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Blowing Rock Pupils Form Debating Society

Blowing Rock, Oct. 10.—Pupils of the Blowing Rock high school have organized a debating society to encourage public speaking and debating in the school. Bynum Crisp was elected president, Elizabeth Sudderth, vice president; Pem Robbins, secretary and treasurer.

A constitutional committee under the chairmanship of Paul Foster has drawn up a constitution, which was discussed Monday afternoon and laid on the table for further consideration before final adoption.

The society will probably debate with the schools of the surrounding towns and may enter the High School Debating Union of North Carolina and take part in the statewide contests.

Remodeling the entrance to the Presbyterian church was started last week by J. M. Foster, stone mason. The old porch has been torn away and will be replaced with a Gothic tower, to harmonize with the interior architecture of the church.

Work on the new Watauga Inn is being pressed rapidly for the expected opening of the hotel on October 15, under the management of Mrs. W. P. Penley. The open porches on the north side are being enclosed, and several bedrooms are being added to the building.

U. S. Stevenson of Boone is installing a steam heating system and modern plumbing fixtures. The hotel will be open the year round.

Nearly everyone in Blowing Rock who could find transportation Saturday went to Elizabethton to hear the speech of Herbert Hoover. Trucks and cars formed almost a continuous procession along the Yanahoc road from an early hour Saturday morning until almost noon. A large number of Blowing Rock people went to Boone and took one of the special trains to Elizabethton.

People from all over the state passed through here Saturday on their way to Elizabethton. Residents along the road reported that cars were passing all Friday night, and as daylight approached the traffic was more than doubled and lasted until noon. But in spite of the heavy traffic, no accidents were reported.

ZIONVILLE NEWS

Zionville, Oct. 9.—R. S. Roten of Fort Collins, Colorado, who has been spending the summer with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Roten, has returned to his home.

Mr. and Mrs. Theo C. Graer left Saturday for Patton, Calif., where they will make their home.

Mrs. M. W. Eller of Butler, Tenn., is visiting relatives here.

Mr. Binder, a Jewish minister of St. Louis, Mo., spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wade Keere. He filled the pulpit at Zionville Sunday evening.

Mrs. D. V. Winebarger, who was seriously hurt in an automobile crash a few weeks ago is able to be out again.

Mrs. L. Greer went to Bristol Sunday to spend a few days with her daughter, Mrs. Shelton Penn.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Wilson of Cleveland, Ohio, are here to visit relatives for a few weeks.

Quite a number from Zionville went to Elizabethton Saturday to hear Hoover speak.

Mr. and Mrs. Reeves Holman have returned from Todd where they were called to the bedside of Mr. Holman's mother who was run over by a car and dangerously hurt. They report that there is hope of her recovery.

WORLD WAR VETS PARADE AT SAN ANTONIO MEETING

San Antonio, Tex., Oct. 9.—The measured tread of marching feet, familiar in wartime days, re-echoed through the streets of San Antonio as 10,000 former service men and members of the American Legion passed in review before countless spectators who greeted each state's delegation with spirited bursts of cheers.

The North Carolina delegation, led by the brilliant red-coated trench helmeted Charlotte 40-piece band, was a bright spot in the parade. A large delegation of women marched with the men.

W. H. FISHER URGES SUPPORT OF NATIONAL TICKET

W. H. Fisher, Republican candidate for lieutenant-governor, spoke in the courthouse Tuesday evening in the interest of the candidacy of Herbert Hoover for the presidency. The crowd was not large due to the rainy night; however, the audience was enthusiastic. Mr. Fisher dealt altogether with the national situation and did not go into the affairs of state.

POLITICAL EVENTS OF THE PAST WEEK

Highlights of Political Activity of Both Major Parties Summarized From Recent News Dispatches From Over the Country

Governor Smith Will Visit North Carolina Today

Governor Alfred E. Smith, Democratic candidate for president, will be in North Carolina Thursday en route from Albany to Louisville, Ky., Saturday. A partial itinerary for the second campaign tour of the Democratic candidate, announced by him Monday night, calls for his departure from Albany Tuesday at 12:40 for New York city. After conferences there with party leaders Wednesday, he will board his special train for the south.

