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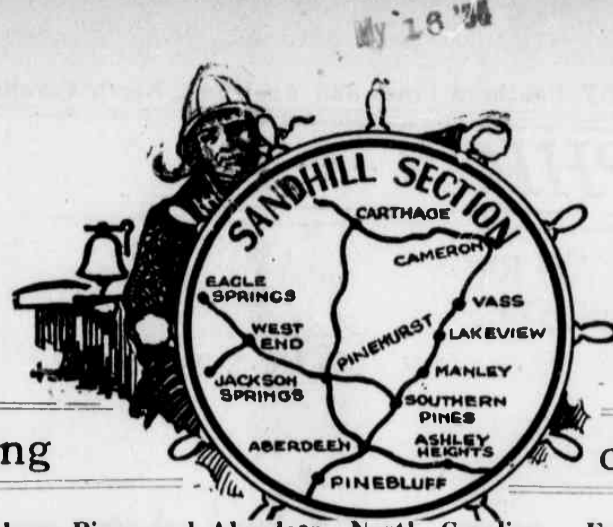
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CLYDE HOEY HITS AT McDONALD IN ABERDEEN TALK

Says Opponent Has Never Lifted a Finger For the Democratic Party

FOR SALES TAX CHANGES

Clyde R. Hoey, candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor, spoke to a representative audience of men and women at Aberdeen High School auditorium Monday.

"Only skilful and experienced drivers should be entrusted with the lives of children. It may be necessary to increase the drivers' pay in order to get more experienced men, but the main things is to get them and thus afford greater security."

Attacking in a mild but effective way the proposals of Dr. Ralph McDonald, the speaker reviewed the accomplishments of the Democratic party in North Carolina for the last 35 years, pointing out the improvement in roads, schools, hospitals, industrial schools, health service, etc.

"He promises to repeal any tax to which anybody objects and to increase any expenditure anyone wants. He knows what he promises can't be done."

"I don't believe it will be possible to repeal the sales tax at this time unless we are willing to cripple the schools, deprive old people of the security they should have from the Federal and State government, and put the State tax back on land. I am not willing to do any of those things, nor would I make a promise that could not be kept to get the office of governor, or any other office."

Continuing to pick flaws in Dr. McDonald, Mr. Hoey said, "He's the best friend the Republicans have. All G. L. Grissom, the Republican nominee, will have to do is to take Ralph McDonald's speech, change a few paragraphs and use it next fall. Although McDonald has lived in the state 12 years it was not until 1932 that he ever registered and voted."

No Democratic Helper

"It was only four years ago that he found out whether he was a Democrat or a Republican. He has never lifted his hand for the party. The only candidacy in which he ever took interest has been his own."

Mr. Hoey seems thoroughly in sympathy with the Federal government's plans for social legislation, crop control and other far-reaching public measures, particularly as they affect North Carolina.

"One thing we must not do is to (Please turn to page 5)

Arthur C. Everest, 77, Dies After Long Illness

Father of Charles C. Everest, Dies at His Home in Windsor, Conn.

Arthur C. Everest, father of Charles P. Everest of Southern Pines died at his home in Windsor, Conn., Sunday, May 10th after an extended illness. Mr. Everest was 77 years of age. Burial services were held Tuesday in Willimantic, Conn., with Masonic rites.

Mr. Everest is survived by one son, Charles P. Everest, who is now in Boston, Mass., and four daughters, Mrs. Florence Everest Tracy and Mrs. Homer R. Turner of Windsor; Mrs. J. Frank Haywood, Wellesley, Mass., and Mrs. W. A. Johnson, Bloomington, Ill.

S. P. GIRLS TO MEET WILMINGTON SATURDAY

The Southern Pines net lassies will seek revenge on the girls from Wilmington when they meet Saturday morning on the local school courts.

According to Mr. Hunter, local tennis coach, Wilmington has some of the best talent in the state and will offer stiff opposition. Lee and Lewis will occupy the number one and two spots for the visitors, while Wren and Barnum will furnish the opposition. Tentative line-up for Southern Pines is Wrenn, Barnum, Harloe, Ward, M. Spaeth, Grover, Kelley, and Blue.

Honored by Dentists



DR. E. M. MEDLIN

Dr. E. M. Medlin of Aberdeen was elected vice-president by acclamation at the State Dental Convention held at Pinehurst the first three days of this week.

