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Republicans' Bugbear The Chief Hope Of Democrats

Resentment Vote Giving Party in Power Grave Concern as There's No Way for Voter to Express Disapproval of Congress Save by Voting Democratic Ticket

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Washington, May 28.—President Coolidge's several defeats at the hands of his own party in Congress have stirred up bitter feeling inside the Republican organization.

The difficulty arises out of the fact that many of the President's friends are keenly disappointed that the Republican leaders in Congress have not been able to put through the administration program any many of them have individually deserted him, thus giving the impression that Mr. Coolidge's leadership of his party is ineffective.

In his first address to Congress, the President set forth the platform on which his pre-convention campaign has been based and he regards the overwhelming vote for him in the primaries as an endorsement of his ideas.

Recommendation by the President that the Japanese exclusion provision be modified or its operation postponed until a treaty could be negotiated with Japan. Refused by both houses of Congress and exclusion provision inserted in bill.

Recommendation in favor of present World Court created by League of Nations. Report by Senate foreign relations committee and endorsed by Senator Lodge, Republican leader and other prominent members of party, ignoring original recommendation and proposing new plan which Mr. Coolidge has said was not practical.

The President endorsed the plan of the Secretary of the Treasury, Andrew W. Mellon, which now has been rejected by both houses of Congress and a substitute bill adopted. On this proposal the majority of the Republicans voted against the President.

The President announced that he did not favor the granting of a bonus and stated the Government could not afford it. The majority of Republicans in Congress ignored his plea and voted for the passage of the bonus over the veto.

Other important questions on which the will of the President has been thwarted are not finally disposed of, but the Congressional contrariness to the Executive's desires has been apparent in the handling of the Muscle Shoals problem, on which the Senate committee favors Government operation instead of a sale to private interests as Mr. Coolidge recommended. Also the President recommended the Norbeck-Burness bill for agricultural relief, but Congress defeated it.

The logical result of such a situation is an appeal by the Executive to the country for a Congress of Republicans who are supporters of the President. The talk has been that the President was stronger than his party and that as a consequence Republicans up for re-election to Congress would be swept into power by virtue of their position on the same ticket with him.

But that part of the electorate which wants to express its dissatisfaction with Congress cannot vote for opponents of the present Republican membership because in many cases primaries have been held and the nominations have been made. Also in the Senate some of these who voted against the President like Senator Lodge of Massachusetts are not up for re-election. How can the Republican voter tell Congress that he prefers Mr. Coolidge to Mr. Lodge as leader of the Republican party, for instance? The Democrats predict that the independent voters will answer the question by electing a Democratic President who has with him a Democratic Congress. But that doesn't help the Republican voter who has no use for anything Democratic. Whoever can solve that puzzle for the friends of Mr. Coolidge will win their eternal gratitude for the "resentment vote" is now the big bugbear of the campaign for the Republicans and the objective of the Democrats.

FUNERAL MRS. DIVERS

The funeral of Mrs. Nancy Divers was conducted at her home on Parsonage street Thursday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock by Dr. J. H. Thayer and interment made at Hollywood cemetery.

Mrs. Divers died at 2:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon after several months illness. She was 79 years old and is survived by five children; Mrs. J. A. Price, Mrs. Ella Self and Miss Addie Divers of this city, Mrs. Polly Ansell of Norfolk and Will Divers of Hertford.

DARE COURT ADJOURNS Judge A. M. Stack of Monroe, Solicitor Walter L. Small, Attorneys J. C. B. Ehringhaus, W. A. Worth, and P. W. McMullan have returned from Manteo where they attended the superior court session which closed Wednesday after the trial of 47 criminal cases.

CLARKE JAILED ON SERIOUS CHARGE

Typewriter Repairman, Former Y. M. C. A. Secretary, and Scoutmaster, Arrested Here Wednesday Afternoon

E. E. Clarke, 55 year old typewriter repair man, was jailed in default of \$2,000 bond Wednesday afternoon following his arrest on a charge of abuse of a girl under 14 years of age.

Clarke came to Elizabeth City about five years ago, claiming to be a former Y. M. C. A. secretary and a boy scout master, and opened a typewriter repair shop. Previous to coming to Elizabeth City, he had spent some time in Plymouth and Edenton, but the only thing against him in those towns seemed to be a matter of some unpaid bills and a bad check or two.

