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INCUMBENTS ASK REELECTION

Politics Warming Up



R. Wesley Liles
Incumbent Commissioner

Interest perked up over the weekend as regards municipal politics in Zebulon. Last week's announcement by the five incumbent commissioners that they are all seeking reelection stirred up the coals and the campaign grew hotter. Three weeks remain before the May 5 election.

When Avon Privett decided not to become a candidate, he threw a damper on speculation of who will oppose Mayor Worth Hinton in his bid to seek a second term.

Wants Two More Years

Mayor Hinton said last week that the goals he had set for his term of office had not all been attained, although plenty of progress has been made. He wants another two years in office to insure Zebulon's progress, he added, although he opines two terms as mayor are about enough for anybody.

Howard Beck, incumbent commissioner, issued a statement over the weekend saying "I appreciate your (the people of Zebulon) support in the past and solicit your support in the coming election. If elected, I will do all in my power for the betterment of Zebulon and community."

Working Untiringly

Frank Wall, who is running for office for the first time, said that he had chosen for his campaign slogan, "Working unceasingly and untiringly for the people of Zebulon."

Friends of Wilbur Debnam reported they had formed a campaign fund to promote his candidacy, and they promised an energetic campaign in his behalf. The popular hardware dealer last year was head of the Finer Carolina Steering Committee and is president of the Lions Club at present.

No other candidates had declared their intentions yesterday.

R. Vance Brown, who has the longest record of continuous service of any incumbent commissioner, is not pictured because the only photograph of the banker in the Zebulon Record files shows him at least 20 years younger. The Record has tried without success to get a more up-to-date photo. In addition, we can't find the one we have.

Want to Sell It? Try Our Classifieds

If you want to sell it, want to buy it, want to rent it, or want to borrow it, the Zebulon Record classified columns became an even better way to do it this week when new prices for classified advertisements were announced. The minimum fee was dropped to 20 cents for a single insertion to encourage the use of the service.

The Record classified column, never intensively promoted, has proved one of the best features in the paper. It is not unusual for farm equipment to be sold to readers of the paper within three hours of when it went out in the mail.

Complaint Registered

D. D. Chamblee, insurance and real estate dealer in Zebulon, has been a constant advertiser in the columns of the Record. Recently he issued a mild complaint. "Twice," he said, "I left advertisements to be printed and the sold the houses before the paper came out. That's almost too good service."

Classified advertisements may be called in by phone, mailed in, and brought in.



Worth Hinton
Mayor

It's going to take another two years, Mayor Hinton thinks, to get his program across, so he's asking reelection May 5.

Beck Is Chairman Of Cancer Drive

Gilbert Beck has been appointed chairman of the Cancer Campaign for the Zebulon community, and the Zebulon Lions Club is sponsoring the drive again this year to raise funds for the American Cancer Society to use in its research work.

Chairman Beck said he will have his solicitors organized this week, with districts assigned. He urged that everyone give generously.

Through cancer research, it is possible for a vast majority of cancer cases to be cured when discovered in the early stages. The American Cancer Society conducts a joint campaign of education and research to fight the disease on all fronts.

Methodists Plan Interesting Week

Several events of interest are just ahead for the members and friends of Zebulon Methodist Church. On Wednesday night at 8 o'clock there will be a special prayer meeting and worker's training school for the evangelistic mission.

On Saturday night at 7:30 the young people and their leaders will attend an evangelistic rally at Edenton St. Methodist Church in Raleigh. It is hoped that 1000 young people from the Raleigh District will attend.

On Sunday at 11 a. m. Rev. J. E. Cannon will bring his first message in the evangelistic mission. E. H. Moser will preside and lead the service.

At 2:15 p. m. the visitation teams will meet the ministers at the church for instruction after which they will go forth to visit friends in behalf of Christian discipleship and church membership.

At 8 p. m. on Sunday the second message of the series will be given. The services will continue through Friday night at 8 p. m. On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at 6:30 p. m. the ministers and visitors' teams will meet in the Fellowship Room at the church for supper, instruction and reports on the progress of the work.

