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Duplin Judge Receives Endorsement Succede Meekins On Federal Bench

Kinston Bar Joins 6th Judicial District Bar, in Re-endorsement Judge Henry Stevens for Federal Bench.

(From Kinston Free Press) The Lenoir County Bar Association in special session here Friday afternoon joined the 6th District Bar Association in re-endorsement Judge Henry L. Stevens, Jr., 49, of Warsaw, for the Federal judgeship which will soon be vacated by Judge I. M. Meekins of Elizabeth City, who has held the post 20 years and has submitted his letter of resignation to President Roosevelt. Judge Meekins will remain in office until his successor is named, however, Judge Stevens is the youngest aspirant in the field, and others who have been mentioned as possible nominees are Judge W. C. Harris of Raleigh and Federal Controller Lindsay Warren of Washington, N. C.

The 6th District Bar submitted again its resolution of endorsement which was passed unanimously in September, 1943, when it was first rumored that Judge Meekins planned to resign when he completed his 20th year on the bench. This resolution lists as Stevens' qualifications "temperament, a profound knowledge of the law and its application to human needs and relationships" and "is further enriched by a wide experience as a practicing attorney and Superior Court Judge" and is "a worthy successor" to Judge Meekins. The District Association will send a delegation to Washington to place Judge Stevens' name in nomination for the post.

Other Qualifications

The Lenoir County Association, according to Secretary George B. Greene, who headed the committee drafting the endorsement, reiterated the 6th District's commendation of Judge Stevens and pointed out additional qualifications, which it believes fits him for the federal post. Among them are nine years' judicial experience—three in Duplin County's Court, and six on the Superior Court bench; his long and commendable service to the American Legion, which he has served as post, state and national commander, and his record as orator in seven states in behalf of President Roosevelt in the 1932 and 1936 campaigns. He served in an advisory capacity during the 1944 presidential campaign in the Veterans' Division of the Democratic National Committee.

His age makes it possible for him to serve 21 years—thus enduring a possible period of Republican administration—before he would be appointed by another Democrat, Greene pointed out. During World War I Stevens served as a Second Lieutenant with Co. D, 318th Machine-Gun Battalion of the 81st (Wildcat) Division in France. During succeeding years he advanced to rank of Lieutenant-Colonel in the Reserves and is now holds. He holds the Greek decoration and is a commander of the French Legion of Honor. He took academic work at the University of North Carolina and his legal training at Harvard Law School in 1944 he realized a lifetime ambition when he addressed the UNC graduation class.

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KERR SCOTT LIKES WALLACE and WILLIAMS

Declaring that "we needed their help during the days of depression, and we may need it again in post-war days," Commissioner Kerr Scott has announced that he favors "wholeheartedly" the nomination of Henry Wallace for Commerce and Aubrey Williams for head of the REA.

"We are enjoying prosperous times now, but we must not allow ourselves to become so high and mighty as to forget the men who helped to carry us through the dark ages," said Scott, in pointing out that Williams was an official in the Federal Emergency Relief Administration and that Wallace "through his crop control idea did more for the tobacco farmer than any other one man in the nation." "Mr. Williams comes from Alabama and knows the problems of the low income group. His whole attitude and sympathies have been with these folks. And I certainly don't see how any citizen of tobacco conscious North Carolina can with good grace oppose the nomination of Wallace for any high government position."

Rev. Ulrich Declares Woodrow Wilson Was True Realist

In Sermon at Kinston Universalist Church Sunday; Says Imperialists labeled him Idealist.

Speaking on the topic, "An Idealist in Politics" at the Universalist Church here Sunday morning, Dr. Gustav H. Ulrich, pastor, declared the late President Woodrow Wilson, labeled an idealist by the imperialists of Great Britain and France 25 years ago, was the true realist at the last peace conference, and not the so-called realist who dealt in material, rather than spiritual values. He voiced the opinion that the decisions being reached by the leaders of the world today are following a similar pattern of idealism versus materialism and repeated the scriptural warning that "without vision the people perish."

Dr. Ulrich declared history is replete with examples of civilizations that have perished for lack of vision, including the Babylonian and Greek cultures. The present western civilization now is threatened with similar loss unless it grasps the vision of humanitarian leaders and forges ahead to enhance the well being of all its people in the years ahead, Dr. Ulrich said.

