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Death Ends Great Career Of Robert M. LaFollette

Man Loved By Country For
 Dauntless Courage Passes
 Away at Capital

WAS POWERFUL FIGURE

Washington, June 18.—(AP)—Death brought to an end today the daring and stormy political career of Robert M. LaFollette.

Peacefully, the Wisconsin Senator, last year an independent candidate for President, passed away at his home here, a victim of heart attacks, from which he had been a sufferer for a decade, bronchitis and bronchial asthma.

To the last Mr. LaFollette sought to ward off death's thrust, as he had done on several occasions in recent years, but when he realized that the fight was a losing one, he called his son, Robert, to his bedside, and in an almost inaudible voice, gave this last message to the public:

"I am at peace with all the world, but there is a lot of work I could still do. I don't know how the people will feel toward me, but I shall take to the grave my love for them which has sustained me through life."

Confined to his bed for several weeks by illness which had wracked his body repeatedly in the last few years, but had failed to weaken his fighting spirit, the Senator suffered a heart attack this morning which brought to his physicians a realization that the end was near. He lapsed into unconsciousness shortly before noon, and died at 1:21 p. m., with his wife and other members of the family at his bedside.

Burial in Wisconsin
 Without ostentation, the body will be taken tomorrow to the Senator's home, Madison, Wis., for burial. No services will be held here, but in insistence of those who stood shoulder to shoulder with him in his battles in Wisconsin, he will lie in state in the capitol there Sunday, and formal services will be held Monday in that building, where he once presided as governor.

G.A. NORWOOD TALKS AT COOP MEETING

Tobacco and Cotton Growers
 Hold Monthly Meeting; Miss
 Kelly On Program

The regular county meeting of both the Tobacco Growers Co-operative Association and the Cotton Association was held Wednesday afternoon in the Court house with a representative attendance. A number of ladies, wives of growers, were present who took quite an interest in the meeting.

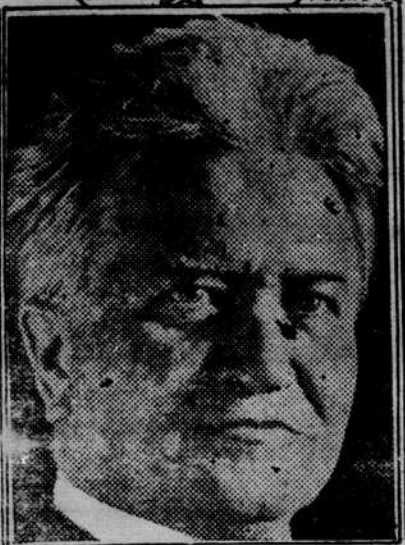
After a prayer offered by Rev. Chester Alexander, pastor of the Presbyterian church, the principal speaker of the occasion, Mr. George A. Norwood of Goldsboro, president of the Tobacco Growers' Association, was introduced. Mr. Norwood urged the members to be loyal to the association. Miss Elizabeth Kelly, of Raleigh, of the Field Service Department, was present and also made a talk. Miss Kelly's remarks were relative to members attending their local meetings in the different communities to discuss not only marketing but anything else of interest to the community.

Mr. J. W. Stephenson, who was recently elected director of the Cotton Growers Co-operative Association, was called upon, and he made a strong appeal to the members of that organization for their loyal support.

After the speeches, an exchange of questions pertaining to the associations was entered into and Mr. Norwood gladly answered any question that was bothering the members.

These county meetings are held each month here in the court house. The third Wednesday of the month is the regular day, and the sessions begin at 2:30 in the afternoon. The purpose of the meetings is a closer co-operation between members and management.

