

R. N. PAGE FILES QUESTIONNAIRE

Answers Labor's Inquiry Fully But in Very Brief Form

FAVORS REDUCTION OF TAX LIMITATION

Railway Labor Body Will Proceed With Wage Dispute Involving the Claims of Nearly 2,000,000 Men; Heads of Four Brotherhoods and Chairman of Railway Executives Attend.

The reply of Robert N. Page, candidate for Democratic gubernatorial nomination to the labor-farmer questionnaire made public yesterday by the Page headquarters in Raleigh.

Mr. Page's reply was the first filed with J. M. McMahon, chairman of the executive committee of the State Federation of Labor. That body had not contemplated publicity on the candidates' answers until the entire batch should have been received. The request from Mr. Morrison for release of his answers last week opened the lists and yesterday similar courtesy was accorded to the Page forces.

Mr. Page favors a penalty against an employer for discharging an employe for political, religious or trade union affiliation. He favors the submission of a constitutional amendment reducing the present constitutional limit of taxation based on valuation. He would divorce child labor legislation from school or welfare laws and would penalize the blacklisting of employes. He is opposed to the importation of guards from out of the State during industrial disputes.

As for free text books, Mr. Page wants a set of books adopted by a properly constituted State Textbook Commission to be used in all State schools or State supported schools, from first to eleventh grades, these books to be secured at lowest cost by competitive bidding and sold to the patrons of the schools at cost plus the cost of distribution.

The answers to the questionnaire follow:

1.—Would you support the adoption of the following laws:

1.—Fixing a penalty against an employer for discharging an employe for political, religious or trade union affiliation? Answer: Yes.

2.—Fixing a penalty for false advertising in newspapers for circulation bias existing at the place of employment, and to further penalize advertisers who fail to live up to their advertisements? Answer: As modified by striking out "for employe," stating that there are no labor troubles existing at the place of employment, thereby broadening the law to meet all false advertisements; yes.

3.—To prevent rent profiteering by fixing a minimum rental of not exceeding 12 per cent annual rent upon valuation as shown by the tax books, plus same percentage on the value of improvements, this not to apply to share farming? Answer: One of the greatest needs today is more houses and more homes. It does not seem to me the time to discourage home building by singling this form of investment out. If the State is to undertake to legislate against profiteering why not include all transactions for profit? Seriously, I doubt the wisdom of legislation along this line. Encourage the building of homes and competition will regulate rentals.

4.—Will you favor the submission of a constitutional amendment reducing the present constitutional limit of taxation, State, county and towns, based upon the revaluation? Answer: Yes.

5.—Sub-section to Question 4. Farmers' Union asks how do you stand on the repeal of the Revaluation Act. Answer: I am in favor of the basis of valuation as provided in this act.

6.—A child labor law divorced from school, welfare or any other law as now existing? Answer: Yes.

7.—Fixing a penalty for "blacklisting" employes, wherein one employe discharges an employe, and has an agreement with other employes not to hire? Answer: Yes.

8.—Preventing State or State institutions letting contracts for any public work upon any basis that may be construed at what is commonly known as "cost-plus" basis? Answer: Yes.

9.—Fixing a penalty for importing guards, whether armed or not, from outside the State during industrial disputes, and making it compulsory that only lawful officers secured from within the State be so employed? Answer: Yes.

10.—A law under which the people shall elect the County Boards of Education, and such boards shall elect County Superintendents of Public Instruction, and these County Superintendents, with State Superintendent of Public Instruction, to constitute the State Text Book Commission, who shall assemble at Raleigh and select a set of books throughout the first grade to include the eleventh grade, to be used in all State-supported or partly supported schools. And then these books to be published by the State, if found to be practicable or more economical, under contract to the lowest bidder, after ninety days advertising of same, or by the establishment of a State printing, at which all school books and other State printing might be done; and such books to be supplied to patrons of school at actual cost of production? Answer: I do not believe it wise

FINDING MISSING PERSONS IS NEVER-ENDING TASK



The Salvation Army, because of its branches in every country in the world, conducts what is probably one of the most efficient of detective bureaus. It is the Bureau of Missing Persons, which sends out daily alarms to all sections in its efforts to find those who have disappeared.

