

Two New Candidates Enter Field For Nominations on Republican Ticket

C. B. Franklin, of Elkin, Enters Race for Sheriff Against A. M. Smith; O. B. Webb is Asking For Register

NEW CANDIDATES MAKING ACTIVE CAMPAIGN

Just when the powers that be in the Republican organization thought they had a ticket lined up for the county convention there comes forward this week two new candidates for important positions on the ticket for this fall. It was generally thought that A. M. Smith would be the unanimous choice of the Republicans for sheriff when T. W. Davis announced that he would not seek the office, but all the planning has been upset with the entry of C. B. Franklin, of Elkin. Mr. Franklin is a son of the late Senator Franklin who represented this county in the legislature forty years ago and for many years was an active leader in the Republican party of the county. For several years Mr. Franklin has been a successful contractor of Elkin, is recognized as a good business man, and is developing a following in the ranks of his party that will make the race for Sheriff interesting. He was in Mount Airy Tuesday and stated that he intended making a canvass of the county for the nomination.

O. B. Webb is seeking the nomination for Register of Deeds in the Republican convention. Four years ago he was chairman of his party and spent much time and a considerable amount of his own funds in the interest of the ticket. For some months he has been engaged in the lumber business at Beckley, Va., but returned to this city last week and actively entered the race for Register of Deeds. T. M. Marsh, of Ararat, member of the county board of education is making a canvass of the county for the same office and there is some sentiment in the Republican ranks to nominate Miss Lillian Harkrader for the office. Miss Harkrader was defeated four years ago for this office, mainly at the hands of her own party, many of whom had a prejudice against a woman entering a campaign and holding office, but her friends are not satisfied with the result and are again urging her nomination.

Quietness prevails among the many candidates for Sheriff on the Democratic ticket. Word reaching this city from the rural districts indicates that there are several men making a canvass of the voters in the Democratic ranks for the office. Deputy Sheriff J. E. Monday is given the credit of having gathered together a strong following in the southern part of the county. At the same time J. S. Atkinson of Elkin has been doing some work along the river. N. A. Lowe is said to have much support for the nomination for Sheriff in Stewart's Creek, Franklin and Dobson, and is visiting other parts of the county.

There are many Democrats in the county who have insisted that Frank Swanson of Pilot Mountain allow his name to be run for Sheriff, but he declines to enter the contest. It is realized by many that Mr. Swanson would make a strong candidate. He stands in good favor with the anti-Smith wing of the Democratic party in Surry County and would have no trouble in polling the solid vote of the Smith advocates in the election. But Mr. Swanson was strongly opposed to the selection of Al Smith as the party's choice for president and it has been said by his friends that he would not run on a ticket that required supporting Mr. Smith for the presidency.

No announcement has been made from the chairman of either party in the county as to a date for the nomination of the county candidates, but the voters can expect a call most any day. With a field full of candidates in both parties it is pointed out that it would be best to have the nominations made as early as possible in order to give any wounds created sufficient time to heal before the November elections.

New Coal and Wood Business For Mount Airy

W. P. Welch has leased a lot on Willow street, near the Piedmont Furniture Co. and bordering on the railroad from R. E. Inman and will locate a coal and wood business there. Mr. Welch expects to be ready to serve the public by Sept. 1 and will appreciate a share of the public patronage.

R. S. Folger Dies At Advanced Age

Dobson, July 30th.—One of Dobson's fine old gentlemen has passed away, Romulus S. Folger died early Saturday morning at his home here. He was a familiar figure at the court house and on the streets of Dobson, gallantly fighting off old age and refusing to give up his work though he has been in feeble health the past months. During the brief illness a constant stream of visitors has been at his door to inquire of his condition. Simple but impressive funeral services were held Sunday afternoon from the Methodist Church, of which he has been a member for 65 years and were conducted by his pastor Rev. Elmer Simpson. Interment was made in the church cemetery. The pall bearers were, Grady Cooper, W. S. Comer, W. B. Norman, W. E. Reid, R. C. Llewellyn, C. H. Haynes. Honorary pall bearers were, Attorneys W. L. Reese, W. F. Carter, W. M. Jackson and S. P. Graves. The floral tributes were many and beautiful.

He showed a keen and active interest in church and school affairs, being one of the leaders in the movement for better schools in Surry county. He was superintendent of the Sunday school of the Dobson M. E. Church and for many years served continuously in that capacity.

He was born in 1840, being the son of Dr. Milton Y. and Elizabeth P. Folger. He served 4 years in the Confederate army, enlisting in 1861. Soon after his enlistment he was commissioned first lieutenant. Just before the battle of Chancellorsville he was commissioned Adjutant of his regiment and served in that capacity until the close of the war. In 1866 he was admitted to the bar. Beginning the practice of his profession in Dobson he met with excellent success and continued his legal work until 1882 when he was elected County Clerk of Surry county, a position that he held continuously by reelection for a period of twelve years. For the past several years he served honorably and faithfully as Justice of the Peace and has likewise filled other offices of responsibility in the town and county in a most satisfactory manner.

