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POLITICAL POT BEGINS TO BOIL

FRANKLIN MAY HAVE INTERESTING CAMPAIGN

If Rumors Are True the Sheriff's Office May Be Bone of Contention—Legislative and Commissioners Tickets Sharing Rumors Notoriety.

What has heretofore constituted just a smouldering mass in Franklin County politics took better form the past week and has begun to blaze the way for the 1920 campaign. If Madam Rumor, or more particular, street gossip is to be given credit for knowing anything about the present status of Franklin County politics then the politicians, would-be office holders and their friends may look forward to quite a lively time this summer. From present indications the Sheriff's office will be the "centre of attraction" again with the legislative honors coming in for a close second. The Commissioners ticket will be a plum that will produce some "tall reaching."

Although early in the game things are taking shape. There are at least some genuine contests already on, and from what Madam Rumor says the "worst has to come" yet in the way of real interest. For instance Sheriff Henry A. Kearney, who has made one of the best Sheriff's Franklin has ever had and against whom there seems to be no real complaint, has given it out to his friends that he will be a candidate to succeed himself. Mr. Ed. D. Parrish, who was a candidate for sheriff four years ago and again two years ago, was in town Monday and stated to a TIMES man that he was in the race for sheriff, and that he was counting on Sheriff Kearney's support as he had withdrawn before for his benefit. This however is a matter between them and the public will look upon the outcome with interest. In addition to these it has been suggested that possibly Mr. W. H. Allen, who served the County as sheriff several terms, with much credit, will enter the race again, and the name of Mr. W. D. Fuller, of Wood, a member of the present Board of County Commissioners has been suggested very strongly for the office. Of course each of these gentlemen have their friends and supporters who will take pleasure in going to battle in their behalf. And it is also a certainty that each of the number are among Franklin's best and most efficient citizens who would do credit to both themselves and the county. But the thing that has caused the greatest stir in the whole situation was the information the past week that Maj. Samuel P. Boddie would be a candidate! The TIMES man called on Maj. Boddie but could not get the information confirmed at this time, however it is a dead certainty that with his personal popularity combined with his record in the service of his country in France when he received a wound in the taking of the Hindenburg line, that came near causing his death, and which has taken from him some of his physical possibilities for a successful business career, will make the race interesting against the field should he decide to throw his hat in the ring.

The office of Register of Deeds is not attracting much attention at this time, possibly due to the fact that this is Mr. S. C. Holden's first term and so many of our voters believe in giving it is not too late for opposition to develop and it will be an easy matter for some one to pitch his hat in, if for no other reason than to create a little more interest.

The Clerk's office, of course, does not figure into politics this year except in so far as the occupants desire to assist friends in some other capacity.

The Board of Commissioners comes in for a share in the interest, in so far as the street gossip in concerned. Rumor has it that Mr. J. D. Alston has given out the information that he feels he has served the County long enough and will not be a candidate for re-nomination. This has not been confirmed by Mr. Alston however. One or possibly two other vacancies has been hinted at but nothing has come out where they can be pointed to. To this add the possibility of Mr. Fuller entering the race for Sheriff and there

will remain three vacancies, if the above speculations are true. This will necessitate the selection of three more new Commissioners. Where the members of the old Board have done a wonderful work for Franklin County and have proven the wisdom of the voters for electing them by their business like administration and without meaning to register a complaint, there is a strong sentiment of rotation in office and the selection of young progressive business men who have been a success themselves and are willing to apply their personal business ideas to the County's affairs. Foremost among those we have heard suggested for one of these vacancies is Mr. J. A. Mitchiner, of Franklinton township. Among others suggested are Messrs. J. C. Bowden, of Justice, and J. J. Young, of Harris township, and Will Mitchiner, of Franklinton. Either of these gentlemen will make fine officials and so long as the list runs along in this class the "dear people" need not be afraid of the future.

