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PLANS COMPLETE FOR BURLEY VOTE IN COUNTY OCT. 25

A List of Those Eligible to Vote on Tobacco Quotas are Being Compiled; Further Information on Referendum; Voting Places

Lists of burley tobacco growers who are eligible to vote in the referendum on Oct. 25, to determine whether they desire quotas on the 1947 crop have been compiled by the Watauga County Agricultural Conservation Committee and are open for inspection in the county office. In addition to those names compiled there is a large number of tenants, share-croppers and operators of farms who will be entitled to vote. According to Ned Glenn, chairman of the agricultural conservation committee, "any person who has an interest in the 1946 crop as owner, tenant, or sharecropper is eligible to vote."

With more than 300 million pounds of surplus burley tobacco on the market it is extremely important that growers be acquainted with the issues involved. Marketing quotas afford an opportunity to reduce the supply of tobacco in line with the demand. Should quotas be voted again, Watauga county growers will be in a favorable position since the proposed 20% reduction of allotments in 1947 will affect less than 10% of the growers in the county. No farm of 0.9 acre or less will be reduced if quotas are approved by the referendum.

As in the past, Mr. Glenn pointed out, growers will vote on one of three propositions: (1) Do you favor marketing quotas for three years, 1947, 1948, and 1949? (2) Do you favor quotas for one year-1947, but oppose quotas for three years? or, (3) Are you opposed to any quotas?

"Vote your own way, but by all means vote." That was the final appeal made by letter today to burley tobacco growers by Mr. Glenn.

Polling places will be open from 8:00 a. m. to 6:00 p. m. and, for the county, are as follows:

- Bald Mountain community: Cook's store, Todd.
- Beaver Dam community No. 1: Donly Hagaman's store.
- Beaver Dam community No. 2: Clyde Perry's store.
- Blue Ridge community: Aho.
- Brushy Fork community: Miller's store, Lovill.
- Boone and Blowing Rock communities: courthouse.
- New River community: Smith's store.
- Cove Creek No. 1 community: Church's store, Mabel.
- Silverstone community: I. B. Wilson's store.
- Cove Creek No. 2 community: Sherwood's store.
- Elk community: Laxon P. O.
- Laurel Creek No. 1 community: V. D. Ward's store.
- Laurel Creek No. 2 community: Vance Harmon's store.
- Meat Camp No. 1 and 2 communities: Meat Camp filling station.
- North Fork community: Howard Thomis's store.
- Shawneehaw community: Clyde Tester's store.
- Stoney Fork community: Laxon P. O.
- Watauga No. 1 community: Howard Mast's store.
- Watauga No. 2 community: Church's store, Fosco.

Article By Prof. Howell To Be Used In National Journal

"The Why of Retardation," a discussion of failure and retardation in the schools of North Carolina, written by Prof. John T. Howell of the Appalachian Demonstration school in Boone, and published in the October edition of North Carolina Education, will be published soon in the "National Elementary Principal," an organ of the National Education Association. The article is praised in a letter which comes from Washington asking permission to use the matter compiled by the local educator.

Mr. Howell points out that in the period from 1930 to 1941 out of every 1,000 pupils entering the first grade in 1930, 375 graduated from high school. In a discussion of this condition Mr. Howell gives some factors contributing to this situation as: Lack of effort, health conditions, personality hindrances, absence, inability to interest the child and fear of others, fear of teachers, unhappiness at school and at home.

New Minister



REV. SAMUEL B. MOSS

REV. S. B. MOSS IS NEW PASTOR

Albemarle Man Takes Over Pastorate of Boone Methodist Church

Rev. Samuel B. Moss, assigned to the pastorate of the Boone Methodist Church by Bishop Clare Purcell at the recent conference in Asheville, has taken over his new duties here, succeeding Dr. J. B. McLarty, who has retired, and who is now enjoying a brief rest in the state of Florida.

Rev. Mr. Moss, who is a native of Albemarle, graduated from State College in 1938 as a chemical engineer, decided to enter the ministry, and spent three years at the Divinity School at Yale University, where he received his theological training. His first work was as assistant pastor of the South Main Street Methodist Church in High Point, and he comes to the local pastorate from Avondale Church in Rutherford county.

Rev. Mr. Moss, who is unmarried, is accompanied by his mother, Mrs. Jennie A. Moss, and sister, Miss Mary A. Moss. They have been residing at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. South for a few days, pending the re-decorating of the parsonage, and expect to establish their home there today.

