

LEE ATTACKS PARTY RECORD OF DEMOCRATS

Republican Clerk of Court Of Johnston County Speaks Here

LAUDS G. O. P. RECORD

Wheeler Martin Says Democrats Would Be Lost Without Oil Scandals To Talk About

Mentioning tariff and immigration as the two most important issues in the present presidential campaign, Mr. Lee, Republican clerk of the court of Johnston County, addressed eighty citizens of the county here last night in the courthouse. The address was warmly received by many of the small audience.

"For seven weeks, now," there has been an endless flow of windjamming, most of which has come from the other side; but if it wasn't for the Teapot Dome and oil scandal, the Democrats would have nothing to talk about in this campaign," Attorney Wheeler Martin stated in introducing the speaker of the evening. Mr. Martin's introduction was short and had very little to do with the campaign issues.

Mr. Lee, after a few remarks praising Martin County and its farming, entered into the question dealing with the tariff. "The Democrats have adopted the same policy as that of the Republican Party relative to a tariff, yet they do not exactly know where they stand in the matter," he stated. Mr. Lee maintained that the people had been misled as to the tariff policy of his party, that his party's policy was for the protection of the entire country. "In every one of their administrations the Democrats have adopted free trade or lowered the tariff, and what has the action ever amounted to?" Mr. Lee asked. He talked on the question at length, explaining cheap labor conditions in foreign countries as compared with labor conditions here. "The Democratic party took tariff by the hand and Tammany Hall led Al Smith down and took the country by the throat," he stated. "Tariff on a few farm commodities were mentioned, such as 15 cents on corn, 50 cents per bushel on potatoes, and 12 cents per pound for butter."

"There are widely differing views on the immigration question," Mr. Lee stated, when he approached the second of his main issues. "When the Republican Party came into power in 1921, immigrants were coming into this country unrestricted, labor conditions were acute, 5,000,000 people were without work, but the party called a halt and things picked up from then until now," it was said. The policy of the Democrats is for a 45 per cent increase in the number of immigrants, according to the speaker, and the way it will be worked will mean an increase in the number from the southern part of Europe of 500 per cent, it was further pointed out.

Leaving the two main issues advanced, Mr. Lee stated that his audience was intelligent, that the negro question could be passed by. He claimed that he could tell things about the negro in the Democratic party, but that was disgusting, according to his opinion.

He mentioned upon the authority of Simmons' statements that the Democratic Party was carrying on a two-faced campaign, that the party was dry in the South and wet everywhere else. "But Hoover is in favor of enforcing the amendment," he informed his hearers.

Hoover was made the man of the country when Mr. Lee stated that he was the backbone of the Wilson administration that he saved the country, and never failed in an undertaking. "As Secretary of Commerce, Hoover has done for American homes than any other man. He is a man of ability, one who will carry on the flag and develop natural resources."

STRAND THEATRE

WEDNESDAY

KEN MAYNARD in the UPLAND RIDER

Also 2-REEL COMEDY and FREE TICKET FOR SHOW FRIDAY

Few Registering in County; Books Will Close Saturday

Thirty-Five Have Registered in Williamston Township So Far; Expecting Around One Hundred; Voters Registering in Other Sections Very Few

Thirty-five new names have been placed on the registration books in this township since they were opened the 6th of this month, according to J. L. Hassell, registrar for this township. Registration in the other precincts is said to be progressing very slowly, very few names having been placed on the books since they were opened.

The books will close at sunset next Saturday and the registrars throughout the county are making a last call to those citizens who are

eligible to register and have not done so at this time.

With an extensive canvass on in the county this week, it is the opinion of many that the majority of new names will be added between now and Saturday. "We are expecting at least 100 new names on our books here," Registrar Hassell stated yesterday.

It is no bad idea for every one who wishes to vote in the next election to visit the place of registration in their precincts and see that his name is on the books.

