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Majority Continues To Grow; May Reach Above 130,000 Votes

OTHER NEWS OF STATE

By M. L. SHIPMAN

RALEIGH, Nov. 10.—Not since 1868 has the Democracy of North Carolina won anything like the sweeping victory achieved in the election of ballots on November 4, 1930. The vote for United States Senator has so far been tabulated, but the landslide extends all along the line for State, district and county officers. The Bailey majority continues to grow and may reach above 1,300,000. Although receiving a smaller total in the State than did Governor Smith in 1928, the Bailey majority is far greater than his most optimistic friends dared predict. His opponent was not even a serious contender.

In 1928 Governor Smith polled 386,227 votes and Herbert Hoover 448,923. The Bailey vote this year reported from 1,312 of the 1,811 precincts is 262,805, and for Pritchard 142,268. Two years ago Gardner for Governor received 362,009 votes and his opponent trailed him with a total of 289,415. Returns indicate, therefore, that many Democrats and a greater number of Republicans did not vote at all in the recent election. The Republican candidate for Senator carried less than half a dozen counties and his party in the State lost both the Ninth and Tenth Congressional districts it captured in the Hoover landslide two years ago. The smallest Democratic majority in any of the congressional districts exceeds 5,000.

Furthermore, the returns indicate that the Republicans have lost control of the government of twenty-six of the thirty-two counties which they have dominated the past two years. Unless the final canvass of the returns prove to the contrary, only the counties of Avery, Mitchell, Randolph, Sampson, Wilkes and Yadkin will be controlled by that party during the next two years, and, according to reports, the Democrats of Wilkes elected a representative to the Legislature and Clerk of the Superior Court. Also, their candidate for register of deeds in Randolph.

Chairman Odus M. Mull, of the Democratic Committee, proved himself by far the "best guesser" on the result. He predicted 100,000 majority for Bailey, the election of every Democratic candidate for congress, 114 Democrats to the House of Representatives and forty-eight Senators. The Republican rout, Chairman Mull believes, is due to a disapproval of the National Republican administration and approval of the administration of Governor Gardner.

None of the Democratic leaders expected such an upheaval and a wise use of the power it has created is of prime importance, according to the conservative group, who will advise the utmost caution all along the line.

For the Republicans, Avery county sends to the House, T. C. Hicks; Mitchell, J. C. McBe; Pamlico, A. B. Brinson; Randolph, W. L. Ward; Sampson, A. L. Butler; and Yadkin, J. C. Pinnix to the House. A. T. Grant, of Davie, comes to the Senate from the Twenty-fourth District, and Roy A. Harmon of Avery, is to be the representative from the Thirtieth District. All other representatives in the two branches of the Legislature next winter will be Democrats. This will be the most sweeping majority the Democrats of the State have ever "rolled in" in the General Assembly, it is said. It will be a "novel sight" to feast the eye upon democratic representatives from Wilkes, Surry, Stokes, Henderson, Madison, Davie, Lincoln, Catawba, Brunswick, Clay, Graham and other rock-ribbed Republican counties of the west. But it will be a "condition and not a theory" when the General Assembly assembles here two months hence.

In the Johnston county case the Supreme Court sustained the position of the Board of Education, which means that when it comes to the number of teachers to be employed in a county the Board of Education is supreme in its discretion regardless of the provision of the Hannonck School Act relative thereto. Judge W. A. Devin had previously made a ruling to that effect. (Continued on page 3)

Spend More For Luxuries Than For School Purposes

RALEIGH, Nov. 12.—The people of North Carolina spend \$1.40 for certain luxuries—tobacco, soft drinks, ice cream, candy, chewing gum, theatres and movies, jewelry, perfumes, cosmetics sporting goods and toys—to every \$1.00 spent for public schools, according to a recent study made by the Research Division of the National Educational Association, it is learned today from the State Department of Public Instruction.

The annual bill for certain luxuries for this State in 1928 was, according to the result of this investigation, \$65,936,995, while the cost of public elementary and secondary schools and colleges was \$47,047,191. This luxury bill is divided as follows: For tobacco, \$22,054,566; for soft drinks, ice cream, candy and chewing gum \$19,057,472; for theatres, movies, and similar amusements \$11,152,737; for jewelry, perfumes and cosmetics \$8,525,722; and for sporting goods, toys, etc., \$5,146,498.