Two years ago he came into prominence when he materially aided the State in securing a conviction in the Winder case. He has himself been under more or less suspicion since that time but local authorities were never able to get evidence against him until this week.

The arrest was made on a warrant sworn out by County Welfare Officer Mrs. Anna Lewis. Mrs. Lewis and the police have been developing evidence against the defendant all this week and the police say they are confident that they have a clear case against him.

The preliminary hearing is set for Saturday. Clarke's alleged victim is only ten years old. Clarke is a native of Pittsburgh and has a sister in that section.

Murder Suspect In Louisville Hospital

Louisville, May 29.—C. F. Heath, Chicago druggist, was today found in an unconscious condition at a rooming house here and was taken to a hospital where he is in a critical condition.

Chicago, May 29.—Heath is being watched in a Louisville hospital as a suspect in connection with the kidnapping and murder of Robert Franks. He disappeared from a hospital here last Monday after he had apparently attempted to end his life. Detectives were seeking him when he vanished.

McLEAN AND BAILEY FILE THEIR EXPENSES

Raleigh, May 29.—Angus W. McLean yesterday filed the expenses of his campaign as \$3,616.13, while Josiah William Bailey filed his as \$3,880.54.

WILL PRESS WAR-TIME CASES TO COMPLETION

Washington, May 29.—The many pending prosecutions growing out of wartime transactions are to be pressed to as quick a conclusion as possible under the revised Department of justice policy. It was announced today by Attorney General Stone.

SHIPMENT MAY PEAS AT PEAK THIS WEEK

Tuesday night shipments of May peas which went out on the early morning train for New York Wednesday morning swelled the total of cars from Elizabeth City to all markets to 202. These peas brought something like \$200,000 at New York including freight and other costs. They probably mean in actual cash in the hands of farmers of this section \$150,000.

On Wednesday between 20 and 25 cars were ready to go north Thursday morning. The biggest part of the movement will be over this week and it is not expected that many cars will be shipped next week. The price was quoted Wednesday at \$2 to \$2.25 for trashy quality and \$3 to \$3.25 for fancy.

NEW YORK, May 29.—Spot cotton, closed steady, Middling 32.65. Futures, closing bid, July 29.65, Oct. 26.45, Dec. 25.73, Jan. 25.56, March 25.66.

PAGE PROMISES AID ON CAMDEN ROAD

The committee appointed by the Chamber of Commerce and Merchants Association, L. R. Foreman, chairman, M. G. Morrisette, and R. C. Job, returned from Raleigh Tuesday after seeing Frank Page, chairman of the State Highway Commission, in reference to quick relief being given the public on the Camden Ferry Road. Mr. Page gave the Committee a very courteous hearing. Various methods were discussed wherein the committee offered suggestions of repair that could be accomplished without interruption of traffic and avoiding the necessity of detour via ferry boat.

Before the committee left Mr. Page assured them that material would be sent to Elizabeth City immediately and on arrival his road crew would start construction. The plan for relief, as it is understood here, is to build a bridge over half the width of the sunken section of the road to take care of traffic while the other side of the road is being piled and raised above the water level.

D. G. BRUMMITT SPEAKS TONIGHT

Delivers Address at High School Commencement When 48 Graduates Will Receive Their Diplomas.

With the address of D. G. Brummitt of Oxford and the awarding of diplomas to the 48 members of the graduating class at the high school tonight at eight o'clock the commencement exercises of the Elizabeth City High School will come to a close.

Elizabeth City people are urged to attend tonight and hear Mr. Brummitt, who is a candidate for the office of Attorney General of North Carolina.

Mr. Brummitt has been engaged in the practice of law since his graduation from Wake Forest College in 1908. He has been vitally interested in education and is a member of the Oxford school board. He served four years as mayor of Oxford and three terms in the North Carolina General Assembly where he was speaker of the House of Representatives.

Tonight the High School Orchestra will furnish the music, the invocation and benediction will be pronounced by Dr. S. H. Templeman, and Supt. S. L. Sheep will have some remarks and announcements to make.

