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CAN THE DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION ENDORSE THE GOVERNOR?

The Observer Tells Why McLean Has Not Announced. So Many Dislike Morrison.

By C. W. Hunt

It was said in a former article that it had come out of Raleigh that there were those claiming to be a good part of the ring, that an effort was being made to have the democrat executive committee put off the state convention until after the June primary, giving as a reason that it would be impossible to give the Morrison administration an endorsement before the primary, but there would be a better chance to get a clean sheet for Morrison, after the primary. This is a condition, even merely hinted at, that is unknown in the history of the democrat party in the Tar-Heel state. Here we have the matter of endorsing what a democrat governor, who was set up, paid up and elected by those who confess, or rather their oracle, The Charlotte Observer says is the ring in democrat politics in the state, has done, held up for fear there will be a row, and some will vote against endorsing a man who has been heralded as the greatest ever. And why will some refuse to endorse the course of the ring appointed and ring elected high chief? What has he done out of the ordinary? Has he taken the state and its affairs and its finances to run them as he did his own? Has this ring infested administration done anything the democrats who elected him cannot endorse? It cannot be for the want of noise, certainly not. But what has what this governor has done to do with the man set up by the ring to run this year?

Certain newspapers and others with very large mouths have insisted all these years that they have found and put up, and elected the only governor of the state has ever had? And the great and only one has done things that members of the party will not endorse; then the fact that the man the ring has called to succeed him is supposed to be willing and ready to take hold where left off. Looks like that would be only fair. All the above partly explains the

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MT. ZION EPWORTH LEAGUE.

"What Does It Take To Make You Happy?"

The Epworth League of Mt. Zion church will present the following program at Mt. Zion church next Sunday P. M. at 2:30. Everybody is invited to come.

1. Subject of Lesson—On his steps. What Jesus said about Happiness.
2. Song—Blessed Assurance.
3. Scripture Lesson—John 15 chapter 11 verse, John 13 chapter 13—17 verse, by S. G. Loy.
4. The Beautitudes by Emily Moore.
5. I stepped in your steps all the way, by Pelton Hamlin.
6. Prayer by G. W. Moore.
7. Roll Call.
8. Song—How Tedious and Tasteless the Hour.
9. What is Happiness, by Alma Moore.
10. The Teaching of Jesus by Maude Foushee.
11. Seeking Happiness by George Blackard.
12. How we can secure Happiness by Mrs. Claude Moore.
13. A Heart Full of Joy by Mrs. Gib Loy.
14. Quartette. The half has never yet been told.
15. The happiness of Father when son returns by O. Hamlin.
16. Smiles by Garland Blackard.
17. Superannuate. Talk by Bonnie Moore.
18. Closing prayer.

HAVE YOU RECEIVED ONE?

We are sending out notices to all who have allowed their subscription to expire in The Courier. If you have received one please come in and renew. It costs considerable money to go through a list of more than three thousand, besides the time and trouble. Don't think we are doing this for fun—we want your renewal. We especially call the attention of our Roxboro subscribers to this. A word to the wise should be sufficient.

WATCH YOUR LABEL

SCHOOL NOTES.

There has been a good response from the school committeemen in regard to the maps from each district, but not all have sent in the maps. Please do so just as soon as possible.

The North Carolina Education Association will meet in Raleigh on the 12-14th of March. We hope that the teachers will make their plans to attend, and secure rooms at the St. Walter in time. I have some certificates which will entitle you to Round Trip rates if you will get them from me and present them to the agent when you buy your ticket. If you wish to get these please call at once, as it may be necessary for me to order some more.

The Seventh Grade examination for all schools in the county will take place on Thursday and Friday, March 20 and 21. The questions will be in the hands of the teachers in time, but must not be opened until the children are in their seats ready to take the examination, and then opened in their presence. Have the children prepared for the examination with plenty of sharpened pencils, and examination paper, or tablets used for such.

Please remember that the vouchers for the last month will not be paid until the Final Reports, the Registers, the Elementary Course of Study, and all necessary data is brought in by the Principal. Do not send them by some one else, because they will not be accepted. These must be brought in before any vouchers will be paid.

