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BANK BANQUET MUCH ENJOYED

Music, Feast, Speeches, Magician At Banquet Citizens Bank

A most delightful occasion was that last Thursday evening when the stockholders of the Citizens Bank held their annual banquet in the Masonic Hall. The feast was prepared and served by the ladies of the Eastern Stars. The occasion was enlivened by string band music. Speeches were made by Mr. C. B. Mashburn, of Marshall, whose subject was "Co-operation", and by Sheriff J. J. Halley, of Asheville, who spoke on the part taken by the bank in co-operation. Mr. Ben Frisky, Marshall's musician and ventriloquist, was present and gave one of his excellent programs, which was much enjoyed by all present. Ben's dummy, George, pulled a good joke on Messrs. E. R. Tweed and A. W. Whithurst, to the great delight of Messrs. Craig Rudisill and Les Tweed. Dr. J. T. M. Knox and Rev. G. C. Teague, guests of the officers of the Bank, made short talks expressing appreciation of the Citizens Bank and the things for which it stands in the community. About sixty were present to enjoy the delightful occasion.

Cornbelt—I hear you lost your temper yesterday.
Rutabaga—Yes, but she'll be back.
The Pathfinder.

AT ANTIOCH

ANNOUNCEMENT

Every one who has friends and relatives buried at the Antioch Grave Yard is invited to come and help clean it off next Friday, June 5th. It is in a real bad condition.

LUCILLE LAWSON,
Tennasina, N. C.

BIRTH ANNOUNCED

Cards are out announcing the birth on June 1, 1930, of a daughter, Priscilla Ann, to Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Morton of Henderson, N. C. Mrs. Morton was before marriage Miss Daisy Worley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Worley, of Marshall. Mrs. Worley left Monday to be with the first granddaughter and its first parents.

ABOUT TAXES

Editor of News-Record:

I see from the newspapers the Governor of the State has recommended that the best business man of the country be elected to represent the counties in the next General Assembly and for Commissioners of the various counties.

I also see that the governor has estimated that by the proper economy of the state and the officers of the various counties that ten millions of dollars ought to be saved within the next two years.

I want to say in this connection that the administration of the affairs of Madison County has been on a very economic basis for a number of years. The officers of the county are serving for less pay than any other county of like financial worth in the state.

There is no other tax collector in the state collecting \$230,000.00 to \$240,000.00 taxes each year for a salary as low as that of Madison County. The salary in this county is \$1,000.00.

There has been some dissatisfaction about the collection of the delinquent taxes where the land has been sold heretofore and bid off by the county. It was probably a mistake to allow the matter of collecting these taxes to drift so long.

It works a hardship on some people who had bought lands and did not know there was back taxes, but no one set of commissioners is responsible for this neglect as it covers a period of years, but the present board is forced to collect by a statute requiring the collection of all back taxes where the lands have been sold and bid off by the county.

To remedy this evil or prevent its recurrence is to pass a law through the General Assembly requiring the county commissioners to bring a suit after one year, if the taxes have not been paid previous to that time to permanently foreclose all sales of real estate for taxes.

There is no injustice to the owner of real estate to force payment of his taxes, as all lands should bear its proportionate part of the taxes assessed.

As to the salaries of the Clerk of the Court and of the Register of Deeds, I will say that the present amount paid to these officers is the least that these offices can be run for by men competent to fill the offices, as these offices are important.

I further want to say that the salaries of these officers do not cost the general tax payer one cent. The salary of these officers are made up from fees which are paid to the

offices for the services rendered by the officers and if the fees allowed these officers for probating deeds and registering deeds, issuing summons and

various other work, exceeds the amount of the salaries for these officers, and I think it does consider (Continued on page 4)

A BIRD'S EYE VIEW OF JETER P. RAMSEY'S PAST

(Political Advertising)

Some several months ago one of the leading citizens of Number Two Township, Madison County, swore out three Criminal Warrants for Jeter Ramsey, would withdraw his application as teacher in the White Rock school. JETER WITHDREW HIS APPLICATION IMMEDIATELY. When he did this, was it an admission of guilt or not to the serious charge of EMBEZZLEMENT? If innocent of the charges, why did he not demand a speedy trial and complete vindication instead of agreeing to compromise the matter? They say one little fall won't fall you far unless you keep on falling; but several months after the three above mentioned warrants were issued, we find this same Jeter attempting to make another raid on the Public School Funds of the County by requesting the Board of Education to falsify its records and pay him out of the School Funds an amount of money for making the race for Representative two years ago.

All three of the warrants hereto referred are at the present time in the possession of Justice of the Peace, Roy L. Gudger, Marshall, N. C., and anyone interested in seeing them can do so by calling on Mr. Gudger.

