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Conducts Revival



Rev. J. Fremont Whitman of Charleston, W. Va., who is conducting revival services at the Advent Christian church here during this week.

REYNOLDS TAKES BIG LEAD IN RACE FOR U.S. SENATOR

Slowly Tabulated Returns Indicate Junior Senator Will File Up Huge Majority Over Charles A. Jonas, Republican; All Democratic Congressmen Elected

Raleigh, Nov. 8.—North Carolina kept its Democratic allegiance unbroken in today's general election, scattered returns from all parts of the state indicated tonight.

On the basis of available reports, Senator Robert R. Reynolds, the 11 Democratic nominee for congress, and two incumbent members of the state supreme court were re-elected, and two proposed amendments to the constitution appeared to have been approved.

With 548 of 1,877 precincts reported, the vote for Reynolds was 78,238 against 23,041 for his Republican opponent, former Congressman Chas. A. Jonas.

Returns from the congressional contests, where seven Democrats had Republican opponents, were meager but there was nothing in the first reports to indicate any likelihood of an upset.

Representative Doughton in the ninth, and Representative Weaver in the 11th, beat back old-age pension advocates, upon the basis of early returns. In the tenth, where Republicans were said to consider their chances better than elsewhere, Representative Bulwinkle piled up a lead over Frank Patton, of Morganton.

Revival Meeting Advent Church

The revival meeting in the Advent Christian church is now in progress. It began last Sunday with good attendance at both the morning and night services.

Evangelist J. Fremont Whitman of Charleston, W. Va., is doing the preaching, and it is expected that this will be the best revival ever held in "The Rock Church." He is a very forceful speaker and has had wide experience in all parts of the nation in evangelistic work. He is president of the Advent Christian Assembly and vice-president of the Advent Christian General Conference of America. He has been called different times as the principal speaker at the Alton Bay camp meeting which is the largest gathering of Advent Christian people in the world.

Everybody is cordially invited to attend these meetings. Services each night this week at 7:30.

Fire Does Damage To Law Offices

A fire which originated in the basement of the handsome new law office building of Attorney Wade E. Brown, Saturday morning, caused damages to the building and furnishings of about \$1,500.

The fire started from an overheated hot air furnace, it is thought, and before the flames could be extinguished they had spread to the offices of Mr. Brown on the street floor and into the second story apartment. Flooring, partition walls, and front office furnishings were the most damaged, while the greater part of the law library was saved from the fire.

RED CROSS ROLL CALL STARTS 11TH

Organization Formed for Annual Membership Campaign; Mayor Issues Proclamation

Mrs. James H. Council, chairman of the Watauga chapter American Red Cross, has perfected the organization for the annual Red Cross Roll Call campaign which will get under way Armistice Day and continue until Thanksgiving, and feels that as usual Watauga county will rally to the cause of the great humanitarian organization.

Following are the names of the chairmen of the Roll Call committees: Mrs. R. W. Watkins, Boone; Mrs. H. C. Hayes, Blowing Rock; Mrs. Stanley Harris, Cove Creek; Mrs. Clyde Perry, Beaver Dam; Miss Nancy Taylor, Valle Crucis; Alex. Tugman, Green Valley school and community.

Mayor Issues Proclamation
In connection with the opening of the Roll Call, Mayor W. H. Gragg has issued the following proclamation:

Each year Americans in every community are called upon to take part in a great nation-wide movement to relieve human suffering and raise health standards in this country. I refer to the work done by the Watauga chapter of the American Red Cross and thousands of other chapters throughout the country.

It is not necessary, I know, for me to remind citizens of our community that the work of the Red Cross is a vital contribution to our community welfare. Both from the standpoint of the year-round local program and work on a national basis, such as the relief for victims of disasters, the fight against epidemics, public health nursing for isolated communities, or assistance to service men or disabled veterans, Red Cross aid to those needing help has proved its worth.

For years past our community has had a share in this work through contributions made by local citizens.

The annual membership Roll Call of the Red Cross, through which such work is supported, is from Armistice Day through Thanksgiving Day. Your support during this period will insure a continuation of Red Cross work here and in other parts of the country. The Red Cross asks so little, yet does so much, that we cannot afford to deny such an appeal.

