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NEXT TUESDAY BALLOT BATTLE WILL BE WAGED

American People Will Choose Leaders and Determine Policies for Following Years

Tuesday is peculiarly an American day. It is the day on which the people will choose whom they will have for their representatives and for their leaders and determine in a measure the policies of the state and nation for the coming year. It is the day of national and state elections. The campaign has been on for months. On Tuesday the will of the majority will be expressed, and in American, the majority rules.

Besides the president, the governor, one United States senator, the district member of congress, representative and state senator and various other county officers, the people of North Carolina will be asked to register their wishes with reference to four constitutional amendments and two policies on which the expression of public opinion is desired. The constitutional amendments are as follows:

1. Exemption from taxation of homes and homestead notes. When one buys a home and gives a promissory note for it, both the holder of the note and the new owner of the home must pay taxes under the present constitution. There are those who say this is double taxation and others who say it is not. If this amendment to the constitution is adopted, then notes given for the purchase of homes and homesteads will be exempted from taxation.
2. Another amendment provides for the increase of pay of state senators and members of the legislature from \$4.00 per day to \$10.00 per day. Four dollars was sufficient pay for legislators when the constitution was adopted, it is pointed out, but now it is not sufficient to live on at hotel in the capital city or any other city. Those in favor of the amendment contend that the members of the state legislature should be paid reasonable compensation over and above their expenses. Others contend that in serving the state one should not expect any compensation. The adoption of this amendment will mean increased pay; the rejection of the amendment will mean that the pay will remain as it is now, that is, four dollars per day.
3. A third constitutional amendment to be voted on is one limiting the state debt, except for purposes of emergency such as war, to eight and one-half percent of the assessed value of the property of the state. There is no limit fixed now other than that naturally fixed by the limitation of the taxing power.
4. The fourth proposed amendment to the constitution to be voted on relates to the use of the sinking funds of the state. If adopted, it will prohibit the use of sinking funds for any other purpose than for the payment of the obligations for which the funds were created.

There are two other referendum bills to be voted on. One, relating to the issue of bonds to provide a loan for the benefit of world war veterans; the other, relating to the issuing of bonds to build port terminals and purchase and operate ships, if necessary.

Water Supply Off One Day During Week

Parts of the city were without water Tuesday night and part of Wednesday morning on account of the main water line being blown into by a falling in the process of grading alley River Avenue opposite the school house. The line was blown to about 2:00 in the afternoon. City water superintendent, J. L. Hall, got pipe, solder and other necessary material as quickly as possible and placed the broken joint Tuesday night and had water on Tuesday morning. However, Wednesday, a small feed line of the main line and supply line of the school house, was broken into and the water had to be off awhile Wednesday. This could be plugged. The pipe was not reconnected until Friday, after grade had been finished in the street.

Cabinet Officer Died Saturday

Secretary of the Department of Agriculture Henry C. Wallace died at the naval hospital in Washington at four o'clock Saturday morning from complications following an operation on the 14th for the removal of his appendix and gall bladder. Death came peacefully, it is said, after Mr. Wallace had been unconscious for about 24 hours. Mrs. Wallace and daughter, Ruth, were the only members of the family present at the time of Mr. Wallace's death.

Mr. Wallace was one of the original cabinet members appointed by President Harding and was considered a very capable member of the cabinet. His home was in Iowa, the leading Agricultural state of the Union. He was editor of a farm paper before going into the cabinet.

President Coolidge named Charles F. Marvin of the Weather Bureau as temporary Secretary of Agriculture to act until Assistant Secretary Gore, who was out of Washington, could return. The permanent has not yet been made.

Hartsfield Assumes Charge of Circuit

Rev. F. E. Hartsfield, recently assigned to the Murphy circuit by the M. E. Conference of Western North Carolina, held in Greensboro, assumed his duties Sunday, preaching in the morning at Roger's Chapel and in the afternoon at the Peachtree Church. Mr. Hartsfield is a young man in the ministry and assumes the work with the energy and enthusiasm of youth. He is a native of Florida, his people residing in West Palm Beach. He studied at Emory University in Atlanta, Ga. Mr. Hartsfield succeeds Rev. C. E. Stedman.