These things happened in Mr. Ramsey's life several months before he thought of making the race for Register of Deeds, so you see their origin has no political significance. It has never been my policy to use this method of campaigning, but I thought this information might help to solve "A VOTER'S QUESTION".

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"THE MOST UNKINDEST CUT OF ALL"

(Political Advertising)

It is being rumored that I favored placing a further debt on the County two years ago, and this I emphatically deny. The party or parties who are broadcasting this are doing it with no other purpose than to influence voters against me, and they know positively that the accusation is unfair and untrue.

I tried to give my views fully in my last article regarding how I stand on the bonding and tax situation in Madison County. I am unswerving for NO MORE bonded indebtedness for our County without consent by all the voters and am for any possible legislation that will give the tax payers relief.

I will not deny that I felt that Sandy Mush and Upper Laurel badly needed road improvements (which they have since realized) and I'm sure that every citizen of the County, regardless of what section he comes from, will agree that our whole county was benefited by the State's taking over these roads. This has been accomplished without one cent increase in taxes.

I WAS NEVER for increasing taxes for the purpose of securing these road improvements, but was for the improvement when the State Highway Commission expressed their willingness to take over the roads, with the cooperation of the county in a small way. Surely neither of my opponents has a criticism to offer on these improvements.

Again I wish to assure the citizens of all the County that I'm in favor of no more indebtedness and of more

I am heartily in agreement with suggestion made that the three candidates for Commissioner receiving the greater number votes in Primary being the nominees without a second Primary.

G. L. MCKINNEY

(Political Advertising)

"What do you do?"
"I keep house, scrub, scour, bake, wash dishes, do the laundry, iron, sew."
And the census-taker listed her: Housewife—occupation.

"You never bring me candy, like you used to before we were married."
"That's so—well, you never heard of a fisherman feed bait to a fish after he had caught it, did you?"
Fannie Farmer.

ROY A. HARMON

FOR STATE SENATOR

30th Senatorial District

June 7th, 1930

Your vote will be appreciated. If nominated and elected, will serve you to the best of my ability.

"Strips that hang at the laundry," was advertised by a certain firm. One of ours, bought elsewhere, has such a keen sense of humor that it arrived home the other day with its sides split.—Punch

Summer Boarder: "But why are those trees bending over so fast?"
Farmer: "You would bend over, too, Miss, if you was as full of green apples as these trees are."—The Outlook.

YES, J. WILL PROMISED TO NOT RUN ANY MORE

A TRUTHFUL MAN IS HE! 14 YEARS @ \$150 PER MONTH AND WANTS IT ON AND ON AND ON

(Political Advertising)

ASKS JETER

MR. JETER P. RAMSEY:

You are very adept at asking silly and ridiculous questions. You should be equally adept in answering questions that are of vital interest to the Tax Payers. How about that little transaction you had with the Board of Education at their May meeting 1929, just after your defeat in the race for Representative? Did you make out a voucher for \$115.50 and ask the Board of Education to pay you this amount and list it in their monthly report as amount paid for land? Did you tell the Superintendent of Public Schools that this was due you for making the race for the legislature? If this accusation is not true, Supt. Blankenship and the Board of Education, I suppose, will take great pleasure in explaining this for you.

Were you ordered out of the Board of Education's room by a member of the Board of Education or not?

J. WILL ROBERTS.

(Political Advertising)

Tillie—You wouldn't advise me to marry a liar, would you?
Minnie—Yes, dear, I would—unless you want to be an old maid.
The Pathfinder.

Minister—So you are not interested in playing a harp?
Dumb Dora—No, there are too many strings attached to it.
The Pathfinder.

Mother—Has Jim been kind to you?
Youngbride—I should say he has. Just last night Fifi was ill, so Jim slept on the davenport.
The Pathfinder.

Applicant—Can I get Clancy's job?
He's drowning in the lake.
Employer—You're too late. The man who pushed him in has got it.
The Pathfinder.

Vote For DAVID T. VANCE

REPUBLICAN

FOR

SENATOR, THIRTIETH DISTRICT

MR. VANCE WAS UNANIMOUSLY ENDORSED FOR STATE SENATOR BY MADISON COUNTY REPUBLICAN CONVENTION, APRIL 2, 1930.

He was nominated by the Republican Senatorial Convention held at Newland, Avery County.

State Board of Elections rules that he must be voted for in the Primary, June 7th, to make his nomination regular.

Mr. Vance is a man of high standing, manufacturer and other interests, a Republican; was a member of the Legislature, Avery County, 1929.

Vote for Vance

VANCE CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE