

Ballot Box Reports Monday To Decide Big Winners

Chamber Of Commerce In Annual Banquet Fri. Henry Dwire, Speaker

Dwire Pleases Large Audience

Charles McCrary Presides And Retires As Head Of Civic Organization

Charles Bossong Takes Over Post

President McCrary Reiterates Achievements Of Chamber During The Year

The eleventh annual banquet of the Asheboro Chamber of Commerce, held Friday evening for the first time in the new gymnasium built largely through its efforts, offered a perfectly balanced program of music, humor, speechmaking, and eating.

Henry R. Dwire, director of public relations of Duke University, the principal speaker of the evening, held the continuous attention of the audience not only for the value of his remarks, but also because he never involved himself so deeply in his subject that he could not break off for a joke, and no one wanted to miss any of the humorous stories he frequently interjected into his remarks.

Dr. Dwire's address, which might be called a talk on practical idealism, dealt with four chief themes. Beginning with the matter of adjusting one's self to the fast pace of the modern world, Mr. Dwire went on to defend individualism in this social age, to urge a patriotism that is not nationalistic but based on a regard for the interests of everyone with whom we come in contact, and to stress the need for more idealism, and less materialism in our lives.

W. H. Neal and Miss Rebecca Hines of Winston-Salem, who were featured among the entertainers, more than lived up to the enthusiastic promises Cleveland Thayer had been making about them. Miss Catherine Sissell of Winston-Salem accompanied them at the piano.

Young Miss Barbara Kiesewetter gave tap dancing exhibition that would have turned some of Hollywood's youngsters green with envy, with Mrs. Miriam Burns playing a piano accompaniment.

The Smith brothers, Fred and Red, were also heartily applauded for their hill-billy and yodeling songs.

Charles McCrary, outgoing president, made a short report of the accomplishments of the chamber of commerce in the past year, noting especially that the group had not limited its sphere of influence merely to attracting new businesses to Asheboro, but had worked for many improvements that would enrich the life of the community.

Mr. McCrary also presented the officers and directors for 1937. The officers—Charles G. Bossong, president; M. H. Birkhead, vice president; and Cleveland Thayer, secretary-treasurer; each responded with a few words.

The delicious turkey dinner was prepared and served by the Ladies Auxiliary of the First M. E. church.

Officers Think Autos Hold Clue

Alamance county officers see in the burned frames of three automobiles a possible trail of members of the band of convicts who escaped from Caledonia prison farm February 15.

One of these cars, the latest to be reported, was found in Randolph county completely destroyed by fire. This automobile, a 1936 model Ford, was stolen from L. C. Piper Graham the night of February 15. Sheriff Stockard of Alamance sees that a connection is plausible.

Two Men Hurt As Car & Cycle Hit

Herman "China" Hill and Tip Smith were hurt when their motorcycle and an automobile collided on half a mile below Ulah at 45 Thursday night. The left leg of each of the men was fractured, but both Hill and Smith are doing well in the Randolph hospital, where they were taken immediately after the accident.

Another Davies Studying Soviet



Stately Emlen Knight Davies, above, was keeping step with the diplomatic pace of her father, Ambassador Joseph E. Davies, when she announced she would accompany him on a tour of all Soviet industrial centers within 600 miles of Moscow. Her interest in industrialization, like that of her father, has won the esteem of Russian government officials.

Mrs. Sarah S. Rich Buried On Sunday

Well Known Woman Who Had Almost Reached The Age 95 In Randolph Home

Remarkable Woman

Mrs. Sarah Shepard Rich, widow of Henry C. Rich, pioneer brick manufacturer of Asheboro, and herself one of the most widely known and best loved of Randolph county women, died Thursday afternoon at the home of her son, J. W. Rich, Randleman, route two. Mrs. Rich, who would have been 95 in only a few days, succumbed to an attack of pneumonia after a short illness.