In the United States over 1,800 inquiries for missing persons come into the Salvation Army each year, and in spite of the meagerness of the available information, in spite of the fact that a large proportion of those who are missing do not want to be found, in spite of all the obstacles and hindrances, over 1,000 are located by the Salvation Army each year.

There is the child who runs away from home because the terrors of cold and hunger are nothing to him compared to the fear of school and teacher.

to select men for technical positions or to positions requiring technical knowledge by ballot, but that they should be appointed by some responsible agency. I do believe that a properly constituted State Text Book Commission should adopt a set of books from the first to eleventh grades to be used in all State schools or schools supported in whole or in part from public appropriations; that the State should purchase or contract to have published after due advertisement for bids giving the contract or making the purchase from the lowest responsible bidder, and furnishing these books to the patrons of the schools at actual cost plus cost of distribution.

10.—Inasmuch as it is now lawful to exempt from taxation mortgages on homes of \$3,000 or less on a five-year term basis, will you return the compliment and support a law to exempt the homestead from taxation on the amount that is so mortgaged, thereby placing the borrower on the same grounds as the lender? Answer: No. I do not favor the present law or any extension of exemptions, but I am in favor of an amendment to the present provision of the constitution so that a lower rate of tax may be levied upon homes owned and occupied as such by their owners.

BOARD REFUSES TO HEAR STRIKERS IN REGARD TO WAGES

Representatives of Employes Who Walk Out to Present Wage Protest BEGIN HEARINGS TODAY ON WAGE CONTROVERSY

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The board will proceed with the wage dispute involving claims of nearly two million men which failed of adjustment by the bipartisan board in its session April first.

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REPUBLICAN LEADER SAYS DELEWARE WILL RATIFY

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MORE MILK PRODUCED IN STATE LAST YEAR

Daily Consumption of Whole Milk Low—Much Made into Butter and Cheese.

(Extension Farm News) North Carolina produced \$45,990,000 worth of milk in 1929, according to estimates compiled by the Dairy Extension Office, at West Raleigh. This represents a total production of about 1,150,000,000 pounds of milk from 215,000 cows, which is an increase over 1918. Although there are large figures, they represent but small part of what the State produces, according to investigators, because estimates show an average of only 1.18 cows to a farm, while the daily consumption of whole milk in the state is less than one-third of a pint for each person.

More than a third of the total production, of 586,000,000 pounds of milk were made into butter, most of it on farms. Ice cream manufacturers took 72 million pounds were made into cheese. The balance of the milk was fed to stock, or lost in handling. The latter item represents 28,000,000 pounds valued at about \$1,100,000.

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RAILROAD STRIKE APPARENTLY OVER

Normal Service TO PRESENT DEMANDS TO RAILWAY LABOR BOARD

Except in Isolated Sections, Railroad Officials Report Return to Work.

In Chicago, Original Strike Center, Officials State Without Loss Its Effectiveness While Brotherhood Chiefs Take Action to Revolve Charters of Unions.

The nation-wide strike apparently has collapsed. Except in a few isolated sections, railroad officials reported last night the bulk of the men who followed the leadership of John Gruman, a Chicago trainman, had returned to work.

Normal passenger service was virtually restored, they said, while substantial progress had been made in moving the vast amount of freight that has been accumulated through the country, especially in the east during the past several weeks.

Many of the strikers went out without presenting any grievances and later announced that failure to receive increases in wages granted to other railroad men prompted their action. The strikers who acted in defiance of the railroad brotherhood chiefs had generally returned without definite promises of more pay.

In many cases, however, they have been assured their demands will be presented to President Wilson's labor board which is empowered under the Federal Transportation act to settle disputes between the railroads and their men. The board is now sitting in Washington.

CAR DRIVEN BY NEGRO KILLS TWO WHITE MEN

Third is Injured—Nine Blacks in Auto Said to Have Been Drunk.

