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## John H. Folger of Mt. Airy Is Nominated By District Committee To Succeed His Brother, A. D. Folger, Fatally Injured In Car Wreck

REIDSVILLE, May 6.—John H. Folger, Surry county political leader and former member of the legislature, will fill the unexpired term in Congress of his brother, A. D. (Lon) Folger, fatally injured in an automobile accident last week in Mt. Airy.

What was tantamount to his election took place at a meeting of the seven-man executive committee of the fifth congressional district, sitting privately for 10 minutes in a room on the second floor of a local hotel. This committee rejected all idea of holding a primary as had been suggested by Gov. J. M. Broughton and the delegate from Forsyth and by unanimous action selected John H. Folger as the Democratic nominee. He will come before the people in a general election, considered more of a formality than anything else by the powers that engineered this afternoon's session, to be called by the Governor of North Carolina probably within the next month. So far it is not certain whether the Republican party will offer opposition.

### Thompson Reports

Chairman E. G. Thompson, of Roxboro, telling reporters afterward what happened at the bobtailed executive session of his committee, said that Gilbert Shermer, the member from Forsyth, made a motion to ask the Governor to call a primary that the people might have their choice in matter of a representative in Congress. But the committee didn't take to the Shermer motion at all. It died for want of a second, as everybody in the lobby of the hotel predicted it would prior to the time the committee went into locked quarters.

After the Shermer motion had failed, W. Banks Horton, of Caswell, proposed that the committee itself should make the selection of the nominee which was carried by everybody's vote except Mr. Shermer's.

Immediately, Karl R. Massey, of Leaksville, made the motion that John H. Folger be the choice of the committee. This was seconded by everybody and voted for by everybody. Even Mr. Shermer, defeated as to the primary, joined in the chorus for Mr. Folger.

Informal resolutions of sympathy for the late A. D. (Lon) Folger completed the work of the

committee, which was in session practically the whole of 10 minutes.

The Surry county organization behind Mr. Folger shut off not only the Governor's wishes to hold a primary but the consideration of any other candidates at this afternoon's meeting.

### M'Donald Disillusioned

Dr. Ralph W. McDonald, former candidate for governor, who went to Mt. Airy last Sunday thinking he was running like Jesse Owens, pulled up in Reidsville this afternoon a disillusioned man. But he was going to make one last stab. In the hopes of laying his foundations for running for the regular term at the expiration of this unexpired term he had the agreement of most of those who at one time or another thought they were potential candidates to yield to him to make a statement for the committee. His plan was to yield graciously to Mr. Folger, who he knew was already predestined to be congressman, and then sit back and watch fever rise as to his candidacy for next time. But this wasn't how it worked. The committee entertained no statements from anybody but followed its own bent.

The congressman-to-be, Mr. Folger, was not even put to the trouble to come to Reidsville as some of his might-have-been competitors did. All the insiders in Surry knew last Sunday how the meeting was to turn out. They had been doing some visiting and telephoning which put them in the wise.

### Surry Delegation

As a matter of courtesy R. O. Freeman, chairman of the Surry board of elections, who headed up the campaign for Mr. Folger, brought down a delegation from Surry to see things went as they were confident they would. In this delegation were French Graham, of Elkin, Avery Neaves, of Elkin, J. G. Llewellyn, Harry Llewellyn, both of Dobson, Marion Allen, H. O. Woltz, Wilson Barber, all of Mt. Airy. Sheriff John Taylor and Solicitor Ralph Scott came over from Stokes. Mayor S. M. Smith was down from Pilot Mountain and Mayor John D. Thompson from Mt. Airy. Hampton Price, state senator from Rockingham, who had been mentioned for Congress but who had withdrawn, was also

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(Editorial)

## HITLER'S SOLILOQUY

While listening to the radio at midnight one night recently, suddenly the short-wave switched to the capital of Germany and I could hear the voice of someone talking—a snappy, vicious, rasping voice.

There was no mistaking the tones.

It was Hitler.

He was walking in his palace garden at Berlin.

This is what I heard:

"A horse, a horse! My kingdom for a horse."

"Richard would gladly have made the swap, but it was too late. Destiny had overtaken him.

"Old Churchill would give half his kingdom for more destroyers and a few thousand bombing planes. But before he gets them, I will blast down his ramshackle empire and take his ships.

"Then look, you, across the waters—you who dare to meddle with my affairs.

"Of all sad words of tongue or pen for your fool democracies, the saddest are these: 'It might have been.'

"Ha, ha, ha! While you feted and feasted, Germany worked. While you slept, I planned. While you reclined, I crouched.

"The United States war mongers would part with their gold in Kentucky for their 2d ocean navy, which is beautiful on paper but which can't shoot.

"Japan will entertain America in the Pacific. Then with the English fleet in my possession I will establish a bridgehead in Brazil.

"Can you prevent it? Can you prevent my panzers from landing? We will lock your Panama Canal with cannon as my legions march.

"Then you will pay, America.

"The war is moving now. My Gestapo has thousands of spies, saboteurs and fifth columnists steadily boring in all American cities, and with the help of the defeatists, isolationists, and appeasers like Lindbergh, Wheeler, Nye, Vandenberg, Tobey, and many others, the will to fight is weak and the will to stall production is strong.

"My factories will produce 20 planes to every one that America can furnish Britain before we take her.

"Aha, oh! America. I need your food, your oil, your steel and your coal, and I will take it in my own good time.

"And you shall pay the expense of this democratic trouble you have given Germany.

"Europe is mine, I spurn Asia, but America shall be mine. Then it will be truly and in deed:

"Deutschland uber alles."