Mrs. Rich, a daughter of William and Millie Shepard, was born in 1842, and was believed to have been the oldest woman in the county at the time of her death. She left a host of friends in addition to her relatives.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. W. H. Kirkpatrick of Valley Center, Kansas, and Mrs. L. A. Smith of Denton; four sons, O. Elmer Rich, O. W. Rich, and B. C. Rich, all of Asheboro, and John W. Rich of Randleman route two; one brother, Neely Shepard of Liberty; and one sister, Mrs. Hannah Smith of Liberty route. Mrs. Rich had 24 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren, some of whom have preceded her to the grave. She is also survived by many nieces and nephews.

The funeral will be conducted by (Please turn to Page 4)

Asheboro Parent-Teachers To Discuss School Finances

The Asheboro Parent-Teachers Association will meet in regular monthly meeting at the Fayetteville street school, Monday, 7:30 p. m.

The local school board and the county board have been extended special invitation to attend the meeting, and it is expected that a large number of their members will be present.

School finances will be the chief topic of discussion. It is the hope of the program committee to bring information to the association as to the source and manner of financing the school under the present school set-up. The discussions should bring much valuable information to the parents and teachers, and give them a better understanding of their school problems.

Religion Losing Ground In Every Region But South

Nation Wide Survey Shows South Is Bulwark Of Deep Religious Faith

Interview 5,000

Take Persons In Four Economic Groups To Get Average For Country

The South is confirmed as the bulwark of deep religious faith as the result of a study just completed by the Psychological Service Center of New York. After a nation-wide survey involving 5,000 personal interviews and including the opinions of many thousands more, the conclusion was reached that the influence of religion was losing ground everywhere in the country except in the South.

The center, a division of the Psychological Corporation, founded after the World War to work in applied psychology on a commercial basis, but not for profit, said 60 psychologists co-operated in its survey.

Persons in four economic groups, ranging from those with family incomes of \$4,000 a year or more down to those with incomes of less than \$1,000, were approached.

Striking a national average from among the responses from all economic groups, the center said that in answer to the question "do you think that religion is losing or gaining influence in the United States?" 44 per cent applied "losing"; 34 per cent replied "gaining" and 22 per cent said "neither or 'don't know'."

In answer to the question, "Do you think that religion should have more influence in the United States?" 76 per cent said "yes", 16 per cent said "no" and eight per cent said "don't know."

The answers from Southern states only, the announcement said, found 45 per cent viewing religion as a gaining influence, 38 per cent describing it as losing, 10 per cent saying it was neither gaining nor losing and seven per cent saying they didn't know.

Funeral Saturday Miss Pauline York

Miss Pauline York, 23, of Greensboro, died in a hospital there Friday morning after an illness of two weeks with pneumonia.

Miss York, the daughter of Mrs. Mary Jane York and the late John E. York, of Ramseur, leaves besides her mother four brothers, Rev. T. R. York, of Gold Hill; C. E. York, of Ramseur; J. T. York, of Spray, and C. G. York, of Thomasville; and two sisters, Miss Erma York, of Ramseur, and Miss Emma York, at Shreveport, La.

