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## BALLOT BOXES TO BE IMPOUNDED

An order signed by Judge Webb of the United States District Court, has been served upon Aaron Hooper, chairman of the board of elections of Jackson county and upon Dan Allison, clerk of the superior court, impounding the ballot boxes and ballots cast in the senatorial election of last November. The order is the same as that served in many counties of the state, and orders the ballots turned over to the clerk of the superior court and the senatorial committee that is to hear the charges in the senatorial contest instituted by George Pritchard, Republican candidate for the senate, against Senator Josiah W. Bailey, who was declared elected by a majority of something over 113,000.

Mr. Hooper has called upon the precinct registrars to turn over the ballots to the clerk of the court of Jackson county, pursuant to the order of the federal court. The order impounding the boxes was served upon Mr. Hooper, late Monday evening, by officers of the United States.

Mr. Pritchard charges in his contest complaint that there were "gross irregularities" in the election, and that a fair count would have shown him to have received a majority.

When the marshals began to carry out the court orders, Dennis G. Brummit, state attorney general, by direction of Gov. O. Max Gardner, wired the judges asking the orders be vacated.

At the same time, Josiah W. Bailey, Democrat, whose election to the U. S. senate, former Representative George M. Pritchard defeated Republican candidate, is contesting, requested a hearing in the proceedings.

Bailey said he would ask the orders "be vacated as an invasion of the rights of the State of North Carolina as well as mine, and void."

He asserted state authorities "have all time been willing and able to protect and preserve the ballots and the proper procedure to make them available to the senate."

The state, in its notice of intervention, also asked courts that "the state and Senator Bailey be given an opportunity to be heard at such early date as may be fixed by you."

The three judges—Judge Johnson J. Hayes of the Middle North Carolina district; Judge I. M. Meekins, of the Eastern district, and Judge E. Yates Webb of the Western district—immediately wired replies. They notified the state they were ready to entertain a motion of intervention.

Dennis G. Brummit, attorney general, dispatched the following telegrams to Judge I. M. Meekins of the Eastern district; Judge Johnson J. Hayes, of the Middle district and Judge E. Y. Webb, of the Western district, who signed the orders:

"By direction of Governor Gardner the State of North Carolina will intervene in proceedings filed in your court yesterday in the matter of the election contest of Pritchard against Bailey.

"The State respectfully asks that the order entered by you yesterday be vacated at once for that there is no authority vested in the petitioners authorizing, empowering or directing them to institute said proceedings and that the court is without authority to grant said order, and for that the said order was made without notice to, or opportunity to be heard, Senator Bailey or any official of this state.

"The State respectfully asks that boxes and ballots already seized be immediately placed in the custody of your court, further action under the order be discontinued and that the State and Senator Bailey be given opportunity to be heard at such early date as may be fixed by you. Please wire reply."

## WE ARE LATE

The Journal is late this week, for the first time in many months. It is not the fault of the printer, but is due to an unfortunate accident. For some time all three heating elements of our linotype machine were out at one time, leaving the printer's elements had to be changed. We expect to have them here and installed by Monday of next week. It is through the courtesy of the Waynesville Mountaineer that we are able to make an appearance this week at all, and to that paper and its management we express our appreciation. The Journal's shop will be running next week as usual.

## WEEK BY WEEK

(By Dan Tompkins)

The State of North Carolina, thru the Governor and Attorney General, has entered into the Pritchard-Bailey Senatorial contest, by protesting the invasion of the rights of the State, by the federal courts. North Carolina has no objection to a full and complete investigation of the charges of fraud and corruption brought by Mr. Pritchard, flimsy and frivolous as most North Carolinians believe them to be; but the State wants the thing done in proper manner, without the federal courts infringing upon the dignity of the Sovereign State. Every invasion of the rights of the states by the federal government should always be resisted, for it is only through maintaining the sovereignty of the States that our system of government can be perpetuated.

Big Bend, the murder section of Haywood, has again gotten into the front page with a double killing. A youth shot a girl, to death, and her brother promptly pumped the slayer full of lead.