Several have asked that we hold a summer school. It will depend on the number. If you desire that one be held please send in your name and the name of any friends whom you know want to attend.

Will the High Schools please send in the names of their delegates to Raleigh? The Primary and Grammar Grades have sent in theirs. Each High School is entitled to a delegate and an alternate.

Mrs. J. A. Beam.

VALENTINE PARTY AT BROOKSDALE.

The lovely new home of Mrs. A. E. Jackson was the scene of much merriment Valentine Evening when Mrs. B. T. Hurley, Misses Banna Garrett, Irma and Sallie Wilkerson entertained. The proceeds going to the Methodist parsonage.

The Valentine idea was carried out in decorations and contests. The lower floor was thrown together being profusely decorated with hearts, ferns, narcissus and sweet peas were prettily arranged on the tables.

The guests were graciously received by Mrs. A. E. Jackson and shown to the cloak room by Mrs. E. L. Wilkerson, after which Miss Banna Garrett served punch from an attractive nook.

After an interesting game "hidden hearts" conducted by Mrs. B. T. Hurley beautiful booklets To My Valentine were made by each couple present. Hearts cut in various shapes were drawn, by which the partners were matched. Pins, scissors and magazines were scattered about the rooms from which the booklets were to be made. After an interesting forty minutes, Miss Katie Sue Russell and Mr. Gilbert Carver were awarded the prize for making the most attractive booklet.

A delightful salad course sandwiches and stuffed dates were served to the following: Misses Eva Harris, Ruth Bennett, Katie Sue Russell, Nell Tingley, Dickerson, Chandler, Grace Jackson, Virginia Wilkerson, Edna Standfield, Banna Garrett, Irene and Sallie Wilkerson and Messrs Hassel Fox, Crisp Barnett, Lemuel Allen, Wheeler Harrin, Gilbert Carver, Irving Moore, Mellicie Satterfield, Chale Garrett, Claud Harris, Crumpton and A. E. Jackson, Mesdames B. T. Hurley, E. L. Wilkerson, Louis Standfield.

DON'T FORGET THE DATE.

The auction warehouses in Roxboro will close on March the 7th. From the way it has been coming in this week it seems there is still right much tobacco on hand, and you will save time and we expect money if you get what you have on hand ready at once and bring it in. Don't wait until the market closes, but bring it in at once, while all of the buyers are on the market.

WATCH YOUR LABEL

MORRISON AND HIS EXPENSE ACCOUNT

(Elizabeth City Independent.)

Do you happen to know what it costs to keep up a household for your Governor? You probably never thought about it. You have probably felt a little mean about the fact that your Governor's paid a salary of only \$6,500 a year. But you will not feel so mean about it after you learn what you pay for the upkeep of your Governor's household.

In addition to his salary of \$6,500 Governor Morrison set the State back \$18,563.68 last year for his household and personal expenses. The figures are in the report of your State Auditor for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1923. No other Governor of North Carolina has ever lived so sumptuously and so extravagantly as has Governor Morrison. Glorifying in his plebeian ancestry and forever proclaiming himself as one of the plain people, Governor Morrison spends money hand over fist on his household at the public's expense, while the spending is good. It cost exactly \$12,878.73 last year to keep up the Governor's mansion and grounds; it costs \$3,549.96 to keep up his automobile. The State allows him \$1,000 a year in cash for servants which he got; but in addition the salaries of four servants and a chauffeur are charged up on his mansion and grounds account. Add to that \$976 that he pulled down for traveling expenses.

Governor Morrison's drug store, garage and laundry bills would average the average man in an income of so much as \$50,000 a year. He is supposed to pay for the laundry of personal wearing apparel, his own silk shirts, his own silk pajamas and the silken B. V. D's he wears. The State is supposed to pay for the wash of his household linens from the Governor's mansion. The laundry bill for the mansion last year was \$368.08; a considerable bill for a family of one gay widower and one daughter. The gas, oil and supplies for the automobile which the State gave his Royal Highness runs up a staggering bill and the drug store accounts charged up to the mansion would supply a modest sanitarium with necessary antiseptic, toilet goods and drugs for a year.

