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"If It Concerns Harnett, It's In THE NEWS"

Two Offices Left In Doubt In Primary Vote

Lillington Voters to Decide on Street Improvement Tuesday

CITIZENS WILL CAST BALLOTS ON BOND ISSUE

PROPOSAL IS THAT \$45,000 BE BORROWED TO PAVE STREETS OF TOWN; BALLOTING WILL BE AT TOWN HALL.

Qualified voters of the town of Lillington will go to Town Hall next Tuesday, June 8, where they will ballot on the question: "Shall an ordinance passed Mar. 4, 1948, authorizing not exceeding \$45,000 Street Improvement Bonds of the Town of Lillington for the purpose of constructing or reconstructing the surface of streets in said town, including grading, the total cost of which improvements, exclusive of the cost of paving at street intersections, is to be specially assessed, and a tax for said bonds, be approved?"

Registration books, opened for the purpose of allowing those qualified but not heretofore registered, to get their names on the books in preparation for the special election.

Mrs. Marjorie Taylor, office clerk, has acted as registrar. The books were opened Saturday, May 15, and were closed last Saturday, May 29.

R. S. Taylor and N. S. Atkins will serve as judges at the election. The ballots, prepared with the facsimile signature of H. H. Hamilton, town clerk, have two boxed space opposite the proposal. In one box the voter can vote No; in the other Yes.

Enthusiastic over the prospect of having the town's streets paved, some property owners "jumped the gun" on the election and went ahead with the paving along streets adjoining their homes.

The Ziegler-Cline Company, which had been paving streets in Dunn, paved six blocks with "plant mix" and this type of paving has seemingly met with general approval. It is the type of paving used on the Lillington-Manchester road.

Asked his opinion on the action of the voters next Tuesday, Mayor Lovins told The News he is confident the issue will be favored by a splendid majority.

It is the general feeling among those most enthusiastically favoring the bond proposal that the "sample" paving done on the six blocks has aroused more interest favorable to street improvement.

The polls will open at 6:30 a. m. and close at 6:30 p. m.

About Half

It is estimated that Harnett Democrats voted about half their strength last Saturday, casting 5,775 ballots.

The 1940 census gave Harnett's population as 44,239. It is more likely 50,000 now.

Mrs. Inez Harrington, Registrar of Deeds and clerk to the Board of County Commissioners, has estimated that there are 20,000 adults in the county.

She also estimates that 12,000 of them are Democrats and 8,000 are Republicans.

Why only half of the Democrats voted in Saturday's primary is open for explanation by anybody who has the answer.

New Senator



J. MELVILLE BROUGHTON

Former Governor Broughton was nominated both for the short and long terms as United States Senator in the Democratic primary last Saturday. He will assume office at the next session of Congress.

"Citizens of Tomorrow"



Top Row: Elizabeth, age 8 years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Troy Byrd, Lillington; Inez, age 4 years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Johnson, Broadway; Margie, age 5 years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Yow, Lillington. Bottom Row: Judy, age 4 years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Junious Parker, Lillington; Jan, age 5 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Roberts, Lillington; Patsy, age 5 years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Morgan, Lillington.

PARTNERSHIP IN LOCAL MOTOR CO. IS CHANGED

A. W. WOOD BUYS OUT M. C. COLLINS IN C & S MOTOR CO., AGREEMENTS FOR DODGE AND PLYMOUTH CARS

The local Dodge and Plymouth agency made a change in its partnership formation this week. Announcement of the change is made in this issue of The News.

Mr. A. W. Wood has bought the interest of Mr. M. C. Collins in the company which has been operating as the C & S Motor Company, and hereafter the trade name will be S & W Motor Company.

The company is local agent for Dodge and Plymouth cars and trucks. Its location is in the Layton building next to the old Lillington bank on Main street.

The new partnership announces that it will continue its well equipped garage for repairs to all kinds of cars and trucks. Mr. Sawyer, who has charge of the garage, is an expert mechanic of long experience in handling all makes of cars and trucks.