I am pleased, therefore, as mayor of Boone, to designate this period as a time when all members will be asked to renew their membership, and those who have not enrolled before are asked to add their names to the ranks of Red Cross members in our community.

LEES-McRAE LOSES TO CAMPBELL; MEETS DAVIDSON B NEXT

Banner Elk, Nov. 6.—A stubborn, hard-fighting Lees-McRae eleven lost to the heavier Campbell team to the tune of 6-0 here Saturday afternoon before a large crowd of spectators from this region.

Campbell managed to score its lone touchdown in the last five minutes of play, after the fine Lees-McRae defense and drastic penalties for holding and offsidings had forced them back again and again when they were in the Bobcat territory. Their attack was led by J. Coates, Brown and Stankus.

Claude Weddington, 155-pound back, proved the star of the Lees-McRae defense in the second half, stopping the fast-galloping Campbell backs twice when they were in an open field.

Working out on a soggy field, the Lees-McRae gridders began practice this week for their invasion of Coach Mackorell's Alma Mater Friday to play the Davidson "B" team. Godwin, Drum and Shelor, guards, are on the injury list; although the backfield is in fair shape for the coming fray.

Legion Is Planning Entertainment Friday

The American Legion Auxiliary will present a carnival and food sale at the Haha building Friday from 11 a. m. to 10 p. m. Bingo and other entertainment will be provided, while in the afternoon the Legion will sponsor an old-fashioned turkey shooting match at the Muster Field. Plate lunches will be sold by the Auxiliary and a general good time is promised all who attend.

Easy Winner



Congressman Robert L. Doughton, who was elected Tuesday to his fifteenth term, piling up a huge majority over Mr. Monroe Adams of Statesville.

DOUGHTON TAKES LEAD OVER ADAMS

Veteran Solon Carries Watauga County by Almost 400; Reynolds Easy Winner

Congressman R. L. Doughton carried Watauga county by a sizable majority in his fifteenth consecutive race for a seat in the house of representatives, almost complete unofficial returns from Watauga county's fourteen election precincts revealed, while Senator Robert R. Reynolds likewise carried the county handily.

Mr. Doughton, who was opposed by Mr. Monroe Adams of Statesville, running on a Townsend plan platform, received 3,789 votes as against 3,423 cast for his opponent. Robert R. Reynolds, who was elected for his second term for the United States senate, received 3,792 votes in the county, while his opponent, Charles A. Jonas, tallied 3,420. Final tabulations may reveal slight changes in these figures.

Reports reaching Boone Wednesday morning indicated that Mr. Doughton was carrying the district by perhaps as many as 15,000 votes, while Senator Reynolds, with only a few hundred precincts reported was leading Mr. Jonas about three to one.

B. & L. ANNOUNCES SLOGAN CONTEST

\$200 in Prizes Are to Be Offered in Contest for Suitable Slogan for Organizations

The Building and Loan Associations of North Carolina are sponsoring a slogan contest, which began November 7th and which will continue through November 30, according to an announcement made in the advertising columns of the newspaper today by the Watauga Building and Loan Association.

Two hundred dollars in prizes will be awarded, consisting of \$100, first prize; and 20 prizes of \$5 each, for a slogan of not more than 12 words suitable for use by the building, savings and loan associations. The North Carolina Building and Loan League at Raleigh has worked out the details of the contest which will be open only to residents of North Carolina.

All of the associations in the state are co-operating in the contest and W. H. Gragg, secretary of the local association, has entry blanks and other information available as to the rules of the contest which is already creating state-wide interest.

Austin Wins By a Majority of 2,750

William B. Austin of Jefferson, Democratic candidate for the state senate from this district, was in town Wednesday and tells the newspaper that unofficial returns from the three counties involved, place his majority at 2,750.