Three youths in Asheville died in an airplane smash Sunday. The pilot was twenty years of age, and had secured his license only a few days before. As is usual in the fatal air accidents, the plane was flying low.

Many of the candidates in Tuesday's election did not choose to run. They were drafted by the people.

Just when the entire State expected an end of the deadlock in the General Assembly, the Senate killed the conference report, and we are right back where we were in the beginning. Perhaps the only people in North Carolina who are not disgusted with the whole business, are the tavern keepers of Raleigh.

ter late than never; but in most cases the lateness of the hour has disastrous effect. If Governor Gardner had come out for the MacLean Act 90 days ago, and had had his taxation expert, Mr. Maxwell at work trying to help solve the problem presented, instead of throwing stones in the way of the financing of the schools, the assembly would probably have adjourned on schedule time, and this unholy contention that is tearing North Carolina would have been avoided.

Banks are reopening in many of the towns of Western North Carolina. In fact, most of those that closed last November are open for business again. But why? Just what advantage is it to the people? They have no money to loan and put into the channels of business. A great many of them were of little service, anyway, being too small to be of much account, and the people would have been better off if they had never existed. Good, strong banks, with sound management and strong financial backing, are of utmost importance to the growth of the community. But the kind that go down before the first financial flurry are more of a hindrance than a help.

The divorce courts in Reno keep the mill grinding, granting divorces after six week's residence, at the rate of eighty odd a day. The cash registers in the hotels, cafes and gambling halls, as well as the lawyers' offices ring a merry tune, as homes are broken up, hopes shattered, and husbands and wives cast aside for new mates. Even this, however, is not as disgusting as the Arkansas Baptist minister, just across the line from Memphis, who has road signs pointing to his house, directing young couples and new divorces to his home where he performs marriages by the wholesale, and makes a good living at it.

## JEFFRESS NEW HIGHWAY HEAD

On Monday, Governor Gardner submitted for its confirmation his appointees to membership on the State Highway Commission. The new commission, consisting of seven members. The Governor appointed E. B. Jeffress Chairman of the Commission and T. L. Bland as the Republican member. The list as announced by the Governor is composed of James H. Clark, Bladen county; N. L. Stedman, Halifax county; T. L. Bland, Wake county; James L. McNair, Scotland county; E. B. Jeffress, Guilford county; C. A. Cannon, Cabarrus county, and Will W. Neal, McDowell county.

## GARDNER URGES MacLEAN ACT

Appearing before the general assembly, after the senate had defeated the conference report on the luxury tax, designed to raise the funds with which to support the six month's schools, Governor Gardner, urged the members of the general assembly to get together on something, retain the principles of the MacLean Act, and adjourn.

"There has been some suggestion of a temporary adjournment," he said "for reflection on our contested problems. It must be apparent that either adjournment or further delay in reaching agreement on these problems, leads into and not out of the wilderness. Our people will forgive us for almost anything except confessing our inability to do."

Asking legislators for "a reconciliation of these conflicts," which have marked the assembly's session, Governor Gardner urged the legislators to consider "the welfare of the whole people" of the state.

As the governor declared himself for the principle of the MacLean law the only applause which interrupted his address was heard.

"It seems to me that the practical sense as well as the logic in our present situation," the governor said, "leads irresistibly to the decision that for the present we accept the principle of the MacLean bill and that the state provide from sources other than ad valorem taxes as large a part of the current cost of the six months school term as you can provide for under reasonable and fair and just and workable system of taxation. Beyond that I do not think you are called upon to go. Beyond that I do not think you should go."

In conclusion the chief executive, appealing for a conclusion of the legislative session which enters its 120th day tomorrow with an apparently unbreakable impasse existing between the house and senate on the revenue bill, asked the legislators to "adopt a reasonable policy that we can reasonably defend and that we know will be reasonably successfully in its operation."

