

# Gubernatorial Candidates Wind Up Campaigns for Primary

In a scene similar to many seen throughout the state this week as candidates wind up their campaigns, R. Mayne Albright, Democratic candidate for governor spoke briefly Wednesday in Morehead City and Beaufort.

To be decided this Saturday, the day of primary elections, the gubernatorial race is considered the hottest fight of all, with six candidates seeking the state governorship. They are Mr. Albright, Oscar G. Barker, Charles M. Johnson, W. Kerr Scott, W. F. Stanley, Jr., and Olla Ray Boyd.

**MAYNE ALBRIGHT**  
Although he spoke only briefly at each city Tuesday, Mr. Albright, attorney, editor, director of the United States Federalists, and director of the State Employment Service, and veteran, briefly outlined his program.

He is for revision of the tax structure, and the sale tax, the cooperation of North Carolina with other Southern states to establish regional post-graduate schools for Negroes; better rural roads, encouragement of farm cooperatives, \$2,400 minimum yearly teachers' salaries, minimum wage laws, and increased salaries for public employees.

He states that the real question before the people is "machine control" and whether elections are to be won by votes or dollars. He believes that the election of a young man, free from machine control would give a new meaning to democracy and progress in North Carolina.

**OSCAR BARKER**  
Mr. Barker, who addressed the Morehead City Junior Chamber of Commerce recently, prefers to see North Carolina handle its own educational problems, rather than cooperate with other Southern states to establish regional, post-graduate schools for negroes.

Attorney, ex-newspaperman and Durham County representative to the General assembly almost continuously since 1935, he is for increased standards and facilities for public schools, state aid for the school building program, a better health program, establishment of good secondary roads, revision of tax laws to aid industry, expansion of the state agricultural program, adoption of a veteran's bonus and equalized opportunity for the rural and remote sections of the state in the enjoyment of the fruits of government.

In his speech here, he particularly urged a strong school system.

**CHARLES JOHNSON**  
Mr. Johnson, accused by other candidates as being "machine made" has held various political positions, state treasurer, field auditor, deputy state auditor and director of local government.

He favors revision of the tax structure, the yielding of some of the state's tax intake to the municipalities, increased appropriations for agriculture, referendum on the liquor question, spending of the excess funds in the highway commission, a broader health program, better roads and highways, reduction in the teacher load and increased salaries, and greater "home rule" for counties and municipalities.

He believes that the revision of the tax structure will equalize the burden of taxation and eliminate unjust discrimination.

**W. KERR SCOTT**  
W. Kerr Scott, has been associated with agriculture throughout his life-time, and was elected to a state office as the commissioner of agriculture in 1936. He has been a farm agent, emergency food production agent, master of the State Grange, special investigator for the Farm Credit administration, and regional director in the Farm Debt Adjustment program.

Mr. Scott, the chief issue in the campaign is whether the State shall be led by a ring-picked man encumbered with ring obligations, or by someone not so encumbered, who sees what needs to be done, and has the experience and the will to do it.

In streamlining the government for true progress, he says that the state's tax structure should be the subject of constant study with a view to revision, that North Carolina should provide educational opportunities for Negroes in its own Negro colleges, that the cities and towns should have financial relief, that there should be better farm to market roads, with improved marketing services, that revitalization of the soil is necessary, and that a better public health program is needed.

**W. F. STANLEY, JR.**  
Mr. Stanley, often called the "dream candidate" because it is said he dreamed he foresaw himself as governor the night before he announced his candidacy, is a Winston man who has served on the Winston city council for eight years, served as mayor for two years, and has served as a fuel administrator at Camp Lejeune while in service.



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### At The Capitol

## Congress Considers Legislation To Increase Nation's Libraries

By JANE EADS

WASHINGTON—The first traveling library was a horsedrawn bookwagon used in Washington county, Maryland, in 1905. Today some 378 bookmobiles or "libraries on wheels" travel the highways and by-ways of America, taking their precious store to folks beyond the reach of a public library.

Yet 35,000,000 people in the United States today still have no public libraries within reach. Of these 32,000,000 live in small villages or in the open country. Having few books of their own, they are deprived of a basic means of education. To show these people without library service what good service is and how they can have it, the American Library association, working with 44 state committees, is behind legislation to stimulate state and local interest in the project.

The Library Demonstration Bill, as this legislation is known, was introduced in the Senate by Senators Lister Hill (D-Ala.) and George D. Aiken (R-Vt.) and in the House by Rep. Thomas A. Jenkins (A-O.). It is not the purpose of the bill to provide library service to all areas without it, or those which are inadequately served but to demonstrate what can be done to establish permanent library service for those areas.