GALA GREENING OF NEW THEATRE SET FOR NEXT MONDAY

Messrs. Hamby and Winkler Lease Magnificent Showhouse to A. Fuller Sams, Jr.; Building is One of the Most Modernly Appointed in State

The Appalachian Theatre, Boone's newly-completed showhouse, will be opened to the public next Monday, according to announcement made by Mr. A. Fuller Sams, Jr., of Winston-Salem and Statesville, who has negotiated a 15-year lease with the owners, Messrs. A. E. Hamby and W. R. Winkler of Boone, and the advertising columns of the newspaper today carry a program of high-type cinema productions which will feature the first week's run.

Mr. Sams, who has operated theatres in Statesville and Winston-Salem for the past fifteen years, is one of the most successful theatre men in this section of the state and feels fortunate in having been able to effect a lease of the new Appalachian Theatre in Boone.

Mr. Carleton H. Trotter of Statesville, who is in charge of the playhouse and is spending the week here, getting everything in readiness for the opening day. Mr. Trotter, who has managed a theatre in Statesville for the past two years, is a native of Lawrenceville, Va.

A Modern Structure
The new theatre building, more details about which will be given in next week's Democrat, will seat 1,000 people and is modern in every detail, being the equal of any cinema palace in the state.

The new management has also leased from Messrs. Hamby and Winkler the Pastime Theatre, and will operate both houses. Two complete programs of entertainment appear in The Democrat today.

ELECTION NEWS FROM THE NATION

Early Returns Given From Senatorial, Congressional and Gubernatorial Races

Chicago, Nov. 8.—Republicans and Democrats ran close races for the Midwest's top political posts tonight.

Early returns in the key contests—waged about the new deal issue in most states and watched for indications of farmers' reaction to the crop control programs—showed the rival candidates were virtually matching paces.

Senator Robert J. Bulkley, new deal Democrat, was locking in a close quarter fight with Republican Robert A. Taft in Ohio's senatorial battle. The clear-cut issue there was the new deal. Taft, son of the 27th President of the United States and considered a likely prospect for a high place on the Republican ticket in 1940, criticised the policies of the Roosevelt administration.

Another close struggle developed in Ohio's gubernatorial election, pitting Democrat Charles Sawyer against Republican John W. Bricker.

First reports from Indiana's senatorial duel found Senator Frederick Van Nuys, Democratic incumbent, pressed by his Republican opponent, Raymond E. Willis.

Early returns in Michigan's gubernatorial contest—termed "vitally important" by the President—favored Frank D. Fitzgerald, Republican, seeking to unseat Governor Frank Murphy, Democrat. Indications were that Murphy was defeated.

A margin compiled in Chicago put Scott W. Lucas, Democratic entry, ahead of Richard J. Lyons, Republican, in the senatorial contest in Illinois.

First returns put Republicans in the van in Wisconsin. Julius P. Hell, a manufacturer who campaigned for a "business administration" on the Republican ticket, led Gov. Phil (Continued on page four)

STORES TO CLOSE HERE ON FRIDAY

The various mercantile establishments of the town will close their doors to the public throughout the day Friday, in observance of Armistice Day.

Business men are anxious that people of the town and county do their shopping Thursday, so that no inconvenience will result from the closing of their stores and shops.

Democrats Pile Up An Average Majority Of 800 as Wataugans Vote

Senator Re-elected



Senator Robert R. Reynolds, who on the face of scattering returns from over the state, is leading Charles A. Jonas in the U. S. senate race by something like 3 to 1.

CONTRACT LET FOR FEDERAL BUILDING

Detroit Contractor is to Erect Boone Postoffice at a Cost of \$45,000.00

Henry Dettner, Detroit contractor, has been awarded the contract for the construction of Boone's new post-office building, it was learned the first of the week from Postmaster W. G. Hartzog.

The successful bidder is to construct the building according to the plans and specifications of the procurement division of the treasury department at a cost of \$45,000, and the work shall be completed within 210 calendar days from the date of receipt of "notice." It is expected that the formal contract and performance bond will be executed at once, and that preliminary work will start soon.

