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CLYDE HOEY ELECTED TO CONGRESS BY BIG MAJORITY

John Motley Morehead, Republican Opponent, Again Buried Beneath Avalanche of Democratic Votes.—Shelby Man Elected by Majority of From Two to Three Thousand.

Shelby, Dec. 16.—A thousand enthusiastic friends of Clyde R. Hoey celebrated tonight on his election to Congress over J. M. Morehead by an estimated majority of not less than 2,000 nor more than 2,500 when the Republicans confidently expected to elect their man. Cleveland county gave her favorite son 3,217 against Morehead's 1,306, a majority of 1,911, the largest Democratic majority Cleveland county has ever given in her history.

Hoey carried 20 of the 23 precincts in Cleveland. Returns are incomplete from several counties in the district. With four small precincts in Burke missing Hoey has a majority of 65, Gaston, which gave Webb Democratic majority of 1,000 last year, gave Hoey only 203. Hoey has a majority in Lincoln of 16, and in Mecklenburg a majority of 2,163. Catawba went Republican by 218, practically the same majority Jones had against Webb. Mitchell's Republican majority is reported at 850, while Madison gave Morehead 1,000 majority. Yancey and Avery had not been heard from tonight when local Democratic headquarters closed up.

Hoey will take his seat in Congress after the holiday recess.—News and Observer.

HOW AMERICAN DEAD WILL BE RETURNED

Washington, Dec. 17.—The War Department makes this announcement: "It is the view of the War Department that it is essential, in order that the project of returning the American dead from France may, as a whole, be carried on with expedition and efficiency, that all negotiations with the French authorities relating to this project and all arrangements relative to the shipment and transportation of the bodies should be handled by the proper governmental agencies, and that any departure from this policy whereby numerous private individuals would undertake to make such arrangements separately would undoubtedly result in delaying materially, if not seriously prejudicing the orderly and successful completion of the project as a whole."

"For this reason and in order that in the return of the bodies of the American dead, at the request of their relatives, no unfair discrimination may result against those relatives who are of limited financial means, individual requests of the character mentioned above will uniformly be refused, except where relatives desire to permanently inter the bodies of their dead in cemeteries of their own choice within the boundaries of Europe."

The Boys Who Left the Farms.

Of America's mighty war forces of more than four and a half million of men, 1,200,000, it is estimated, came from farms. Records in the Bureau of War Risk Insurance in Washington, D. C., indicate that these farm-bred or farm-raised boys carried Government life insurance amounting to over ten billion dollars.

During the earlier demobilization, it was so difficult to keep track of the discharged service men that it seemed as though a very large proportion of them did not return to their former addresses or homes. So many of the service men who had come from the farms seemed to be listening to the call of the city that it was feared more than four and a half million of going back to the farms. Later the tide of migration set in toward the country, and now it is believed that the loss in man-power to the farms as the result of former service men settling elsewhere may not be more than 500,000.

814 Stills Seized in State.

Raleigh, Dec. 18.—The annual report of the commissioner of internal revenue for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1919, shows that North Carolina continues to lead the union in the number of illicit distilleries seized, the total for North Carolina being 814; Georgia comes second with 789; Virginia third, with 356; Alabama fourth, with 348; South Carolina fifth, with 280; Tennessee sixth, with 226; New York seventh, with 126, and Kentucky eighth, with 125. In no other state were as many as 100 distilleries seized during the year.

The \$100,000 bond issue in Wake county for a county tuberculosis sanatorium failed Tuesday at the polls. Raleigh registered in favor of it but the opposition in the county was enough to defeat the measure.

MOST SUCCESSFUL LAND SALE.

John A. Johnson Farm Divided Into Thirty Two Small Farms and Sold At Auction Near Here Wednesday For Over Two Hundred Thousand Dollars.

The best and largest land sale ever held in this section of the State took place near here Wednesday when the Union Auction Company of Smithfield sold the John A. Johnson farm for \$205,800. This is a most valuable farm which had been sub-divided into 32 smaller farms. Some of this land brought over \$800 per acre. A large number of people bought these farms. This total tract contained 715 acres. About a year ago Mr. Johnson sold the farm for about one hundred thousand dollars. Three or four months ago it was sold by a local real estate firm to Mr. Newsom of Goldsboro for \$150,000. It was sold by Mr. Newsom through the Union Auction Company for the sum above stated.

