

Will LaFollette Withdraw?

For sometime Senator LaFollette's health has been bad and it has been given out within the last few days that he will not be a candidate for President, but will throw his influence to Mr. Roosevelt.

From a democratic standpoint, we fear Senator LaFollette more than any other republican aspirant. He is a progressive, in fact is the chief of the progressive republicans.

And now a word as to the Democratic outlook: In the first place the election of a democratic president is not possible, except when there is an irreconcilable split in republican ranks.

Personally we would like to see Woodrow Wilson made President. He is an adopted son of South Carolina. He is a clean man of the best principles and of the highest purpose.

We would size up the situation about as follows: Taft and Harmon—Harmon will win. Taft and Wilson—Taft will win.

About Pledging.

In various sections of the State politicians and newspapers are now advising farmers as to how they shall conduct their own business next season.

If a farmer does not know enough to conduct his own business, wouldn't it be well enough for him to quit the field, come to town and start a bank, a store or a newspaper, just to show incompetents how to do it?

If a farmer should come to town and tell a bank, a merchant, or a newspaper how to run the details of their respective lines of pursuit, what do you think the farmer would be told? Wouldn't somebody tell him to attend to his own business.

If it is not downright impudence for one man to tell another how he must work or plant, what is it?

If a man tells you that he, or you, can control the price of cotton next fall, do you believe him? The most ignorant African negro on Savannah river, we believe, knows as much about the price of cotton next fall as the wisest banker, the best merchant, the ablest editor, or the biggest blatherskite politician on the face of the earth.

No Reflection Was Meant.

In his remarks against allowing white men and white women to teach negro schools in this State, we are quite sure that Governor Bleese meant no reflection on the motive or the act of Southern churches in raising money and in sending our white teachers to colored people in foreign lands.

Needless Talk of Woodrow Wilson.

Newspapers of late have had much to say of Woodrow Wilson, Marne Henry Watterson and others in trying to settle some question of fact about which there is a difference of opinion.

AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH.

No Irreverence in an Able Sermon—Manner of Service that is Sure to Win.

A large assembly of devout worshippers attended services in the Baptist church last Sunday morning. The sermon was an able one, the subject being Missions.

The preacher gave many interesting statistical facts. Mr. Bristol quoted the words "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

For the best varieties garden and field cane, millets, kaffir corn, etc., see us. Amos B. Morse Co.

TWO MISTAKES.

Which Two of Abbeville's Best Young Men Have Made.

E. H. Keller and Jo Evans of Abbeville town and county, are off for Los Angeles, California. We regret to notice two great mistakes which these young gentlemen have made:

First—It was a mistake to leave as good a country as this for the sandy reaches and burning sun of California.

Second—They made a mistake in going from home without Abbeville county brides. Abbeville young men should not leave their sweethearts behind them.

Mr. Edgar Keller is a son of our old friend Mr. W. L. Keller and is a brother of the Keller Bros. who are doing business in Abbeville.

"To Thine Ownself Be True." Laurens Advertiser.

Do not listen to the argument that the other fellows are not going to curtail. Let the other fellows increase their acreage if they wish to be treacherous to themselves and their neighbors, but if by their treachery they cause the price to fall they suffer most.

LEWIS HASKELL CHANGED TO POST IN ENGLAND.

Columbian Promoted by Consular Department from Post in Mexico—May Visit Here.

According to a telegram received Columbia from Lewis W. Haskell, now consul to Mexico, he and Mrs. Haskell will leave that place about the first of March to begin their journey to Hull, England, to which district Mr. Haskell has been transferred.

As Mr. Haskell will have to report to Washington, D. C. on his way to his new post, it is expected that he and his wife will come to Columbia for a fair visit to their relatives and friends here before departing for England.

Now is the time to plant peas and other small garden seed. We have them fresh. Amos B. Morse Co.

AN EPIDEMIC OF COUGHING

Is sweeping over the town. Old and young alike are affected, and the straits are particularly hard on little children and on elderly people.

