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BAILEY MAKES TOLERANCE PLEA

Delivers Address Before Democratic Rally in Louisburg

Characterizing Herbert Hoover, who appears to be both wet and dry, as the most amphibious candidate in the annals of politics in this country, J. W. Bailey, of Raleigh, spoke at a Democratic rally here Friday night to a courthouse full of enthusiastic hearers. Mr. Bailey scored the Republican party and made a strong plea for a sense of religious freedom that will permit no penalty on any man because of his faith.

"The man who raises the religious question in American politics," Mr. Bailey declared, "offends against the Constitution, against his country and his God. Country and God demand that the soul shall be free—in order that religion may be pure. American politics are devoted to practical questions of economic welfare. Set up this religious issue and sectarian rivalries and jealousness will engage the minds of our people for generations to come. We will cease to go forward. We will go backward. We will undo the magnificent progress of 150 years of politics devoted to practical questions of public welfare."

"The fact that Governor Smith is a Catholic has nothing to do with his candidacy. Men who believe in the principle of religious freedom and in our Constitution will give the fact not the slightest weight. We will not permit any man because of his religion, and good Americans will not permit any man to be deprived of office because of his religion."

"I am in this campaign for no other purpose, I would be in it to do my part to defend and proclaim the doctrine of religious liberty. It came to me from Baptist preacher fathers, and God helping me, I intend to hand it down unimpaired to my children."

"Read Governor Smith's record. Show me when and wherein in his long public service of 30 years he manifested in his official acts the slightest evidence of ecclesiastical influence. That is the test. Meet that challenge. He is not ashamed of his church; he does his duty as a Christian and I honor him for it."

"The vital principle of the Democratic party is to fight out your battles within the party in primary or convention, and when decision is reached, accepting the will of the majority to unite in the campaign and the election," said Mr. Bailey. "Any other course means party disintegration."

"We must preserve the Democratic party—no matter about any one candidate or issue. It is the sure instrument of the people's will and the people's rights. It is the historical national institution of popular government. Moreover, it is the faithful guardian of the Southern people."

The Republican party, Mr. Bailey maintained, ought to be driven from power not only because it disgraced and despoiled the republic, but because it failed to meet the most pressing economic problem of our time, the relief of the farmers.

"At such times," he said, "the people have always turned to the Democratic party, and it has never failed them. In such times it gave this country Thomas Jefferson, Andrew Jackson, Grover Cleveland and Woodrow Wilson, and it is again ready. It offers a great leader, a great and proven Democrat as Jeffersonian as Jefferson, as strong against privilege as Jackson, as honest and courageous as Cleveland, as capable in administration and as sympathetic with the humble masses of mankind as Woodrow Wilson—our standard bearer and leader, Alfred E. Smith."

He discussed Governor Smith, his rise in public esteem from the sidewalks of New York, accounted for the 30 years in which he has been the target of Republican campaigners, and referred to the whispering campaign that is now employed against him.

"Hoover says he wants no support on the religious issue," he declared, "and I hope that these people who are moved by that question will understand that the Republicans don't want them—justly ashamed of them. The only thing for them to do is to get in a little hole or klavern—as they call it—and organize a little party of their own. The rest of us stand for the freedom of the soul and the standard of our Constitution. We will permit no penalty to be put upon any man's religion."

He discussed the Republican attacks on Governor Smith's position on immigration, on his connection with Tammany, and on his attitude toward prohibition.

"As to prohibition," said Mr. Bailey, "Governor Smith's position is better than Hoover's because Hoover has no position—has never said a word about the Volstead Act; calls the whole business an experiment; says he is for the Coolidge policies—under which we have 1,250,000 distilleries in our land and 2,000,000 people engaged in bootlegging. Finally, he would appoint a commission."

"Hoover is a policy man. He was for the Wilson policies in 1918; he is for the Coolidge policies in 1928;

SUPT. BEST ADDRESSES A LARGE AUDIENCE

Colored Citizens Assembled in Educational Mass Meeting Tuesday Night at Court House

County Superintendent E. L. Best was the principal speaker before a large gathering of most of the leading citizens and tax payers among the colored people in Louisburg and Franklin county Tuesday night in the court house.