Property around Smithfield is selling wonderfully well. The splendid school we have here is a big drawing card. Everybody today wants to get in reach of good schools and churches.

Death of Little Malissie.

On Sunday morning, November 23, the death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Johnson and took from them their darling little Malissie. She was born July 23, 1911, and died November 23, 1919. She was eight years, four months and twenty-three days old.

Little "Lissie", as we usually called her, was a sweet, lovable little girl and won her way into the hearts of those that knew her, especially her school mates.

Little Malissie leaves a broken-hearted mother, father, one sister and one brother besides a host of relatives and friends to mourn her loss. The funeral services were conducted at the home by Rev. Ben Jones and Rev. J. G. Johnson. The interment was made in the Woodmen Cemetery about three-thirty Monday evening in the presence of a large crowd of sorrowing relatives and friends. The floral offerings were many and beautiful, given by father and Princeton Graded School.

A FRIEND.

CLAYTON NEWS.

Clayton, Dec. 17.—Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Ellis and little daughter, Catherine, spent last Sunday in Goldsboro.

Mr. Otho Gulley spent last Sunday in Selma with relatives.

Miss Sulon McCollers will arrive today from Mary Baldwin Seminary at Stanton, Va., to spend the holidays with her parents.

Mr. Neil Barnes has been very ill as a result of an operation for the removal of his tonsils last week. He is still confined to his room but a little better at this time.

Mr. Paul C. Duncan of Roanoke Rapids was in town a few days last week looking after his store here preparing for the Christmas shoppers.

Miss Helen Rogers of Richmond spent the past week end at Mrs. John S. Barnes.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Yelverton of Fremont were in town Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Swade E. Barbour returned Monday night from their bridal tour in New York and other points of interest. They returned a few days earlier than they had planned and are now making their home with Mrs. Julian Barbour.

Mrs. Julian Barbour will be "at home" to a number of friends Thursday afternoon from 4:30 until 5:30 o'clock in honor of Mrs. Swade Barbour.

Miss Della Austin will arrive today from Charleston where she has been in school this fall to spend the holidays with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Smith spent Tuesday in Raleigh.

Miss Barbara Gulley spent Tuesday in Raleigh shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh A. Page have returned from Sanford where they were called on account of the death of Mrs. Page's mother, Mrs. Riddle.

Misses Carrie Austin and Helen Ellis went to Raleigh this afternoon shopping.

All the merchants have fully realized Christmas is almost here. Next week is the time when all of us should rejoice and be happy for it's a time only once a year.

Miss Ruby Ellis spent Monday in Raleigh.

Wilson Still Has Open Mind. Washington, Dec. 18.—President Wilson's mind is still open on the question of returning the railroads to private control, Secretary Tumulty today told a delegation representing union labor and some farmers' organizations, which called at the White House to present a letter asking the Executive to delay return of the roads for two years.

COTTON FARMERS FORM PERMANENT CAMPAIGN FORCE

North Carolina Division American Cotton Association Is Organized Wednesday.

(News and Observer.)

The North Carolina Division of the American Cotton Association was organized here yesterday at a meeting of farmers and business men representing the cotton growing sections of the State when addresses were delivered by Mrs. J. S. Wannamaker, president of the American Cotton Association; Col. Harvie Jordan, national campaign director; Former Congressman A. F. Lever, member Federal Farm Loan Board.

The permanent officers of the association, elected at the afternoon session, are: Mr. L. S. Tomlinson, Wilson, president; Mr. Frank Gough, Lumberton, first vice-president; Mr. Frank Shields, Scotland Neck, second vice-president.

The executive committee composed of one representative from each of the ten congressional districts and three selected at large is composed of the following:

Mr. Carl Turnage, Farmville; Mr. W. A. Pierce, Weldon; Mr. John R. Paterson, Clinton; Mr. W. M. Sanders, Smithfield; Mr. J. W. Whitfield, Creedmore; Mr. Walton Methune, Lumberton; Mr. U. B. Blalock, Wadesboro; Mr. I. M. Payne, Statesville; Mr. V. R. Mosteller, Lincoln county; Mr. W. E. Walker, Polk county; Mr. W. G. Newby, Hertford; Dr. Clarence Poe, Raleigh; Mr. G. B. Hadley, Greenville.

