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Letters To The Editor

Hold On To Homes

The Editor:
 Notice to natives living elsewhere: Hold on to your homes in Cherokee County a little longer. We may be able to live in that beautiful valley we love so well after all!

V. G. "Beans" Love
 East Bank, W. Va.

All over the world people are seeking peace of mind, but there can be no peace of mind without strength of mind.

- Eric B. Gutkind

Thanks Supporters

The Editor:
 I would greatly appreciate your publishing in your letter column that I feel like and want to thank the many, many people who have supported me in my campaign, and voted for me on election day.

It is a great thrill to know that so many people felt that I would be a good man to represent them for the high office that I was seeking.

With kindest regards,
 Sincerely yours,
 Heinz Rollman
 Waynesville, N. C.

Reminder - What Does An Industry Employing 150 Men Mean To A Town?

Governor Hodges' proclamation designating the week of November 28-December 3 as "Industry Appreciation Week" in North Carolina has again brought to the forefront the question: What does an industry employing 150 men, for example, mean to a community?

The answer to this question, according to William R. Henderson, industrial development administrator for the Department of Conservation and Development, is one that should cause North Carolinians to stop and think as they discuss the importance of industry to their communities and to the State.

A national study, Henderson said, has found that an industry providing jobs for 150 men in a community roughly means this:

- An annual payroll of \$350,000.
- A plant investment of \$300,000.
- A ten-room school house.
- Sales and service for 400 cars.
- A dozen stores.
- A taxable valuation of over a million dollars.
- The support of 1,500 people.
- Public improvements.
- An annual expenditure in trade of two million dollars.
- Yearly markets for \$800,000 in agricultural and other farm products.

"Industry Appreciation Week" is being sponsored by the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners. Boards of Commissioners in each of the State's 100 counties have been requested by Governor Hodges and Ben W. Haigh, president of the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners, to plan special programs honoring industries which now provide jobs for more than one-half million North Carolinians.

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CHEROKEE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA BONDED INDEBTEDNESS, NOVEMBER 30, 1960

DESCRIPTION	DATE OF ISSUE	DATE OF MATURITY	INTEREST RATE	OUT-STANDING 11/30/58	OUT-STANDING 11/30/60	INTEREST TO 7/1/61*
General	1/1/40	1/1/69	4 1/4 %	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,000	\$ 510.00
Refunding	12/1/54	6/1/63	6 %	100,000	60,000	3600.00
County Wide	12/1/54	6/1/64	2 3/4 %	20,000	20,000	550.00
	12/1/54	6/1/71	6 %	140,000	140,000	8400.00
School	12/1/54	6/1/63	6 %	50,000	30,000	1800.00
Building	12/1/54	6/1/64	2 3/4 %	10,000	10,000	275.00
County Wide	12/1/54	6/1/71	6 %	70,000	70,000	4200.00
	12/1/54	6/1/77	3 %	150,000	150,000	4500.00
	12/1/54	6/1/80	1 %	75,000	75,000	750.00
	12/1/54	6/1/85	1 1/4 %	125,000	125,000	312.50
Township Refunding						
Beaverdam	1/1/40	1/1/85	3 %	21,000	10,000	285.00
Hor House	1/1/40	1/1/69	5 %	12,000	6,000	300.00
Murphy	1/1/40	1/1/74	4 1/2 %	86,500	42,500	1800.00
Noda	1/1/40	1/1/69	5 %	13,000	6,000	300.00
Shoal Creek	1/1/40	1/1/65	4 1/2 %	29,000	15,000	625.50
Valleytown	1/1/40	1/1/69	4 1/2 %	32,000	14,000	562.50
Valleytown unexchanged				5,000	5,000	
TOTALS . . .				\$ 950,500	\$ 790,500	\$ 28,770.50

*Interest on \$10,000 in Township Bonds which have been called effective 1/1/60 is not included in the interest totals.

Everybody Is Talking, So Let's Do Something

So far, the Electoral College has been like Will Rogers said the weather was. Everybody talks about it, but nobody does anything about it.

They have got to doing things about the weather. So, perhaps there is hope something can be done about the Electoral College.

If anything showed clearly in the Presidential election, it was that the system needs revamping. Criticism is at its highest, because the manifold shortcomings of the Electoral College were so obvious. Demands for reform have come from across the nation, and from both sides of the political fence.

Sen. Strom Thurmond of South Carolina has joined with Sen. Karl Mundt of South Dakota in proposing a sweeping change in the procedure. A bill will be introduced by them in the Senate during the next session.

The South Carolinian introduced his own plan in 1955. In 1956, a compromise of proposals by Thurmond, Mundt, and Sen. Daniel received support of a majority of the Senators. However, the change would require a Constitutional amendment, for which a two-thirds vote is necessary in both houses and in state legislatures.

Sen. Mundt says, "I am hopeful that the American people finally will realize that as it now stands, the only votes with any real bearing on the outcome apparently hinge on the big city, big state returns."

