Gardner Aims Harshest Criticism At Opponent

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RALEIGH (AP) — Jim Gardner, Republican candidate for governor of North Carolina, Tuesday night aimed the harshest criticism of his campaign at his Democratic opponent and the state's newspapers.

Speaking to about 600 persons at a $1 50-a-plate dinner in Raleigh, Gardner said Lt. Gov. Bob Scott, the Democratic nominee, "is running and hiding".

Referring to Scott's refusal of a challenge Tuesday to appear with him for a news conference and a debate, Gardner declared:

"He's got the nerve to stand up before the people of this state and say he's talking about the issues and I'm dealing in personalities. I'm dealing in irregularities in government and he's been part of them."

Gardner repeated a series of charges he has made against Scott—all of which Scott has denied—and told his cheering listeners:

"Bob Scott has made so many deals in this state that he will live weeks to sit down and think about them he couldn't remember where he made them and who he made them with."

Then Gardner turned to newspapers, of which he has been increasingly critical as the campaign draws toward a close.

Referring to them as "liberal, left-wing, pro-Democratic rags," Gardner declared:

"We're not going to let them . . . tell us who's going to be the next governor of this state . . . We're going to pave the street all the way to the Governor's Mansion with every one of them."

His remarks brought the heaviest applause of the night and shouts of, "Give it to 'em. Give it to 'em."

Gardner mentioned by name the morning newspapers of Raleigh, Charlotte, Winston-Salem, Asheville and Greensboro.

Gardner's speech was his only scheduled campaign activity of the day.

P..i afterwards, the GOP nominee drove to Durham and attended a reception at the home of a supporter, George Birmingham Jr.

Several hundred persons were there.

Outside the house were two posters—one bearing a photograph of Gardner and the other a photograph of third party presidential candidate George Wallace.

Mecklenburg Sales Tax Is Upheld

RALEIGH (AP) — The North Carolina Supreme Court today upheld Mecklenburg County's special one per cent sales tax but left open the possibility of another attack being made upon the constitutionality of the tax.

In an unanimous decision, the Supreme Court affirmed a decision of Superior Court Judge Sam Ervin III in upholding the tax which was levied by the 1967 General Assembly upon the approval of voters in Mecklenburg County.

The high court said in an opinion written by Associate Justice William H. Bobbit that Charlotte native, that the contention the General Assembly in passing the 1967 act "surrendered its power of taxation to the voters of Mecklenburg County is without merit."

"The 1967 act imposes this tax if and when imposition thereof is approved by a majority of those voting in the special election."

HHH Calls Lakeside Lot Charge Bunk

NEW YORK (AP) — Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey said today that a report that he had accepted six valuable lake side lots in Minnesota from a wealthy patron of the Democratic party was "bunk."

"That's all taken care of," Humphrey said, smiling broadly as he arrived at La Guardia Airport for a campaign speech.

Humphrey said his staff would have a statement on the report in Minneapolis. He did not say when.

The Chicago Tribune said today that courthouse records reveal that Humphrey accepted the lakeside lots and built his home on them.

The six lots along North Wayzata Shore, some 35 miles west of Minneapolis, were acquired from Ray C. Ewald, managing director of Ewald Brothers Sanitary Dairy, when the vice president was a senator, the Tribune said in a copyright story by Walter Trohan of its Washington bureau.

The story described the company as a "Financial angel of the Democratic party."

In Philadelphia, a Humphrey spokesman said he would have no comment on the story.

The Tribune story said that the transfer of the property in Wright County, Minn., was not recorded in the county courthouse there for almost two years. At the time the Ewald Dairy was involved in a civil antitrust action involving price fixing after having been fined in a criminal antitrust action.

The deed to the six lots was executed in Minneapolis on Sept. 27, 1966, by Ewald and his wife, Ethel, to Humphrey and his wife, Muriel. The deed was not filed in the Wright County courthouse at Buffalo, Minn., until June 24, 1968, nearly two years after Humphrey acquired title.

Although the deed states the consideration was "one dollar and other good and valuable considerations," the deed bears no federal revenue stamps which indicates no cash changed hands.

The courthouse records show that Humphrey as vice president three years ago put a $30,000 mortgage on the lots and the home he built at Waverly.

No comment was available today from Ewald, who is ill at his Minnesota home. He has suffered several strokes and has a serious heart ailment.

"I don't know what he paid for it," Dewey added. "It was none of my business and we never talked about it."

Mrs. Ray Ewald also denied that the land was given to Humphrey.

"It was paid for," she said. "It wasn't given to Hubert, "I know that."

Rufus King was the last American minister to the Papal States, in the 1860s.

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influence foil, it must be through the Democratic Party.

Told of Hawkins' statement, Scott said at Mocksville, where he was campaigning, "I am glad to get votes anywhere. I look for votes from all citizens of North Carolina.