## COMMUNITY HOSPITAL NOTES

Admitted to hospital recently: Mrs. Maggie Higdon, Franklin. J. H. Frady, Sylva. Mrs. Emmie Jacobs, Dillsboro. Mrs. Pauline Calhoun Bishop, Proctor, N. C. Miss Mary Woods, Wolf Mountain. Mrs. Mary Nations, Wilmot. Mrs. Marie Morris, Sylva. Discharged recently: R. P. Brown, Bryson City. Mrs. Emmie Jacobs, Dillsboro. Misses Claudia Baker and Stella Creech of the hospital staff visited friends in Spruce Pine and Altapass recently.

## H. E. BUCHANAN IS NEXT MAYOR

Harry E. Buchanan was elected as Mayor of Sylva in the municipal election, on Tuesday, defeating Hugh E. Monteith by a majority of 65 votes. The entire Democratic board of aldermen was elected along with Mr. Buchanan, the average majority for the entire ticket being 77.

Dr. C. Z. Candler and P. E. Moody led the Republican ticket with 111 votes each; while Dr. Grover Wilkes led the Democratic ticket with a total of 186 votes. Little interest was taken in the election by the candidates whose names had been filed for the offices by their friends. Mr. Buchanan, who was elected as mayor was in Raleigh. Mr. Moody was in High Point, on a business trip, and Dr. McGuire was attending the meeting of the North Carolina Dental Society in Winston-Salem.

J. Claude Allison is the only member of the present board of alderman who will go over into incoming administration. No others of the old board were on the ticket.

Mr. Buchanan succeeds, as mayor Dan Tompkins, who has been at the head of the town government since 1919, with the exception of a two year term which the late George W. Sutton held the office.

The vote was:

DEMOCRAT	
For Mayor:	
Buchanan	171
For Aldermen:	
J. C. Allison	183
E. E. Brown	182
Charlie Price	178
E. L. Wilson	181
Grover Wilkes	186
REPUBLICAN	
For Mayor:	
Monteith	106
For Aldermen:	
Tom Barrett	91
C. Candler	111
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W. P. McGuire	98
Paul Warren	100

## HAS PARTY FOR SISTER

Miss Margaret Sherrill entertained with three tables of bridge, Tuesday evening complimenting her sister Mrs. Frank Crawford, who has recently come to Sylva from Asheville, for the summer. Mrs. W. L. Jones was presented the prize for high score and Miss Phyllis McCulley that for low. Home made candy and nuts were served during the game and a salad course was served at the conclusion. Miss Sherrill's guest list included Mrs. W. L. Jones, Mrs. Avery Cunningham of Franklin, Mrs. Cyrus Nicholson, Misses Leah Nichols, Dacia Garrett, Ruth and Irene Oliver, Sue and Phyllis McCulley and Hicks and Ruth Wilson.

## FORTY YEARS AGO COUNTY AGENT MAKES REPORT

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Messrs. Lee Hooper, Will Norton, John T. Wike are in town today.

Prof. R. L. Madison of the Cullowhee High School went to Asheville Tuesday.

Messrs. T. A. Cox of Cullowhee and J. E. Moss of East La Porte were here yesterday.

Dan Snyder went to Bryson City Monday to hear Ben Terrell, the Tex as Alliance Lecturer.

The blacksmith shop of Rev. B. G. Wild at Webster was destroyed by fire a few days ago, nearly all the tools being saved.

We had quite a heavy frost last night and some ice and fear that much damage has been done to fruit and young vegetables.

We understand that Mr. George Garland died in Chattanooga last Saturday and that his remains will be brought to Dillsboro for interment.

Mr. Thos. H. Hastings returns last Wednesday from Tennessee, bringing Mrs. Hastings and the children with him. They will locate in Dillsboro.

We regret to hear of an accident to Mr. O. T. Henderson, engineer at the kaolin factory this morning, by which the fingers of his right hand were severely mashed.

Mr. D. L. Love started yesterday to attend the meeting of the incorporators of the Webster, Hot Springs and Savannah Railroad, which takes place at Hot Springs Thursday, the 7th inst.

Mrs. Julia Strong, having spent a vacation of several weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Baum, left last Thursday to resume her duties on the staff of that very excellent publication, "The Housekeeper," published at Minneapolis, Minn.

