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LOOK OUT FOR BELATED CIRCULARS AND REPORTS.

Women And Men Of Madison County:

BEWARE of the man who slips around like a snake in the grass with reports and circulars the night before election.

It has leaked out that Mr. Rom Edwards has a secret circular which he proposes to have at the different voting places the night before and on the day of the election. I have not seen this circular and I do not know what it contains, but the fact that he keeps it concealed shows that he is trying to fool the people.

For more than a month I have through the newspaper and circulars challenged any one to show that I did anything but what was good for the people of Madison County while I was in the legislature. My challenge has gone unexcepted, but instead a string of unfounded falsehoods have been circulated about me.

No doubt that Mr Edwards now relies on the scheme that was carried out when he was elected on the BOGUS TICKET. Then when the good people went to bed the night before the election, expecting to go to the election the next day to vote for the nominees of their party, and while they were soundly sleeping, at the dead hours of night Mr. Edwards's BOGUS TICKET was being rushed to the polling places to fool the people the next day. He was thus elected, he thus accepted the office of commissioner, and thus over the protest and vote of W. C. Sprinkle, his uncle, put over the \$300,000.00 bond issue, about half of the indebtedness of Madison County. Is it possible that Mr. Edwards is now trying to slip a circular over, to try to fool people the same way?

If what Mr. Edwards will keep a secret and hide out until it is too late to answer, is true why is he afraid to let it come to light in time to be answered? I do not know what is in the reported circular. I have just been informed that he will put out a circular the day before or the day of the election and perhaps a day sooner in the back townships. The fact that he keeps it concealed, its contents must be such as will not stand the test of an answer.

Mr. Bruce has issued a circular in which he says, if he is elected "There will be no four thousand dollar offices created, no road boards, and no more bonds without a vote of the people." It was vouched that this man would run on a square deal campaign. It has been circulated over the county that if I were elected that I would create three or four \$4,000.00 offices, appoint a perpetual board of county commissioners and arrange for the commissioners to issue an unlimited amount of bonds. Every syllable of this, and every intimation of it is a fabricated manufactured lie out of the whole cloth.

I abolished the road board. I voted for the law which prohibits the county commissioners from issuing any more bonds either with or without a vote of the people. Why does Mr. Bruce make mention of these things--what he won't do? Is he trying to take up the old threads of disbelieved circulated lie that I will create a large number of salaried new officers in the county, and that I will undo what I have done, in order to try to fool the people? If this is not his purpose why does he make

these statements, founded on reports about me which he knows or ought to know is absolutely false?

"You can't fool all the people all the time."

I repeat again why are a continuous string of false and fraudulent statements being manufactured and circulated about me? The answer is because the perpetrators are afraid to tell the truth about my record. They know if they tell the people my record as it is, that every unbiased republican in the county man or woman would vote for me.

I abolished the road board. I voted and worked for the passage of the bill that prohibits the issuing bonds beyond five per cent of the taxable value of the property in the county. Madison County is up to the limit, and this law defeated the recent proposed \$150,000.00 bond issue. I was instrumental in bringing into the county this year, from the rich counties and corporations five thousand dollars to pay our school teachers and extend the schools six months. Not fifty dollars of this five thousand dollars came out of Madison County.

I saved the tax payers an extra \$6,000.00 for collecting the taxes next year. I helped to draft the state highway bill, was instrumental in its passage, under which, the state is now maintaining sixty-five miles of road in Madison County. Hundreds of thousands of dollars being spent in the county under this law building new roads by the state. Under this law we shall have a hard surfaced highway through the entire length of the county. There will be spent in Madison County for roads under this law about \$1,000,000 and nearly every bit of this comes from the rich outside counties and large corporations. I haven't the space or time to enumerate all I did in the Legislature for the people of Madison County, but for which of the above enumerated things I did, am I to be condemned?