Asked if he thought Gardner would have any comment on Hawkins statement, Scott said, "If Mr. Gardner tries to accuse me of making any deal, there certainly will be no substance to the charge and it he makes any comment concerning the Negro vote, I remind him he has been endorsed by Golden Frinks."

Frinks is a field representative for the Southern Christian Leadership Conference in eastern North Carolina.

Forecast

NORTH CAROLINA: Fair and not quite so cold tonight with scattered frost likely tonight. Lows tonight mostly in 30s. Thursday mostly sunny and warmer.

Five-Day Forecast

For North Carolina and South Carolina, temperatures Thursday through Monday will average near normal on the coast and above normal elsewhere.

Daytime highs are expected to average in the 60s in the mountains and 67 to 77 elsewhere.

Lows at night will average from the upper 30s in the mountains to the 50s on the coast with generally 42 to 50 inland.

A general warming trend through Saturday and then turning cooler Sunday and Monday.

Precipitation will total up to one quarter inch occurring as scattered showers and thundershowers Saturday and Saturday night, ending Sunday morning.

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have generally followed the instructions of their state's voters. But they don't have to. Only 17 states have any kind of legal instruction for electors, and only three provide penalties for those who fail to follow their mandate.

Thus, between the time they are elected and the time they vote, the electors could decide to vote for someone other than the candidate they represented on Election Day.

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Scott Again Demands 'Cramer' Be Identified

By ROB WOOD
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MOCKSVILLE, N.C. (AP) — Lt. Gov. Bob Scott today once again demanded that his Republican opponent "tell the people of North Carolina why he paid a college student $1,000 a month this summer of taxpayers money."

The Democratic candidate for governor stopped newsmen on the courthouse steps in Mocksville and said:

"I am asking Gardner once again to turn around and tell the people just who is Phillip Cramer Jr.

"Ask his Washington staff, what there is of them left up there, to inform the news media who this Cramer person is."

Scott said, "All we know is that Cramer is a student and was paid this summer more than anyone else on Gardner's congressional staff."

The lieutenant governor said Cramer was employed for four months "at taxpayers expense."

Scott said that Cramer's father "apparently works for Lee Edwards and Associates, which is a public relations firm.

"It is noted in Gardner's book," Scott added, "in the page of acknowledgments, an acknowledgment to Lee Edwards for his editorial assistance.

"This raises the very real, serious question of whether Phil Cramer Jr. was employed at over $1,000 a month to edit Jim Gardner's book."

Scott on Tuesday had called on Gardner to "lift his campaign out of the gutter," and simultaneously rejected the Republican candidate's challenge for a joint news conference and a series of televised debates.

Scott, barnstorming for votes in the populous Piedmont area, said Tuesday, "Fascism has been injected into the governor's races . . . through the distribution of certain literature."

The lieutenant governor said leaflets attempting to link him with the Negro vote and with the national Democratic ticket have been circulating "in increasing numbers through all sections of the state, especially the East, during these last days of the campaign."

When asked if he was accusing his opponent — Rep. Jim Gardner—of preparing and distributing the leaflets, Scott answered:

"Well, we are sure not doing it."

Then Scott said, "I call upon Gardner to try to get hold of his campaign and lift it up out of the gutter and to the level of dignity that the office he seeks deserves."

This is the second time recently Scott has attacked the printing and distribution of such literature, but it was the first time he had called the leaflets "racist."

Earlier Tuesday, Scott flatly rejected a challenge from Gardner for a joint news conference and televised debates, saying:

"When a man is drowning he will try anything to save himself.

"I think it is obvious that Gardner is losing strength very fast. He is going down hill very fast. If he is going down for the third time, then I guess he will long as the weather is good," she said "There is no reason to leave and we have no definite plans for the future.

"I'm very happy," she said before departing.

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Jackie Reportedly Plans World Tour

ATHENS (AP) —The newly wed Jacqueline and Aristotle Onassis came separately to Athens today and the Greek press said they planned to set out on a world honeymoon tour, beginning Thursday with a trip to New York.

But Mrs Onassis made no mention of this to newsmen who met her at Athens Airport. She said she planned to return with her husband to his Scorpios Island retreat Friday.

There was another report that the Onassises planned to go to Johannesburg in South Africa for the wedding of the son of diamond King Harry Oppenheimer. This could not be confirmed.

Onassis arrived first in the Greek capital on what was described as a visit for urgent business. His wife, the former Mrs. John F. Kennedy, remained at Scorpios Island and was seen fishing this morning from a speedboat.

She arrived here later in the day.

As Mrs. Onassis stepped from a private plane which brought her from Scorpios, she was met by Onassis' sister, Mrs. Artemis Garoufalidou. Before boarding a limousine to Mrs. Garoufalidou's villa at the suburb of Glyphada Mrs. Onassis told a planeside news conference she plans to return Friday to Scorpios with her husband.

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