

ELECTION BILL PASSES AFTER THIRD READING

Is Amended by Proposal of Surry's Folger

CAUSES A HOT BATTLE

Folger Amendment Provides for Election Officials to Assist Voters

BILL IS SENT TO HOUSE

Raleigh, March 28.—An amended election reform bill to regulate the activity of markers in primaries passed the senate on third reading after lengthy debate today, and was sent to the house for concurrence.

The amendment, proposed yesterday by Senator Folger of Surry, stirred up one of the hottest battles of the 1939 session, and caused some of the original sponsors of the bill to disclaim it as a part of the reform program.

Originally, the bill would have prohibited any person from assisting more than one voter in marking a primary ballot. The Folger amendment added a proviso that election officials could assist any number of voters.

Senators opposing the amendment attempted two tactical moves to have it eliminated from the bill. First they forced a vote to reconsider the amendment, which was approved yesterday, and their motion carried, 25 to 20.

Then Senator Lumpkin sent up a substitute amendment, interpreted as a compromise, which would allow any person to assist in marking six ballots. It was killed, 24 to 15.

Another vote next was held on Folger's proposal, and it was re-adopted, 22 to 21. The bill then passed third reading, 24 to 15, and went back to the house.

The motion to reconsider Folger's proposal was made by Senator Sutton of Lenoir, who said he wanted to change his vote yesterday on the amendment because he had decided "it will not correct the evils we seek to eliminate."

MRS. WILMOTH PASSES SUNDAY

Wife of S. H. Wilmoth Had Been Semi-Invalid for a Number of Years

FUNERAL HELD MONDAY

Mrs. S. H. Wilmoth, 80, widow of S. H. Wilmoth, for many years a prominent merchant of this city, died Sunday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. L. Hutchins, near Yadkinville.

Mrs. Wilmoth had been a semi-invalid for a number of years and last week she sustained a fractured hip in a fall in her bedroom, which was the immediate cause of her death.

A native of Booneville, Mrs. Wilmoth was well known throughout this section.

She is survived by her daughter, Mrs. Percy Wilmoth Hutchins, three sisters, Miss Betty Hendrix and Mrs. Randolph Frye, of Booneville, and Mrs. Sid Woltz, of Dinuba, Calif.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the Booneville Methodist church. The rites were in charge of Rev. J. H. Green, assisted by Dr. C. N. Clark, of Salisbury, Rev. L. B. Abernethy, of this city, and Dr. W. A. Lambeth, of Winston-Salem.

Rev. W. L. Hutchins, son-in-law of the deceased, is presiding elder of the Waynesville district of the Western North Carolina Methodist Conference.

BARBARA ANN BENSON IS A HIT AS VIOLINIST

Barbara Ann Benson, 10-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. L. Benson, of this city, received much praise and applause in her appearance as violin soloist at the concert of the Salem College string orchestra at the college auditorium in Winston-Salem Monday evening.

According to reports Miss Benson displayed unusual talent and technique for one so young and was recalled to the stage a number of times by the enthusiastic applause of the large audience.

The young musician is a student of Hazel Horton Reade.

THEN AND NOW Elkin, as it was 49 years ago and as it is today, is graphically pictured in the two photographs below. Top photo was taken in 1890 and covers the area pictured at bottom. The two buildings standing out alone against the sky, are now occupied by Svdnor-Spainhour Co., and Castevens Hardware Co. The building in the foreground, now the Spainhour building, was occupied at the time by Click & Co., Merchandise and Produce. The church shown at left was the Elkin Methodist church and was located where the Downtown Garage now stands. The people pictured in the old photo were here to attend John Sparks circus. The original of the top photo is owned by W. W. Whitaker, Elkin grocer.—(Bottom photo by Tribune Photographer).



Madrid Is Taken; Spanish War Ends

Franco's Troops March into War-Torn City to Be Met With Cheers

CENTRAL ARMY FLEES

Madrid, March 28.—Shell-torn Madrid, symbol of republican resistance during 32 months of civil war, passed today into the hands of nationalist Generalissimo Francisco Franco.

After holding nationalist forces at the edge of the war-weary, hungering capital for nearly 29 months, the central army withdrew from defense lines and hoisted white flags this morning.

The fall of the city was regarded at the virtual end of the savage, destructive conflict which had frightened Europe for so long.

Franco's triumphant troops marched into Madrid early in the afternoon. Not a shot was fired. The tired populace cheered and danced.

In the early morning hours Gen. Jose Miaja, head of the national defense council and one-time "savior of Madrid," War

ACL OIL COMPANY IS FORMED HERE

W. M. Allen, W. H. Combs and C. F. Lineberry have formed the ACL Oil Company here, acting as distributors in this area for Pure Oil products.

The new company was formed March 1. Prior to that time Pure Oil products were distributed by C. F. Lineberry as agent for the oil company.

SILOAM YOUTH FATALLY HURT

Is Struck by Automobile Driven by James Folger While Walking Highway

FUNERAL HELD MONDAY

Struck by an automobile driven by James Folger, well-known Dobson man, Clyde Wilson Whitaker, 17-year-old Siloam youth, was fatally injured Saturday as he walked along the highway near Pilot Mountain. The accident occurred about midnight.

