

Board of Elections Will Probe Vote In Judicial District

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In a recent issue of Winston-Salem paper there were certain statements as to irregularities in the primary held in Wilkes county on June 2nd, stating that Republicans voted for me; that statement is untrue. The voter as he entered the polling place was handed one ticket and his party affiliation was entered on the polling books.

The normal Republican vote in Wilkes county is approximately seven thousand. There were a large number of Republican nominees in the June Primary and the Republicans had a spirited contest and cast around seven thousand ballots on June 2nd. The normal Democratic vote of Wilkes county until two years ago was approximately forty-five hundred. The last Presidential election the vote for the state and national ticket was approximately fifty-eight hundred. In the primary held June 2nd the Democratic vote for Mr. Burke and myself was approximately four thousand.

Prior to the Primary June 2nd, I received a number of reports from Alexander county to the effect that the Republicans and Democrats intended to vote two sets of ballots; that the Republicans would vote for Jones, Republican, and Burke, Democrat, and the Democrats would vote for Burke and Jones.

That on Tuesday prior to the primary I talked to the chairman of board of Elections of Alexander county in Taylorsville and asked him if this report was true. He stated to me under the ruling of the State Board of Elections that the voter could not vote both the Republican and Democratic ticket; that he intended to see some of his Reg-

istrars the next day. On the following day R. M. Brame, Jr., Chairman of Board of Elections for Wilkes County, made a trip to Taylorsville and heard Mr. Daghart, Chairman of Board of Elections for Alexander County, in the presence of witnesses, instruct one of his registrars that each voter had the right to vote for both Mr. Burke and Mr. Jones, one being a Republican and other Democrat. On Mr. Brame's return to Wilkes county he told me of this conversation and I immediately called Mr. Daghart and he denied that he had instructed any Registrar to this effect and I asked him his opinion as to whether you could do this and he stated that the voter had the right to vote both tickets. Immediately after talking to Mr. Daghart I communicated with Mr. Maxwell, secretary of State Board of Elections, and Mr. L. P. McLendon, Chairman of State Board of Elections and related this conversation to them. They stated to me that they would wire Mr. Daghart and they did wire him the next day, sending me a copy, to the effect that a voter could not vote both one ticket, the Republican vote the Republican ballot and the Democrat the Democratic ballot.

That on June 5th at the Court-house in Taylorsville at the hour set for tabulation of the returns of the county, I filed a written protest alleging that the Alexander County votes were cast illegally and attached to the written protest affidavits by citizens of Alexander county to the effect that the election officials after ten A. M. on June 2nd, handed to each voter as they entered the polling place a set of Democratic ballots and a set of Republican ballots and that they did vote both sets of tickets; the Republicans voting for Jones and Burke and the Democrats voting for Burke and Jones; that prior to ten A. M. the election officials gave the voters only one ballot as they entered the polling place, and after ten A.

M. a number of voters returned to the polling place and voted the other ballot.

In one precinct there were two hundred forty-six persons voted on June 2nd and Mr. Burke, Democrat, received 226 votes, Jones, Republican, received 168 votes, McDuffie, Republican received 8 votes and Rousseau, Democrat, received 5 votes, making approximately four hundred ballots cast.

In another precinct 114 voted, Burke received 93 votes, Rousseau received one vote, Jones received 89 votes and McDuffie received 8 votes, making total of 191 ballots cast.

In Taylorsville Number One, six hundred three voted, Burke received 593 votes, Rousseau received five votes, Ragland received three votes and Jones received 365, making total of 966 votes cast.

On the presentation of protest and affidavits the election Board of Alexander County was of the opinion that it had no right to investigate any allegations as to illegal or irregular votes cast in Alexander county and it did not make any investigation. I have in my possession affidavits from voters in Alexander county supporting the facts set out above and stating that Republicans all over the county voted for Jones and Burke and Democrats voted for Burke and Jones; that prior to the primary the report that Republicans and Democrats of Alexander county intended to vote both tickets was circulated throughout Wilkes County and hundreds of Republicans in Wilkes County expressed themselves as wanting to cast their ballot for me if they could do so legally. I stated to them that they could not legally do this; that the Chairman of Board of Elections of Wilkes County, leading Democrats of Wilkes County and myself instructed the Registrars of the different precincts of Wilkes county that the Republicans could not vote the Democratic ballot and that the Democrats could not vote the

Republican ballot, and that the voters could vote only one ticket, either Republican or Democrat. There was only one ballot given to the voter as he or she entered the polling place; that the local newspapers in Wilkes County published the ruling of the State Board of Elections to the effect that the Republicans could not participate in Democratic primary and Democrats could not participate in Republican primary; that so far as I know there were no irregularities in the votes cast in Wilkes county on June 2nd.

I have invited the State Board of Elections, through the press, to make any investigation they see fit as to the voting in Wilkes County, and I again invite and welcome an investigation of the votes cast in Wilkes county. I also stated through the Press that I had affidavits in my possession as to illegal votes cast in Alexander county, and ask the people of Alexander County to deny that they voted two sets of ballots, and I again ask the people of Alexander County to deny that they did this and to deny that this practice was carried on throughout the county.

A written protest has been mailed under registered mail to Chairman of Board of Elections of Alexander County alleging that the votes cast June 2nd were illegal, with copies of affidavits supporting the allegations; that a written protest has been filed with State Board of Elections supported by affidavits alleging that the votes cast in Alexander county were illegally and irregularly cast, and I call on the voters of Alexander county to request the State Board of Elections to investigate their county as to any illegal and irregular votes cast in the Primary June 2nd.

