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## SAYS IT'S BID FOR FAME

### BARS MOTORCYCLES FROM THE STREETS

Mr. David Carroll's Fighting Blood is Up and He Will Test the Case in the Courts and See What a What.

Reidsville, N. C., will have the possibly proud distinction of being the first town in the United States in which a citizen has actually had to go law to obtain the right to use a motor bicycle on the public highways. David L. Carroll is the citizen in question. Incidentally, the Carroll case is the first one in which the Federation of American Motorcyclists has taken a hand.

P. D. Watt, mayor of the town, was the author of the ordinance, or bylaw, or motion, responsible for the state of affairs. It appears on the town record in this form:

"P. D. Watt, Mayor—Motion to prohibit the running of what is known as motor bicycles on the streets of the town, and a fine of \$2 for each offense. Motion carried. Clerk instructed to post notice to this effect."

There are three motorcyclists in Reidsville. The action of the "city fathers" was enough for two of them. They have not used their machines since the passage of the prohibitive bylaw. Carroll is the third one. He is made of sterner stuff. He applied to the F. A. M. for advice and assistance. Chairman John C. Higdon, of the Legal Action committee, informed him there was no doubt of the unconstitutionality of the ordinance, and that if he became a member of the organization and would "get arrested," the F. A. M. would assist in his defence.

Carroll promptly did both things. His arrest entailed a fine of \$2, but he immediately appealed the case to the Superior court. His determination caused some of the Reidsville officials to weaken, and to suggest that he compromise the matter, but Carroll's fighting blood is up, and he writes that he means to see it through to a finish. The case will come up for hearing next week.

The brief which Counselor Higdon has prepared, and which will be brought to bear, and which, as the first of its kind, is of interest and value, is as follows:

The defendant is charged with riding his motorcycle in the streets. Defendant contends that the ordinance is unconstitutional, and is class legislation, inasmuch as it prohibits motorcycles from being used in the streets, but places no restriction on other vehicles. A street or a road is in law, a public highway, and as such belongs to the public and to all the citizens thereof, and all have the right to travel thereon by their own selected modes of conveyance, bicycle, foot passenger or team, a four-in-hand, or an automobile. (Coombs v. Furrington, 42 Me. 382; Barker v. Savage, 45 N.Y. 196; Commonwealth v. Temple, 14 Gray 74.)

To say that a new mode of a passage shall be banished from the streets, no matter how much the general good may require it, simply because streets were not so used in the days of Blackstone, would hardly comport with the advancement and enlightenment of the present age. (Moses v. Pittsburg, etc., R. R. Co., 21 Ill. 522.)

It has been uniformly held by the courts that a bicycle is a carriage, in meaning of the law, and that as a carriage it is entitled to all rights and privileges of the streets the same as all other carriages, be it a one-horse buggy, four-horse truck, or an ox team. (Ladd v. Allen, Supreme Court, New Hampshire, 1881.) In Swift v. the city of Topeka (43 Kansas 671) the court also held that the bicycle is a carriage, and discharged the person from custody in which he had been held for violation of the city ordinance prohibiting bicycles from being ridden "across the Kansas River Bridge." The Supreme Court of Rhode Island, State v. Collins, 16 R. I. 371, also held that a bicycle is a carriage. It cannot be denied that the defendant's motorcycle is merely a bicycle, with certain machinery attached to it, but it is clear even with a motor attachment if nevertheless remains a bicycle still. In this connection we quote from an interesting article written by R. G. Betts, of New York, a pioneer motorcycle rider, who is now president of the Education of American Motorcyclists (Motorcycle Magazine p. 85)

The writer, speaking of the motor bicycle, said:

"The addition of a motor does not

### Fairbrother's Opinion of the Gretna Green.

I noticed in the Daily Industrial News the other day a very fine advertisement, which doubtless came in through the way of news, that the Pelham Gretna Green was already stocked up with marriage licenses, and the gentlemanly justice of the peace was in shape for the fall rush and run-a-way couples. I, for one, because I have an opportunity, want right here to enter protest to this Gretna Green business—and I am not caring whether it is located in Pelham or elsewhere. There has been altogether too much sorrow because of the Pelham marrying place, and it is to be hoped that Justice Pierce will be more discriminating than his predecessor, Parson Walker.

I do not know what Mr. Pierce is doing, but I do know that children, in no way responsible, eloped to Pelham in the old days, and, for the price, Parson Walker married them. They of course repented when mature years were theirs, and it seems to me that a law should be made to stop this sort of business. The marrying proposition is one of serious moment, and while learned men are discussing the divorce question, if they would make a law that made it impossible for boys and girls to enter into the holy bonds of matrimony, the chances are that the divorce mill would not have so much grit to grind.

The Pelham crop for the most part comes from the State of Virginia, and there have been some real tragedies enacted because of the fact that a kid, almost in knee-breeches, could go there and be united in marriage with a giggling white-haired girl who had no more idea of the responsibility she was assuming than a hog is supposed to have of the etiquette of a drawing room. I hope, for the good of the world, that my friend, Squire Pierce, will be very guarded in what he does.—Al Fairbrother, in Industrial News.

### Killed Bride and Suicided.

Norfolk, Va., Nov. 9.—A special to The Virginian-Pilot says that Helen Hope, who last night was married to Randolph C. Johnson at Perquimans, N. C., was found dead in her bridal chamber this morning with a pistol in her hand and a bullet wound through her head. Johnson was lying across the bed dead with three bullets in his head and body.