North Carolina spends 4.38 per cent of the annual income of its citizens for schools, according to the bulletin issued by the National Educational Association. The \$65,936,995 spent for certain luxuries, on the other hand, represents 6.14 per cent of the annual estimated income of \$1,073,028,000 for 1928.

In the nation, as a whole, \$2.61 is spent for candy, chewing gum, theatres, and similar items, for every \$1.00 spent for schools. We expend \$6,401,650,000 for the limited list of articles and amusements given above, while all the public schools are allotted \$2,448,633,561.

"In presenting these figures," comments the bulletin of the National Association, "it is not implied that one should limit himself wholly to the necessities of life. We should not be willing, however, it says in effect, to give luxuries preference over essentials in the spending of our income."

Finds Snake Coiled In Canaries' Cage

BURNET, Tex., Nov. 12.—"There's a thief in this house," Edward Schnabel observed when he was awakened about daylight, "and from the sound of things he is eating his breakfast."

Whereupon Schnabel arose armed himself and sought the burglar. What he found was a good-sized mouse snake coiled complacently in a bird cage which had been occupied by two but was now occupied by one canary.

Even as he watched, Schnabel saw the other canary in the cage disappear. After which the snake was neatly caught, because his middle protruded so far he couldn't get cut between the bars of the cage.

Bishop Cheshire To Visit Local Church

The Rt. Rev. Joseph B. Cheshire, Bishop of the Diocese of North Carolina, will make a visitation to the Church of the Savior, Jackson, Sunday morning, November 16th and to Grace Episcopal church, Weldon, at 7:30 that night for the purpose of administering the Rites of Confirmation, announced the Rev. D. P. Moore, pastor of the churches.

Bishop Cheshire will also visit St. Mark's church at Halifax on Sunday, November 24, at 11 o'clock and will be at Scotland Neck at 7:30 o'clock the same date.

Paid In Eggs For Number Rats Killed

KINSTON, Nov. 12.—It wasn't a piccolo the Pied Piper had, it must have been a shotgun.

Thomas J. White, lawyer, and Ray Barber contracted to kill rats in the barn of a Lenoir county farmer, each dead rat to be paid for with an egg. The pair began the hunt one night armed with small rifles and flashlights.

After two hours' work they had killed 70 rats. The farmer gave the men 70 eggs, but asked them to call off the hunt, since there were no more eggs.

They agreed to accept a potato for each rat and departed an hour later with 30 sweet potatoes.

LUCKY BREAKS

By C. R. Miller

GOT OUT OF JAM INTO PICKLES—

Heinz, the pickle king, spilled sugar on pickles by mistake. He found the mixture a good one and persuaded millions of others to like it as well as his other "57 Varieties"



Shouse Says Party Will Not Attempt To Embarrass President

WASHINGTON, Nov. 12.—Concerning the attitude of the Democrats in the new Congress, Jouett Shouse, Chairman Democratic National Executive Committee, made it clear in a radio speech, closing the campaign. He said:

"And if there be a Democratic House or a Democratic Senate, or both, I assume to pledge to the American people that they may be of good cheer. It is not for me to attempt to outline the legislative program of a Democratic Congress, but as a result of conferences with our leaders in both House and Senate I do not hesitate to say to you that you need have no fear that every action taken will be solely with a view to the betterment of the American people. There will be no attempt to embarrass the Executive. If he has been embarrassed during the present Congress that embarrassment has come far more from members of the opposition party. The Democrats in Congress, whether in control of one or both of the legislative bodies, will formulate and carry through a constructive program, seeking only to serve the best interests of the country and hoping for the cooperation of the Executive in writing such a program into law."

Local Citizens Hurt In Auto Wreck

Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland Carter are recovering at their home from injuries received on Sunday night when the car in which they and their daughter, Miss Louise, were riding was hit by a car driven by Luther Allen, a negro of near Weldon, who was also very painfully but not seriously injured.