Misses Mannie Tompkins and Edith King spent the day with us last Thursday and returning via Dillsboro, met with what might have been quite a serious accident, but which resulted, happily, in nothing more serious than a few scratches. The road cart, in which they were riding was overturned, and they were very unceremoniously spilt in the road, while the horse ran away with the cart, smashing it up badly.

The entertainment given by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Page at the Academy Monday night was really very good and was highly enjoyed by all present. Both of them are totally blind. The entertainment is musical and literary, the selections in both being sentimental and humorous and of an

Anyway, we're burying Our Dead—

By Albert T. Reid



The county agent of Jackson county, explained to the Sylva Chamber of Commerce at a recent meeting, what the farm agent is doing in Jackson last year and this.

Said Mr. Vestal: Jackson County now has between 25 and 30 purebred beef bulls, 8 purebred dairy bulls, and a large number of purebred shropshire and Hampshire rams. These purebred sires are at the head of our grade or purebred herds or flocks.

Last year Jackson County farmers marketed cooperatively 750,000 lbs. of poultry, 167,000 lbs. of cabbage, 23,345 lbs. of lamb, 27,300 lbs. of potatoes, and 2,487 lbs. of wool; 1,010-132 lbs. of Jackson county farm produce.

There are six 4-H Clubs in the county last year. 61 boys and girls attended our club camp at Swannanoa near the State Test Farm and 54 completed their projects last year clearing \$1680.00 profit.

This year there are 25 farmers conducting pasture improvement demonstrations, 33 conducting potato demonstrations, and 33 other demonstrations being carried on in sheep, poultry, corn, alfalfa and other crops, not counting the cabbage work that will soon begin. 177 boys and girls have their 4-H projects going on now for this year.

During the past month one club boy has purchased a purebred Jersey heifer, two have purchased registered gilts, and three farmers have purchased purebred Hereford Bulls.

The wool pool will come off about the first of June. Miss Ruth Current, our District Home Agent, will be here the first of July with her canning specialist to help ladies and girls of the county preserve foods for this winter, the lamb shipment will come off in July and August. Potato shipments are expected to take place in September, and cabbage marketing in September, October and November. This does not include the specialists that will assist the County Agent from time to time in the various projects, nor the Club camp that will come off the week of the 13th of July that is, if you have a County Agent.

## "LIGHT" ENTERTAINMENT OFFERED BY LYRIC FOR NEXT WEEK

All three pictures scheduled for showing at the Lyric Theatre next week have a tendency toward comedy, with very little drama.

The first one, "No Limit," on Monday and Tuesday is a comedy drama starring Clara Bow, and the cast includes Norman Foster and Stuart Erwin, the dumb Swede. The head accepts the loan of a ritzy apartment, and finds that it is a "high hat gambling resort but Calara wins a man.

A one-man circus is a rarity, but Joe Cook puts it over to save the show in "Rain or Shine," a circus picture, (Wednesday and Thursday.) Cook is an old stage comedian and this picture should provide a number of good laughs.

A good husband and business man by day, a "whoopie-bird" at night—that's Edward Everett Horton in "Lonely Wives" which is scheduled for Friday and Saturday. The story of a very good husband with very bad habits, Horton, in order to be able to "step out" hires a vaudeville actor to double for him and spend an evening with the wife, while Horton goes to a night club. All this results in a comical mix-up with the husband deciding he'd better stay home evenings.

elevating, instructive and amusing character.

Programme of Commencement at Cullowhee High School; Wednesday, May 13th 11 A. M. Annual Sermon, Rev. J. H. Weaver, D. D., Weaver-ville. 1 P. M. Meeting of the Trustees. 8 P. M. Celebration of the Cullowhee Literary Society. Thursday, May 14th, 11 A. M. Annual Literary Address, Rev. W. A. Nelson, D. D., Asheville. 1 P. M. Evolutionary Exercise and Art Display. 8 P. M. Final Entertainment and Vaudeville. Dinner will be furnished on the grounds both days and everybody is cordially invited to be present.

Rev. Thomas Stradley, founder of the Baptist church in Asheville, is dead, aged 98.