Johnson had loved Miss Hope since her early childhood. He was 28 years old and she but 17. After their wedding Wednesday night, a large supper and dance followed and about midnight the couple drove to the home of the groom. Their non-appearance about the house in the morning caused inquiry and when the door of the bridal chamber was broken the woman was found lying in a pool of blood before her dresser with a pistol in her hand and her brains oozing from the wound in her head.

Johnson's wounds were in the left breast, the left temple and a grazing wound on the cheek. Either of the first two would have proved fatal. No motive for the tragedy can be learned.

[Later reports contradict the above, and it is probable that is all a fabrication and a fake.]

### A Double Wedding.

Milton, Nov. 11.—A double marriage took place on Wednesday, when Mr. R. L. Paylor and Miss Anna Connolly and Mr. Benjamin E. Barker and Miss Maggie Scott were happily united in wedlock by the Rev. J. A. Daily, assisted by the Rev. K. D. Holmes, of Roxboro, at the home of the latter's father, Mr. George W. Scott. The ceremony was performed at 2 p. m. in the presence of a host of relatives and friends, the ministers using the beautiful ceremony of the Methodist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Paylor will reside at Ceffo, near Concord church, while Mr. and Mrs. Barker will make their home at Mr. Robert Bass' the ensuing year.

### Dr. Smith to Leave Greensboro.

Greensboro, Nov. 12.—At the First Presbyterian church here this morning, Rev. Dr. Egbert W. Smith, for the past twelve years its pastor, succeeding his father after a pastorate of thirty-eight years, making half a century father and son have served one church, gave notice of his acceptance of the call to the Second Presbyterian church of Louisville, Ky. In granting him leave to accept the call not only the authorities of the church, but the whole of the large congregation expressed unqualified regret at losing their able and beloved friend, citizen and pastor. Dr. Smith will go to his new charge January first.

### T. W. Wood Dead.

T. W. Wood, senior member of the firm of T. W. Wood & Sons, seedsmen, died at his home in Richmond, Va., Saturday night. Mr. Wood had been ill only about three weeks.

## ECHOES FROM COURT

### PRICE CONVICTED; SENTENCE PASSED

Argument in the Case Interesting on Both Sides—Other News at the County Seat of Rockingham.

When THE REVIEW went to press last issue the argument in the Chase Price case had scarcely begun and it was therefore unable to give the result of the trial. The case from start to finish was highly interesting and from day to day the number of spectators in the court room did not seem to decrease.

There were six speeches made, three for the State of North Carolina and three for the defendant. As predicted in our last issue, these speeches were of a high order; they lacked neither fluency or effectiveness, and were marked with that vigor of thought that would naturally characterize utterances of such importance.

After being out something like eighteen or twenty hours the jury returned their verdict, which was murder in the second degree with a recommendation that his honor temper justice with mercy. Strong appeals for leniency were made to the judge by Messrs. Scott and Reid and McMichael, after which Judge Bryan said:

"Gentlemen, I am here to administer the law. I am not undmindful of the fact that the prisoner is a young man of previous good character, with two interesting little children by his side. The law prescribes the punishment for murder in the second degree at from two to thirty years in the penitentiary. I am not disposed to give the prisoner the limit. I desire to be merciful and the judgment of the Court is that the defendant be confined in the State Penitentiary for the term of five years."

The prisoner was carried to Raleigh yesterday morning to enter upon the service of his sentence.

Young Henry Lane, who appeared in the Price case, made his "maiden speech" to a jury at the close of the evidence. Although this was Mr. Lane's first appearance at the bar, having obtained his license in September last, he received many sincere and cordial congratulations in acquitting himself so well. His speech consuming one hour elicited much favorable comment from all who heard him.

Nothing further has been heard from Sollicitor Graves, who went to Richmond Monday morning during court to have his eyes treated. Mr. Graves' many friends entertain much hope that his sight will be perfectly restored.

### PERSONALS.

Mrs. Lucy D. Irvin, of Greensboro, is spending the week with Mrs. Reuben D. Reid.

Miss Ada Wall, of Greensboro, is visiting relatives in town.

Miss Elsie Payne, of Madison, and Miss Campbell are guests of Mrs. Jas. V. Price this week.

Miss Marie Trotter spent last Sunday in Reidsville.

Dr. James S. Irvin, of Danville, visited relatives here last week.

"Uncle Joe," not caring for the excitement attendant upon court, spent last week in Reidsville, where he was quiet and free from noise. It must be a great relief to get away from the excitement, noise and bustle of Wentworth and rest in Reidsville.

A great deal of politics was talked during court, but it is rather early to hear anything startling along that line.

### Adapt the Phonograph.

J. W. Arrington, president of the Union Bleaching and Finishing Company, has been the first local business man to adapt the phonograph to the needs of his correspondence, says the Greenville (S. C.) News. He dictates his letters at leisure into a recording phonograph. The little needle registers its vibrations on a blank record cylinder. When ready to begin transcribing Mr. Arrington's stenographer slips a record on her phonograph, attaches the sounding tubes to her ears and writes the letter on the typewriter as the talking machine reads it. The speed may be made fast or slow at will. [Mr. Arrington was formerly treasurer of the Edna Mills, Reidsville.]

### Reid School Honor Roll.

The following is the honor roll for the Reid school, taught by Miss Queen Lemons: Ora Cobb, Lillie Cobb, Onnie Nance, Mamie Nance, Bertie Isley, Beulah Isley, Willie Isley, Clarence Nance, Paul Turner, Myrtle Turner, Play Turner, Raymond Nance, Shelly Nance, Claude Nance, Nora Fritchett.



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