Mr. Wood, whose business interests are wide and varied, has long been identified with the automotive and fuel trade. He has a large acquaintance and friendship throughout this section which will assure his new venture generous patronage.

The new partnership has already gone into effect.

Vacation Bible School At Mamer's Church

The Mamer's Methodist Church Daily Vacation Bible School is to start on Morning morning, June 7 at 9:00 o'clock. The pastor, Rev. O. C. Melton, has arranged the program for the daily sessions, and an invitation has been issued to all young people of the community to attend.

Folks Flock To Lillington To Vote and Talk on Election

Harnett's county seat was full of people all day Saturday. It looked as though Goodwill Day was being repeated. In fact it was.

There was goodwill aplenty. It was evident from the good humor prevailing. Smiles were plentiful. Jokes were too. And there was aplenty else to keep the jovial crowd interested as it milled around.

The folks came to town to vote. But first they chatted. Here and there, seemingly everywhere, everybody had something to talk about, and somebody to talk to.

Voting started off at the booths in courthouse auditorium early, and the rush caused many to wait their turn in marking the Australian ballot in secret as the law requires.

The ladies in charge of the annual Poppy Sale had their corps of workers going hither and thither, and the grammar graders didn't miss a trick where there was a prospect of sale. The girls were enjoying it, and judging by the decorated lapels, the sale went over with a bang.

LOCAL CANNERY GIVES SCHEDULE DATES, RATES

VEGETABLES WILL BE CANNED ON MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS AND FRIDAYS FROM JUNE THROUGH SEPTEMBER

The Lillington Community Cannery is making public its schedule of operations for the summer months, as well as prices to be charged.

Vegetables will be canned on Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays through the months of June, July, August and September. Appointments must be made during June and September.

Charges for canning vegetables will be as follows: No. 2 can, 6 1/2 cents; No. 3 can, 7 1/2 cents.

Notice is given that the Cannery will not be responsible for canned goods left in the Cannery. All goods must be removed on the day they are canned.

Charges fixed for meat canning are as follows: No. 2 can, 7 1/2 cents; No. 3 can, 8 1/2 cents. Grinding and rendering lard, 3 cents per pound. Grinding sausage, 2 cents per pound.

Ever since it began operations the local cannery has proven popular, and it is estimated that householders have been able to save thousands of dollars through its services.

Manager Ed Rogers is looking forward to a successful canning season.

Navy Man Re-enlists

Jasper McKenly Allen of Coats enlisted this week in the Regular Army through the Army and Air Force Recruiting Station in Fayetteville, Alton, a former Navy man, chose a three-year assignment with the 11th Airborne Division, now stationed in Japan. His wife, Mrs. Bertis Wright Allen, and their two sons, Eugene Allen and Billy Ray Allen, reside in Coats. Allen is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Allen of Coats.

HARNETT COURT GOES INTO FINAL SPRING TERM

JUDGE PAUL FRIZELLE SCHEDULED TO PRESIDE AT TWO WEEKS CIVIL TERM BEGINNING NEXT MONDAY

Harnett Superior Court will go into its final Spring term next Monday morning with Judge Paul Frizelle of Snow Hill scheduled to preside. Although two weeks time is assigned for the term; it is not at all likely that the session will continue that long.

The June term comes at a time when farmers are very busy with their crops, and lawyers and other court officials take cognizance of the fact. Too, for some reason or other the attorneys are never anxious to wind up cases, however long they may have been on the docket, at the midsummer term.

Clerk Howard Godwin met with the members of the Bar Monday morning and set the following cases for trial:

Monday, June 7
Jewel Snead Kloume vs. Grier Alexander Kloume; Claude Harrington vs. Pauline McLean Harrington; Beatrice Graves Jarrrell vs. Claude H. Jarrrell; Thelma Monds Godwin vs. William Floyd Godwin; Lewis A. Gavin vs. Nell Simpson Gavin; Joseph Milton Roberts vs. Eva Dell Roberts; R. C. Thomas vs. Jessie F. Thomas; George T. Chandler vs. H. C. Cameron et al; George E. Bullock vs. John W. Pope; John W. Pope vs. (Continued on page eight)

CARL BJORK ON THE NEWS STAFF

Experienced Newsman and Principal of Franklin School Accepts Position

Mr. Carl E. Bjork of Zebulon has accepted a position on the staff of The News, and began his duties with the paper on Monday of this week.