SCHOOL AT FARM LIFE ENROLLS 131

Is Largest Enrollment in History; Seventeen in First Grade

The Farm Life Junior High School opened the 1928-29 session yesterday morning, with one of the largest enrollments in its history 131 pupils registering during the morning. Where the school had six in the first-year class last year, seventeen pupils enrolled yesterday for the first time. One hundred and twenty-five pupils enrolled at the opening of the school last term.

"When all the crops are harvested, the enrollment will probably include more than 150 pupils," Principal R. B. Talley stated yesterday. "While the late enrollment of several will interfere with the work to some extent, it is pleasing to note that the number on opening day this year is larger than it was last term," the principal went on to say.

The exercises yesterday were featured by short talks made by Superintendent R. A. Pope, C. C. Coltrane, committeeman, and Rev. W. B. Harrington. Mr. Henry Roberson, ex-committeeman, spoke in behalf of the patrons of the school, who attended in a fair number.

Laboratory equipment has been provided in the school this year, and subjects having to do with commercial work and physical geography will be given under the direction of Miss Zilla Winn, of Danville, Va. While these subjects will be confined to the ninth and tenth grades, a course dealing with general science will be offered to eighth grade pupils.

NEW FIRE TRUCK ARRIVES HERE

Is Being Unloaded Today; Instructor To Be Here Several Days

Williamston's new \$12,500 fire truck arrived yesterday and is being unloaded at the freight station this afternoon. The purchase contract called for the delivery of the truck not later than the 25th.

Chief H. D. Harrison with several of the volunteer firemen is assisting a representative of the manufacturer in unloading the machine. Instruction as to the use of the truck will be given during the next several days by representatives and during that time the company will hold daily practice.

Week's Program of Democratic Canvass

The following speakers will carry on the Democratic canvass in the county this week:

Wednesday, October 24, 8 p. m.—Clay Carter at Everetts in the school auditorium.

R. J. Peel at Bear Grass, in the school auditorium at 7:30 o'clock.

Popular Chapel at 8 o'clock, speaker to be announced.

Thursday, October 25—J. Crawford Biggs, Robersonville in Cox Motor Company's new building.

R. J. Peel at Bear Grass in the school auditorium at 7:30 o'clock.

E. S. Peel at Sandy Ridge in the school building at 8 o'clock.

A. R. Dunning, Lilly's Hall at 8 o'clock.

3 Baby Girls Born in Some Locality on Successive Days

The announcement of the birth of three baby girls in as many days was accepted throughout the community as great news. On October 16, a fine baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Carraway. The following day a fine baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Pete Mendenhall and on the third day a fine baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Ingalls.

He ended his address when he said, "Vote for Hoover November 6, and rest assured that the United States will go on as never before."

EX-SERVICE MAN COMPARES SECTS

"Fights Fire With Fire" By Comparing Quakers and Catholics

"And it is the truth" stated a local ex-service man yesterday when he read an article by L. L. Yandell, of Jackson, Miss., in which the actions of Catholics and Quakers were pointed out during the World War. "We boys," the local ex-service man said, "were laughed at by more than one big healthy Quaker as he walked out of Uncle Sam's service on account of his belief, and the article should be broadcasted."

Excerpts from the article follow: At this time there are lots of things being said for and against the two nominees of the major political parties, Smith and Hoover. In my section of the country, the South, a few religious bigots and intolerants are against Governor Smith because he is a Catholic.

I wish to state that I am a Protestant and Master Mason, and have been since I reached legal age, and I am for Smith.

Some people say "Catholics all vote together." This is not true. France and Mexico, both over 90 per cent Catholic, have Protestants and Masons as presidents.

I enlisted in the Army April 7, 1917, the day after war was declared, and was in the Army until after the armistice was signed. When we left our homes and loved ones, our people escorted us to our trains with brass bands, and there, with tears in our eyes, we told our mothers, wives, and sweethearts good-by, and they, with prayers on their lips, bade us God-speed to stop the murderous Hun.