The county official went into detail in his effort to show the attitude of Franklin county toward the education of its citizens, and declared that the county would build high schools in each of five districts as soon as enough students in those districts presented themselves of high school preparation.

For the present, Mr. Best assured his hearers that the county was ready to do its duty by the forthcoming high school, now being built in this town. He declared that it is their desire to have it a county training school, so as to include students from the entire county free of cost for six months thereafter, of course, a small monthly fee would be charged.

Mr. Best quoted voluminous figures, one time, he declared—the United States had spent more than six billion dollars for the education of its citizens, and then told how pleased he would be if most of the white and colored people in the county had at least a seventh grade school education.

After reading from figures that showed the number of inhabitants of the State's prison and each business and profession represented, including married and single, church members and non-professed Christians, Mr. Best ascertained that moral, spiritual, manual and mental training were prime requisites in the modern school room, and he intimated that education was a failure if stress was not placed upon conduct which included the consumption of moral obligations.

The speaker paid tribute to Walter M. Alston, who had been selected by Chairman J. H. Sills to introduce the speaker.

When Mr. Best finished, Major S. P. Boddie, who had accompanied the speaker, was presented and delighted his hearers in his brief remarks.

The reply to the addresses of the evening was made by Dr. J. B. Davis, who declared that for comprehensiveness and charity backed up by good will and fine sentiment, Mr. Best's speech had eclipsed all former efforts.

Dr. Davis made the point that the white people of the South, though living in daily contact with the negro, did not know him, this paradox was clarified to the satisfaction of all however, when he described that type of negro who had the ear of his superiors and told them things about persons and conditions and acted in such polite and humble manner before their good white friends, thus ingratiating themselves into their confidence, but when they turned to their own race, they were just the reverse, in their attitude towards both groups. "The negro who speaks frankly is the best friend to both races."

This is the type, Dr. Davis contended that our good white citizens don't know, and he contended that the only way to find them out is to get the evidence from reliable members of their own racial group. After again thanking Superintendent Best, whom he characterized as one of the ablest in the State, Dr. Davis expressed thanks to Major Boddie, whom he paid a splendid tribute, referring to him as an able business man and a broad gauged humanitarian.

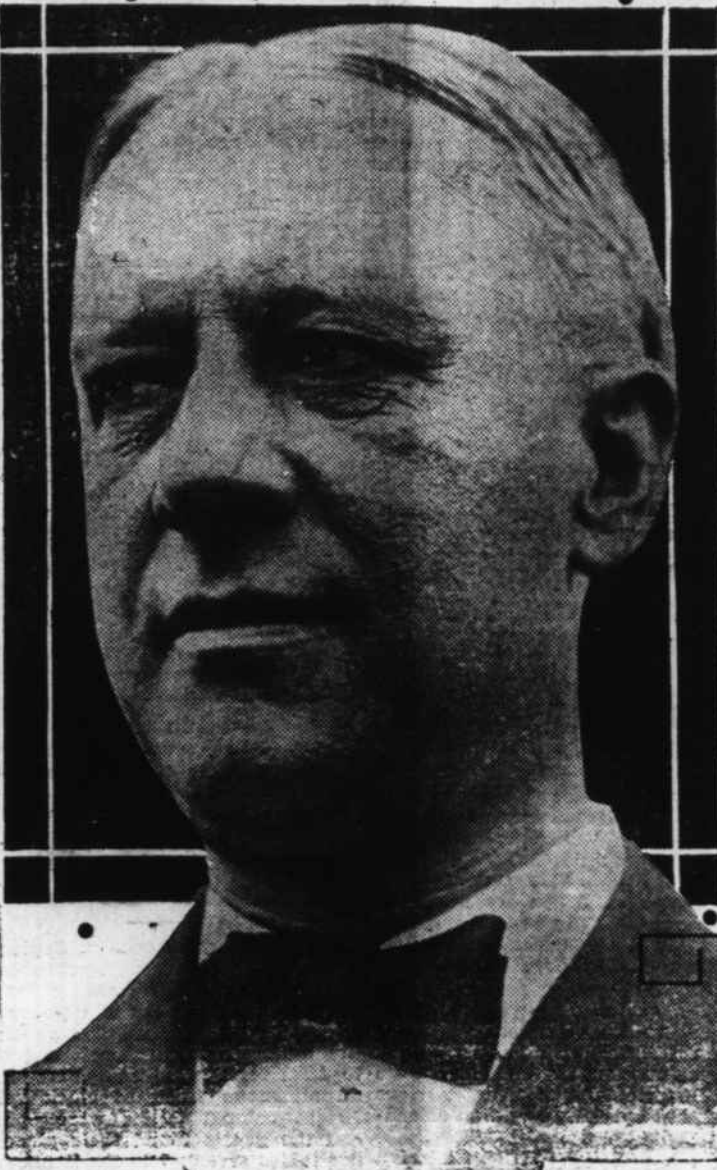
He closed by lauding the fine relationship between white and colored people in this community, which the physician declared to be possible only through such noble characters as Major Boddie and Superintendent Best.