A native of Pennsylvania, Mr. Bjork has a wide newspaper experience having held positions in Mississippi, Florida, North Carolina, and Pennsylvania. For several years he published "The Paragraph" in Aldenville and Emporium, Pa. While in Florida, he was employed as Manager of The Ship's Service Print Shop on The Navy Base at Pensacola. Last summer Mr. Bjork acted as editor-manager of The Pender Chronicle in Burgaw. His "Tips", a weekly feature in The Zebulon Record, is a favorite column for Record readers.

Mr. Bjork's educational background includes business college, art school, theological training, and college. He is an ordained Baptist minister, and has held several successful pastorates. Last year he acted as Supply Pastor for four months at The First Church of Southern Pines.

During the last school term, Mr. Bjork was principal of The Pilot Elementary School, near Zebulon, in the Franklin County Unit. Previously, he taught in the Goldston High School, Chatham county.

Mr. Bjork is married to the former Geraldine Watson of Bear Creek, and has one son, Carl Jr. They are making their home in Lillington, and are residing at present in the teacherage.

Another Newcomer

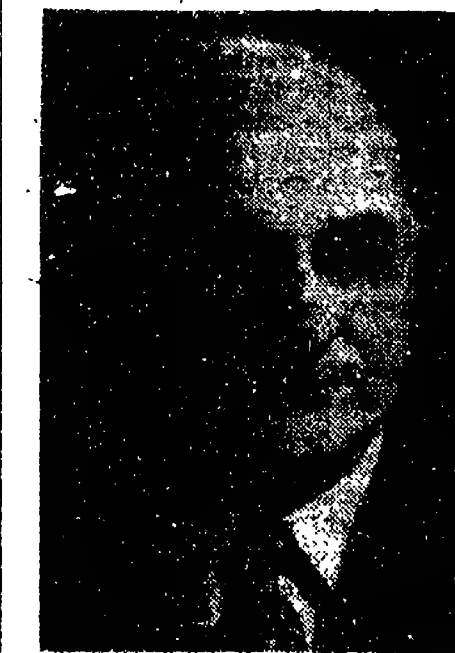


C. G. FIELDS

Mr. Fields, cashier of the Angler branch of First-Citizens Bank & Trust Co., won the nomination in Saturday's primary for Commissioner from the Third District over Mr. E. T. Tutor of Buckhorn. Mr. Fields is another newcomer to enter the Harnett political realm.

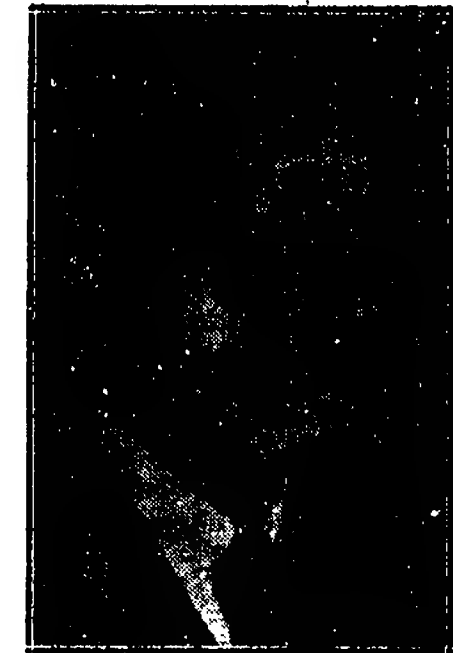
Newcomer Leads in Race for House of Representatives

Contenders Still



CHAS. M. JOHNSON

Gubernatorial Candidates Johnson and Scott will not wind up their campaigns till June 26. With Johnson leading in the primary last Saturday by about 5,000 votes, Scott has already declared he will "be in there fighting" through the second primary. The runoff promises to be exciting.