FIRST LA GRIPPE, THEN BRONCHITIS That was the case with Mrs. W. M. Bailey, McCreary, Ky. My wife was taken down with a severe attack of a croup, which she had contracted and could not sleep at night.

A WARNING AGAINST WET FEET. Wet and muddy feet affect the mucous membrane of the nose, throat and lungs, and give rise to colds, influenza, whooping cough, and other ailments.

Every farmer that send me a list of five neighbors will receive a book of value and one that no farmer should do without. Write today. C. G. Hardeman, Tifton, Ga.

Judge Hill Takes Needed Rest in the Land of Flowers.

Judge R. E. Hill, one of our oldest and most highly respected citizens, who has been quite sick for the past three weeks, having had a severe attack of La Grippe, has gone to Gainesville, Fla., on a visit to his daughter, Mrs. C. R. Layton and his son, R. E. Hill, Jr., with the hope of regaining his wonted health.

Judge Hill has spent his entire life, which has extended beyond the proverbial period of "three score years and ten" in Abbeville county, and having by the suffrage of his fellow citizens, filled numerous positions of honor and trust, and always with the strictest fidelity.

Judge Robert Ernest Hill is the son of the late Wm. Hill and Annie Donald Hill, both long since dead. He was born two and a half miles east of this town on the 14th day of July 1839, and is therefore past 73 years of age.

No man in Abbeville County was more highly respected by the people of his adopted country than was Wm. Hill in his day. He filled various positions of honor and trust, among them, that of Judge of Probate for a period of 16 years.

The mother of Judge R. E. Hill was Annie Hamilton Donald, eldest daughter of Major John Donald and sister of Col Samuel Donald, from whom the town of Donalds take its name.

Major John Donald, having raised a large family of boys and girls, all of whom lived, married and left large families, the result is the subject of this sketch, perhaps is as largely connected with the people of Abbeville county as any man now living in it.

Judge Hill was named for the distinguished Irish patriot, Robert Emmet, for whom the father had the greatest admiration, both on account of his ardent, if misguided patriotism, and his marked national and acquired abilities.

After having attended the public schools of the county, and the graded school in his city until sufficiently advanced, Mr. Hill matriculated as a student in Erskine College at Due West, S. C., in the fall of 1857, and his institution he continued to attend until 1859, when his health gave way and he had to give up his studies.

So anxious was his father that he should receive a thorough education, he sent him on a trip to Ireland, with a view to his entering the University of Edinburgh Scotland, in the event of his restoration to his usual health, which he felt sure would be the case after a short sojourn in the Emerald Isle.

In 1861, he volunteered as a member of Co. A, Capt. Thomson, 2nd S. C. Rifles, with which command he served for six or eight months when it was found that he was not physically able to undergo the hardships of the common soldier and he was accordingly assigned to office duty in the conscript department of South Carolina, under the command of Major C. D. Melton, and stationed at Lexington C. H., where he remained in that service until the close of the war.

Judge Hill has been married three times, his last wife, whom he married some twenty years ago, was a Miss Ward, a native of Petersburg, Va., but at the time of their marriage, was living in the city of Baltimore. She is still living. His first wife was Miss Sarah J. Richey, daughter of William Richey, who lived near Donalds. To them were born two daughters, Misses Mamie and Jessie Hill, both living with their father.

By his second wife, who was the only daughter of Major Andrew Hamilton, of Williamston, S. C., he had four children, viz: Annie, wife of S. J. Thomas, of Denver, Cal.; Olive, wife of M. H. Baldwin, of Anne, Arundel county, Maryland; Margaret, wife of Major C. R. Layton, of Gainesville, Fla., and R. E. Hill, Jr., also of Gainesville, Fla.

Judge R. E. Hill, as was his father before him, has been frequently honored by his fellow citizens, in being promoted to positions of honor and trust. He has been twice chosen to represent his county in the Legislature; held the office of Judge of Probate for twelve years, and is now serving his second term as Master for Abbeville county.

