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BOTH OLD LINE PARTIES ARE GROOMING CANDIDATES FOR 1924

Democrats Are Considering Cummings, Underwood and Pomeroy, With McAdoe, Hull and Bryan Among Republicans Are Talking Hughes, Weeks and Harding, With Hoover As a Third In Side.

E. C. Bryant, Washington correspondent of the Charlotte Observer, says: "The shortcomings and misdeeds of the Harding administration have heartened the democrats, and aroused them for the 1924 election, and brought out a crop of aspirants."

Some Of Aspirants.

William S. Cummings, of Connecticut; William Gibbs McAdoe, of Colorado; former Governor Smith, of New York; Senator Oscar Underwood, of Alabama; William J. Bryan, of Nebraska and Florida; former Governor Oeland; Senator Pomerooy, of Ohio; former Representative Hull, of Tennessee.

Situation Of Cummings.

Prominent democratic workers have urged Mr. Cummings to run for governor of his state and win the election. It has been pointed out to him that his success in such a contest in Connecticut would put him in position to repeat the political story of Woodrow Wilson. Mr. Cummings has designs on the White House but has contemplated the United States senate route rather than that of the governorship. But some of his intimate friends here told him last week that as senator at this time he would be one of a minority without opportunity to show his ability and style in public office. As governor of a normally republican state he could shine, and become a national figure within two years.

Cox Blocks Pomeroy.

Senator Pomeroy must win a reelection in a republican state before he can lay claims to the democratic nomination for the White House. Being from Ohio gives him a decided advantage over most of the other candidates mentioned, but he is handicapped by Cox.

McAdoe and Bryant Jealous.

It is generally understood here that Messrs. Cummings, Underwood, Cox and Pomeroy are grooming themselves for the 1924 contest, while Messrs. McAdoe, Hull and Bryan are jealously watching their noses.

An Eye On Hoover.

In the republican party the talk about presidential candidates is of Secretary Hughes, Secretary Weeks, and President Harding. Secretary Hoover is a strong favorite with the rank and file of the republican party, but he is a thorn in the side of all would-be aspirants.

GROUND BROKEN FOR THE NEW SCHOOL AT STOVALL

Stovall, March 23.—The contractor has made a start on our magnificent school building, which will be rushed to completion as soon as possible. The well digger is on the job and a good flow of water is expected. The breaking of ground for the new school building is regarded with pleasure by the Stovall people.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Heggie are on an extended visit to Richmond.

The death of Miss Helen Frazier at Watts Hospital, an account of which appeared in the last issue of the Public Ledger, was a shock to this community, where she spent most of her life. She was loved by all who knew her and she will be greatly missed.

Mrs. Len Taylor is critically ill.

Miss McFagner's primary grade gave an interesting program last Friday night, which was greatly enjoyed by a large attendance.

Mr. Bud Clark, who has been working at Camp Lee has returned home.

Mrs. McDonough, who has been spending some time at Berea with her brother has returned home.

The Stovall brass band will furnish music for the commencement at Hicks' Roads on April 4.

WOULD ABOLISH THE ELECTORIAL COLLEGE

Washington, March 23.—Adoption of a constitutional amendment providing for the election of the President and vice president for six year terms is proposed in a bill introduced by Representative Wood, republican, Indiana.

The electoral college system would be abolished and a candidate receiving the largest aggregate vote would be President, with the candidate receiving the next highest number automatically becoming vice president.

The President would be ineligible for re-election.

EARLY DROP IN SUGAR PRICES IS PREDICTED

New York, March 23.—Claus A. Speckles, president of the Federal Sugar Refining company, who has just returned from Europe, predicted an early drop in sugar prices. "I look at the recent advance as a flash in the pan," Mr. Speckles said. "A reaction is inevitable."

Your battery should have water about every two weeks. Stop at Oxford Battery Co.

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP TO BE HELD IN OXFORD FRIDAY, MARCH 31

Governor Morrison Will Be Here On This Occasion.

The biggest athletic meet in the history of the county, will be held in this city on Friday, March 31st. All the High Schools of the county and the Oxford Orphanage have entered teams.

Addition to the High School teams there will be held on the High School field under the auspices of the High School and the Orphanage. J. W. Duncan athletic director at the Orphanage, and Bill Livengood, High School Coach, are promoting the affair.

The silver loving cups will be presented to the winners of the Grammar School meet, the High School meet and the High School Relay. The High School Cup, presented by the Parent-Teachers Association, is to become the permanent property of the school winning it twice in succession. Individual prizes will be awarded to the high scorers in both the High and Grammar School meets.