The bill provides for state supervision. The federal government makes grants to states to assist them in conducting the demonstrations of library service, but its

schools and higher teachers salaries. He said while here that he felt the people needed a change and are tired of the machine and machine politics.

**OLLA RAY BOYD**  
Mr. Boyd has not been campaigning extensively.



sponsors say there is no interference with state and local initiative and responsibility in carrying out the program. Vehicles used as bookmobiles range from motorcycles to 20-foot trailer-trucks—station wagons, small panel trucks, trailers attached to passenger cars, school buses, army ambulances and trucks, a city bus and a jeep.

The bookmobiles generally make their rounds once or twice a month. Some leave books at regular distributing stations—post offices, filling stations, country stores, homes or churches—where patrons select their reading material. Others give door-to-door service to homes or schools along the route.

Librarians say that rural people, like others, want to use good books for many reasons. They want to learn new things, to follow current events intelligently, to find relaxation or to develop their understanding generally.

Rural schools need many more books than they can afford to buy. People in remote regions who have been reached by traveling libraries count on the service as much as on the other ties that link them with the world outside. The American Library association says that only 600 counties in the United States have county-wide library service.

### EDUCATION BY MOTOR

OSIO — (AP) — Norwegian motorists are not exactly in love with the secretary of finance, Erik Brofoss. Because of his rigid regulations he has been called "Motorism's Public Enemy No. 1."

Recently a motorist suggested that the bike-riding minister should be given a car. The suggestion was given spontaneous approval, and the motorists already have started contributing.

## SAVE THE SOIL

By Roy R. Beck  
Soil Conservationist

At a meeting held May 14, the stockholders of Deep Creek Canal corporation voted in favor of a \$5 per acre assessment for funds to dig a new outlet from Newport River past Bob Garner's farm into the swamp as far as the present canal is maintained.

A committee was appointed to obtain this new right-of-way from the land owners and to contact State Highway department personnel for assistance in getting the canal dug across the Mill Creek Road. The Soil Conservation Service was requested to prepare bids for digging the new canal outlet and to stake out the right-of-way.

During the past week your County Soil Conservationist has made topographic surveys of farms owned by Lynn Garner, Neal Campen, D. S. Oglesby, Bernice A. Mann, and Joe C. Barnes. These surveys along with soil surveys are necessary where drainage and irrigation are under consideration.

Last week Archie Hardesty cut seventy five bales of sericea hay from three acres of his permanent meadow. Mr. Hardesty plans to cut the rest of his field this week. This meadow, now three years old, is expected to yield either three cuttings of hay or two crops of hay and a seed crop this year. The primary need for sericea in Carteret County is on sloping land with a yellow sandy clay subsoil where erosion is a major problem.

**PHONE SECRECY RAPED**  
PRAGUE — (AP) — Secret telephone numbers, unlisted in the public directories, are on their way out in Czechoslovakia. The ministry of posts said there were more than 7,000 of them in Prague alone, and that they caused a great deal of trouble to the operators. Only special and important subscribers will be permitted to remain unlisted.

## Foundation Aids Russian DPs

By Adelaide Kerr  
AP Newfeatures Writer

The threadbare young Russian stood before the desk in the Tolstoy Foundation in New York, six months after he first reached there from a displaced persons camp in Italy. He was one of millions of Soviets who had been seized as prisoners of war or forced labor and who neither wanted to nor dared go back home. He was one of several hundred whom the Tolstoy Foundation has helped to reach the United States.

On that first day in the Foundation office his face had shone with happiness. Today tears coursed slowly down his face; his rough hands knotted beneath his skimpy sleeves.

"They wouldn't let me into the American army, because of my eyes," he was saying in swift Russian.

He spoke to Alexandra Tolstoy, tall gray-haired hard-working president of the Tolstoy Foundation and youngest daughter of the famous Russian novelist and moral philosopher. She founded the Foundation in New York in 1939 after she left the USSR, and became an American citizen. Its first aim was to help the White Russians who fled their homeland after the Russian Revolution. Since World War II its aid has been directed toward the Russian displaced persons.

"By the Yalta Agreement these men had to be returned to Russia," Miss Tolstoy said recently. "Rather than go back, many commit suicide. Others change their

nationality and go into hiding. "The Tolstoy Foundation has helped a number of these Russian D.P.s reach America. Those who do must come in under an affidavit given by some American citizen or organization guaranteeing their support for five years, in case they fail to get jobs. Much of this work we do in cooperation with the Church World Service. We run Reed Farm near Nyack, N. Y., where 65 to 125 can live until they learn English and orient themselves in the United States. We also send food and used clothing abroad."