Diplomas will be awarded as follows: College Preparatory Course, Bessie Abbott, Emma Barnett, Ruth Bright, Dorothy Burgess, Dorothy Chappell, Mary Dozier, Margaret Hollowell, Carrie Hooper, Nell Jones, Elizabeth LeRoy, Glennie Morse, Leona Munden, Margaret Nash, Mildred Parry, Mary Pritchard, Rachel Williams, Annie Winslow, Mercer H. Bailley, James G. Hill, Thomas Johnson, Willis Kramer, Lister Markham, Charles W. Overman, Walter Pearson, Thomas Riddick, Marion Seyffert, Marvin Trueblood, Scientific Course, Nellie Baum, Emily Commander, Margaret Cooper, Gussie Lee Harrell, Lillie Mae Ludford, Floyd Perry, Irene Riddick, Elizabeth West, Frank Benton, Selby Cartwright, Willis Dozier, Ervin Midgett, Bradford Sanders, Johnnie Williams, Commercial Course, Evelyn Bright, Rebecca Miller, Nannie Mae Stokes, Dennis Morgan.

SEEKS RELEASE OF CAPTIVE AMERICANS

Peking, May 29.—Culver Chamberlain, American consul at Canton, has gone to Wuchow to urge action of the local authorities to obtain the release of H. G. Miller, member of the Christian Missionary Alliance, and Rex Ray of the Southern Baptist Mission and their 22 companions taken captive recently by pirates who captured the motor boat Roanoke owned by the American Southern Baptist Mission at Wuchow, near the opening of the Ho river.

GOES TO PRISON FOR MURDER OF WOMAN

New York, May 29.—Harry Hoffman, charged with slaying Mrs. Maude Bauer on a lonely Staten Island road, was today found guilty of murder in the second degree. County Judge Tierman imposed a sentence of from 20 years to life imprisonment in Sing Sing.

COTTON MARKET

New York, May 29.—Spot cotton, closed steady, Middling 32.65. Futures, closing bid, July 29.65, Oct. 26.45, Dec. 25.73, Jan. 25.56, March 25.66.

LAST SHOVEL OF DIRT IS LIFTED

Seven Mile Drainage Ditch Becomes Reality at Noon Thursday and Water Flow Through Like Mill Race.

The 29th day of May, 1924, will be a red letter day, in all probability, on the calendar of Newland township, Pasquotank County, for a feat that yet to come, for at noon on that date the last shovelful of dirt was lifted from the seven mile main ditch of Pasquotank Drainage District Number One and the long canal is now open from one end to the other with the water flowing through it like a mill race, an extraordinary sight in this section of the country, where most streams are so sluggish that the direction of the current can not be seen on the surface.

What the event means to Newland township and particularly to that portion of Newland known as Tadmore almost staggers comprehension. Some inkling of its significance may be grasped, however, when one learns that once abandoned farms with a total expanse of 1,000 acres are today under cultivation and a large proportion of them green with growing corn.

Work on the big ditch was begun 20 months ago, the first section dug being a two and a half mile stretch from the Pasquotank River to the bridge on the road leading from the Johnny Temple home place to the Newland High School building. Then the dredge was started at the beginning of the canal in the Dismal Swamp and from that point it dug its four and a half miles of way to the terminus of the section leading to the Pasquotank River.

Thursday morning shortly before noon an automobile came to a stop in front of the Johnny Temple home-stand, and five passengers walked toward the bridge across the big canal about a hundred yards away. To their ears as they approached the bridge came what is for this section an unaccustomed sound, the sound of a great volume of water pouring over a dam. The torrential rains of May had flooded the upper portion of the canal and the water was pouring over the few feet of earth that separated the upper and lower sections of the big ditch. The five men who approached the bridge were W. L. Cohoon, counsel for the State Highway Commission; W. H. Thomas, manager for C. W. Lacey, contractor; George R. Little, Elizabeth City banker; Miles Jennings, owner of Miles Jennings blacksmith and machine shop; and a newspaper reporter. On the bridge the party found Job N. Williams of the Pasquotank Highway Commission. All were there to see the two segments of the canal united.

As soon as the party reached the bridge the big shovel of the steam dredge took a bite out of the remaining wall of earth between the two sections of the canal and the volume of water pouring from the higher to the lower level was immediately increased. The dredge kept up its effective work and within a few moments the wall of earth between the two sections of the canal had been replaced by a wall of water, which tore along the lower section of the canal carrying uprooted stumps in the channel along with it. Within less than an hour the level of water in the upper section of the canal had dropped nearly two feet. And yet, so rapidly was the flood borne away that the level of water in the canal's lower section just below the bridge was raised only six inches.