Governor Morrison will be here and deliver an address on "Food for the Home," at 1 p. m. The High School meet follows at 2:30. The Grammar School meet being run at 10 a. m.

The schools will be closed for the day. All in all we expect a big crowd, a splendid meet and a royal good time.

PARENT-TEACHERS MEETING

Great Enthusiasm Being Aroused In This Association.

A very enthusiastic meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association was held in the Graded School Auditorium on Thursday night. The president, Mr. Andrew Jamieson, presided. Minutes of previous meeting were read by the secretary Mr. J. C. Howard. Reports were made by chairman of various committees. Mrs. A. A. Hicks, chairman of the School Beautification Committee, read a beautifully prepared and instructive paper on affairs relating to her committee which is composed of Mrs. M. C. Evans and Miss Sarah Clement. This committee is doing active work and has many plans for the future. It was voted to pay the sixty dollars now due on the school victrola which is adding so greatly to the pleasure as well as the training being received in the music department.

Miss Jeannette Biggs was appointed chairman of the publicity committee. Prof. Credle appeared before the Association in behalf of the county athletic meet which will be held in Oxford on Friday, March 31. He asked for the contribution by the Association of a loving cup to be presented to the High School winning the greater number of points in this contest. The Association authorized Prof. Credle to purchase such a cup to be permanently owned by the High School winning it for two successive years. It was decided to have the Edison art exhibit in the town during April. The Chairman of the publicity committee was authorized by the president to prepare a list of grade mothers from each grade in each school whose business shall be to arouse interest in the affairs of the Association and help the teachers of each grade with an outside work which can add to the efficiency of the training of the pupils. The Chairman of the finance committee, Mr. C. S. Garman, discussed various plans by which funds could be raised to carry on the financial work of the Association. Miss Bert Hutchings will give a recital in the near future to raise funds for the Association.

The treasurer was ordered to collect dues from the ninety nine members of the Association. Mr. Barnhart, principal of the High School, put forth a very forceful plea for the addition of books to the school library. Definite plans were perfected by which books would be secured. After the business was finished, a class of little folks from Miss Sallie Webb's first grade gave a beautiful little entertainment which was greatly enjoyed.

PLANS FOR MARKETING NEXT TOBACCO CROP

Creedmoor and Virgilina Will Provide Storage Room.

The Public Ledger is informed that rapid progress is being made in this section by the Tobacco Growers Co-operative Association in the plans for marketing the 1922 crop of the 65,000 organized tobacco farmers of North Carolina, Virginia and South Carolina.

It is said that the people of Creedmoor and Virgilina will offer inducements to the Association to store their tobacco at these points.

OUR PLAY HOUSE

It is a Thing Of Beauty And Pleasure.

After a close down of ten days, the Orpheum Theatre opened last night with redecorated walls, more ventilation and a handsome new self-playing organ-piano that imitates a full orchestra. The music alone is worth the price of admission.

N. A. AND A. G. MAYDANIS PURCHASES HANDSOME PROPERTY ON HILLSBORE ST.

Several Buildings To Go Up In Oxford This Spring And Summer.

Messrs. N. A. and A. G. Maydanis, proprietors of the Oxford Candy Kitchen, have purchased from the Blalock Motor Company the dwelling and lot on Hillsboro street, adjoining the Mangum Warehouse on the west and the Blalock Motor Company on the east. The lot has a frontage of 69 feet and extends back 208 feet.

Messrs. Maydanis plan to move the dwelling back and occupy it as a residence, which will be reached through an alley extending along the side of the proposed two-story brick building fronting on Hillsboro street. The first floor of this building will be occupied by Messrs. Maydanis as a manufacturing plant to take care of their candy and ice cream products, with wholesale and retail departments. The top floor will contain several steam-heated apartments and will be leased or related to a good class of people.

New Building On Main St.

The big signboard at the corner of Main and Littlejohn streets; opposite the postoffice, has been taken down to make room for a handsome two-story brick building. This property belongs to Messrs. John G. and A. S. Hall, and they hope to complete the building this spring.

Hick's & Stem's Law Office.

The two-story brick building, fronting 17 feet on Williamsboro street and extending back 35 feet, is nearing completion. This building adjoins the office of Hicks & Stem. This firm is planning to move the wooden structure and replace it with a modern brick building, extending back 65 feet. The foundation has already been laid in rear of the present building.

Other Operations.

Work is progressing nicely on Mayor Stem's residence on Front street.

Ground will probably be broken soon on Hancock street for Mr. J. R. Hall's home.