Claimed by Death



ROBERT M. LAFOLLETTE

MR. HAMS ADMIRERS STAND UP FOR HIM

Editorial in Leading State Daily
 Causes Burlington Man To
 Make Answer

THOUSANDS CAN TESTIFY

Some days ago some of the people of Smithfield took exception at a paragraph in a certain column of The News and Observer which cast a reflection upon the evangelistic campaign of Rev. M. F. Ham and Billy Sunday. These citizens did not hesitate to voice their disapproval and due apology was made for allowing such a paragraph to go in that paper. A few days later The Greensboro Daily News, another leading paper of the State, comments editorially upon Mr. Ham in a way that many of its readers did not like, and again we hear a protest. In yesterday's issue of that paper in the column "Public Pulse" appeared the following letter from a Burlington citizen and a clipping from The Burlington Times. We reproduce both below:

"MR. HAM'S WORK
 "Editor of The Daily News:
 "Will you please publish the enclosed clipping in the forum columns of your paper.

"Your paper took a fling at Mr. Ham a few days ago and this clipping certainly expresses the sentiment of the people who are in position to know the facts in the case best.

"N. A. GREGG,
 "Superintendent,
 "ELMIRA COTTON MILLS CO.,
 "Burlington."

(Inclosure)
 Watching For Slips.

Evangelist Ham has held successful campaigns in different cities and has done a wonderful work wherever he has gone, as attested by thousands of people in each community, but no editorial comment has been made of his work by any of the state papers, but they never neglect a chance to criticize or distort his statements, and eagerly watch his every utterance in order to get a "whack" at him.

Winding up an editorial in which it comments on the speech of Mr. Ham, before the Baraca-Philathea convention in Raleigh, the Greensboro News says:

"There is a fine field for genuine evangelism and it ought to be occupied. But we question whether boasting or bigotry does much to further the kingdom of God."

If the News was really anxious to find out if Mr. Ham was filling this field it could interview ten thousand of the best citizens of this county, and each of these ten thousand by pointing to the thousands who have been saved in this county and to other thousands who have been helped by his campaign in this county.

It will be remembered that while the Scribes and Pharisees were standing around Jesus trying to catch Him in some statement which they might magnify and criticize, John the Baptist sent one of his apostles to Him to ask Him if He were the Christ. Jesus pointed to His work and called attention to

CHANGE CASE TO SUPERIOR COURT

Death of John Crowder Hurt In
 Auto Wreck on Selma Road
 Changes Aspect of Case

NEGRO IS NOW IN JAIL

Recorder's Court docket Tuesday was full, but a number of cases were continued. Among these was the case of the State vs. John Daniel Edwards, who was held in jail in connection with an automobile wreck in which Mr. John Crowder of Zebulon was seriously injured some time ago. It will be recalled that Crowder and his nephew were run into on the Selma highway between here and Selma by the above named colored man, John Daniel Edwards, of Selma. Edwards was placed in jail here pending the recovery of Mr. Crowder who sustained serious injuries. Mr. Crowder was carried to the hospital here where he remained in a critical state for a couple of days. He was removed to a Raleigh hospital where he died about two weeks ago. The death of Mr. Crowder changed the aspect of the case, and it will be tried in the next term of Johnston Superior Court.

Other cases disposed of were as follows:

State vs. Paul Fish, charged with assault with deadly weapon. The defendant was found guilty. Prayer for judgment was continued upon the payment of cost.

State vs. Langley Barefoot, assault. Guilty. Continue prayer for judgment upon payment of cost.

State vs. M. C. Carr, violating the prohibition laws; having beer in his possession. Guilty. Fifty dollars fine and cost.

State vs. Herman Capps, violating prohibition laws, manufacturing "spring water." Guilty. Reserve judgment until July 14.

State vs. Andrew Powell, larceny. Guilty. Thirty days in jail to be worked on roads of Smithfield township and pay costs.

DUDDING WANTS BRAIN VIEWED BY SPECIALISTS

Prison Investigator Offers His Body
 for \$5,000 to John Hopkins—
 Can't Live a Year.

Washington, June 16.—Dr. E. E. Dudding, president of the Prisoners' Relief society, who tried to make trouble for North Carolina penitentiary officials several years ago, is sick. He announced today that doctors had told him he would not live a year.

In view of this warning he has offered to sell his body to Johns Hopkins for \$5,000 for experiments on his brain. He asserts that an overdose of strychnine changed him from a bad to a good man.