They told us there would be nothing too good for us when we returned: We fought for 18 months on foreign soil to make "the world safe for democracy." We left many of our buddies sleeping in Flanders' snow-cold fields, never to return.

Over there we had Protestants and Catholics, Gentiles and Jews, but there were no Quakers there. It makes my blood run hot when I think of being at Camp Mills, Long Island, N. Y., and seeing a large group of Quakers sent home, they being "conscientious objectors," and opposed to going to war for any cause whatever.

If you have any doubt as to the patriotism of the Catholics of this country, you will find that over 60 per cent of the volunteer army with religious affiliation during the World War were Catholics.

I am not a religious bigot or intolerant, and Hoover being a Quaker would not keep me from voting for him for Secretary of State, State Auditor, or Attorney General, but the President of the United States is commander-in-chief of our Army and Navy, and to have a Quaker who is opposed to defending our country for any cause whatsoever would be a dangerous thing. I am of the opinion that the American flag could be insulted, knocked down and trampled under foot, and he would be opposed to war.

The Quakers have all the protection of our flag, but they have never defended it from the Revolutionary War to the World War.

The sergeant major of my regiment was a Catholic and a Knight of Columbus. He died with his head in my lap. His last words were, "Buddy, I won't be with you to help break the Hindenburg line, but you do your part and mine, too."

I think it would be a slap in the face of every World War veteran to elect a Quaker, a man whose sect and religious cult is opposed to defending our country in time of war from any cause whatsoever, commander-in-chief of the American Army and Navy.

I am yours for a patriotic country.

Mrs. Laura Welch, of Norwalk, Ohio, is visiting her sister, Mrs. M. J. Norton, on Main Street, for an indefinite time. Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Tilton, of Delaware, Ohio, and daughter, Mrs. J. B. Smith, of Birmingham, Ala., were also guests last week end at the Norton home.

TEACHERS HOLD REGULAR MEET HERE SATURDAY

Perfect Organization; Work is Divided Into Five Groups

SEVERAL ADDRESSES

Health Education Stressed by County Superintendent; Large Number Absences Also Discussed

The teachers of the Martin County schools held their second meeting of the 1928-29 term here last Saturday afternoon in the Methodist church, the local school auditorium having been turned into classrooms. The session was opened by the organization's president, Mr. D. N. Hix, principal of the Everetts school.

The organization of the unit was perfected with the division of work into five groups with two leaders each. Professors A. L. Pollock, of the Jamesville school, and R. I. Leake, of Robersonville, were made leaders of the high school and principals' group. For the grammar grade A group, Misses Lucille Allen, of the local school, and Millie Roebuck, of Robersonville, were named the leaders. Professors L. B. Wynne, Parnelle principal, and D. N. Hix, principal at Everetts, will be head of the grammar grade B group.

In the primary groups, Mr. L. H. Davis, Misses Essie Jordan, Vero Hair, and Leona Martin were named as the leaders. Room assignments for the several groups were made, and the regular work will be started at the next meeting which will be held the third Saturday in November.

Aside from the perfection of the teacher organization, health education was stressed in the regular course of work offered in the school by Supt. R. A. Pope. Mr. Pope asked the teachers to see to it that all contagious diseases are reported to the county health officer, Dr. William E. Warren, promptly, and urged the teachers to point out to the school patrons the necessity of having children's tonsils removed.

The large number of absences in many of the schools was brought up for discussion by the county superintendent, who referred to the compulsory attendance laws. He stated that it was the duty of the teacher to investigate every individual case and act according to their knowledge and judgment in an effort to remedy the situation. His cooperation in the work was assured, but it was pointed out that initial steps must be taken where the cases develop.

18 DIVORCES IN COUNTY IN 1927

Number Divorces Is Less Than 10 Per Cent of Number Marriages

According to a recent check of the civil court docket in the clerk of the court's office here, eighteen divorces were granted during the year 1927 in this county. This is probably the largest number of divorces ever granted in the county in a corresponding period. Judge R. J. Peel, clerk, stated. The number rarely ever runs over 10, and Mr. Peel is of the opinion that the average number for the past several years will not be over seven or eight for a twelve months' period.

