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ELECTION RESULT ABOUT AS USUAL

"Off Year" Elections Generally Show Reversal of Presidential Elections

WASHINGTON—The Republican majority in the present House is 169. The Republican majority in the next House will be 15.

This recalls a similar reversal under the Wilson administration. The 1912 elections which made Mr. Wilson a President by a minority vote of the country gave to the Democrats a majority in the House of 163. In 1914, although the opposition to the Democratic party was still badly divided, the Democratic majority was reduced to 29.

Small majorities are the rule in the House and Senate. The ebb and flow of the political tide naturally affects the Senate less, because the six-year tenure of office enables its members to bridge over the temporary upheavals that so often completely change the political complexion of the lower house.

An example of that is afforded by the period of years covering both administrations of Cleveland and the administration of Harrison. During this period the House swung from one party to the other but the Senate remained Republican, although its Republican majority was cut to a narrow margin of two for the terms beginning 1887 and 1889.

Surprising as it may seem, the United States Senate was Republican every term from the Civil War to the term which began in 1915, with the exemption of one term which began in 1893. In that year the Senate stood 44 Democrats, 38 Republicans and 3 independent. The Democratic Senate of that term was swept into power with the second election of Cleveland in 1892. The Republican landslide in 1894, however, restored a Republican majority, the Senate which convened March 4, 1895 standing 42 Republicans to 39 Democrats.

The present Republican majority of 24 is larger than ever in the history of the Senate, with the exception of five terms beginning 1901 and ended in 1901, elected McKinley. McKinley was elected the second time, had a Republican majority of 27 with three independent. The next two Senates had Republican majorities of 26. The largest Republican majority ever obtained in the Senate was 30 under the Roosevelt administration.

The barometer of political majorities in the House is very interesting. It is the common belief that majorities as a rule are very large. The year Garfield was elected the Republicans carried the House by 22. The off year following his election they lost the House, the Democrats carrying it by a majority of 81. Cleveland's election in 1884 gave the Democrats a majority of 44 in the House. The off-year following reduced that majority to 17.

Benjamin Harrison defeated Cleveland in the campaign of 1888, one of the most closely contested campaigns in the history of American politics, the result being in doubt for two days. The closeness of the contest was reflected in the make-up of the House, the Republicans having a majority of only 8. The off-year in the middle of Harrison's term was most disastrous to the Republicans. The Democrats had a landslide in the Congressional elections, carrying the House by a majority of 147. This is one of four times since the Civil War that either party has had a majority of over 100 in the House. This Democratic majority was reduced to 91 in the Presidential election of 1892 when Cleveland was again victorious.

In 1894 occurred what went down in history as the great Republican landslide. It gave the Republicans control of the House by a margin of 44. This marked the beginning of sixteen years of continuous control of the House by the Republican party. Its high tide during this period was the first Congress under Roosevelt, which had a Republican majority of 114. The year of McKinley's first election saw the Republicans carry the House by 72. The year of his second election saw them carry it by 47. The off-years following each of his elections saw the Republican majority slump to 39 and 29. The off-year

SUPERIOR COURT WILL CONVENE HERE MONDAY

A one week's term of Superior Court will convene here next Monday. This term of court will be for the trial of civil cases only and Judge Calvert will preside over it. The list of cases on the calendar is given herewith.

CALENDAR

DECEMBER TERM, 1922.
Hon. T. H. Calvert, Judge.

Monday, December 4.

111. State ex rel Hardesty vs Pearson.
1. Pelletier vs Barker Admr.
15. Newby et al vs Elfenbein et al
17. Newby et al vs Elfenbein et al
48. Newby et al vs Stephens, A. H.

Tuesday, Dec. 5

12. Cash vs Willis.
25. Southgate vs Elfenbein et al.
27. Cupples vs Sea Food Co.
36. Dixon vs Express Co.
41. Ward et al vs Williams et al.
42. Willis vs Woodland.
44. Austin vs Railroad.
49. Davis vs Casfield.

Wednesday, Dec. 6.

52. Willis vs Gillikin.
57. Packing Co. vs Jones.
66. Bell vs Oglesby.
68. Mason vs Fulcher.
69. Interstate Equipment Co vs Galants Fish Co.

Thursday Dec. 7.

70. Way vs Sea Food Co.
71. Way vs Sea Food Co.
73. Hancock-Huntley vs Southgate
78. Gillikin vs Williams.
81. Duncan vs Taylor.
95. Lee vs Morris.