Members of the little party who had not been in this section of Newland in months could hardly believe their eyes as they looked about them and saw the transformation that drainage had already wrought. Stretching away on both sides of the bridge on which they stood was a swamp which when they had last seen it was 18 inches under water and on which water stood practically the whole year round save in time of excessive drouth. And yet, despite the torrential rains of May, they now beheld that swamp high and dry, three or four feet above the level of the water in the lower section of the big drainage canal. With such drainage of a swamp, one can imagine what has been done for farm lands and can readily understand why farm after farm that had been abandoned in Newland in this year under cultivation with prospect of producing the finest corn crops grown in Pasquotank County.

One of these abandoned farms was bought by W. L. Cohoon and he has named it Blackacre Farm, because, first the name is appropriate to the type of soil on it and because, in the next place, Cohoon remembers his Blackstone. On the State highway, at the point where the lane leading through his farm joins the highway, he is having made a harness, which, when completed, will tell this story:

BLACKACRE FARM HOG AND HOMINY (With Variation)

This farm was abandoned. Drained in 1924. Watch what drainage will do for Eastern North Carolina.

A special edition of The Advance would be required to do justice to

FOLLIES BEAUTY IS INJURED BY COMEDIAN

New York, May 29.—Arrested on a warrant sworn out by Imogene Wilson, beauty of the Ziegfeld Follies, Frank Tinney comedian, was today brought to New York from jail at Mineola, Long Island, his home town.

Miss Wilson appeared before the magistrate with her head and body bandaged and said she entered her apartment here yesterday accompanied by newspapermen to whom she was relating her life story and found Tinney there.

"I kissed him," she related. "He said, 'come here honey.' I did and he knocked me cold." Miss Wilson's negro maid also appeared in court with bandages.

Gaston Means Talks About Sec'y Mellon

Washington, May 29.—Gaston Means today told the Senate Daugherty committee that he received from Jess Smith in 1922 certain documents purporting to show that Secretary Mellon agreed to issue a batch of whiskey withdrawal permits in return for money which was to go toward payment of the deficit of the Republican National Committee.

The alleged arrangement, the witness said, was with a man named Rex Sheldon who was to receive the permits and pay over the money.

He added that according to the story Senator Bursom of New Mexico and Fred Upham, treasurer of the Republican Natlinal Committee went to Mellon's office in regard to the matter.

FAMOUS DIPLOMAT OF FRANCE IS DEAD

(By The Associated Press)

Paris, May 29.—Pierre Paul Cambon died at his home here last night. This eminent French statesman and diplomat, won international fame in the early days of the present century for his efforts in behalf of the Anglo-French agreement of April 8, 1904, when the powerful and far-reaching Entente Cordiale was born.

Paul Cambon was one of the three brothers, all of whom were conspicuous in French diplomatic affairs at the same time. Jules Cambon, later the best known of the three, was ambassador to Washington. Paul was accredited to London, and the third brother was in a similar post at Constantinople.

Japanese Protest Reaches Capital

Washington, May 29.—The Japanese protest against the new immigration law reached the Japanese Embassy here today by cable.

Because of its great length some time will be required to decide and study it before it is formally presented to the State Department.

DR. JOYNER TO SPEAK AT THE STATE NORMAL

The commencement exercises at the State Normal School will close Friday night with an address by Dr. J. Y. Joyner, former State Superintendent of Education. The public is very cordially invited to hear Dr. Joyner.

Thirteen graduates will receive their diplomas Friday night and there will be good music on the program. Commencement has been in progress all this week with interesting exhibits and demonstrations of the various phases of work done at the school.

On Wednesday morning Dr. N. H. D. Wilson made an excellent address to the Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A. on "Life when one sees God."

KILLED IN TORNADO

Wetunka, Okla., May 29.—Six were killed and several injured and much property damage was done here yesterday by a tornado.

The transformation that has been wrought in the farming lands of Tadmore and in the faces of their owners by the digging of this big drainage ditch. In another issue of this newspaper the story will be developed in more detail. But, in addition to providing drainage for what is perhaps the richest land in Pasquotank County, this big ditch makes possible a State Highway across the Dismal Swamp that will afford Pasquotank County a direct outlet to Gates County and the rest of North Carolina and put it within six hours of the State capital. From the point to which this road from the Pasquotank side is now passable one may see four miles straight ahead across the Dismal Swamp Acorn Hill in Gates County gleaming in the sunlight. This four miles of road, still uncompleted, is all that separates Pasquotank from the State road from Acorn Hill to Sunbury. With a little more filling and a great deal of grading and dragging, this four mile stretch will be opened to traffic. Mr. Thomas says that it will be in use by the fall.