Miss Tolstoy pushed back the papers on a crowded desk and went on:

"There are hundreds of thousands of Russians still in D.P. camps in Europe and many write me they live in unspeakable conditions — unheated barracks, inadequate food. Instead of being allowed to sit there in festering misery and anger, I feel they should be used in some of the world's work, when there is so much to be done. There are public works projects in many countries on which they could be used. And because of their strong feeling against Communism and Nazism they could constitute a terrific force for democracy. "One Russian D.P. who escaped borrowed five thousand dollars

from friends and settled 700 more D.P.s on a project of surveying land in French Morocco for irrigation. They are self-supporting now and he has repaid part of the five thousand."

Miss Tolstoy, who served as her father's secretary and accompanied him when he left his family, worked with the Soviets a while after his death. Under the USSR she organized a set of experimental schools in Tula.

"But they put such tight restrictions on me I couldn't go on," she said. "If I had objected I would have been sent to Siberia. So I asked to be sent to Japan and America to study the educational methods of those countries and I never went back."

## Medical Officer Says, 'Produce Atomic Babies'

LONDON — (AP) — The way to meet the threat of the atomic age is to develop super-babies, the senior medical officer of the London County Council says.

Dr. Letitia Fairfield told the National Baby Welfare Council: "The very future of the universe depends upon our breeding a people so able to control their instincts and to regard the welfare of others as well as of themselves, that they can even overcome the menace of the atom bomb."

**Vote For ISAAC J. KELLUM OF ONSLOW COUNTY Candidate For State Senate MAY 29th PRIMARY**



Onslow County has not had representation in State Senate for 14 years. He believes in a system of rotation that will permit each county to elect senators in regular order. He knows first hand, the needs of the schools, the farm, the business man. He is the veterans' friend. He favors adequate pay for teachers, State employees. Experienced in Legislative duties—member 1941 House of Representatives from Onslow County.

**Vote For JOHNSON CHARLES M. For GOVERNOR**

"The most important activity of the State Government is the School System." Charles M. Johnson



**BRANDON P. HODGES OF ASHEVILLE**

**CANDIDATE FOR STATE TREASURER**

**DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY MAY 29, 1948**

Brandon Hodges has the support of his homefolk. The office of State Treasurer. The Buncombe County Bar Association unanimously endorsed him. Democratic Chairman Robert Williams said the Democratic party "could offer no person better qualified to fill this important office." The Asheville Times said editorially that "Mr. Hodges has outstanding qualifications for this highly important office." Asheville's Mayor Clarence E. Morgan described him as a "man of outstanding ability." Philip Woolcott, past president North Carolina Bankers Association, said, "Mr. Hodges is well qualified for the office of State Treasurer by character, education, experience and business ability."

Brandon Hodges is a native of Asheville. Educated at University of North Carolina and Wake Forest college. An outstanding member of the Asheville bar since 1926. Buncombe county attorney for 10 years. member of the 1943 and 1945 State Senate. chairman of Appropriations committee in 1945 session. chairman of N. C. Advisory Budget commission 1945-46, and legislative counsel to the Governor during the 1947 session of the General Assembly.

BRANDON HODGES FOR STATE TREASURER COMMITTEE, P. O. Box 522 Asheville, N. C.

**My Thanks To The People Of Carteret County**

During the past two months it has been my privilege to travel over Carteret County in behalf of my candidacy for Solicitor of the Fifth Judicial District. I shall always be grateful for the cordial way in which I have been received and the many courtesies extended to me. It is not an empty statement when I say that the renewing of old friendships and the making of new friends means as much to me as any public office.

I was born and reared in Carteret County and I have been among people I respect and love, and the people of Carteret County know me and can have confidence that I will serve them honestly and faithfully.

We have not had a Carteret County man for Solicitor since Honorable Jesse H. Davis, more than 21 years ago. It is certainly fair that this section of the Fifth Judicial District now have a chance to share the solicitor's office. It will not work to the benefit of this Judicial District to keep the solicitor's Greenville, Pitt County, all the time.

I sincerely believe my background, training and experience of 24 years as an active practicing attorney qualify me for the office of Solicitor. I want to be chosen for my qualifications for office and for the more important reason of preserving the principle of rotation in office.

If honored by nomination and election, I shall serve all the people of every section of the district equally, fairly and impartially to the best of my ability. I will deeply appreciate your vote and support in the Primary Saturday, May 29, 1948.

**Charles L. Abernethy, Jr.**