Friday, Dec. 8

101. Piner Bros. vs Pridden.
103. Carteret Lumber Co. vs Rhodes & Underwood.
110. Tillery vs Rhodes & Underwood.
114. Bell vs Grantham.
116. Butler Bros. vs Stanley Bros.

Saturday, Dec. 9.

Motions

24. Jesler et al vs Newby, et al.
30. McCain vs Shull.
31. Cherry vs Cherry.
51. Stove Co. vs Bedsworth.
127. Bell vs Carteret Lodge.

L. W. HASSELL, Clerk.

TIME FOR ACTION.

Beaufort citizens will be called upon shortly to register their wishes in regard to adequate school facilities when on December 19th they will have an opportunity of voting for or against a school bond issue of \$80,000.

Opposition to this bond issue is already manifest and there will doubtless be more to spring up between now and the date of the election but interested onlookers "across the river" and in other parts of this progressive county will look to the unselfish patriots of Beaufort to do their duty towards Carteret's future citizens and roll up a big majority in favor of improved school facilities for the school children of the Capitol of Carteret. Everyone knows they need it—Morehead City Coastef.

STORMY WEATHER.

The worst weather this section has experienced in many months arrived Monday and stayed over Tuesday. The thermometer dropped down Monday night to about the freezing point Tuesday morning a few flakes of snow were seen. Owing to the high winds that prevailed fishing was practically stopped until yesterday when as the weather had improved generally all of the boats went to sea.

of Roosevelt's administration saw a slump of 40 in the Republican majority. Taft's election carried the House by a Republican majority of 39. Thus we see that during the entire 16 years during which the Republicans held control of the House, the greater portion of that period the Republicans had a majority of under 50.

Dates are being produced in commercial quantities in California.

THANKSGIVING.

This is the day on which, by a long established custom, the people of the United States of America are expected to give thanks to the Almighty for blessings granted them during the year now about to end.

Let us follow that practice today not merely because it is the custom but for the better reason that it is our duty and pleasure to do so. Some say without thought that they have but little cause to be thankful, but upon reflection there are few indeed who can truthfully make this assertion. Nearly all have at least the necessities of life and some have considerably more. Most of us have health which is a treasure in itself. Some are in the bloom of youth and they should be thankful for the opportunities which the future is reserving for them. Some are at the midway mile stone on life's pathway and they may well give thanks for the battles fought and won and the strength to endure that still is theirs. Some are standing where the shadows stretch way behind them and happy they well may be in the experiences that have been theirs, the friendships they have made, the good will they have won and the reflections that the journey's end will bring the greatest reward of all. So let us give thanks today, earnestly, sincerely and happily.

PIG AND POULTRY CLUBS ARE ORGANIZED

The entire last week has been spent organizing pig and poultry clubs in the county. Along with Mr. S. J. Kirby State Club Leader, we held twenty three school meetings in the county and at the present time have got one hundred and forty seven club members. I shall obtain a pure bred registered pig or two settings of pure bred eggs and they will feed and care for the stock as prescribed by the State Department of Agriculture. This is educational work for the little folks and in addition will prove to the club boys and girls and also their parents that when ordinary intelligence is applied to the production of poultry and swine, favorable results may be expected. I am in hopes that the club project in Carteret County will be an incentive for the quantity and quality of stock on the average farm in this county to be increased.

PARENTS, If you have a child that is between ten and eighteen years of age who hasn't already joined one of these clubs, see that he or she gets their name on the roll within the next week.

Signed: A. H. HARRIS, County Agent.

FINE YACHT COMES IN.

Two of the handsomest yachts that have been in local waters this season arrived in the harbor yesterday. One of them was the Conewago and is owned by John Wanamaker the merchant prince of Philadelphia and New York. The other boat the Leonie, belongs to Murray Guggenheim one of the well known family of copper mine owners by that name. The Conewago is constructed largely of mahogany and the Leonie of teak wood and they are equipped with every convenience and luxury that any one could desire. The News man was told that the cost of such a craft as either of these would not be less than \$100,000 and probably more.

The former Kaiser William's memoirs, handsomely bound in cloth, are selling for seven cents a copy in Berlin. The books are a good quality of linen paper with substantial covers.

Plans to can some of your meat when killing time comes. It may be a life saver some day when company drops in.

There are thousands of orphan children in North Carolina who are entirely dependent upon the public for their support. Do not forget them on Thanksgiving day.

