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HOW WILL YOU VOTE

Next week the people who read this newspaper will go to the polls and say by their vote what they desire in the way of public management of state, national and county affairs.

In a county like this it would be foolish to suppose that the voters have not made up their minds in a general way as to how they will vote. And yet there are many who are independent and are not bound by any political lines—they vote for what they think is best for the country.

In this light it is not out of place to offer a few thoughts as to what a vote next week will mean. A vote for the Republican candidate for president will mean that the present high tariff will continue to be the rule. This means high sugar, high shoes and clothing and all other goods that the people must buy. It means that the men who control the money interests will continue to control the country. It means, more than all, that we continue to have no hand in the adjustment of world affairs and continue to let the world market for our surplus be closed, thus shutting us off from selling our surplus to other countries.

A vote for the Democratic president will mean that we take a hand in the adjustment of world conditions and thus open up world markets for our wheat and corn and tobacco and all kinds of manufactured goods. It will mean a reduction in the tariff that will mean cheaper sugar, cheaper shoes and cheaper clothing. It will mean a cleaning out of the big offices men who are in to plunder the government of its natural resources as was done in the lease of the oil lands. It will mean that the political scandals that have been the rule for four years will be at an end.

A vote for the Democratic ticket in the state will mean a continuance of good road building, better schools, better asylums, better facilities for the sick and imprisoned. It will mean that the men who have made such a fine record in office for the past four years and have shown themselves worthy, have your endorsement of their work.

A vote for the Republican party would mean that we place in office as governor a man who lives in New York and quit his law practice in that city long enough to come down here and make a canvass of the state for the office of governor. It would be hard to picture just what it would mean to the state to turn out of office men who are constructive in all their policies and put in office men who are candidates and who have never by their past lives and public service shown that they are qualified for the great responsibility they are asking to be allowed to assume.

In our own county a vote for the Democratic ticket will mean that men of acknowledged financial ability shall levy our taxes and say how our money shall be spent. It will mean that men who handle money every day in large quantities and who have business dealing in a large way with practically all the people shall also be at the head of our county finances.

The men who are before the people on the Democratic ticket for county office are men who are known to those about them as citizens who are above reproach and who have the ability by nature and training to fill the offices to which they aspire with ability and satisfaction to all the people.

Here in the township a vote for the Democratic candidate for Judge of the Recorders court will mean that a man learned in the law and acquainted with the legal processes and with the ability to conduct the courts in keeping with the high degree of efficiency that is expected, will continue to be our Recorder. It will mean that the lawless element will have a healthy respect for law and order and that the law abiding citizens of the town and township will feel that they have a force for good in the Recorder's court and one that will hold the lawless and willful in check and make better living conditions for all the people.

The above are just some suggestions we give for the guidance of the voter who is not bound by any political ring, but is free to vote as he thinks best for his own interests and those of his country.

Dr. Conduff Buys Home Here

Dr. S. A. Conduff who recently located in this city, specializing in diseases of the eye and head, has purchased the new two story house on Lebanon street adjoining the property of E. E. Hines. He moved into the new home last Saturday.

Hear J. H. Folger Saturday Night

The campaign being made by the Democrats to carry this county and township next Tuesday will reach its climax Saturday night when J. H. Folger will address the voters in this city at the town hall at 7:30 o'clock. This will be the first Democratic speech made for the Democratic cause in this city during the present campaign, while the Republicans have been sending out speakers who have kept their audiences for two and three hours on several occasions.

Mr. Folger is known as a fluent speaker and the public has confidence in his integrity and will put absolute faith in any statement he makes about the issues that face the voters next Tuesday. We know of no more satisfactory way to arrive at a fair decision as to what candidates to vote for and whose principles are the best for the country than to hear Mr. Folger on these subjects, and any opinion he expresses can be counted upon as being safe, sound and for the best interest of the township, county,

The News Will Be Printed One Day Later Next Week

Next Tuesday is election day. Local politicians will spend the most of the night in an effort to get the returns from the county precincts, and all day Wednesday the results will filter into the city from all directions. The News is generally printed soon after the noon hour Wednesday and placed in the mails so most of the subscribers get it Thursday. Owing to the election it will be printed one day later next week, and by holding up this one day the publishers hope to be able to give a more complete return of the election results than if the paper was printed on the regular date.

