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POLITICS NOW GROWING LIVELY

Joint Campaign Launched; Gov. Ehringhaus Coming

Macon county politics grew lively this week with inauguration of the joint speaking campaign by the county nominees of both the Democratic and Republican parties.

Young Republicans and Young Democrats also continued holding meetings in various sections of the county. At a recent Young Republican meeting at the Holly Springs school it was reported that someone urging the election of J. L. Sanders for representative had made the statement that J. Frank Ray, Democratic nominee for the same office, "isn't the man that his father used to be." (The late Mr. Ray, renowned as a champion of the people, was in the legislature for about 30 years.) Taking up this statement at a Young Democratic meeting at Holly Springs this week, George Patton, Franklin attorney, brought applause and laughter when he remarked:

"Well, I would rather have a ghost of old man J. Frank Ray representing us down at Raleigh than all the Sanders on Skeenah."

Joint Speakings Start
The joint speaking campaign got under way Monday night with the candidates appearing in Millshoal township. Tuesday night they spoke at Higdonville school in Ellijay township and Wednesday night they went to Pine Grove school in Sugarfork township. They were scheduled to speak tonight at Highlands, Friday night at Flats school and Saturday night at the Otto school. Next week they are to go to Slagle school Monday night, Aquone Tuesday night, Otter creek school Wednesday night, Burningtown school Thursday night and Cowee school Friday night. On Saturday, Nov. 3, they are scheduled to wind up the campaign at a joint speaking at 1:30 o'clock in the courthouse.

The Young People's Democratic club has arranged for two meetings in the courthouse, one at 2 p. m. Saturday of this week, when William J. Coker, Jr., of Asheville, is to be the principal speaker. Mr. Coker, a former district chairman of the Young Democrats, is a graduate of the University of North Carolina and is a Rhodes scholar. He is a promising young Asheville attorney and an orator of note.

Governor Coming
At the other meeting planned by the Young Democrats, scheduled for 11 a. m. Saturday, Nov. 3, Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus is scheduled to be the principal speaker. He is to be introduced by J. E. Lancaster. Governor Ehringhaus will come here after addressing a rally at Murphy.

The joint speakings held by the candidates have been peaceful affairs. Nothing exciting has happened and the brunt of entertaining the crowds has fallen on the shoulders of the nominees for representative. Most of the other nominees have rested on their laurels, their faces, their reputations and a brief "Howdy do."

Saturday of this week will be the last day for registering and the following Saturday will be challenge day. And on November 6 the final chapter will be written.

TO HOLD BOX SUPPER

A Halloween box supper will be held at the Otto school at 8 p. m. Tuesday, Oct. 30, for the benefit of the school. The public is invited.

Visited Highlands



MRS. ALICE SPEED STOLL

Mrs. Stoll, young Louisville social leader and wife of Berry V. Stoll, wealthy Kentucky oil man, was returned to her home last week after having been held by kidnapers for a week, although a \$50,000 ransom had been paid for her release. Much interest has been shown in the case in Macon county because Mr. and Mrs. Stoll were visitors in Highlands during August.

SAYS PETITIONS 'PIGEON-HOLED'

They Won't Be Taken to Knoxville News, Says Conley

Those in charge of circulating petitions in Macon county urging the Tennessee Valley Authority not to interfere with plans of the Nantahala Power and Light company in Macon, Swain and Graham counties, have abandoned, for the time being at least, plans of carrying the petitions to Knoxville for presentation to T. V. A. officials, the Press-Maconian learned this week from J. S. Conley, who has been active in the campaign to get signatures to the petitions.

Asked when the petitions would be taken to Knoxville, Mr. Conley replied that he did not know, that they had been "filed" for future use.

Reports from various sections of the county indicated that those carrying the petitions encountered considerable difficulty in getting signers after publication of last week's Press-Maconian exposing the plan to thwart T. V. A. entry in this territory and disclosing that a highly organized, well financed campaign had been launched to obtain signatures to the petitions.

A number of those who already had signed the petitions expressed regret in their action and a few were reported to have requested that their names be marked off. Many others, it was learned, had steadfastly declined to sign petitions, both before and after publication of last week's paper. Most of the township workers were reported to have stopped circulating the petitions last Friday or Saturday, but it was learned that some of the petitions were still in circulation this week.