Local Legion Post For Veterans' Loan

The Joe Miller Elkins Post of the American Legion, the local post of the national organization of World War veterans, is actively interested in the passage of the referendum measure to be voted on Tuesday, November 4th, authorizing the issuance of \$2,000,000 in bonds by the state to be loaned to World War veterans in amounts not to exceed \$2,000 to enable them to get started in business. "This loan act," recites the local Legion officials, "will help North Carolina veterans cut down their expenses and to build up their self-sustaining industries in a material way. They need it, and if they need it, they undoubtedly ought to have it, and we believe the sense of justice and of gratitude will unite in the vote of November 4th to confirm the act of the Legislature."

It will mean no cost to the state, which can borrow the money at approximately four per cent and which will relend it to the veterans at six per cent, the difference in the rates of interest being used to administer the act. This amendment is listed on the referendum ballot as 'World War Veterans' Loan Fund Bonds.'

HIWASSEE.

(Last Week's Letter)
Mrs. Bird Ramsey is with her sister, who is very low with tuberculosis.

Mrs. J. N. Hill visited Mr. and Mrs. Asa James one day last week.

The farmers are very busy sowing grain and making syrup.

Mrs. Ella Ramsey and children spent Sunday with Mrs. Ella James.

Mr. Asa James is planning to sell out and go to Gastonia.

Mrs. Lou Campbell is on the sick list this week.

We are having pretty weather for picking peas and drying fruit.

S. S. Class To Give Party at Library

The Sunday school class of Mrs. L. P. Kinsey has decided to hold its Halloween party at the assembly hall of the Library instead of the social rooms of the church, as previously announced. The party will be held Friday night of this week, October 31st. Many novel games and contests are being planned for the occasion. An admission charge of ten cents will be made, it is announced.

SEEK TO ERADICATE TUBERCULOSIS IN CATTLE

Sentiment is being created in Cherokee, Clay and other southwestern counties for the application of the tuberculin test to all cattle. The county agents of the respective counties are working in co-operation with Dr. J. R. Houchins of the Federal Department of Agriculture to bring about these tests. The counties will be asked to co-operate with the federal and state governments in bearing the expense of the tests.

While there is no reason to believe that tuberculosis is prevalent among the cattle of this section, yet it is highly important that any one infected should be removed from the herds and put to death in order to prevent its spread. When it is realized that milk and butter makes up a large part of the food of many families, especially the children, and when it is recalled that this dread disease is readily transmitted from a milk cow to a person eating any of that cow's products, the question of freeing the cattle from tuberculosis becomes a serious one. This should furnish sufficient reason why these tests should be made, thinks Dr. Houchins, with which every thoughtful citizen will concur. Another reason is this, that within a very short time the shipment of milk and butter out of a county in which all cattle are not free from tuberculosis will be prohibited. This will be a great inconvenience to many farmers of southwestern North Carolina and means a serious loss to some.

Some cattle in Clay and Cherokee were tuberculin tested during the past summer, the owners of the cattle paying the expense. If the present action is productive of any effort to remove tuberculin infected cattle from the county, the county commissioners will be asked to co-operate with the state and federal governments in the work. The county will probably be asked to appropriate a definite sum and the other two agencies will care for the balance of the expense. Any cattle found infected will be killed and properly disposed of. The federal government will pay the owners of such cattle fifty dollars for a grade cow so infected and not to exceed \$100 for a purebred cow so infected and killed.

Forty-eight counties in the state have already had these tests made and now all cattle shipped into them must have been tested before they are admitted. Seven other counties have made application for the government to aid them in ridding their cattle of tuberculosis. In all the counties where this work has been undertaken, Dr. Houchins states that not a single complaint as to expense has been registered. The cost of the tests usually runs about 25 cents per head. Judging by other counties where the tests have been made, from one to five percent of the cattle in this section are infected. That means that several hundred head in each county are constantly producing milk and butter contaminated with tuberculous bacilli, which are infecting the people who consume their products. It is an appalling thought and it is believed as soon as the election is over the counties of this section will join in the work of eradicating the infected cattle.

HONOR ROLL FOR FRIEND- SHIP SCHOOL, 2ND MONTH

First Grade—Ruth Hickey, Irene McDonald, Bertha Holbrooks, Vinnie Green, Della Hamby, Elsie Hamby, Lexie Hamby, Fannie Burger, John Taylor, Quentin Wood, Paul Smith, and Johnny Keenum.

Second Grade—Edward Collins, Otis Burger, Elene McNabb.

Third Grade—Emerson Smith, Leonard Ingram, Clon Keenum, Luther Beaver, Bernice Ingram, Vesta McDonald, Pauline Thompson, Horace Beaver and Beanie Green.

Fourth Grade—Cecil Burger, Marie Beaver, Edna Collins, Ralph Pope and Howard Taylor.

