

Raleigh Round-Up

Governor Hodges Made Fine Impression For Tar Heel State At Demo Convention

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GOOD ADVERTISING... Say what you will, this fellow Governor Hodges — governor of the great state of North Carolina — looks good on television, handles himself well, and does an excellent job of getting free advertising for Tar Heels.

Since he was one of the few Southerners who did not waiver in his support of Adlai — pronounced Adly or Adlye — Governor Hodges was one of the more prominent delegates at the Democratic National convention.

He did a good job for us. But, as for the others in the delegation, we only got fleeting glimpses of them on television.

YEAR AGO... News and Observer Editor Jonathan Daniels and Governor Hodges crossed verbal swords at the convention over an editorial carried in the N&O — but the two are together in their all-out love for Stevenson.

Nevertheless, the Raleigh morning daily — which is at its best when a crusade — has been gently, and sometimes not so gently, chiding Governor Hodges for his support of the Pearsall Plan.

On Friday morning, August 10, the N&O ran at the top of its editorial page, just under the masthead, these words:

"Just one year ago Governor Hodges said: 'Abolition of the public schools and their replacement to a most uncertain extent by private ones is a last-ditch and double-edged weapon. If that weapon is ever used in North Carolina, its result will be appalling in ignorance, poverty and bitterness.'"

RECORD... We read it, but paid not too much attention to it. On Saturday, August 11, the same thing came out again in the same space. Again on Sunday, August 12.

And, as of last Sunday, August 13, it had been running ten days count 'em — without letup — like a broken phonograph record. Unless we miss our guess, that little item will be found on the editorial page of N&O daily until voting time on Sept. 8.

CHIEF JUSTICE... Nineteen years ago this past July 1, Governor Clyde R. Hoey appointed two men to the State Supreme court. One, a native of Halifax county, was 50 years of age. He went on to become chief justice. His name: M. V. Barnhill.

The man succeeding him as chief justice this week was the other appointee of July 1, 1937. He is J. Wallace Winborne, a native of Chowan county, who began the practice of law in Marion in 1907. Winborne is three years older than Barnhill, who served only two-and-a-half years as chief justice. Neither has been in robust health during the past two years.

AGE... The average age of members of the State Supreme court — with the appointment of 67-year-old W. B. Rodman and the resignation of 69 year old M. V. Barnhill — is now 63.

So, you young attorneys who look upon membership on the court as being little short of glory this side of paradise, remember that the appointment — like many another good thing — seldom comes on the sunny side of 50.

It is interesting to note that Associate Justice E. B. Denny and Associate Justice R. Hunt Parker were born in 1892, while Justices Jeff D. Johnson and W. H. Bobbitt first saw the light of day in 1900, and Justices Carlisle Higgins and W. B. Rodman were born in 1889. Chief Justice Winborne was born in 1884.

New Attorney General George Patton — who may be on his way to the State Supreme Court — is 58 years of age. Harry McMullan was only 53 when he became Attorney General in 1938... five years younger than Patton and 13 years younger than was Rodman when appointed.

HELP NEEDED... You won't get them to say anything about it for publication, but the State Supreme court justices and officials of the Attorney General's staff are in desperate need of assistance.

The Attorney General's department, according to reports we get, could do with a general reorganization — with definite duties assigned to the assistants — and more assistants.

Our justices are overworked, being forced to spend too much time in petty research. Information we get is that they would like to have six to eight young attorneys as research assistants. In 1957, it will be 20 years since we turned the legislative microscope on the Justice Department.

GOOD STROKE... Between Bill Horner and Bob Mason, the Sanford Herald is coming up these days with some mighty good reading. This one is about stirring mash.

Anybody who has been to Wake Forest College knows about the Hurricane section of Wake County — a pretty rough area about three miles west of Wake Forest toward Durham. Be that as it may, many a story has been told about the Hurricane and its people, none of whom — to our knowledge — went to Wake. But all good Baptists, nevertheless.

They had this fellow up before the congregation for making liquor. They were going to church him — or kick him out. But he said he didn't make no liquor, didn't sell none, didn't drink none. "But", he sang out, "there's some holier-than-thou people that does meander, and makes their living less honest, and raises their children worse than a man who feeds and clothes his family from the sweat of his brow-stirring of the mash."

And, as he became excited with his talk, he placed one fist over the other and described a wide circle — as if pulling a dog-wood pole through a vat.

At this point, the chairman of the board of deacons, sitting up front, leaned over to the clerk and whispered in an admiring voice that could be heard at the rear of the room, "He's got a right good stroke, hain't he?"

NOTES... Be sure to read how we are killing our ministers in the current issue of Life Magazine... Aren't the newspapers running more "private school" advertisements this year?... The Great Smoky Mountains National Park traffic survey showed as of July 24 that 25.8 per cent of the travelers were from Tennessee, with North Carolina in third place — behind Ohio — with 6.9 per cent and just ahead of Florida with 6.5 per

cent... 52,000 people interviewed in 15,000 cars...

Although they are doing it for free, a lot of school principals find themselves working harder this summer — getting teachers, or trying to get them — than last January when school was in full swing... The Democrats had about 100 delegates, alternates, correspondents, and hangers-on at the Chicago convention... In San Francisco this week, N. C. Republicans have 32... not bad, considering the distance...

One of the finest, most interesting, and most attractive booklets we've seen recently is "An Empire at a Crossroads", the story of Eastern North Carolina by William D. Poe, associate editor of the Progressive Farmer... Adlai Stevenson's grandfather, also named Adlai, was nominated for the vice presidency in the Democratic National Convention held in Chicago in 1892... N. C. was one of those seconding the nomination... as was the case last week with the younger Adlai... and Grandfather Adlai was elected and served President Cleveland's vice president...

A month from now... September 22... football opens up again in N. C... We hear there is an unusually heavy demand for State-UNC tickets... WF is expecting sellouts for home games with Maryland on September 29... Clemson... State... and Duke... all in Winston-Salem... The vice presidents like North Carolina... Three weeks ago it was Nixon at Ridgecrest... and last week it was Kefauver at Blowing Rock... Adlai Stevenson's great grandfather lived in Iredell County, near Harmony, around 1830-34... moving from there to the Kentucky-Illinois area. Although he is not a log cabin product, what presidential candidate could have a better hometown name than Libertyville...

The average salary of engineering graduates of N. C. State going into private employment this summer is \$421.84 per month... as compared with last year's \$386...



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