Sheriff Harvey S. Boyd investigated the accident, aided by Dr. Robert E. Smith, Surry coroner. They learned that Whitaker and two other youths were walking along the right side of the highway and that Folger was possibly blinded by the lights when he struck the young man. He was placed under bond pending a hearing.

Young Whitaker was the son of Mr. and Mrs. William G. Whitaker of Siloam, who survive him. Other survivors include four brothers, Floyd, Lacy, Elbert and Claude Whitaker; and four sisters, Mrs. Jessie Key, Mrs. Bliss Wood and Misses Mary and Ruth Whitaker.

Funeral services were conducted from the Whitaker home at Siloam at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon, with burial in the Whitaker family cemetery.

N. WILKESBORO FARM LOAN OFFICE MOVED

The North Wilkesboro office of the National Farm Loan association is being moved from its present location to the ground floor of the Postoffice building, next door to the Rexall Drug Store, in that city, it has been announced.

Local Hospital Receives Funds From Endowment

Trustees of the Duke Endowment Tuesday appropriated \$959,724.81 for 109 hospitals and 43 orphan homes in the Carolinas. Of this amount, a total of \$3,258 went to the Hugh Chatham Memorial hospital here, and \$2,175 to Roaring Gap hospital at Roaring Gap. The endowment allots \$100 per each free day of hospital care given.

Mass Meeting Is To Be Held at School This P. M.

The identity of Elkin's next mayor and commissioners who will have charge of the town's destiny for the next two years will be decided at the mass meeting of Elkin voters called for this evening (Thursday), at the elementary school auditorium. The meeting is scheduled to start at 8:00 o'clock.

Candidates will be nominated and will be voted upon at the town election to be held in the near future.

Every voter of the town is urged to attend this meeting and have a voice in selecting the officials they desire.

Stockholders Ratify Plan To Consolidate Chatham Plant Here

To Give Operetta At North Elkin School Friday

An operetta, "Molly Be Jolly," will be given at North Elkin school Friday night, March 31, 8:00 p. m. Over one hundred children will be in the program. A partial list of characters is as follows:

Molly, Martha Hayes; Ralph, Fred Hemric; Helen, Frances Hemric; Stewart, Roy Smith; Tim, Worth Nixon; Jim, Kenneth Collins; Mrs. Green, Jean Steele; Bill Hamon, Harold Hanes.

A group of neighbor children, minstrel group, dairy maids, and toy orchestra are included. The dancers are Peggy Walters, Marvoren Nance, Lubeth Layell, June Miller, Daisy Mae Irvin, Josephine Steele.

Everyone is cordially invited. A small admission fee will be charged and the benefits will go to the school library.

SOPHOMORES TO PRESENT PLAY

Will Take Form of Negro Minstrel at Elementary School Here Friday

PLAN OTHER EVENTS

Heralding the commencement exercises for the city schools, the sophomore class will present a Negro minstrel at the elementary school auditorium Friday evening, March 31, at 8 o'clock.

The scene is laid in a Negro schoolroom with the cast being composed of members of the sophomore class. Eugene Powers will be in the role of the sedate professor; John Gambill as "Stovepipe"; Emma Charles Foster as "Jamboree"; Mary Crater as "Doughnut"; Clyde Myers as "Leakproof"; Edna Pulp as "Ragweed"; Madeline Myers as "Creampuff"; Wade Greenwood as "Oil Can"; John Young as "Whatnot" and Fred Norman as "Blowout".

The Negro minstrel orchestra will be composed of Clifton Davis, Harold Hurt, John Gambill, Max Sparks, Emma Charles Foster, Don Cochrane, Grace Cochrane, Fred Norman and Jack DeBorde.

An operetta, "The First Easter Egg," will be given on the evening of April 6, at 8 o'clock by students of the primary grades. Approximately 125 children will compose the cast.

The Seniors will present their annual play, "The Absent Minded Professor," on the evening of April 14.

The commencement proper will begin with the baccalaureate sermon on Sunday, May 7, by Rev. L. B. Abernethy of this city, followed by the senior class day exercises on the evening of May 8 and the graduating exercises on May 9. Sanford Martin, of Winston-Salem, editor of the Journal-Sentinel, will deliver the address to the graduating class. All of the programs will be held in the elementary school building and the public is extended a cordial invitation to attend.

ELKIN MAN HELD ON TRANSPORTING COUNT

Carl H. Davis, of Elkin, was arrested here Monday afternoon by Chief Deputy M. F. Lomax on a charge of transporting 35 gallons of whisky.

Davis was arrested by local police and detained until the federal officer arrived to take him into custody. He waived preliminary hearing and was bound over to the Winston-Salem term of federal court.

W. J. SNOW LIST TAKER FOR ELKIN

W. J. Snow has been named as list taker for Elkin township, his name having been inadvertently left out of the county list as published last week. No announcement as to his assistant has been made. List taking will begin April 4.