NEW CANDIDATES ADD NAMES TO POLITICAL POT

Edward J. Burns, Carthage Attorney Out for Seat in Legislature

BOYETTE HAS OPPOSITION

As the final hour for filing notice of candidacy approached last Saturday, much fuel was added to the political pot in Moore county and the quiet simmer of a few days ago is rapidly changing to a rolling boil which bids fair to lose none of its heat until the democratic primary is over in June.

One of the candidates to file recently is Edward J. Burns, Carthage attorney, whose announcement appears in this issue and whose entrance into the race for the legislature causes this event to be a three-sided affair. Mr. Burns, a Duke graduate, completed his law course in 1929 and for the past six years has been practicing in his home town where he is prominent in civic affairs, having served as town attorney, member of the school board and chairman of the precinct committee of West Carthage. He is a son of the late Senator R. L. Burns who introduced the bill in the general assembly creating the present highway commission, and is a brother of Howard, city clerk of Southern Pines.

J. Hawley Poole, another candidate for the seat, announced last week that he was running on a platform of "Plain - Common - Horse - Sense. Mr. Poole is an influential peach grower of West End. The third of the trio is W. R. Clegg of Carthage, who was the successful contestant in the preceding election and whose achievements while in Raleigh are already well-known to the people of the county. This race promises to be an interesting one.

There are also three Democratic contestants for the office of solicitor, M. G. Boyette, the incumbent, who is at present assistant State manager of Hoey's campaign as well as chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee of Moore county; Henry Seawell, Carthage attorney and son of Herbert F. Seawell, Sr. of Carthage and Washington, and Carlton McDonald of Jackson Springs whose father was a well-known physician.

Interesting developments have occurred in the race for county commissioner from each of the districts, with opposition ahead for each member of the present board. In Carthage townships, Wilbur Currie, present chairman of the board who has been at the helm through several situations of outstanding difficulty during his tenure of office and who has shown wisdom and good judgment in meeting them, will be opposed by Reid Flinchum, Carthage merchant. (Please turn to page 4)

MABEL BEALE, 14, DIES, 2D VICTIM OF BUS ACCIDENT

State Investigating Tragedy at Carthage and Verdict of Coroner's Jury

SYSTEM IS BLAMED

A second victim of the school bus tragedy at Carthage, 14-year-old Mabel Beale, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Beale of near Carthage, died in the Moore County Hospital on Sunday, five days after the wreck. Earl Calloway, 10, died almost upon arrival at the hospital after the accident which injured some 17 children on their way to school.

The coroner's jury, impaneled by Coroner D. Carl Fry after the bus had left the highway, and struck a tree and turned over with its tragic results, exonerated 16-year-old Roy Calloway, substitute driver for his older brother, last Thursday afternoon, placing the blame rather upon a State system which permits schoolboys to drive school busses. The accident and the verdict of the coroner's jury is now the subject of investigation by the State School Commission at Raleigh. Seven children have been killed in school bus accidents since the State took over the transportation of pupils to and from schools, including the two latest Moore county victims.

Tracy Beale, father of young Mary, gave out a statement in Carthage this week that none of his other children would be permitted to ride in the busses until capable, adult drivers are employed, and this appears to be the sentiment of large numbers of parents throughout the county and state.

Funeral services for Mabel Beale were held Monday afternoon at Cool Springs Methodist Church near Glendon.

While hope for the recovery of the other injured children is held, it is reported that two, Mary Louise Inman and Annie Ruth Wallace, are quite seriously injured.

The tragedy has created a wave of resentment against the policy of the State School Commission in having schoolboys drive the busses, and parents along the route of the wrecked bus are loath to send their children to school in this way. Some are said to be remaining out of school, while others are being carried to and from school by their parents.

In discussing the tragedy, County Superintendent H. Lee Thomas made the following statement: "I am deeply grieved by the death and suffering caused by the accident of school bus No. 1 near Parkwood Tuesday morning. School officials here in the county have been doing everything they could under the State's very strict laws, rules and regulations to make school transportation safe for the children of the county. We certainly hope nothing of this kind will ever happen again and shall in the future (Please turn to Page 8)

Colored Hobo Victim As Boat Capsizes

Was Fishing with Local Man in Town Water Works Early Yesterday

A transient negro, Richard Brown of Columbia, S. C., was drowned and Paul T. Barnum of Southern Pines narrowly escaped from the boat from which they were fishing capsized in a deep section of the lake of the Southern Pines Water Department early Thursday morning.