Mr. J. A. Duke, local agent for the Seaboard, will probably build on his fine lot in Ridley Park this spring.

There is much repair work being done, and there are rumors of other buildings going up this spring and summer.

MR. J. F. WHITE APPLIES THE GOLDEN RULE

The Public Ledger desires to ascertain the views of the business men of Oxford as to what is mostly needed to build up the community. Meeting Mr. J. F. White on the street we put the question to him. His answer follows:

"The Golden Rule, as applied to business may not be the most profitable at times but in the end it is the only sane and sound way to do business. Charity should begin at home; we should not forget this. The cities and towns of our state today that are the most prosperous are the ones that apply the Golden Rule. By buying and selling home products at a live-and-let-live price. Our people as a rule are broad-minded and liberal in their views. All they want is a fair deal to give home grown and home made goods the right of way."

OXFORD MEN TALK MORE THAN THE WOMEN

The Women Show Superior Judgment In Many Things.

There is one thing the Public Ledger has got to give the women of Oxford credit for—they do not very often make public comment on man clothes and the way men groom themselves. They have their preference as to beads, and whether a mustache is or is not becoming. But they are not leading any crusades against the length of men's trousers nor kicking if the male of the species wants to go around with his shirt open at the neckband.

Now it so happens that the male sex criticise the clothing of women and girls, while on the other hand the average woman shows better judgment in that she lets men wear what he wants to, while she goes right ahead attending to her own business.

WHY NOT GIVE THE FARMERS A BONUS?

They Made It Possible To Win the War.

Editor Public Ledger:

If any one is entitled to a bonus it is the farmer. It is doubtful if any people had to struggle and suffer during the war as much as did the farmer. I raised the wheat and allowed others—particularly the soldiers—to eat the wheat bread while the farmer lived on corn bread. Let the slogan be "A Bonus for the Farmer, for He Won the War."

R. C. C.

White Sale.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Oxford Baptist Church will have for sale a few days before Easter Lingerie, childrens clothes and fancy work. The sale will be held in the Philathea room of the church and the date will be announced later. Every body will be accorded a cordial welcome.

DEMOCRATIC COUNTY CONVENTION WILL BE HELD SATURDAY, APRIL 15

Hon. A. A. Hicks, Chairman Of Democratic Executive Committee, Calls Attention Of Democratic Voters To Important Duties.

State Convention.

The Democratic State Convention has been called to meet in the city of Raleigh on Thursday, April 20th, 1922, for purposes set out in the call of the Democratic Executive Committee.

Precinct Meetings.

The Democratic voters of the various precincts of Granville County are hereby called to meet at their voting places at two o'clock on Saturday, April 8th, for the purpose of selecting a precinct Executive Committee of five, and delegates to the county convention.

County Convention.

The County Convention for Granville County is hereby called for Saturday, April 15th at eleven o'clock a. m. at the Court-house in Oxford for the purpose of electing delegates to the State Convention and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the Convention. At said convention the Chairman of the Precinct Committees, who are members of the County Executive Committee will meet and elect the Chairman and Secretary for Granville County.

This the 23rd day of March, 1922.

A. A. HICKS, Chairman.

NEW YORK COTTON EXCHANGE WOULD CRUSH RIVAL

The Investigation Now Underway Will Require Several Days.

One of the most contemptible acts that has come to our attention in recent years is the present effort of the New York Cotton Exchange to crush its smaller and weaker rival, the American Cotton Exchange of which Judge Graham, of Oxford, is president. The Southern Textile Journal says:

"It seems that A. A. Housman & Co. have a leased wire in the South and have been for years doing a thriving business. During the past year the leased wires of members of the American Cotton Exchange have been run into the South and some of them, particularly that of Rose & Son, have taken a very large business away from Housman & Co. because it suits the average man better to trade in lots of less than one hundred bales.

The present investigation of the American Cotton Exchange is nothing more or less than a deliberate conspiracy to crush a competitor that reached the point that it was taking business away from the New York Cotton Exchange."

WOMAN VOTER SUGGESTS A. A. HICKS FOR SENATOR

A woman voter sends the Public Ledger this from Dutchville:

Good Morning, Mr. Editor: Since nominations seem in order I, newly privileged, hasten to add the name of Hon. A. A. Hicks, who has every qualification necessary to make a winner. Mr. Hicks gave unsurpassedly of his time and unusual abilities to his party in previous campaigns and put Granville county on the bulletin board every day while he was in the Legislature, thus making it safe for Democracy.

In tendering him the Senatorship of Granville-Peron counties we, the Democrats of the district express our appreciation of his untiring efforts in the past and our confidence in his ability and integrity in whatever emergency might arise in the future.