W. KERR SCOTT

SCHOOL RECEIVES PORTRAIT OF LATE J. ALLEN WALKER

PROMINENT EDUCATOR HAD SERVED LILLINGTON COMMUNITY WHOLEHEARTEDLY FOR FOURTEEN YEARS

Honoring the memory of the late John Allen Walker, who was Principal of the Lillington Schools at the time of his death, a splendid portrait of Mr. Walker was presented to the school on Friday night, May 29, during the graduating exercises of the Class of 1948.

The portrait is the work of Mrs. Hallie Siddell of Raleigh, and was given to the school by Misses Cleta Nell and Wendolyn Wilborn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sion Wilborn of Lillington.

Miss Cleta Nell Wilborn made the official presentation, and Superintendent H. H. Hamilton accepted the gift on behalf of the school.

The portrait is to be hung in the school as a permanent memorial to Mr. Walker.

Mr. Walker came to Lillington in 1929 to teach mathematics in the local schools. In 1932, the board of trustees elected him as principal. At the time of his death in 1943, he had served eleven years in that office.

Beyond his school work, Mr. Walker was active in his church, and was Superintendent of the Methodist Sunday School. He was a member of the Masonic Order and the Rotary Club.

ATTEND GRADUATION

Dr. and Mrs. W. B. Hunter and Mrs. Ralph Izard spent the week-end in Greensboro attending the graduation of Miss Rita Hunter at WCUNC. Miss Rita Hunter was one of the two chemistry major students chosen to return to WCUNC as laboratory assistants for next year's term.

DEDICATE NEW NEILL'S CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH

BEAUTIFUL STRUCTURE REPLACES BUILDING DESTROYED BY FIRE FOUR YEARS AGO; WORTH OVER \$30,000

The new Neill's Creek Baptist Church building will be used for the first time on Sunday morning, June 6, at 11:00 o'clock. Built mainly by local assistance the structure is one of the most imposing brick church edifices in the Little River Baptist Association.

The pastor, Rev. G. Scott Turner, assisted by guest ministers, will dedicate the house of worship during the all-day services. It is hoped that all non-resident members, all donors to the new church plant, or any other interested friends will be present at these services.

The old church building was destroyed by fire three or four years ago and the church membership have been awaiting this day when they could meet once more in their church home. The handsome structure has cost over \$30,000 to date, and is not complete throughout. However, the main auditorium is ready for occupancy.

During the day, a picnic lunch will be served on the church grounds. While no special invitations have been mailed, the public is cordially invited to worship with the Neill's Creek Baptists this coming Sunday.

Re-enlists in Army

Edward Ransom Beasley, son of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Beasley of Coats R-1, enlisted through the Army and Air Force Recruiting Station in Fayetteville last week for the Regular Army. Beasley, a former service man, enlisted as a Technician Fifth Grade and chose as his branch of service the Medical Department.

Vehicle Inspection Seen Lagging; Inspection Compulsory

When Supervisor J. Edgar Lucas had his motor vehicle inspection outfit in Lillington he reported to The News that owners were slow in bringing their vehicles to the lane. The crew were kept busy only about half the time they were here.

Supervisor Lucas credited this backwardness largely to the fact that many owners who had a notion their vehicles might need repairs in order to pass the inspection, and were intent on taking their cars to garages to have them put in shape.

The Supervisor strongly urged against this practice, however, pointing out that vehicle owners could take advantage of the inspection first and then they would know exactly what needed to be done.

During the inspection in the testing lane a motor vehicle is given a thorough going-over, he said, and this would save the owner the cost of the same service that must be charged for when the vehicle is taken to a garage.

Supervisor Lucas pointed out further that most garages would prefer that vehicles be first inspected in the lanes so that when the owners visited the garages for repairs the mechanics would have a memorandum of all that is to be done.