After unsuccessfully trying to help the man, Barnum with considerable difficulty made his way to shore but the negro hobo, whom he had picked up at the station to row the boat, had disappeared.

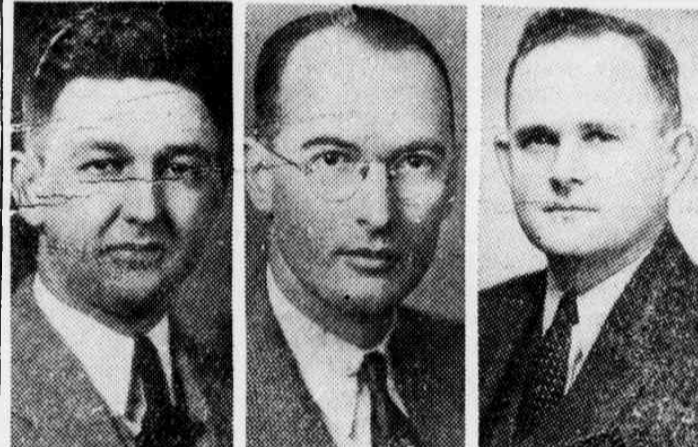
After getting ashore Barnum immediately reported the accident to the officials of the water department who started proceedings for the recovery of the body at once. It was found at 11:15 a. m. in eight feet of water by Albert L. Adams.

A coroner's jury at Southern Pines returned a verdict of accidental death by drowning.

State Dentists Gather at Pinehurst



DR. FRANK O. ALFORD



DR. Z. L. EDWARDS DR. NEAL SHEFFIELD

Pictured above are five officers and the president-elect of the North Carolina Dental Society which opened its 62nd annual meeting in Pinehurst Monday morning, the sessions continuing through Wednesday. Reading from top row, left to right, they are Dr. Frank Alford, of Carthage, secretary-treasurer; Dr. Z. L. Edwards, of Washington, president; Dr. Neal Sheffield, of Greensboro, Executive Committee; Dr. D. L. Pridden, of Fayetteville, president-elect; Dr. C. M. Parks, Executive Committee, and Dr. Paul Jones, of Farmville, Executive Committee.

Washington Art Critic Sings High Praise of Ruth Doris Swett

Her Etchings Selected for Exhibition in New York and California as Well as Smithsonian

High praise for a resident of Southern Pines, Miss Ruth Doris Swett, is found in an article in the Washington Star by its art critic, Miss Lelia Mechlin, anent the present exhibit of her work in the Smithsonian Building in Washington.

"Lovers of art and print collectors will find much to enjoy and admire in the joint exhibition of dry points, mezzotints, aquatints and etchings by Ruth Doris Swett and Alexandro Mastro-Valerio set forth this week and until May 20 under the auspices of the Division of Graphic Arts of the United States National Museum," the article says. a

"Miss Swett, who lives at Southern Pines, N. C., but has traveled and worked in all the South Atlantic states, took up etching only five or six years ago, in which time she has made rapid advance toward proficiency. From the Society of American Etchers' most recent annual exhibition her print "The Florida Pine" was selected as one of the "hundred best" to be exhibited at the Grand Central Galleries and later go on circuit; another of her Florida etchings was chosen by the California Print Makers for inclusion in their international show at Los Angeles. Here she displays 25 dry points, the majority of which are of trees, singly or in groups. Without restricting herself to any one kind of tree, Miss Swett has undoubtedly specialized in transcribing the long-needle pine of the South and has done it beautifully.

"Strength and Softness"

"There is something very graceful about these typically Southern trees, with their tall straight trunks and magnificently tassled heads. But they are not easy to draw or to etch, for they combine both strength and softness; their long "leaves" are like needles, but against the sky they appear as soft as velvet to the touch. It is just this combination of strength and lightness that this young etcher gets in her plates—especially in her prints showing single branches and plumed twigs. She herself has a lightness in her touch; she seems to have done her work not merely with enthusiasm but love, (Please turn to page 8)

Stutts Not In Race

Pinehurst Warehouses Head Declines Offer of Republican Party

In the issue of May 1, O. H. Stutts of Pinehurst was listed as running for County Commissioner on the Republican ticket. It seems that Mr. Stutts' friends put his name on the ticket without his knowledge and he offers the following explanation: "Most candidates, when running for public offices say that they have been urged by their friends to run but in this particular case none of my friends urged me; they simply put me on the ticket without my knowledge. While I appreciate their thoughtfulness I am not interested in running for any public office."