MRS. OXENTINE IS FATALLY BURNED

Housewife Dies From Burns Received While Kindling Fire With Kerosene

Mrs. Fred Oxentine, aged 26, resident of the Winkler's Creek section, died Tuesday morning, less than 24 hours after she was enveloped in flames, when she attempted to start the kitchen fire with a can of coal oil. The container exploded, it is said, and an unnamed infant lying nearby was also seriously burned, but it is believed at the Watauga Hospital that she will live.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday at 2 o'clock from the home by Rev. W. D. Ashley, and interment was in the Winkler cemetery.

Surviving are the husband, the infant and four children, Hade, Alice, Ethel and Eva Oxentine. The parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ador Coffey, and the following brothers and sisters also survive: Joe and Dave Coffey, Gragg, N. C.; Ernest Coffey, Adako; Mesdames Alfred Woody Jonas Ridge; George Barnes, Lenoir, and Miss Edith Coffey, Gragg, N. C.

N. C. Baptists Will Meet November 17

The annual session of the Baptist state convention will be held in Raleigh November 15-17. A three-day program is being arranged and a number of out-of-state speakers have been secured.

The Baptist state convention is the official representative body of 471,550 North Carolina Baptists and shapes the policies of the several institutions of denominational work in the state. Among questions up for discussion in the meeting will be the advisability of establishing two additional Baptist hospitals, one in the eastern part of the state and one in the south central region. Baptists already have in Winston-Salem a hospital, of which Smith Hagaman is superintendent.

All County Officers Are Elected by Democrats in Heavy Balloting; Billings Heads Ticket; Reynolds and Doughton are Accorded Lesser Majorities

Watauga county voters went to the polls in large numbers Tuesday, despite the inclement weather, and by a sizable majority registered their approval of the Democratic administration of affairs in Watauga county, at the same time giving to Congressman Doughton, Senator Reynolds and others on the state ticket a safe lead over their Republican opponents.

According to complete unofficial returns gathered from the fourteen voting precincts, Democratic candidates for the state senate and county offices polled an average majority of slightly more than 813.

Coy I. Billings, county commissioner, rolled up a majority of 902, it is indicated, while Austin E. South, clerk of the court for the past twelve years, was runner-up with a majority of 878. Due to the large vote, the newspaper is unable to publish returns from the vote on constitutional amendments and township offices, but these, together with a table, showing the official county vote, will be carried following the action of the canvassing board next week.

Following are the unofficial figures showing the total vote each candidate received, with the majorities:

State Senator	
Wm. B. Austin	4,257
Grant Bauguss	3,511
Majority	846
Representative	
Robt. T. Greer	4,146
Clyde R. Greene	3,504
Majority	642
Clerk Superior Court	
A. E. South	4,263
Jim Burkett	3,385
Majority	878
Sheriff	
A. J. Edmisten	4,360
Tom Miller	3,447
Majority	813
Coroner	
Richard E. Kelley	4,226
Surveyor	
C. F. Thompson	4,215
I. A. Bungarner	3,441
Majority	850
County Commissioners	
Eller McNeil	4,274
Jason Moretz	3,424
Majority	850
Coy I. Billings	4,251
Stacy Ford	3,349
Majority	902
Ira Edmisten	4,258
Bert Farthing	3,343
Majority	815

Wataugan Dies In Auto Crash

Robert Reese, aged 25, native of Watauga, but for the greater part of his adult life a resident of Cincinnati, Ohio, was fatally injured in that city last Saturday, when the automobile in which he was riding collided with a street car.

The body was returned to the former home at Zionville, where funeral services were conducted at 2 o'clock Tuesday, interment being in that neighborhood.

Further details are unavailable.

Mrs. Mary Moretz Dies On Meat Camp

Press-time reports tell of the death Tuesday afternoon of Mrs. Mary Moretz, 86, esteemed Meat Camp resident, and incomplete information indicates that funeral services will be conducted from the Mount Pleasant church at 10 o'clock Thursday.

Three sons and six daughters survive; Miss Lona Moretz, Boone; Mrs. L. W. Greene, Mrs. N. C. Norris, Mrs. L. L. Norris, Boone; Mrs. S. W. Greer, Brownwood; Mrs. C. H. Houck, Lenoir.

Germany is bartering auto trucks for tobacco from the Dominican republic.