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Fountain Maintains Lead for Lieut. Gov.

Grist Has Majority of Approximately 12,000 Over Opponents for Labor Commissioner; Light Vote Cast in Saturday's Primary

With approximately three-fourths of the 1,754 precincts in the state reported for lieutenant governor from Saturday's Democratic primary R. T. Fountain of Rocky Mount, speaker of the house of representatives maintained a lead of more than 11,000 votes over John D. Langston, Goldsboro publisher, who was in second place. Langston was maintaining a steady lead of between 2,000 and 4,000 over W. H. S. Burgwyn of Northampton county. The vote in 1,225 precincts was Fountain 68,664; Langston, 56,389; and Burgwyn 53,657.

In the race for commissioner of labor and printing, 1,172 precincts showed Frank D. Grist of Lenoir more than holding his own against his two opponents. He had 12,864 majority over the vote of both combined. The vote was Grist, 90,415; M. L. Shipman, 53,958; and O. J. Peterson, 23,080.

Candidates were voted for in five of the ten districts. In the seventh, Congressman Hammer won over T. C. Barty.

In the fourth district, Congressman Poe was easily winner over R. W. Meek and Chesmore.

In the ninth district, A. L. Brinkley carried every county in the district over John G. Carpenter and Arthur T. Abernethy.

Congressman John H. Kerr was re-nominated in the second district and in the sixth, J. Bayard Clark of Fayetteville, was easily winner over Herbert McClammy of Wilmington. For the position to be vacated by Homer L. Lyon, who did not stand for re-election.

New Pastor Coming to Advent Church Here

Rev. Guy Linwood Vannan, of Boston, Mass., who will be supply pastor of the Boone Advent Christian church, will occupy the pulpit for the first time next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Rev. Vannan comes to the local work with a very enviable reputation in theological and educational work. Dr. J. Wm. Deaton, general director of the Advent Christian General Conference, with headquarters at Boston, Mass., writes, Mr. W. H. Gragg the following in regard to Mr. Vannan:

"Brother Guy Linwood Vannan is 40 years of age. He has rendered pastoral service at West Wareham, Mass., for three years, and for seven summer periods has served in pastoral capacity at Port Clyde, Maine. At the present time he is minister of our New England School of Theology at Boston, and has served this institution for sixteen years about one-half of this time as principal when position he now holds. The remaining portion was as assistant. Brother Vannan is a graduate of our own school at Boston, the New England School of Theology, and received his degrees at Newton Theological Institute. He holds degrees of P. D. and M. S. T., and has had twenty years of service in the Christian ministry. His period of service has been one of great value to our denominational program. He is always in great demand as a speaker at any of our large assemblies and renders satisfactory service."

The local church feels very fortunate in securing the services of this widely known minister, and the public is cordially invited to be present at the initial service Sunday and extend to him a hearty welcome to the community.

Sunday school meets at 10 o'clock. Morning service at 11 and evening service at 8. Mid-week prayer service Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock.

COVE CREEK NEWS NOTES

Sugar Grove, June 5.—Work on the school grounds was not completed last Friday so we are asking the patrons to send teams again next Friday, June 8. A great many patrons of the school have not yet had a part in this work and we urge these to come out this last day and help finish the job.

Miss Blanche Horton has accepted a position as pianist with the Blowing Rock theater for the summer months. She will also teach music during the day.

The grandchildren, great-grandchildren and other near relatives of Mrs. J. W. Horton met at her home last Saturday to honor her birthday with a delightful birthday dinner.

Frank B. Hendren, dean of the Wilkes county bar, and one of the best known citizens in northwest North Carolina, died suddenly at his home in Wilkesboro early Thursday morning. Mr. Hendren had been in bad health since last Christmas, but for the past few days he seemed to have improved, and his death was a shock to his family and the community.

POLITICAL EVENTS OF THE PAST WEEK

Highlights of Political Activity of Both Major Parties Summarized From Recent News Dispatches From Over the Country

Quartet of Southern States Will Control Houston?

Washington special of June 1 to Greensboro Daily News: Judge Corbett told a Daily News representative today that the key to the situation by which, in his judgment, Governor Smith should, and probably will be defeated for the Democratic nomination for president at the Houston convention, is held by seven southern Democratic leaders. They are Senators Swanson and Glass, and Governor Byrd of Virginia; Senator Blease and Governor Richards of South Carolina, and Governor Graves and National Committeeman Carmichael of Alabama. If these southern Democratic leaders wholeheartedly join Senator Simmons, throwing Virginia, South Carolina and Alabama with North Carolina in the fight against the nomination of Smith before the Houston convention meets, Judge Hull declared the nomination of the New York governor would be impossible.