Construction Started On Blowing Rock Park

Active work has been begun on the development of the central recreation park in Blowing Rock. Grading has been completed for the widening of the streets on two sides of the park, and for the construction of two tennis courts. Plans already made call for the completion of the tennis courts, the building of a children's playground, the construction of shuffleboard, horse-shoe pitching, badminton and croquet courts before the opening of another summer season. In the master plans for the park already approved, are included the building of a swimming pool, a new library building, and a pavilion which will be adapted to roller skating, concerts, moving pictures, and all features of general entertainment. This building will also contain offices for the Chamber of Commerce.

Mrs. Dillie Hagaman Claimed by Death

Mrs. Dillie Scott Hagaman, aged 83 years, died Sunday at the home in Beaver Dam township, and funeral services were held Tuesday at the Forest Grove Baptist Church, with Rev. Lawrence Hagaman in charge. Burial was in the Hagaman family cemetery in that neighborhood, with Reins-Sturdivant Funeral Home in charge of the details.

Boone P.T.A. To Meet October 28th

The next meeting of the Boone Parent-Teachers Association will be held at the high school on Monday, October 28, at 7:30 p. m. Leaders for the evening's program will be Gail Clay, Betty Gabriel, McKinley Ayers, Bob Agle and R. W. Watkins. The subject under discussion will be "Home to School—Traffic Safety." All friends and patrons of the school are urged to attend this meeting in order to have a share in the educational program of the community.

LEGION MAKING CAMPAIGN FOR NEW MEMBERS

All-out Membership Drive is Announced by Watauga Legion Post; 64 Valuable Prizes Are Offered by Local Merchants as Incentive

An all out drive for membership in Watauga Post 130 of the American Legion is now getting into high gear according to joint announcement made this week by membership chairman, Lionel Ward, Wade E. Brown, commander, and Joe Huffman, adjutant.

Sparking this drive for membership is a list of sixty four valuable prizes donated by the merchants of Boone with a value of several hundred dollars. These prizes will be given to those veterans of either war who secure the most paid up memberships to the American Legion on or before Friday November 8. A list of the prizes and other information will be published next week.

According to the adjutant the membership already is within fifty of being at an all time high for the local post, but the contest is just beginning, and many veterans of both wars are expected to join before the day the contest ends. A most unusual situation exists in the contest thus far, for despite the large membership already attained, only seventeen contestants for the sixty four prizes have as yet turned in any reports. Therefore, forty-seven new contestants are urged to get into the contest at once. Kelly Osborne, Richard Kelley, Lionel Ward and Mack Gowles are currently leading the parade of contestants. Any veteran from either war who is interested in the American Legion and this contest is urged to attend the important meeting to be held at the Legion Hut Friday at 7:30 p. m. when complete information on the contest, application blanks etc. may be obtained. Refreshments will be served.

At the conclusion of the contest in November a huge fish fry or dinner is planned tentatively with High Legion Officials from all over the state will be present to celebrate the termination of the record-breaking membership drive.

Doughton Speaks at 9th District Rally

The best insurance that can be given the American people for the future of their country is the re-election of all Democrats at the polls on Nov. 5, and the filling of all national, state and local offices with Democratic candidates—then the people will be assured of continuance of sound, progressive and humanitarian government in both state and nation.

Such is the forthright declaration made this past week at the congressional rally of the ninth district held at Statesville by Congressman Robert L. Doughton.

Representative Doughton believes in the doctrine he is preaching and believes in it wholeheartedly. Not only at Statesville, but at every gathering this month where he is called to make a speech, he has declared that the Republican party is conducting a campaign "based on criticism, wild promises, glittering generalities and pious platitudes" and they "have no effective program and are not constructive." In fact, he adds, their record "going back to Harding, Coolidge and Hoover is a record of failure and defeatism and abandonment of high principles."

A large number of local Democrats went to Statesville to participate in the rally.

Big REA Loan Made To Caldwell Group

Washington, Oct. 22.—Rural Electrification Administration today announced approval of a \$1,220,000 loan to Blue Ridge Electric Membership corporation, Leasair, Caldwell county, for improving its transmission system and building 785 miles of line to serve 2,754 consumers.

TWO WATAUGA COUNTIANS ENROLLED AT MARS HILL

Mars Hill—Two students from Watauga county are among the 901 enrolled at Mars Hill college this fall, according to a report from the registrar's office. They are Ned Payne-Austin of Boone, and Eula Mae Coffey of Blowing Rock.

Saturday Is Last Day to Register

Attention is called to the fact that Saturday, Oct. 26, is the last day in which a voter may register, and thus qualify himself to cast a ballot in the election of Nov. 5. Saturday, Nov. 2, will be observed as challenge day.