WORK ON PLANT HERE EXPECTED TO START SOON

J. W. L. Benson Made Director of Company

TO CONSTRUCT SIDING

Thurmond Chatham Says Building Is to Get Under Way at Once

PLAN BIG WAREHOUSE

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Chatham Manufacturing company, held Tuesday, the company's decision to move the Winston-Salem plant was ratified. Thurmond Chatham, president, told The Tribune Wednesday.

Mr. Chatham also said that construction of the half-million dollar plant necessary to house the finishing department here will start at once.

At Tuesday's meeting J. W. L. Benson, official of the company, was named as a director.

The first move in building the new plant, and a large warehouse with 50,000 feet of floor space, will be the laying of a railway siding.

It is expected that the new mill will be ready for the actual moving of machinery and other equipment by November or December.

TOWN TO BE IN NEW HOME SOON

Fire Department Will Be Moved Monday; Firemen Asked to Be Present

BUILDING ABOUT DONE

Work on the new city hall is rapidly being pushed to completion, and it is expected that the town tax office will be moved into the building within the next few days, possibly Friday.

The fire trucks will be moved to their new quarters in the building next Monday, Fire Chief W. W. Whitaker said Wednesday. He asked that all members of the fire department be present, so as to become familiar with the new quarters.

Workmen were laying the concrete walk in front of the building Wednesday afternoon and another day should see it complete. Work of sanding the floors was also in progress Wednesday.

SCHEDULE FOR CLUB MEETINGS ANNOUNCED

The following schedule for next week has been announced by Grace P. Brown, home demonstration agent:

Monday, April 3, 4-H Club council, Woman's Club room, Dobson; Tuesday, April 4, Low Gap 4-H Club, 10:30 a. m.; Shoals 4-H Club 2:00 p. m.; Wednesday, April 5, Mountain Park 4-H Jr. Club, 10:30 a. m.; Mountain Park senior 4-H Club 11:30 a. m.; Mountain Park Home Demonstration Club, luncheon at the home of Mrs. Kinzie at 1:00 p. m.; Thursday, April 6, Beulah 4-H Club at 2:00 a. m.; Dobson Home Demonstration Club 3:00 p. m.; Friday, April 7, Westfield 4-H Club, 10:30 a. m.

CLUBS TO SPONSOR FORMAL DANCE HERE

Saturday evening, members of the Lucy Hanes Chatham Club and the Thurmond Chatham Unity Club will sponsor a formal dance at the club house. Proceeds of the dance will be used to buy books for the club library. Music will be furnished by a nickelodeon and dancing will be enjoyed from 8 o'clock until midnight. A cordial invitation is extended the public to attend.

DROPS EFFORTS FOR TRADE PACT

London, March 28.—The house of commons cheered today government announcements that Britain was "actively continuing" negotiations for an anti-aggression front and that "political developments made further progress impossible" in trade talks with Germany.

British diplomats, meanwhile, were reported to be seeking definite military alliances designed to halt the expansion of Nazi Germany; the government planned loans and subsidies to fit the merchant marine for possible use in wartime; an increase in the British territorial army was being considered, and Gen. Viscount Gort, chief of the army general staff, went to France for military conferences and inspections.

45,000 TON SHIPS APPROVED

Washington, March 28.—President Roosevelt has approved the construction of battleships of 45,000 tons, expected to be the world's mightiest, to assure continued American naval supremacy over Japan.

The White House announced today the chief executive had given the navy authority to proceed with its plans, in accordance with provisions of last year's billion-dollar fleet expansion act.

Two of the floating fortresses, faster and more heavily armed than the six capital craft of 35,000 tons each already building, are to be started this year, under navy plans.

MUST APPEAR FOR DIVORCE

Los Angeles, March 28.—For fear, he said, that California might get the name of granting "mail order divorces," a superior judge today refused to take Joan Crawford's word—via a deposition—that she should be divorced from Frankot Toms.

Judge Benjamin Scheinman continued the case until April 15, with the provision that if anything happened to keep the movie star from coming to court then, her attorney should notify him and arrange for a later date.

TO LIFT ARMS EMBARGO

Washington, March 28.—Now that the Spanish war is over, the administration is preparing to do something to lift the embargo on shipment of arms to Spain.

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KIWANIS CLUB OFFERS THANKS

Resolution Passed Thanking Chatham for Decision to Move Plant Here

CLUB RECEIVES REPLY

Talks by Miss Dorothy Masten, Elkin high school student, and Miss Lena Lewis, teacher of home economics and sociology at the school here, plus a resolution by the club thanking the Chatham Manufacturing company for its decision to move its Winston-Salem plant here, featured the meeting of the Elkin Kiwanis club at Hotel Elkin last Thursday evening.

The program was in charge of Kwanian H. P. Graham. Miss Masten spoke on "The South's Place in the Nation Today," and Miss Lewis discussed the European situation.

The resolution, as prepared by the club's Public Affairs committee, a copy of which was mailed to Thurmond Chatham, president of the Chatham Manufacturing company, was as follows:

Resolution That whereas it has come to the attention of the Public Affairs Committee that the Chatham Manufacturing Company...

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