Judge Webb, Reaching 72, Tells Reminiscences of His Interesting Career

JuriT's Twinkling Eye and Firm Step Belie the Bible Record

Judge for 21 Years
He Has Seen Men at Worst and Best

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Judge James L. Webb has to go to his old family Bible quite frequently to keep his spell and body from failing him a bit. The Bible says that the beloved jurist-termed Judge Webb has one foot in his Tomb, and the other in the pulpit; that he is quick, sure and not to be taken where the reporter asked him. Other persons have seen those things too, but no one knew about the man, and what we wanted to know about the man, and what we wanted him to know about the man, and what we wanted the man to know about the man.

Judge Webb is a native of North Carolina, where he was born in 1893. He was educated in the public schools, and was graduated from the University of North Carolina in 1915. He served as a captain in the United States Army during World War I, and was discharged with the rank of major. He then returned to North Carolina and practiced law in Greensboro, where he remained until his appointment to the federal bench in 1941.

In addition to his work on the bench, Judge Webb has been active in many community affairs, including serving as a member of the board of directors of the Greensboro Chamber of Commerce and as a member of the board of trustees of the Greensboro General Hospital. He has also been active in the Boy Scouts of America, serving as a Cub Scout leader and as a Scoutmaster.

Judge Webb is known for his fairness and his justice, and is highly respected by his colleagues and his community. He is a man of strong character, and is known for his integrity and his dedication to the law.

In his free time, Judge Webb enjoys reading and writing, and is a noted author of several books on legal topics. He is also an avid traveler, and has visited many countries around the world. He is a man of great enthusiasm and energy, and is always ready to take on new challenges and to help those in need.

POSTMASTER CAUGHT FIRST THEFT

The first reported theft of Postal service office in Septem-211.1 when a negro, Charlie Miller, was found red-handed this morning in the act of taking registered letters f the box. A decoy letter had been planned after several articles had been posted in the box.

Police officer Bob Kendrick, said Miller, another of rooter of the negro. Kees were fed on him belonging to Judge J. L. Webb. Miller was arrested by constable L. A.Gets, R. L. Ryburn, J. McMurray, A. C. Miller, A. B. Su- Dr. W. B. Mitchell, John Lincoln.
The city of Shelby was started in 1941, and the first home was built in 1940. It stood where the Central Methodist church is now and was erected by Dr. Williams. The late Judge J. L. Webb had his law office there for years and the building was not torn down until the church was erected.

The first jail was built where the Chevrolet garage now stands.

"Tom Dixon, father of the famous sons, built a house just across the street from the jail."

In 1873 the residential section of West Marion street was nothing but woods with only a few houses here and there.

Three barber shops were operated in Shelby in 1890. One stood where the Dugger filling station is now, the second where the First National Bank is and the third where Bose's store stands.

The old club house at Cleveland Springs was erected about 1914 by the Wilson family.

"Joe Jenkins, banker, built the C. C. Blanton residence on North Lafayette street in 1870."

"John D. Linberger owned the first blacksmith shop here in 1890."

In 1870 the Baptist Female college was started at the present Victory Hotel location.

"Burton was first master of lodge.

In seeking details of the old cornerstone, Mr. Linberger did, however, run upon some interesting information of bygone days. Among other things, it was found that the first master of Cleveland lodge No. 202 A.F. and A.M. was Augustus A. Burton. Other officers were Thomas Williams, senior warden; A. S. Hardin, junior warden; Martin C. Roberts, master; John F. Stephens, secretary; Henry F. Schenc, senior deacon; Jef Black, junior deacon; Philo P. Hoke, Tyler.


A recent issue of the Masonic bulletin asks: "We wonder if there are any of our present members who are descendants (the bulletin said "descendants") of these men?"

Among other things it was also learned that a called communication of the lodge was held during the Civil war. What it met for, and what took place is not known. The meeting was held at 12:30 in the morning, due, presumably, to the presence hereabouts of Yankee troops. Masters of the lodge up to 1895, when Capt. J. P. Roberts, present master, took office for the first of four terms, were: Augustus A. Burton, H. F. Schenc, R. B. Price, John W. Gidney, James L. Webb, W. L. Demand, T. K. Barrett, Albert B. Stutt, Samuel E. Odgeny and Columbus C. Roberts. Mr. Burton is the only one living.

"Next to Capt. Roberts, who held his fourth term, Mr. Ciez, E. Young master in 1928, has been master more times than any other man in all.

Around our Town

The old house was torn down. The church was erected on the place of the old house and the town grew from there.

The first school was started in 1842. Mr. Webb attended the school for one year and then went to work.

The first store was started by Mr. Williams in 1843. He sold general merchandise.

The first bank was started in 1852. It was owned by Mr. Smith and operated by Mr. Williams.

The first newspaper was started in 1855. It was called the Shelby Times and was owned by Mr. Smith.

The first library was started in 1860. It was started by Mr. Williams and was located in his home.

The first hospital was started in 1865. It was started by Dr. Williams and was located in the old schoolhouse.

The first church was started in 1850. It was started by Mr. Williams and was located on the hill above the town.

The first theater was started in 1870. It was started by Mr. Williams and was located on Main Street.

The first baseball game was played in 1875. It was played by the local teams and was located on the old field.

The first movie was shown in 1895. It was shown by Mr. Williams and was located in the old schoolhouse.

The first radio station was started in 1920. It was started by Mr. Williams and was located on Main Street.

The first television station was started in 1945. It was started by Mr. Williams and was located on Main Street.

The first computer was purchased in 1960. It was purchased by Mr. Williams and was located in the office.

The first smartphone was purchased in 2005. It was purchased by Mr. Williams and was located in the office.

The first internet connection was made in 2010. It was made by Mr. Williams and was located in the office.

The first solar panel was installed in 2015. It was installed by Mr. Williams and was located on the roof.

The first drone was purchased in 2020. It was purchased by Mr. Williams and was located on the roof.

The first 3D printer was purchased in 2025. It was purchased by Mr. Williams and was located in the office.

The first self-driving car was tested in 2030. It was tested by Mr. Williams and was located on the road.

The first commercial flight was made in 2035. It was made by Mr. Williams and was located at the airport.

"About our town, our school, our church, our library."