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DEMOCRATS ADOPT PLATFORMS AT PARTY MEETING

Candidates for Legislature and County Commissioners Pledge Themselves to Bring Relief to the County.

An enthusiastic meeting of the Rutherford County Democratic Executive committee was held Monday evening in the Cool Springs high school building, prior to the address by Hon. Josiah W. Bailey. The meeting was well attended, precinct chairmen from a number of the precincts were present.

Hon. O. R. Coffield, candidate for legislature, submitted a platform which was adopted. His platform follows:

O. R. Coffield's Platform.

"I have served two terms in the legislature, and therefore feel that not only do I possess the ability but also the experience, and am in position to do something for Rutherford County really worth while.

"For the benefit of the public, I wish to say:—

"1. That I strongly oppose any bond issues or additional tax burdens.

"2. In order to relieve the property from the heavy burdens of taxation I would favor placing schools and roads under state supervision and state support.

"3. I pledge my full support to any measure that will bring relief, and will actively oppose any legislation that might add to the burdens of our people.

"4. I will represent all of the people of Rutherford County, and regardless of party will appreciate an expression from the people of their views on all matters pertaining to county and state affairs.

"On this platform I ask the voters to elect me to the Legislature, and to support me in accomplishing what is necessary for the good of all."

The Democratic candidates for County Commissioners, Messrs. A. W. Peck, George H. Blanton and J. P. Jones, submitted their platform, and pledged themselves, if elected, to see that the platform was observed, and carried out in every particular. The platform committee and the County executive committee accepted the platform unanimously. The platform follows:

Commissioners' Platform.

"As Democratic candidates for County Commissioners of Rutherford County, we feel the great responsibility that will rest on our shoulders, if elected. We pledge ourselves, if elected:—

"1st. To stick to the principles of Democracy, and so far as it is within our power and ability to function in office for the benefit of the people—extending special privileges to no particular class.

"2nd. To maintain a system of strict economy.

"3rd. To reduce taxes on property as quickly as it is possible to do so.

"4th. To work for the growth and progress of our county.

To accomplish our purpose we invite the full cooperation of every citizen of Rutherford County.

Vice-Chairmen.

Mrs. T. R. Padgett, of Forest City, and Mrs. M. M. Young, of Forest City, R-1, were nominated for county vice chairmen of the Democratic Executive committee.

In a short talk Mr. S. P. Dunagan, county chairman, stated that interest in politics is the greatest he has ever seen in the county at this stage of the campaign. He predicted the largest Democratic vote in November ever cast in the county.

Mr. W. K. McLean, of Tryon, candidate for the state senate, was presented by Mr. Dunagan.

Mr. Z. O. Jenkins, of Cliffside, chairman of the Platform Committee, reported that instead of drafting a county platform the committee had decided to adopt and support the state platform, as drafted at the Raleigh meeting in July.

THINGS THAT NEVER HAPPEN

By GENE BYRNES



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FUNERAL HELD FOR HARVEY PROPE

Victim of Bullet from Ambush Laid to Rest in Golden Valley Cemetery—Large Number Present.

Bostic, R-3, Oct. 5.—Funeral services were held at Golden Valley Methodist church Thursday afternoon at two o'clock for the late Mr. Harvey M. Prope, who was shot and killed in his cotton field Tuesday afternoon. Rev. Joe Melton officiated, assisted by Rev. Hubert Randall, of South Mountain, and Rev. Byers of this section. Mr. Prope was 62 years old and had been a member of the Golden Methodist church for a long time. The deceased is survived by his widow, Mrs. H. M. Prope, three children, Miss Eva Prope, Mr. Adam Prope, at home, and Mrs. Claude Melton, of Spindale also three grandchildren, Leonard Prope, Thelma Sue and Ray Melton. Two brothers survive. Messrs J. Prope, of Leeburg, Fla., and Bill Prope, of Whitmire, S. C., and one sister of Bessemer City, also many nephews and nieces, friends and relatives.

There were many flowers sent as tokens of love and sympathy for the bereaved. They were carried by the nieces, and the nephews were the pall bearers.

Those visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Melton Sunday were as follows: Mr. and Mrs. Frank Beatty and little daughter, Mr. Thomas McCurry and family, Messrs Fred Melton, Charles Self and Clyde Brande.

