rudely shattered in the superior court here yesterday when Mrs. Essie McCarroll was granted a divorce from her husband, B. A. McCarroll, whom she has not seen or heard from since last August.

The soldier is said to have been from Knoxville, Tenn., and the marriage is reported to have taken place early last year, the girl having been only 14 years old at the time.—Charlotte Observer.

NO BIDS OFFERED ON CONCRETE ROAD

Contractors Unable to Purchase Cement at Any Price; Gravel Roads Let.

The hard surface highway from Durham to Chapel Hill will not be built at present because of the fact that Highway Commission has been unable to find a contractor that would submit any sort of a bid for its construction. Commissioner Page offered the road to a number of contractors, but from all of them came the answer that they were unable to secure cement at any price, and could not build the road.

This is the first contract for hard surface road that has been offered without a single taker. The situation in the materials market for several months has made bidding unsatisfactory. The Durham-Chapel Hill highway approved by the Commission is 6.8 miles long, and at the last prices submitted by contractors for other work, would cost about \$200,000. The project will be re-advertised in the hope of securing some contractor willing to take over its construction.

Two contracts were awarded this week by Mr. Page, both calling for gravel construction. The first was in Chatham county, 12 miles in length from Pittsboro to the Orange county line. It will cost \$8,000 per mile. The second project was for four miles of the Wilmington-Charlotte-Asheville highway in Anson county, clay gravel in type, costing \$12,000.—News and Observer.

Dyspeptic Nation.

Excessive automobile riding is said to be the cause of many ailments of the digestive, the respiratory and the circulation organs. A student asked one of his professors what branch of the medical profession he regarded as the most remunerative.

"If I were again a young man, just starting out," the professor replied, "I would choose the digestive tract. Americans are playing havoc with that part of their anatomy. With automobile riding rapidly replacing the good old habit of walking people don't get enough exercise to digest properly. Result: better business for the physicians."

"Next to the alimentary troubles the heart and lungs are involved; the muscles of these organs are weakened both by lack of exercise and by the ill-nourished condition of the blood due to hasty eating. You see it all comes back to the question of eating—the digestive tract. So that, it seems to me, should prove to be the branch of the profession to which I would give first choice."—Philadelphia Ledger.

NOTES FROM SILVERDALE

Mr. Stephen Woodard of Glendale section spent last Sunday with Mr. J. R. Atkinson.

Mr. Harris Johnston and family went to Selma shopping last week.

Mr. F. T. Flowers and family motored to Middlesex last Sunday.

Mr. Walter Graddy and family of Plainview section visited their sister Mrs. G. W. Anderson last Sunday.

Mr. J. M. Richardson made a business trip to Smithfield last Saturday. The result of the trip was a new Maxwell truck.

Mr. Howard Stancel of Micro passed through our burg last week.

Mr. B. F. Woodard and family made a trip to Gates last week to visit their brother, Rev. A. C. McCall.

Mr. Sidney Johnston of Old Beulah section passed through our burg last week.

D. H. Winslow Resigned.

Mr. D. H. Winslow who has been connected with the Highway Commission has resigned and will be succeeded by H. R. Witherspoon. Mr. Winslow will open an office in Raleigh and in addition to engineering work will assume the duties of business manager of Everywoman's Magazine.

Selling Flooring at a High Price

We have just heard of a large lumber company in eastern North Carolina which is selling number two grade of flooring for a hundred and fifty dollars per thousand feet. This is a little less than a two horse wagon load and counts up right fast when much of it is used.