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## BRINSON AND HERRING SPEAK

### Candidates For Congress Met At Jacksonville Monday

A debate between Congressman S. M. Brinson and the Republican nominee for Congress Richard L. Herring took place last Monday in the town of Jacksonville. This is the same town in which Mr. Brinson and Mr. Abernethy had a hot debate some months ago.

Both Mr. Brinson and Mr. Herring had an engagement to speak in Jacksonville Monday but neither knew the other was to be there. On their arrival however it was seen that the best way to handle the situation was to have a joint discussion and so the matter was soon arranged. Mr. Herring led off with a forty-five minute speech in which he discussed from the Republican stand point the State's election laws, Revaluation Cotton Prices and the Federal Reserve bank and the League of Nations. He also said in the outset that he thought it was a good thing for women to go into politics because it would have a tendency to make politics purer and better. Mr. Brinson followed with a forty-five minute speech in which he took up the matters brought out by his opponent and refuted them or endeavored to do so as the case may be. In his rejoinder of fifteen minutes Mr. Herring went back to the subjects of the election laws, revaluation and the League of Nations. Mr. Brinson closed the debate with a fifteen minute discussion of these topics. As to which the speaker got the better of the argument that is large ly a matter of opinion, some thinking one way and others thinking differently. The debate was on a high plane. There were no offensive personalities or mud slinging of any sort. Each speaker presented the issues of the campaign as he saw them and left the audience to deliver the verdict. The court house was well filled mostly men being present. Probably fifty women were there. No arrangements have been made for any further joint discussions.

### Circus Coming Tuesday

Beaufort is going to have a circus. It will not be necessary to go to New Bern to see the elephants, acrobats, clowns and so on. They are going to be here in full force next Tuesday and already the school boys are figuring on good and sufficient reasons why they should not go to school that day. The old folks of course will have to go to see that the children get there all right and that the lions do not eat them up. No doubt most everybody will be there. The name of the show is Sangers' Greater European Shows and next Tuesday is the day.

### Census Figures

The census returns for Carteret county were given out this week. They are not correct however as Cedar Island was left out entirely. It appears that Beaufort's population now is 2968 and that of Morehead City is 2968. Ten years ago Beaufort had 2483 and Morehead City 2039. The News will give other figures as to the county next week.

**Frolicsome Birds and Fishes.**  
The crane will amuse itself sometimes by running round in circles and throwing small pebbles and bits of wood into the air. Other water-birds can any time be observed at their frolic, cleaving the water or diving after each other.

## Not Much Damage From The Storm

The southeast storm of last Thursday afternoon was about the worst that this section has experienced since the bad one of August two years ago. A violent wind which lasted for an hour or more accompanied by a terrific rain were the principal features of the gale. A half dozen or more telephone poles were blown over, some limbs broken off the trees and a few window panes broken out but no more serious damage so far as the News has learned. At one time the wind seemed to have a velocity of fifty miles an hour or more but fortunately it stayed that way only a few minutes and soon began to subside. There was no injury to the boats in the harbor of any consequence. The electric light plant was put to some inconvenience and on Thursday night the arc lights were not used but by the following night the lights were going again.

### Big Dredge Boat Here

The largest dredge boat that ever visited Beaufort came into the harbor Saturday evening and stayed until yesterday when she left for Croatan Sound. The name of the dredge is the P. S. Taber. She came here from New Orleans and before that was at St. Paul Minnesota. The vessel is 210 feet long and is as high as a two story house. She holds the record in the United States for moving dirt the same being 82,000 cubic yards in twenty four hours. From Croatan Sound the Taber will go to Norfolk.

### Auditing County Books

O. O. Hewitt of Richmond Va. is here this week auditing the county's books. He is working on the sheriff's books at present but will go through all the others before he stops.

### Registration Of Women Voters

Evidently there are a good many women in Beaufort who have not yet made up their minds to vote on the second of November or else they are putting off registration a while longer. Registrar L. W. Hassell stated yesterday evening that so far only 54 women had put their names on the books. He estimated that there were about equally divided between the two parties. Probably a good many more will register Saturday.