Fifth Grade—Mae Wods and Bonnie McDonald.

Sixth Grade—Annie Lou Keenum, and Essa McNabb.

Seventh Grade—Herman Burger, Mattie Lou McNabb, Addie Parker, Mattie and Annie Picklesimer, Exie and Hazel Bone, Glenn Taylor, Stanley and Corrie Wood.

Mrs. Lilly Wiggins Granted Parole

Raleigh, Oct. 24.—Mrs. Lilly Wiggins, of Cherokee County, 67, whereabouts unknown, can go back home now to be with her aged husband, a Confederate veteran. Governor Morrison granted her a parole today in spite of her record of being absent without leave from the Cherokee county jail.

Mrs. Wiggins turned loose a load of buckshot at a fellow near her home who had been taunting her about her daughter. That was four years ago. She was tried in superior court and sentenced to 18 months in jail. After serving 10 months of her sentence she escaped, sending word back that she "couldn't stand it any longer."

The Cherokee authorities have heard nothing of her since. If her family has, the authorities don't know it, thought it was reported to the governor that if paroled she would come back to her husband, 10 years her senior and in poor health.

Judge James L. Webb, who sentenced her, recommended the parole. He imposed the sentence with the understanding that she would serve it if she failed to pay \$100, the victim of her gun, \$400 damages.

After the judge left town friends deserted her and she could not raise the money, so she stayed in jail until she found the chance to get away. —Charlotte Observer.

Officials Uncertain About Court Being Held in November

Court attaches and officials were still at a loss Thursday as to state definitely whether or not the regular November term of the superior court would be held or not. It is the general opinion that it will not be held. The recent death of Judge J. Bis Ray removed the only available judge to preside at this term, in the opinion of many. The impression prevails, therefore, that the court will not convene. The docket has not yet been made up by the bar association, which lends further credence to this view.

The court was scheduled to open on Monday, November 3rd, but on account of election day on Tuesday, it would not have convened before Wednesday the 5th, it is said. However, with the death of Judge Ray, it is believed that this term will be precluded.

Just as we close the form before going to press announcement comes from Governor Morrison that he will not appoint a successor to Judge J. Bis Ray until after the election, and the November term of court will not convene until further announcement, which will be sometime after the election, according to word given out by court officials.

At The Baptist Church Sunday, November 2nd

Every member of the church is especially urged to be present both at Sunday school and preaching service Sunday morning.

At the evening service by special request Rev. Victor McGuire will speak on "My Experiences and Observations in China."

The public is most cordially invited to all the services.

T. L. SASSER, Pastor.

Methodist Men's Bible Class to Hold Banquet

The Murphy Men's Bible Class of the Methodist Church are planning a class banquet for Friday evening, November 7th, in the basement of the new Methodist Church. Besides the members of the class, the pastors and teachers of the bible class in the other churches will be invited to be guests of the class, according to announcement given out a few days ago. The Woman's Missionary society of the church will prepare the banquet.

"EVERY DAY" TO BE GIVEN TUESDAY NIGHT

First Number in Fall and Winter Lyceum Course To Be a Three Act Comedy Drama

The first number of the fall and winter lyceum course will be given in the school auditorium next Tuesday evening, November 5th. The title of the popular play that will constitute the number is "Every Day," which has been a popular and successful drama all over the country. It is being staged by a New York company of merit, under the auspices of the Redpath Lyceum Bureau.

Besides the play, arrangements have been completed for the receiving of election returns at intervals during and following the play. A radio receiving set will be installed and the returns received in this way. This is expected to draw a capacity house for the play. People in nearby towns especially of Hayesville, Andrews, Culberson, Ranger and other towns of the county have expressed an interest in the returns and the announcement that the returns will be received here on that night is expected to bring many out of town people here for the play.

Season tickets for the entire five numbers in the 1924-25 course have been on sale for several days by school girls. During this week and the first of next, an intensive campaign to increase the sale of season tickets will be put on. The season tickets represent a considerable saving over the individual admittance tickets, and this fact is adding to their attractiveness.

There are five numbers in the course for this year. The other numbers will appear in November and December. This course is made possible through co-operation of a group of public spirited citizens who have jointly guaranteed the charges for bringing this better type of entertainment here.

"Every Day" is a modern Comedy drama of Rachel Crothers. It depicts the life of a typical family. The play is divided into three acts, which are described as of "sustained heart interest." There are five characters.

