

POLITICAL RACE IN COUNTY IS NOW ON

Many Candidates Announced for Various County Offices and the Political Pot Will Now Boil—Republicans Active.

After considerable talk and jockeying for position, the race in the Democratic primary election is now on in earnest, and from now to the close of the campaign there will be waged a vigorous fight for the nominations at the hands of the Democratic party. Many new candidates enter the official announcement column of the Courier this week, and it is very gratifying to note the calibre of the men aspiring to the different offices. This early in the action it can be safely predicted that the affairs of the county will be in good hands. There are many rumors afloat as to the different ones who are contemplating entering the race, and doubtless there will be many more aspirants to officially announce in the Courier at an early date.

The Courier wants to say right now, at the beginning of the race for the different nominations at the hands of the Democratic party, that it behooves every candidate to conduct his campaign upon a high plane and in a manner that will not arouse any antagonisms within the ranks of Democracy. And it can also be safely said right here that this warning is practically useless, as the men who have come into the race are among the best citizens of the county and all hold party above personal interest. Others entering the race will be along the same lines. One and all will so conduct their campaigns that there will be no sore spots after the June primary.

Our fellow townsman, Mr. H. B. Doggett, led the way in announcing for sheriff, and his friends say he will make a strong race. He was quickly followed by Squire John P. Bean, of Rutherfordton, who, his friends say, will make a strong race for the nomination for the Legislature.

Among those coming out this week are the following:

Mr. J. W. Beason, the present incumbent, for re-election to the office of sheriff. Mr. Beason is a clever gentleman and has strong backing all over the county. His term as sheriff has given him a chance to demonstrate his ability, and this he has done in a splendid manner, according to his many friends.

Mr. M. T. Wilkie, clever gentleman and popular Democrat, announces for re-election as register of deeds. He has served two terms in the office in a most efficient manner. He was born and reared in the county and has a strong backing.

Mr. O. C. Erwin asks for an endorsement for a second term as Recorder. His friends say that he had made a splendid record during his incumbency and are strong for his re-election. Mr. Erwin was born and reared in the county. He is a sterling Democrat and will make a strong race.

For County Treasurer, Mr. J. F. Flack officially announces for re-election. He has served two terms and made a record in the office of which his friends are very proud. He is a native born citizen of the county and numbers his friends by the score. His Democracy is of the Simon-pure kind, and his ability and efficiency has been amply demonstrated during his incumbency.

Mr. D. B. Johnson, just finishing a most successful term as Clerk of Superior Court, asks the endorsement of his friends for a second term, and officially announces for re-election in this issue. He is also a native son, a splendid Democrat and has strong backing for the place.

Col. Solomon Gallert, of Rutherfordton, officially announces as a candidate for Representative, and says: "As a Democrat, I hereby an-

BEN FRANKLIN'S KIN AIMS FOR CONGRESS



Ellen Duane Davis, great granddaughter of Benjamin Franklin, has announced her candidacy for the Democratic nomination to Congress from the second Pennsylvania district.

nounce my candidacy for Representative in the Legislature from Rutherford County, subject to the result of the Democratic Primary to be held on June 3rd, 1922. If nominated and elected, I pledge myself to advocate such legislation as will secure to the county the most economical administration of its affairs consistent with improved roads, good schools, law enforcement, and the moral welfare, uplift and improvement of the county. The support of all Democrats is respectfully solicited.

SOLOMON GALLERT.

The Republicans are showing much activity and may make a strong fight for some of the offices this year. It behooves every Democrat to be on his guard and work for harmony and unity within the ranks of the Democratic party. Work hard for your choice in the primary and then turn the full force of a united and triumphant Democracy upon the opposition. Let's keep the good old Democratic party in power within our county.

UNION MILLS NEWS

Union Mills April 4.—The Union Mills Group Center Commencement held at Round Hill Academy Friday, March 31st, was a success and well attended considering the heavy rains that came early in the morning and at intervals during the day. The Logan, Mt. Vernon, Gilkey and Union Mills schools were represented and participated in the various games and contests.

The "Winning of Latane," a play in four acts was given in the auditorium of Round Hill Academy Saturday night by talent of the school. The play made a fine impression on all who were fortunate enough to hear it and was pronounced by many as one of the best plays ever given by the school. The play will be given in the school auditorium in Rutherfordton tonight (Tuesday).

Round Hill Academy defeated Westminster school in a ball game here Monday afternoon 19 to 10. Setzer for Round Hill featured with a home run. Batteries: Round Hill Likens and Setzer; Westminster, Burleson, Pool and Hovis. The second game between the schools will be played at Westminster next Saturday.

PLAY REPEATED

The Japanese operetta, which was given so successfully Friday evening by the music class, will be repeated Wednesday evening, April 5th. The price will be 15 and 25 cents. The play will also be given at Caroleen hall on Saturday night.