Just then I awoke to find it was all a dream, and the radio was playing: "She'll Be Coming Around the Mountain."

And "She" is Miss America.

## Help National Defense Through Observance of National Cotton Week

All homemakers are urged to assist with national defense program. One way that we may assist is by using more cotton goods. Cotton, more than any other American crop, is dependent upon foreign buyers for its markets. War abroad has sharply curtailed our exports of American cotton. As a result, the large carry-over of 10 1-2 million bales of cotton in this country last August will be substantially increased by the end of this season.

During the week of May 16 to

25 North Carolina will be observing National Cotton Week, announced Mrs. Lila T. Pearce, Stokes county home agent. She suggests that homemakers will find wide uses for cotton materials in the home due to the great progress made in the development of new cotton fabrics. Practical use ranges from towels and table cloths to rugs, bath mats, curtains, draperies and the family clothing supply.

By using more cotton the surplus will be reduced. Industry will be aided, reemployment will increase along with greater national security.

## Wesley Mabe, Dies Suddenly Near Rural Hall

Wesley Mabe, aged 55, well known farmer of Rural Hall star route, was found dead in a field near his home Monday after his team of mules returned to the barn alone at the noon hour. Sheriff J. John Taylor and Dr. Rupert Helsabeck, of King, acting Stokes county coroner, conducted an investigation and said Mabe had apparently died of a heart attack shortly after going to the fields early yesterday morning.

From the position of the body, which had been dragged about five feet by the mules, Sheriff Taylor said apparently Mabe had ploughed a few furrows and stopped to remove a stone from his shoe when he was stricken.

Surviving are the widow, the former Miss Emma Hall; three daughters, Mrs. Homer Mabe, of Danbury, Route 1; and Misses Fannie and Lorene Mabe of the home; five sons, Melvin, Weldon, Watson, Boss and Wess Mabe, all of Rural Hall, star route, and three brothers, Rufus and Sanders Mabe, of Danbury, Route 1 and Charlie Mabe, of Ellerbe, Route 1.

The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at Boyles Chapel Baptist Church. Elders W. J. Brown and J. Watt Tuttle conducted the services. Burial was in the church graveyard.

## Fishing Law Expires Next Saturday

County Game Protector Carl Ray Flinchum announces that the seasonal law against fishing will expire next Saturday.

Fishing licenses may be had from the game protector, or from the following agents:

- Booth's Cafe, Danbury.
- Williamson's Service Station, Pine Hall.
- Tuttle Hardware, Walnut Cove.
- Claude Priddy's store, Francisco.
- King Hardware, King.

## Death of Mrs. Olae Mae Hall

Mrs. Olae Mae Hall died Monday morning at 11:30 o'clock at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Otis Sells, at King, after an illness of three weeks. She spent her entire life in Stokes county. Surviving are five daughters, Mrs. Otis Sells of King; Mrs. Eugene Hill of King, Route 1; Mrs. Moir Smith of King; Mrs. Woodrow Shore of East Bend and Mrs. Odell Beroth of Devotion; nine grandchildren; two sisters, Miss Pearl Boyles of King, Route 1; Mrs. Jessie Falkenberry of King, Route 1; and two brothers, J. A. Boyles of King, Route 1; and Mildred Boyles of King, Route 1.

The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at Capella Church of Christ. Rev. R. A. Helsabeck conducted the serv-

## Kurpees to Run Independent Against John Folger—Election Called For June 14—Republicans to Name Candidate

Marshall C. Kurpees said last night he would be a candidate for the seat in Congress left vacant by the death of Fifth District Representative A. D. (Lon) Folger.

Governor Broughton yesterday set June 14 as the date for a special election to fill the vacancy.

The fifth district Republican committee will meet in the Robert E. Lee Hotel in Winston-Salem at 8 o'clock tonight and will "almost certainly" select a G. O. P. candidate.

Kurpees' announcement that he intends to enter the race came in face of the fact that the fifth district Democratic congressional committee Tuesday nominated John Folger, of Mount Airy, to the congressional seat. Folger is a brother of the late congressman. Kurpees said he was taking cognizance of this fact, but reiterated that he intends to be in the race nevertheless. It is possible, he indicated, that he may enter the field as an independent.

The Governor said yesterday the attorney general had ruled that the general election, which is required whether both parties put a man in the field, could not be held within 35 days since adequate time would be needed for registration in the district. Date of June 14 was set after conferences with the attorney general and W. A. Lucas, chairman of the state board of elections.

E. M. Whitman, a fifth district Republican committeeman and chairman of the party in Forsyth, said last night he was virtually sure the G. O. P. committee tonight will name a candidate to oppose the Democratic candidate or candidates.

Names of Archie Elledge, John J. Ingle and John T. Benbow were mentioned in Winston yesterday as potential candidates for the job. Judge A. E. Tilley, of Mount Airy, was mentioned also. Members of the Republican committee are Odell Sapp, chairman; H. W. Masten, secretary; E. M. Whitman, Forsyth; W. F. Alberty, Surry; Tom Petree, Stokes; T. L. Gardner, Rockingham; M. F. Law, Caswell; J. H. Scarborough, Person; and W. L. Peace, Granville.

## Attend Funeral

Attending the A. D. Folger funeral at Mt. Airy Friday were the following Danbury people: Mr. and Mrs. Dallas C. Kirby, J. J. Taylor and Miss Grace Taylor, Houston P. Loftis, N. E. Pepper, G. H. Aiford, A. J. Ellington, W. G. Petree, Leonard van Noppen, R. L. Smith, S. P. Christian, Ed M. Taylor, R. J. Scott.

Burial was in the church graveyard.