### May Plant Here

The News is informed that the Pepsi-Cola Company of New Bern is thinking of locating one of its bottling plants in Beaufort. This concern which has headquarters in New Bern and is a well known one, has recently put on the market \$1,500,000 worth of common stock which is to be used in enlarging the company's business. Pepsi-Cola is one of the best known soft drinks in the country today and its sales are said to be very large. It will probably be about January the first before the location of the plant will be decided on.

### Might Ask 'Em

"It has always been a wonder to me," remarked the fellow who lives next door, on the way downtown this morning, "what some of these fellows who apparently must occupy all their time writing newspaper columns to the papers, do for a living."—Marion (C.) Star.

## TUBERCULOSIS CLINIC

### Free Examinations May Be Had If Desired

For a long time workers engaged in the fight against tuberculosis have realized that early diagnosis is the most important step in the cure of the disease.

For the last six years a clinic has been held at the State Sanatorium every morning, Sunday excepted, between the hours of eight and eleven A. M., where residents of North Carolina could be examined for tuberculosis without charge. The services of this clinic have been sought by such a large number of people that it became necessary to require an appointment for examination as only a limited number could be examined each day.

In order to provide an additional opportunity for free examinations for those desiring it, the State Board of Health, the American Red Cross and the North Carolina Tuberculosis Association are cooperating by holding diagnostic clinics at any point in North Carolina where six or more desiring an examination can be gathered. The Clinic Physician, Dr. J. L. Spruill, is furnished by the North Carolina Tuberculosis Association. He is a skilled tuberculosis diagnostician having been for three years clinician for the State Sanatorium. The nurses are furnished by the State Board of Health and the American Red Cross, and have a wide experience in public health nursing in the State.

Since May this year clinics have been in Burke, Edgecombe, Madison, Swain and Washington counties, and in the cities of Asheboro and Spray. During these clinics 721 examinations were made, of this number 248 were found to have tuberculosis. One hundred and seven showed signs but had no definite symptoms and further examination by the aid of the X-Ray and tuberculin tests were advised. Three hundred and forty-eight were found to be free of the disease. Towns and counties desiring to hold clinics may secure appointment by applying to the North Carolina Sanatorium, Sanatorium, N. C.

### Did Not Hold Meeting

On account of the lack of a quorum the board of town commissioners did not hold a meeting Tuesday night. Only commissioners Doane and Potter were present and Mayor Bushall. A meeting will probably be held tomorrow night.

### Examination Of Teachers

Applicants for County and State certificates will be examined in Beaufort at the court house Tuesday and Wednesday October 12th and 13th. It requires two days to complete the examination. Examination begins promptly at 10 A. M.

L. B. Ennett,  
County Superintendent.

### Sunday School Rally

The third Sunday, October 17th, Rally Day will be observed in Ann Street Methodist Sunday School. All church members Mothers, Fathers and the public are invited to be present. Exercises will begin at 9:45 A. M.

### Aspiring

He who no longer aspires to be more than a man will be less than a man.—Tee.

## Commissioners Meeting

The board of County Commissioners were in session here Monday and Tuesday and had before them about the usual run of business. M. T. Royall presented a petition from freeholders of Smyrna asking that a stock law be held there on November the second. The board on advice of the county attorney rejected the application on the ground that the time was too short now for holding an election at that time.

Thos. Nelson and David Jones asked that an overseer be appointed for the Marshallburg Gloucester road. Captain Steve Davis was appointed to the place. W. A. Mace reported that the plumbing contract at the county home had been finished and presented the bill of Gaskill-Mace Company. C. G. Bailey who inspected the work said it was done satisfactorily and the board ordered the bill of \$917.12 paid. C. K. Howe was appointed county Surveyor. K. N. Bell of Bogus asked the board to consider its former action on the Bogue Sound road and give the petitioners a spur road. The board adopted the Bogue Sound road from Rocky Run to the mail boxes at the junction of the road leading to Stella as a spur road. Bills were audited and other routine matters attended to after which the board adjourned.