It is being reported that I made \$2.50 per day law in lieu of work on the roads, this is false. When Mr. Wilds was in the Legislature, labor was high and he made the \$2.50 per day law. It was reduced in the last Legislature to \$2.00 per day and I favor making it the current price of ordinary labor per day. I want to assure the voters of Madison County that I shall endeavor to do anything that can be done to lighten the burden of taxes on the people but I cannot do the impossible. Voters beware of belated circulars, beware of newly manufactured lies put out too late to be answered. I can hear of them bobbing up in different parts of the county.

Remember I am being fought by a small band of Bogus beggetters in the Town of Marshall because they say I refuse to be controlled by them.

Women and men let me beg of you, be not deceived! Do not vote against me upon the strength of wholesale false reports about me, that are not only false, but are conceived in sin, brought forth in iniquity steeped in the broth of hell and are litigimate children of the devil.

I am just informed that I am bonding the County to put water works in the town of Marshall. Of course this is a lie on its face.

There is no power to tax the County for the town.

Let your watch word be repudiate the man who tries to get office on the strength of false representations.

JOHN A. HENDRICKS,

The False And Fraudulent Eleventh Hour Circular Has Been Discovered

Since the above letter has been put into type, as I predicted has come true. By mere chance I have seen one of Edward's eleventh hour fraudulent circulars about me. He is still following his fraudulent BOGUS schemes of former days, and is trying to slip false statements over at the last hour to try to fool the people and prejudice them against me. I haven't time to answer this fraud in detail. He charges that I am a Roman Catholic. This he knows is a lie. I have been a member of the Methodist Church since I was twelve years of age. I am a teacher in the Methodist Sunday School at Marshall, and have been for years. I am a steward and lay leader in that church. All my family have been members of the Methodist or Baptist Churches in North Carolina for 150 years or more. He says I sent my children to a Catholic school in Asheville. Hon. J. J. Britt, a leading Baptist in Asheville sent to the same school. Mr. Thomas Rollins of Asheville sent his children (Judge Fritchard's grand children) to the same school. W. J. McLendon formerly a leading Baptist in Marshall, now he and his family leading members of

PAUL E. BRUCE For Representative

To The Voters of Madison County. (Ladies And Gentlemen:--)

Feeling that it is going to be almost impossible for me to get all over the County and see each and every voter and talk to you personally regarding my race for representative, as I would like to do, have adopted this method of saying a few words to you in case I do not get around to your place before the primary.

I have entered the race to represent you in the next Legislature because I want the job, not for the money it pays but the Honor thereto attached, because as a young man it would mean something to me in the coming years to have represented the Grand Old County of Madison in the General Assembly. Having had training at Mars Hill College and the University of North Carolina, I feel that I have the ability to fill this position and can ably represent you and succeed in having some safe, sane and economical laws enacted. I feel that the people of our County are overburdened with taxes, and it would be my first thought if sent to the Legislature to find some way if possible to give our people some relief from their now excessive tax. If this cannot be done, I can look you honestly, fairly and squarely in the eye and tell you if you send me to the Legislature, there will be no laws enacted for the next two years that will INCREASE YOUR TAXES ONE CENT. There will be no four thousand dollar offices created, NO ROAD BOARDS, etc., and no more Bond Issues without the vote of people. I am a good road advocate, a believer in good schools, and with this I kindly believe in paying some of our bills as we go along. Economy is the foundation of all good government.

It has been circulated by some of my opponents that if I were elected I would cut part of the County off to Buncombe. Now this is a falsehood without foundation and something that I had never even thought of. This has come up before the Legislature in past years and met DEFEAT as it DESERVED and if it should ever come up again, which I am sure it will not, I would fight it to the last ditch. I love my County, I love and admire the clean, pure blooded Anglo-Saxon type that comprise her population and I shall ever be fighting to help them grow stronger and greater and would be the last to think of diminishing her boundaries.

