

FOR THE SENATE



Willie Lee Lumpkin

TO THE VOTERS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY:

I announce my candidacy for the State Senate from this district in the Democratic Primary to be held on May 27, 1944.

On account of the war effort, and in cooperation with the program of saving gas and tires, I will not be able to get around the county and personally see the voters.

I publicly wish to acknowledge my genuine thanks and deep appreciation for the expressions of confidence and support that Franklin County people have previously given me.

If elected, I promise to do my best to carry out the wishes of our citizens, and to faithfully represent this county and Senatorial District.

Your support and influence will be greatly appreciated.

WILLIE LEE LUMPKIN.

THE LOW DOWN
from
HICKORY GROVE

You know, the touchiest subject you can stir up is the sales tax. Our Govt. and Congress seems to think it is some kind of poison ivy. But the longer the tax is put off the more painful it is going to be later—like a sore tooth, where you keep hoping some miracle will happen and you will avoid the dentist, but don't.

If we were a very new country and not 150 years old, but were young, and inexperienced, and simple, like maybe a new bride, we might be excused for dilly-



Jo Serra

dallying and doing nothing about the tax, and getting out of debt. "What bride is simple?" says Henry. "The one I got in mind," says, "went to the market for mince meat. "Be sure," she says to the butcher, "to cut it off a nice young and tender mince."

But to get back to the sales tax. When you buy furniture on the installment plan, it is not any lark digging up the installments each month but in due course, and later, you are out of debt and can breathe easier—and nobody is going to back up a van and remove the icebox or washing machine.

Yours with the low down,
JO SERRA.

Minister—Where is your husband today, Mrs. Smith? I didn't see him in church.

Mrs. Smith—It grieves me to tell you, sir, that poor Charlie has joined the Great Majority.

Minister—You mean—he's dead?

Mrs. Smith—Gracious, no! He's gone to the baseball game.

The term of a negro preacher had expired, and he called the congregation together to get himself reappointed:

Preacher—All who wants the present preachah to continue, please holler "Aye!"

Not a voice was raised. Preacher after thinking a moment.—Thank you all brethren. Silence gives consent, so I will stay with you another year.

Man (at table signaling waitress)—What did you say this meat was?

Waitress—Spring lamb, sir.

Man—I believe you. I've been chewing on one of the springs for an hour.

Two women were discussing a mutual acquaintance:

First—She has a very magnetic personality.

Second—She ought to have. Every stitch she has on is charged.

The greatest glory is not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall.

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CAMPAIGN ISSUES

In the coming Primary there are many important issues to be decided. Some of them are:

1. Shall we abolish the sales tax in these good times and use our surplus in maintaining our schools and raising the salaries of the State employees or shall we continue the sales tax and accumulate a nice nest egg to be used in assisting to rehabilitate our returning service men and women and to lighten our tax burdens when the hard times come again?

2. How long are the people of North Carolina going to permit the "Gag Rule" to be used in our General Assembly? This is most important of all issues.

H. A. FAULKNER.

POLITICAL GOSSIP

Gossip has it that Judge G. M. Beam has withdrawn from the County Senatorial Race and will give his support to Mr. Lumpkin, so that Mr. Lumpkin can devote his time to the campaign of McDonald whom Mr. Beam is said to be supporting. I don't believe it.

Gossip says Mr. Weldon Egerton is managing Mr. Inscoe's campaign. Will a wet manage a dry's campaign? Looks funny to me.

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