

### JUSTICE IS CHAIRMAN — Bradley And Deal Named To F. H. A. Body Here

Appointments of Edwin J. Bradley and Fred P. Deal as members of the Farmers Home Administration county committee were announced this week by Garland E. Denning, the agency's county supervisor, serving Clay and Macon counties.

Mr. Bradley owns and operates a dairy farm in the Iotia community and Mr. Deal owns and operates a dairy farm in the Holly Springs community.

These men were selected to serve because they are honest, progressive, and respected farmers who know something of the problems farmers are up against when trying to farm on limited capital, Mr. Denning said.

The other member of the committee, Earl A. Justice, of the Holly Springs community, will serve as committee chairman during the 1961 fiscal year. Each member is appointed for a three-year term. Mr. Deal succeeds Bob McClure, who resigned due to ill

### State Alumni Will Attend Area Supper

Several Maconians with N. C. State College ties plan to attend a meeting of N. C. State alumni and their wives tomorrow (Friday) night at Nantahala Inn, near Bryson City.

According to H. W. Taylor, director of alumni affairs at State, this meeting has been arranged so alumni and friends of the college in the southwestern corner of the state may meet Dr. John T. Caldwell, former president of the University of Arkansas and the new chancellor of State, and his family. Dr. Caldwell will address the group after a buffet supper.

#### CARD OF THANKS

We want to thank our friends, neighbors and relatives for their acts of kindness and sympathy extended to us during the illness and death of our beloved husband and father, Hal Zachary. Special thanks to the Rev. John W. Tucker and the Rev. Robert E. Early for their comforting words, Dr. Murray and Dr. Kahn, Mr. W. C. Burrell, Mrs. Gilmer Jones and Potts Funeral Home. Also for the beautiful floral offerings. May God bless you all.

Mrs. Hal Zachary  
and Family

change.) It also advances credit to farmers or their non-profit associations to establish and carry out approved soil and water conservation practices and to install and improve irrigation and farmstead water facilities.

### STARTING IN OCTOBER — Plans For New Baptist Seminary Courses Told

Seminary extension courses for both ministers and laymen will be taught on Monday nights, beginning October 3, according to the Macon Baptist Association committee on seminary extension work.

A historical study of the life of Jesus will be taught by the Rev. J. H. Propst and a study in Evangelism will be taught by the Rev. Robert R. Standley. Ministers and lay people are invited to enroll for the classes, to be taught at the First Baptist Church each Monday night between the hours of 7:30 and 9:30.

The cost of the New Testament will be \$11.50. This includes the price of a guide book, a text book,

and the operating cost. The total cost for the evangelism course is \$11. Ministers driving into Franklin from surrounding churches will have their automobile expenses covered by the extension department.

This type of training is made possible by a joint effort of local Baptist people, the seminaries of the Southern Baptist Convention, and by the North Carolina Baptist State Convention. Many Baptist people are now having the opportunity to develop their Christian ability because of these offered courses. Many cannot go off to school, but now the school has been brought to them.

Registration will take place 30

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## LETTERS

so many similar "unbiased" articles which are currently being published on a nation-wide basis.

It is generally accepted that everyone, at one time or another, has an axe to grind. Some few are able to convince their audience that they are, in reality, grinding their axe for someone else to use. A few still are able to satisfactorily prove that the axe doesn't even belong to them. The degree of honor associated with the grinding is inversely proportional to the degree of selfish personal interest in the axe itself. Based on this premise, the modern method of effectively grinding an axe in newsprint consists of three principal steps:

1. Disavow any selfish, personal interest — by attributing the necessity for the article to National Interest, Motherhood, Humanity, or World Progress.
2. Disprove bias or prejudice — by establishing an association of sympathy or close proximity with the people, or cause, about to be attacked.
3. Become identified with the majority — by espousing the cause of indisputable human aspirations, and by interspersing praise of the many, with the "condemnations of the 'bad' few.

The author of the article followed this procedure closely. He first established lack of bias concerning the South's racial problems by affirming that he himself was a Southerner of 26 years standing, and by choice.

He then identified himself with the majority by praising the South's recent progress from a backward provincial state, and by limiting his criticism to the few "hotheads" at the Democratic National Convention.

His third step was to disavow any personal selfish reasons by simulating concern over the "bad" picture the South presents to the nation, the world, and the future.

After having fulfilled the prerequisites for an effective attack, he proceeded confidently into such baffling double-talk as, "They (meaning the South) themselves created for the people of the United States the very picture they mistakenly believe the North has of them."

The article deserves a reply because it is representative of an increasingly used procedural technique, designed to permit a maximum of criticism, with a minimum of repercussions.

The South is not now, and never has been, lacking in critics. We have an adequate supply in the Northern and Western sections of the nation. To have added to these outcries from our own backyard contributes little toward the solutions of our problems.

The critics are always at hand. Only the issues change. A hundred years ago the issues were economically inspired. Today they are politically motivated. The garbled, rough, accusing fingers which once pointed to the rubble of Richmond and Atlanta, crying "Shame" for the desolation and misery of a war-torn America, have been replaced by highly manicured fingers pointing at Little Rock and crying "Shame" for the unfortunate events in South America, Paris, Tokyo, Cuba, the Belgian Congo, and Laos. The logic by which the inference is made, that the South's reluctance to wholeheartedly embrace the bride (acquired at gunpoint) is responsible for the recent fall of friendly governments and the spread of Communism, would be laughable, were it not so tragic.

The civil rights platforms of both parties were ostensibly of, by, and for humanitarianism. But simultaneously with the stern admonition that "human rights must be guaranteed" came the stage whisper, "we need the Negro vote." "Human Rights" is a high-sounding term — but, "a rose, by any other name — —"

The conventions demonstrated that if it is politically expedient to help the dog wag the tail, (or vice versa) all efforts are directed to that end. The fact that the action is camouflaged behind an industrious waving of the American flag, or even an assortment of foreign flags, is not sufficient reason for the Southern delegates to sit mute with awe.

It has been pointed out that since the civil rights planks are directed at the North as well as the South, the Southern representatives had no need to keep a chip on their shoulders. But there was no elucidation on the fact that, although this "multi-pelleted" civil rights shotgun may be aimed in all directions, so far, every time it has gone off, the business end of the cartridge has landed somewhere in the South.

What the South now needs is less criticism and more genuine understanding. It needs encouragement and even praise, when the praise is sincere. But not hypocritical praise, used to cloak a basic resentful attitude.

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### Rollman Says Scenery Won't Be Marred By His Campaign Posters

Since W.N.C. is trying to extend the tourist season to October, the chances for extending it won't be marred by any of his campaign posters, according to Heinz Rollman, of Waynesville.

The G.O.P. candidate for Congress says he doesn't plan to use any posters in his present campaign.

"It would be a pity to ruin the beautiful countryside with posters on trees and telephone poles," he says.

Mr. Rollman does plan to use advertising on legitimate billboards during the campaign, however.

minutes before the first class session on October 3.

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