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BILL TO INCREASE SALARY DEFEATED

Majority Against Measure to Increase Legislators' Salary Now 3,500.

PORTS BADLY BEATEN

Raleigh, Nov. 8.—With returns slowly coming in from rural and remote counties, the constitutional amendment providing for increasing the salary of members of the North Carolina general assembly today was running far behind the other amendments voted upon at Tuesday's election. With returns from 1,293 out of the 1,730 precincts in the state and tabulated tonight a negative majority of 3,561 had been recorded against the proposal.

The vote in the 1,293 precincts, which represented 67 counties complete and three incomplete, was: For 83,542; against 87,103.

Most of the counties remaining to be heard from are comparatively small. A number are reported to have given majorities for the proposition but the actual vote was not available, in some instances tabulations not having been completed. In most instances the negative majorities reported have been small, but the cumulative effect was enough to overcome the good majorities received in the more popular counties in which cities are located.

Throughout yesterday and up until noon today the proposal had shown a favorable majority, sometimes running well over 5,000 votes. With the receipt of rural counties, however, this was gradually whittled down until with the receipt of the official vote reported by registers of deeds from 19 counties the favorable majority was wiped out and a negative majority established. In only five of the counties reporting late today was a favorable majority shown, the others showing small majorities against it.

The other three constitutional amendments had good majorities in their favor with about half the precincts in the state reported. The debt-limiting amendment in 880 precincts showed a favorable vote of 78,517 to 222,722 against it; the sinking fund amendment showed 69,930 for it and 27,976 against it in 892 precincts, and the homestead tax exemption amendment in 890 precincts showed 93,623 for and 27,631 against.

The majority against the port terminal bill tonight was 45,561 with 1,310 out of 1,730 votes reported and tabulated. This does not include a majority of 546 in favor of the measure from Columbus county without the actual figures being reported. The vote was: For 108,919; against 154,480.—Associated Press.

Sunday School Expert To Visit Princeton

On next Wednesday night, November 12, Professor E. L. Middleton, of Raleigh, will speak in the Baptist church at Princeton on "Sunday School Equipment". Professor Middleton has been engaged in the Sunday school work for a number of years. He has made equipment one of his specialties, and has proven himself a master in this line.

The regular monthly services of the Baptist church will be held next Sunday, November 16, the pastor preaching morning and evening.

JAS. W. ROSE, Pastor.

Benton Wharton on Debating Team

Mr. D. Benton Wharton, a Senior at Davidson College this year, has been chosen to represent his college on the debating team which will meet Emory University, Atlanta, Ga., on December 5. Others to speak with Mr. Wharton are: A. H. Hollingsworth, Jr., Atlanta, Ga.; C. W. Williams, of Davidson. B. U. Ratchford, of Gastonia, was named as alternate. The query for debate is "Resolved: that Sterling-Reid Educational Bill should be enacted into law by the present Congress." Davidson will uphold the affirmative of the query.

Messrs. Lawrence Brown, Walter Brown and Miss Ruth Brown spent Sunday in New Bern with friends.

Two More Smiles of Victory



Mrs. Calvin Coolidge and Mrs. Chas. Dawes, in an unconventional pose, rejoice in the victory of their husbands.

TEACHERS FOR SIX MONTH SCHOOL MEET

For the First Time in Seven Years Johnston County Has Full Quota Teachers

For the first time in seven years the Johnston County schools opened with a full quota of teachers. Since before the World War it has been difficult to secure teachers for all the schools in the county by the opening day, but this year County Superintendent H. B. Marrow and his assistant, Miss Mary E. Wells, have been able to employ the desired number. The eight-months schools opened on October 15 and the seven-months schools opened a week ago, on November 3.