Mrs. J. D. Rankin and small son, Winton, of Boon, are visiting Mrs. Rankin's sister, Mrs. B. L. Smith.

Miss Kelby, a trained nurse of Gastonia, is nursing Mrs. S. S. Horn.

Paul Doggett, of Blue Ridge, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Doggett.

EASTER EDITION OF THE COURIER

Coming Out Next Week—Merchants in Every Section of County to Be Represented.

The Forest City Courier, having had calls from many of the biggest and best merchants from every section of the county for Easter ads next week, has decided to get out a big Easter special edition. With our exclusive cut and advertising service, we are especially well equipped to get out an edition that will prove to be of great benefit to the up-to-date and hustling merchants all over our progressive county. If you have not already spoken for an ad in the Easter special, call the Courier by phone, and our advertising representative will call on you promptly and give you valuable aid in preparing your copy and furnishing illustrations for your ads. Let every merchant in the county take advantage of this opportunity to get before the people of Rutherford county. A great number of extra copies of the paper have been ordered, and the Courier will cover the entire county like a blanket.

RUTHERFORDTON, ROUTE 1.

April 3.—Farmers are anxious to see some pretty weather as the time for planting is drawing near.

The sick in our section are all improving with a few exceptions. Mrs. Joe Scoggin is still right sick.

Our school at Shiloh is preparing a play and other exercises to be given at the close of school. The children are very interested in it. Come out, and encourage them, by your presence, to attempt greater things.

Strickland school has a choir to be proud of. They visited our Sunday school yesterday and did some fine singing for us, led by their teacher, Mr. Adin Hamrick. Prof. W. E. Owens, wife and children, of Caroleen, and Mr. Hollis Owens, of Cliffside, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Owens, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Cole and Mr. H. M. Champion motored to Gilkey Sunday afternoon and spent a few hours most pleasantly with their relative, Mrs. Jane Sorrels.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Cole spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Owens.

Mr. Dual Frady, of Brookford, N. C., has been visiting the family of Mr. C. A. Lane.

Messrs. Quay Spurlin and Sewell McBrayer spent the week-end in Union Mills and attended the excellent play Saturday night given by some of the Round Hill students.

THE "MANLESS WEDDING"

The ladies of the Betterment Club will put on a delightful comedy entitled the "Negro Manless Wedding," on the evening of Wednesday, April 12th. This promises to be one of the most entertaining events ever put on by these ladies. A fine cast has been selected, and it will be a feast of fun to watch the antics of the blackface female comedians. Don't forget the date, April 12th.

Date Reserved

The ladies of the Betterment Club have reserved Wednesday evening April 12, as the date for the presentation of the "Negro Manless Wedding."

PLAY AT CAROLEEN

"The Feast of the Little Lancers," the Japanese operetta, will be given in the Caroleen hall at Caroleen Saturday, April 8, at 8 o'clock. Only the kindest feeling exists between Forest City and Caroleen, and a splendid and appreciative audience will doubtless greet the music class Saturday evening. Price, 15 and 25 cents.

COUNTY WIDE BAKING CONTEST

Came to Close at Rutherfordton Last Monday—One Hundred and Twenty Entries—The Winners.

By the process of elimination in the schools, clubs and townships, one hundred and twenty women and girls were eligible to the county wide baking contest on Monday, April 3, which was held at the Rutherfordton school building. Ninety of this number exhibited the most beautiful rolls, biscuits, and muffins.

The judges, Mrs. Wallace, Miss Virginia Graham, and Mrs. Roy Harrill, with Mrs. W. O. Watkins keeping score, worked practically all day trying to decide on the best exhibits.

At 1 o'clock in the afternoon everybody assembled in the auditorium for an interesting program: After a number by the Rutherfordton orchestra Mr. T. B. Parker, State Warehouse Director addressed the audience on the "Progress of Rutherford County During the Past Thirty Years," which was extremely interesting to the folk who had not noticed the remarkable changes. Prof. Erwin of the Cliffside school, stressed the "Importance of Trained Home Makers." Last but not least, Capt. Wood announced and presented the prizes to the various winners, who were as follows:

Rutherfordton township—Estelle Reece, 1; Kathleen Wilkie, 2. Greenhill—Nellie Hyder, 1; Annie Hodge, 2. Union did not report.

Sulphur Springs—Sarah Harris, 1; Inez White, 2.

High Shoals—Lillian Nanney, 1; Pauline Freeman, 2.

Colfax—Myrtis Hamrick, 1; Alma Reed, 2.

Cool Springs—Lucy Higgins, 1; Kitty G. Thomas, 2.

Duncan's Creek—Olna Glover, 1; Myrtis Bowen, 2.

Golden Valley—Emma Grayson, 1; Alma Kee, 2.

Logan's Store—Margaret Philbeck, 1; Vermelle West, 2.

Camp Creek—Grace Reid, 1; Alma Freeman, 2.