The question that ranks with the selection of Sheriff, no doubt is that of the Legislative ticket. Franklin County is entitled to name a Senator this year, therefore it has two vacancies to fill. It has been suggested that Representative W. H. Macon will probably enter the race for re-nomination, and Ex-Senator W. M. Person, of the News-Observer red vest fame, but who rendered valuable assistance in some of the 1917 Senate's best measures, and who was daddy of the Blue Book bill, is open in his campaign and feels sure he will return, Mr. Person, in his opinion, has circumstances favorable towards him in his campaign which he states is against the revaluation act and, in fact, almost everything the last legislature did. The names of Mr. Clyde P. Harris and Dr. S. C. Ford are being pressed forward as opposition to Mr. Person, or for candidates for nomination to the Senate. Mr. Harris is one of Franklin County's most substantial and successful farmers in whom the public has shown much confidence. He is president of the Farmers & Merchants Bank, of Louisa, and a member of the Farmers Union. Mr. Harris has the qualifications necessary to make a most desirable Representative in the Senate. Dr. Ford is the son of Mr. G. W. Ford, but for the past ten or twelve years has been located in Franklinton, where he has won the distinction of being one of the most public spirited men in the county. He has served the town of Franklinton as Mayor for several successive terms and was the instigator of the move for water and sewerage for that town. Dr. Ford has a broad knowledge of the people of the County and their needs and has sufficient courage to stand out for his convictions, and is the man the county needs at this time is the claims of his many friends. Also the names of Mr. F. B. McKinne, Cashier of the First National Bank, of Louisa, and Rev. J. F. Mitchiner, of Franklinton township have been suggested for the Senate. Mr. McKinne, besides being identified with the financial interests of the County is also representative of the progressive farming interests of the County. He is in touch with the needs of the County and takes great interest in the development of public interests. Rev. Mr. Mitchiner, a Baptist preacher, of a wide reputation, is a man of successful business, and is so identified with the welfare of the County and

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be before the people and with the gentlemen from whom the public will have opportunity to select its next officials the coming campaign promises to be both interesting and amusing.

Not of any less interest is the office of township Constable in Louisa township. The present incumbent, Mr. J. H. Thomas, being opposed by Mr. F. F. Brown, a returned soldier. Mr. Thomas has filled this position admirably and there is no doubt that Mr. Brown would do as well. Just where the attraction is to make the place of so much political interest, must at least be known to the aspirants.

AMONG THE MOVERS.

Dr. A. H. Fleming moved the first of the week from his former residence on Church street to the Judge Cooke place on Main Street. Mr. C. C. Hudson will move into the house vacated by Dr. Fleming. Mr. Allen Harris has bought the Finlator cottage and will move in as soon as Mr. Hudson moves out, while Mr. Robt. Layton will take the house from which Mr. Harris is to move.

A GREAT MAN HAS FALLEN IN ISRAEL.

Mr. Editor:—At the request of all the ex-slaves of Freeman's township, I will write a few words of the kind deeds shown them by Judge Charles M. Cooke. With all the honors conferred on him they always address him as "Marse Charlie". They counted him as their best friend. He gave their church site known as New Liberty Baptist church. And when we wanted a cemetery to bury the dead and the piece of land in that day was \$25.00 per acre, we had the money all collected, we went to his office and handed it to him, he returned all of it back but \$1.00 and said "take the other and put in the mission box of the church." He knew all of his former slaves and cared and provided for them as long as they lived. He always addressed them in the original tongue "Aunt and Uncle." If it had been left to us he would have been laid to rest on the road side in front of the old Cooke land mark, the home place, near the original rock beside the road and not far from old Flat Rock, his first church where he was taught, and the great principal of right molden in his heart. He loved all the people and in all of his just dealings he gave the order dog a chance, the Negro. I am a Negro and can not use high strung words as others about "Marse Charlie", but we are saying these few words to let you know which side we are on. "Fleecy locks and dark complexion Does not alter nature claims. Skins may differ, but affection Dwell in white and black the same."

ISAAC W. HOLDEN.

MR. J. L. DORSEY DEAD.

Mr. J. L. Dorsey, who suffered a stroke of paralysis on Tuesday of last week died as a result of its effects on Thursday night about eight o'clock at his home on South Main Street. He was 62 years old and leaves a wife and one daughter, Mrs. W. B. Joyner. Mr. Dorsey was a good man and a neighbor liked by all. His remains were laid to rest at Oaklawn cemetery on Saturday afternoon in the presence of a good number of friends and relatives, the services being conducted by Rev. G. F. Smith, pastor of the Methodist Church. The pall bearers were Geo. Holder, I. V. Cooke, W. C. Holmes, Nathan Clarke, J. J. Place, J. S. Place.

MOVED TO NASH STREET.

Information received last week that Mr. and Mrs. Russel Harris had returned to the country to live proves to have been a mistake. They have moved from the Saunders residence on Main Street to that recently vacated by Mr. M. F. Houck on Nash Street.

CARD OF THANKS.

I wish to extend my most sincere thanks and appreciations for the many kind deeds and words of sympathy of our many friends and neighbors in the recent illness and death of my mother, Mrs. G. G. Gill. They will be long remembered. W. P. GILL.

No, we simply can not permit you to forget our great and good friend Caranza. It is about time for him to tear loose again.

TAXES AND OTHER RECEIPTS

TOGETHER WITH DISBURSEMENTS TO BE PUBLISHED.