He pointed out how the word "idealist" is used by politicians in public life today in a "sneer fashion," to indicate those whose opinions and ideals are not based on materialistic concepts are starry-eyed dreamers who are not to be taken seriously by the people. Such a person is Henry A. Wal-

lace, whose nomination as Secretary of Commerce has brought forth from Congressional and other leaders in recent weeks one of the hottest political fights in many years, Dr. Ulrich said. He emphasized the fact that the fight transcends political party lines, and sinks to the very core of the conflict between humanitarian idealism versus reactionary materialism.

Jobs Realistic

Citing Wallace's program for 60,000,000 jobs as a realistic one, the minister pointed out that when the boys come home from war the drawbridges on the Potomac will be insufficient to keep the veterans from marching on the capital if they are to be offered such tasks as selling apples for a livelihood. He declared American well being the highest plane of which the world has ever known, if the true principles of democracy are practiced by its leaders in the post-war era. But he warned against the reactionary trend toward the status quo, and declared that cleavage to the materialistic view, rather than the spiritual realities that are based on the welfare of all human beings will not only bring more economic misery to Americans such as they saw in the recent depression, but will also sow the seeds of World War III.

NEW PRESBYTERY SECRETARY NAMED

The Rev. C. A. Calcote, of Newberry, S. C., will arrive March 1 to fill the newly created job of executive secretary of the Wilmington Presbytery, Dr. William Crowe, Jr., pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Wilmington, announced last Friday. The Rev. Mr. Calcote will succeed Dr. G. A. Wilson, who has left his position as part time superintendent of Home Missions for work in the Synod of Tennessee.

The executive secretary is a new office in the Presbytery and represents a large expansion in the work of the Home Missions, superintendent Crowe said.

The Rev. Mr. Calcote will be furnished with a full-time secretary and will be in charge not only of Home Mission interests, but also of the religious education and the stewardship responsibilities of the Presbytery.

The 49 year old minister graduated at Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Va., and has a wife and two children. They will make their home at the Presbytery's manse in Wilmington.

Rev. Calcote has been pastor of the Aveleigh Presbyterian church, Newberry, for the past 13 years and has been quite active in Home Missions circles, having served for a number of years as chairman of the Home Mission committee of his Presbytery.

The minister has gained prominence throughout South Carolina because of his work in the cause of Home Missions. Before going to Newberry, he was a minister in northern Alabama for a number of years.

QUINN IN THE 1945 LEGISLATURE

(Editor's note: We have asked Representative C. E. Quinn to prepare a column for the Times each week during the 1945 session of the legislature. Mr. Quinn, although very busy, has kindly consented to do so. In his column he will deal especially with every bill that affects Duplin County. Below is the seventh of the series.

During the past week the members of the General Assembly have experienced the busiest week of the present session. Lots of work was accomplished in the various committees during the week.

Consideration of the Appropriations Bill was completed by the Committee last Thursday, February 15th, which is the earliest on record, with the exception of the session of 1939, when it was completed on the same date. Adornment was delayed in the 1939 session on account of a long drawn out fight on the Revenue bill. It is expected that this session will be a reasonably short session such as has been since the 1941 session. The 1939 session adjourned on April 4th.

The Financial Committee, which is the revenue raising committee, has practically completed its work on the tax measure and can report the bill any time it chooses to do so.

The compromise agreement of the Appropriations Committee with reference to teachers salaries made last Thursday was upset on Monday of this week. Under agreement was reached between Governor Cherry and representatives of the North Carolina Educational Association. The compromise last Thursday by the Appropriations Committee set up a provision in the Appropriations Bill to pay a bonus to all State employees, including school teachers of from \$5.00 to \$10.00 per month, twelve months to the year contingent upon whether or not the funds should be available. Under the agreement reached Monday by the Governor and representatives of the NCEA the manner of payment changed in the following manner: "The General Assembly will not fix a salary schedule for teachers but will appropriate a lump sum of money from which the salaries will be paid. In the matter of salaries for more experienced teachers, it will be left to the State Board of Education to work out a fair schedule. Teachers other than beginners with class A certificates will receive a base salary of \$125, as recommended. The Governor recommended to the General Assembly that a contingent emergency salary of \$10. per month twelve months of the year be paid monthly for the year 1945-6 if the funds are available and in the like manner for the year 1946-7 if the funds are available. I do not think that anyone has any doubts of the money being available. The State's \$232,000,000 General Appropriations Bill, the largest in the State's history, passed third reading in the House Tuesday, after it had been amended to take care of the Governor's recommendation for a State Policy for the payment of teachers salaries allowing the State Board of Education to work out a fair salary schedule for the payment of teachers, and was sent to the Senate by a special messenger.

