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## WILLIAM CICERO HAMMER

In the sudden passing of Congressman W. C. Hammer the Seventh North Carolina District has sustained a distinct loss and the state and nation has lost an able and experienced public servant.

Many thousands of words have been written about Mr. Hammer and his life of usefulness and one of them overstate the facts. The fact about the man that appealed to us most strongly was the absolute democracy of the man. We doubt if there has ever been a member of Congress who knew more of his constituents personally than did Mr. Hammer. He mingled with his people, knew what they were thinking and what they wanted. And better still, any constituent of his always found him the same in Washington that he was back in the district. There was none of the snob in him. He was the same every day and every where.

To our mind the prettiest eulogy written about this man was contained in a letter which the editor received this week from the associate editor of the Courier, a paper published in Asheboro and owned and edited by Mr. Hammer. Among other things, Mr. Cox, the associate editor, has the following to say of Mr. Hammer.

"Mr. Hammer's death has been a severe blow for the entire district and to thousands personally to whom he was a true and tried friend. Personally I almost grew up in Mr. Hammer's newspaper office and have served in every capacity from devil to associate editor. Outside of near kin he was the best friend I ever had. Of all his wonderful traits, I think his best was his loyalty to friends. I have never known Mr. Hammer to desert a friend, no matter how high or low in life he may have been. It is easy to be a friend to a successful man; but more difficult to befriend a man who has dropped toward the depths. Mr. Hammer never deserted a friend in success or defeat and the lower he may have fallen, the closer Mr. Hammer stuck. We have few friends like that."

The passing of Mr. Hammer, just after attending the funeral of his colleague, Maj. Steadman, of an adjoining district, takes from the ranks of the North Carolina delegation in Congress two of its

leading men and leaves vacant two seats that will be hard to fill.

**ANTUNAL RECOGNITION.** Clarence Poe said recently that he is beginning to agree with John Charles McNeill that the fall is the year's richest season. It is regrettable that the section that gave him birth has not wholeheartedly realized the greatness of this North Carolina poet who was born and rose to comparative fame no farther away than Wagram. Poe was probably thinking of McNeill's poem in praise of Autumn in which these lines appear:

"I thank God the world is as wide as it is.  
That it's sweet still to hope and remember,  
That, for him who will seek them, the valleys are his  
And the far quiet hills of September."

It might be questioned why a man of the lowlands would so often bring in hills as symbols of beauty. It might be said that hills, like so many things of life, are comparative. Our country has few hills but for quiet beauty, no hills could surpass the long, lazy, graceful slopes where the blue haze drifts slowly at dusk on the Autumn days and wraps the dark pines as in a veil.—R. C.

## CANCER WEEK.

By Dr. R. L. Murray.

The American Society for the Control of Cancer has set aside the week of October 5-11 as cancer week. During this time free literature will be distributed and it is hoped that every one who has any reason to suspect that they have cancer will go to their family physician for an examination.

Cancer causes more deaths in the U. S than any other disease except heart disease. Almost as many people over forty years of age die of cancer as of pneumonia, tuberculosis and typhoid fever combined.

The chief signs that may mean cancer are any lumps, especially in the breast, any irregular bleeding or discharge, any sore that does not heal, particularly about the tongue, mouth or lips, persistent indigestion with loss of weight.

Cancer can be cured only if discovered early. A physical examination once each year will discover many diseases in the early stages when they are curable. So if you have any of the above symptoms go immediately to your family physician for a thorough examination.

Don't use patent medicines or allow advertising "cancer specialists" and "Quack Doctors to treat you. Where cancer is concerned, "He who hesitates is lost!" See your doctor. Act now!

## RAEFORD WINS OPENING GAME

Continued From Page One) The backfield, though not yet completely finding itself on the offense, offered reliable support to the line defense and showed the requisite punch to put over a score and win the game.

### Fayetteville Next Week.

Encouraged by their first victory, the team goes this week to Fayetteville where they will try their mettle against Coach Hackney's team, who, The Observer states, have new uniforms. The traditional rivalry between these two teams and the fact that Fayetteville has not won a game from Raeford since 1921, should keep both teams to a pitch where they will be at best Friday. Those supporters of Captain Aiken's team who journey to Fayetteville will probably see the best game of the year.

Line-up for last Friday's game:

Raeford	Position	Candor
Epstein	RE	Brown
Alken (c)	RT	Bimret
McNinis	RG	J. McCaskill
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Currie	LG	McCaskill
Davis	LT	Gaddy
Riley	LE	Thomas
Cameron	Q	Jones
McFadyen	RH	Smith
Norton	LH	H. Smith
Raynor	FB	Stutts (c)

## MR AND MRS. STANLEY CRAWLEY VISITS SON AT CAROLINA

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Crawley motored to Chapel Hill last Sunday to see their son Kermit, who is a student at Carolina this year. Accompanying them were their little son Billie, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Crawley and Miss Mildred Crawley.

## VETERAN WRITES OF REUNION AT WINSTON-SALEM

I promised so many that I would write something of the Confederate Reunion at Winston-Salem. I have concluded to try it, though I have to use a pencil or you might not be able to read it.

We had to go over three R. R.'s besides the Aberdeen and Rockfish as follows: S. A. L. to Sanford, A. & Y. to Greensboro and a Southern to Winston. They gave us reduced rates on all three of them, which we certainly appreciated, not only for that, but for the kindness and courtesies of conductors and porters.

Many of the boys are getting lame and blind, but there is life in them yet. I've been told by a northern lady that we "ought not hate them as we did. I replied that I did not know what they had done for us to make us love them," but that is not about the reunion.

It was certainly the best I had ever attended. We thought Tarboro could not be beat but we were taken to the Robert E. Lee hotel and given fine rooms and beds and plenty of the best eats, and we were just all together that made it more pleasant. I saw a number of old friends too numerous to mention all. But I will tell you about Maj. J. A. Liskey, Mt. Gilead, N. C. He is the only one of Stonewall Jackson's pallbearers that is living. He is spry yet, notwithstanding he is ninety-one years old. Another friend especially whom I saw was Capt. Mangum, Superintendent of the Soldiers' Home. He I think is the nearest the right man in the place as I ever saw. Maj. W. G. Johnson and I certainly had the best time we ever had and I've been to reunions from Dallas, Texas to Chattanooga, Tenn.

The time nor place for the next one was not fixed. Some say we will never have another one, but I feel that we will although we only had two hundred at this one and the

last one we had three hundred and eighty-eight. This is the way we are getting off. To show you more particularly we had in Hoke County once 57 and now we only have 5.

I may worry someone of your readers, so I had better stop.

ALEX McMILLAN,  
Dundarrach, N. C.

## ENTERS CAROLINA TEACHERS COLLEGE AT GREENVILLE

Misses Mary Neal McNair, Brown

McLean, Mildred Peale and Mary McFadyen left Monday for Greenville, N. C., where they will attend East Carolina Teachers' College, this season. Mr. A. McDeedy Currie was bus driver on the trip.

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