Saturday morning at ten o'clock the teachers of the six-months schools met in the court house here for the conference preparatory to the opening of their schools yesterday, November 10. One hundred thirty-five teachers answered the roll call. In the absence of Mr. Marrow, county superintendent, Miss Wells had charge of the meeting. At this time registers and blanks were distributed among the teachers and plans for the year's work were discussed. In speaking of the work for the year, Miss Wells emphasized the fact that each teacher was supposed to make full time, or one hundred and twenty days.

Quite a number of committeemen were present and after the meeting took the teachers to their respective schools.

CLAYTON BANK CUTS BIG CAKE

Clayton, Nov. 8.—This town was full of cake eaters tonight. Conservative estimates made the number about a thousand. The occasion was the cutting of the big cake of the Clayton Banking Company which was the culmination of a week of celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of this strong financial institution. President Charles W. Horne and Cashier John T. Talton both made brief remarks voicing their appreciation of the patronage of the public and according a hearty welcome to the throngs of visitors.

MORE AWARDS FOR HERALD SUBSCRIBERS

In addition to the many other awards for getting subscribers to The Smithfield Herald you can win one or more of the following:

- Eight pound Kingan's Ham. Value \$2.80. On display at City Market. Given for 4 yearly subscriptions.
- New Perfection Oil Stove. Value \$32.50. On display at Jordan-Edmundson. Given for 50 yearly subscriptions.
- Girl's Wool Dress. Sizes 12 to 14. Value \$7.50. On display at A. G. Rabil's. Given for 10 yearly subscriptions.
- Superior Heterodyne Radio Set. (Complete). Value \$300.00 On display at Hood Bros. Given for 425 yearly subscriptions.
- Fifty Victory Theatre adult tickets or 70 children's tickets. Good any time within 12 months from date issued. Value \$15. Given for 18 yearly subscriptions.
- Indestructible Pearls (Delta). Value \$17.50. On display at T. C. Jordan & Son. Given for 24 yearly subscriptions.
- Gordon's Silk Hose. Value \$3.50. On display at Davis Department Store. Given for 4 yearly subscriptions.
- Edison Hot-Point Electric Iron. Value \$7.50. On display at L. M. Rhodes'. Given for ten yearly subscriptions.

Please remember that these are awards offered in addition to scores of others.

CONFERENCE MEETS IN WILMINGTON

Eighty-eighth Annual Session To Be Held at Grace Street M.E. Church This Week.

BISHOP WILL PRESIDE

The North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, will meet in its eighty-eighth annual session, in Grace church, Wilmington, next Wednesday morning, November 12, at 9 o'clock, Rev. Bishop Collins Denny, of Richmond, Va., presiding. Rev. A. D. Wilcox, pastor of Grace church, will be in charge of the entertainment of the conference.

This session of the conference will make the eighth annual gathering of this body of Christian workers to be held in the city of Wilmington since its organization in 1838. The first meeting of the conference held in the port city was in the fall of 1855, and Bishop J. O. Andrew was the presiding officer and Rev. Ira T. Wyche was at the secretary's table. The statistic for that conference shows at that time there were 29,461 white members, and 10,187 colored with 244 Sunday schools and 11,178 scholars. These figures indicate the total number of Methodists in the state at that time as the conference had not been divided.

At the session held in Elizabeth City in 1923, the reports showed that there were 107,497 members of the church within the bounds of the conference, 729 Sunday schools with 7,133 teachers and a total enrollment of 90,220. At that time there were within the bounds of the conference 762 churches valued at \$5,875,071. The conference owned 209 homes for preachers valued at 1,007,650 and other property worth \$273,872. In 1923 there was raised for church buildings and parsonages \$398,251. There was paid that year for presiding elders' salaries \$32,556 and to encourage work \$117,086; general work \$84,500; centenary pledges paid \$129,000; preachers in charge \$394,960; conference, making a grand total for the year \$1,637,675.