Judge George Nolan, proud, pompous and powerful, is conspicuously and unmistakably the lord and master of his house and everything in it. He is a few years older than his wife, Fanny, and is as positive as she is indefinite.

Mrs. Nolan has been pretty, lovable and charming in her youth, and might have stayed so with encouragement, but she has faded into a timid fretful little person, intent upon out-facing herself, as being the easiest way to meet the overpowering dominance of her husband and the world in general. She is a kitten who has grown old, but remained a kitten, having given up its purring and pretty ways. She is neither in fashion nor out, but inclined to neutrality. She is usually engaged in crocheting, humoring the judge or making excuses for his gruffness.

Their daughter, Phyllis, beautiful at 20, and with a face passionately intelligent and eager has returned from European study and travel which have enable her to stand aside and observe with dismay and disappointment the shortcomings of the home town in general and of her own parents in particular.

Among the home folks whom Phyllis analyzes quite correctly is Mrs. Raymond, a socially ambitious "friend of the family," who has long planned that her son, Tommie (dignified with the title "T. D."), shall wed the judge's daughter. At the same time Judge Nolan, who has his eye upon the governorship of his state in the middle west, designs that Phyllis shall become the wife of Barry Wyman, who is politically powerful and unrighteously rich. As a lover, "T. D." is graded zero by Phyllis, nor is she greatly interested in Wyman's suit until the judge leads her to believe that he is the victim of public persecution and must have the church support of his friends.

Governor Peay To Build Tenn. Road

"I intend to see next year that Unicoi County gets a hard surfaced road all the way from Johnson City Milligan College and Carter County line clear through the North Carolina line," declared Governor Austin Peay of Tennessee, in a recent address.

The Erwin, Tenn., News quotes the Chief Executive as follows:

"I intend to see next year that Unicoi County gets a hard surfaced road all the way from Johnson City, Milligan College and the Carter County line clear through to the North Carolina line. You people have been isolated long enough, you deserve this road, and as Governor next year I shall see that you get it. It may not be possible to complete it in 1925, but I promise to see this hard surfaced and permanent road across Unicoi County put through by the state next year."

"In saying this, I make no personal appeal for votes. As governor, I am not accustomed to make many promises, but every promise I make I keep. This road will be built, because the public welfare demands it."

Loud cheers greeted this utterance of Governor Peay in Erwin, October 10.

To the audience in Johnson City, the following night, Governor Peay reiterated his promise made in Erwin the evening before to see to it that a hard surfaced road is built in Unicoi County next year.—Asheville Citizen.

Prolonged Services At The Presbyterian Church Closed Thurs.

A ten day series of services at the Presbyterian Church came to a close Thursday night with a strong message by the evangelist, in which he exhorted his hearers to accept Christ as their Saviour. The title of the discourse was "God Is Unwilling That Any Should Be Lost." Rev. Walter K. Keys, of Bristol, Tennessee, did the preaching. He is a young preacher but brought a series of vigorous, forceful and logical messages. It seemed to be the one aim of Mr. Keys to see how plain and simple he could interpret the Bible to his hearers.

The meeting began Sunday, October 12th, the pastor, Rev. E. G. Clary, preaching the opening sermon. On Monday night following, Rev. B. F. Yandel, of the Hawlewood Church, did the preaching. For the remainder of the first week Mr. Yandel led the singing. Mr. Keys arrived Tuesday and took charge of the meeting Tuesday night and immediately found his way into the hearts of his hearers. While the visible results of the meeting were not so evident, those who heard Mr. Keys' strong messages have undoubtedly been very greatly strengthened and benefited.

Agent To Ship Carload Of Calves Next Saturday

County Agent H. H. Ellis is preparing to aid the farmers of this section in the shipping of another carload of veal calves Saturday, November 1st. Any farmer having a calf which he would like to dispose of, should bring it to Murphy not later than 12 o'clock Saturday, stated Mr. Ellis, in order to get it in the car. Veal is now bringing a good strong price and a nice calf should net the shipper a good round sum. Calves are bringing much more in proportion than cattle. It has already been demonstrated that the best time to dispose of cattle is while they are small, as the cattle, if kept until they are two to three years old, will not show a profit.

Calves and cattle are being shipped from time to time by the county agents of Clay and Cherokee assembly hall was beautifully decorated with a profusion of autumn Counties. A farmer having a calf for shipment at any time should get it in the best shape possible and notify the county agent, so that he can notify the owner of the date of the next shipment. Mr. Ellis will also be glad to help anyone dispose of cattle, if they have any for sale and cannot find a ready market.