

Poel's Corner

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THEN AND NOW

Where have they gone: the fluid years
Now flashing brilliant like the northern lights,
Now gleaming steadily like glow-worms in the dark?
Where is the dawn, the halcyon days of youth,
Where dew of morning, the cooling touch
Of water from the spring in noon-day's heat,
The struggle to succeed, the forced delay
When one had stopped to help a brother?
The quickening of the pulse at sound of someone's step,
A mother's crooning song, the pride of fatherhood,
The grief that strangles, clutching at the heart before an open grave,
Pinnacles of prayer, peaks of high achievement—
Where are all these? Lost in the maze of memory?

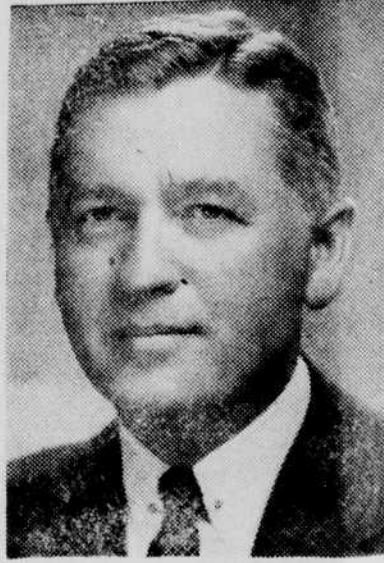
Nothing is lost.
Out of the then, the now is fabricated,
Out of the now, another then . . .
Out of the ferment of last summer's fallen leaves,
The satin buds of bloodroot and anemone,
The dawning of tomorrow.
By G. Esther Chapin.

Courtesy of "The Pen Woman."
"Nothing is lost," Isaiah 55:10:
"For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and buds that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater; so shall my word be that goeth out of my mouth, it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it."

Gen. 1:11-12 tells us that by divine decree, the earth brought forth shade and fruit trees, and vegetation. Each species "after its kind." No evolution here. One scientist has written: "The plants might as well have dropped down from the sky, or, at least, the seeds from which they grew, as far as the fossil indications of descent are concerned." This fact can be verified in any good text book on geology. "God fears no test of geology. Speak to the earth and it shall teach thee; and the fishes of the sea shall declare unto thee. Who knoweth not in all these that the hand of the Lord hath wrought this?" (Job 12:9-9).



W. Herbert Weatherspoon



Lucius H. Harvin, Jr.

Carolina Power & Light company directors today named a plant in honor of a long-time official and elected the grandson of a South Carolina electric pioneer as a director.

The Lumberton steam-electric generating plant was named for W. Herbert Weatherspoon, vice president and general counsel for CP&L. The new director is Lucius H. Harvin, Jr., of Henderson.

A marker bearing Weatherspoon's name will be unveiled at the 240,000-horsepower plant on the Lumber River "at an early date." The plant near Lumberton was CP&L's first major post-war project, going into service in 1949, and enlarged twice since that date. The plant's proximity to Laurinburg and Weatherspoon's "identification with and abiding interest in the general area" were cited. Weatherspoon practiced law in Laurinburg before moving to Raleigh in 1928 to form a partnership with the late U. S. Senator Josiah William Bailey. He soon left the firm for full time service as a CP&L attorney, advanced to vice president in 1931 and to the board in 1935. On the death of James H. Pou, Sr., he became general counsel in 1935.

The new director is the grandson of W. Scott Harvin, industrialist who brought the first electric service to Manning, S. C., and son of Lucius H. Harvin, who served as a CP&L manager after the Manning property became part of the larger system.

L. H. Harvin, Jr., was born in Manning and graduated in electrical engineering at Clemson college in 1934. He spent three years with CP&L, first in Henderson as a lighting specialist and later as manager at Dillon, S. C. He left CP&L in 1937 to attend Harvard Business school. He won a Master's degree in 1939, after which he joined Rose's 5 & 10c store chain. He has served as executive vice president and treasurer of Rose's since 1956.

Sen. Erwin Says:

WASHINGTON.—Congress has given approval for the submission of plans by Smithsonian Institution for a National Air Museum here in Washington.

