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BAILEY OPENS HIS CAMPAIGN FOR GOVERNOR

Taxation, Freight Rates, And Political Awakening Are The Planks His Platform.

SPEAKS IN RALEIGH

The following account of the speech of Josiah William Bailey which opened his campaign for the governorship was taken from The News & Observer of March 11:

"The test of North Carolina's progress is not the number of millionaires who invite fawning not the number of temples palaces and towers but the improvement of the welfare of the common run of human beings, Josiah W. Bailey, candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor of North Carolina told a crowded court room last night as he opened his campaign for the governorship.

Picturing North Carolina as an aggregation of 500,000 families 450,000 of whom are living on a yearly income of less than \$2,000 and 350,000 of whom are living on less than \$900 he proposed to interpret politics in terms of human betterment and offered three objectives in the fulfillment of the high purpose of this progress: Fair freight rates, equal and just taxation, and a political awakening and restoration of representative government.

Mr. Bailey spoke for more than an hour and a half. All the seats in the court room, in spite of rain and snow and muddy roads, were occupied. Within the bar, many occupied chairs or leaned against the tables. At the rear of the room, a fringe of hearers were backed against the walls. Repeatedly he brought enthusiastic applause as he drove home his points. Afterwards, many of his home folks lingered to congratulate him.

J. B. Cheshire, Jr., Raleigh attorney, presided over the meeting last night and N. A. Dunn, a college mate of the candidate and a business man of wide activity, presented him.

"It looks," said Mr. Cheshire, "that Raleigh is going to have this year, a Governor of the State and a President of the United States."

Mr. Dunn referred to Mr. Bailey's long activity in North Carolina and his wide acquaintance and experience throughout the State.

"I have known him for thirty years," he said. I have always admired him. You could always tell where he stood. I have never seen him on the fence. His feet have always been planted on the moral side of every question."

"I am not a politician," he confessed. "I'm a mere business man. I want a Governor who will give us a good, sound business like administration. I want a Governor who will tell us how much North Carolina owes and I don't want him to take six months to tell us."

The speaker began with references to his love for Raleigh, and the interest in the welfare of Raleigh that has continually led him into political battles of one sort or another. Three thousand miles, he said, he walked from his home to the Centennial School to get an education in the public schools. He was proud that his early training came from that source.

"A man who gets his education at the public expense owes to the public as long as he lives a public debt he can never repay," he said, and moved on to a high tribute to Professor Hugh Morson, the head of the old Raleigh Male Academy who prepared him for college.

"In my opinion," he declared, "Hugh Morson is the richest man who has lived in Raleigh in my day and he will leave to his children the noblest heritage."

No personal ambition, no lust for

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Offers Kenyon Place Edwin Denby Vacated

Washington, March 12.—William S. Kenyon, former senator from Iowa, and now a federal circuit judge, has been offered the naval secretaryship by President Coolidge. He will give his answer to the President probably tomorrow.

Considered first by the President for the post of attorney general in event of the retirement of Harry M. Daugherty, Judge Kenyon was asked to come to Washington and, arriving last night, went direct to the White House. During a two hour conference with Mr. Coolidge he has said he was tendered the navy appointment and is understood to have asked that he be given until tomorrow to think it over and consult with some of his closest friends.

DR. WHITE PREACHES AT BAPTIST CHURCH

Wednesday evening Dr. John E. White, president of Amerson College, Anderson, S. C. preached at the Baptist church. Quite a large crowd was present to hear Dr. White who is scheduled to hold a series of meetings here in the summer. He has just closed a revival at Wake Forest College and stopped in Smithfield en route home.

Dr. White delivered a simple impressive sermon, using the following text from Jeremiah: "If thou hast run with the footmen and they have wearied thee, then how canst thou contend with horses?"

Oxford Singing Class Will Give Concert at Four Oaks 25th

The singing class of Oxford Orphanage will give a concert in Four Oaks school auditorium March 25th at 7:30 o'clock.

This class has gained an enviable reputation for giving concerts of a high order—concerts that are both entertaining and uplifting. Below we publish some comments on the concert given by this Class of children from which it seems that it maintains the same high standard of excellence and we believe that a pleasant and profitable evening awaits all those who attend.

The 14 girls and boys in the Oxford Orphanage Singing Class are representing about 375 children in that well known institution. Hear them sing and tell how you like them.

Fourteen orphans from Oxford sang to Fayetteville last night. If the Oxford Orphanage did nothing but develop that Singing Class it would still be quite worth while. The house was packed. Whether the large crowd was recruited from those who went for the sake of charity or from those who went to be entertained matters not. Every occupant of every seat in the LaFayette Theatre was more than repaid for his time and the price of his ticket—Fayetteville Observer.

Harnett County Will Vote On Special School Tax Bonds

Dunn, March 12.—An election has been called to be held throughout Harnett county on April 15 to vote on a county-wide special school tax not to exceed fifty cents on the one-hundred dollars property valuation. If the election carries the county will be re-districted and many of the smaller school districts will be consolidated and a number of new and modern school buildings will be erected. The purpose is to enlarge the educational advantages of the county as a whole and to give all the children the advantage of a high school. It is thought the election will carry.