While in the West Virginia penitentiary, serving a sentence for a major crime, Dudding was given the poison for calomel by mistake. Now he believes his brain is worth while for study.

Mr. Dudding is in earnest. He says that if the scientists do not take his body at the price he will ask that a bill be passed by Congress providing for its purchase.—H. E. C. Bryant in Charlotte Observer.

the fact that the blind were made to see and the lame to walk and that the people had the Gospel preached to them. This was the answer that Jesus made as to His work, and to the critics of Mr. Ham we refer to the work that he has done wherever he has gone. We refer to the men's prayer meetings that are being held in the different towns years after he has gone and to the salvation of souls that are taking place as a result of his work long after he and his assistants have left.—Burlington Times.

It is not the one who tries, it is the one who trusts who accomplishes God's will.

He Is "IT"



AUTOGRAPHER

John T. Scopes, professor of biology at Dayton, Tenn. high school, on trial there for violating the "monkey-law"—or, charged with teaching the theory of evolution. It is a test case watched with a great deal of interest throughout the country.

DEATH OF GOOD WOMAN A SHOCK

Mrs. W. G. Earp Dies Suddenly
 at Her Home in the
 Thanksgiving Section

Selma, June 18th.—On the 4th of June about three o'clock the life of Mrs. Pasha Ellen Earp passed into the Great Beyond. Even though her health had been in a failing condition for the past few months, her death came as a shock to her family as well as to the entire community, since she passed without any change in her condition having been made known by her or observed by members of the family. She had just returned from Raleigh, went into the house, when it was observed that her condition was worse, but before help could be had from the neighbors death had claimed her.

Mrs. Earp was the youngest daughter of Gion and Gincy Earp. She was born August 30th 1873 near the Old Watson Mill and died June 4, 1925 at her home near Thanksgiving Baptist Church, making her stay on earth 51 years, 9 months and four days.

On December 30th, 1891 she was married to William Gaston Earp who survives. They have spent their entire lives in Johnston County. There were no children born to this union but they adopted a girl from the Oxford Orphanage, Miss Nancy Bachelor, who about nine years ago was married to Mr. Milton Finch of Bailey.

Mrs. Earp became one of the charter members of Thanksgiving Baptist Church when it was organized in 1900 and remained a member of that church as long as she lived. "She lived in a house by the side of the road and was a friend to man." But few travelers passed her home but what knew her and found a welcome there. The vacancy caused by her departure will never be filled. Long will be remembered the many good deeds she did, and we feel that they will not go unrewarded by the One who sees and understands all.

The funeral services were conducted from Thanksgiving Baptist Church Friday evening at one o'clock by her pastor, Rev. R. M. Von Miller, of Wilson, after which interment was made in the church cemetery. Music was furnished by the young people of her church which was in accord with a request of the deceased. The floral offerings were many and beautiful, and to some degree were an indication of the esteem in which she was held in her community.

Mrs. Earp had three brothers, Jim and Jube Earp deceased, and George Earp, who lives in Franklin County. She had three sisters, Annie and Penine Earp deceased, and Mrs. Jane Eason who lives in Johnston County. She leaves to mourn her loss a devoted husband, an adopted daughter, two grandchildren, one brother, one sister, a large number of relatives, and a host of friends in Johnston County as well as in the adjoining

Second Week of the Ham-Ramsey Meeting

Gleaned

—from—
 MR. HAM'S SERMONS

Very few people today know how to enter into the Sabbath rest.

If Christ is in you you can't enjoy sin.

Sin is the worst thing in the world that any man can be afflicted with.

The finest way on earth to fight sin is to save the sinner.

The Christian is the only one who can give the world what it needs.

There is no service in the world like that a Christian can render.

Missionaries are born. As soon as you are saved you become a missionary.

You bootleggers are lower down and are doing more harm than a highway robber.

If you receive and pass counterfeit money you are as guilty as the man who makes it.

Some of you are turning your homes into training schools of vice and sin.

If you can have salvation and not know it, you can lose it and not miss it.

A Christian is one who puts Christ first in his heart in his life, in his affections, in his business, in all his purposes and in all he does in this life.