To understand the Mundt-Thurmond plan, it is necessary to remember that one electoral vote is granted to a state for each of its U. S. Congressmen and Senators. The number of Congressmen is based on the state's population in comparison to all other states.

North Carolina has 12 Congressmen and two Senators. This brings us a total of 14 electoral votes. As it stands now, the presidential candidate who gets a majority of votes (though it be by only a few hundred, or possibly even one) receives all 14 electoral votes.

That is not so important in North Carolina as it is in states with much larger votes, like New York. There, fundamental party strength is pretty much divided into two camps. A small minority bloc can swing either way and carry the entire slate of 45 electoral votes. To a national politician, therefore, a single vote in Harlem is worth many times any vote in North Carolina.

Here is what Mundt and Thurmond propose to do: Divide each state into the number of electoral districts that it has Congressmen. Each district would possess one electoral vote. That vote would go to the national candidate favored by the voters in the district. The other two votes would go to the candidate receiving the largest number of votes statewide.

They believe this system would force candidates for President to "appeal to voters on issues which have national appeal instead of special interest appeal."

The Senators list these related reasons. It would lessen the dominating influence of political machines, the pressure groups, the AFL-CIO, and others in determining the vote in big cities.

Candidates would be compelled to campaign in every section of the country since each election district would be equally important. Every voter would be as important as any other.

Not only that, but it would no longer be essential to select presidential candidates from only a half dozen key states. Capable men, even from the deep South, would become eligible for nomination. Today, they are eligible only in technicality.

What Senators Thurmond and Mundt propose is just one of several methods that could accomplish the purpose. It is a reasonable plan, one which probably would be more politically acceptable than some others.

A healthy boost could be given to the idea if the North Carolina Legislature would contribute its support through a resolution directed to Congress.

Fall In Step

America will find it easier to fall in step in whole-hearted support of the forward movement because of the example set by Kennedy and Nixon. It never happened before, Kennedy asked if he might have the privilege of coming to visit Nixon. The latter replied, adding that he would have been pleased to answer a summons to the new president-elect.

The two young men had a long and sober talk. Neither tried to say about what other than on problems confronting the nation.

It is well that this demonstration of the American way should go to the world. It can be an example to any of us who may still be smarting under the lash of having failed to elect a particular candidate. We have serded our differences at the ballot box. Now we are one.

Thanks, Kennedy and Nixon, for your willingness and swiftness in this meeting together.

Valley River Garden Club Meets

ANDREWS - The Valley River Garden Club met on Thursday, November 17, at 3:00 p.m. at the Carnegie Library.

Mrs. Al Brown, president, presided. The program was given by Mrs. J. Wiley Davis. She spoke on flowers and shrubs of Porto Rica.

Further plans were made for Christmas Sale at the Power and Light Company on December 16 and 17. Home cooked food, jelly, jam, pickles, and Christmas decorations will be sold.

Hostesses were Mrs. Zeb Conley and Mrs. A. B. Chandler.

Senator SAM ERVIN Says

(Editor's Note: The Scout carried a reprint of an editorial calling for a revision of the electoral vote system as we now know it, in last week's paper. Senator Sam Ervin expresses much the same views in his weekly newspaper column below.)

WASHINGTON - The general election has demonstrated the wisdom of changing the electoral vote system to permit a state's electoral vote to be divided proportionately in accordance with the popular vote cast.

EQUITABLE - This is a fair approach to the problem. It does not strengthen democracy to have an entire state's electoral vote be cast for one party. It permits pressure groups and swing parties to exercise an inordinate power in choosing a President of the United States. That is why I strongly believe in changing the provision and expect to do all I can in the next Congress to see what can be accomplished.

PARTY STRENGTH - When a person votes in the Presidential election, that person normally is casting a vote as a member of either the Democratic or Republican parties. That person has a right to have his vote translated into the national picture of his party. As you know, I believe in political parties as the vehicle on which democratic government in our country depends. Now that there appears to be strong two-party systems in every state, there is good reason for bi-partisan support of any effort to have electoral votes counted proportionately.

TRANSITION - The transition from a Republican to a Democratic administration will be made much easier by the fact that Senator Kennedy and President Eisenhower have pledged cooperation in working out this important activity. President Truman was wise in establishing this policy when President Eisenhower was elected. After all, the good of the country must be the prime consideration.

Senior Class At Andrews HI Names Senior Superlatives

ANDREWS - At a recent class meeting of the Senior Class the following superlatives were named: Best Personalities - Judy West and Charles Adams. Class Flirts - Geraldine Jenkins, Buddy Holland, Most Dependable - Eria Creasman, Jack McGuire. Most Athletic - Maxine Wheeler, Larry Adams. Most Studious - Judy May - Kenneth Bradley, Wittiest - Dottie Jordan, Joe Tatham. Best All-Round - Ann Pullum, Frank Jones. Most likely to succeed - Linda Ellis, Wallace West. Annual King and Queen - Carolyn Thompson and Wendell Barloe. Mascots - Jillic Pullum and Dave Crawford.

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