Registration books will be open next Saturday at the voting place in each precinct, and those who have not previously registered, and who have reached their majority, or become eligible by length of local residence, must register at that time, or they just can't qualify to vote under the law.

BEARS ARE SLAIN AT BLOWING ROCK

Two Big Bruins Are Taken by Party of Hunters Near Famed Rock

Two large bears, weighing 375 and 400 pounds, respectively, were killed by a party of hunters within two miles of the corporate limits of the town of Blowing Rock last week, it was learned Monday from Fred Penley, who participated in the successful hunt. Indications were that the bears had spent the summer in the country immediately below the famous rock, from which the town derives its name.

The success of the hunt, Mr. Penley said, was due to the superbly trained bear dogs, the property of Grover and Clarence Wiseman of Altamont.

Among those participating in the hunt were: Howard Smith, Grover Wiseman, Clarence Wiseman, Fred Wiseman, Ernest Wise, Sterling Vance, Emmet Johnson, Allen Johnson, Bud Winters, Fred Penley, Marion Ford, Buster Ford, Adam Hodges, Paul Coffey.

Coal Miners May Strike November 1

Washington, Oct. 22—John L. Lewis tonight warned in effect that his 400,000 soft coal miners would walk out Nov. 1—20 days earlier than the deadline set yesterday—if Secretary of the Interior Krug fails to show up promptly for a conference here on new wage demands and other issues.

With the government, as operator of the seized coal mines, balking at his demand that the present contract be reopened, Lewis quickly served an ultimatum declaring that unless the conference is held the existing agreement will be "void."

Traditionally, members of the United Mine Workers have refused to work without a contract. Charging the government with breaching the contract, Lewis called yesterday for a conference Nov. 1 to reopen wages and a host of other issues. Under the procedure outlined yesterday, the walkout could start Nov. 20.

Baptist Preachers to Gather at Fruitland

The Baptist State Convention of North Carolina will open at Fruitland in the old Fruitland property, a school for preachers and pastors on October 28, it is announced.

The school will be under the direction of Dr. J. C. Canipe, secretary of evangelism of North Carolina Baptists. About sixty preachers are expected to enroll for the school which will run for six weeks but will adjourn for the Baptist State Convention the week of November 18. The majority of these preachers will come from the mountain and Piedmont area. Many pastors in Watauga county ought to come, says Dr. Canipe. Contact him at 417 Third avenue, West Hendersonville, N. C.

Attend Funeral Rites For Victim of Burns

Mr. A. E. South and Mrs. S. C. Eggers went to Hildebran Sunday where they attended the funeral of a grand-niece, Nora Brannock, one year old, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Brannock of Hickory. The rites were held in the Methodist church at Hildebran and interment was in Oakwood cemetery. The child was fatally burned, it is said, when her clothing was ignited from a fire in the home.

Democratic Leaders to Speak Here



Senator Clyde R. Hoey, left, and Congressman Robert L. Doughton, who will speak at the county-wide Democratic rally at the court house in Boone Thursday, October 31, at 7:30.



HOEY, DOUGHTON TO FEATURE DEMOCRATIC RALLY OCT. 31ST

Senator Clyde R. Hoey and Congressman Robert L. Doughton will supply the oratory at the county-wide Democratic rally to be held at the courthouse in Boone Thursday evening October 31 at 7:30 o'clock, it is announced by W. R. Winkler, chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee.

Band music will intersperse the program, and the people of Watauga county are being urged to gather to hear these leaders in the Congress discuss the issues

facing the voters. Senator Hoey has long been known as perhaps the State's most gifted orator, and local Democrats feel fortunate in having procured his services for this occasion.

Congressman Doughton, who first went to Congress in 1910, is a speaker of unusual force and logic, and his appearances here are always looked forward to with interest by the citizens. Ladies are particularly invited to be present for the rally.

LOCAL SHEEP WIN AT STATE FAIR

Hampshires From Shipley Farm Take 19 Ribbons at Raleigh Fair Last Week

A group of Hampshire sheep from the Shipley Farms, Vilas, took away nineteen ribbons at the State Fair at Raleigh last week as further evidence of the progress being made in the pure-bred livestock industry by Watauga county farmers.

Hampshires from the Shipley flocks garnered 6 blue ribbons, 2 grand championships, 6 first, 3 second, and 2 third place awards.

Halloween Event Being Planned Here

One of the big events of the school year is the time for fun and frolic at Halloween.

Mr. Wey is acting as coordinator for this event this year. Committees are working on booths for various types of entertainment and it is hoped that the public will be present in large numbers.