The accident occurred on Sunday afternoon about six o'clock near Mack Pinnell's store. According to witnesses to the accident, Allen was driving on the left side of the road and evidently was not looking where he was going. In order to avoid a head-on collision, when the cars were just a short distance apart, Mr. Carter swerved to his left, the car driven by Allen crashing into his car on his right side, badly damaging both cars and painfully injuring the occupants. Miss Louise Carter was only slightly bruised, Mrs. Carter received several cuts and was badly bruised, Mr. Carter was also cut and bruised.

TO SERVE TURKEY DINNER

Circle No. 2 of the Episcopal church auxiliary will serve a "Turkey Dinner" in the "Coffee Shoppe" on Thursday, November 13, beginning at 11 o'clock. Chicken salad, turkey hash and hot waffles and oysters will be on the menu. The public is most cordially invited.

Uniform Staple Makes Reputation For Union Farmers

By Adopting the Mexican big balled variety of cotton for the county, Union county farmers are making a reputation for themselves for growing cotton of uniform grade and staple.

"Union county now has the enviable reputation for growing cotton that suits the textile spinners," says Jerry H. Moore, champion corn grower of the South and agronomist at the North Carolina Experiment Station. "This reputation did not come by accident but by the adoption of one single variety and keeping it improved through the use of pure seed. The Mexican Big Boll variety, which is the one adopted by the leading growers of that county, produces a desirable quality of cotton with about one inch staple that grows well on Union county soils."

Mr. Moore has been urging more Union county growers to concentrate on this variety. He says the cotton is now well established, has given satisfaction for a number of years and that pure seed may be obtained easily within the county.

However, he cautions, any pure variety will quickly run out unless the seed are kept pure at the gin. This is something which should concern the growers this Fall. Special gin days on which only the one variety is ginned are effective in preventing the mixing of seed. The other growers who are using the short cottons with undesirable staples, should cooperate with the progressive growers and unite to keep the cotton from deteriorating. It is entirely possible for the good reputation now enjoyed by Union county to be further increased if every grower would concentrate on the Mexican big boll variety and grow it to the exclusion of all others. To do this would give Union county a reputation enjoyed by few sections of the cotton growing south, says Mr. Moore.

FOUNDERS DAY TO BE CELEBRATED AT CHOWAN

The alumnae and friends of Chowan College will celebrate Founders' Day on Tuesday, November 18. W. B. Edwards, president, announced yesterday.

The program for the day consists of a meeting of the Board of Trustees at 11 o'clock; soccer game at 10:30 a. m.; annual address at 2:30 p. m.; tennis tournament at 4 p. m.; recital by Fine Arts Department at 8:30 p. m.

NEGRO BOUND TO COURT

Having three pints of liquor in his possession when an officer of the law ran afoul of him, brought Russell Robinson before Mayor Daniel on Monday morning where he was bound over under \$50 bond for his appearance at the November term of criminal court. The negro man gave bond.

TAX COMMITTEE MEETS SATURDAY

Members to Report And Send Petitions to North Carolina Tax Relief Body

TO BEGIN AT 10 O'CLOCK

A full meeting of the executive committee of the Halifax County Tax Relief Association will be held at the court house at Halifax Saturday morning, November 15, at 10 o'clock. J. T. Madry, secretary, announced yesterday. This was decided at a recent meeting of the committee held at Halifax which only a few of the members attended. The meeting has been called in order that reports may be had from every member of the executive committee the precinct chairmen, and that the signed petitions may be turned in and sent to the North Carolina Tax Relief Association.

At the meeting yesterday the chairmen present reported more than 600 signatures to the petitions and Hugh Bloomer lead the group by turning in \$22.55 in contributions to the Halifax Association's treasury. Chairman of the precinct committees are requested by the chairman of the executive committee to turn in all signatures to the petitions and make final reports at the meeting next Saturday.

Those attending the meeting yesterday were: C. R. Emry, chairman of the committee and of the Rosemary precinct committee; W. T. Shaw, president of the Halifax Association; Hugh Bloomer, chairman of the Ringwood precinct committee; W. R. Nevill, chairman of Faucetts precinct committee; J. R. Wollett, chairman of Littleton precinct committee, and J. T. Madry, secretary of the Halifax Association and of the executive committee.

Bishop Mouzon To Preach Here Sunday

According to an announcement of Rev. John Shore, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church, Bishop Edwin D. Mouzon, the Presiding Bishop in this Episcopal District, will preach at the Methodist church here next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

The general public is most cordially invited to hear the Bishop at this time, stated the Rev. Mr. Shore.