The affidavits that I have in my possession tend to support that hundreds of Republicans voted for Burke and Jones and that hundreds of Democrats voted for Jones as well as Burke. I have talked to a large number of Alexander County citizens and my friends have talked to a large number of the citizens of Alexander county, and I am confident that most of these voters who cast their ballots in this manner did not feel that they were voting contrary to the law and cast their ballots upon being advised that they had a right to vote in this manner.

I feel that the office of the Judge of our Superior Court is one of the most exalted positions in the gift of the people and no man should be elevated to this position by illegal votes.

J. A. ROUSSEAU.

Commends Party Loyalty J. E. Howell

Mr. Howell Gives Up Chairmanship, Boomer Township After 30 Years' Service

After thirty years of capable service as chairman of the Democratic executive committee in Boomer township, Mr. J. E. Howell at the primary last Saturday refused to be chairman this time. The primary was attended by most of the leading Democrats of the township. Having the good of the party at heart, and knowing that Mr. Howell has done more for the Democrat party than any one else in the township he was heartily urged to accept.

Mr. Howell has been a faithful Democrat all his life. He has never let personal differences stand in the way of party loyalty. He has always supported the nominees, and never "scratched a ticket" in his voting experience. In refusing the chairmanship, he declared his loyalty to "his party" and said he "expected to live and to die a 100 percent Democrat."

There are very few anywhere who will give as freely of their time and means to the cause of the Democratic party as he has.

We wonder if there is another man in Wilkes county whom the people have chosen as their township chairman for thirty years, and who has been as loyal to the party as Lish Howell has always been.—Contributed.

Marriage Licenses

Since Friday of last week licenses to wed were issued by Register of Deeds T. H. Settle to four couples as follows: Fred M. Staley, Wilbar, and Sallie D. Whittington, Reddies River; Claude Absher and Vergie Eledge, both of North Wilkesboro; Stacey Boyd Moore and Ruby Oneta Gilliam, both of North Wilkesboro; W. J. Foster, Wilkesboro, and Vergie E. Dillard, Hays.

Libby Back On Stage Philadelphia—Mrs. Elizabeth Holman Reynolds—or just Libby Holman—makes her bow in dramatics on June 16 at the Hedgerow Theatre, Rose Valley. The one-time "torch" singer and star of the musical comedy stage has been a pupil of Jasper Deeter, director of the Hedgerow players, for the past few months, traveling from Montcharin, Del., to Delaware county, Pennsylvania, for her lessons.

Churches Enlist In S.S. Campaign

Workers To Be Sent Into Churches By Baptist Sunday School Board

Practically all of the Baptist churches in this section will participate in the Sunday school enrollment campaign during the week of July 29 to August 5, it is learned here.

The Southern Baptist Sunday School board and the state Baptist Convention is furnishing each church taking part in the campaign a worker for an entire week. This worker, or instructor, will hold a meeting at the church each evening and a thorough census of each community will be made with the aim in view of getting more of the people to attend Sunday school and church services.

BOOMER NEWS

BOOMER, June 13.—The choirs from Three Forks church in Alexander and Beaver Creek met with the Little Rock church Sunday, June 10. During the morning the three choirs entertained a large crowd with some very fine singing. A picnic dinner was served on the grounds at the noon hour. In the afternoon the Rev. E. V. Bumgarner filled his regular appointment there.

Saturday and Sunday was the regular preaching time at the Baptist church. The pastor, the Rev. J. W. Watts, is unable to preach at the present time. The Rev. Nolar Benfield, of Lenoir, preached a very helpful sermon each day.

Miss Annie Ruth German has returned home after having attended summer school at Knoxville, Tenn.

Mrs. W. A. Caudill is in the Davis Hospital at Statesville for treatment.

Mr. Ham Parsons has returned home from the Wilkes Hospital, but he is still quite indisposed.

Miss Nolene Greer, of Statesville, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Greer.

Misses Leora and Roberta German have returned home after finishing school at Berea, Kentucky, and N. C. C. W. respectively. They are daughters of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. German.

Carlton-LeSueur

Farmville, Va., June 12.—Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Carlton announce the marriage of their daughter, Hazel Deane, to Mr. Robert Wesley LeSueur, Monday, June 11. They left immediately for their home in Baltimore, Md. Mrs. LeSueur was formerly of Goshen, N. C., but for several years has lived in Farmville.

QUESTION AND ANSWER
Question: Should cod liver oil be fed to developing birds during the summer months?
Answer: Where an ample supply of succulent green feed is available the cod liver oil is usually left out. Be sure, however, that the green feed is not too fibrous as there are many

stomach seeds and certain other things that are not suitable for raising up to the first summer. The best plan is to plant special crops for birds on range. Complete information on these raising crops is found in Experiment Station Bulletin No. 182 which may be had by writing to the Agricultural Editor, State College, Raleigh.



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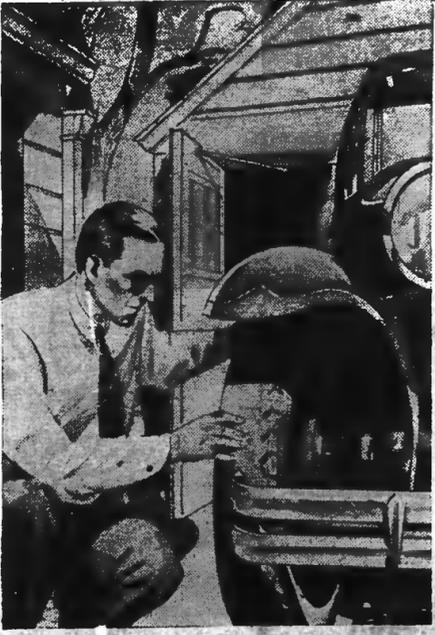
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