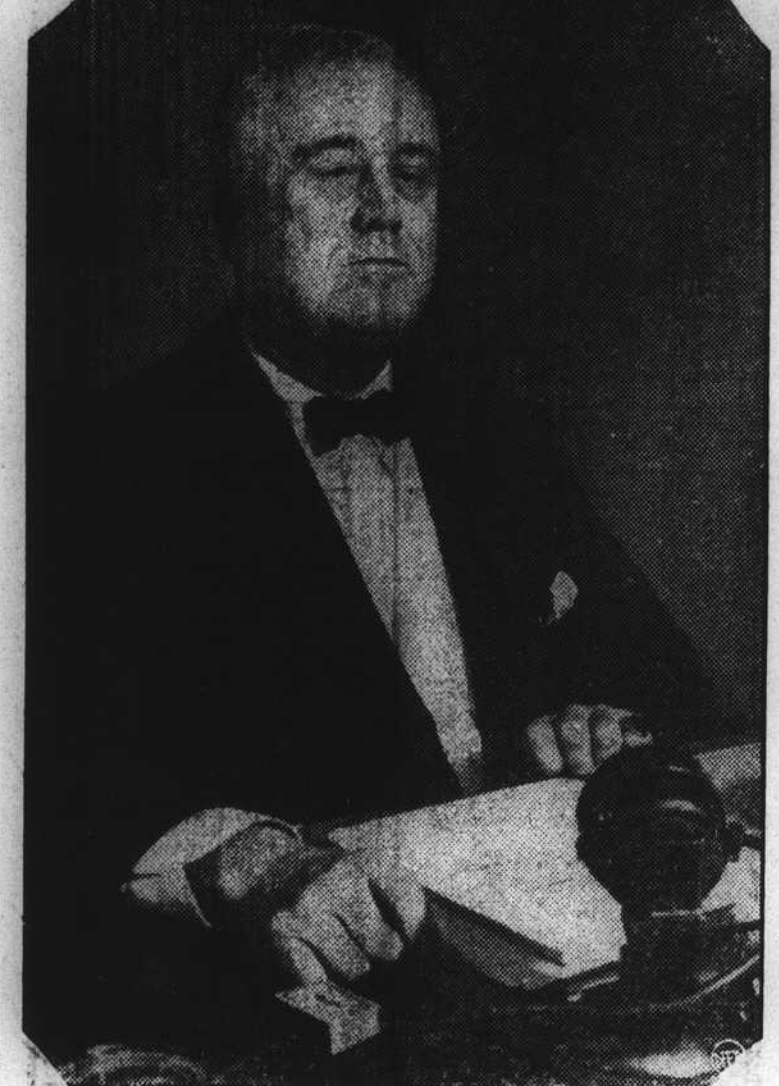
Funeral service was held Saturday afternoon at Ramseur Baptist church. Rev. Charles K. Gentry and Rev. H. M. Stroup of Ramseur and Rev. W. A. Way, pastor of Edgeville Pilgrim Holiness church, were in charge of the rites.

First Grade Work To Be Exhibited

Liberty, March 13.—Work done through an activity program by the children in Miss Sarah Wood's first grade is on exhibit in the window of the law office of T. R. Will. On Friday, March 19 Miss Wood's first grade is holding a bazaar in its class room.

John Blake Brady, chairman of the publicity committee, has invited the public to come and see this work and buy the pieces of its choice.

Emphasis For F. D. R.'s Radio 'Chat'



Behind the words which President Roosevelt spoke in his radio "fireside chat" from the White House was this determined expression, which seemed to add emphasis to his fight for revamping the U. S. Supreme Court. The President defended himself against charges of seeking dictatorial control, and accused the judiciary of upsetting the balance of the three branches of federal government.

Portion Of Proceeds From "Dodsworth" Goes For Books

The educational department of the Woman's Club, which has been endeavoring in many ways to increase the number of books in the public school libraries and in the Randolph Public Library, has received the cooperation of Francis White, who will contribute a portion of the proceeds taken in at the Sunset Theatre Monday and Tuesday nights to the library work.

The picture to be shown is "Dodsworth," taken from the novel of the same name by Sinclair Lewis. Featured in this film, which has been highly praised both by movie critics and audiences, are Ruth Chatterton, Paul Lucas, and Mary Astor.

Assembly Meets In Old Edenton

State Legislators Mix Work And Play In Historic Former Capital

Many Comic Bills

Propose Measure To Remove Bones From Catfish And Put Them In Herring

North Carolina's General Assembly journeyed to Edenton Thursday, held a meeting that was enjoyed by all in that 18th century capital, and returned to Raleigh to resume hard work in view of the adjournment March 18.

Mixing work and play, the lawmakers convened in the historic Chowan county court house, built in 1767, passed more than 30 bills, received some freak resolutions, heard addresses by Governor Hoey and Mayor E. W. Spires, then ate oysters and barbecued ham before touring the city.

A scheduled cruise on the coast guard cutter Pamlico was canceled when more visitors than the ship could accommodate piled aboard, and the commanding officer declined to leave the dock.

It was the first time since 1743 that a legislature has met there. Edenton and New Bern generally are considered to be North Carolina's first capitals.

Several important bills were considered, and passed but as the lawmakers became accustomed to their historic surroundings they put on somewhat of a show for the home-folks. There was some singing and whooping and more than one comic bill was presented.