## Miss Willis And Mr. Davis Wed

A large crowd was out last Friday evening at seven-thirty o'clock at Davis to witness the marriage of Miss Ethel Willis and Mr. W. T. Davis of that place. Miss Willis is the pretty and attractive daughter of Mr. Wm. Willis and Mr. Davis is a prominent young business man and is the Democratic nominee for sheriff. The marriage ceremony was performed in the Missionary Baptist church by Reverend E. A. Paul the pastor. The church was nicely decorated for the occasion and presented a very pretty appearance. Six couples of young friends of the bride and groom acted as bridesmaids and groomsmen and preceded the couple to the altar while the organ sounded the strains of Lohengrin wedding march. Mr. and Mrs. Davis have many friends in the county who are wishing them much happiness.

### Asbestos

The earliest use of asbestos was for spinning and weaving, to make incombustible thread and yarn rope and cloth, and this has continued to be the most important use of asbestos ever since the days of the Greeks and Romans. Only the best grades can be used for this purpose, according to the United States geological survey, department of the Interior. Thread can now be spun so fine that it will run about 32,000 feet to the pound.

### It Has a Good Name

In the yellow adders' tongue, which John Burroughs has poetically styled "fawn lily," there is a twofold appropriateness of name, says the American Forestry Magazine of Washington, for the erect leaves have well been likened to the ears of a startled deer, while the mottled colors, with a distinct fawn color more or less in evidence on the outside of the miniature yellow lines, easily suggest the name.

### Honesty Prevails In China

Honesty is a prevailing virtue among most Chinamen. Some of them in their native towns, and cities leave their places of business unguarded while they go off for an hour or more. Should customers arrive in the meantime they find the prices of goods plainly marked, select what they want and leave the money for them.

### Nary a Law

If you must have something with a kick in it there's no law against your getting a trade.—H. S. T. Transcript.

## HIGH PRICES HIT RAILWAY INCOME

### HEAVY ADVANCE IN COSTS OF EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS USED BY RAILWAYS

### HIGH COST OF RAILROADING

Writer in Railway Age Shows How the Roads Have Suffered From High Prices

"The public knows that the prices of almost all the things it buys have advanced greatly within recent years," says the Railway Age. "It apparently does not realize, that the prices of most of the things that enter into the cost of living of the railways have increased much more in proportion than the prices of commodities in general, but this is a fact, and it is the principal reason why such large advances in rates are necessary. The public knows pretty well how much the railroad payroll has been increased. Here are a few illustrations of typical increases in the prices of things that railways have to buy:

"A locomotive which in 1914 cost \$27,876 will now cost \$75,760, an increase of 171 per cent. In 1914 a railway had to pay only about 5 per cent. interest on the money it invested in a locomotive, while now it must pay about 7 1/2 per cent. Therefore, its interest charges on a locomotive bought six years ago were \$1,394 a year, while on a locomotive bought now they will be about \$5,681 a year, an increase in fixed charges of 210 per cent.

"An average box car bought in 1914 cost about \$1000, while now it would cost about \$3000, an increase of 200 per cent. The interest on the investment in the car in 1914 would have been about \$50 a year, while now it would be about \$225 a year, an increase of 350 per cent.

"The foregoing statistics illustrate the advances which have occurred in the prices of equipment and in the interest that must be paid on the investment in it. The increases in the cost of constructing track and bridges have not been so great but they have been very large:

"In 1915 a 90-foot through girder bridge could be bought and installed—not including masonry—for \$6,427. It would cost now \$15,117, an increase of 135 per cent. These figures are based upon records of the actual expenditures of a certain road. In 1911 this road paid \$12,550 per mile for merely the rail track fastenings, ties and ballast used in the construction of a new main track. The same materials would now cost \$26,235, an increase of 110 per cent. For like classes of materials used in building a mile of side track, including two main track turnouts, this road in 1915 paid \$8,620. The same materials would now cost \$16,904, an increase of 96 per cent.