While Judge Hill has never been admitted to the bar as a practicing lawyer, he is nevertheless regarded as a safe adviser, by our people, in all ordinary questions of law, and undoubtedly will be greatly missed when he shall have served out his allotted years, which we hope will not be for some time yet to come.

Judge Hill is no politician in the common acceptance of the term, neither was his father, William Hill, but both being of kindly and accommodating dispositions, and men in whom the public had the utmost confidence—and withal believed to be thoroughly competent to discharge the duties incident to the positions to which they each aspired, accounts for the strong hold which they ever maintained upon the public conscience.

EAST END.

What "M" Sees and Hears on His Rounds About the City and Along Route No. 3.

"M" has been snowed under and frozen up, badly disfigured but still in rank and is now right side up with care ready for new on the fly.

I come now making my best bow to the editors and patrons of the Press and Banner, wishing for each a bright, happy and prosperous new year.

Route three was well represented last Monday in the city, as it was Saturday and nothing doing at home.

Mr. A. B. Kennedy is now the popular man on route 3, as he is running the split log drag over the roads, and that too with the best results. This is a grand machine, making an old rough road look like a plank road, the very road for autos and rural carriers and yes, for every body who likes a good, smooth road.

The farmers are well pleased, even delighted with this machine and are so in love with it, that we verily believe they would take their return with the machine just for the fun of running it. Say, each farmer along Route 3 try it 2 1-2 miles each way from his home.

Messrs. Edwin Parker and Boogs Kennedy are cutting down the undergrowth along each side of the public road on their plantations, thus letting in the sunlight which soon dries up the road where it was muddy all the time before this simple means helps the good roads movement along.

Mr. J. Hill Ramey in a tussle a few days ago with his friend and neighbor, Mr. Eugene Woodward, was tripped and broke both bones in his right leg, just below the knee, but is getting along nicely and we hope will soon be on his feet again.

Mr. St. Clair Baskin has purchased the plantation on Route 3 known as the Pannel place and is now building tenant houses, stables and barn.

Mr. Marion Link has purchased the old Link plantation near Link's bridge and is also making improvements in the building line.

The carriers from Abbeville, have had a hard time for the past 30 days, but unlike the carriers from many other towns and cities, only laid off one day. In several towns we noticed the postmasters kept his carriers in for several days, but rain or shine, sleet or snow the Abbeville boys are bound to go.

Quite a number of farmers along Route 3 were calling cotton last week, and we heard some of them sustained losses on account of badly damaged cotton.

The farmers on Route 3 have been very busy the past month (despite the weather) cutting and hauling wood, and trying to keep their temperature above zero.

We are glad to number Mr. Walter Able and family among our patrons once again, on Route 3. Mr. Able is working the Richie place 2 miles from the city.

We feel very grateful to the thoughtful, kind-hearted patrons who extended many courtesies, and great kindness to us during the past year. We trust we may live long enough to repay their kindness by faithful, prompt and diligent service.

In and About the City

Abbeville needs another big cotton warehouse. We have been after the farmers for keeping their cotton at home lying in the weather, but upon investigation we are told there was no room in the warehouse to store another bale, so it was just as well at home as lying around outside near the warehouse.

Ten thousand dollars would, we think build what Abbeville wants and the farmers need.

We congratulate the city on its fine fire equipment. The chief of this department creates quite a sensation when he mounts behind Mutt and Jeff and splits the wind at flying speed. At a trial speed last week we are told from the time the fire bell tapped, it was about one minute and 12 seconds until they were throwing water over the high store of Mr. A. B. Cheatham. How is that for quick work? No wonder the multitude stands looking on in wonder and amazement, so striking is the contrast against the old time hand to hand bucket brigade.

Postmaster Minshall has been, and still is quite ill confined to his home by order of his physician. His friends hope he will soon be up and able to be at his post again.

Our merchants are getting ready for their usual northern trip. Some have already gone and others will follow this week.