He was for the League of Nations in 1918; he is against the League of Nations now. He was a Democrat and running for the nomination for President as a Democrat in 1920; he claims to be a Republican now. In the country about 14 years, making his fortune abroad, he either does not know anything about these great questions, or he has done the finest lot of political leaping ever seen outside a circus. To cap the climax, at this time he is running as a wet in the North and as a dry in the South. He is the most amphibious candidate for the Presidency in all our annals.

As to Governor Smith's position on prohibition, Mr. Bailey insisted that it could not affect the situation in any State that wants liquor.

"Any proposed change in the Constitution," he continued, "must be fought out hereafter. You will have abundant opportunity to take your stand. Meanwhile, there is corruption in government to be rooted out, and here is the great farming population crying for relief. Here are the other great pressing questions of the time. To be sure, we will not permit our differences on prohibition, which we may settle later on, to stand between us and the moral challenge of Republican corruption and the distressing demands of our farmers for relief."

GOV. ALFRED E. SMITH



Who was the guest of North Carolina yesterday. He was on his way to Louisville, Ky., where he is to speak Saturday night. Thousands and thousands of people were in Raleigh yesterday to see the Governor, where he made his longest stop.

Tobacco Prices Higher

The prices for tobacco on the Louisburg market have advanced the past week to the point that all concerned are especially well pleased. There is a good demand for all grades and many farmers are selling on the local market.

Rocky Mount Fair

Rocky Mount, Oct. 8.—Rocky Mount's fifteenth annual fair which begins here Monday afternoon, October 15, will be, in every respect, the largest ever undertaken by fair officials.

Not in the colorful history of the institution, have so many and varied attractions been assembled for one fair. Last year officials increased the department dealing with exhibits and added to the amount of money given in prizes, but this year they have done more than that. The new fair book shows that several hundred dollars more than was offered last year will be distributed this year in premiums alone.

The Rubin-Cherry shows, the midway attraction this year, is to the carnival world what Ringling Brothers and Barnum and Bailey is to the circus world. There is not larger. The carnival at present is playing at Richmond and will stop here enroute to another engagement further south. All of the summer the shows have been in Toronto playing to the international exposition there. The contract calls for 22 separate shows and eleven varied rides. Because of the size of the attraction, fair officials were forced to rearrange the section of the ground ordinarily devoted to midway attractions. Forty cars are required to transport the show.

There will be races, free acts several times each day, fireworks, exhibits from all sections of the locality, a forty piece band for all the concerts, an address by George Gordon Battle, noted New York attorney, and a football game in addition to the regular fair features. The fair promises to be the most colorful in the history of the association in Rocky Mount.

N. Y. Chambliss, secretary of the association, who is in charge of the fair organization, stated today that every arrangement had been completed and that the fair would get under way Monday evening. Never, he said, has there been a greater assemblage of noted attractions than this year.

Attendance at the fair this year undoubtedly will be larger than last year and the officials are preparing to care for a greater number of spectators and have arranged parking space for one thousand or more automobiles within the fair grounds. The fair will last throughout the week of October 15, beginning the 15 and running through the 20th.

COLONEL NOLAN FAILS TO SPEAK

Colonel J. Q. Nolan, who came to Louisburg Saturday as an anti-Smith Democratic lecturer, accompanied by a Republican from Edgecombe county and greeted by a scattering of local Republicans, of which there are not a great number, departed from town without making his scheduled lecture when he heard that some of the younger Democrats of the community did not wish to hear him on "Tammanyism, Alienism and Alcoholism."