"One important cause of the increase in railway expenses is the advance in the prices of all commodities and therefore in the amounts that the railways have to pay for loss and damage to freight:

"A certain railway recently was presented a claim for \$4,511 for the loss of a carload of beef. The high value of beef was, of course, principal due to the increases in prices within recent years. The freight earnings from the shipment were \$113.40. Therefore, if the railway has to pay the entire claim it will take the revenue from forty similar carloads of freight—an entire trainload.

"There is hardly a branch of rail road operation in which unit costs have not increased 100 to 200 per cent. within the last five years."

### Scientific Advances

Prohibition has developed an apparatus known as the shalloncope, which shows accurately the boiling point of liquids and which brewers find useful for making off-hand determinations of the alcoholic strength of the brew while the product is still in the plant. Another instrument known as the cryoscope, which works on exactly the opposite principle, showing the varying densities of liquids at the freezing point, is used for ascertaining the quality of milk.

### The Particular One

"Ma, tell me if Cornelia called her children her jewels, and when she whipped one of her boys, he burst into tears?"  
"Well, child?"  
"Was that a son burst?"

## REPUBLICAN RALLIES

### A Number Of Meetings Planned For This Week

Republican meetings were held last week at four places in the county namely Morehead City, Davis, Williston and Marshallburg. At each of these places a large audience was on hand to hear the speakers and much interest was manifested in the meetings. All of the rallies took place on Friday evening. W. B. Rouse of New Bern spoke at Morehead City, K. J. Respass and W. G. Mebane at Davis, C. R. Wheatley and Sheriff Thomas at Marshallburg and D. M. Jones and E. Walter Hill at Williston.

This week there will be speaking at the following places all at night; Thursday at Venolia school house, Holly Springs school house and Mill Creek school house. Friday the places will be Otway, Bettie and Wire Grass. Saturday meetings will take place at Marshallburg, Stacy and Harker's Island. Posters have been sent out announcing the dates of the gatherings and the names of the speakers. Those who are expected to address the voters are C. R. Wheatley, J. F. Duncan, E. Walter Hill, Judge K. J. Respass, Sheriff Thomas, Hon. D. M. Jones G. W. Duncan and W. G. Mebane.

Ladies are invited to come out and hear the speakings and at most of the places they have been attending in considerable numbers. Democrats and independent voters are also invited to come out and hear the discussions.

## Geo. W. Scott Passes Away

Mr. George W. Scott, an old and well known citizen of Beaufort died last Thursday morning at his home here. He was seventy-five years of age. Mr. Scott had been in feeble health for several months and his death was due to a general break down and the infirmities of old age. The funeral services were conducted at the home Friday morning at ten o'clock by Reverend R. F. Bumpas assisted by Reverend H. A. Day, and interment was in the Episcopal cemetery. By request M. Leslie Davis sang a beautiful solo "Over The Life". Mr. Scott is survived by his widow Mrs. Priscilla Scott, four daughters, Mrs. Sam Willis of Morehead City, Mrs. Wm. Skarren, Mrs. Arthur Newkirk, Mrs. Alex. Garner and a son C. W. Scott of Beaufort. Mr. Scott had been for many years a member of the Methodist church here.

### "California"

The name was first applied to Lower California, and probably was taken from the name of a fictitious island abounding in gold and precious stones, which was described in the Spanish romance, "Las Sergas de Esplandian," published in 1510.

### Gasoline

Gasoline gives off a very explosive vapor, even at ordinary temperature. This vapor is heavier than air and may be present near the floor of a room in which the odor of gasoline is scarcely noticeable to a person standing.

### Washington Knew Value of Oil

There has been recently discovered a letter of George Washington in which he shows great interest in the possibility of an "oil spring" in Virginia. He called the respectful attention of his trustees to the importance of the matter.

### Inconspicuity

Uncle Bill Bottletop says he knows a man who will fool with any old kind of liquor, who refused to eat much, because for fear a little foolery might get mixed in.