It now appears that there will be very few heated debates on the floor of the House and Senate, although the bill in every particular is exactly what everyone wants, the fact remains that the next biennium than any Appropriations Bill ever appropriated in a previous session with an increase of millions of dollars.

The long delayed Referendum Bill was introduced in the Senate last week by Senator Chas. G. Rose, and others, calling for a referendum vote on alcoholic beverages to be held six months after the war; the election to be called by the Governor. The bill is the one promised by candidates for Governor in the campaign in the spring of last year and recommended by Governor Cherry in his Inaugural Address, and is urged by the Allied Church League, of North Carolina, and backed by all leading Churches of the State.

At one time it appeared that Insurance Legislation, which practically rewrites the insurance laws of the State, would consume considerable time, but it required only a single meeting of the whole committee after one hearing and the report of a sub-committee appointed to study the matter made its report.

A revision of the law with reference to present method of securing farm census reports was requested by the State Association of County Commissioners. Every year the county tax listers are required to take a farm census from every farmer when listing his property for taxation. There seemed to be a good deal of complaint about this, as they say it slows down the work of the tax lister and delays completion of the work. Many of the county commissioners throughout the State requested that they be relieved of

Pink Hill Soldier Sends Brief Account Of 36th. Field Artillery Bn.

No News From Warsaw Family In Manila Since American Occupation

Mrs. C. F. Carroll has received no news from her son and family, Norwood Carroll, who has been interned in Manila since the Japs overran Manila in 1942 except notes saying they were O. K. and announce the birth of a child several months ago. Late in 1944 a letter stated that they were at Santa Thomas University, but nothing has come from them since internment was freed there recently. Last week Mrs. Carroll received a card signed Mr. Carroll, but did not give any date or location. Mr. Carroll has been with Liggett and Myers Tobacco Co., for a number of years. He married a girl from Durham. He and his family were home in 1940.

MAJOR PEIRCE OF WARSAW STILL MISSING

Friends of Major Charles Leonard Peirce, 26, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. James Hicks Peirce, of Warsaw, will regret to learn that there is still no encouraging news of the whereabouts of Major Peirce who has been missing in action since Sept. 30, 1944. Major Peirce, with the Army Air Corps, was pilot of a plane leading an outfit of 60 planes over the rich oil fields of Borneo when three of the squadron failed to return and one plane shot down. It is reported that he was piloting the plane that was known to have gone down.

This responsibility. The matter was worked out in the joint committee of Agriculture on this basis: "The farm census is a very necessary project and must be continued. The county commissioners in any county may designate someone other than the tax listers to take the farm census at the time of listing taxes, and the State will pay 10 cents per farm census report, in the future."

There is always a good deal of would-be legislation in any session of the General Assembly. This classification includes many bills that are introduced and killed, after they have received a measure of support. Many such measures die along the way before they are enacted into law. For instance: the proponents of a drunken driver's license bill thought that driver's license should not be taken from a drunken driver for the first offense but that he should be allowed to go on driving until he violated the law a second time. The bill got a committee approval but was killed on the floor as it should have been. Two bills were considered to slacken the State's divorce laws but were killed last week. Another divorce bill is pending which in the writers opinion ought to be killed. This bill would grant divorce after a certain period of insanity, and allow the other party to remarry.

All these things show that with all the State's progress and advances for a greater and better State, yet individuals and groups and even law makers can do err occasionally. This brings to our minds that we are none perfect - but the fact still remains that we can have a desire to press forward toward the perfect life prepared for us in the life to come. Changes are contained in a bill that would extend the unemployment compensation to employers of one or more employees, whereas, the law now applies to eight or more. In the committee one of the sponsors of the measure stated that he knew of certain "selfish interests" who are opposed to the bill, but he did not say anything about knowing anything about any "selfish interests" who might be favoring the bill. There are two sides to every question and it is very tempting for all of us to take the side that seems to be in our favor. We are human of course but we should always try to take the right rather than a selfish course in life.

