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DR. HERMAN HORNE WILL SPEAK HERE

Fitting That A Son of Johnston Speak At County Thanksgiving Service

The final touches were yesterday put on the programme for the Thanksgiving Service to be held here on Monday, September 3rd, 1923, by the Committee which met yesterday afternoon in Judge Brooks' office. The committee was exceedingly fortunate in securing Dr. Herman H. Horne, of New York and son of the late Mr. Hardy H. Horne of Clayton, to make the principal address. Dr. Horne happened to be in the County having come to Clayton to see his father, who died last week. Dr. Horne is another Johnston County "boy" who has made good in a foreign state. He is a highly polished and pleasing speaker, and there is a great treat in store for the throng of North Carolinians who happen to the good fortune to be present next Monday. The full programme is as follows: Thanksgiving Service At Smithfield Monday, September 3rd, 1923 11 o'clock, A. M.

F. H. Brooks, Chairman, Mrs. Chas. G. Gulley Chairman Music Committee.

Song by the audience: "Come Thou Almighty King" (No. 302 Victory Songs).

Invocation by Rev. N. H. Shepherd, Kenly, N. C.

Awakening Chorus by special choir. Scripture by Rev. J. A. Ruessell, Four Oaks.

Prayer by Rev. D. H. Tuttle. "Holy! Holy! Holy!" sung by special choir.

Prayer by Rev. A. T. Lassiter, Benson.

Escort for speaker: Hon. Chas. M. Wilson, Rev. Neil McInnis, Dr. J. J. Young.

Introduction by speaker—by George D. Vick, of Selma.

Address: Dr. Herman H. Horne of New York and Clayton.

"All Hail, Immanuel!" sung by special choir.

At this point the presentation and acceptance of the beautiful fountain presented to the people of the County by Hon. William Marsh Sanders will be made.

Song by audience: "All hail the power of Jesus Name" during which a free-will offering will be taken for the poor of the County, to be distributed through the County Welfare Agent, Mr. H. V. Rose.

Doxology. Benediction by Rev. Jesse Barnes, Smithfield.

William Wellons Gets License

Among the eighty-two successful applicants for license to practice law in North Carolina who took the Supreme Court examination Monday, was Mr. William B. Wellons, of this city. Mr. Wellons is a son of Mr. James A. Wellons, who has practiced law here for a number of years. He graduated at Turlington Graded school and later went to the University of North Carolina. He took his law course at Wake Forest College. Mr. Wellons will locate here.

Revival At Pisgah

Revival services are being conducted at Pisgah Baptist church this week. Rev. J. W. Suttle of Shelby being the preacher. The day service is held at eleven o'clock and the night at eight.

Seeks Medical Advice First Time in 50 Years

BET McClean better known perhaps as "Black Bet," a sixty year old negro woman of this city went to the doctor last week for the first time in forty years. Afflicted with boils she was forced after half a century to seek medical advice. "Black Bet" was for a long number of years in service with Mrs. Dal Smith who recently moved to this city from her farm near town. Aunt Bet is now with Mrs. B. R. Jones of this city, where she is employed as cook.

CO-OPS VICTORIOUS PITT COUNTY TRIAL

Notice of Appeal To Supreme Court Is Given by Pittman's Counsel

Greenville, Aug. 25.—The Tobacco Growers' Co-operative Association today won a sweeping and somewhat unexpected victory when a Pitt county jury declared that Henry G. Pittman, of Falkland, was not induced to sign his contract by fraud. Judge J. Lloyd Horton hereupon signed a judgment holding that Pittman is bound by his contract and the plaintiff gave notice of appeal to the Supreme Court, where the case will come up next February.

There are 110 similar suits pending in this county and in 108 of them the association has already secured restraining orders from Judge T. H. Calvert forbidding the plaintiffs from delivering their 1923 crop outside of the association. However, no application for such an order was made in the case of Pittman and his partner, S. M. Crisp, and Judge Horton tonight signed orders permitting both men to give bond to protect the association for damages in the event of ultimate victory and to sell their 1923 crops outside of the association. Pittman's bond pending his appeal was fixed at \$1,500, while Crisp, who has a larger crop, was required to give a bond of \$2,000 pending trial of his case.

It is thought here that the moral effect of this week's trial will be disconcerting upon the other members who have suits, but Judge Horton stated at the hearing tonight that he was convinced by a talk with jurors that the jury did not release the legal effect of their verdict and intimated that he would set the whole verdict aside and order a new trial unless the bond was agreed to, no injunction having been sought by the association. Attorneys for the association then consented to the judgment, which up to that time had been opposed by Laurence L. Levy, of San Francisco.