PRINCETON AND BOON HILL.

Princeton, Dec. 17.—The relatives and friends of Mr. W. T. Edwards will regret to learn that he has been confined to his home very sick for the past several days.

Miss Irene Woodley, Miss Ora Collins and Miss Mildred McElroy were visitors in town Saturday. They are teachers in one of our rural schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rains from Wilson are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Fields.

Miss Myrtle Snipes is visiting at LaGrange.

Miss Sallie Twiggs was a visitor in town Monday.

Two automobiles were stolen from Boon Hill township farmers last week. It is too late to put a lock on the door after your horse or car has been stolen.

There can be no finer specimen of young womanhood than those young ladies here who have politely declined to accept the company of any young man who smokes cigarettes. We honor them more than ever, if such a thing is possible, and we would be pleased to know that all the young ladies were requiring such a standard for young men. It is a positive fact that none of the young ladies use snuff.

The Baptist Sunday school will give each one of their students a nice Christmas present this year.

Every man in Boon Hill township should read the 16th verse of the 22nd chapter of Proverbs before Christmas.

In this day of hurry and fast living there is much wisdom in short sermons and short prayers, for each and all denominations in this section.

Miss Marion Jarvis and Miss Mamie Leatherwood from near Asheville were visitors in town Tuesday evening.

The box party at the school house last Friday night was quite a success. The receipts amounted to more than one hundred and thirty six dollars. Proceeds were for benefit of the school.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Cox from Bentonsville section have been spending the week in town. Mr. Cox is under treatment of Dr. Stevens, and has been very seriously affected with tonsil and throat trouble for several weeks. His condition today is much improved, and his many friends will be glad to learn that his chances for recovery are more favorable than they have been for some time.

Congress to Probe News Print.

The print paper shortage will be placed before the House Post Office Committee at hearings on the bill of Representative Anthony, to limit the size of newspapers and periodicals. Several state associations of newspaper publishers, largely representative of the smaller dailies, have informed the committee that they will be represented at the hearing.

The Anthony bill would fix the maximum size of daily papers at 24 pages, Sunday editions to 36 pages, weekly and bi-weekly periodicals to 75 pages and monthly periodicals to 100 pages.

Our deeds determine us, as much as we determine our deeds.—George Eliot.

LATER ELECTION RETURNS IN 9TH REDUCE MAJORITY

Final Figures Indicate That Burke County Was Carried by Republican Candidate.

Charlotte, Dec. 17.—Revised reports received from several mountain counties of the Ninth Congressional election district tonight reduced to less than 1,500 the majority of Clyde R. Hoey, elected yesterday over John M. Morehead, to succeed Yates Webb in Congress. Burke county, which was reported last night as having given Hoey a majority of 78 votes, gave Morehead a majority ranging from 100 to 150, according to a long distance telephone message tonight from the chairman of the board of elections who said, however, that complete returns could not be received before tomorrow.

In the face of complete official returns from a majority of the counties and incomplete returns from the others, Hoey's majority ranged from 1,071 to 1,477.

Mr. Hoey said over long distance telephone from Shelby tonight that reports received by him today gave Morehead 487 majority in Avery, 1,000 in Madison, 850 in Mitchell, and gave Hoey 100 majority in Yancey. Republican headquarters here concede Hoey a majority of 1,100.

MILLIONS OF PEOPLE IN EUROPE FACE STARVATION

Washington, Dec. 17.—Starvation faces from fifteen to twenty million persons in Central Europe outside of Germany unless "some quick means can be discovered for their assistance." Herbert Hoover, former Food Administrator said today in a formal statement. Unless relief is quickly furnished, he predicted, a breakdown of stable government in the countries affected and "creation of another cesspool like Russia."

To meet the situation, Mr. Hoover proposed that the "great surplus of wheat and flour" held by the grain corporation be sold on credit to Finland, Poland, Austria and other nations of Central Europe. The grain corporation, he said, could extend the credits out of the capital it already possesses without a call for special appropriations by Congress.

KENLY NEWS.

Kenly, Dec. 17.—Mr. and Mrs. L. Z. Woodard made a trip to Wilson Tuesday.

Mrs. F. A. Hardy is spending some time in Wilson visiting her niece, Mrs. E. E. Townsend.