SUBSIDY BILL FOR MERCHANT MARINE

Bill Now Under Way Through Congress is Fully Explained Below

WASHINGTON—The principal features of the "Merchant Marine Act" as the proposed ship subsidy bill is officially entitled are as follows: Sale of present government-owned merchant ships to citizens of the United States, the complete payment of the purchase price not to be deferred longer than 15 years from date of sale and the unpaid balances bearing interest at a rate not less than 4 per cent per annum. These sales are to be competitive sales after due advertisements, except specifically ordered otherwise by the Shipping Board upon an affirmative vote of not less than five members and if such vote and a full statement of the reasons authorizing such sale are made a matter of record.

Loans to American citizens desiring to construct new ships. These loans are made up to two-thirds of the value of new construction. They are to run not longer than 15 years and are made at a low rate of 2 per cent. They are to be made out of a revolving fund of \$125,000,000 which is created out of the funds of the Shipping Board.

Exemption from federal taxes of certain income from operation of American merchant vessels under the proposed Act provided the income so exempted is used for the construction of additional American merchant ships.

An exemption from federal income tax of 5 per cent of the amount of any freight charges paid by shippers in this country to American merchant vessels operating under this Act. This proviso takes the place of the preferential tariff or rebate provided for in the Jones bill but which was declared to be a violation of international treaties and therefore untenable.

All passenger vessels carrying United States mail shall be paid for upon the same basis and rate that the United States pays foreign vessels for carrying mail. This proviso repeals an existing law which provides that all American ships shall carry United States mail free of charge. This change was made because the passenger vessels which carry mail are the class of vessels which will suffer a financial loss by reason of prohibition laws of this country. It is believed that paying them cash for carrying the United States Mails will to a large degree offset any loss of revenue they suffer because of the operation of the prohibition laws.

Requirements that 50 per cent of emigration to the United States shall be carried in American vessels. All army and navy transport in merchant vessels of American registry.

Government officials to travel and government supplies to be carried in American vessels. Payment of direct compensation One-half of 1 per cent for each gross ton each one hundred nautical miles traveled by vessels with speed under 12 knots an hour; higher compensation for greater speed, with authorization for compensation up to 1 cent per ton per hundred nautical miles for vessels traveling over certain officially designated routes.

Funds for the payment of direct compensation to be derived from tonnage duties and dues, estimated at \$4,000,000 a year; 10 per cent of all customs receipts; present payment for transportation of mails, and recoveries from excess earnings of compensated shipping. Compensation is limited to a 10 per cent profit to the operator. When net earnings go above 10 per cent one-half of the excess profits would be returned to the government and be covered into the compensation fund.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.
Ella and Frank D. White to Abner I. Willis and wife, Block no 92, lot no. 6 in Morehead township, town of Morehead City, consideration \$1,300.
Ruby Daniels et al to Joseph Smith 2 acres on south end of Cedar Island, consideration, \$65.

COMMISSIONERS HELD SHORT MEETING MONDAY

Beaufort, N. C., Nov. 27th, 1922. The honorable Board of County Commissioners reconvened this the 27th day of November 1922, at their regular meeting place in the town of Beaufort with the following members present, to-wit: C. R. Wheatly, Chairman; Geo. G. Taylor; J. L. Edwards; Henry O. Piner and B. F. Small.

The report of the Committee appointed to inspect the road from Salter's Creek Bridge to Gilbert Hamilton's landing was presented and read to the board. Upon motion duly made and carried the road was accepted and his report ordered filed.

The matter with reference to Thurman Smith an inmate of the County Home was referred back to the Welfare department to be taken up with the incoming Board.

Ordered by the Board that E. W. Hill, County Attorney be paid a fee of \$100.00 for service in suits now pending.

The following bills were ordered paid.
No other business appearing the Board adjourned.

MRS. MARGARET CHARLOTTE.

New Bern, N. C., Nov 23—Mrs. Margaret Manson Charlotte, formerly of New Bern, died in Greenville, S. C., Sunday morning in the 86th year of her age.

Mrs. Charlotte was born in Beaufort, N. C., where most of her young life was spent. She was the wife of the late George W. Charlotte, of New Bern. From their union there was one son, John Mason Charlotte, with whom she has lived since 1900. Besides this son and five grandchildren she leaves a host of relatives in North Carolina to mourn their loss. Mrs. H. C. Armstrong, a niece and Mr. George C. Robbins a nephew, of New Bern.

A SURPRISE MARRIAGE.