Richmond will be the first stop for a personal appearance by the nominee from the rear of his 11-car train 9:15 a. m. Thursday being the time set for his arrival at the Virginia capital. Raleigh will be reached at 3 p. m. the same day, and other cities in the state where stops are planned are Greensboro at 7 p. m., Salisbury at 8:30 p. m. and Charlotte at 9:50 p. m.

Democratic Campaign Contributions Total \$1,392,920

Contributions to the Democratic national campaign fund received during September totaled \$876,420, according to the monthly report of Col. H. H. Lehman, finance director of the Democratic national committee, made public Saturday.

The grand total of contributions received by the Democrats up to October 1 is \$1,392,920, as compared with \$1,733,289 received by the Republicans up to that date. Republican receipts made public in Washington on Thursday, totaled \$1,074,870. Chairman Rascoe of the Democratic national committee announced a \$60,000 contribution from Thos. F. Ryan not included in the September list. This is the largest individual contribution to the Democratic campaign fund reported so far.

Marion Butler Thinks Hoover Has "Even Chance" in State

Washington, Oct. 8.—Former Senator Marion Butler returned today from a trip, on legal business, which took him to New York, Boston and Montreal. Mr. Butler discussed the political outlook with a number of men in New York and Massachusetts—because those states have generally been classified as doubtful, but Mr. Butler is persuaded that this doubt is beginning to resolve in favor of the Republican candidate.

Asked what the idea was, Mr. Butler said he felt that the tide was beginning to run strong for Mr. Hoover, not because of any one issue, but because a steadily increasing number of people were coming to the conclusion that Hoover is the best qualified for the job. Mr. Butler thinks that if Hoover carries New York and Massachusetts—as he believes the Republican candidate will—it will close the argument.

Mr. Butler added that, having been in the north a number of days, he called at Republican headquarters here today to check up on the situation in the state. He was told that all reports from North Carolina were encouraging for Hoover, with a chance that he would have an even break in that state.

Simmons Will Speak at Anti-Smith Rally

Charlotte, Oct. 8.—Senator F. M. Simmons will be a speaker at the scheduled anti-Smith rally in New Bern Friday night. It was announced here today at headquarters of the anti-Smith organization. The occasion will mark the first public speaking appearance of Senator Simmons since his declaration that he would not support the Democratic nominee for president. He will introduce Frank McNinch, leader of the anti-Smith Democrats, who will be the principal speaker of the evening.

BAMBOO NEWS

Bamboo, Oct. 9.—The school has been progressing nicely with the exception of a few cases of scarlet fever. The attendance dropped to 95 on account of the sickness. It is hoped the children will soon be able to come back and that the parents will get them in as early as they are able.

The children are enjoying their new basket ball and volley ball. The Girls' Club is going to give the play, "The Rebellion of Youth," on Saturday night, October 20th. This is the second time they are giving it. It is a two-hour play in four acts, well worth the money. Everybody come and bring a friend. Admission 10c and 25c.

The community is looking forward to the revival meeting to begin here the 21st.

Building & Loan Elects Officers at Annual Meet

The annual meeting of stockholders of the Watauga Building and Loan Association was held Tuesday afternoon at which time the business of the organization was reviewed and officers elected for the ensuing year. D. J. Cottrell was re-elected president; W. W. Mast was named vice-president, while W. H. Gragg will continue as secretary-treasurer. The following board of directors was chosen: G. P. Hagaman, R. L. Bingham, C. M. Critcher, W. W. Mast, John E. Brown, H. G. Farthing, W. L. Holshouser, L. A. Greene, D. J. Cottrell, W. D. Farthing, J. P. Hodges and W. H. Gragg.

Assistant State Insurance Commissioner LaRook was present at the meeting, incidentally referring to the sound financial status of the association, incidentally referring to the fact that undivided profits to the amount of more than \$20,000 are on hand.

PUBLISHER JOHNSON CO. NEWS BURNED TO DEATH

W. C. Barry, 36, publisher of the Johnson County News, Mountain City, Tenn., died Thursday morning as a result of burns which he received about 1 o'clock Thursday morning when his bed caught on fire from a lighted cigarette, according to belief of members of his family.

After being awakened by the blaze which was crawling over his entire body, Barry finally got out of bed and with his night clothes ablaze, crawled a few feet to a door adjoining that of another member of the household.

