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FEATURES OF NEW VOTING LAW

Davidson County Chairman Explains How New Law Works—Timely Information.

Lexington Dispatch.

Voters who have been in the habit of voting only part of the tickets furnished them at elections should be careful this year to return any unvoted ballots to the election officials. It is a misdemeanor under the present election law for anyone to carry away from the polls any official ballots, stated W. F. Brinkley, democratic county chairman, in a strictly non-partisan, discussion of the Australian ballot law.

Hitherto, pointed out Mr. Brinkley, workers outside the polls were privileged to carry as many ballots as they desired and to pin these ballots together and give them to voters. Now the voter can be given no ballots outside the voting enclosure at the polls and he must bring none away with him, stated the speaker.

Six tickets will be provided the voter this year. A state ticket, a senatorial ticket, a congressional ticket, a county ticket, a township ticket and a constitution amendment ticket. Should the voter not care to vote certain of these tickets then he should return to the election officials and so inform them. By no means should he stick the unused official ballots in his pocket, warned the speaker.

Sample ballots, printed on different colored paper, may be circulated among voters for study before they enter the polls, he said, but no effort must be made to vote these. All official ballots printed by the state have the facsimile of the signature of the chairman of the state board of elections, J. C. Biggs, printed on the back. All official county and township ballots have the facsimile of the signature of C. C. Hargrave, chairman of the Davidson county board of elections on the back.

Mr. Brinkley also discussed the work of the markers, who will rank as election officials.

Lists of ten names from each party in each of the thirty-three precincts of the county are now being prepared by the chairman of the two parties and these must be in the hands of the chairman of the board of elections within the next few days. At least one marker from each party will be provided for each precinct, with two markers for each party at the larger precincts perhaps.

If the voter desires assistance in marking the ballots, he or she may ask that either the democratic or republican marker go into the booth with such voter and aid in the marking. If the voter expresses no preference as to the marker

SIX BALLOTS TO BE VOTED

Democratic and Republican Candidates Names Are On Same Ballot—Persons Not Familiar With Tickets May Have Assistance.

Six ballots will be used in the election of next Tuesday, Nov. 4, these being as follows:

Candidates for the U. S. Senate.

Candidates for the full term from the fifth congressional district.

Candidates for the short term from the fifth congressional district.

The state ticket.

The county ticket.

The proposed constitutional amendments and one "proposition."

Democratic and Republican candidates' names will appear on the same ballot. A cut of an elephant heads the Republican ballot while that of an eagle adorns the Democratic ticket. The names of the candidates for solicitor in the 12th judicial district appear on the county ticket, while those of the aspirants for the superior court judgeship in this district are placed on the ticket. The names of those seeking election to the state senate and the state house of representatives appear on the county ticket.

One of the proposed constitutional amendments would increase membership in the North Carolina Supreme court from five to seven; another authorize "classification of property," while the third would permit an increase in the number of solicitorial districts without increasing the number of judges. The "proposition" relates to a plan whereby "loan bonds" would be provided for world war veterans.

TOBACCO PRICES MUCH LOWER

Farmers Greatly Displeased and Many Carry Weed Back Home—Average Lowest For Many Years.

Tobacco prices on all the markets have fallen off considerably during the past few days and continue to go lower.

Many farmers have been so dissatisfied with prices received that they have carried their product home, refusing to sell it at all. A large per cent of the weed is bringing from four to six cents per pound, only a small part of it going over ten cents.

One citizen here this week sold a truck load of tobacco for only \$14.00 and paid \$5.00 of this amount for the hire of the truck.

James Carrick of Evanston, Ill., used a \$50 bill as a bookmark at the library and then forgot it. It was found and returned a week later.

MARKERS WERE NAMED TUESDAY

County Board of Elections Were In Session At Court House For That Purpose—Registrars Met With Board.

One Democrat and one Republican were appointed for each precinct of the county as ticket markers when the county Board of Elections met here Tuesday of this week. The registrars of the twenty-one precincts met with the Board.

For making these appointments of ticket markers each party furnished a list of ten men at each precinct from which the Board of Elections selected one man for each party.

There are six tickets to be voted in the election next Tuesday and the markers are supposed to give information to voters who do not understand preparing the ballots before depositing them in the boxes.

The markers are not allowed to even suggest to a voter as how he should vote on any candidate, but are sworn to mark the tickets just as the voter desires. Markers are also sworn not to give out any information as to how any voter cast his ballot, thus giving a free and secret process of voting.

This method of voting has been in use in many of the progressive States for years. North Carolina is beginning to catch up with the procession and no doubt the people will like the Australian ballot after they have tried it.

HON. J. F. SPRUILL AT WESTFIELD

Judge J. D. Humphreys, J. H. Folger and George Younce Will Also Be Present At Speaking.

Hon. J. Frank Spruill will address the voters on the political issues in the auditorium of the new school building at Westfield on Saturday night of this week.

At that time Judge J. D. Humphreys, Hcn. J. H. Folger and George Younce will also be present and make some remarks.

A large attendance is expected and several good speeches are promised those who attend.

Stokes Man Exhibits Gun 51 Inches Long

In the show window of Jones & Gentry's shoe store at Winston-Salem there is on exhibit a gun belonging to John Tucker, of Stokes county, which is 51 inches long. Mr. Tucker stated that the gun had been in his family about 104 years. At one shot this gun killed 135 pigeons, while at another time it brought down a deer at the distance of 117 yards.

DR. W. H. BYNUM CORRECTS ERROR

Says Story of Col. Martin's Daughter Being Stolen By Indians Is Wholly Fiction.

Germanton, N. C.,

Oct. 27, 1930.