So, dear reader, do not go to your box next week expecting The News on the same day you have been receiving it for several years, for on this occasion it will arrive one day later than you have been accustomed to receive it.

How Cold Was It

Yes, these are balmy days now. For four weeks this section went without a drop of rain up until last Sunday and Monday when we were visited by a cold east rain which thoroughly wet the land. Since then the sky has once more cleared off, the weather is ideal, the farmers have resumed their plowing and many are rushing tobacco to the markets and receiving satisfactory prices.

The first real cold spell of the season was felt last Wednesday night and many will be surprised at the low figures registered by the government thermometers. The state papers had reports from all sections of the nation on the cold spell that was passing over the country at that time, and Asheville reported the lowest temperature in the nation on last Wednesday night at 27 degrees. Up at the city pump station Supt. C. M. Whitlock has a accurate thermometer, the same kind used by the government, from which he records reading every day. Jack Frost, was more severe here than at any place reported in the state papers for the record was 22 degrees on Wednesday night on Thursday night the mercury again dropped to a low point reaching 23 degrees. Following the rain of Sunday and Monday of this week old sol has again come from behind the clouds and brought forth balmy days.

Those from Mount Airy attending the annual meeting of district No. 2 of the N. C. Federation of Woman's Clubs in Kernersville Saturday were Mesdames C. C. Hale, J. H. Folger, B. Y. Graves, T. N. Brock, Jas. S. Bray and sister Mrs. Snuggs, M. S. Martin, E. M. Hollingsworth, E. H. Kochitzky, John Sobotta, H. P. Stewart, W. M. Hollingsworth, J. D. McCollum, Robert Lovell, W. J. Byerly, A. B. Somerville, E. H. Hennis, W. E. Lindsay, S. T. Combs, C. M. Ball, C. P. Clark, E. W. Paddison, J. M. Hollingsworth, E. M. Linville, and Misses Alma Sparger and Cora Earp.

INCOME TAX LISTS ARE OPENED TO PUBLIC

In accordance with a law passed by Congress last summer the federal income tax reports were thrown open to the public last Saturday and newspapers in the larger cities have hurried to the various revenue offices and compiled a list of the most prominent tax payers of the nation. In some instances the officials resented the effort of the reporters to get this information while at other offices they were turned loose to ferret out what information they could find. The majority of the large tax payers and corporations resent the publicity they are thus receiving and see in it an effort on the part of the public to pry into their private affairs, for by computing the amount of tax paid one can determine the success attained by these corporations.

Below is a list of the amount of tax paid by some of the most prominent people and companies of the nation:

Table listing income tax payers and amounts: Standard Oil Co., Indiana, \$4,321,722; Swift & Co., 2,307,585; Wrigley Chewing Gum, 2,153,556; W. G. McAdoe, 11,150; Charlie Chaplin, 6,983; President Coolidge, 6,643; Secretary Mellon, 1,173,987; Chief Justice Taft, 2,718; Secretary Hughes, 3,698; Attorney General Stone, 6,722; John W. Davis, 24,425; Charles G. Dawes, 18,269; Gov Smith of New York, 31; Senator Copehand, 1,511; Jack Dempsey, 90,831; Douglas Fairbanks, 225,769; Mary Pickford, 2,444; Eddie Cantor, 6,515; Thomas Meighan, 51,239; Al Jolson, 45,070; Jackie Coogan, 505; Montague Glass, 10,111; H. M. Daugherty, 101; Frank Friach, ball player, 854.

North Carolina Income Payments for 1923

The Raleigh News and Observer on Wednesday published a partial list of income tax payments to the federal government for the year 1923. Below we copy a few of these listed which will be of interest to our readers.

Table listing North Carolina income payments for 1923: N. C. Granite Corp, Mt. Airy, \$20,051; National Furn. Co, Mt. Airy, 24,958; R. J. Reynolds Tob. Co., 3,555,977; A. W. McLean, Democratic candidate for Governor, 1,697; I. M. Meekins, Republican candidate for Governor, 2,386; C. R. Merritt, Mount Airy, 7,390; Mrs. Cameron Morrison, 95,327; Bowman Gray, Winston, 239,237; E. H. Kochitzky, Mt. Airy, 12,831; W. N. Reynolds, Winston, 267,237; Josephus Daniels, Raleigh, 2,003; J. B. Yokley, Mt. Airy, 2,244; J. F. Yokley, 1,818; O. H. Yokley, 1,941.