Corn Liquor Leads Man Into Court

Corn liquor figured in an argument on Saturday night between Mattie "B" and George Gibbons, Weldon negro man and woman, which placed the negro man in the Halifax county jail in default of \$100 bond placed upon him by Mayor Charlie Daniel upon a charge of assaulting a female. The negro man was said to have been drinking and slapped the negro woman. He was arrested by officer Bennie Arthur and tried Monday morning in Mayor's court.

MOODY ANNOUNCES DAIRY SCORES FOR HALIFAX

With an average bacteria count of 1500 at a temperature of 37 degrees with 4.95 butterfat, the Jersey Dairy at Enfield led all other dairies in Halifax county for the month of October, according to a report sent out by David H. Moody, milk inspector for Halifax county. Pine View Dairy of Enfield came second with an average bacteria count of 2,000 at 41 degrees with 5.00 butterfat.

Following is the rating of other Halifax county dairies: S. S. Viverette, bac. 1,500, fat 4.95, tem. 37; W. H. Batts, bac. 2,000, fat 5.00, tem. 41; Chittendon's Dairy, bac. 2,000, fat 3.65, tem. 50 1-2; M. Hockaday, bac. 3,000, fat 3.55, tem. 49; C. V. Strauther, bac. 3,000, fat 3.70, tem. 45; E. L. Hamill, bac. 3,500, fat 4.20, tem. 43; Percy Johnson, bac. 7,000, fat 4.90, tem. 52; J. E. Mathews & Son, bac. 7,500, fat 3.10, tem. 53; Allen's Dairy, bac. 13,500, fat 3.95, tem. 46 1-2.

The dairies listed above were graded by Inspector Moody as Grade A. Mark Moore Dairy at Hobgood was rated as a B dairy. Grade D dairies as rated by the inspector, were J. H. Harrell, Rosemary; Mrs. Chas. Speed, Scotland Neck; Miss Susie Shields, Scotland Neck; Chas. VanLandingham, Scotland Neck; Mrs. E. T. Welch, Hobgood; Mrs. G. C. Revelle, Rosemary.

Rev. Moore Asks Citizens To Donate To Charity Fund

In the following article, the Rev. D. P. Moore, pastor of the Episcopal church and publicity chairman of the Board of Associated Charities, makes a plea for the Weldon Associated Charities.

"If acute suffering among our worthy needy is to be avoided or lessened during this coming winter, the people of Weldon will have to make many personal sacrifices in money, food, clothing and fuel. We are face to face with the gravest financial difficulties in many years. Even in normal times there is a certain percentage of people who are without means of support from one cause or another. Insufficient wages earned by the heads of large families prohibits saving, or it may be sudden acute sickness, but to these causes have been added the distressing drop in agricultural prices and widespread unemployment in industry. Some outside help must come in to relieve this situation, and help out in this crisis.

"Old age with its consequent loss of earning power and inability of relatives to supplement self-help makes many worthy of public support. However, our county home has a limited capacity with many more applications for admission than there is room to take care of them. We must needs provide for such as these. Children are left as orphans, and our public and Denominational or Society Institutions are filled beyond capacity and also have long waiting lists. No one begrudges children of food and shelter but things cost money and we will have to give it or else we stand the chance of creating juvenile criminals.

There is little use in talking religion to a hungry man. Jesus was noted for his "compassion" and so it is we have many children whose school work will be materially hampered if their scanty fare at home is not materially added to at school. There are at present 25 children who are given lunches every day provided by various individuals from their tables. We need a milk fund so that these children's diet may be approximately complete. At school they are given 1-2 pint of milk at lunch, a glassful. Let us think of giving so much health, of bone and muscle building food, and a greater chance in life. Let your dollars have a conscience rather than thinking of them as "money to the Associated charities."

Should Fight Weeds And Grass In Fall

When weeds and grass are allowed to grow in profusion and produce seed, they are more troublesome to combat the following year. It's the same way with fungi and the organisms of plant diseases. If they get the upper hand one year, look out for them the next spring. This is a timely warning made by Dr. R. F. Poole, plant pathologist of the North Carolina Experiment Station, who suggests a thorough fall clean-up as one way of successfully combating the trouble. Dr. Poole says many fungi live over in the soil. The soil is the chief home of the fungi and here they are protected from freezing weather and other variable conditions. Some fungi live over on the stems and leaves of dead plants, while others may pass the winter in green plant tissue.