Several Reports Received—Salary of Juvenile Judge Fixed—Meeting at County Home—Inventory Amounts To \$6,078.80

A statement showing the taxes and receipts collected for Franklin County for 1918 was ordered published by the Board of County Commissioners at their regular meeting on Monday. All members were present and other business was transacted as follows after approving the minutes of the previous meeting:

The report of H. A. Kearney, Sheriff, was received and ordered filed.

The report of the Louisa Township Road Trustees was received and ordered filed.

The report of Miss Pauline Smith was received. Supt. J. C. Jones made a report on the work of his office which was received. It made quite a desirable showing.

The salary of the Juvenile Judge was fixed at \$53.33 per month.

Silvie Neal was stricken from outside pauper list—being dead.

The report of the Sandy Creek Road Trustees was received and filed.

J. W. Mitchell was relieved of poll tax on account of his physical condition.

Report of Supt. J. J. Holden, of the County Home was received and filed. He reports 4 white women, 5 white men, 3 colored women and 5 colored men at the Home.

Upon order \$5.00 a day was allowed tax list takers of personal property. Each Commissioner was requested to confer with the County Supervisor in regard to the appointment of a list taker for their townships, and each list taker was required to work under the supervision and control of the County Supervisor.

It was ordered that a statement showing the taxes and receipts collected for Franklin County in 1918 together with disbursements thereon be published in the Franklin Times for four weeks as prepared by Mr. Ben. T. Holden, County Attorney.

After allowing a number of accounts the Board adjourned to their next regular meeting. On January 8th, 1920, the Board met at the County Home, as required, for the purpose of investigation and inventory. They found the inmates satisfied and well cared for. Upon inventory they found stock, implements and supplies to the amount of \$6,078.81. In the list of supplies is found shredded feed, peas, pea hay, cotton seed, cotton seed meal and hulls, corn, fodder, meat, molasses, lard, sweet potatoes.

NEW BUSINESS ENTERPRISE FOR LOUISBURG

Possibly an innovation for this section of the country will be the new grocery store which is to be opened here soon. The personnel of this new business is to be Messrs. Malcolm McKinne, H. L. Candler and J. Cade Hayes, who informs the TIMES man, they propose to show the people of Louisa and vicinity that the high cost of "Eating" can be reduced, and materially reduced.

The style of this new store means just what the name implies; that the customer totes his goods and saves the various extra expense incurred by all merchants who make deliveries, and will be under the management of Mr. J. Cade Hayes.

In this U-Tote-Em Grocery, the customer waits on himself, every article is marked in plain figures and will be sold at a lower price. The fact that only one man operates this store means also a large saving in overhead expense which will also show in your saving on purchases.

Further announcement will be made as soon as this store is ready for business.

Soviet Russia met our departed reds with open arms, they say. And doubtless by this time the dear departed are mourning their open pockets.

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THE PICKERTS COMING TO LOUISBURG

The popular Pickert Stock Co. will be at the Opera House all next week. Playing all high class, latest New York play successes, and run 4 big acts of Vaudeville between the acts of play consisting of Music (Saxophone, Cornets, etc.) Singing and Dancing, Ventriloquism, and Comedy Acts. A car load of special scenery and baggage. The Pickerts are not strangers here having played here in past years, and are with out-doubt the best known company playing the South and play all the larger cities. They have only a couple weeks open to fill in at smaller places.

Miss Lillian Pickert and Ralph Chambers will be seen in the leading roles and also little Buddie Rowley, the 6 year old child actor is conceded to be the cleverest child performer of his age on the American stage. If you are looking for clean, high class entertainment don't miss the Pickert's. Plays and Vaudeville changed each night. The opening play is "Which One Shall I Marry," a play that every young woman and man will be interested in. Prices are 75c and 55c down stairs. Gallery 35c.

WOOD NEWS.

Dr. Beam, the Wood physician, had a right serious accident when he turned his Ford Sedan over just beyond Laurel. He got out unhurt and the car was slightly injured.

We were glad to see a new grocery store opened up by Mr. G. M. Raynor. J. H. Gupton acting as manager. And a new garage opened up by the same man. Guss Wester is the mechanic and general manager. Both are situated on Gillis Street near Wood Drug Store.

Rev. W. Conn Ball has just returned from Ahoskie and Aulander, where he preached Sunday.

Misses Irene and Pearl Gupton spent Sunday at their homes in Wood.

Mr. J. H. Gupton has treated himself with a Ford roadster. He is learning very fast to operate it.

Mrs. Wester has been seriously ill, but Dr. Beam the family physician, says today she might be a little better. Mrs. C. J. Sutton has been seriously ill but has improved greatly. We hope she will soon be out.