Mr. Julian Hamilton and Miss Cathrine Norcom greatly surprised many of their friends here by getting married this morning. The marriage occurred at about ten o'clock at the residence of Reverend Harry A. Day who performed the ceremony. The newly wedded couple then left for Atlantic the former home of the groom. Mrs. Hamilton is a native of Washington but for several years has lived a good part of the time with relatives here and has been in school here. Mr. Hamilton is assistant cashier of the Beaufort Banking and Trust Company and is highly regarded as a business man and citizen of the community.

LECTURE ON CANCER.

A fairly good sized crowd, in spite of threatening weather were present Tuesday afternoon to hear Dr. D. W. Wynkoop's lecture on Cancer. Close attention was paid the speaker and many expressed themselves as having been greatly edified by the discourse. In order that many who did not attend the lecture may have an opportunity of learning something about this important matter it is published in full on another page of this addition of the News.

PROGRAM FOR TOM THUMB WEDDING.

Doors open on December 7th at 7:00 o'clock at Sea Breeze. At 7:10 selection on the violin by Miss Mary Martin.

7:45 songs by well trained voices, after which wedding will take place. After the Wedding Ceremony, the Mother and Father of the bride will give reception to the bridal party on the stage. Refreshments will be served after which a good night song will be sung by the Tom Thumb. Don't miss this attractive affair. Come and bring your friends. Admission to all 25 c.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

W. C. Peterson, Beaufort, N. C. to Agnes Willis Davis N. C.
Paul F. Ell Kingston N. C. to Emma Rebecca Sanders Ocean N. C.
J. Worth Watson Stella N. C. to Gladys Pelletier Stella N. C.

BIDS ASKED FOR STATE HIGHWAY BY COMMISSION

State Highway Commission Removes all Doubt by Letting Contract at Early Date

BEAUFORT TO CRAVEN COUNTY LINE

It seems that at last the question of bringing Route 10 of the Central Highway to Beaufort is about to be settled. All controversy on the subject has been ended by the announcement on the part of the State Highway Commission that bids for the project would be received at 10 o'clock on the morning of December the 14th in the city of Raleigh.

The Highway Commission's announcement says that the project which is known officially as "State project No. 1" is approximately 14.14 miles in length. The bid will be for grubbing, clearing, excavating, filling and doing some concrete work in the way of culverts. The contract for hard surfacing apparently is not to be let at this time. It seems to be that like the Morehead City road the grading is to be done before the contract is made for the hard surface. It is not known therefore what type of construction will be finally adopted.

For some weeks there has been considerable discussion in Beaufort and Morehead City as to the advisability building a bridge between the two towns. Some have contended that a bridge would be worth more to the towns and the county at large than a road from Beaufort to the Craven line. The majority of people in Beaufort however, appear to think the road is more desirable than a bridge. There are also a good many who would like to see both road and bridge constructed. The cost of building a first class bridge and also a hard surfaced road would run up to high figures and the opinion of most people here is that both will not be constructed for some time to come.

According to reports the State Highway Commission will ask the General Assembly when it meets in January to authorize the issue of \$15,000,000 more of road bonds. About three-fourths or more of the \$50,000,000 issue has been let in contracts and more money is needed to finish the program of road building as originally designed. Under the plans as adopted Carteret county will get about twenty eight miles of State Highway and the county is paying \$150,000 of the cost of construction.

WILL FURNISH FARMERS BETTER COTTON SEED

Raleigh, Nov. 25—While there has been no let up in the delivery of cotton to the North Carolina cotton cooperatives, the management announces that plans are already being made to enable members to grow better cotton next year.

Arrangements have been made through Dr. R. Y. Winters, cotton seed specialists with the State Experiment Station, to buy ten thousand bushels of improved seed, which will be sold to members of the Association. These seed will be distributed so as to secure the best results and is a part of the general campaign to improve the cotton growing business in North Carolina.

Notice to members that a second advance would be made December 15 on all cotton delivered up to December 1 helped to boost deliveries the latter part of the month, but there is still much cotton to be delivered to members, it is stated.

Since getting established in permanent quarters the cotton cooperatives have settled down to steady grinding, and promise quicker service to members. The grading department got 30,000 bales behind deliveries, but it is not gradually catching up and by December 15, the peak of the movement for the season will have been passed.

Just back from Washington, where he attended a meeting of extension directors from all the states, Dr. B. W. Kilgore, director for the public in the cotton association, announces that the thought uppermost in the mind of the country today is cooperative marketing and that it is here to stay.