A report from Bryson City indicated that considerable opposition to the petitions had developed in Swain county. Headquarters of the Nantahala Power and Light company are located in Bryson City.

ATTEND FUNERAL

Sheriff A. B. Slagle, Gus Leach, T. S. Munday and T. W. Porter attended the funeral of Charles T. Roane in Bryson City Monday afternoon.

Many Visit School Fair; Prize Winners Announced

A steady stream of people, young and old, town folks and country folks, visited the fourth annual school fair at the Franklin high school Saturday afternoon. Scores of exhibits of farm and home economics products all the work of students — brought commendation from the visitors.

The fair was sponsored by the vocational agriculture class, of which E. H. Meacham is instructor, and the home economics class with Miss Florence Stalcup as teacher.

Mr. Lackey, farm agent of Jackson county, acted as judge of the agriculture exhibits. Prizes were awarded as follows:

Corn—1st, Paul Gibson; 2nd, Siler Slagle; 3rd, Newell Picklesimer.

Irish potatoes—1st, Ray Southard; 2nd, L. M. Johnston; 3rd, Walter McCoy.

Sweet potatoes—1st, L. M. Johnston; 2nd, Cay Norton; 3rd, Billy Parrish.

Soy beans—1st, Bill Higdon; 2nd, Billy Parrish.

Onions—1st, Harold Enloe; 2nd, Carlos Rogers.

Apples and pears—1st, Bill Higdon; 2nd, Marion Bryson.

Cabbages—1st, Bill McCoy.

Hay—1st, Carlos Rogers, 2nd, Norval Norton.

General farm exhibit—1st, Fred Gray; 2nd, Robert Hurst; 3rd, Carlos Rogers.

Garden products — 1st, L. M. Johnston; 2nd, J. B. Lenoir.

Educational booth — 1st, L. M. Johnston; 2nd, Wayne Franklin and Bill McCoy; 3rd, Jim Patton and Robert Hurst.

Hats — worst, Fritz Waldrop; next worst, Siler Slagle.

Judges of the home economics exhibits were Mrs. Carl Slagle and Mrs. R. M. Rimmer. Prizes were awarded as follows:

Home work for sophomores—1st, Ethel Hamby; 2nd, Veo Burrell.

Home work for first year—1st, Blanche Carpenter; 2nd, Jean Hall.

Dresses—1st, Cleobelle Moore; 2nd, Ester Waldrop.

Blouses—1st, Pauline Meadows; 2nd, Pauline Welch.

Apron—1st, Modelle Roberson; 2nd, Hallie Cabe.

Canned fruit—1st, Marie Crisp; 2nd, Carol Tessier.

Canned vegetables — 1st, Opal Breedlove; 2nd, Virginia Ramsey.

Jellies, jams and marmelades—1st, Arbutus McKay; 2nd, Arbutus McKay.

Pickles and relishes—1st, Eleanor Dalton; 2nd, Bertie Brendle.

Cake—1st, Veo Burrell; 2nd, Blanche Carpenter.

The prizes were made possible by a cash donation by the Macon county commissioners and gifts by the following merchants and business men of Franklin:

E. K. Cunningham and company, Roy F. Cunningham, Franklin Hardware company, Leach Brothers, Pay-and-Take-It, Jones and Jones, S. and L. Five and Ten Cents Store, Watkins Cafe, New Star Market, Mr. Todd of the Atlantic and Pacific Tea company, People's Market, Perry's Drug Store, Macon County Supply company, Sloan Brothers Grocery, Moses Blumenthal, Joseph Ashear, Jack Sanders, City Barber Shop, Franklin Shoe Shop, Nantahala Power and Light company, Franklin Press, Bryant Furniture company, and C. T. Blaine.

An interesting feature of the fair was a demonstration of bread making carried on by home economics students during the entire afternoon. The bread was mixed and baked by the students and the

finished product was served to visitors.

Agriculture students staged two demonstrations, one on the method of drenching sheep, the other showing how to make adjustable rope halters for calves.

IN-GATHERING SET FOR NOV. 2

Needlework Guild Seeking Gifts of Children's Clothing

The annual in-gathering of the Macon county branch of the Needlework Guild of America will be held Friday afternoon, November 2, in the reading room of the Franklin library, it has been announced by Mrs. T. J. Johnston, Sr., chairman of the local organization.