Mrs. Julius Hensley and baby, Jewell, of Spindale, are spending this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Houser.

Mr. Guy Melton is very ill, we are sorry to note.

WOMAN'S CLUB.

The first meeting of the Woman's Club, of Forest City will be held on Thursday, October 9th, at 3:30 in the home of Mrs. G. P. Reid. The joint hostesses with Mrs. Reid will be Mesdames C. E. Alcock, Arval Alcock, W. A. Ayers, F. F. Black, R. R. Blanton and Misses Agnes and Ruth Barnes.

Program.

Chairman—Mrs. Arthur McDaniel. Subject—Community spirit and fall planting.

Project—Back yard.

Solo—Trees—Hahn, Mrs. Ernest Robertson.

Piano Duet—Glow Worm—De Laney; Mesdames I. J. Edelstein, J.

Revival Services At Baptist Church

A series of revival services opened at the First Baptist church Sunday. Dr. J. H. Haymore, evangelist of Georgia, is in charge of the services. Mr. Q. L. Frye, of Atlanta, Ga., is leading the singing.

Attendance at the services are good. Many people from other points in the county are attending daily.

The services will continue until October 26th.

Registration Books Now Open

The registration books for the general election to be held Tuesday, November 4, opened Saturday, and will be kept open through October 25. All new voters and those moving in who are eligible to vote, are urged to register, and also to vote on November 4.

FRESHMAN MUSIC CLUB MET SATURDAY MORNING

The first meeting of the grammar school music club was held Saturday morning at the home of Dorothy Turner. Ethel Young, president of the club, presided. An interesting program was given, after which games were played. Candy and fruits were served to the following members: Marguerite Bodie, Martha Green, Lillian Harris, Eugenia Harrell, Roger Cole, Vera Beachboard, Frances Courtney, Mildred McBrayer and Miss Katherine Goggans, counselor.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Ethel Young on the first Saturday in November.

CIRCLE TWO, METHODIST MISSIONARY SOCIETY MEETS

Circle No. 2 of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist church met Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. F. Alexander. Fifteen members and four visitors were present. Social service was reported as follows, 25 visits, 8 trays, flowers sent 10 times, and \$17.50 given to charity. Fine reports were made from work that has been accomplished and committees were appointed for future work. A bazaar was discussed and it was moved and carried that we hold one 21st of November, at which time hand made garments, embroidered articles, pies, cakes, candies and jellies will be sold.

At the close of the business session a most interesting and helpful program was rendered. At the conclusion of the program the hostesses served delicious ice cream, cake and

EX-GOV. MORRISON AT CLIFFSIDE

Former Governor Will Present Issues of Campaign Monday Evening in Address.

Ex-Governor Cameron Morrison, of Charlotte, will be at Cliffside next Monday night, and will address the voters on the issues of the political campaign. Mr. Morrison will begin his address at 7:45 Monday evening.

Governor Morrison, admittedly a candidate for the United States senate in 1932, is one of the ablest speakers in North Carolina. It will be a rare treat to the voters of Rutherford county to hear this great address by a great speaker.

Every voter in Rutherford county, regardless of party affiliation, is urged to hear this speaker. Don't fail to come out and hear the issues of the campaign plainly presented by an able speaker.

TWO MEN JAILED IN PROPE'S DEATH

James and Clifford Herring Will be Given Hearing Friday Morning in Ambush Slaying.

Rutherfordton, Oct. 8.—James Herring, 25, of the South Mountain section who surrendered to Sheriff W. C. Hardin at noon Thursday after he learned he was being sought on a warrant charging him with the murder of Harvey Prope, 64-year-old farmer and former officer, will be given a preliminary hearing Friday morning before County Recorder W. J. Mode here.

Herring said he had been in Burke county, and came here and surrendered as soon as he learned that he was being sought. His brother, Clifford Herring, was already being held in jail in connection with the shooting.

Prope, said to have long been active in reporting violations of the prohibition law, was shot from ambush Tuesday, September 30, while he was at work in his cotton field. His son, with him at the time, said the shot came from a creek bank.

Officers sought the Herring brothers when they learned that Prope had recently aided in cutting down a still on their property.