The jury surprised by its verdict as to fraud, but an even greater surprise was sprung in the answer to the other, the triers of fact holding that under the evidence the plaintiff had proved that the association did not secure the necessary sign up of 50 per cent of the 1920 crop.

The jury's verdict looked like a dogfall, but Judge Horton set aside the verdict as to the sign-up issue and made the victory for the Co-ops complete. Judge Horton denied the motion of James H. Pou to set aside the verdict as against the greater weight of the evidence and then immediately granted a motion to set aside the verdict as a matter of law, holding that the verdict in the other issue made Pittman a member of the association and bound him to the association of the contract which provided that the decision of the organization committee should be final and conclusive as to the sign-up.

The rulings of the judge were extremely puzzling and confusing to the large crowd which had remained throughout the week of the trial and which was still there when the jury returned at six o'clock after two hours of deliberation. However, there was no opposition from the opposing lawyers, as Judge Horton had at first intimated that he would not submit the issue at all and did so only on the distinct understanding that he would take the course he did in the event of a split verdict.—R. E. Williamson, in News and Observer.

PRAYER MEETING AT BAPTIST CHURCH

Regular prayer-meeting will be held at 8 o'clock. Rev. J. R. Woods, night at 8 o'clock. Rev. J. L. Woods, pastor of the Presbyterian church, has kindly consented to conduct the service. All Baptists, as well as the people of the town generally, are urged to attend this service. Mr. Woods is an attractive speaker and talks on humanely interesting subjects at these services.

Dr. C. V. Tyner, Messrs G. A. Martin, H. P. Johnson and L. G. Stevens attended a ball game in Raleigh yesterday afternoon.

JOHNSTON COUNTY MAN MAKES GOOD

Prof. Samuel B. Lee Says "No Honorable Work Is Undignified."

Chapel Hill, Aug. 22.—Samuel B. Lee, formerly of Four Oaks, a university graduate of the class of '20, and for the last two years professor of geology at Iowa State college, is earning money this summer to help him along toward a doctor's degree by serving food in Swain Hall the university's dining palace, now patronized by 300 summer school students most of them women.

Being a waiter has a peculiar charm for Professor Lee, or Mr. Lee, as he prefers to be called, and when some of his friends suggested it might be beneath his dignity he only laughed and said: "No honorable work is undignified."

As a student in the university, where he received his M. A. degree in 1921, Mr. Lee not only worked his way through college while starring in Prof. Collier Cobb's geology but saved \$2,000 of his earnings. The war interrupted his college course and he went to France as a mess sergeant. There he saved most of his pay envelope and sent it home to his mother Mrs. W. F. Lee.

Last spring he decided to go to Cornell this fall to work for a doctor's degree. He came to the second session of the Summer school to do graduate work. There was no urgent need to earn money, for out in Iowa he had continued his habit of thrift begun here, but he felt the old urge to get into somebody's kitchen. Swain Hall is where he made his living as a student and to Swain Hall as a college professor who "would rather wait on a table than spend the summer teaching" he has returned.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF STATE MEET

Move To Amend N. C. Stop Law Was Discussed; School Law Also Called Forth A Resolution

Asheville, Aug. 24.—Move against the North Carolina Stop Law, requiring automobiles to come to a dead stop at railway crossings, was made at the closing session of the annual meeting of the State Association of County Commissioners yesterday when a resolution was adopted recommending that the legislative committee take steps to have the General Assembly amend the law to eliminate stopping at crossings, where there are no obstruction or factory or stations switches.

F. P. Spruill, Nash county, was elected president; E. L. Fronberger, Gaston county, vice-president, and J. L. Skinner, Warren county, secretary-treasurer. Governor Cameron Morrison spoke in the morning on the theme of improved relations between county and State governments. He said, in the course of his talk, that if the charges of a deficit in the county are there, it will also mean a deficit in the county revenue. W. M. Peyton, Asheville, former highway engineer for the Ninth N. C. District, addressed the commissioners on roads and maintenance.

Resolution was also adopted asking the legislative committee to take some steps to relieve the counties from the school law passed by the last session of the General Assembly, providing that any deficit incurred by the county school board must be paid by the county commissioners.

At least 75 of the 100 commissioners here yesterday, representing about 50 counties, are expected to make the sight-seeing trip to Fryling Pan Gap, near Mount Pisgah, where lunch will be served and Mrs. Edith Vanderbilt is scheduled to deliver an address.