Judge Hull said that these seven men held in the hollow of their hands the delegations of their respective states that would go to the Houston convention. The delegate state convention meets at Phoenix only five days in advance of the Houston convention, but the two Virginia senators and Governor Byrd know right now who the delegates will be, and whom they are likely to support at Houston. The South Carolina delegates already selected are Blease-Richards men and will support the candidate these two men advise. The same is true in Alabama where Governor Graves and Mr. Carmichael are in control.

Judge Hull said the above named leaders are all dry and anti-Smith, and are known to be in sympathy with the position taken by Senator Simmons. But to make Smith's defeat absolutely certain the psychological moment is close at hand when these leaders should speak out as Simmons has done. If they do, the effect, observed the judge, will be electrical among the anti-Smith men in Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Oklahoma, Utah, and in fact, in every state where delegates who are opposed to Smith, but without stiffening of morale, might be swept under his banner. He said he was in possession of information that led him to believe that over half of the delegates of the convention could be marshaled against the nomination of the New York governor if the southern leaders would now back Senator Simmons.

Few Women Delegates to Kansas City Convention

Washington, June 2.—The women of America, constituting 48 per cent of the eligible electorate, will be represented at the 1928 Republican convention by less than six per cent of the delegates. Final returns from all states except West Virginia show a total of 64 Republican women delegates, in a total of 1,089 as compared to 120 with 211 votes at Cleveland four years ago.

Women alternates this year will number 229, exclusive of West Virginia, as compared to 279 in 1924. This brings the number of women who will have seats in the convention hall up to 30%, or about 15 per cent of the total representation. Four years ago 399 women were delegates or alternates.

Although several states have certified a large number of women as alternates, Missouri having an almost wholly feminine alternate slate, fifteen states will have no women delegates, and five states, four territories and the District of Columbia will send no women at all, either delegates or alternates.

2nd Primary June 30

A second primary June 30 to select the Democratic nominee for lieutenant governor appears certain as friends of John D. Langston announce that request will be made for a run-off with Richard T. Fountain if the final returns still show the latter high man in Saturday's state primary.

Under the law, the runner-up, when the high man lack a majority must file his request for a second primary with the state board of elections within 10 days after the first primary.

Mississippi Delegates Free

The Democratic convention in session at Jackson, Miss., Tuesday named an uninstrusted delegation of 20 to the Houston convention. The followers of Governor Smith lost overwhelmingly as did also the "bone dries" who sought to instruct the delegation against any candidate

News of Week in and About Blowing Rock

Permanent Entertainment Committee Named by Commerce Today; New Playhouse Opened Monday Night; Mayview Will Open Tomorrow

Blowing Rock, June 1.—A permanent committee on entertainment for tourists was appointed by the Blowing Rock Chamber of Commerce at its meeting last Thursday night in the school auditorium. Although this committee will have general charge of entertainments for tourists, its first work will probably be to provide amusement for the tourists who will come on a series of tours being arranged by a Greensboro touring firm. The committee is composed of C. S. Prevette, chairman, Mrs. E. G. Underdown and Miss Ethel Norval.

The committee on town beautification reported that pines had been planted around the standpipe on Blowing Rock hotel hill and that a scale of fees for garbage collection had been prepared. Mayor Sudderth pointed out, however, that as the town has no way of enforcing the payment of such fees, this play will probably prove impracticable.

Carolina Theater Opens

The Carolina theater was formally opened Monday night with an address by Mayor George M. Sudderth and another by Dr. R. B. Scates before the large crowd that attended the first performance. Mayor Sudderth pointed out that this theater is entirely a local institution, since it was built and is owned and operated by local men, and therefore, deserving local support.

Dr. Scates followed with some whimsical advice to both the owners and the patrons.

They followed the photoplay, "Two Arabian Knights," a farce comedy of war time, with a plot that is distinctively different from the conventional war picture.

The owners, E. C. Pitts, G. C. Robbins and E. G. Underdown, said that only first-run, clean pictures will be shown.

Mayview Opens Tomorrow

Mayview Manor will be open for guests tomorrow under the same management as last year. D. J. Boyden, the lessee, said that the same high-class service as was given to guests last year will be maintained this summer.