The list of divorces was about equally divided among the two races, and in the majority of cases the parties were from the several towns in the county. In one or two instances, the costs of the action have not been paid, and according to Mr. Peel no divorces have been made complete where that is the case. That being true, it is thought that several are practicing bigamy in the county, but still they are not aware of it.

With the number of marriages totalling around 200 for 1927, it is the belief that no more than 10 per cent of them are dissolved through regular channels. This percentage, as compared with that of other States, is understood to be low.

Number Local People at Rally in Washington

A large number of Williamston people took part in the torch-light parade in Washington last Friday night, and heard the address made by Hon. J. C. Ehringhaus, of Elizabeth City. Max Gardner was scheduled to make the address, but a sore throat prevented his visit to Washington.

W. K. Hurst Dies at Home of Son in Robersonville

William K. Hurst died at the home of his son, William, Jr., in Robersonville, last Friday of cancer of the stomach. Mr. Hurst had been troubled with the growth for a long while and experienced much suffering during the last few days of his life.

Mr. Hurst was 69 years of age, and was a contractor and builder. He was a member of the Masonic order and was buried with honors of that organization at Robersonville Saturday.

BAPTIST CHURCH HAMILTONBURNS

Loss Estimated at \$5,000; No Insurance; Planning To Rebuild

Just as the pastor, Rev. E. P. West, was making the regular announcements in the Hamilton Baptist Church last Sunday morning, the building caught fire and burned down in a very short while. The members of the congregation were unaware of the fire until someone on the outside rushed in and gave the alarm. Orderly the congregation filed out of the church, but too late to save the building. A few pieces of the furniture were saved, but the building fell in so quickly that the greater part of the fixtures was lost.

Catching from a defective pipe between the ceiling and the roof, the building was burning rapidly before the fire was discovered. The loss is estimated at \$5,000 with very little insurance coverage.

While it is understood that the structure will be replaced as quickly as possible, temporary arrangements for holding services have not been announced. Evening services were held by Rev. West in the Methodist church Sunday.

"No alternative, but to sacrifice and rebuild creditably at once," the church's pastor stated last night. Any friend's donation, whether large or small, will be appreciated by the church and its pastor at this time of emergency.

LOCAL ELEVEN WINS 6TH GAME

Defeat Rich Square, 19-0, in Poorly Played Game Last Friday

Williamston's high school football eleven added its sixth victory of the season last Friday when Rich Square was turned back in a poorly played game, 19 to 0, at Rich Square. Including the 19 points made in the game, the locals have accumulated 241 markers so far this season, and not a time has their goal line been in great danger. The Rich Square game was the second of the week for the locals, they having defeated Ayden at Ayden last Tuesday, 20 to 0.

Defeating Robersonville here the latter part of September marked the beginning of the locals' rampage in the sport in this section. Alhaskie was handed a defeat soon after the Robersonville game, and since that time Windsor, Columbia, Ayden, and Rich Square have been turned back scoreless.

Friday afternoon, Washington will send its eleven over here to do battle.

Delivers Verbal Attack On Catholics at Everetts

For an hour and a half in the Everetts school auditorium last night, Charles Lee, a minister of the Christian Church, waged a vicious attack upon the Catholic Church and its members. The thirty-one people making up the anti-Smith audience received the speech coldly, and were greatly surprised to hear such remarks fall from the lips of a man professing a connection with the Protestant faith.

Nell Battle Lewis To Speak in Robersonville

Miss Nell Battle Lewis, News and Observer writer, will speak in the Robersonville school auditorium at 8 o'clock, Thursday evening, November 1, according to a schedule arranged by E. S. Peel, chairman Martin County Democratic Executive Committee.