Barry was found unconscious by members of his family, who extinguished the fire and saved the house from being destroyed. A physician was summoned and the victim was treated, but without avail. He never regained consciousness, it was said.

Relatives of the publisher believe that the man came home about midnight and was smoking when he laid down on the bed and fell asleep before he threw the cigarette away. The bed clothing ignited fast and within a few minutes he was enveloped in flames, but continued to sleep until he was fatally burned.

He was the son of Ed Barry, editor of the Johnson County News and had been acting in the capacity of publisher for a number of years.

GOVERNOR AL. E. SMITH STARTS ON SOUTHERN TRIP

New York, Oct. 9.—Governor Alfred E. Smith arrived here late today from Albany for a 30-hour stop during which he will confer with Democratic leaders before the start of his campaign trip into the south and border states.

The campaign sally of the presidential nominee will mark an unusual campaign procedure for a Democratic standard-bearer with his invasion of the "solid south." Usually, Democratic presidential candidates have not entered that section. The governor's trip will, however, be only through two southern states—Virginia and North Carolina—and he will make no speeches and only brief stops at five cities for the purpose of rear platform appearances. The nominee then will invade Tennessee for conferences with party leaders in two cities. At Louisville, Ky., he will deliver the seventh speech of his campaign over a nationwide hookup. His itinerary from the Kentucky city has not yet been formulated.

LOVILL SPEAKS TONIGHT

Wm. R. Lovill, Democratic presidential elector of the eighth congressional district will address the voters of the county at the courthouse this (Thursday) evening at 7:30 o'clock. This is Mr. Lovill's first speech of the campaign and the committee is hopeful of an unusually large crowd. The ladies are especially invited to come out and hear the issues ably discussed.

Lineup of County Candidates:

DEMOCRATIC	REPUBLICAN
For Representative: R. C. RIVERS	For Representative: T. E. BINGHAM
For Sheriff: L. M. FARTHING	For Sheriff: A. G. MILLER
For Register of Deeds: MISS HELEN UNDERDOWN	For Register of Deeds: MRS. PEARL HARTLEY
For Treasurer: EMORY GREER	For Treasurer: H. L. LYONS
For Coroner: DR. J. B. HAGAMAN	For Coroner: DR. W. C. BINGHAM
For Surveyor: ROBY VINES	For Surveyor: I. A. BUMGARDNER
For County Commissioners: ROBY GREER, T. C. BAIRD, J. Y. WALKER	For County Commissioners: L. A. GREENE, C. F. TRIPLETT, W. F. WINKLER

WOMEN JOIN IN WARM CAMPAIGN

Political Battle Now Being Waged in Carolina Comparable to that of 1900: Women Join in on Hustings; Republicans Have Hopes

By M. L. SHIPMAN

Raleigh, Oct. 9.—Not since the memorable campaigns of 1898 and 1900 which resulted in wresting the state government from the fusionists enthroned the Democracy of North Carolina into the seat of the mighty and eliminated colored voters from political calculations has so many party defenders been "called to the colors" as may at present be found on the hustings proclaiming the Jeffersonian doctrine of "equal rights for all and special privileges to none." During the hectic period of the white supremacy era the voices of men only were employed in carrying the gospel of Democracy to the people of the state. This year we find the women taking their places along side their male associates and dividing honors with them in presenting the claims of the Democratic party to a further lease of power in the state. For the first time since the ratification of the suffrage amendment 28 years ago the Republican party in the state appears to entertain the hope of coming back to place and power by naming a full ticket for state officers and showing signs of a determined effort to elect them. Republican women have also volunteered for service in the conflict and their voices, along with Democratic women, may daily be heard in public places and on the air, proclaiming the virtues of their candidate.