Fiddlers' Convention

Nearly all the merchants of Blowing Rock will offer prizes for the fiddlers' convention to be given by the Blowing Rock Band here June 15 and 16 in the school auditorium. Music by the best artists in Western North Carolina is promised by the committee in charge, B. K. Jenkins and J. A. Panella.

Among the performers who will come are the Tenille Ramblers, Victor record artists, radio entertainers, with Smoky Davis in song and vaudeville acts, Pigeon Dave Vannan with his Tennessee Mountain songs and a number of others.

Some of the merchants who are offering prizes are S. L. Cannon, Craig and Cron, Max Cannon, Carolina Theater, T. H. Coffey, E. C. Caffee, Central Hotel, H. C. Hayes, H. C. Martin, Carolina Stores, The Fashion Shop, J. A. Panella, and B. A. Underdown.

Carolina Manager Goes to Boone

Fred Church, popular manager of the Carolina Store here for the last several months, has been transferred to Boone to manage the store there. Mr. Church has made many friends for his company during his stay here. He is succeeded by Spencer Greene, who has had experience in several of the local grocery stores.

Public Stenographer

Miss Helen Underdown has opened a public stenographer's office in the town hall and reports excellent business for the first week. She was graduated from the Boone high school and later attended Stonevall Jackson college at Abingdon, Va. Last year she took a business course at Norfolk, Va.

Baseball

In a game that was marked by plenty of runs and plenty of errors by both sides, the Blowing Rock baseball team Saturday defeated Bamboo by a score of 21 to 15. Bamboo began with a rush in the first inning and made four runs before they could be stopped. In their half of the second they made another and it looked for a time that the local team was doomed.

Then the Blowing Rock team began a hitfest, and before the second inning had closed, eight men had crossed the home plate, making the score 8 to 5. Blowing Rock scored another in the third, but Bamboo came, drove two across in the third, four in the fourth and held Blowing Rock scoreless during that inning. In the next inning Bamboo got two more and Blowing Rock one, making the score Bamboo 13, Blowing Rock 11.

In the eighth, Blowing Rock ran wild, drove the ball to all corners of the field, made a race track of the

NEWS BREVITIES OF 38 YEARS AGO

Outstanding Happenings of Boone and Watauga County As Chronicled in the Columns of the Watauga Democrat

June 5, 1890

A joint session of the magistrates and county commissioners was held Monday. D. B. Dougherty was elected chairman for the next year. A tax of 20 1/2 cents was levied on all real estate and personal property and 75 1/2 cents on the poll for county purposes. A special tax of 10 cents on all real estate and personal property and 50 cents on the poll was levied for payment on the new jail. The election of a new board of commissioners was gone into and resulted in the election of the present board, J. E. Finley, W. W. Presnell and J. H. Mast. Rev. I. W. Thomas was re-elected county superintendent.

On Monday a number of old soldiers met in the courthouse for the purpose of appointing committees of arrangements for the encampment at Blowing Rock the first Thursday in August. "Company" Clark of Blowing Rock, was made chairman and S. W. Holslaw secretary. On motion a committee consisting of J. C. McInnes, R. H. Farthing, Jas. H. Taylor, W. W. Presnell, J. B. Clark, F. N. Corpening, D. J. Greene and Mr. Katz, was appointed to locate and superintend the encampment. A second committee was appointed consisting of Mr. G. W. F. Harger, W. W. Scott, Jr., D. E. Dougherty and H. H. Farthing, Esq.

Mr. D. D. Dougherty has returned home from Wake Forest College.

Near Beavertown has been to Egypt (Globe) to buy corn. It cost him 80 cents per bushel, but that is some better than paying \$1 for it in Watauga.

Rufus Presnell, the Rich Mountain bachelor, gave us a call this week. He brought to town with him a parsnip that was 27 inches in length and large in proportion.

The enumerators, or census takers, for this county, so far as we can recall, are L. L. Greene, Boone township; J. F. Feyer, Blowing Rock; J. T. Hampton, Blue Ridge; Mr. Greer, Elk; W. H. McGhee, Bald Mountain; Thos. Bingham, Cove Creek; Anderson Cable, Beaver Dam; Tim Reese, Laurel Creek; and Wm. Vannan, Shawneetown.

Arrangements are now being made to build new walls as both sides of Main street from the County Jail to the mill race.