Dr. Rondthaler To Lecture Here "Knowing North Carolina"

Dr. Howard Rondthaler, of Winston-Salem, will give a very famous, charming and instructive lecture in Central Methodist Church in Mount Airy on Friday night November 14th 1924. This lecture will be on the subject of "Knowing North Carolina" and those among us who have been fortunate enough to hear this lecture state that it is worth driving a hundred miles to hear. The lecture is free and everyone in our city who is interested in and loves The Old North State is cordially urged to hear it. This is the first of a series of lectures of an educational and entertaining nature which will be given in Mount Airy this winter under the auspices of Mount Airy Lodge 242 Knights of Pythias.

False Statements About The Election Law Corrected

YOU CAN SPLIT YOUR TICKET AND YOUR VOTE WILL BE COUNTED

It has been circulated around Surry County by politicians and candidates that if you do not vote the straight ticket the vote will not be counted. This is absolutely false! These reports are nothing but a political scheme concocted by some candidates who realize that the majority of the people do not want them and they are trying by this scheme to pull through. Any person may vote for as many candidates of each party as he sees fit and the vote will be counted just as it has always been. Vote for the man you want and the vote will be counted. Don't believe a word of the malicious reports that have been sent out. For the truth of this statement read the law as it applies to this county.

WHO IS THE DADDY OF THE AUSTRALIAN BALLOT LAW ANYWAY?

"Gum" Jackson attempts to prove by various letters that he didn't know anything about the passage of the law for Surry County. Wouldn't it be a sad day for him to prove to the people of Surry County who chose him as their representative in the legislature, that he knew nothing in the world about the passage of the most important law that was enacted for Surry County, while he was the representative? He publishes a letter attempting to show that Senator Boyett charges A. E. Woltz with having the law passed. Read the following letter from Senator Boyett:

John M. Boyett
Real Estate
Albemarle, N. C.

Oct. 21, 1924.

Senator A. E. Woltz,
Gastonia, N. C.

Dear Senator:
Yours of the 18th relative to the Australian ballot law for Surry county received.

I will say in reply that I have never had any conversation whatsoever with Mr. Jackson, Representative from Surry, relative to this matter, nor have I ever received a letter from Mr. W. M. Jackson. As far as I know you had nothing to do with placing Surry county under this law.

Yours very truly,
J. M. BOYETT.

Now what is the truth about the matter? If further proof is necessary we can prove by Henry Hampton that before leaving for the Special Session of the legislature, "Gum" Jackson told Henry Hampton that he was going to have the polls roped off so that the booth would be 100 feet from the ropes. This in itself is a part of the law as it now applies to Surry County. It is understood and affidavits can be produced that "Gum" Jackson has stated that he thought it was a good law. Furthermore the first news of the new law came from O. B. Webb, Chairman of the Republican party in Surry County, when he got a copy of the law.

More False Statements to Fool The Voters

From some unknown source a report has been sent out saying that the present county commissioners have borrowed large sums of money to pay the current expenses of the county because the sheriff had not collected the taxes. This report is hereby branded as an absolute untruth in every respect. Sheriff C. H. Haynes has collected and turned over to the county treasurer more than \$400,000.00 in tax money and has yet to advertise and sell a single man for his taxes. Every county voucher and every county school voucher has been paid when presented. This is a record not equalled by the previous sheriff, for the commissioners of the preceding administration were often forced to borrow large sums of money to pay current expenses of the county. W. J. Byerly says that the records will show that he and Alex Chatham have not borrowed one cent for current expenses except when they were forced to borrow twenty or thirty thousand dollars in 1923 because A. E. Tilley had the tax books of the county and would not release them, demanding a large sum of money from the county for the collection. This amount has been paid and he notes delivered up and cancelled. Furthermore the present commissioners owe no one a single cent for current expenses and a careful estimate shows that when their term is up on December 1, 1924, there will be a surplus of \$24,450.00. And the Tax rate for the coming year has been reduced TWELVE CENTS on the hundred dollars.

These are the facts and the records of Surry County will prove them true to anyone who has the interest of the county enough at heart to make an investigation. Those who are true to themselves and their children will not be misled by the many false and malicious reports being circulated by candidates without making an investigation. So Vote your ticket and rest assured that every vote cast will be counted as has been done in the past.

Surry County Democrats



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