Mrs. J. H. Kirby and daughter, Miss Gladys, went over to Wilson Monday on a shopping trip.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Z. Woodard were visitors at the home of Mr. James Woodard Sunday.

Dr. and Mrs. A. A. Turlington leave today for Roseboro to attend the marriage of Mrs. Turlington's sister, Miss Dixie Underwood. Mrs. Turlington will remain with relatives there for some time.

Miss Faye Barns spent the week end at home visiting parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Barnes.

Mr. C. C. Slavage from Danville spent last night with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Darden on his way to visit his mother in Tarboro.

Dr. and Mrs. R. A. Turlington were visitors in Wilson recently.

Mr. H. M. Grizzard has been confined to his bed for several days with lagrippe. Little Herbert, Jr., is ill also.

Dr. G. B. Woodard and nephew have recently returned from New York. Dr. Woodard's nephew has been undergoing treatment at the Johns Hopkins hospital.

Mr. J. H. Kirby left some time last week for an examination and treatment at the Johns Hopkins hospital in Baltimore.

FEDERAL SUGAR BOARD CONTINUED DURING 1920.

House of Representatives Passes Senate Bill by Overwhelming Majority—To Conference Now.

Washington, Dec. 16.—By a vote of 256 to 34, the house late today passed the senate bill continuing the sugar equalization board through 1920.

Amendments retaining in force the wartime powers of the government for controlling prices and movements of sugar were approved, necessitating the sending of the measure to conference committee of the two houses.

Boyd-Todd.

A quiet marriage was solemnized at the Baptist parsonage here Tuesday night, Rev. H. W. Baucom performing the ceremony. The contracting parties were Mr. Walter Boyd and Miss Alma Todd, both of Wilson's Mills.

A holy man is a whole man.—Anon.

SENATOR HARDING OUT FOR THE PRESIDENCY.

Ohio Senator Announces His Candidacy For the Republican Nomination—Is Third in the Senate.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Senator Harding, of Ohio, formally announced tonight his candidacy for the Republican presidential nomination in 1920. The announcement was made in a letter to Clare Hughes, of Piqua, Ohio, chairman of the Miami county Republican committee, authorizing the use of the senator's name in the choosing of delegates to the national convention.

Senator Harding is the third Republican senator to make known his presidential aspirations. Senator Poindexter, of Washington, and Johnson, of California, already have formally announced their candidacy and a formal boom for Senator Sutherland, of West Virginia, also has been inaugurated.

In his letter, Senator Harding said he would announce no platform as that was the duty of the national convention.

COAL PRODUCTION IN BIG FIELDS NEARING NORMAL

Production of bituminous coal has rapidly approached normal. Throughout the country reports indicate from 90 to 95 per cent of the mines either at work or ready to enter the mines as soon as they are put into shape for operation. In only a few instances were locals reported as still idle waiting for a further adjustment of wages.

Of the large producing fields, Indiana appeared to be closest to normal in the matter of coal mined, although reports from Illinois, Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia showed that production was rapidly on the increase.

Virtually all restrictions on use of fuel made necessary by the forty-day strike had been relaxed Monday.

Selma Connection Again Restored.

The Corporation Commission has ordered the Atlantic Coast Line to again make the Selma connection between A. C. L. train 83 and the Southern train from the west. The Coast Line broke the connection by three minutes, beginning last Sunday. The commission orders, through Lyman Deland, federal manager of the Coast Line, that the train be held until the Southern arrives. It is an important connection for all points in the southeastern part of the State and there was much complaint when it was broken.—Raleigh Times.

GREENDALE ITEMS.

Regular services were held at Center Ridge Presbyterian church Sunday.

Mrs. G. E. Woodard of Kenly spent the week with Mrs. J. W. Woodard.

Mr. L. B. Boyett and family spent Sunday with relatives near Pine Level.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Holland and little daughter, Mary Lou, of Benson, spent Wednesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. R. Holland.

Mr. J. W. Woodard and Dr. G. B. Woodard of Kenly spent the week in New York City.

Regular services will be held at Mt. Beulah church next Sunday.

We are glad to note that Miss Martha Starnell has returned to school after being ill several days.

Miss Sadie Creech from near Bethany spent the week end with Miss Ethel Boyett.

Misses Edna Jane Currin, Ethel Blackstock and Margaret Britt made a flying trip to Smithfield Saturday.