Morgan not represented.

Chimney Rock—Carrie Dalton, 1; Lillian Ruppe, 2.

Gilkey—Helen Cline, 1; Eva Sue Keeter, 2.

The Charlotte Observer gave a six months' subscription to each first winner and the Fuller Brush people gave a jar brush as a second prize.

Eight Girls' Clubs held contests, with two premiums offered:

Oak Grove—Leigh Harrill, 1; Lillie Bailey, 2.

Mt. Pleasant—Ruby Holland, 1; Winnie Price, 2.

Washburn's—Lyattle West, 1; Carrie Black, 2.

Bostic—Ethel Voght, 1; Lucy Higgins, 2.

Vernon—Nona Morgan, 1; Lyattle Rollins, 2.

Hollis—Lala McKee, 1; Blanche Green, 2.

Watkins—Maude Buff, 1; Mary Justice, 2.

Oakland—Elizabeth Moore, 1; Ruth McDonald, 2.

The following were awarded as first club prizes: Two Monitor gasoline irons, two Waterman fountain pens, two Moore fountain pens, and two one year subscriptions to the Asheville Citizen.

The second prizes were six boxes of Montag stationery and two six months subscriptions to the Charlotte Observer.

Miss Alma Green, from the Caroleen school, won the first county prize, a new Perfection oil stove; second prize, Mary Justice, a Favorite canner; third prize, Anna Justice, set of aluminum ware; fourth prize, Pauline Freeman, one year's subscription to the Asheville Citizen; fifth prize, Sarah Harris, one year's subscription to the Asheville Citizen; sixth prize, Lillie Bailey, one year's subscription to the Asheville Citizen; seventh prize, Alma Lollar, a six

CHAMBER COMMERCE IS ORGANIZED HERE

WOULD SEND CONGRESS DEBATES BY WIRELESS



Congressman Vincent Brennan of Ohio proposes a powerful radio broadcasting station be installed at Washington so that people all over the country can listen to debates on important legislative measures.

Following Enthusiastic Meeting of Board of Trade for Re-Organization—Should Prove of Vast Benefit.

A small but enthusiastic crowd of the business and professional men of the city met in the Farmers Bank Wednesday night of last week for the purpose of reorganizing the almost defunct Board of Trade. A large crowd would doubtless have been in attendance had there been sufficient time given after the call for the meeting, for the progressive business men of the city are fully alive to the benefits to be derived from the workings of a body organized into the proper channels.

The first work of the evening was the electing of Mr. J. H. Thomas as chairman, and following this the matter of reorganization was taken up and officers elected. The election of officers resulted as follows: I. B. Covington, president; Dr. W. C. Bostic, vice president; C. E. Alcock, secretary-treasurer.

Pres. Covington made an address explaining the workings of the old organization, and after a splendid talk all along the line, concluded with an appeal for cooperation for the new body.

Dr. W. C. Bostic spoke on the question of a Board of Trade and the benefits to be derived from a body of this kind.

After several interesting talks, the following committee on dues and assessments was appointed: T. R. Padgett, J. F. Weathers and R. R. Blanton.

Board of Directors—J. A. Wilkie, Dr. W. C. Bostic, R. R. Blanton, J. H. Thomas, J. F. Weathers, T. R. Padgett, B. B. Doggett; I. B. Covington and C. E. Alcock.

Capt. B. L. Smith made a motion that the body be organized into a Chamber of Commerce and affiliate with the State Chamber. This motion was unanimously carried, and Forest City's new organization starts out with the brightest prospects of becoming the best working and most valuable organization the city has ever had.

A permanent road committee was appointed, consisting of Dr. W. C. Bostic, B. B. Doggett and R. R. Blanton.

Every one present affiliated with the new Chamber of Commerce and the committee on membership is expected to have every business man in the city join by the next meeting. Let every one come into the new body and help to boost the town and county. A good working Chamber of Commerce can do a great good here and this work can be accomplished with much more ease by the unanimous backing of all our people.

Meeting nights of the Chamber of Commerce will be on the last Wednesday night of each month. A meeting of the Board of Directors will be held on Wednesday night, April 12.

SPINDALE WINS IN FIRST PRELIMINARY

Spindale High school won the debate at Forest City Monday evening in the first preliminary.

The query "Resolved: That Bill 506, providing for a fivefold compensation to all war veterans should be passed," is the subject for county debate. In the first round the South Mountain affirmative consisting of Messrs. Earle Yelton and Henry Gobel debated against Spindale's negative, Messrs. Clarence Griffin and Herbert Crenshaw. In the second round Spindale's affirmative Mr. Ocie Nanney and Miss Marjorie Wright, debated South Mountain's negative Misses Zola Hall and Myrtle Allred. Spindale won both the affirmative and negative sides against their able opponents, South Mountain.

Some day you will own a Chevrolet