There are nine presiding elders' districts in the conference: the Durham, Dr. M. Bradshaw, presiding elder; Elizabeth City, C. B. Culbreth; Fayetteville, R. H. Willis; New Bern, J. C. Wooten; Raleigh, M. T. Plyler; Rockingham, J. H. Shore; Washington, S. A. Cotton; Weldon, S. E. Mercer; Wilmington, J. M. Daniel. Two of these, Revs. J. H. Shore and J. M. Daniel, have served the full quadrennium allowed, and will be transferred to new fields of work for the incoming year.

The conference owns two educational institutions, Carolina College at Maxton and Louisville College at Louisville. It is joint owner with the Western North Carolina Conference of Greensboro College and Trinity. Last year these institutions carried a corps of teachers numbering 109 with 1,400 students.

The Methodist Orphanage at Raleigh is the pride of the North Carolina Conference. Mr. A. S. Barnes is the superintendent and he has 250 children under his care. The property is valued at \$750,000.—A. T. Sikes, in the News and Observer.

Business Meeting at Baptist Church

The Smithfield Baptists will hold their annual business meeting tomorrow night at 7 o'clock in the church. Officers for the coming year are to be elected, including Superintendent of the Sunday school, clerk, treasurer, and financial secretary. Reports will be heard from all the departments of the church covering the work of the past year. A musical program will be given as a part of the evening, and at the close refreshments will be served and a social half-hour will be provided, that all may become better acquainted. All the Baptists of the town are invited, whether members of the local church or not. All members of the church are urged to be present.

Bazaar to be First Week in December

The Christmas bazaar conducted by the Missionary Society of the Methodist church will come during the second week in December. The date and place will be given later.

2-Year-Old Baby Eats Poison Tablets; Is Dead

A tragic accident occurred here Saturday morning about eight o'clock when Marvin, the 26-months old son of Mr. and Mrs. V. J. Underwood, ate a number of poison tablets. His mother, who had been suffering from high blood pressure, was taking the tablets and had left them on the kitchen table after taking one the night before. Marvin was the first to go into the kitchen the next morning and when his mother went to him she found he had been eating the tablets.

He was immediately rushed to the Smithfield Memorial Hospital where everything possible was done to save his life, but the tablets had dissolved and the poison was already taking effect. After suffering for some time he died about 11:30 o'clock.

The funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at three o'clock at Johnston Union church near Wilson's Mills, Rev. S. L. Morgan, pastor of the Baptist church here, conducting the services, and the little body was tenderly laid to rest in the cemetery at the church. Beautiful floral designs covered the grave. The pall bearers were: Messrs. S. H. Massey, G. T. Powell, Elbert Fitzgerald and W. C. Pierce.

The little one is survived by a mother and father and one brother and one sister. He was a grandchild of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Beasley, of this city, and of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Underwood, of near Wilson's Mills.

The bereaved ones have the sympathy of the entire community in their loss.

FORMER GOVERNOR KITCHIN IS DEAD

Had Served Twelve Years in Congress and Was Elected Governor in 1908

Scotland Neck, Nov. 9.—W. W. Kitchin, former governor of North Carolina, former representative of Congress and a brother of the late Claude Kitchin, Democratic house leader died here today after a long illness.

Mr. Kitchin recently became critically ill but yesterday rallied and appeared to be growing better. During the night, however, he suffered a relapse and died at 3 a.m. All members of his family were at his bedside. Funeral services will be held at the Scotland Neck Baptist church at 4 o'clock Monday afternoon.

William Walton Kitchin was a member of a family long prominent in North Carolina politics, and which furnished, at various times, three members of Congress. His father, Captain William H. Kitchin, represented the second North Carolina district in the forty-sixth Congress, and later his brother, Claude Kitchin, represented the same district.

Former Governor Kitchin represented the fifth district for 12 years prior to being elected governor.

Governor Kitchin was born at Scotland Neck, October 9, 1866. He graduated from Wake Forest College in 1884 and became editor of the Scotland Neck Democrat. In 1887 he was admitted to the bar and took up the practice of law at Roxboro in 1888.