The figures are published here because there has been so much talk about Governor Morrison's highfalutin ideas of living like a prince of royal blood. No one seems to have taken the trouble to publish the facts. This newspaper has no file of State Auditor reports listing the expenses of former Governors, but it is generally known that the late Governor T. W. Bickett, a man of refined tastes and a great entertainer, was criticised in some circles because his expenses ran into something like \$2,000 a year.

A matter of \$18,000 or \$20,000 for the household expenses of a North Carolinian seems little enough to folks used to such expenditures, but it looks like an extravagant sum in the eyes of plain living North Carolinians, thousands of whom support real families on less than is spent for the weekly wash of the Governor's bed and table linens.

SATTERFIELD FOR PROMPTNESS.

Roxboro, N. C. No. 5
February 25, 1924
Mr. S. P. Satterfield, Agt.,
Jefferson Standard Life Ins. Co.,
Roxboro, N. C.

Two life policies \$1000 each.
Dear Mr. Satterfield:

Please accept my thanks for your check for two thousand, three hundred and seventy dollars (\$2370.00) in settlement for two policies my late husband, Jos. N. Lunsford, held in the Jefferson Standard. Both policies were for one thousand, but by the handsome dividend and other accumulations amounted up to \$2370.00. I did not expect but \$2000.00, but your good Company with its very liberal contract and prompt settlement surprised me pleasantly by making it \$2370.00. This was a God send to me and my twelve children. I earnestly advise any one who can to take life insurance and take it with you in the Jefferson Standard.

Again thanking you for your prompt and courteous treatment, I am,
Yours very truly,
Mrs. Julia Allen Lunsford,
Beneficiary.

DEATH OF MRS. JNO. A. NOELL.

Mrs. Jno. A. Noell died at her home in Greensboro Monday morning at 2 o'clock. Mrs. Noell had been sick for several months, but her death came as a shock to every one. Only a short while since she spent several weeks here with her daughter, Mrs. S. A. Jones.

Mrs. Noell, with her husband, moved to Roxboro nearly forty years ago when the town was only a small village, and made this their home until about three years ago when they moved to Greensboro. Mr. Noell died there about two years ago.

Her pastor, Dr. Clyde Turner, of Greensboro, delivered a most beautiful and truthful eulogy on the life of Mrs. Noell. Rev. R. E. White, pastor of the Roxboro Baptist Church, assisted in the services. A large congregation gathered, thus showing the high esteem and great love of the people who had known her for so long a time. The floral offerings were many and most beautiful.

Those from out of town attending the funeral services were the family, Dr. and Mrs. B. R. Long, of Greensboro, and Mr. Jno. A. Noell, Jr., of New Orleans, Dr. Clyde Turner and Mr. and Mrs. Isom, of Greensboro, Mrs. Walter Harden, Miss Ada Denny, Mrs. Reeves, Mrs. Henderson and Mr. Geo. Harden of Graham, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Markham, Jr. and Mrs. Will Speed and Mr. Haul Noell of Durham, Mrs. J. W. Harden, Misses Cath. Harden and Miss Sue Noell, Mrs. Annie Riddle and Mr. Goodwin of Raleigh, and Miss Lucile Pass of Asheville.

PERSON CIRCUIT.

There will be all day Services at the churches on the Person Circuit as follows:

- 1st Sunday in March, Concord 11 A. M. and 2:00 P. M.
 - 2nd Sunday in March, Lea's Chapel 11 A. M. and 2 P. M.
 - 3rd Sunday in March, Quarterly Conference at Concord. Preaching on Saturday by Rev. H. Bradshaw D. D. followed by Quarterly Conference, preaching at 11 A. M. on Sunday.
 - 3rd Sunday in March, preaching at Woodsdale 3 P. M.
 - 4th Sunday in March, preaching at Oak Grove 11 A. M. and 2 P. M.
 - 5th Sunday in March, preaching at Warrens Grove 11 A. M. and 2 P. M.
- Hope to see every member of each church present at each service.
Everybody cordially invited.
Respectfully,
B. C. Thompson, P. C.