Chairman O. M. Mill of the state Democratic executive committee feels that the tide has set definitely and forcibly in favor of the entire Democratic ticket in North Carolina and is well pleased with reports brought to headquarters by messengers from every section of the state. Counties which a few weeks ago were on the uncertain list with a decided anti-Smith trend are now considered "safe" for Democracy. The presence of outstanding leaders from outside the state has been of great value, the chairman feels, while the wonderful campaign that is being made by G. Max Gardner, Democratic nominee for governor is bringing definite results, particularly in support of the national ticket. Mr. Gardner's statement that he is willing to stand or fall with the national ticket has, it is believed in Democratic circles, caused many lukewarm or "anti-Smith Democrats" to pause in their inclination to sidestep the "straight and narrow way" and abide in the faith of their fathers. The earnestness and evident lack of selfishness exhibited by the gubernatorial candidate is expected to bring many recalcitrant Democrats back into the fold and cause their support for all Democratic nominees. Where doubts and fears prevailed a little while ago, Chairman Mill now finds hope and confidence, good fellowship and brotherly kindness.

Chairman Mill is bearded by the contemplated visit of Senator Morris Sheppard of Texas, co-author of the 18th amendment to the federal constitution, to Winston-Salem on October 24th. This is considered a master stroke in the interest of the national ticket which has drawn the fire from many ardent prohibitionists on account of the views entertained by Governor Smith upon the liquor question; for Senator Sheppard is an acknowledged adherent of temperance in all the term implies. The chairman is also pleased with the announcement of former Lieutenant Governor, W. C. Newland, an ardent Hull delegate to the national convention and chairman of the North Carolina delegation at Houston, that he will take the stump in the interest of the can-

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Many Local Citizens Hear Hoover Speak

A crowd of North Carolina people estimated at not less than 10,000 journeyed to Elizabethton by every conceivable means of conveyance last Saturday to hear the speech there of Herbert Hoover.

Boone and Blowing Rock probably had the biggest representation of Tar Heels there, for people from this county started on the roads early Saturday morning, and both of the special trains, one of them with fourteen cars, were loaded to capacity. One hundred and seventy-six boarded the train at Boone for the Tennessee city and others were picked up at intervening points. According to the registers at the hotels in Elizabethton, North Carolina had the largest delegation of all states except Tennessee.

On their arrival at the Lynwood hotel, headquarters of the celebration, each Tar Heel was given a badge, and soon these badges were to be seen throughout the great throng of 50,000 or more people who crowded the town for the speaking and for the industrial celebration.

The North Carolina delegation was given place of honor both at the reception to Mr. Hoover at Lynwood hotel and at the speaking later in the afternoon. Also, a large number from this state, under the leadership of Mrs. Kemm, national committee woman, attended the Republican reception in Johnson City Saturday night. Dr. B. B. Dougherty, president of the Appalachian State Normal, was an invited guest at the banquet given in Mr. Hoover's honor at the John Sevier hotel, Johnson City.

Large delegations attended from Watauga, Ashe, Wilkes, Avery, Mitchell and Caldwell counties, as well as many individual parties from Charlotte, Winston-Salem, Greensboro and many other towns of the Piedmont and eastern sections of the state.

Threatening weather and occasional showers failed to thin the crowd that was packed around the headquarters as Mr. Hoover was expected. All the whistles in the town took a long time to be passed that the candidate had arrived, and soon a more definite announcement of his presence was heralded in the form of rousing cheers that followed the course of his automobile like a wave of water until he entered the hotel.

Never was a college football game more picturesque than the scene at the national amphitheater where the candidate spoke. As Uncle Al Taylor rose to introduce the candidate, cheers rose from every corner of the great field on which the 50,000 were gathered from the mountainside covered with a mass of people like a football stadium.

As Uncle Al finished and yielded the stage to Mr. Hoover, a demonstration that lasted a full five minutes before Mr. Hoover could make himself heard from the enormous crowd, while colorful Hoover banners, Hoover hats, Hoover streamers and Hoover handbills waved in the air, while some enthusiasts threw their hats and other mementoes into the air and had difficulty in retrieving them.

Throughout the speaking, while a half dozen cinema machines clicked, while the telegraph instruments installed by the news services rattled incessantly, Mr. Hoover was repeatedly cheered as his booming voice was carried to the farthest corner of the field by the elaborate system of amplifiers above his head.

The enormous crowd and its enthusiasm attested to the political strategy of Hoover's managers in selecting this place, the center of the south's most consistently Republican district as the scene for Mr. Hoover's speech. Nowhere else in the south could the candidate have been assured of such a large and zealous gathering.