My opponents are my friends, and I do not intend to be drawn into any mud-slinging campaign. Mr. John A. Hendricks and Mr. Romulus A. Edwards have the Advantage or Disadvantage (You decide this) of a wider acquaintance in the County than I, because they have both served you. Mr. Hendricks represented you in the Legislature two years ago and Mr. Edwards was your County Commissioner ten years ago. Voters, you know their record; in fact there is part of it you can't forget. I quote Mr. Hendricks "By their fruits Ye shall know them."

Thanking you for any support you may give me in the coming Primary and assuring you if nominated and elected I will be the Representative of all the people, uninfluenced by any person or faction, and will sponsor no law that would not be to the best interest of the whole County.

I am,
 Yours sincerely,
 Paul E. Bruce.

the First Baptist Church of Knoxville sends his daughter to this school. More than two thirds of the children in this school are from the families of Baptist, Methodist and other protestant denominations. What has church got to do with political office? I cannot believe that the people of Madison County are willing to trust their suffrage and confidence with a man who will sneakily stoop to such low down tricks and eleventh hour schemes. The balance of his circular in reference to myself is in keeping with this which I haven't time to answer.

JOHN A. HENDRICKS,

FORD TURNS OUT 6,000,000th MOTOR

Next One Comes Through 5 1-2 Seconds Later

Ford Motor Number 6,000,000 was lifted from the assembly line in the Highland Park Ford Plant at 9:14 A. M., May 18th. Just 5 1/2 seconds later Number 6,000,001 was finished.

The unusually heavy demand for Ford cars and trucks at the present time has necessitated the building of 5400 motors daily. These are shipped in car load lots to the various Ford assembling plants throughout the United States.

The first Model "T" Ford motor was completed on October 1st, 1908; number 1,000,000 left the assembly line December 10th, 1915; and number 5,000,000 came

through May 28th, 1921.

Although the Ford Motor Company turned out a number of different models prior to 1908, the present numbering system but with the first Model "T."

Negroes Ordered To Leave County.

Mitchell County Mountaineers Take Summary Action On Road Gang.

Work on the road being constructed in Mitchell county was suspended last week when armed citizens forced a crew of negro laborers to leave the county according to a story published in the Raleigh News and Observer. There are scarcely any negroes in Mitchell county according to the newspaper, and their presence there is objected to by some of the white citizens.

"Last Friday morning a week ago yesterday, a shirt sleeved diplomat rode the construction camp maintained by C. C. McCabe, and advised the superintendent that his negro laborers were to get hence, and with but little delay," says the News and Observer. "The superintendent was scornful, and somewhat testily advised the emissary of the Mitchell Saxons to make an extended exploration of more fervid regions. He went away but instead of taking advice literally, he explored some of the outlying valleys of the Toe river watershed.

"That afternoon a hundred of Mitchell Saxons rode into the camp. They had pistols, to be sure, but most of them carry pistols anyhow.

"The shirt sleeved diplomat was in command. He directed very quietly but very firmly, that such negroes as were at work thereabouts be gathered together in one place, and it was so.

"Few of the laborers insisted on extended preparation for the journey. And so it came to pass that the laborers were marched down to the railroad. A passing freight train was halted, and the emergency explained to the engineer and and to the conductor.

"Right hastily the negroes crowded themselves into the open door of an empty freight car and sought the quietude of the farthest corner thereof. The diplomat had inquired the fare of one negro to just beyond the Tennessee line, and into the hands of the conductor paid a sum of money sufficient to each negro. The train went on down the valley of the Toe, and the diplomat led his horsemen back into the hills.

"It was entirely peaceful. No violence whatsoever. Road work was suspended, to be sure, and maybe this winter the horsemen will flounder in the mud. All of this was done in the broad light of a May afternoon, and nobody wore a mask or any sort of disguise. But in Mitchell they do things differently, and think them differently. Moreover, there is no accounting for taste. Between mud and negroes Mitchell takes mud."