A large number of people, especially the women from all parts of the county, will hear Miss Battle when she discusses the issues of the campaign in Robersonville that night.

9-Months-Old Girl Dies From Whooping Cough

Grace, the nine months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ira S. Price died last week from whooping cough.

The funeral was held at the home, near here, by B. S. Cowing and interment was made in the Price burying ground near the home.

Cars Collide on Main Street; Little Damage

A car driven by Bob Biggs and another driven by a young man named Edmondson were slightly damaged here last night when they collided on Main Street near the home of Mr. J. M. Bowen. No one was hurt in the accident.

Offer \$5 Hats for Five Best Averages Nov. 1

Bill Watts, Hubert Morton and Roy Griffin, owners and proprietors of the Brick warehouse here, are offering to the five farmers making the highest averages on their floor Thursday of next week a new five-dollar hat each.

1 Dead, Several Hurt In Series of Wrecks

BADLY CUT IN WRECK NEAR HERE SUNDAY

Rocky Mount Man Suffers Painful Injuries in Crash On Hamilton Road

INJURY NOT SERIOUS

One Negro Is Seriously Injured Near County Home on Everetts Road Sunday Night

Fred Dail, young white man, of Rocky Mount, was badly hurt Sunday night in an automobile wreck on the Hamilton Road. With a bad wound near his right ankle, and a long gash about the knee, the young man was brought here, where Dr. Warren treated the cuts. Fifteen stitches were necessary to close the gash across the man's knee. Jim Campbell, also of Rocky Mount, was driving the car, a Chevrolet coupe, but he escaped injury.

The two men were driving toward Williamston when they met John Whitley, colored, and when the driver of the Chevrolet saw his car was about to be hit by that of the negro, he turned to the right but not in time to avoid a collision. The rear end of the Chevrolet was hit, causing the car to turn over.

Occupants of the car helped to upright the Chevrolet and Messrs. Dail and Campbell continued here, where a doctor was summoned.

The two men are employed by the Teler Construction Co., and have been working on the addition to the Standard Fertilizer Plant here.

Sunday afternoon, A. W. Peel and D. W. Bonds, of Lewiston, ran their Ford roadster into the railing on the river fill and tore the radiator from its place. The boys were arrested, but each gave bond in the sum of \$150 and escaped jail. Their trial will be heard next Tuesday, it was stated. The damage to the car was slight, and the two boys escaped injury. Peel, the car's driver, was said to have been drinking, and a small amount of liquor was found on Bonds.

WORK OF GIRLS' CLUBS IN COUNTY

Miss Sleeper Gives Requirements for Second-Year Work

The Jamesville Senior Girls Club was reorganized October 12. The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Opal Lilly; vice president, Ella Mae Gaylord; secretary, Reba Bailey; and news reporter, Mildred Hedrick.

Miss Sleeper will meet the following clubs this week: Tuesday morning, Bear Grass girls' club; Tuesday afternoon, Robersonville American Home Department; Wednesday, the girls clubs of Everetts and Robersonville; Thursday, Farm Life; and Friday, Jamesville.

All girls who were members of clubs last year should complete their work for the year so that they can continue the second year's work, or, if preferred, start a new project. The first-year requirements for girls taking clothing are to complete the following: Club apron and cap, two hand towels, one pot lifter, one sewing bag, one kimono sleeve gown and stocking darn. The older girls will make a dress instead of gown. The club girl can choose two garments or articles besides the stocking darn and sewing bag, which will be required this year. All girls entering clubs this year must be willing to exhibit one piece of club work at the county commencement and also the fair next fall.

Second year requirements for clothing are hemstitched towel or table runner, or towel with drawn threads, hemmed patch, plain white dress with set-in sleeves, dress cover, kimono, combination bloomers and brassiere slip.

Every girl taking second-year work must be willing to exhibit at county commencement and the Roanoke Fair. All work has to be completed this year by November 15 and your record book must be complete and passed into the county home agent's office.