Mr. Folger married first, Miss Juliet Gray of Davie County, daughter of Joseph and Mary Gray. To this union 4 children were born. He married for his second wife Miss America Booker of Surry County and by their union 2 children were born. Surviving are 2 sons, R. G. Folger and Dr. R. R. Folger of Dobson, 2 daughters, Mrs. E. H. Moser of Montgomery, Alabama, and Mrs. Ray Funderburk of Fayetteville, 19 grand children and 13 great grandchildren. One brother, B. F. Folger, Dobson, 4 sisters, Mrs. R. C. Freeman and Mrs. Ida Riggs, Dobson and Mrs. F. L. Townsend, Lenoir and Mrs. Alice Hauser, South Dakota.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Merritt, Mrs. John Sobotta, Misses Shirley Sobotta, Helen Balder and Leslie Rothrock, and Will Merritt are spending several days at the Roan Mountain Inn, Roan Mountain, Tenn.

Paralysis Victim Lies Helpless In Woods of Patrick County Six Days

Mr. James Terry, of Chicago, Ill., who was lost in the woods for six days and nights following a stroke of partial paralysis, while visiting relatives at Peters Creek, Va., was found last Wednesday about a quarter of a mile from the home of his sister Mrs. George Martin and is responding nicely to medical care and his recovery is expected.

Mr. Terry has made his home in Chicago for about twenty years and a few weeks ago, feeling himself in failing health, decided to visit his people in this section. After spending a few days with Mrs. Tom Puckett, at Peters Creek, he started to walk to the home of Mrs. Martin and remem-



One of Moose Buildings at Mooseheart Orphanage.

Moose Officials to Consider Location of Orphanage In This Section

Much interest is being taken by our citizens in the movement to establish an orphanage in this locality for the Moose order. It is a certainty that the national organization will in the near future select a location at some point in this section of the nation. Already some of the national officials have made visits to the Asheville part of the state and to Eastern North Carolina. Now there are turning their attention to Surry and Stokes Counties as probable places at which to locate. It is said the country around Asheville was too severe in winter, and the eastern part of the state did not appeal to them.

The second tour to be made will start about Sept. 1st and will embrace lands in Surry and Stokes Counties, among the points to receive special consideration being Piedmont Springs in Stokes and White Sulphur Springs near this city. The committee making this tour will be headed by Hon. Jas. J. Davis, of Washington City, Director General, in company with Hon. J. Albert Cassidy of Baltimore. These gentlemen will be accompanied by a score or more of North Carolina Moose officials.

The Moose national organization are going to build an orphanage home in some part of North Carolina or Virginia within the next few months—a plant that will be capable of caring for 2000 orphan children and it is hoped the citizens of Mount Airy will exert every effort to bring to the attention of those who have the matter of selecting the location the full story of the opportunities that exist here for such an undertaking. They are already caring for 2000 orphans at Mooseheart, Ill., and at that place last year approximately \$1,500,000 was spent to provide additional room and quarters.

Next Wednesday Ayers' strong Pulaski team will play here. Mr. Ayers is a former star pitcher of the American league and figured prominently in a world series contest. At present he is in business at Pulaski, but has found time to organize and manage the local team.

Little Girl Undergoes Operation

Little Eva, nine year old girl of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Johnson, was operated upon at Martin Memorial hospital last Sunday night for appendicitis. She attended Sunday school as usual that morning, but complained of not feeling well. She became worse and doctors making an examination advised an emergency operation, pronouncing her illness to be an attack of appendicitis. She rallied satisfactorily from the operation and is improving.

Abuse of Springs Causes Its Closing

Abuse of a privilege usually means loss to the abuser. For many years the public has had free access to the famous White Sulphur Springs at all times, day or night. Some years ago the owners of the Springs at great cost enclosed it with a substantial granite wall and covered the Spring with glass and put in a pump so that water could be had at all times in a perfectly sanitary condition. The vandals of the race, and there are always vandals, broke the pump and the glass. Not content with that, many would dip into the spring with no thought of keeping the waters pure. Recently this has gone to an extent that the right of the general public to further use the waters is questionable. At the present time the Springs Hotel is not in operation and those so inclined are free to do as they please about the place. In the light of all this the owners for the present have decided to close the entrance to the Spring until some arrangement can be made for such regulations as will protect the Spring and the public from acts of the careless.