Editor Reporter:

The statement in the Reporter last week that a daughter of Col. John (Jack) Martin, of Rock House, was stolen by Indians and Tories is wholly fiction. No such thing ever happened, Mary Coleman Martin, a daughter of Col. Martin, married Hampton Bynum and was the mother of my father. In my boyhood my father told me about his frequent visits to Rock House with his mother, and of the many interesting and exciting incidents happening in the family of his grandfather, but never mentioned such a thing as one of the family having been stolen by Indians. I am very sure he would have dwelt upon this at length to fire my youthful imagination. There are plenty of interesting and entertaining acts one may dwell upon in connection with Col. Martin and Rock House without going into the realms of romance.

Col. John (Jack) Martin and his wife, Nancy Shipp Martin, had a large family of children, as follows:

Mary Coleman Martin, Elizabeth Martin, James Martin, Joseph Martin, Virginia Martin, John Martin, Samuel Martin, George Martin, Thomas Martin, William Martin.

I give this bit of family history hoping it may prove of interest to some, especially to those who are able to trace their ancestry back to Col. John Martin and his wife, Nancy Shipp Martin.

WADE H. BYNUM.

DODD IS NOT ALLOWED DAMAGE

Dr. R. D. Flippin Wins Case In Which He Was Being Sued In Stokes Court For Malpractice.

On account of the fact that last week's term of civil court was unable to finish the case of Dood vs. Flippin, His Hon. Judge Michael Schenck ordered the court re-convened on Monday of this week and held the jury over Sunday. The case was finished Monday afternoon when a verdict was returned in favor of the defendant.

Roy Dodd, who is a colored citizen of the Pilot Mt. section, was suing Dr. R. D. Flippin, of Pilot Mt., for malpractice in connection with the loss of his wife when she gave birth to a child.

Dodd asked for \$15,000 damage but the jury failed to allow him anything. The case consumed four or five days of the court's time.

Try an Ad in the Reporter

W. S. GREEN COMING HERE

To Assist In Perfecting Plans For Membership Campaign In Tobacco Growers Organization.

W. S. Green, of the Federal Farm Board, will be in Danbury at 2:00 P. M. Friday, Nov. 7th, to assist the Tobacco Organization committee of Stokes county in the perfection of the plans for the membership campaign. It is understood that there will be no intensive campaign for members, but an effort will be made to give every one a chance to join who wishes to do so. A special effort will be made to inform all tobacco growers of the plan of organization. Chairman of the township committees that were recently selected at the local meetings are specially urged to attend the meeting at Danbury on Friday.

At the last meeting held at Danbury it was voted that we hold another county-wide meeting at the court house on Monday, Nov. 3rd. The meeting will not be held on Monday, but will be postponed until Friday so that one meeting will answer both purposes. Any persons interested in securing an organization for tobacco growers and willing to assist in putting on the campaign are invited to attend this meeting.

Farmers throughout the county are rapidly becoming more interested in organization for the marketing tobacco. Local meetings are being well attended and farmers are asking for contracts. One thousand contracts have been distributed in Stokes county and more are wanted at once.

Meetings have been recently held at King, Asbury, Hart's Store, and Vade Mecum. Meetings have been scheduled for the near future as follows: Zebulon 3:30 P. M., Friday, October 31; Danbury 2:00 P. M., Friday, November 7; Asbury 1:00 P. M., and Hartman Store, (Noah Priddy) 7:00 P. M., Saturday, November 8th. Co-operative marketing will be the subject for discussion at each of these meetings.

J. E. TREVATHAN,
County Agent.

Simmons Declares He Has Nothing To Say

New Bern, Oct. 28.—Senator F. M. Simmons said tonight at his home here that he had no statement to make regarding the State political campaign. The response was in answer to a current rumor that he had prepared a statement for publication.

Sofia Hernandez Molpeceres of Olmedo, Spain, gave birth to quintuplets, two boys and three girls, but all died soon after they were born.

Try an ad in the Reporter.

SOLICITOR SPRUILL EXTENDS THANKS

For Loyal Support and Cooperation Given Him While Serving As Solicitor In Stokes.

Lexington, N. C.,

October 24, 1930.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank you and through you the people of Stokes county for the loyal support and co-operation given me by the people of the county and for the many kindnesses and courtesies shown me during the eight years that I have been Solicitor of the District. The friendship of the good citizens of Stokes will always be among my fondest and most prized recollections.

The November election is fast approaching and I am deeply interested in the success of the Democratic ticket. During the time that I have spent in Stokes county as Solicitor, I have always had the active co-operation of John Taylor, the present sheriff. At all times he has been diligent in the performance of his duties, and I consider him one of the most capable sheriff's within my acquaintance. The citizenship of Davidson and Guilford counties have shown their fairness to Stokes in giving Stokes the next Judge of the Twelfth Judicial District in the person of my devoted friend, John D. Humphreys, who is elected on the State ballot and naturally will receive a very heavy majority. I am sure now that the citizenship of Stokes county will in turn be fair to Guilford and give to Guilford the Solicitor of the District. For the past eight years I have known George Younce in and out of court, and I can assure my many friends that he will make the District a capable, fearless and impartial officer. Frank Hancock for Congress, John Folger for the State Senate, and all the other good men who are before the people for election on the Democratic ticket, will make able and efficient public servants for the benefit and welfare of the people generally, and I sincerely hope that they may have the valued support of my friends in the county.

With kindest regards and very best wishes, I remain

Very truly yours,

J. F. SPRUILL.

Weasel Kills Nine Pheasants

On the Stokes game preserve Tuesday night a weasel broke into the pen on the game preserve, near Danbury, and killed nine pheasants. The pheasants were being reared to place in the forests on the game preserve. A weasel is a small animal about the size of a squirrel.