McGALLARIN GETS CONTRACT FOR A S. N. S. DORMITORY

The contract for the new dormitory at the Appalachian State Normal School was let Friday by the board of trustees in session at Lenoir, to J. M. McGallarin of Morganton, the contract price being \$61,571. The planning contract goes to W. P. Davis of Johnson City, Tenn., for the sum of \$4,277.50, and the heating contract was also awarded to Mr. Davis for \$1,975.75. The electrical work will be done by the Normal electricians. The work on the building is to begin at once and is to be completed in five months.

Dr. B. B. Dougherty, who has been at Raleigh and other points in the state, looking after the work of the state board of organization, of which he is a member, attended the meeting of the executive committee in Lenoir Friday. His brother, Prof. D. D. Dougherty, also attended the meeting.

The prospects for the summer school are very bright. The dormitories at the Normal are filled, and a large number of students are going to the homes in town, which agree to take at a reasonable rate all students the Normal cannot accommodate.

WATAUGA GETS \$38,757.25 FROM EQUALIZATION FUND

Figures announced Monday morning by the state board of equalization as to the distribution of the \$3,250,000 equalizing fund showed that Watauga county will receive \$38,757.25, as against \$36,866.18 last year. Union county, receiving \$88,941.91, secured the highest amount from the fund, with Graham county tailing the list with \$838.55.

The board has in reserve \$100,000 for later distribution to counties developing needs not foreseen in the budget, and as an emergency fund. Other counties in Northwest Carolina received the following amounts: Allegheny, \$16,637.00; Avery, \$6,692.92; Ashe, \$58,953.84; Caldwell, \$40,629.30; Mitchell, \$15,643.46; and Wilkes, \$38,707.90.

Langston and Grist Are Favorites in Watauga

Total of 202 Votes Cast in Saturday's Primary for Nomination of Lieutenant Governor and Commissioner of Labor and Printing

With three precincts out of Watauga's fourteen not registering a single vote in Saturday's primary, and only 202 Democratic voters casting ballots in the other eleven, John D. Langston of Goldsboro, candidate for lieutenant governor, received a majority of eight over his two opponents, and Frank D. Grist, candidate for re-election for commissioner of labor and printing, outdistanced his two rivals by a majority of 115. Following is the vote by townships:

Lieutenant Governor			
Precincts	Langston	Burgwyn	Fountain
Bald Mountain	10	0	0
Beaver Dam	5	5	5
Blowing Rock	2	0	0
Blue Ridge	6	6	6
Boone	20	20	20
Cove Creek	12	0	0
Elk	0	0	0
Laurel Creek	1	1	1
Meat Camp No. 1	1	1	1
Meat Camp No. 2	1	1	1
North Fork	0	0	0
Shawneetown	0	0	0
Stony Fork	0	0	0
Watauga	28	28	28
Total	110	54	58

Commissioner Labor and Printing

Precincts

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Precincts	Grist	Shipman	Peterson
Bald Mountain	8	1	1
Beaver Dam	7	7	7
Blowing Rock	1	0	0
Blue Ridge	6	6	6
Boone	15	15	15
Cove Creek	0	0	0
Elk	0	0	0
Laurel Creek	3	3	3
Meat Camp No. 1	1	1	1
Meat Camp No. 2	0	0	0
North Fork	0	0	0
Shawneetown	0	0	0
Stony Fork	0	0	0
Watauga	28	28	28
Total	151	20	14

BAPTIST CENTENNIAL DRIVE LAUNCHED THURSDAY NIGHT

The Baptist Centennial campaign in three towns and Stony Fork associations was launched here last Thursday night, when leaders in the churches began the exciting struggle for the Baptist church. The purpose of the campaign is to raise one and a half million dollars for the Baptist schools and colleges in the state. The plan is to raise this huge amount by the first of July, at which time the Baptist state convention will have been organized one hundred years.

The goal of this district, including Ashe, Allegheny, Surry, Yadkin, Yancey and Watauga counties, is \$45,000.

At the meeting Thursday night, Dr. Charles E. Maddy, general secretary of the Baptist state convention, was the principal speaker, and delivered what is said to have been one of the finest addresses ever heard in the county. Mr. M. A. Higgins, who is in charge of the campaign in this district, with headquarters at North Wilkesboro, explained the campaign in detail.

Prof. I. G. Greer is general chairman for the two associations. The ladies of the local church served a delightful supper to the large number present Thursday night.

Dr. R. L. Moore, president of Mars Hill college; Prof. McLeod, a member of the faculty of that institution, and Chas. A. Maddy, a recent graduate, were in the county Sunday and spoke to the interest of the centennial campaign at the following churches:

Dr. Moore, Sunday morning at Blowing Rock and in the evening at Cove Creek.