R. J. Peel To Speak at Bear Grass Thursday

Mr. R. J. Peel, clerk of the Martin County Superior Court, will make a political address Thursday night, the 25th, in the Bear Grass school auditorium. Mr. Peel, a strong supporter of the entire Democratic ticket, will discuss the issues of the campaign in his address.

All the voters of the community are invited and urged to hear Mr. Peel when he delivers his address at 7:30 in the school auditorium there.

JOHN EDWARDS DIES MONDAY FROM INJURIES

Received Fractured Skull Saturday When Car Hit Log Wagon

TWO OTHERS HURT

Another Car Runs Into Railing on River Fill; No One Hurt; Two Boys Released Under Bond

One or two deaths and serious injuries, resulted from a half dozen or more automobile accidents occurring in this section over the week end. Speeding and drunken drivers were responsible for many of the wrecks, in which human lives were lost and the property damage was great.

The first of the wrecks occurred Saturday afternoon when Sam Simmons, negro, ran a small telephone truck into a log wagon and turned the car over near the Roanoke Fair Grounds. The car that was wrecked was said to have been followed by Wesley Peel, young white boy, and as Simmons passed a car he turned back to the right and hit a log wagon loaded with loads. The car, a new Ford, turned over and threw John Edwards, another negro, out and into the path of the Peel car that was just a few paces behind. Unable to stop his car, the Peel boy ran over the Edwards negro, adding to the man's injuries received when he was thrown from the turned-over car. Abe Spruill, negro tinner, the third man in the telephone Ford, was thrown out, but he landed out of danger, and is suffering from injuries that are not considered serious. Simmons escaped serious injury, but was hurt about the head, arms, and knees. The Peel boy went unhurt. Damage to the wrecked car is estimated to be between \$50 and \$100.

Edwards, with his skull crushed, was carried to a Washington hospital, where he died yesterday afternoon about four o'clock. An operation was performed and a part of the man's skull was removed from the brain, but attempts to save his life proved futile. The body was brought here last night and burial will take place tomorrow.

The number of accidents occurring in this section over the week end was added to, Sunday about dark, when Melvin Daniel, colored, ran his Star car into a practically new Dodge sedan near the county home. Messrs. L. Baines and R. B. Carraway, of Newport News, who were riding in the Dodge, escaped serious injury, but Daniel was seriously hurt. According to a statement made by an attending physician, Daniel was hurt internally, and after a short stay in jail he was removed to his home near Everetts when bond was arranged. Daniel stated that he had been drinking.

The Dodge was traveling toward Williamston and Daniel was going out of town. When he reached the old poorhouse road, he started to turn, and ran his car into the Baines car, knocking it into the ditch. The Star was almost a total wreck, and the Dodge was damaged to the extent of several hundred dollars.

Jameville Man Averages \$53.94 for 2,336 Pounds

Probably a new record was established on the local market yesterday when Mr. G. W. Martin, of near Jameville, sold 2,336 pounds of tobacco for \$1,239.16, averaging \$53.94 per hundred pounds for the entire lot. Mr. Martin's prices ranged from 19 1/2 cents to 74 cents.

Averages for the entire floor sales were reported around the 30 cent mark yesterday. And there is no doubt but what good tobaccos are bringing prices as high as those of any year since 1919.

Now that the peanut digging season is practically over, the sales are said to be increasing daily. Tobacco warehousemen are urging the growers to market their best tobaccos as soon as possible.

Steven Long Shot in Leg Following Fight Sunday

Steven Long, young white boy, was shot in the leg Sunday afternoon by Sylvester Taylor, following a fist fight between the two boys. Taylor is said to have whipped the Long boy, and when they parted Taylor fired a ball from his pistol and hit the boy's leg.

According to indirect statements, the trouble originated when Long went to Taylor's home and carried off a quantity of liquor. Taylor went to Long's home, near here, and accused the boy of the theft and a fight followed.