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## Grigg Cherry Measures Up

On May 27, the people of North Carolina, according to a custom now well established, will face the solemn responsibility of choosing a candidate for Governor, along with candidates for other State offices, to direct the affairs of the commonwealth for the four years beginning next January.

In times of peace, this functioning of a free electorate is highly important in the administration of the complex affairs of our government. In a war that today, directly or indirectly, touches virtually every living human being of the world, the exercise of a franchise is of even greater concern where democratic processes have flowered and the people have continued to enjoy the fruits of their forefathers' won in bloody struggles.

This liberty, which embraces freedom of religion, the right of free speech and the dignity of human soul, cannot be preserved without constant diligence and effort. If it is to be retained, normal processes of government must continue. Elections must be held. Places of trust and responsibility must be filled by the vote of the people.

Today, in the turbulence of war, another and a virtually important campaign is under way.

Having been in control of the State government for many years, the Democratic party in North Carolina feels justly proud of its past performances and it believes the great majority of our people want it to continue the administration of public affairs. To that end, Gaston county is this year proposing Major R. Grigg Cherry, one of the State's foremost public

servants and a veteran of world war I who fought valorously with his command overseas in 1917 and 1918, for his Party's nomination.

For the next Governor of North Carolina, the task will be one demanding an understanding of the problems of our people -- particularly those that will face the soldiers and sailors who come back from world war II and which will challenge alike them and their elders -- and the courage and integrity to meet them as they arise.

Upon the people who will nominate and elect the next Governor there also falls the great responsibility of selecting a man who will advocate, without fear or favor, those policies so necessary for the continued progress and development of North Carolina.

It is with the confidence that Major Cherry measures, by every yard stick, up to these requirements that his friends present his candidacy.

Born on October 7, 1891, his mother died in his infancy and his father, a Confederate soldier and a life long Democrat, died when he was but 7 years old. After the death of his mother, his home was with his grand parents in Gastonia, where he attended the public schools until 1908. After completing the high school courses, he entered Trinity College (now Duke University) in 1908 and was graduated from that institution four years later. In 1914 he completed the law course having in the ensuing six years earned his college expenses by working at jobs provided for those otherwise unable to pay tuition and board.

Hardly had he become established in his profession, with an office in Gastonia, when war was

declared against Germany. He volunteered his services, organized a company and served as Captain of the 115th machine Gun Battalion of the 30th division, participating in numerous engagements with the enemy in France and acquitting himself, as a fighting soldier, in a manner that won admiration alike from the men who fought under him and the officers who were superior in rank to him. His concern for the defense of his country resulted in continued military service and for several years after his active service, which ended in 1919, he was a battalion commander with the North Carolina National Guard.

Shortly after his return from overseas in 1919, he was drafted to serve as Mayor of Gastonia and returned to that post in 1921. He was in the forefront of the organization of the Gaston county post of the American Legion, serving as its first commander and in 1928, was elected by his comrades as State Commander of the North Carolina Department of the American Legion. Since he was old enough to vote, he has been a staunch Democrat, participating in recent years in all the campaigns of his party and serving it from 1937 until 1940 as chairman of the State Democratic Executive committee.

Starting in 1931 as a member of the House from Gaston County he has since served with distinction as its Speaker (1935) and for the past two terms of the General Assembly (1939 and 1941) he has been one of the outstanding members of the State Senate. Over this 12 year period, by virtue of the high sense of duty, he has diligently and intelligently studied the problems of our State government and by reason of this study and this continued intimate experience he is today one of the best informed men in North Carolina on governmental affairs and is peculiarly endowed with the executive ability so essential to their direction.

Major Cherry is a member of a number of fraternal orders, including the Masons, Red Men, Junior Order, Odd Fellows, Elks and Pythians. In 1924, he served as Grand Chancellor of the latter order.

He is also a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans of the board of trustees of Duke University and a former vice president of the North Carolina Bar Association. A life long Methodist, he is a member of the board

of stewards of the Main Street Methodist Church in Gastonia. In 1921 he married Miss Mildred Stanford of Greensboro.

Known and respected throughout the length and breadth of his native commonwealth, he understands and has a genuine affection for the people in all walks of life, and in natural consequence, this affection is returned.

He is committed to the philosophy that character and honesty in both private and public life are indispensable in the discharge of a public trust. Because he is so eminently qualified for leadership today, and because under him would be continued North Carolina's sound progress of more than four decades past, and on the basis of his training, experience and fitness for the office to which those who best know him command him to the voters of this State, he merits confidence and support.

## More Town And City Gardens Are Needed

Commercial vegetable growers and canning plants will probably not be able to produce and conserve as much food this year as last because of the labor shortage. The situation will become more difficult as additional men are drafted.

Reports are reaching the State College Extension Service that many town and city people are thinking of not growing a garden this year because of the dry weather last summer and the fact that they were able to get all the vegetables they needed. Director L. O. Schaub warns against such false reasoning and states that it is not only patriotic but also a matter of vital necessity to grow a garden. "Last year more than one half of our fresh vegetables were grown in home gardens and the need this year for 10 percent more gardens and not fewer gardens," the Director says.

He points out that last year all records were broken in the number of gardens grown and the amount of the food produced. In North Carolina alone it is estimated that there were at least 544,943 gardens, producing approximately 388,118,500.00 worth of food.

Schaub recommends that everyone in the towns and cities make an effort to produce some food, even if on only a very small plot, an old farm gardens be enlarged where the need exists. He also recommends that a succession of crops be planted in the garden so

as to give a continuous supply of food through the summer and into the fall. He suggests that farmers can supply a large amount of extra food by planting gardens in their tobacco plant beds after the plants have been pulled.

## State College Hints Farm Homemakers

By RUTH CURRENT  
N. C. State College

Bad temper? Look to the diet! I think we have all seen homes where people are constantly biting each other, so to speak, "biting

back." Perhaps, if we look into the diet, we may find the answer, for human beings need as good food as the pig and the cow and other farm animals.

Can't waste anything today, even cake that has gone dry. It can be made to taste like it has just been baked. Wrap it in a damp cloth and put it in a slightly warm oven until the cloth is dry. Just like new try it!

To repair edges of a rug that are worn or frayed, buttonhole the edges with heavy yarn or a heavy cord placed along the edge and bound to the rug with yarn.

For glamor through grooming, learn to do by doing: hands clean and well cared for; nails; clothes brushed, pressed, and neat; stockings freshly laundered with straight seams; shoes shined, heels even.

Don't neglect good grooming at any age. Keep the hair clean and neat in styling; the skin clean and clear, with natural appearing make-up.

"Oh, look at that dirty ink spot on your clean white cloth." Don't be alarmed. Just soak it in pure ammonia for a few minutes and presto, - it's gone. Now rinse in cold water. Easy?

## THE OLD JUDGE SAYS...



"That's really a great editorial you just read to us, Judge. Where did you say it appeared?"  
"In 'The Stars and Stripes'...the newspaper of the U.S. Armed Forces in Europe. Kind of gives us folks back home something to think about, doesn't it, Bill?"  
"It certainly does, Judge. Particularly the last paragraph. Would you mind reading that again?"  
"Glad to, Bill. It says, 'We can remember

the days of prohibition, when moonshine whiskey made quick fortunes for bootleggers, crooked politicians and dishonest police officials. As a result, we claim we know what we want in the way of liquor legislation and feel those at home should wait until we return before initiating further legislation on liquor control.'"  
"Out of fairness to our boys over there fighting, Judge, how could we disobey such a wish?"

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