MEETING OF CHURCHES OF BEULAH AND MT. ZION ASSOCIATIONS AT MEBANE.

There will be an important meeting of the workers of the churches of Beulah and Mt. Zion Baptist associations at Mebane on Thursday, March 6th at 10 A. M.

Dr. Charles E. Maddy and others will be present and speak on the important work of finishing up the great task which Southern Baptists have undertaken.

All pastors, S. S. superintendents, S. S. teachers, W. M. U. workers and B. Y. P. U. workers are urged to attend. There will be morning, afternoon and evening sessions. It is earnestly hoped that some representation from each church in the Beulah association will be present.

"REMEMBER"

Cosmopolitan's one million dollar masterpiece comes to the Princess Theatre, Monday and Tuesday March 3-4th. "ENEMIES OF WOMEN".

"BRIEF"

The red course of Russia's revolution. The Echo of the Battle-fields. Combining to make one of the most absorbing narratives of Screen History.

It comes direct from successful showings in the biggest Theatres of America, where it has played at advance prices.

Matinee each day at 3:00 P. M. Evenings at 7:00 - 9:00 P. M. Please note, owing to the length, beginning hour at 7:00.

Box office opens at 6:30.
Special Music
Admissions 20c and 40c.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH.

Sunday, March 2nd. Church School at 10:00 A. M.
Evening Prayer and sermon 7:30 P. M.

J. L. Martin, Rectar.

SCHOOLS AND TAXES.

The State says each county must run her public schools at least six months in each year. The constitution of North Carolina demands this, and nothing short of this will satisfy the law which makes it mandatory upon the county commissioners, who did not make the law but are under a solemn oath to carry out the law. Neither did the Board of Education make the law but must carry out her part of the law as far as possible. Both the Boards of Commissioners and of Education are under grave and solemn obligation to do their duty.

It is the duty of the Board of Education to make out a budget of all the funds needed to run all the schools of the county six months. These amounts include teachers' salaries, operation and equipment funds, and repayment of loans incurred when the school tax was not sufficient to run the schools. In making out this budget it requires a great deal of care and work to ascertain the lowest possible amount absolutely necessary to run the schools the following season. The Board of Education having done this, it then becomes the duty of the Commissioners to examine this budget and ascertain the facts as to the right amount of money to raise to run the schools for the next year. When they are satisfied of the right amount it then becomes their duty to levy enough taxes to run the schools six months. For two years the tax levy was insufficient to run the schools six months, which caused an indebtedness of \$30,000.00. This is being paid off some each year by a tax levy of 5 cents on the \$100.00 worth of property.

The school taxes for 1923 - 1924 were levied as follows:

- Salary Fund—37 cents on the \$100.00 worth of property.
 - Expense Fund—10 cents on the \$100.00 worth of property.
 - School Debt—5 cents on the \$100.00 worth of property.
- These will be found on the tax receipts. The other items of tax expense are 40 cents on the \$100.00 worth of property for good roads.
- 5 cents on the \$100.00 worth of property for County Home.
 - 11 cents on the \$100.00 worth of property for General Fund.
- This makes a total tax of \$1.08 on the \$100 of property.
- The 52 cents general school tax for all purposes amounts to \$87,963.52
The 40 cents road tax amounts to \$67,642.25
The 11 cents for County funds \$18,807.67
The 5 cents for County Home \$8,458.03
The taxable property of the County is \$16,916,063.

To find the amount of your taxes for the whole or any item you can easily do from the above if you know the valuation of your property.

The High Schools pay in addition to the above as follows:

- Olive Hill at 30 cts. \$3,952.88
 - Bethel Hill at 30 cts. \$4,251.59
 - Helena at 20 cts. \$2,506.08
 - Alleenville at 20 cts. \$1,193.35
 - Bushy Fork at 10 cts. \$1,099.33
- Total \$13,003.23

These high schools pay the above amounts of taxes for the support of their respective schools. They voted this tax upon themselves and are gladly paying it, and are doing a great work for our County. This gives them eight months term. Visit them, it will pay you.