Tragedy Recipe

Take one reckless, natural-born fool; two or three big drinks of bad liquor; a fast, high-powered motor car.

Soak the fool in the liquor, place in the car and let him go. After due time, remove from wreckage, place in black satin-lined box and garnish with flowers.—Walton, Ga., News.

NEW SCHOOL BLOWN UP BY DYNAMITE

Corinth - Holders District Suffers Loss of \$40,000 Brick Building

Wendell, Aug. 27.—The inner walls of the forty thousand dollar school building at Corinth, five miles south of this city, are in a heap of debris and the outer walls are disjointed and wrecked, caused from three explosions of dynamite Sunday morning at one o'clock by some unknown party Messrs. Davie Price and Lee Hocutt were curing tobacco at a tobacco barn one hundred yards from the school building when the explosion went off. They say they saw a person enter the building and in a few minutes come out. A moment later the explosion went off and the crash of brick walls came tumbling down. The damage to the building was variously estimated by the several thousand spectators that witnessed the ruins but a fair estimation would be at least ten thousand dollars.

The people of that community were not very much surprised at the explosion of the building as many threatening remarks had been made that the building would never be completed. Much animosity has existed for some time over a controversy between the patrons of Holders school district, in O'Neal's township and the patrons of Corinth school district in Wilders township as to the proper location of the new school building. An election was held in these two townships last spring to consolidate Holders school and Corinth, and twelve thousand five hundred dollar bond issue was passed. Both Holders and Corinth wanted the school and after much consultation by the Johnston County board of education, was decided to place it in the upper edge of Wilders township with the expectation of getting a number of smaller schools to come in the district. This location did not suit the Holders people at all and threats immediately were rumored that the new building would never do the Corinth people any good. The contractor got wise to these threats and used a good head by having the building insured until the job was finished. The last brick was laid late Saturday afternoon and the explosion took place that night.

Members of the local school board and the county board of education were present during the day Sunday and were asked as to what disposition they would attempt. They were halted between two opinions. First, they were not sure that the walls could be safely rebuilt and even if they could the next question would be, wouldn't they be blown up again? Immediately after the wreck County Supt. H. B. Marrow was notified and early Sunday morning blood hounds were put on the trail, but a trace was of no avail and there yet remains no clue or idea as to the guilty person or persons.

Raleigh, Aug. 26.—Bloodhounds, men-hounds and all other smellers could get no track today of the dynamiters who early this morning blew up a \$55,000 consolidated school building in Johnston county about four miles from the Wendell neighborhood. The explosives were three charges of dynamite placed in three sections of the new building which had gone almost high enough for the roof and was being sent up for the fall term if possible. The loss now is estimated from \$12,000 to \$15,000 in addition to the delay.

The diabolism expressing itself in this work was not wholly unexpected. The school community had come together with little difficulty on the consolidation scheme, but when the house was palced on a certain site the troubles began. Threats of blowing it up had come to Superintendent H. B. Marrow, but nobody could identify the makers. The district had voted \$12,500 for bonds and the remainder had been raised through state funds. The site chosen seemed to have suited the larger majority and notwithstanding the bad temper shown, the authorities hardly expected the criminals to carry out their resolves.

Bloodhounds taken to the school building this morning followed tracks

MR. HARDEE HORNE PASSES SUDDENLY

Funeral of Clayton Citizen Held Saturday; Was a Confederate Veteran

Just after we had gone to press Friday, news reached us of the death of Mr. Hardee Horne of Clayton, which occurred at his home rather suddenly Thursday afternoon about 5:30 o'clock. Mr. Horne had been in bad health for two or three years. He was not in bed, however, and had been walking around the tennis court Thursday afternoon. Soon after he returned to the house, he passed away. He is survived by his wife and one son, Dr. Herman H. Horne, of New York. Dr. Horne was at home when his father died having been there for about ten days.

Mr. Horne was 77 years old, and had spent all of his life in Clayton. He was a brother of the late Ashley Horne.

Mr. Horne is the last survivor of six brothers who entered the Confederate Army. His war record briefly told, is as follows: Entered the 12th Battalion Calvary in 1863, remaining several months. Assisted in the capture of Plymouth, N. C. Colonel Daring, the commander of this battalion, was promoted to brigadier general, after which Mr. Horne joined the Fourth N. C. Cavalry, under Colonel Ferrebee, Fitzhugh Lee's division, belonging to General R. E. Lee's army. Mr. Horne had three horses killed under him, received a minnie ball through his jacket, and was on the wrong side of the river to be in the surrender.

Since the war he has successfully followed farming as a chosen occupation.