"MINSTREL REVUE"

Plans are progressing very rapidly for the American Legion Minstrel production, which will be staged at the High School Auditorium on or about April 6th, 7th, 8th, under their auspices. Everything points to a big success of the "Minstrel Revue," as all reports from other places where this production has been staged, its heralded as something different in the Minstrel Line.

Mr. Blunt Bryan has been appointed chief ticket seller. The following adies have kindly consented to assist Mr. Bryan and will supervise the selling of tickets on streets mentioned: Mrs. S. G. Boddie, Asylum, New College and Rectory. Mrs. A. A. Hicks, College St., West side. Mrs. D. G. Brummitt, College St. East side. Mrs. Nelson Thomas, Penn Avenue and Broad St. Mrs. Pitchford, Cherry Hill. Miss Jeannette Biggs, Williamsboro and Front Sts. Mrs. W. W. Allston, Raleigh St. Miss Annie May Watkins, Main St. Mrs. J. D. Brooks, Ridley Park. Mrs. Frank Blalock, Spring St. Mrs. Duke High St. Mrs. Mary Evins, Horner Hill. Mrs. M. C. Taylor, Gilliam St. The public will be informed in a later issue of the paper the time the tickets will be on sale.

The first rehearsal will take place at the High School building on next Monday night at 7:30 o'clock. A Representative from the John B. Rogers Producing Co. will arrive Monday to take charge of rehearsals.

GREAT SUM WILL SOON BE READY FOR USE ON HIGHWAYS

Three Year Program For All States and Remote Districts Calls For \$190,000,000.

(Washington Post) Washington, March 21.—A three-year government road building program involving expenditure of \$190,000,000 was under consideration Wednesday.

Every state in the union will share in the appropriation which includes \$50,000,000 during the first year. Allocation of Federal aid will be made under the General Highway Act, which calls upon each state to pay fifty percent of the construction charges with the government paying the remainder.

With a \$50,000,000 appropriation made available for work beginning July 1, the senate also authorized an appropriation of \$65,000,000 for the second year and \$75,000,000 for the third year. Both sums will be distributed under conditions laid down in the federal highway act.

While these sums will be spent in building hard roads through the populated sections of the country and in weaving great transcontinental traffic systems, the government has also taken care of remote sections. An appropriation of \$7,500,000 was authorized by the senate for the survey, construction and maintenance of forest roads and rural mail routes.

The governments money, it was declared by Senators interested in the program will be ready for distribution within a month. Work, it is said should start in each state by July 1.

OFFICERS CAPTURE LARGE STILL AT KNAP OF REEDS

One Gallon Of Liquor Locked Securely In The County Jail.

Deputies Conrad Walters and Crawford Davis, Constable Bragg and Officer Curl, of Creedmoor, received word last Tuesday morning that a gang had set up a still on Knap of Reeds, about two miles from Tar River Station. When the officers arrived at a point within a quarter of a mile of the still, they smelt the fumes of sour mash, and while creeping along a branch they saw a white man working around the still.

Not a word was said; yet the lone man at the still was advised in some mysterious manner that the officers were near him. All of a sudden he leaped across a twelve foot ditch, like a shooting star, and disappeared into the woods. The officers are at a loss to know how the man was informed of their approach, unless it was by a man on the hillside, some distance away, who was chopping wood. The axe fell upon the log with regularity, but just as soon as the chopper failed to register the next blow, the lone man jumped across the ditch and disappeared.

The still was of 70 gallons capacity. It was in full blast and a stream of corn liquor was flowing from the worm when the officers came upon it. They brought a gallon of the vile stuff to Oxford with them and Sheriff Hunt "sent it to jail," and locked it up where moths and thieves cannot break through.

The officers estimate that there was about 1000 gallons of fermented stuff in the tankards. They turned it into the branch and brought the still to Oxford.

THE PROPOSED N. C. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Business Men Here Asked To Affiliate With The Organization.

Letters are being received here by local business men from officers of the North Carolina Commercial Secretaries Association urging their affiliation with the proposed North Carolina Chamber of Commerce.

It is stated that an extensive advertising campaign for North Carolina is being advocated by this organization, which has the endorsement of Governor Cameron Morrison, Dr. H. W. Chase, President University of North Carolina, and others.

The purpose of the organization of the state group, are "to bring about a greater knowledge and better appreciation of our State's resources, products and opportunities; to systematically advertise our State, communities, products, resources and opportunities to our own people and to the World at large through a monthly magazine, making and displaying motion pictures, conducting advertising trains, and other methods; to encourage North Carolinians to demand, purchase and use North Carolina Products; to bring into the state desirable persons to assist in our state development."