Nothing of a formal nature was done about the "Colonel." The official organization of the Democrats in the county were perfectly willing for him to have a hearing, if he could get anybody to hear him. It was some of the younger order who are taking this campaign seriously and a very much to heart, who intimated that they were not going to stand by and hear Alfred E. Smith abused. They were prepared to put a stop to it, and both Chief of Police Meadows and Deputy Sheriff Fuller told the colonel frankly that there might be disorder, although they were willing to go to any length to protect him if he wanted to speak.

The colonel decided that he didn't care to speak and departed from town some time before the hour of his public appearance in the courthouse, either to hear the colonel or to see what happened to him if he was not heard. Circulars describing the colonel's eloquence and patriotic fervor were distributed last night after the address of J. W. Bailey.

Franklin County W. M. U.

The W. M. U. of Franklin county will meet with the Bunn Baptist church Saturday, October 13th, 1928. Every society in the county is urged to send delegates. Pastors and all interested workers are also invited.

The following program will be rendered:
10:30 Song service.
10:45 Devotional.
11:00 Roll call and business.
11:15 The Standard of Excellence, Mrs. J. S. Howell, Louisburg.
11:45 Ruby Anniversary Aims and Plans for Tar River Association, Miss Lillie Harper, Louisburg.
12:15 Round table discussions.
12:45 Lunch.
2:00 Missionary sermon, Rev. C. B. Howard, Guppton.

Corn is down and damaging; cotton bolls are rotting; and tobacco is molding in the packhouses of Beaufort county, says the county agent.

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FRANKLIN COUNTY FAIR BIGGER AND BETTER

The Franklin County Fair, from all indications, will be the biggest ever held in this part of the State. The people in the county, realizing the value of a real county fair are cooperating in every way to make it the best fair that will take place in this part of the State. From a small beginning, the Franklin County Fair has grown to be one of the biggest in the State and is considered by outsiders to be of more educational value than any of the others.

The seven school districts will put on competitive exhibits and all of the vocational teachers in the county will combine to give the people the first hand information in regard to the wonderful work that is being done by vocational education. This of course is a regular part of the county school work.

In looking over the premium list we notice that hundreds of dollars are offered in premiums to Franklin county people only, and this is one reason why our fair is of so much interest to the people in this county.

The Fair Association is the sole sponsor of the Franklin County Pig Club, which now has more than two thousand pure bred hogs in Franklin county and many of these will be on exhibit at the fair this year.

The W. T. Stone Shows, one of the largest carnival companies making the South this year, will furnish the amusements for the mid-way and many other features including a parachute drop from an airplane each day will add much to the pleasure loving people who attend the fair.

MASONIC DISTRICT AND EDUCATIONAL MEETING

District Deputy Grand Master Frank A. Roth, of the 19th Masonic District of North Carolina consisting of Vance, Warren and Franklin counties announces the program for the District Meeting to be held with the Louisburg Masonic Lodge Number 413 on Thursday, October 18, 1928, as follows:

2:30 P. M. Business meeting.
4:00 P. M. Address by Dr. W. E. Wicker.
7:30 P. M. Barbecue supper.
8:00 P. M. Presentation Past Master Jewell by John H. Anderson past Grand Master.
8:30 P. M. Master Mason Degrees conferred by William G. Hill Lodge, Raleigh.
9:30 P. M. Third Degree Lecture with picture slides by J. L. Emanuel Past Master William G. Hill Lodge.
10:00 P. M. Address by R. C. Dunn, Grand Master North Carolina Masons.

All Master Masons cordially invited.

Welfare Report

The report of E. C. Perry, Superintendent of Public Welfare of Franklin county for the month of September shows that this department has been wide awake and hustling. The first case listed in this report is that of two little colored boys whose mother is dead. The superintendent placed them with Cornelius Spivey. Four cases in the report show that homes have been found for children, eight in number whose mothers were dead and whose fathers had run away. A badly burned colored girl, whose people could not or would not have her treated, has received treatment.

An appreciation has been sent to the N. C. Orthopaedic Hospital at Gastonia for the admission of a little colored girl.