Prof. McLeod, Pleasant Grove in the morning and at Boone in the evening.

Mr. Maddy, at Bethel in the morning and at Oak Grove in the evening. Mr. Clyde R. Greene of Boone spoke at Meat Camp Sunday morning and Prof. I. G. Greer at Mt. Vernon Sunday night.

NEW COURTHOUSE CORNERSTONE HAS A TEXAS TOAD

Eastland, Texas, June 7.—A Texas horned toad was entombed in the new courthouse cornerstone here. Three months ago when the old courthouse was torn down, a horned toad was removed from the cornerstone, witnesses said, a few after 21 years of imprisonment.

SOLDIER DEAD HONORED HERE

Impressive Memorial Service for World War Dead Held at Baptist Church Sunday; Address by Mrs. Irene Walbridge

The American Legion, Legion Auxiliary and the citizenship generally, re-gathered at the Baptist church here Sunday morning to pay loving tribute to Watauga county's thirty soldiers who died in action in the service and since the great World War ended November 11, 1918.

The feature of the occasion was an address by Mrs. Irene McFarlane Walbridge, national president of the Legion Auxiliary, who was here to attend an executive meeting of the state organization. Mrs. Walbridge was introduced by Mrs. Harry Vass, of Winston-Salem, state Auxiliary president, who paid a beautiful tribute to Mrs. Walbridge's wonderful work.

Quite a number of ex-soldiers and parents of soldiers who "went west" while in the service or since, occupied seats of honor in the middle of the pews, and a large banner bearing the names of Watauga's soldiers who were listed about the same time, were also present. The service was a beautiful and impressive one, and was held in the church at 10 o'clock.

Killed in Action

Charles B. Brien, Valde Crooks; Grady Barnes; Eugene Linder; Colley; Blowing Rock; Clyde Harmon; Sugar Grove; Dan Wallace; Blowing Rock; Edward Warren; Tom R. F. D.; Milton Greene; Rufus Hager; Coffey; Treese.

Died in the Service

Timothy Norris, Boone Route 2; Thomas S. Mast, Mast; Seth O. Trivett, Beech Creek; Greer, C. Wooding, Boone Route 2; Teague, Blowing Rock; John Simmons, Tripplet; Willie Edmonsten, Boone; Jeffrey Winkler, Boone; Beane Trist, Beech Creek; Lloyd Hampton, Blowing Rock.

Died Since Discharged

Harvey Hampton, Blowing Rock; Hill Phillips, Vilas; Luttrell White, Shulls Mills; James Vines, Sugar Grove; Willie Raney, Boone; Will Ragan, Boone Route 2; Ed Hollar, Boone; Carl Wooding, Boone Route 2; Tom Moore, Boone; Fins Greene, Deep Gap; Burn, Milk; Honkas; Bob Byard, Valde Crooks.

More Than Thousand Expected at Normal

The first term of the Appalachian State Normal School, which started yesterday morning, will be unusually large, according to the figures say, regular and extra classes, when 500 were expected.

An average of 250 to 300 students are expected to come to the school in some weeks, while the school is in session were preparing to meet over all the overflow. Indications are that by the end of the week registrations will be as numerous as the school term last year, when more than a thousand students came to the local institution.

DEMONSTRATION SCHOOL

The Boone Demonstration School opened Tuesday, with a fine corps of teachers for the summer work. All children who are conditioned on any work are urged to attend during the summer in order to remove these conditions. All beginners who will enter the first grade at any time before Christmas are urged to attend this summer. By attending during this summer the little folks will be in much better position to make the grade during the year, as the winter weather always interferes with the attendance of the little folks.

Two teachers, Miss Mackay Larkin of last year's faculty, and Miss Lucile Boly of the Charlotte city schools, will be in charge of the first grade during the summer. All children expecting to enter for the summer are urged to do so at once.

Mrs. William Thomas Matherly, 57, who lived near Reidsville, was brutally murdered early Friday morning. Her head was crushed by a blunt instrument and her forehead smashed by a sharper instrument. Robbery is thought to have been the motive, as \$15 was stolen from the house. Her husband was working in a field some distance away when he was attracted to the house by his wife's screams and when he arrived he found Mrs. Matherly dead in a pool of blood.

State College, Raleigh, celebrated its 20th commencement Tuesday by graduating a class of 200, the largest in the history of the institution.

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