U. S. Money Orders Forged

Forger Makes Escape Before Fake Is Discovered

On June 23 there were stolen from the little post office of Bellton, Ga., 140 blank post office money orders. Since that time postal inspectors have been on the watch expecting them to be cashed. Two of these were cashed in this city last Saturday night and the possessor of them escaped before it was learned that they were a forgery. A tall, slim man, about 40 years old, dressed like an ordinary working man, walked into Leonard's jewelry store about eight 10 o'clock Saturday night and asked to see a watch. He was shown several kinds and made his selection, offering a \$75 money order in payment. The watch was priced \$25. Mr. Leonard looked at the money order and to all appearances it was genuine and properly filled out, so the trade was made and the fellow was given \$50 in currency. A few minutes later the same person walked into the Acorn Store and offered a \$75 money order in payment for a suit of clothes. It seems he had gone to the Acorn Stores the day before and arranged for the suit, paying two dollars and promising to return Saturday night and finish paying for it. He called as he promised and the clerk took the money order and counted out nearly \$50 in currency that was due him in return. But the manager wanted to be certain about the money order and carried it to the post office for their approval. It was while the manager of the store was at the post office that the fellow took fright and left, leaving the package also.

The authorities have a good description of the fellow and postal detectives are now working on the case. Word reached this city Monday of the capture of some suspects near Christiansburg, Va., and several went from here to identify them. They were not the ones but turned out to be a band of robbers just the same, who had been operating on the Lee highway. There were three in the party of tourists near Bristol and at Bristol had robbed a jewelry store of a diamond valued at \$2,500. In traveling toward Roanoke Sunday night they had a wreck turning the car over and killing one of the robbers, and severely injuring the other two. When taken to jail one of them was found to have sewed up in the hem of his trousers the diamond that had been stolen from the Bristol jeweler. But there was nothing to connect them with the forged money orders passed on the Mount Airy merchants.

Jim P. Holt Passes

The funeral of Jim P. Holt of route 3 was conducted Sunday from the Laurel Springs Church with Elders Jesse Dunbar and James Creed in charge of the services. Mr. Holt was 74 years old and is survived by his wife Sarah Holt.

New Business On Yadkin River Raises Question Between Yadkin and Surry

Over at Dobson Frank Folger, for years has had the reputation of delving far back into the old records of the county and of having an aptitude of remembering all the transactions of county officials after they had been forgotten through the years that passed. It now appears that the county will have to call on Frank's memory and his searching eyes to settle a question that has arisen as the latest business development that has sprung to life on the Yadkin river at Rockford. Readers of The News will recall the opening of the new bridge across the river at Rockford, built by Frank Bland and now operated as a toll bridge. The bridge uses an island in the river as a stopping stone from bank to bank. This island comprises maybe three acres of land in woods and undergrowth. With the building of the bridge there has sprung up on the island business enterprises. The land is being cleared off and nice camping places provided for outing parties. A pop and ice cream stand is now doing a thriving business on the island. Other zealous parties are now erecting a gasoline and service station on the island. Of course they are all running the risk of being washed away by high water, but the gas-

Virginia Tourists Coming Here

Plans Being Formulated For Entertainment of Visitors Here on Aug. 22nd.

A meeting of citizens of the city was held at the Blue Ridge hotel Tuesday night at which committees were appointed to make arrangements for the entertainment of the members of the Southwest Virginia Chamber of Commerce who will pass through Mount Airy on their third annual good will tour. The tour starts at Marion, Va., on Aug. 20th, and takes in the Asheville section, and coming around through the industrial center of the state and back through Mount Airy and return to Galax and Wytheville. The schedule of the tour calls for a 30 minute stop in this city on Aug. 22nd, and it is during that brief period that the citizens of the city want to extend to the visitors every possible courtesy.

Mayor W. G. Sydnor is chairman of a committee named to work out plans and details for the entertainment of the visitors and the citizens will learn later of the part they are to play in the program. The touring party will consist of about 150 business men of Southwest Virginia.

Death Claims Methodist Minister

Rev. W. M. Wall Succumbs To Operation—Was Located in Avery County.

Coming back to his home county and section to recuperate from what he thought a brief illness, Rev. W. M. Wall died in Martin Memorial hospital Wednesday morning after an operation Monday morning which revealed that he was suffering from an internal tumor with no hopes for any relief.

For forty years the deceased was known as one of this section's best school teachers and about six years ago he entered the ministry and was ordained as a regular minister by the Methodist conference. He held charges in different parts of this county and at the time of his death was stationed in Avery County. In his early manhood he wedded a Miss Satterfield near this city, she dying soon after the birth of their only child, Byron. Six years ago his son died. He never married a second time but lived with his brothers while in Mount Airy. He was an active member of the Masonic order and his funeral was in charge of the Masons, being held Thursday afternoon at Oak Grove Methodist Church and the remains laid to rest in the church cemetery.

The deceased is survived by three brothers, John and Walter Wall of this city and James Wall of Winston-Salem, and two sisters, Mrs. Frank Marshall of White Plains and Mrs. Mary E. Phillips, of Akron, Ohio.