"If a little attention is given to cleaning up the gardens, orchards and even fields at this time of the year, many common plant diseases will not be prevalent next season," says Dr. Poole.

Therefore he recommends to prune out all dead wood and remove the infected parts of perennial plants and burn them.

Cut the dead plants of annual growth, rake up and burn or plow under so that decay will be complete before next season.

Rake up all the leaves and vegetable matter and compost with manure or plow under.

Where plants have been diseased with the nematode, plow up and burn the roots. Many of the worms will be killed during the winter.

Plow under tomato vines, old summer cabbage plants, beets, melon, and other garden plants. It is not necessary to rake these up. Pull off the cedar apples or galls on red cedars in a mile radius, and near apple orchards to keep down apple rust.

DRIVE FOR FUNDS BEGINS ON FRIDAY

Board of Associated Charities Asks Aid For Unfortunate Citizens

\$1,000 IS MINIMUM GOAL

With the goal set at a minimum of \$1,000.00 the Board of Associated Charities will begin its drive tomorrow morning at 9:00 o'clock and continue throughout the day, according to an announcement made by the Rev. D. P. Moore, publicity chairman of the board.

The board was organized several years ago and has done much work among the poor and needy. It is composed of the pastors of the churches of Weldon, the Bible classes, Missionary societies, Woman's Auxiliary of the churches and by the Hebrew Center, Community club, American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary, Book club, Thursday afternoon club, Woman's club, County Board of Health, Superintendent of the Weldon schools, and the Pythian and Masonic bodies of Weldon.

Those who will take part in the canvass on Friday are Mrs. Lee Johnson and Mrs. S. B. Pierce, Washington Ave.; Mrs. Will Josephson, Elm Ave. and the side streets between Elm and Washington avenues; Mrs. C. F. Gore and Mrs. I. E. Green, Sycamore St. and streets between Sycamore and Washington Ave.; Mrs. W. O. Davis, Maple St.; Miss Pearl Harris and Mrs. H. B. Neville, Cedar St.; Henry House, South Weldon; Dutch Seifert, Newton Shepherd and Dr. W. G. Sulter, business district.

Much interest in being taken in the drive and it is expected that the minimum will be reached by Friday night, it was said.

In the following article Dr. W. G. Sulter tells of the organization and the purposes of the associated charities and why every citizen of this community should subscribe to their limit, even though it deprives them of some of the comforts of life.

"The associated charities was organized in Weldon about six years ago and although many of our citizens have given their whole-hearted support to it generally, yet the entire citizenship has not responded in a way that was expected. In a community which has proven on so many occasions its willingness to cooperate, only one explanation can be given to account for this apparent lack of interest in an organization which has proven its worth to so many communities; that is, the failure to realize the need of such an organization. This article is for the purpose of acquainting the public with the activities and purposes of this organization.

"Several years ago the founders of the associated charities realized the duplicated effort and overlapping aid by the various organizations and individuals engaged in this work in Weldon. Those in need were seeking and receiving aid from many sources, and the various agencies did not know what the other was doing, consequently there was much begging from house to house, some cases receiving aid from all sources, while other cases, just as pressing, received little or scarcely no aid at all.

"It was realized by the founders, that by a concentrated effort better results could be obtained, less effort expended, money and other aid could be more wisely distributed and the deserving ones would be helped while those not deserving aid would find it difficult to ply their trade as would-be charity cases. For these reasons the associated charities was organized. The charity board was then composed of, as it is now, representatives from the various religious and civic organizations interested in charity work. Through this board an appeal was made to these organizations and to the public to stop promiscuous giving and to discourage house-to-house canvass, but to give through the associated charities, or else in known worthy cases.

"By these means records were kept of all charity cases and the amount of aid given them. In other words, the associated charities served as a clearing house for charity work in this community.

"Although the people of the community never cooperated as wholeheartedly as was hoped for, yet this method of handling the problem proved to be superior to the other method. It is felt that the associated (Continued on Page 3)