Our town was glad to receive Mr. Mumford and family. He has accepted a job with the Greenleaf-Johnson Lumber Co., which was formerly occupied by Mr. V. C. Brown, who has gone to Norfolk, Va. to take a business course. We hope for him all amounts of success.

There was a very sad accident happened on the Argo Mine this afternoon at 4 o'clock when Mr. Sam Coley's ox fell into a pit and the people were unable to rescue him.

Mount Hebron Church received a new pastor, Rev. McGregor, of Castalia, last Sunday.

If this escapes the waste basket Wood will show up again.

Best wishes. SUN FLOWERS.

MR. H. W. PERRY TAX ASSESSOR.

Succeeds Mr. T. W. Watson Who Resigns to Look After Private Business.

Beginning February 1st, Mr. Hugh W. Perry, who has been Assistant County Tax Assessor, assumed the position as County Assessor for Franklin County to succeed Mr. T. W. Watson, who has resigned to look after his private business. Mr. Watson made a most satisfactory and efficient official, finding much property that had been lost from the tax books and filling this important place with the greatest of harmony among all. Mr. Perry being familiar with the work as it had progressed in the county, will no doubt, make a splendid official and continue the work with equal harmony.

THREE DEATHS IN ROANOKE.

Roanoke, Va., Feb. 4.—Three more persons died here today from influenza and additional cases of the disease have brought the total to 1,829. Fifty-three persons are ill with pneumonia.

The local health department announced tonight that in addition to the fourteen deaths which have occurred from influenza since January 22, nine persons have died from pneumonia which followed influenza.

MOVING PEOPLE

SOME YOU KNOW AND SOME YOU DO NOT KNOW.

Personal Items About Folks And Their Friends Who Travel Here And There.

Mr. J. Cade Hayes left yesterday for Richmond.

Mr. Clayton High, of Raleigh, spent Sunday with his parents.

Mrs. J. L. Collier has returned from a visit to her mother in Spring Hope.

Miss Elizabeth Allen was at home from Trinity College for the week end.

Miss Tom Ogburn returned home Wednesday from a visit to relatives in Richmond.

Mr. J. J. Lancaster returned home Tuesday from a business trip to Savannah, Ga.

Mr. and Mrs. — — Brinkley, of Durham, are visiting her mother, Mrs. E. C. Allen.

Mr. G. A. Cralle has returned after a two week's visit to his brother in Blackstone, Va.

Miss Louise Thomas, of Raleigh, spent the week end with relatives in and near Louisa.

Miss Alice Winston, of Raleigh, visited Miss Virginia Jones at her home near town the past week.

Mrs. A. M. Hall and Mrs. Julia P. Scott, are on the Northern Markets buying the Spring stock for the Allen Bros. Co.

Lieut. Hunter Harris returned Friday, after visit to his parents, to his station in the regular army at Camp Grant, Illinois.

Miss Dorsett, of the Graded School Faculty, was called home Sunday by the illness of her sister who was suffering from pneumonia.

Mr. H. L. Candler returned the past week from the Northern Markets, where he purchased the Spring stock for the Candler-Crowell Co.

Mrs. R. W. Ogburn and son Ben Ogburn, left yesterday for La Cross, Va., to attend the funeral of her son who died in New Jersey Wednesday.

Miss Hodgie Williams spent the week end with relatives in town, on her way home from Washington City, where she has been working in the Liberty Loan Department of the government.

Rev. J. M. Ormond, of Elizabeth City, is conducting a series of meetings at the college this week. A spirit of deep interest is manifested by the girls and much good is expected to result from the services.

Mrs. K. K. Allen attended the wedding of her niece, Miss Marie Stambaugh, which took place Jan. 31st, in Baltimore. Mrs. Allen will be away several weeks visiting friends and relatives.

Mrs. N. B. Allsbrook left Friday to meet Mr. Allsbrook in Greensboro. If her father's condition continues to improve she will accompany Mr. Allsbrook to Asheville and be there for a week or two.

Mr. Presley Webb left Feb. 2nd en route for Singapore, on the Malay Peninsula, where he will be in charge of a branch of the Standard Oil Company. Mr. Webb was once a Louisa boy and has been on a visit to his sisters, Mrs. W. P. Neal and Mrs. J. B. Yarborough.

JENKINS WILL BE NAMED AS REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE

Asheville, Feb. 4.—Announcement was made here tonight that two of the three Republican candidates for the congressional nomination in this district had withdrawn. T. J. Harkins, local attorney and Brownlow Jackson, real estate man of Hendersonville, leaving L. L. Jenkins, millinaire banker and cotton mill owner of this city, to receive the nomination. The district convention will be held at Hendersonville, near here, Saturday, February 7, at 2 o'clock.