Methodist Love Feast Called Off

The "Love Feast" which Rev. D. H. Tuttle announced would be held at the Methodist church this evening in the interest of the superannuated preachers fund, has been called off.

BUSINESS WOMEN'S CLUB CONSIDERED

All Business Women And Girls Are Called To Meet Tuesday Evening.

BETWEEN 35 & 40 ELIGIBLE

The initial step in a movement which may mean a great deal to the business women and girls of this city, was taken last week when Misses Cora Belle Ives and Ruth Wilson and Mrs. Joe Davis accepted an invitation of the Raleigh Business Women's Club to be present at a banquet held in Raleigh at the Presbyterian church Tuesday evening. Miss Elsie Riddick, State President of the Business and Professional Women's clubs, has been interested in the organization of such a club in Smithfield for some months, and the invitation was extended that representatives from this city might learn first hand more of the purposes of such clubs. Miss Katherine Robinson, of Fayetteville, chairman of the legislative committee, of the State organization was the principal speaker of the occasion.

Those who went to Raleigh Tuesday returned full of enthusiasm for a Smithfield club, and a meeting is being called for next Tuesday evening at Judge Brooks' office, at which time a discussion of the advisability of starting a Business Woman's club here. There are between 35 and 40 business women and girls who work in offices and stores eligible to membership, and each and everyone are cordially invited to the meeting Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. If the interest is sufficient, steps will be taken to organize, several of the Raleigh club having signified a willingness to come to Smithfield and assist in getting the club started. The meeting Tuesday evening is simply to talk things over.

PURCHASES EQUIPMENT FOR CABINET SHOP

Messrs. J. Lemuel Johnson and H. D. Ellington made a business trip to Greensboro last week where Mr. Johnson purchased a \$2,000 molding machine for his cabinet shop. Mr. Johnson has secured the location next to the Laundry on Fourth Street, and is fitting up an up-to-date cabinet shop—a business that will be quite an asset to Smithfield. The building occupied has recently been remodeled.

News of State and Nation

The terms of the new soldiers' bonus bill agreed upon by a sub-committee of the house ways and means committee, provides for paid-up life insurance policies. This way of helping the soldiers, it has been estimated, would cost only about two billion dollars, and not more than 90 million would have to be expended by the government in any one year. An effort is to be made to have the measure taken up next Monday.

The Board of Education of the N. C. Baptist State Convention has elected Prof. M. A. Huggins as corresponding secretary of the Board, succeeding Dr. R. T. Vann, who becomes associate corresponding secretary. Prof. Huggins, who is principal of the Scotland Neck Schools, at present, will take up his new duties at the expiration of his contract with the Scotland Neck Schools.

The fortieth annual session of the North Carolina Education Association met in Raleigh Wednesday and Thursday of this week. Wednesday evening the program included addresses of welcome and response, and an address by Dr. E. C. Brooks. The Association yesterday morning devoted its session to a general program, North Carolina school problems being discussed. The afternoon was devoted to departmental meetings. Three addresses featured the

WILSON'S LETTERS NOT YET PUBLIC

Mrs. Woodrow Wilson Checks Publication Of Husband's Letters For The Present.

TO MAKE DECISION LATER

Washington, March 11.—Mrs. Woodrow Wilson has decided to avail herself of her legal rights to check publication of selections from her late husband's letters and manuscripts until she can determine in what manner the war president's papers will be given to the public as a whole and in an authoritative way.

It is Mrs. Wilson's intention, as executrix of the ex-president's estate, either to have his papers and manuscripts assembled and published by some one who will act on her authority; or to gather them into a collection of Wilsonia and make it available to the public probably by depositing the papers in some National institution such as the Library of Congress.

Mrs. Wilson has been advised by her family attorney that as executrix of Mr. Wilson's estate she has legal rights in the publication of his letters and manuscripts, not alone under the law and authorities but under an amendment to the copyright law, now part of the revised statutes of the United States which provides as follows:

"Section 4967: Every person who shall print or publish any manuscript whatever without the consent of the author or proprietor first obtained, shall be liable to the author or proprietor for all damages occasioned by such injury."

Mrs. Roosevelt, acting under the provision of law, Mrs. Wilson has been advised, has stopped authorized publication of President Roosevelt's letters.

Since Mr. Wilson's death some of his letters have been published; some others have been offered for sale, and still others were in process of publication and widely advertised, until Mrs. Wilson determined upon her action. One publisher whose output runs into millions of copies made over a whole number of his publication after it was on the presses, and is now taking steps to recall copies which already were on their way to circu-

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Announce A Large Loan To France

New York, March 11.—Establishment of a banking credit of not less than \$100,000,000 in favor of the Bank of France has been arranged by an American banking group headed by J. P. Morgan and company, it was announced tonight.