It would be well for the Oxford Chamber of Commerce to effect this organization without delay.

TRIANGULAR DEBATE TONIGHT

In the Graded School Auditorium At 8 O'clock Tonight Oxford Vs. Louisville.

Query—"Resolved that the United States Should Enter the League of Nations."

Oxford debaters—Fred Brummitt, Herbert Rountree. Louisville debaters, Temple Williams, William Webb.

An invitation is extended to every body, and there is no admission fee.

THE GOVERNOR IS MAILING LITERATURE TO SCHOOL TEACHERS

School Committeemen Are Also Requested To Work For The Success Of The "Live-At-Home" Campaign.

A personal appeal from Governor Morrison to every rural school teacher in North Carolina to cooperate earnestly and effectively in the "Live-at-Home" campaign is being mailed this week. The Governor declares that probably no other individuals in the State are in quite so advantageous position to render effective service in this movement for economic independence as are the teachers, and probably no other class of our people is in better position to realize the appalling need from a standpoint of health as well as economic independence, as are the teachers.

The Governor appeals to the teachers "to put before your pupils effectively and continuously the advantages of our people raising their living at home, and particularly the advantages of making this 'living' well balanced the wholesome, through the tending of a real garden, the keeping of one or more cows and an ample flock of poultry, and the raising of sufficient hogs to provide the family with meat the year around."

"If every rural teacher in North Carolina will do his or her part in this matter we can not only stop the economic drain of \$100,000,000 a year which we are now sending to other states for food for our people and feedstuffs for our livestock, but we would be safe in adding to this another \$100,000,000 a year as an economic gain from greater physical efficiency and better health conditions as a result of more wholesome living," declares the Governor.

The Governor is also addressing a letter to each school committeeman in the "one-crop" sections of this state, in which he appeals to them to use their influence in every community to further the "Live-at-Home" program.

THE WILSON FOUNDATION

Campaign Has Raised Two-Thirds Of Sum Sought As Memorial.

New York, March 22.—Approximately \$660,000 of the fund of \$1,000,000 or more sought as the endowment for the Woodrow Wilson awards for public service has been raised, it was announced here today by Hamilton Holt, executive director of the Woodrow Wilson Foundation.

This places the fund approximately at the two-thirds mark and comprises the totals raised in all States that have reported. Thirteen States have passed the half-way mark in their campaigns, but Mr. Holt said no State had yet raised its allotment. The States that have made the greatest strides in the last few days are Delaware, Minnesota, Missouri, New Jersey and Virginia.

MR. E. T. CURRIN DIES IN FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA

Was a Citizen Of Granville Until A Few Years Ago.

Mr. E. T. Currin, 88 years of age, died at his home in Florence, S. C., March 15. He had been in failing health for some months, but his condition was at no time considered serious until Sunday, March 12, when he suffered a sudden attack from which he never recovered.

Mr. Currin was born in Granville county, and lived here until a few years ago when he went to South Carolina. He was married in 1858 and his widow still survives him. The married life of this couple, extending over a period of sixty years, has been one of the happiest as well as one of the most comfortable and pleasurable of others. Mr. Currin was a Confederate veteran, having served the entire four years of the war with Jackson's corps. Besides his widow he leaves one son, R. E. Currin, of Florence, S. C. and two daughters, Mrs. C. B. Lashley, of Chester, Va., and Mrs. W. O. Cunningham, of Henderson.

RETURN OF SOLDIER DEAD NOT POSSIBLE AFTER APR. 1

Washington, March 23.—Request from nearest relatives for the return of American dead overseas will not be favorably considered after March 31, the War Department announced. The government, it was asserted, had shown all reasonable consideration in allowing nearly four years in which requests might be made for the return of the soldier dead.

YEGGMEN MAKE BIG POST OFFICE HAUL

Get \$1,000 In Cash and Stamps, \$3,200 Liberty Bonds, \$2,200 Stock At Kernersville.

Winston-Salem, March 22.—Robbers blew the safe of the post office at Kernersville, 11 miles southwest of here, yesterday morning. One thousand dollars in cash and stamps, two registered letters, one containing \$3,200 in Liberty Bonds and a stock certificate valued at \$2,200, were secured. An overcoat found was the only clue obtained.

Celebrated Artist Coming

Mr. J. Robert Wood has just signed a contract for the personal appearance of the famous Victor Artist, Miss Ada Jones and her own company on Friday, April 14. Place will be announced later.