

Distressing Dogs

The dog problem in Morehead City has become more serious by the day.

In the early spring complaints were received at the News-Times office about packs of dogs roving the streets threatening children and adults alike.

Last week police were informed of four instances in which persons were bitten. Maybe the dogs were licensed, maybe they were strays. But the bite of a licensed dog is seldom less harmful than a bite of an unlicensed animal.

It is the opinion of the town commissioners that any dog owner willing to let his pet roam the streets, knock over trash cans looking for food, and in general create a nuisance, is not interested in keeping the dog. In that case, the owner should not be indignant if the dog is locked up in a city pound or eventually destroyed.

If any likely hounds are found, owners of the dog track may consider enrolling them for a short course on "How to Catch the Mechanical Rabbit or Pay Day at the Races." As it is, the dogs are making a race track out of city streets. The people are getting fed up, the police are getting fed up and the commissioners are prepared to take drastic steps to bring the situation under control.

The city attorney has been instructed to write an effective dog ordinance, one with teeth in it.

Dog owners who refuse to take their pets seriously will undoubtedly get bitten.

People Believe in Magic

People believe in magic. They believe that a group of men sitting together at a meeting can give them what they want without knowing what they want.

Take a city commissioners' meeting. Instead of the open forum which it should be, with townspeople giving their views and opinions, there is seldom anyone but the commissioners and mayor there.

But when laws and ordinances are passed not to the liking of some of the townspeople, the same who didn't give a hoot before, there's screaming and moaning and gnashing of teeth.

Indeed, the only time anyone shows up at a meeting when he is against something or wants something.

An example of good city administration occurred recently in Beaufort at a meeting at which commissioners planned to put the parking meters into effect. The meeting was crowded. Said J. O. Barbour, chairman of the meter committee, "The very presence of so many people is proof that the meter system will turn out all right." It has.

Another step in the right direction was taken recently by Beaufort commissioners who invited all townspeople from outlying districts to come to the June meeting and air their views as to why or why not they should be taken into the city.

City board meetings are our meetings. It may be human nature to kick when things go wrong, but it's common sense to plan and see that they go right.

Raleigh Round up



By Eula Nixon Greenwood

GOOD MEN—You probably have heard differently—but North Carolina isn't going to the dogs during the next four years . . . even if W. Mayne, Oscar Kerr Johnson is nominated for Governor on Saturday. He's a good man. He's for better roads, better schools, better pay for all State employees, better finances, better dairies, better farms, a well-rounded health program. The four top candidates for Governor on the Democratic ticket . . . R. Mayne Albright, W. Kerr Scott, Charles Johnson, and Oscar Barker . . . are all good men. So, don't you lose any sleep next week even if your man didn't get as many votes as you would have liked.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER—More important to you, probably, is your county commissioner. With the Governor of this State having no veto power and therefore being pretty well subject to the will of the Legislature, men from all over the State, you aren't going to be helped or hurt much by the next Governor—whatever he may be.

BUT VOTE—Be sure to vote on Saturday! And vote for whom you please. When you get inside the little booth, let your conscience . . . not the man who brought you there . . . or talked to you last week . . . be your guide. Don't be misled. You have just as much intelligence as any of the people who have been talking to you about how to vote. As one of the gubernatorial candidates remarked last week, this isn't Jersey City, Chicago, or Memphis. This is North Carolina. Don't let them herd you.

NEGRO VOTES—Raleigh hears that the Negro vote this time will be the largest since the old white

supremacy days. A rumor . . . and it may be fact . . . came into the capital city last week that 600 Negroes have been registered in Sampson County alone.

The Negro vote is something political candidates in North Carolina must reckon with now and in the future. Every one of the men running for Governor and for the U. S. Senate wants the Negro vote, but he won't admit it, for fear of losing the white variety. Sen. W. B. Umstead is in a peculiar position with respect to the colored ballot. In Eastern N. Carolina . . . particularly in Northeastern N. C. . . the whites are against him because his chief supporter, Governor Cherry, played fair with the Negro in trials in that area several months ago. But on the other hand the leading Negroes in Durham . . . and in many sections of the State . . . are dead against Sen. Umstead because he blessed out President Truman over his stand on the civil rights issue.