Membership in the Needlework Guild is open to men, women and children. Anyone may join by contributing two new garments, pieces of household linen, or by making a cash donation to the cause. One may become a director of the organization by soliciting contributions from 10 other individuals in addition to fulfilling the regular membership requirement.

Clothing and linen collected by the guild will be distributed to needy individuals and it is planned this year, Mrs. Johnston said, to render assistance especially to school children whose families have not received aid through the Red Cross or the Emergency Relief Administration. For that reason, she asked that those desiring to join the guild contribute articles of clothing for children of school age. There are many children in the county, she pointed out, who are sorely in need of warm clothing—children whose families have been in need of assistance but who have been too proud to seek relief from the Red Cross or the Emergency Relief organization.

"The relief fund has been taken away from our county," Mrs. Johnston pointed out, "and there will be many needy cases this winter. Perhaps by a little self-denial on your part and mine some person will be warmly clothed."

"Do not wait for a director of the Needlework Guild to see you, but give liberally as God has blessed you. Only two new garments, or a small sum of money, entitles you to membership. There are no dues. The directors urge all members and those who would like to join the guild to put forth every effort to make this a bountiful in-gathering."

DEATH CLAIMS CHARLES ROANE

Charles T. Roane, 76, died at his home in Asheville Sunday night at 8 o'clock from a sudden heart attack.

Mr. Roane was a native of Macon county and made his home here a number of years. He was sheriff of this county for eight years. He also served for seven years as a deputy United States marshal. He was a member of the Presbyterian church and belonged to the Masonic lodge and for the past three years was proprietor of the Western Hotel in Asheville.

Funeral services were held at the Bryson City Methodist church Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

ARRESTS MADE IN RAY HOLD-UP

Sheriff Slagle Plays Hunch And Gets His Men in Quick Time

Moving swiftly after the robbery by two armed men at 1 o'clock Wednesday afternoon of Canary Ray aged merchant of the Burningtown section, Sheriff A. B. Slagle Thursday morning arrested Joe Hall and Oran Farley in Sylva, upon whom he reported finding 14 pocket knives, two watches and a sum of money believed to have been stolen from Mr. Ray.

The two men, both in their twenties, were taken to Burningtown and confronted by Mr. Ray, who identified them as the robbers. Hall and Farley were then brought to Franklin and lodged in the county jail charged with robbery with firearms, for which the law provides a penalty of not less than five nor more than 30 years imprisonment.

Hearing Friday
A preliminary hearing was set for 2 o'clock Friday afternoon before Magistrate George Carpenter. No bond had been named at noon Thursday.

It was the second time in two years that Mr. Ray, who is about 80 years old, had been held up and robbed. On the other occasion three men, their faces blackened to hide their identity, waylaid him on the road near his home in the lonely Oakdale community on Burningtown creek, knocked him unconscious and escaped after robbing him of a small sum of money. On several other occasions thieves have broken into Mr. Ray's store.

Merchant Bound
Yesterday's robbery appeared to be a baffling mystery at first. Called to Ray's store early in the afternoon, Sheriff Slagle learned how the crime was staged. A young man, a stranger to Mr. Ray, entered the store and asked to see some overalls. The merchant put a pair on the counter and, as he turned to his shelves to get another pair, the young man, grasping the legs of the overalls on the counter, lassoed them over the old man's head. The two grappled on the floor and

Miss Winnie Rickett To Address Baptists

Miss Winnie Rickett, state secretary of the Baptist Training Union, is scheduled to address an associational meeting at the Franklin Baptist church at 7:30 o'clock Friday night, November 2. The Rev. James Ivey, pastor of the West Asheville Baptist church, and David Mashburn, of Hendersonville, B. T. U. regional president, also are expected to attend the meeting. All members of the Baptist Young People's Union in the county are urged to be present.

'Where's Grandma?' To Be Staged Saturday

A comedy, "Where's Grandma," will be presented by the young people of the Morrison Presbyterian church in the Academy school near Otto on Saturday night, October 27, at 8 o'clock. Grandma is a delightful old lady who desperately wants her grandchildren's love and her attempts to impress them by her youth and sophistication are wistful as well as funny. You will laugh at her in the first two acts and love her in the third when she proves to be the silver-haired grandmother that her grandchildren wanted. The proceeds from the play will be used to repair the church.

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