North Carolina is so closely identified with man's first flight at Kitty Hawk that I believe you will be interested in the proposed National Air Museum. When the plans are completed it will be necessary for Congress to appropriate funds. The recently passed legislation is only an authorization for plans and approval of a site opposite the National Gallery of Art.

The building's architecture will complement the National Gallery of Art and will be of the monumental type. The museum will memorialize the development of aviation in the United States. It will house aeronautical equipment of important historical significance, such as the Wright Brothers' plane now on display in the main building. The air museum is now partially housed in a sheet-metal hut at the rear of Smithsonian Institution. Many of the planes and items of aviation interest are scattered throughout other buildings.

The proposed new building will house space age vehicles. Dr. Leonard Carmichael, secretary of Smithsonian, points out that America was first in the development of rockets. As proof of this fact he points to the Goddard rockets now on display.

They were developed around 1918. Goddard, a New England professor, was far ahead of his time.

Wright Brothers
Dr. Carmichael says the Kitty Hawk flight by the Wright Brothers is one of the most significant achievements of mankind. He describes it as a symbol of the triumph of science, engineering and ingenuity and strictly an American achievement. This achievement will play an important part in the history of aviation in the proposed National Air Museum.

LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS INVITED TO ASHEVILLE MEETING

Raleigh—Col. James R. Smith, commander of the award-winning State Highway Patrol, issued an invitation this week to all law enforcement officers to attend a series of professional conferences next week.

The patrol chief said the conferences, which are under the joint auspices of the Department of Motor Vehicles and the Governor's Traffic Safety Council, aim to achieve closer liaison between state level enforcement agencies and those on the county and municipal level.

He said the currently scheduled series of conferences would deal primarily with the enforcement of driver license laws.

A conference will be held for the Asheville district Friday, Sept. 26, opening at 10 a.m. at patrol headquarters.

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Opportunity to Join State Art Society is Offered Here

At a recent meeting of the board of directors of the North Carolina State Art society in Raleigh, Mrs. Mary E. Aleshire of Black Mountain, was elected as a vice president to represent the 10 counties of the 12th district of Western North Carolina.

Mrs. Aleshire has been a member of the State Art society for several years, attending the annual state exhibit and meetings of the society.

Mrs. Aleshire is one of the few women of the U. S. who made a career of organizing and directing art galleries and schools of art, drama and music.

She is an exhibiting artist, speaker, theatre director, and writer, having contributed to both domestic and foreign art and cultural magazines.

The North Carolina State Art society joins with the other state cultural groups in holding their annual meetings in Raleigh during the first week of December.

The State Federation of Music clubs, the Poetry society, the Historical society, the Literary and Folk Lore groups, each assumes responsibility for the programs for one day.

The State Art exhibition is formally opened during this cultural week. This plan is unique in North Carolina, permitting those interested in the cultural life of the state to attend the several sessions during one stay. Awards are presented each year for outstanding work in painting, sculpture, literature and poetry. Musical programs, poetry reading, folk tales and book reviews provide interesting programs and a general idea of the creative work being produced in the state.

Mrs. Aleshire will extend invitations to join the State Art society and to exhibit in its shows to artists of the 12th District.

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An increasing number of cases are coming to light in which GI life insurance proceeds must be paid to other than the veteran's immediate family because the veteran failed to keep his beneficiary listing up to date.

This was reported today by Charles E. Peters, Officer-in-Charge of the local VO Office located in the City Building here in Asheville, for the benefit of any of the 141,070 GI insurance policyholders in North Carolina who should change their beneficiaries in line with recent changes in family status.

Marriages, divorces, births or deaths are the types of changes in family status which may indicate needed changes in beneficiary listings, Mr. Peters said.

In many of the recent cases coming to light, the beneficiaries of VA record were the same the veterans had named when they took out their policies years ago, even though they had since married and begotten families, Mr. Peters said.

He added VA is required by law to pay GI insurance proceeds to the beneficiary of record, whether or not that beneficiary still is in any way connected with the veteran.

Changes of beneficiaries can be made at any time without notifying the beneficiaries, but they must be made in writing over the policyholder's signature and sent to the VA office servicing the policy, Mr. Peters said.

These changes cannot be made in a last will or testament, he added, they must be filed by the policyholder with VA directly to be valid under law.

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