After the carnival will be a Halloween dance sponsored by Miss Stonger's Assembly Club.

The profit realized from these festivities will be applied on the inter-communication system.

Further details will be given in the next week's issue of the Democrat.

U. S. DROPPING CASE AGAINST TOKYO ROSE

Los Angeles, Oct. 22.—The Federal government is dropping its case against Tokyo Rose.

Tokyo Rose, said U. S. Attorney James M. Carter, was a composite person with at least a dozen voices, so Los Angeles-born Ivakuke Toguri, accused of dispensing subversive propaganda in the South Pacific during the war, may be released by the Army.

Miss Toguri was arrested in Tokyo when General MacArthur's forces took over, but a year's investigation by the F. B. I. failed to establish that she was the woman who tried vainly to spread discontent and unrest among American troops.

Dance at Valle Crucis Slated for Friday

A dance will be given at the Mission School at Valle Crucis Friday evening October 25, and the proceeds from an admission charge of 30 cents will be used in the construction of the parish house for the Holy Cross Church.

The dance is being sponsored by the members of the G. F. S. of the church. A local string band will supply the music for the occasion.

VETERANS FOREIGN WARS

Post No 7031, Veterans Foreign Wars, will meet in the Legion Hut at 7:30 p. m. Thursday, October 24th. All comrades are requested to be present.

AMENDMENTS TO BE PASSED UPON IN BALLOTING

Whether or Not Women May Serve on Juries One of Questions to Be Decided on at November Election; Pay of Legislators Also Is an Issue

Watauga county women, in the future, may be called upon to do jury service, if an amendment to be voted on in the November 5th election, is given approval by the people of the state.

Usually the amendments are so obscured by the scramble to elect county officials that little heed is paid by the electors to this phase of their balloting privilege.

Another amendment would provide necessary expense for the members of the State Legislature. In connection with the Constitutional change, it was explained that the primary objective is to expand the privilege of jury service. Women have never served in the past, but if the electorate approves, sex will no longer be a bar and women will take their seats with men in determining the fate of persons brought into court for prosecution under the criminal laws.

The amendment allowing limited necessary expenses for members of the General Assembly actually calls for increasing pay from \$10 a day to \$20 a day, "not to exceed a period of 60 days."

Registrars Functioning
The registrars in the different precincts of the county have had the books open for registration, and it is announced by R. T. Greer, chairman of the board of elections, that next Saturday is the last day to register for the election of November 5.

Considerable interest is developing in the contest for county offices in this locality and both Democrats and Republicans appear to be making a strong appeal for the favor of the electorate.

Man Sentenced For Threat To Truman's Life

Nashville, Tenn., Oct. 22—Romeo H. Lyle, 37-year-old Nashville man who told Federal Judge Elmer Davies he had spent two-thirds of his life behind bars, was sentenced to four and one half years in prison today on conviction of threatening the life of President Truman.

A jury required 20 minutes to reach the verdict after hearing A. W. Chulenberg, a treasury department handwriting expert, identify the handwriting in a threatening letter as that of Lyle. Lyle's attorneys presented three witnesses to testify he was mentally incompetent.

Lyle was arrested last May 27 after an investigation by the federal secret service and had remained in jail upon failure to post \$10,000 bond.

Bishop Gribbin to Visit Local Church Sunday

The Right Rev. Robert E. Gribbin, D. D., Bishop of Western North Carolina, will visit St. Luke's Episcopal Church for the 11 o'clock service next Sunday, Oct. 27. The Bishop will be here for confirmation of new members. He will confirm a class of four: Miss Louise Taylor, Mrs. C. A. Price, Mrs. Harry Smallbones and Miss Molly Hopkins. The Bishop will preach, and the public is cordially invited to attend the service.

Quarterback Club Will Sponsor Ball

A masquerade ball will be held at the Appalachian high school gymnasium Wednesday evening, October 30th, under the auspices of the local Quarterback Club.

A campus orchestra will supply the music for the occasion, and the general public is invited. Proceeds from an admission charge will be used to further the program of the Quarterback Club.

Rev. Mitchell Begins Revival Here Saturday

Rev. Rufus Mitchell will begin a revival meeting in the Gospel Tabernacle Saturday night Oct. 26th, at 7:30 o'clock.

Rev. Mr. Mitchell will be assisted by the Rev. J. A. Brock, pastor of the Bethel Baptist Church, Shelby. Everyone has a special invitation to attend these services. Special singing.

Army Air Forces planning a world flight of Superfortresses.