The "100" religious movement that is already far reaching in its great and glorious work has already struck Abbeville, where we are glad to say it is gaining headway. Let every one put their name down and their shoulders to the gospel wheel and the good work will continue until many shall be brought in from sin unto righteousness.

Owing to the protracted bad weather the autos of the city have had a rest. They are beginning to run now notwithstanding the extreme cold weather.

Mrs. J. R. Thornton has been ill for several weeks and is still quite sick. Her many friends wish for her a speedy restoration to health.

The many friends of Mrs. W. G. Chapman extend sincere sympathy in this her deep affliction—the death of her mother.

Hon. Wm. N. Graydon and family are in Columbia and Master Norwood

TOUCHING SCENES ENACTED IN GEORGIA'S CAPITAL CITY

Throngs of Health-Seekers Resemble Walking Hospitals and Stories Are Told That Would Wring Tears From Heart of Steel.

Atlanta, Ga., (Special)—Stories of strange and remarkable results that have been circulated in this city by hundreds of persons who have used the new Root Juice treatment for rheumatism, stomach trouble, kidney disorders and similar complaints, have reached even the humblest hovels of the poor and destitute and throngs of cripples and infirm have poured into the headquarters of the scientist's representative to beg or buy the strange new medicine that is said to exert its powerful influence over certain diseases in a manner that seems almost miraculous.

Pale faced, weak and sickly widowed mothers, with ill-nourished infants clutching at their skirts have told stories of suffering, sickness, privation and despair that have caused strong men to turn away and hide their tears.

Once healthy and able men now crippled by the ravages of mercurial rheumatism, with faces lined and drawn by pain and suffering, have hobbled in on cane and crutch, telling of families dependent upon them, of neglected little ones and sickly wives, begging just one bottle of the great new liquid that may possess the power to change their condition, strengthen their weak and stiffened muscles and enable them to care for the loved ones at home.

Such persons have been given cards to be signed by any preacher or clergyman as a recommendation and which when returned properly filled out have been exchanged for full sized one-dollar bottles. The cards are supplied by the main laboratories at Fort Wayne, Ind., and can be obtained by any worthy and deserving poor person who needs medicine and has no money to pay for it.

Not only have the poor people become interested in the strange liquid, but persons in all walks of life; merchants, business men, everyone is talking about Root Juice and its wonderful cures.

So quickly and marvelously have some severe cases been cured that stories have been circulated to the effect that the medicine possesses miraculous

power, but this of course is ridiculous and untrue.

Many of those who have used it, however, say that the good effect is felt so quickly that it does seem almost like a miracle.

Persons who for years have suffered from loss of appetite, indigestion, gas on the stomach, pains, belching, bad breath, shortness of breath, and other such symptoms of severe and chronic stomach trouble say that the first few doses produce noticeable benefit.

Mr. P. C. Harrison, a well known plumber of Atlanta, who has been using the new treatment for rheumatism, met a friend on the street the other day who remarked: "How well you are looking! The doctor is bringing you around in fine shape."

"Doctor, nothing," Mr. Harrison replied, "I have not seen the doctor for three weeks. I have been using the new Root Juice treatment that every one is talking about and am feeling fine." After telling of the above incident, Mr. Harrison said, "I have been suffering from rheumatism and constipation for five years and in wet or changeable weather my joints would swell up and pain so terribly that I would have to have them lanced. The pain was terrific and sweat would stand out on my forehead in large drops. At times I had no appetite, could not eat and could not sleep or work. I am a plumber by trade and am now at work again. I have no more rheumatism or swollen joints, my bowels are regular and I feel like my old self again, thanks to this great medicine."

Other well known persons who have suffered from indigestion, backaches, headaches, nervousness, sleeplessness, dizzy spells, weak kidneys and bladder too frequent, scanty or burning urine, tired, worn out and run down feelings, report equally good results and many say that the first few doses made them feel better.

The Root Juice medicine is being sold in immense quantities and druggists everywhere say they have never known a medicine for which the demand was so great.