There is a bill to allow color to be added to oleomargarine and butter substitutes. The dairymen are opposing the measure on the grounds that after the war there will be more milk than they can sell and that butter will be more plentiful and that the coloring of butter substitutes will tend to reduce the price of pure butter to that of substitutes. A compromise is being worked out to the effect that coloring may be added to butter substitutes for home consumption only, but not to public eating establishments. Cotton, soy bean and peanut farmers seem to favor the bill. The time for adjournment is yet uncertain but a more definite date may be seen after the developments of this week have been realized. The adjournment date is being discussed as a possibility somewhere between the dates of March 9th to 10th.

Teachey Soldier Awarded Badge

Private First Class Norman Whaley, Rt. 1, Teachey, has been awarded the Driver's Badge for operation of a wheeled vehicle. Pfc. Whaley is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Cordellious Whaley. To receive the badge, a candidate must demonstrate his ability in actual performance by driving the vehicle over difficult terrain including mudholes and steep hills. He also must have knowledge of proper signals and maintenance of his vehicle.

WARSAW BOY KILLED IN ACTION

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Grady, Sr., received word Feb. 19 that their youngest son, Pfc. James A. Grady, Jr., was killed in action in Germany on February 10.

Pfc. Grady trained in the Army Air Corps in Texas, and when home on furlough was married to the former Miss Kathleen Brock, of Faison and Warsaw, employee of Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Co., on Oct. 2, 1944, in Faison. He left the states on Dec. 28, 1944, and was killed 44 days later on the front in Germany.

Hold series A bonds (the baby bonds that went on sale in 1935) and reinvest the proceeds when they begin maturing March 1st. War Bonds offer the same interest - \$4 for every \$3 invested.

Look for dollar-and-cents price ceilings posted in your shoe repair shop. Such services are now under OPA price control.

Brother Of Local Woman Burned To Death Sun.

J. M. Long, Brother, Mrs. G. V. Gooding, Dies in Fire in his Chapel Hill Home; Employed by University.

Chapel Hill, Feb. 18.—J. Mallie Long, 50, was burned to death last Sunday night when his home was destroyed by fire. The fire was discovered by neighbors about midnight, but was unable to get Mr. Long out of the house because of the extreme heat.

An employe of the University, Mr. Long lived alone in the house. He was the son of the late S. F. and Ella Long and was a life-long resident of Orange County. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Berta Womble Long; two daughters, Mrs. James Hackney and Mrs. George Freeland, and two sons, Paul and Jack Long, all of Orange County; six sisters, Lillian Long, Nonnie Long and Mrs. D. L. Fuquay, all of Chapel Hill, Mrs. Gilbert Honeycutt of Fayetteville, Mrs. G. V. Gooding of Kenansville, and Mrs. Marvin Miller of Fayetteville, Ark., and nine grandchildren.

Graveside funeral rites were held at the Damascus Christian Church Cemetery at 11 a. m. Monday with the Rev. William H. Poole of Carboro officiating.

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In the Sicilian campaign, the Battalion experienced the first of its three "D-Day" assaults. On a 38 day "C" ration diet, it followed in the wake of the infantry to Palermo then turned east to support the assaults on Troina and Randazzo.

By "D plus 6 days" the Battalion was in action on the Salerno beaches, where for a time the Corps Artillery Counterbattery Section operated from the Battalion's FDC. When the offensive became attached to one of the attacking Divisions as they fanned out to seize Naples and Benevento, and to make the first crossing of the Volturno River. As the pinners closed, the Battalion became reunited to support the second Volturno crossing and the attack on Venafro.

At Anzio between "D-Day" and the breakout from the beachhead four months later, the Battalion expended more rounds than in all its previous months of combat combined. After the fall of Rome, the Battalion was pulled out of the line to refit for the invasion of southern France.

After the "D-Day" landing on the Cote d'Azur, the Battalion supported the French in the assaults on Toulon and Marseilles, then swung north with the VI Corps to cross the Vosges to Strasbourg and today, its 563rd day in action, the Battalion faces the Siegfried Line.

Ma, you can see here what I have been doing since I have been over here. This tells you where I have been and what we did. I am still O. K., and doing fine. So write soon.

Love, Eugene.

Visiting In Ohio And Washington

Mrs. Louisa Carter Abbott of the Duplin County Health Department Personnel and daughter, Sue are visiting friends and relatives in Washington, D. C., and Springfield, Ohio.

Advertisement for 'Useless Cowboy' by Alan LeMay, featuring a cowboy on a horse and promotional text.

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