In 1896 Governor Kitchin was elected to Congress from the fifth district, defeating Thomas Settle, Republican, who had represented the district for many years, after a series of joint debates. He was the only Democrat elected to Congress from the State in that election.

He continued in Congress until 1908 when he was nominated for governor. In 1912 he was defeated for the Democratic nomination for United States senator by Senator F. M. Simmons. He then retired from politics and was a member of the law firm of Manning & Kitchin until 1918 when he retired because of ill health.—Associated Press.

To be lied about than to be the liar.
To be slandered than to be the slanderer.
To be cheated than to cheat.
To be imposed upon than to be the bully.
To Lose your money than to be the thief.
To be the victim than the sinner.
To be defeated than to stoop to defeat.
—Kiwian Roy L. Smith

PRINCETON SCHOOL DEDICATED FRIDAY

Dr. William L. Poteat, President Wake Forest College, Makes Dedicatory Address.

HON. GEO. HOOD SPEAKS

Princeton, Nov. 10.—The new school building at Princeton was dedicated Friday morning, November 7, at eleven o'clock.

Dr. Wm. L. Poteat, from Wake Forest College, delivered the dedicatory address. The exercises were under the auspices of the Junior Order Council of Princeton. A flag and a Bible were presented to the school along with a marble plate to commemorate the occasion. Supt. H. B. Marrow, of Smithfield, introduced Dr. Poteat as the one man of today who sees more clearly perhaps than any other in the state the relationship between life, education and religion.

The theme of Dr. Poteat's address was the function of the school. The school primarily exists, he said, to train boys and girls to take the places of their fathers and mothers. The wisest provision which nature has made, he said, is the scheme by which old life is replaced by new life. It is due to the fact that new life comes along better trained than the old to meet its duties and responsibilities that we have progress and civilization on the earth.

Dr. Poteat gave as the second function of the school, the creation of interest in the community to a higher plane of living, mentally, morally, and physically. He enumerated several schemes for doing this and mentioned the fact that the colleges of the State are ready and eager to help the local schools in this respect.

In conclusion he gave as the real tests to determine whether a school has been successful the following: first, do the children look better; second, do they work more efficiently; third, are they morally better?

The exercises in the afternoon began at two o'clock. The Juniors marched from their hall to the school auditorium. A patriotic address was delivered by ex-congressman George Hood from Goldsboro, who explained the principles for which the Junior Order stands, Purity, Liberty, and Patriotism. At the close of his address, he presented the flag and Bible which were received by Professor Young, principal of the school. The exercises were concluded by the raising of the flag while the national anthem was being sung by four hundred boys and girls and a large concourse of visitors.

Father and Daughter Hurt In Auto Accident

An automobile accident with near fatal results occurred on the highway above Clayton Tuesday night when an automobile driven by Adolphus Bumpass, colored, of near Garner, ran into a wagon in which Mr. Jasper Ellis and thirteen-year-old daughter, also of near Garner, were riding.

Mr. Ellis and his daughter were thrown from the wagon when struck by the automobile and he sustained injuries of a more or less serious nature, and his daughter was also painfully hurt. The negro's machine was considerably damaged but he was not hurt. Mr. Ellis and the young lady were brought to Clayton for medical attention. The driver of the car was arrested, and given bail Wednesday morning in the sum of \$1,000, pending the outcome of Mr. Ellis' injuries. It was stated that the negro was in fault and that he was driving without lights.

Bumpass was unable to furnish required bond and was taken to jail.—Clayton News.

Mrs. P. T. George Dead

News has reached here of the death of Mrs. P. T. George, of Bentonville township, who died at her home yesterday morning about ten o'clock. Mrs. George was stricken with paralysis several days ago, and had never recovered from the attack. She will be buried this afternoon in the family cemetery. A more detailed account of her death will be given in a later issue.