BELLEVUE LOCALS

Mrs. M. E. Wardlaw and Miss Emma Wardlaw spent Saturday with relatives in Troy.

Mrs. W. W. Bradley and children were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Morrah Saturday night.

Mrs. Jennie Cade entertained a number of friends at a dining on Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Wardlaw Morrah are expected in Bellevue this week and will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Morrah for a week or ten days.

Mrs. J. E. Britt and children spent Thursday with Mrs. W. H. Kennedy. Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Kennedy spent Saturday at Cade's Mill.

Miss Jennie Wideman has been very ill during the past week and not able to teach. Her friends hope for her a speedy recovery. Miss Beattie Morrah has had charge of the Bellevue school since Miss Wideman's illness.

Mrs. J. L. Kennedy, Mrs. Lillie Morrah and children dined with Mrs. Edwin Parker on Saturday.

We have had an abundance of rain, sleet and snow during the past month. The roads are in a little better condition than they were sometime ago.

Messrs. Britt and Talbert and A. B. Kennedy have gone over part of the roads with the scraper.

Mr. J. L. Kennedy was in McCormick Thursday on business.

Malvina and William Parker entertained a number of their little friends at a birthday dinner on Saturday, the 27th of January.

Mr. S. P. Morrah has been in McCormick and Bordeaux during the past week looking after the insurance business.

Mrs. Oscar Covin and sister, of Wilmington, were in Bellevue Friday afternoon.

Messrs. Wardlaw and Morrah were in Troy Wednesday on business.

Dr. Swingle of McCormick was on Long Cane Thursday of last week on professional business.

Mr. James McCaslan of Troy, who has been sick for sometime is not improving.

No candy like Huyler's for your sweet heart. They all prefer it. A fresh lot at Speed's Drug Store.

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If You Eat You Need "Digestit" The New Relief For Indigestion. It has been stated that more than eighty million people in the United States are victims of some form of indigestion. The American people do not take time enough to eat. The result is stomach distress, gas, belching, indigestion and dyspepsia. "Digestit" is the new relief—it has been found a certain quick and permanent remedy. Thousands of people have found relief from its use. Their own statements on file in our office are proof. You can try it for yourself without any risk—if it fails to give you absolute satisfaction your money will be returned. "Digestit" is a little tablet easy to swallow and absolutely harmless. It relieves indigestion almost instantly, stops food fermentation, prevents distress after eating and cures dyspepsia. You need it even though you are not sick—it aids digestion and gives you all the nourishment from your food—50c. Ask at C. A. Milford's Drug Store.

ACCIDENTS WILL HAPPEN Mundy & Acker Contractors and Builders Estimates furnished free. Let us make your plans and figure on your work. Culture Meeting. The culture meeting of the Civic Club will be held in their new club rooms above Philson & Henry's store, Thursday afternoon, at 4 o'clock. This meeting will be devoted to domestic science. Mrs. M. T. Coleman, Pres. Mrs. F. B. Gary, Sec. Always have it in the house. Take it with you when you travel—you never can tell when Hunt's Lightning Oil may be most needed. 25c and 50c Bottles A. B. Richards M-dicine Co., Sherman, Texas. HUNT'S LIGHTNING OIL And when they do—they hurt. Hunt's Lightning Oil is the one instantaneous relief and cure for all wounds, bruises, sores, cuts, sprains and abrasions of the skin. It forms an artificial skin covering, excludes the air instantly, stops pain at once. There are many oils, but none like Hunt's. The action is different, and the effect as well. The price of admission will be 10 cents each, and refreshments will cost 25 cents. However, the room in which refreshments will be served will be apart from that in which the readings will be given, that only those who wish to do so may buy refreshments. Daughters of the Confederacy. Daughters of the Confederacy will meet at Mrs. Frank Nichols Tuesday, Feb. 13, at 2:30 a. m. The McMurray Drug Co. ABBEVILLE, S. C.