A sample: A bill to be entitled an act to (Please turn to Page 4)

Another Landmark Of Randolph Will Fade Into History

Old Covered Bridge At Ramseur Is Now Torn Away And Replaced

Mrs. Phillips III

Rev. E. W. Peele, Presiding Elder Of District, Speaks At Church Today

Ramseur, March 13.—One of Randolph's forty-two covered bridges will fade into the past this week. The bridge is being torn away now that it is replaced with a fine, new structure. Covered bridges have a romantic history, as well as utilitarian and many a courtship blossomed into reality in one of these "dark houses," as they are still called in sections of the county yet. Everybody is proud of the new open two-way structure now in use. It furnishes ample room for motor traffic and a walkway, underneath which the water line is suspended. Also, there is a great improvement in the highway leading to the bridge, since the grade is cut down and curves taken out.

Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Graham spent some time in Washington, D. C., this week attending the National Dental convention.

Rev. and Mrs. R. M. Hauss spent Tuesday in Greensboro.

Mrs. R. H. Abernethy and daughter, Carolyn, are spending the week with her mother, Mrs. Hinshaw at Burlington.

W. E. Marley went to Greensboro on business Monday.

Mrs. N. F. Phillips is in hospital at Greensboro for appendicitis operation. Her many friends hope she will be entirely recovered soon.

Mrs. J. C. Whitesell and daughter, Anne, of High Point, were visitors here this week.

Rev. W. W. Peele, presiding elder of the Greensboro district, will preach at Ramseur Methodist church today, Sunday, March 14, and hold second Quarterly conference.

Mr. and Mrs. Gutherie, who have resided on Columbia avenue, have moved this week to the Frazier home on Liberty street.

Colvin Hughes Is Struck By An Auto

Colvin Hughes, 18, was hit as he was walking along the highway south of town about 10:00 o'clock Saturday evening. He was taken to the Randolph hospital where he was treated, but the extent of his injuries were not fully determined. Dr. Dempsey Barnes who was called on the case after Hughes was taken to the hospital plans to make X-Ray pictures on Sunday.

He was conscious Saturday night, but stated that he did not know who hit him. Police officers did not know either as this newspaper goes to press but they are working on the case. Hughes lives south of town with Dennis Allred.

Annie Brown Rites Held Thursday P. M.

Final rites for Miss Annie E. Brown, 59, who died at 5 o'clock Wednesday morning, near Asheboro, after an illness of six weeks, were conducted at Union Grove church, near Asheboro, at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon by the pastor, Rev. John Allred. Interment followed in the church cemetery.

Surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Lou Stinson and Mrs. Mary Hilliard, and three brothers, W. P., E. L., and B. E. Brown, all of Greensboro.

Legion Amateur Awards Have Been Announced By Judges

Dot York of Asheboro, whose tap dancing and acrobatic brought such hearty applause from the audience at the American Legion Amateur Show Wednesday night, has been awarded first prize for individual numbers. Second prize went to little Fred Smith, the yodeling cowboy.

Honorable mention for individuals was earned by the following: Alice Snyder of Farmer for her acrobatic stunts, Nixon for his realistic imitation of Uncle Abner, and little Rachel Newsum, appeared more like Mae West than Mae herself.

First honor for groups was won by the Carolina Hot-Shots, a fast working threesome who combined piano and string music. The Caro-

Only One More Day To Win Or Lose Big Cash Awards Of \$600, \$400

Judges Chosen For Courier Campaign

The following named gentlemen have kindly consented to act as judges at the close of the "Cash Offer" campaign, on Monday, March 15th.

M. E. Johnson, chairman board county commissioners, Ramseur.

H. C. Royals, attorney, Trinity.

James Neely, cashier, First National Bank, Asheboro.

These judges will be on hand to see that the campaign is closed in accordance with the rules governing it.

Varied News Items Of Franklinville

Unusual Catch Of Fish Displayed By Mr. And Mrs. C. L. Alred Thursday

P.-T. A. Holds Meet

Library Sponsored By P.-T. A. To Open Friday; Accepts Asheboro Position

Franklinville, March 13.—N. A. McCorquodale has accepted a position with Meyer's store in Asheboro.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Reynolds were visitors Sunday at the home of Mrs. Reynolds's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Lambert near Hemp.