THOS. J. MARKHAM FAILED QUALIFY

Which Gives P. G. Sawyer Office of Trial Justice Without Opposition—Carmine in Lead for Sheriff.

P. G. Sawyer will receive the Democratic nomination for trial justice of Pasquotank County without opposition and Henry LeRoy will in like manner receive the nomination for the office of prosecuting attorney. Mr. LeRoy has had no opposition from the beginning, but Thomas J. Markham was considered an active opponent to Mr. Sawyer until the closing of the ticket showed that he had failed to qualify.

The race for sheriff continues to be the center of public interest with all five candidates fighting for a place in the second primary, which, it is conceded, will be required to settle this fight. The general consensus of opinion seems to be that Charles Carmine will lead the field in the first ballot, but that with so many candidates against him it will not be possible for him to win the nomination. Whether the runner up will be able to hold enough of the votes of all the opposition to win out over Carmine is a question that only the primary itself can answer.

A sharp race is expected in the contest for the office of register of deeds, with George W. Brothers, incumbent, opposed by J. C. Spence. Scattering reports from the rural precincts indicate that Spence is the favorite in the country by a narrow margin with the vote in the city to decide the issue.

Four candidates offer themselves as members of the board of education, with three to be elected. These candidates are D. W. Morgan, O. L. Bundy, L. M. LeRoy, and W. G. Cox. Incumbents are: J. M. LeRoy, D. W. Morgan and W. G. Cox.

Newland township has two candidates for County commissioner, W. A. White and R. B. Edney. The incumbent is W. J. F. Spence, who is not a candidate for re-election.

Providence township also has two candidates, P. G. Pritchard, incumbent, and J. C. Combs.

Candidates for County commissioner in the other townships have no opposition and are the incumbents as follows:

Elizabeth City—Noah Burfoot, Hilary Cartwright.

Mt. Hermon—C. A. Ownley. Salem—C. B. Munden.

Another County official nominated without opposition is J. Kenyon Wilson for Representative.

AYDLETT'S FRIENDS SAY HE WILL WIN

With the June primary little more than one week off friends of E. F. Aydlett are confident that their candidate will be the high man in the first primary and the winner of the nomination in either the first or the second.

Pasquotank and Camden are put in the Aydlett column with the expectation that the Elizabeth City man will get 80 or 90 per cent of the votes in these two counties. Currituck is expected to go for Aydlett but not by so wide a margin, and Gates also.

In Hertford and Martin counties partisans of Aydlett are putting their expectations at 60 per cent of the vote and in Pitt the expectation is that the Elizabeth City candidate will get as many votes as all others.

The only county conceded to Warren by Aydlett supporters is Beaufort and there, they say, Aydlett will get two votes for every one Warren gets in Pasquotank.

Reports from Dare County, where a representative of The Advance attended court this week, indicate that Aydlett and Warren are the favorites in that county, with a shade of advantage in Aydlett's favor.

Sentiment in Tyrrell is reported as having swung strongly toward Aydlett and Aydlett's friends are claiming that Aydlett will carry that county overwhelmingly as he does Pasquotank.

BIG EXPLOSION IN AMMUNITION DUMPS

Bucharest, Rumania, May 29.—Untold destruction and probable deaths were wrought yesterday by the explosion of ammunition dumps outside the city. The fire damage was great.

THREE KILLED IN WRECK ON FREIGHT

Chattanooga, Tenn., May 29.—Charles Dudley, engineer, Oscar Holland, fireman, and Herman Potter, all of Chattanooga, were killed today when a Southern Railway freight train was derailed near Rockwood.

MIDSHIPMAN DROWNS

Annapolis, Md., May 29.—Midshipman Leicester R. Smith of Kent, Ohio, was drowned in the Annapolis Commencement frolic of the Naval Academy yesterday.

NAVY BILL PASSES

Washington, May 29.—The House yesterday passed the bill appropriating \$111,000,000 to bring the Navy to a 5-5-3 ratio.