J. A. Beam.

SOCIETY.

Misses Mary Wagstaff and Mary Winstead entertained the members of the True Blue Wesley Class on Thursday afternoon at the home of Miss Wagstaff. The rooms were attractively decorated with spring flowers. Suggestions of Washington's birthday were carried out in the games, hand painted score cards, invitations, etc.

After a pleasant social hour a business meeting was held and the following officers elected for the year 1924:

- President, Ruth Hester.
- Vice-President, Mary Wagstaff.
- Secretary, Mary Winstead.
- Treasurer, Mrs. C. H. Dunkley.

At the close of the meeting a delicious salad course was served.

Does your neighbor read The Courier?

PATRON'S MEETING AT OLIVE HILL HIGH SCHOOL.

There will be an important meeting of the patrons and friends of Olive Hill High School, at the school building, Friday afternoon, February 29th, at 2 o'clock.

At this meeting, the financial condition of the school will be laid before the people. Another even more important matter, that of promotions, will be discussed.

It will soon be time for promotions to be made, and we are anxious that the patrons know what is required in each grade by the State Outline Course of Study. If there is one thing we do most aspire to at Olive Hill, it is to do thorough, honest work; to do this, it is essential to place each child in the grade he is fitted for. Nothing is more discouraging to teachers or pupils than a pupil's attempting to do work he has not been prepared to master. We feel if parents have a thorough understanding of what we are trying to do, and what we as teachers are expected to do they will be sympathetic and appreciative.

Hence we urge that every father and mother be present at the meeting, Friday afternoon, February 29, at 2 o'clock.

Helen W. Graves.

INCOME TAX IN NUTSHELL.

WHO? The following must file U. S. income Tax Returns:

- ALL SINGLE persons with net income of \$1000 or more;
- ALL MARRIED persons with net income of \$2000 or more;
- ALL PERSONS with gross income of \$5000 or more;
- ALL CORPORATIONS;
- ALL PARTNERSHIPS;
- ALL FILICUARIES.

EVERY PERSON (whether due income tax or not) has the privilege of filing a RETURN to make known his taxable or non-taxable status.

RETURNS must be filed whether you are TAXABLE or NON-TAXABLE.

ALL who pay wages or salaries of \$1000 or more must report same.

WHEN? Before middle of MARCH WHERE? With U. S. Collector Internal Revenue at Raleigh, N. C. or with any Deputy Collector.

HOW? Upon blank Income Tax Return forms furnished upon request.

WHAT IF YOU FAIL? Every person, partnership, fiduciary, corporation failing to file are DELINQUENT and liable to PENALTY or PROSECUTION. OBEY the law and not be PENALIZED.

Gilliam Grissom,
U. S. Collector.

WHITE ACTRESS CONSENTS AFTER OTHERS DECLINED TO PLAY OPPOSITE NEGRO MAN.

New York, Feb. 21.—A young woman whose name is being withheld has agreed after one leading actress and many near stars refused to play opposite a negro leading man in an inter-racial play "All God's Chillun Got Wings" soon to be staged by Eugene O'Neill, it was revealed today. The white woman is required, in the closing scene of the play, to kiss the hand of the negro, whose wife she has become.

O'Neill's determination to go through with the staging of his play and to make it realistic with a white woman and a negro man in the leading parts, has started much talk in theatrical circles.

The plot of the play deals with intermarriage among negroes and white people and its scenes are laid in the negro district of Manhattan. The opening scene is a busy corner in this section. On the sidewalk are eight children, four white and four negroes. One little white girl, Ella, holds marbles for Jim Harris, a negro boy. They are portrayed as child sweethearts, she asking:

"Do you want to be my feller?"

"Then I'm your girl."

Nine years later the players are on the same corner; Ella is being treated brutally by one of the white men with whom she has grown up and his attitude is contrasted with the kindly way of her negro sweetheart. Ella and Jim are married. Later she becomes insane over the race problem. Her insanity becomes childish happiness when her husband fails to pass a bar examination and remains a simple negro. She kisses his hand and he prays to be made worthy of "the child you send me for the woman you take away."