CARNES FACES MORE TROUBLE

Atlanta, Oct. 8.—A petition intended to conserve for the Baptist home mission board certain reported assets of Clinton S. Carnes, its indicted former treasurer, has been filed in superior court here, naming three appointees of the board, Solicitor General John Boykin and two concerns Carnes headed.

The petition, an amendment to a suit filed several weeks ago by W. R. Brown, Atlanta lawyer and Baptist layman, alleges Carnes loaned \$5,000 to Dr. B. D. Gray, former secretary and now acting treasurer of the board, and that the \$5,000 belonged to the board. The suit asks that Dr. Gray's home, given as loan security, be held for the board.

H. M. Willet, custodian of board securities, owes Carnes \$8,000, the petition said, alleging this, also to be board money. Willet was asked to turn over securities estimated in the suit to be worth \$300,000, to the board. The suit said the \$8,000 also belonged to the board.

HOOVER BIDS FOR SOUTHERN VOTE

Republican Candidate For President Makes Appeal for Fair Play and Sportsmanship in Elizabethton Speech; Heard by Big Throng

Elizabethton, Tenn., Oct. 6.—Herbert Hoover appealed to the people of the south today to lay aside party prejudices and vote for a president who represents the principles that correspond to their convictions.

Speaking to an immense crowd, many of whom stood almost ankle deep in a muddy field, the Republican candidate made the first personal plea for the support of the normally solid Democratic south that a nominee of his party has made in modern political history.

The crowd was tumultuous in its welcome to the Republican standard bearer. He spoke on a platform built at the foot of a high hill on the edge of the mountain town and the crowd massed into a huge fan-shaped mass of humanity below him. Hundreds of others were seated in temporary stands which sprawled across the hill under the shade of the trees above him.

As the candidate's car appeared on the outskirts of the crowd a roar went up from the mountaineers crowded about the stand. His automobile was parked on the outskirts of the crowd and he was forced to plough through the mud of the field to the speaker's stand.

Launching into his speech, he explained his views on farm relief, prohibition and other platform declarations, but made no reference to the religious issue that is stirring the southern states. Hoover did, however, make an appeal for fair play and good sportsmanship, asserting that "we prove ourselves worthy, worthy of self-government and worthy of confidence as officials in proportion as we have these contests free from abuse, free from misrepresentation and free from words and acts that carry regret."

"In a contest like this there is no place for personal bitterness," he said. "A great attribute of our political life has been the spirit of fair play with which our presidential contests have been waged in former years, and the sportsmanlike spirit in which we have accepted the results."

The candidate touched upon the farm relief issue which he previously had explained in his West Branch speech, declaring that no such far-reaching and specific proposal had ever been made by a political party on behalf of any industry in our history.

He dismissed the prohibition issue with a single paragraph in which he asserted that the purpose of the 18th amendment was to protect the American home, and that an obligation was placed upon the president to secure its honest enforcement, and "to eliminate the abuses that have grown up around it." "I wish it to succeed," he added.

He turned next to a brief outline of his views on a number of other questions, advocating strengthening of the protective tariff. "The great manufacturing industries of the south are dependent upon it," he asserted. "Your vast spinning industry, your iron and steel industry are the product of it."

He pledged himself again; any laxity in immigration restriction; for development of improved highways, completion of the Mississippi flood control project; promotion and defense of the foreign trade; the support of a sound merchant marine; economy in government to bring about further tax reductions; maintenance of the army and navy to such a point as will remove "even the fear of foreign invasion," and for foreign policies directed to the cause of peace.

The nominee urged a continuance of just and generous laws for the relief of war veterans; a revision of court procedure to bring about "swifter and surer justice"; a strengthening of the public school system and institutions of higher learning to provide an enlarged opportunity for the young. He reminded his audience that "all legislation, all administrative action must stand the supreme test that it provide equal opportunity for all our citizens, not for any special group."

While the nominee did not touch upon the so-called whispering campaigns, the venerable former Governor Alfred A. Taylor of Tennessee, who introduced him, dealt with a story that he said had been circulated that the candidate had applied for British naturalization. Reading from what he said was an official document, the 81-year old veteran of many political campaigns, said that this had been offered Hoover, but that he had told officials of the English government that while he would be glad to serve them in any

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