Among the adult cases, a warrant has been issued for a colored man who has deserted his family; Otter Neal, Lillie Bowles and Narcissus Newell, a colored woman who has pe-lagra and whose husband has deserted her, have been sent to the county home; Georgianna Griffin and Mary Dickerson, both inmates of the county home, have been placed in homes. A warrant has been issued for a negro deserting his sick wife. A white woman has received treatment at a hospital for rheumatism. One white woman has been sent to the State Hospital at Raleigh and application has been made for another. A coffin was furnished a colored woman who had died, her husband having run away and there being no one else to bury it.

Besides having attended to these many cases, Supt. Perry has visited the jail and the county home and reports these in good condition.

Drifting

The above is the subject of a sermon to be preached by the pastor at Shiloh Sunday at 11 a. m., October 14.

Preaching also by the pastor at Piney Grove Sunday afternoon 3 o'clock. Subject, "Following the Guide." Revival closes at Leah's Chapel Sunday with one service at 7:30 p. m.

At Home

The Louisburg College faculty will be at home to their friends on Tuesday afternoon, October the sixteenth from four to five o'clock.

FRANKLIN COUNTY FOLK HEAR JOHNSON

Chairman Advisory Committee Addresses Club at Louisburg

Senator T. L. Johnson, Chairman of the Democratic Advisory Committee, addressed the Young Men's Democratic Club of Franklin county Wednesday night in the court house. There was a large attendance from all sections of the county.

Senator Johnson painted a word picture of the remarkable progress of North Carolina since Chas. B. Aycock was elected Governor in 1900, claiming as monumental achievements the building of the public school system that compares favorably with the most progressive states of the Union, and a State wide system of highways that has made North Carolina the unchallenged leader of all the Southern States. "But we have done more than this" said Senator Johnson. "We have not only made it possible for every boy and girl, regardless of condition in life or circumstances of fortune to burgeon out all that God put into his soul by giving him an educational opportunity, but we have to a very rare degree translated in terms of public service the Christian precepts of Jesus of Nazareth. The lame were made to walk; the blind to see again, and the erring youth has been reclaimed." Senator Johnson here recalled the roll of the charitable and correctional institutions. "The girl, on whose brow sin has stamped its scarlet letter of disgrace has been picked up and sheltered in Samaritan and redeemed to a life of usefulness and service" said he, referring to the institution for reclaiming erring girls.

Senator Johnson here paid a tribute to O. Max Gardner as a man pre-eminently fit to lead the great Democratic party to new and even nobler achievements, predicting his election by an overwhelming majority.

Senator Johnson next discussed the candidacy of Governor Smith for President, describing him as a man who by merit and worth had lifted himself by his own boot straps from the East Side of New York, as a little boy by selling newspapers, to within the very shadows of the White House. He ridiculed the attacks upon Governor Smith by Frank McNinch and others on the prohibition question pointing out that we have abundant laws in North Carolina to protect adequately our homes against intoxicating liquors. Even if Governor Smith's views on the liquor question are erroneous they can in no wise affect North Carolina. He charged Dr. A. J. Barton with insincerity and read his report as Chairman of the Anti-Saloon League, in which Dr. Barton charged President Coolidge and his secretary of the treasury, Andrew Mellon with failing to enforce the prohibition laws.

Just prior to the address of Senator Johnson the young men and young women of Louisburg township formulated their organizations by the election of officers as follows:
Young men: W. D. Jackson, president; R. W. Alston, active vice president; J. B. King, secretary.
Young women: Miss Susie Meadows chairman; Mrs. J. R. Earle, Jr., secretary; Advisory Committee, Mrs. M. C. Pleasants, Mrs. S. J. Farham, Mrs. K. K. Allen.
Mr. R. G. Bailey, County Chairman of the Young Men's Democratic Clubs reports the appointments of the following chairmen for the townships named:
Dumas township—Mr. Edward Mullen.
Harris township—Mr. Charles V. Floyd.
Youngville township—Mr. Frank Timberlake.
Frankinton township—Mr. Fred Morris.
Hayesville township—Mr. Frank M. Ayscue.
Sandy Creek township—Mr. Josh Tharrington.
Gold Mine township—Mr. J. Howard Griffin.
Cedar Rock township—Mr. Spencer Dean.
Cypress Creek township—Mr. Mortimer Harris.
Louisburg township—W. D. Jackson.

The Young Womens Democratic Club of Louisburg township will hold a meeting Monday night in the court house at 7:30. All ladies are invited to attend.

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