The lane will again be in Lillington from June 23 through June 30. Report from Supervisor Lucas stated that 900 vehicles were inspected while the lane was here the latter part of April. Of this number, he said, only a low percentage needed repairs, and practically none of them called for major repairs. Many cars went through the lane and got a blue sticker forthwith.

"It means a great saving to the motor vehicle owner to bring his car to the inspection lane," said Supervisor Lucas, and by that, he said, he didn't mean only the saving of the cost of inspection, but the safety feature is one that may mean life or death or at least serious injury and damage to vehicles.

PARKER HIGH MAN IN THREE WAY CONTEST

HARNETT GIVES NEARLY ALL OF ITS VOTES TO BOB YOUNG OF DUNN IN HIS RACE FOR CONGRESSMAN

Harnett voters cast 5,776 ballots in the Democratic primary last Saturday, according to the tabulation of the votes for member of the House of Representatives, in which there was a three-man race. Howard A. Parker of Erwin, a newcomer in Harnett politics, led in this race with 2,138 votes. A. L. Overby, veteran politician of Angler, came next with 2,074, and Harvey M. O'Quinn of Marners was third with 1,564.

Biggest surprise, however, was the runaway made by Mrs. Inez Harrington, incumbent, who was opposed in her quest for reelection by Mrs. Mamie Sexton Byrd of Bunnlevy. Mrs. Harrington's vote was 4,483, Mrs. Byrd's 1,161.

In the District 3 Commissioner race C. G. Fields of Angler beat E. T. Tutor of Buckhorn 754 to 436.

In District 4 J. A. Senter won over J. E. Womble 619 to 534.

In the five-man contest in District 5 J. R. Mason led the ticket with 286 votes, Paul Tysinger came next with 234, and following in order were Mack Holder with 205, Vance Cameron and D. T. Adcock with 188 each.

Harnett gave its favorite son, Bob Young of Dunn, nearly all of its vote for Congress. He got 3,844, Carlyle 617 and Bellamy 382.

That sums it up, insofar as immediate county interest goes. There will probably be second primaries to decide the winner for the House, and the Commissioner in District 5.

Kerr Scott walked away with the lion's share of votes for Governor. His total was 3,331, Johnson got 1,294, Albright 1,192, Barker 51, Boyd 24 and Stanley 17.

U. B. Umstead was the favorite for both the short and regular term as Senator. For the short term the vote was: Umstead 2,789, Broughton 2,606. For the regular term: Umstead 2,777, Broughton 2,674.

Averasboro voters named Paul Strickland Judge of Dunn Recorder's Court. He got 790 votes to 688 for Shep Bryan.

O. R. Fearce won out in the race for Constable in Averasboro township with 1,067 votes. Thomas E. Wood received 234 and E. B. Beasley 128.

In the race for Constable in Black River Alton A. Cobb was elected with 234 ballots, while N. I. Dupree received 157.

Duke township elected as constable Preston Porter with 305 votes. R. H. Butler was given 56.

W. J. Sauls was elected Constable in Grove with 216 votes. A. L. Johnson received 164.

The complete vote by precincts (Continued on page eight)

NEW PRINCIPAL FOR BUIE'S CREEK

Professor Terry Johnson Appointed To Offer For Coming School Term

Superintendent of Schools C. Eld Redd has informed The News of the election of Professor Terry Johnson, native of Fuquay Springs, to succeed Professor Leslie Campbell as principal of Buie's Creek School for the 1948-49 school year.

Professor Campbell, who has acted as head of the school as well as Campbell College, resigned the graded school position because of the pressing duties attached to college administration.

The Board of Education believes that Professor Johnson will make a good successor to his predecessor. Mr. Johnson was principal of the Buckhorn schools at the time of his election.

Professor Johnson is a veteran of the recent war, serving as a captain in the army air force.

Superintendent Redd in commenting further upon the Buie's Creek situation said that present plans are to start the school term in the handsome new building being erected for the graded school, since the contractor has informed him that the building will be ready by the opening day for school, or soon afterward.