FOLGER—There was a lot of eyebrow lifting around Raleigh last Friday when it was found that Congressman John Folger was going on the air in a Statewide network in behalf of Charles Johnson. Folger is recognized as one of labor's best friends in Congress, and labor helped him defeat Hurmond Chatham for Congress two years ago. Although not given to kicking labor around, Johnson is not regarded as pro-labor . . . hence the elevated eyebrows. . . . What most folks don't seem to know is that Harry Llewellyn of Surry County and Charles Johnson married sisters. The Folgers and the Llewellyns in Surry are now practically one and the same family. Since blood is thicker than wa-

FOLLOWING HIS NOSE



ter. Folger is doing all he can for Johnson . . . around he can do a lot, for he's not running for Congress.

BRIDGES—Henry L. Bridges of Greensboro, appointed to fill the unexpired term of the late George Ross Poulson, is being placed as the winner over Charles Miller of Asheville for State Auditor . . . Miller, in the city directory business, has run for this position before.

TAYLOR—Two little (physically only) men are running for Lt. Governor. They are Pat Taylor of Wadesboro and Don Tompkins of Sylva. Taylor, say the politic experts, will probably poll the largest vote of any of the nonincumbents.

FOLGER HODGES—For State Treasurer are Jim Folger, Charlotte head of the N. C. Food Dealers (grocers, etc.) five-term legislator and former merchant, and Brandon Hodges of Asheville former State Senator who is being groomed for Governor and looks like one . . . Asheville. Both are good men . . . a hard one to predict but here does Hodges in a photofinish.

SHUFORD—Labor Commissioner Forrest Shuford has opposition, and his last name is Sherrill, but it doesn't amount to anything.

THE CONVENTION—Former Governor Cam Morrison stole the show at the Democratic State Convention here last week with an "Old-Timey" speech . . . He hasn't been elected to any important office since 1920, but he can always put on the rousements . . . Two things made his speech interesting

this summer. . . . But the other delegates probably will. . . .

Kerr Scott puts on the best show, having a band and a parade down Fayetteville Street. . . . Johnson also made a grand entrance. . . . So did Sen. W. B. Umstead. . . . Albright and Broughton didn't try any of this. . . .

Not that badges have anything to do with it, for any fool can wear one, but Umstead and Johnson badges . . . buttons, etc. . . . were more in evidence than those for Broughton and Scott. . . .

JUST A JOKE—The candidates are listing contributions and expenses these days . . . as per the silly law requires it . . . and in most instances these statements are just one huge joke, son. Then why have the law? Well, just our love for humbuggery, perhaps, but it stinks to high heaven! Kerr Scott said last week that his total contributions have totaled \$7,241.65, with expenditures, \$8,831.09, perhaps that's all he knows about . . . though this hardly seems possible . . . so just put it down as more political tomfoolery. The same . . . and more . . . goes for Charles M. Johnson, who lists \$8,078 in contributions and \$8,015.86 spent. Wow! It's all in the game, so please excuse both of them. It would be safe to say that around \$500,000 has been spent for candidates for State offices since Christmas.

According to his household records, George Washington paid as high as 15 cents a piece for pins.

Elks to Give Chicken Supper Tomorrow Night

Morehead City-Beaufort Lodge No. 1710 will give a fried chicken supper for lodge members and their friends Wednesday night, May 26, at the Gulf Stream club. Tickets may be bought in Morehead City from Sam Adler, Bernard Leary, and at the Elks club; in Beaufort, from Dr. J. O. Baxter, C. G. Holland, and Paul Jones.

Suede was named after the country of its origin: Sweden.

Catherine di Medici, queen of France, pioneered in the wearing of richly designed accessories such as rings and gloves.

TO VOTERS

WHAT COUNTIES ARE FAVORED FIRST BY HIGHWAY COMMISSION?

WHAT COUNTIES ARE FAVORED FIRST BY OTHER STATE AND FEDERAL AGENCIES?

THE ANSWER?

THE COUNTIES WHICH SHOW, BY THEIR VOTE, THAT THE CITIZENS ARE TAKING AN ACTIVE INTEREST IN GOVERNMENT.

North Carolina has the money to help Carteret and other Counties build school buildings.

North Carolina has the money, or can get the money, to build good roads to every farm and fishing community in Carteret and other Counties.

This Board does not care how you vote, or for whom you vote. A good big vote will mean that our people are alive and that our County will be recognized and will secure the things to which it is entitled.

If you, Mr. and Mrs. Voter, DON'T CARE, stay at home on Election Day. IF YOU DO CARE, and do Vote, you have an argument that cannot be answered except by a "Yes."

Your Vote will be counted exactly as cast! Don't believe "knockers" who say it will not. WE PLEDGE YOU that any evidence to the contrary will result in active prosecution!

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Polls Open 6:30 A. M. - 6:30 P. M.

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Charles M. Johnson

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