The devil is always trying to get a Christian to do something to make people lose confidence in him. He is always trying to cripple the testimony of God's people.

You may become a stalwart Christian or you may become a stalwart man of the flesh. You may feed and develop your spiritual life or you may devote your time to satisfying the lusts of the flesh. You can yield to the spirit and crucify the flesh, or you can yield to the flesh and crucify the spirit. If you follow the spirit the flesh is crucified; if you follow the flesh the spirit is crucified.

Morality is the devil's religion; moralizing is the devil's method. He gets you to thinking that because you are moral and upright that you are a Christian, but you are not until you have accepted Jesus Christ and put him first in your heart and life.

If there were some way to put up a placard warning against moral lepers and seducers just as we put up a smallpox sign, it would be a good thing for our young people.

One good body of Christians in any community can do more to stop crime than all the officers that can be shipped in.

We like to delegate all our service on others. We put it off on charity organizations, the Salvation Army, and other organizations and the church is lying down on the job.

When you are not just as interested in that lost soul next door to you as you are in that one across the world from you, there is something wrong with you.

Officers are ministers of the law, they are ministers of judgment; Christians are ministers of grace.

The deepest and most heartfelt sympathy goes out to the bereaved family from the community and friends. May they look to one who is able to help!

Attendance Holds Up and Interest Increases; Mr. Ham Preaches in the Court Room.

DELEGATIONS FILL CHOIR

The second week of the Ham-Ramsey meeting finds the attendance holding up, but there have been no unusual crowds since Sunday. Storms late in the afternoon of two days have probably caused the night crowds on those days to be smaller than they would have been. Pine Level had a good crowd Wednesday night in spite of the rain.

Rev. Mr. Ham has preached some stirring sermons, and some interest has been manifested. On Tuesday he preached three times at ten in the morning, at 12:30 at the court house just after court adjourned for the noon hour; and at 7:45 in the evening. A very fine interpretation of the Parable of the Good Samaritan was given at the evening service, but the preacher called it the "Parable of the Great Highway."

On Wednesday morning, Mr. Ham started a series of sermons on "The Flesh," the same theme being presented at the evening hour. The subject of the morning discourse was "How Jacob Became a Prince in Israel" and at night, "The Casting Out of Ishmael."

Yesterday morning, the subject was: "Am I My Brother's Keeper?" Before he began his sermon, Mr. Ham called for the officials of the various churches to stand and noted the absence of a goodly per cent.

As he presented his message he stressed the fact that Christian people will have to give account to the Judge of all men for the influence they exert. He warned against being stumbling blocks in the way of sinners. He paid his respects to the Anti-Christ Movement which is attempting to hurt the results of the meeting, stating that the persons responsible for it are playing with fire. These editors who are having things to say against these revivals will also have to answer to God, he said. "They are not hurting Ham," he stated, "but they will be held responsible for putting stumbling blocks in the way."

On Wednesday night special delegations of young men and young women filled the choir. A challenge from the Dorcas class of the Baptist Sunday School to the Baraca class was responsible for the delegation. The young men seventy-six in number had the largest crowd, while the young ladies were sixty-two strong.

A special service for young women between the ages of twelve and twenty-five, similar to the one held for young men last Sunday, has been announced for Sunday morning at 11 o'clock at the Tabernacle.

Mr. Jenkins from Durham is in the city working in the meeting especially with young men. Mr. Jenkins has testified on several occasions telling the story of his conversion from a life of sin.

Amundsen Safe But Fails To Reach Pole

Oslo, Norway, June 18.—(AP)—The entire Roald Amundsen North Pole expedition arrived safely in Spitzbergen in one day. The party did not return to King's Bay by plane, but was picked up by a fishing boat and conveyed there.

It is reported that the expedition reached North latitude 88 degrees, 30 minutes, or about 100 miles from the North Pole.

LIGHTNING STRIKES HOTEL BUILDING HERE

The hotel building here was struck by lightning Tuesday afternoon in an electrical storm. The bolt struck a chimney and showered brick fragments to the streets below. The crash sounded like an explosion. No one was injured and the damage to the building was slight.