Mrs. B. Holland delightfully entertained at her home on last Saturday evening a number of her friends in honor of the seventh grade students of Greendale high school. Delicious ices were served and several games were played. All appeared to enjoy the evening.

BROWN EYES.

Secretary Lane to Quit Cabinet. Franklin K. Lane, Secretary of the Interior, is to leave the cabinet because he can no longer continue in public life at a personal sacrifice. Secretary Lane states that his resignation is not a result of any ill-toward the president, but his reason is a purely personal one. There is no future for Lane in political life. He is debarred from presidential ambitions because he was born in Canada.

Cabinet officers have complained before that they could not stand the pace in Washington at \$12,000 a year.

Colored Couple Married Yesterday.

Yesterday afternoon James A. Bethune and Nellie Williams were married in the office of Mr. H. V. Rose, the ceremony being performed by Rev. R. P. Merritt. They reside in Cleveland township.

READY FOR TAKING CENSUS.

Great Undertaking to Begin On January 2, 1920—Every Man, Woman and Child to be Enumerated.—The Active and Hearty Co-operation in The Census.

The Fourteenth Decennial Census, to which President Wilson has called the attention of the Nation in his proclamation made public recently is to be the biggest, best and most complete census of the United States ever taken if the plans of the Census Bureau do not go awry.

Director of the Census Sam L. Rogers has announced that everything is in readiness to begin the canvassing campaign that during the month of January, 1920, will cover every mansion, every cottage and every hut in the country. An army of more than 87,000 enumerators, under the direction of 372 census supervisors, will be engaged in making the count. Every person in the land will be enumerated and the names, ages, birthplaces and occupations of all of Uncle Sam's nieces and nephews will be set down and forwarded to Washington.

Many other questions concerning home tenure, citizenship, marital status, literacy, sex, color and race are contained in the population schedule which the enumerators will fill out from the answers given them.

Farmers also will be asked the questions contained in the agriculture schedule relating to their farms. These questions cover farm tenure, farm products, values of farm lands, building, implements and improvements, field crops, garden products, farm expenses, live-stock, poultry, bees, dairy products, improved and unimproved land, farm drainage and irrigation—in fact all phases of the farming industry are covered.

Even the family Ford will be counted, as, in fact, will all automobiles and tractors on farms. Questions as to telephones and electric-light, gas and water plants also are included in the group of inquiries which fall under the general heading of "farm facilities," the purpose of the Government in collecting information of this character being to show the modern improvements installed on farms during the past decade.

The Census Bureau desires to emphasize the fact the information gathered in the Census is for general statistical purposes only and that such information can not be used as a basis for taxation. Nor can such information be used to harm any person in any way. This is pointed out in the President's proclamation.

As a matter of fact the identity of individuals is lost as soon as the filled-out schedules are received at Washington. For upon reaching there the information is transferred from the sheets to cards. This is done by machinery and names are discarded entirely. Moreover, every person connected with the taking of the Census is prohibited by Federal law from divulging any information given them in the performance of their duties.

The Bureau of the Census has always had the willing cooperation of the public in the past and confidently looks forward to that same spirit of cooperation for the Census of 1920.—Otway B. Moss, Supervisor of the Census, 4th District, N. C.

THREE WEEKS SHORT COURSE IN AGRICULTURE

At the State Agricultural College, West Raleigh, there will begin on January 8 a Three Weeks Short Course in Agriculture. This course has been arranged by the College to come at a slack time of the year with farmers and to embrace only subjects of direct practical value to the busy farmer.

The course this year will include such matter as field crops, commercial fertilizers and farm manures, pruning, spraying, insect and disease enemies of crops and fruit trees and the most effective method of their prevention and control; farm dairying, poultry raising, livestock feeding, handling and judging, soil management, fruit and vegetable growing, diseases of farm livestock and their prevention and control, and gas engines and farm tractors.

Those attending the course will be supplied free tuition, and board and room may be secured in close proximity to the College at reasonable prices. Those wishing further information with reference to the Course, cost, etc., may secure it from the Dean of Agriculture, West Raleigh, N. C.

Winston-Salem Ranks Seventh.

According to figures from the treasury department, Winston-Salem ranks seventh as a port of entry. Its custom receipts for the last fiscal year were approximately \$2,778,000, and were exceeded only by New York, Philadelphia, New Orleans, Chicago, Boston and San Francisco.