Evangelistic Mission

The special evangelistic mission covers the Southeastern part of the United States. Thousands of Methodist Churches will be engaged in evangelistic services the week of April 19-26 and during succeeding weeks. A most cordial invitation to all within the community who are interested in earnest evangelistic services is extended by the pastor, Rev. S. E. Mercer and the congregation.

PROMOTED



The appointment of Johnsey P. Arnold to the rank of Warrant Officer was announced Saturday by Major General John Hall Manning, Adjutant General of the State of North Carolina. WO Arnold is Unit Administrator for Battery A, Zebulon's National Guard unit. Prior to his appointment, he was a Master Sergeant in the battery.

Bids Are Asked For Local Armory

Step by step, the National Guard Armory for Zebulon came closer to reality last week. On Friday advertisements were published asking for sealed bids for the construction of the Zebulon armory, with the closing date for bids set for 2:00 p. m., Tuesday, May 5.

The armory will have a floor area of approximately 13,600 square feet, according to the advertisement, with exterior walls of brick and block bonded construction.

Separate bids will be taken by
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THEO. B. DAVIS SAYS

Common Courtesy Merits Appreciation

In looking through some papers a short time ago I found the list made, I suppose, by members of Mrs. Davis' S. S. class of persons who brought or sent articles of food and other things at the time of her death. I had for days been writing notes and letters of appreciation to our neighbors and friends for their wonderful response to the family in our greatest earthly loss. In those tragic hours the list was misplaced and not found till very lately. Perhaps our friends now understand this omission and forgive us. I assure them it was not intentional. Common courtesy, it seems to me, would demand a word of appreciation for such wonderful kindness and service.

Love or Hate

This experience of mine and knowledge of others of like nature leads me to write this article. Niceties is not always a good word, but like the original definition of affection meant to either love or hate — it was a feeling for another and might be good or bad. In the better sense niceties refer to the very best things and words that recognize the best qualities and character of every one who tries to help lift or bear the burdens of another's life, especially the things so easily done and that mean so much to those in need and trouble. These niceties are the gold and gems that become bye and bye our treasures in heaven.

Perhaps half the burdens of loss,

pain, grief and even death itself could be lifted or be better borne if we did not thoughtlessly or carelessly neglect the word or deed another needs so much in a time of trouble. Too often many of us delay till it seems an after thought—too late to bring comfort when the heart was breaking or give light to one stumbling in darkness.

So often have I carried flowers or food to some home because my wife said there might be no flowers yet though plenty later, or with sorrow it was difficult to prepare a meal perhaps with company. The need was NOW. One of our greatest joys has been sharing with our friends and neighbors. Little that we have grown or made has ever been sold, but given where needed or appreciated. It gave us a deep, abiding satisfaction to share something having a personal significance. These nice things, or niceties, we may do for others give and bring the "super bonum" of life. The niceties of life become the "laid up treasures in heaven."

No Comfort to Dead

It is always too late to send the gift, the note of sympathy, make the visit, if one waits to do something of less importance. Remember there is no comfort to the dead in something we delay giving or doing if one waits till he is gone. So it is in every case in life and death.

How vivid even to this very moment is that day in my first pastorate when a message came to

me that they thought a young man was dying. He was not a Christian. I was busy at something important to me, so I would go early the next morning. I was almost ready to go when a passerby called and said the young man was dead. I delayed doing the one thing he needed most to be done till it was forever too late. A million years in eternity will not blot out that memory. And I wonder if I may not wish a million times that I had done what God told my heart, or is it possible that I shall be less happy in heaven when I remember that it is possible that that young man will not be there because I failed him in the last opportunity God had for him or me.

Do It Now

Among the niceties of life there are hundreds of nice things if done; left undone they become nasty things, which is the other definition of this word having a double meaning. They come as time comes. All God's commands are now — in the present tense. Some day, or it may be second, will be the last, do it NOW. "It may be later than you think!"

I begin to wonder if the wise man who wrote Proverbs was not thinking particularly of these little personal things we do for others when he said: "A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver." If so, then let us remember that the reality is far more blessed and beautiful than the figure of speech.



J. Raleigh Alford
Incumbent Commissioner



Philip Massey
Incumbent Commissioner