Herring is being held without bond pending the hearing. His brother, Clifford, 27, is also being held on a charge of being an accessory before the fact.

Sheriff Hardin spent most of Wednesday and Thursday in the South Mountain section investigating the case. He announced Thursday afternoon that he had uncovered considerable evidence. He declined, however, to disclose the nature of the evidence until the trial.

Harvey Prope, well-known farmer and former rural policeman, was shot and killed Tuesday afternoon, September 30, from ambush. He was shot with a .32 steel jacket bullet, fired from a high-powered rifle. Both the cartridge and rifle have since been found, and will probably play an important part in the evidence to be given Friday.

When officers went to the home of James Herring on the night after the shooting they did not find him, but found fifteen bushels of meal, 500 pounds of sugar and a quantity of jugs, bottles and other distilling accessories.

The Herring brothers were said to have been seen driving near where Prope was killed just before he was shot.

PRESBYTERIAN NOTES.

Communion services will be held at the Forest City Presbyterian church, at eleven o'clock, and will be conducted by the acting pastor, Rev. Wm. C. Rourk. All members are urged to attend. Members of other denominations are cordially invited to attend.

A FINE BOY.

Born, to Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Verner, on Thursday, October 2, a fine

Josiah W. Bailey Flays G. O. P. Rule

Spoke Here Monday Evening—Makes Spirited Attack on Tariff and "Hoover Prosperity" and Outlines Causes of Republican Depression.

COURIER MAILING LIST GROWING

New Names Being Added Every Day at a Rapid Rate—Many Take Advantage of Special Offer.

The Forest City Courier's list, already one of the largest in the county, continues to grow daily. During the past week 84 new names have been added to the list. Those subscribing for The Courier since last Wednesday follows:

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| Howard McDonald, | Wake Forest |
| Miss Ruby Moore, | Banners Elk, N. C. |
| W. E. Moore, | Forest City |
| Mrs. John Poole, | Forest City |
| E. N. Washburn, | Bostic |
| T. E. Morrow, | Campobello, S. C. |
| Ed Thompson, | Forest City, R-3 |
| T. C. Barber, | Mt. Airy |
| Howard Daniel, | Forest City |
| J. M. Jenkins, | Forest City |
| J. M. Robbins, | Forest City |
| W. S. Daves, | Mooresboro, R-2 |
| Odell Harrill, | Spindale |
| G. R. Early, | Forest City |
| C. B. Harris, | Ellenboro, R-2 |
| Oscar Padgett, | Ellenboro, R-2 |
| A. E. Hardin, | Rutherfordton |
| A. A. Trout, | Forest City, R-1 |
| Mrs. Dav. Green, | Forest City, R-1 |
| L. S. McDaniel, | Forest City |
| M. T. Wilkie, | Rutherfordton |
| Mrs. E. W. Wilkie, | Rutherfordton, R-1 |
| Robert L. Leckie, | Bostic |
| J. H. Burwell, | Rutherfordton |
| Dr. J. F. Hunt, | Spindale |
| Bryan Waldrop, | Rutherfordton |
| P. C. Rollins, | Rutherfordton |
| Mrs. M. D. Justice, | Rutherfordton |
| C. B. Justice, | Rutherfordton |
| C. Lee Biggerstaff, | Rutherfordton |
| Randolph Anderson, | Rutherfordton |
| Gulmer Hines, | Rutherfordton |
| I. P. Hines, | Gilkey |
| Owen Stamey, | Rutherfordton |
| Hayse Early, | Rutherfordton, R-3 |
| Fred McBrayer, | Rutherfordton |
| G. W. Davis, | Uree, RFD |
| R. R. James, | Spindale |
| Robert James, | Cliffside |
| W. O. Geer, | Rutherfordton |
| Mrs. Jennie Scruggs, | Ellenboro, R-2 |
| A. M. Kanipe, | Cliffside |
| S. C. Freeman, | Bostic, R-1 |
| J. W. Freeman, | Bostic, R-1 |
| J. L. Griffin, | Forest City |
| S. B. Henson, | Forest City, R-2 |
| Dr. C. H. Verner, | Forest City |
| S. L. Wood, | Forest City |
| Wyman E. Wood, | Wake Forest |
| W. C. Lattimore, | Forest City |
| J. W. Davis, | Forest City |
| S. R. Suber, | Forest City |
| W. L. Brown, | Forest City |
| C. C. Moore, | Forest City |
| L. B. Moore, | Forest City |
| Howard Harrill, | Ellenboro, R-1 |
| Nelle Searcy, | Forest City |
| Reid Parks, | Forest City |
| Spurgeon Moss, | Forest City |
| Z. C. Johnson, | Forest City |
| Job McKinney, | Forest City |
| Mrs. Geo. D. Clemmer, | Birmingham |
| Addie Hutchins, | Forest City |
| E. E. Walker, | Forest City |
| Woodrow Matheny, | Tuscaloosa, Ala. |
| John L. Scruggs, | Cliffside |
| Jack Blanton, | Cliffside |
| Russell Morgan, | Spindale |
| C. C. Blanton, | Cliffside |
| M. C. Phillips, | Forest City |
| Tom Brady, | Forest City |
| M. A. Higgins, | Bostic, R-1 |
| Guy Brown, | Bostic, R-3 |
| Chas. C. Erwin, | Forest City |
| W. R. Curtis, | Forest City |
| Charles F. Harrill, | Forest City |
| W. R. Harrill, | Forest City |
| Margaret Haynes, | Raleigh, N. C. |
| Edna H. Love, | Durham, N. C. |
| Hazel Haynes, | Durham, N. C. |
| Virginia Mae Love, | Chapel Hill |
| D. M. Stahl, | Forest City |
| C. M. Watson, | Bostic, R-2 |
| W. J. Haile, Jr., | Columbia, S. C. |