Taylor Chemical Plant Destroyed by Fire

Aberdeen Concern Completely Wiped Out In Early Evening Fire

Fire completely destroyed the expensive plant of the Taylor Chemical Company in Aberdeen Tuesday night. The fire, origin unknown, started about eight o'clock in the lower plant and the entire two buildings were enveloped in flames within a short time. Seven fire companies assisted the Aberdeen fire department in their efforts to keep the sweeping flames and exploding chemicals from the tanks of the Gulf Refining Company, a scant 100 feet from the blazing inferno, from becoming a conflagration that would have menaced the town.

The Chemical company, a frame structure 200 by 60 feet, was located adjacent to the Seaboard tracks, south of the tobacco warehouses. As the blaze reached the store of sulphur, exploding containers hurtling their contents high in the air above the flames made a spectacle of vivid beauty, fraught with appalling danger to the fire fighters. Sulphur fumes, so wide-spreading that the (Please turn to page 5)

Chandler Gives BOARD'S REASONS FOR POSITION

Defends Purchase of Church Property on Grounds of Expediency and Economy

TEACHERS IMPORTANT

In answering the various objections parents have brought up against the purchase of the Baptist Church for use for temporary quarters for the elementary grades R. L. Chandler of the school board states the position and reasons of the School Board convincingly. The principle objections, as was explained in The Pilot last week, came from parents who objected to sending their children to a frame building, to sending them across the railroad tracks, and from people who feel the purchase of the church property to be a waste of money. However, overcrowding is a situation that must be met at once if only by the best temporary methods devisable. Mr. Chandler herewith gives his reasons in support of his proposal:

"To the patrons and taxpayers of the Southern Pines School District:

"You have probably read with interest the article in last week's Pilot regarding the school situation in the district and the proposed plans to temporarily relieve the situation. (Please turn to page 5)

The position taken by the committee was that this is not the time to put forth efforts to increase the debt of the district by the issuing of bonds (even though that might be accomplished by an election at this time).

"Having insufficient space to take care of next year's enrollment it was up to the committee to in some way take care of the situation, with a very small expenditure of funds. The purchase of the Baptist Church at a nominal price, remodeling to suit our purpose, was the one method the committee felt might be done to overcome the difficulty, and would relieve the situation for possibly four years. At the end of four or five years we believe economic conditions would permit the committee to go ahead with a permanent plan. It appeared to be good sound business judgment to take the steps we proposed to take.

"It possibly has not occurred to many of us that there are many barriers to overcome in doing other than what we proposed to do. It is very doubtful that a school district under the present laws can issue bonds but if it is possible the procedure is rather cumbersome, expensive and exceedingly slow, except by act of the legislature. The procedure is about as follows, which may not be in exact order of procedure.

1. Employment of an attorney; 2. Adoption of proper resolutions by the School Committee; 3. Approval by the Local Government Commission; 4. Approval by the County Board of Commissioners; 5. Registration for special election within the school district requiring books to be open for registration approximately one month; 6. Challenge Day; 7. Election; 8. Certification of results of election to the County Board of Commissioners and adoption of proper resolutions by them; 9. Final approval by Local Government Commission; 10. Approval of procedure by a recognized Bond attorney before bonds are readily marketable; 11. Advertising of sale of Bonds, etc.

"Numerous resolutions must be adopted by several governmental units and other procedure is necessary to issue bonds, except when issued by act of the legislature.

"It does not appear that this would be a wise procedure at this time. A bond issue would necessarily increase taxes within the District and how much would depend entirely upon the size of the issue.

"From looking over the "Honor Roll" in last week's Pilot I fear many of us are not in position to pay more taxes at this time.

"I realize that the committee as a committee and the individual members thereof have been severely criticized by a very few people and while their criticism of the committee and members was harsh and offered no alternative, I assume they acted in good (Please turn to page 5)