The funeral was held Saturday afternoon at the Clayton Baptist church of which he was a member. Rev. C. A. Jenkins conducted the service. Interment was made in the Horne cemetery in the presence of a large concourse of relatives and friends.

WOULD BORROW N. C.'S COLORED HEALTH WORKER

Health work among the colored people of North Carolina has attracted outside attention for a number of years. Particularly noteworthy has been the progress in recent years made by negroes themselves in the fight against tuberculosis. The work of Mrs. Florence C. Williams, who has labored among the people of her race in North Carolina for three years under the extension department of the State Sanatorium, is a single feature that has become well known.

Recently, Dr. W. T. Henshaw, State Health Officer of West Virginia, made the request of Dr. L. B. McBrayer, Superintendent of the State Sanatorium, for the loan of Florence Williams for one year, that she might help organize and set to work along health lines the colored people of that State, as she had been able to do in this State.

For the past year and during the summer months, Florence Williams has been a student at Teacher's College, Columbia University. At a public meeting of the summer session, where rural achievement was the subject discussed, Florence Williams told of the work that was being done in this State by the colored people themselves for the improvement of health conditions.—August 24, 1923.

Plow up the cotton stalks this fall as soon as possible after the crop is picked. This will send the boll weevil into winter quarters early and hungry.

with great difficulty. The dynamite tore up things so badly that shoe prints were not visible for some distance away from the house. The authorities kept the people back to give the dogs a chance, but the hounds could not make a start. The officers went to work on the threats heard, but there was a very vague thing at best. The insurance department which supervises the construction of the State's buildings will probably help in the salvage and the new start.—Greensboro News.

SOUTHERN TRAIN KILLS HARRY BARNES

Automobile Struck By Train at Powhatan Crossing; Observed Stop Law

That the North Carolina Stop Law is not always effective even when observed, was proven yesterday when the train from Raleigh to Goldsboro due in Wilson's Mills about twelve o'clock struck the automobile driven by Mr. Harry Barnes completely demolishing it and killing instantly Mr. Barnes.

According to witnesses to the tragedy, Mr. Barnes was driving a Studebaker stopped when he reached the crossing and not seeing any train drove on the track. At that moment he evidently saw the train coming through the cut, and in his excitement stalled on the track. He started his machine but it stalled the second time. He then tried to jump out but his clothes caught in the steering wheel and he was hit by the on coming train. Mr. Dick Talley, one of the section gang at work close by, made an effort to go to his assistance, but was too late. A piece of the automobile struck him injuring him though not seriously.

Mr. Barnes, who was about fifty years of age, leaves a wife. He was a good farmer of the Powhatan section, owning his own farm. He was a member of the Freewill Baptist church and was helping to build a new church in that community. His tragic death has cast a gloom over that neighborhood.

BILLIONS OF BOTTLES STOP THIRST FOR SOFT DRINKS

Every Year Thirsty Americans Empty 400,000,000 Bottles Of Soft Drinks

History omits the description of many of the interesting things about McHusaleh, among them his liquid capacity. But, says the Department of Agriculture, if he had been given the task of disposing of all the "pop" consumed in this country last year, he would have had to start at birth and down eight bottles every minute of his 969-year span of life.

Each year, the department's statisticians declare, thirsty America empties four billion bottles of soft drinks, exclusive of such beverages as near beers made of cereals. The sparkling flood comes from ten thousand bottling establishments and pours across 110,000 counters.

The enormous thirst-quenching industry is a relatively new development, a commercializing of the discoveries of the chemist, and one that necessitates watchful care by the department chemists to prevent fracture of the pure food and drug laws. The "pop" of today, a department reporter says, is not the same as that clear liquid formerly sold only at ball games, fairs and carnivals, reminiscent of over-ripe bananas, and with little delectation for the palate. Had not great changes occurred in the industry it is hardly possible that it could have reached its present proportions.

Fruit juices are sometimes found in the beverages, it is said, but the chemist has supplied many substitutes which have a marvelous stimulation of nature's flavors and perfumes.

While Wifey Sleeps Hubby Steals Teeth

THERE is no telling what may be the bone of contention when folks have a disposition to quarrel. A set of false teeth has landed Rumley Johnson, colored, of this city in the courts, he having stolen them from his wife while she was asleep. Johnson was mad when his spouse got a set of false teeth and for several weeks they had been fussing. Yesterday after she found what had become of her teeth, his wife issued papers to recover them. Magistrate D. T. Luncford tried the case and the defendant was bound over to Recorder's Court this morning.