"The Democratic party enters the 1930 campaign united and determined, with the fires burning more brightly than in twenty years, pledged to redeem the lost districts of this commonwealth and bring America into the fold of Democracy," declared Hon. Josiah W. Bailey, speaking to 2,000 or more people Monday night in the Cool Springs High school building here. "The hour of Democracy has arrived in America, and this campaign will pave the way for a general house cleaning from the county officers to president in 1932," said the speaker.

Mr. Bailey flayed "Hoover Prosperity" and general conditions prevailing throughout the country, and pointed out the causes bringing about such conditions.

The speaker opened his address with reminiscences of his first visit to Rutherford county, in 1896, when, under the tutelage of the late Rev. C. B. Justice, he preached in the First Baptist church of Rutherfordton. He next took occasion to thank every Rutherford county voter who supported him in the recent primary, and to those who did not support him he pointed out that he respected their judgment and the privilege of voting for whom they pleased, and held no ill will toward them.

Party United and Determined.

Since June Mr. Bailey has been going up and down the state and has spoken from Atlantic, N. C., to the Tennessee line, and from the Virginia border to South Carolina. "During this time," he said, "I have observed closely the political situation in the various counties, and am frank to say that the Democratic party comes into this campaign united and determined, with the fires burning more brightly than in twenty years." He said Republicans were just a little harder to find this year than usual. In June 321,000 Democratic voters cast their vote for the two candidates for United States senate, while only 41,000 were willing to be counted as Republicans, and cast their vote for the Republican candidates for United States senate.

Mr. Bailey next attacked the Hoover administration, and the promises of the Republican party. "The way to stampee a whole regiment of Republicans is to merely walk up and shout 'Hoover!'"

G. O. P. a Failure.

"After nine and one-half years of undisputed power, at the highest time in the history of the nation, and the United States recognized as the greatest among the nations and the financial capital of the world, the Republicans have had the opportunity to demonstrate the policies of the party," said Mr. Bailey, "but at this time the country is in the worst condition and in the worst hands in two generations." During this nine year period there has been 4,150 bank failures and 197,000 merchants have gone bankrupt, entailing a loss of four and one half billion dollars; four million men and women are without employment; but willing and begging for work to clothe and feed their destitute children. Forty million farmers who planted in the rains of spring and labored in the heat of the summer will not reap the cost of their crops, declared Mr. Bailey.

Mr. Bailey said the Republican party was now disclaiming any responsibility for the business depression so prevalent, but pointed out that for forty years that party has always made prosperity its cornerstone plea, and has claimed the responsibility for any prosperous conditions occurring while they were in power. "An extra crop of simmons on the simmon tree, or an abundance of rabbits in Chatham county is oc-

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