Mrs. Dewey Hayes and daughter, Shirley Lee and Sheila Jean, are spending this week with Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Tysinger at Randleman.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Alred took a day off Thursday, fishing in Richland creek at Kemp's Mill. Among their catch were three silver carp, caught by Mrs. Alred, two weighing 10 pounds each and 1 five pounds.

The P.-T. A. met in the school auditorium Wednesday evening and was called to order by Mrs. M. F. Cheek, chairman of the program committee. Devotional was led by W. P. Rodgers after which a play "Safety First" by the seventh grade pupils was enjoyed. Several interesting reports were heard.

Miss Katherine Buie, manager of the P.-T. A. public library, stated that another shipment of books had been ordered and that the time for opening the library had been changed from Friday afternoon to Friday evening. Attendance banners were won by 3, 7 and 11 grades.

A revival meeting by the Pentecostal Holiness people is in progress this week at the home of C. A. Evans in South Franklinville.

SOPHIA ROUTE ONE ITEMS OF INTEREST

Sophia, route 1, March 13.—Mr. and Mrs. Smith of Smith Business college, High Point, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Loflin recently. Miss Loflin is a student at the college.

Mrs. David Davis has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Grover Farlow near Sophia recently. Mrs. Farlow has been ill with a deep cold.

Lindsay Adams of near Walker's Mill underwent an appendix operation at a High Point hospital recently.

Close Explained For the benefit of those who do not understand how this campaign is ended we wish to say a word in explanation. It is our intention to have the campaign conducted in as fair and honorable way, and under the present sealed ballot box system which we use it is impossible for any one, even the campaign manager to know what results every individual club member accomplishes during this highly important period.

Prizes Awarded Following the count tonight the prizes will be given their lucky winners and commission checks will be issued as fast as possible thereafter.

Raymond McBride Dies In Sanford

Raymond McBride, 52, died Thursday at his home in Sanford. Mr. McBride was the father of Mrs. Louise Poole, Hampton McBride, and Miss Lora May McBride of Asheboro. He is also survived by his widow and five other children. Funeral service was conducted Friday afternoon at White Hill.

Seven O'Clock Is The Closing Hour

Workers Getting Results As Final Hour Draws Near—Close Finish Predicted

Last Few Hours Work May Win Best Awards

Those Big Awards Have Not Been Won Yet; Lose No Time If You Plan To Win

A close finish is predicted among the leading candidates for the big valuable Cash Awards which will be awarded the lucky winners Monday night. The only way you can win is to have more votes than your competitor—Think it over! Your work these last few hours may pay you many dollars.

With the close of The Courier "Cash Offer" Campaign but a few hours away club members have rounded the last curve and are racing neck and neck into the home stretch. Which of the team will cross the wire first, no one can say as this is written as they are so evenly matched that it will be a matter of who can hold on the longest to determine the ultimate winner.

As things now stand several members have a good chance of winning the \$600 and \$400 awards. As it is all the club members are assured of a nice prize for the efforts put forth. To win the \$600 award you must have the largest number of votes tomorrow night, and it will be the one who gets the best results who will be the winner.

It is up to the club members entirely.

All of the leaders have well organized themselves for these last few hours of work and all are being urged to do their best to secure every possible vote. The one who gets the best results will be the one to walk away with the best award. The names of the winners will be posted in the window of The Courier office after the count by the judges has been finished.

Better Safe Than Sorry

This newspaper and the managers of the campaign has urged all candidates to do their best all along but now it wishes to lay particular stress on the fact that it will be necessary to put forth supreme efforts between now and the finish if they wish to be returned the winner of the first grand prize.

As this is written the leaders are running close together. No candidates can flatter themselves that they have enough votes to win for no one has. It will be the efforts during these last few hours that will decide. Don't take a single chance of losing the prize you most desire. It would be better to win by a few hundred thousand votes more than enough, than to fall short a hundred thousand—representing just a few long-term subscriptions.

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