The loan is fully secured by gold held in the vaults of the Bank of France, which is acting for the French government, and will be used to stabilize French exchange and for such other purposes as the French government may determine.

While details of the loan were not made public, it is understood that it will not run for more than one year.

RICHLANDS STRUCK BY A \$50,000 FIRE

New Bern, March 12.—Fire originating in the store of Roy Frazelle in Richlands at 2:25 o'clock this morning wiped out the mercantile establishments of nine other merchants, entailing a loss estimated at \$50,000 according to information. The fire is supposed to have started from a stove in the Frazelle store. It had gained considerable headway when discovered and in two hours the 10 establishments together with a vacant store had been leveled in ashes.

Help "The Forgotten Man" Urged by Rev. Mr. Tuttle In Letter

The following letter has been sent out by Rev. D. H. Tuttle to members of the Methodist church in regard to the offerings which will be taken next Sunday for "Worn-out" preachers, their widows and children.

The date is here, Sunday, March 16, 1924, for Centenary Church, Smithfield, to tell in terms of dollars, dimes, etc., its sympathy for our "Worn-out," aged and infirm preachers; their widows and children of deceased preachers of Southern Methodism. There are nearly 1,000 of these preachers, and more than 1,300 widows, many of them left with one or more fatherless children. From the offerings of next Sunday, and like offerings on same date for four successive years, it is hoped to raise a fund, the interest on which will easily and safely meet all the necessities of comfortable living for aged and infirm persons. Feeling sure that every member of our church wants to help in this gracious work, our Committee is sending, with this letter, an envelope to every member in every home of our congregation. Have your offering ready (if possible) to bring to church next Sunday morning, or evening. Let us prove by the abundance of our liberality that the "way worn travelers" of Methodism have no better friends any where than in Smithfield, N. C.

Smithfield Ladies Will Be Host to Missionary Workers of County

The Smithfield Auxiliary of the Methodist Woman's Missionary Society will be host to the county work on the 19th. It is earnestly desired that each Methodist church in the county send a delegation of their women members to this meeting. There will be subjects of importance discussed at this meeting and we trust of mutual helpfulness to all. There will be a morning and an afternoon session. Let us come together that we may further the work of the Master.

MRS. C. V. JOHNSON, Secretary.

Preaching At Hepzibah

Rev. S. L. Morgan will preach next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Hepzibah Baptist church.

AYCOCK MEMORIAL UNVEILED THURS. IN RALEIGH

Josephus Daniels Delivers Historical Address; Dr. Alderman Presides.

EXERCISES WERE SIMPLE

Yesterday North Carolina's educational governor, Charles Brantley Aycock, was honored again, when the memorial to his memory, a bronze monument of heroic size, was unveiled on Capitol Square in Raleigh. The meeting of the North Carolina Teachers Association was an appropriate occasion for this ceremony to take place, there being more than a thousand teachers of the State present for the event.

Memorial Exercises were held at noon in the city auditorium under the auspices of the Aycock Memorial Committee. Dr. Edwin A. Alderman, president of the University of Virginia presided at the meeting. In his introductory remarks, he delivered an appreciation of Aycock after which the address of presentation was made by Josephus Daniels. The acceptance of the statue in behalf of the State was made by Governor Cameron Morrison.

After the exercises at the auditorium, the service adjourned to Capitol Square where the monument, sculptured by the master hand of Gutzon Borghum, sculptor of Stone Mountain Memorial was unveiled. The inscriptions appearing on the monument were taken from Aycock's educational addresses.

Following is a history of the memorial prepared by Dr. J. Y. Joyner: "The suggestion that a suitable monument should be erected to the memory of Charles Brantley Aycock was made very soon after his sudden death in Birmingham, Ala., April 4, 1912, but the World War and its aftermath prevented the effective furthering of the idea until three or four years ago.

"From the first, the Aycock Memorial Committee had three ideas in mind.

"1. One was that the monument should be free-will offering by the people he loved and served, and of the boys and girls for whom he gave the gladdest service of his heroic life, and that no contribution should be received from the public treasury. About a third of the total amount came in pennies and dimes from countless boys and girls all over North Carolina for whom Aycock had widened the door of educational opportunity while the remainder expresses the love of men and women, sons and daughters of North Carolina, who followed him in his great campaigns and wished to express their appreciation of his life and service.

"2. The second purpose of the Committee was that the memorial should not be the mere statue of a man, and a mere representation of Aycock's form and features, but that in some beautiful and enduring way it should symbolize the ideals and aspirations for which Aycock stood and for which North Carolina stood under his leadership, that through the memorial Aycock should still live and speak his high message to all succeeding generations of North Carolinians. Through the genius of the artist as expressed in two remarkable historical panels, reinforced by some of Aycock's own eloquent words, this hope has been realized.

"3. The third hope of the Committee was that the memorial was that the memorial should be a genuine and notable contribution to the art treasures of North Carolina and the South.

To get his wealth, he spent his health, And then with might and main, He turned around and spent his wealth,

To get his health again. —Campaign, Illinois.