New Bern, April 18.—Paul Taylor white, aged 37, is dead, Sam Wilkinson, also white, is dying in a hospital here at 8 o'clock tonight, and Edward Johnson, another white man, is suffering from a broken arm and other serious injuries as the result of having been struck by an automobile driven by a negro and occupied by eight other negroes, near Pembroke on the Sloan highway, two miles west of New Bern this afternoon. It is said the negroes were intoxicated and that the car, a high-powered Cadillac, was being run at a high rate of speed and in a reckless manner. Four of the negroes were apprehended and placed in jail by sheriff's officers, but the driver of the machine, Herman Gaskins, is still at large, having fled after the fatal occurrence. Charges of homicide will be preferred against all eight.

The three white men were walking up the road, well to the left, and the negro driver of the car is said to have deliberately or very carelessly swerved the machine upon them from the middle of the highway after he had sounded his horn 25 or 30 feet away. The auto went over an embankment and demolished. The negroes fled.

The death-dealing automobile was the property of the Marks family here, who are out of the city. Their chauffeur, Herman Gaskins, for whom officers are now searching, was driver for the family. He is said to have taken the car without their permission to take his black friends on a joy ride.

WALNUT COVE IS SCENE OF DESPERATE BATTLE

Ex-Sheriff Joyce Killed in Fight With Negroes; Three Negroes Dead.

Winston-Salem, April 18.—Ex-Sheriff Lee Joyce was killed, Jim Matthews, special deputy, was shot through the neck probably fatally wounded, and three negroes were killed in a fight between officers and negroes at Walnut Cove, N. C. 15 miles from this city, late this evening.

According to reports received here the officers attempted to break up a card game said to have been in progress in a restaurant operated by Nick Hairston a negro.

When the officers entered the restaurant the negroes according to the report received here by the police, began shooting. Ex-Sheriff Joyce is said to have been killed immediately and in addition to the neck wounds Matthews was badly beaten. A race riot is thought to be impending.

ESCAPED CONVICT SHOT DOWN BY OFFICERS

Goldboro, April 18.—In a running pistol duel here this afternoon between Sheriff R. H. Edwards, Deputy Sheriff Thad Howell and Patrolman Langston, Floyd Winn, an escaped negro convict, was shot down and captured after an exciting chase. It is not thought the negro's wounds will prove fatal.

During the chase the negro emptied the chamber of an automatic pistol at the officers, but none of the bullets took effect.

The negro was serving a sentence on the roads for storebreaking and stealing an automobile.

The condition of Leo Albritton of Kinston, who was seriously injured on an automobile accident near Goldboro last week, was reported as considerably better at the hotel tonight. J. C. Dail, Frank Hill and Richard Dawson, who were also injured in the accident, are now considered out of danger.

TORNADOES KNOWN TO HAVE KILLED FIFTEEN

Many Others Injured When Northwestern Arkansas Is Swept—Communication Crippled.

Little Rock, Ark., April 19.—The number known to have been killed in tornadoes which struck northwestern Arkansas late last night stood at 15 tonight with many others known to have been seriously injured. All means of communication with the storm swept region were badly crippled and isolated reports were expected to increase the list of casualties.

One of the tornadoes, of which there apparently were two, twisted in a winding path about 100 yards wide through Franklin, Johnson, Logan and Yell counties while the other wrought destruction in Boone county from which few reports have been received.

Pittsburg, Kans., April 19.—An unidentified negro, said to have attacked a young white girl near Mulberry, Kans., this morning, was taken from officers by a crowd late today and hanged. A white youth who was captured with the negro has been taken to the county jail at Girard.

JUDGE STACY OUT FOR SUPREME COURT BENCH

Former Superior Court Judge Aspires to Succeed Justice George H. Brewer.

Wilmington, April 19.—Judge W. F. Stacy, recently of the State Superior Court bench, announced today definitely that he would be a candidate for associate justice of the Supreme Court of North Carolina in the Democratic primaries to be held June 5. Judge Stacy's name has been prominently mentioned in connection with the associate justicecy since the announcement a few days ago that Justice George H. Brewer would not stand for a re-nomination.

It is known that Judge Stacy has given very earnest consideration to the subject and a number of letters and telegrams today from influential parties from different sections of the State determined the course of his action in making definite announcement. His friends feel that his record on the Supreme Court bench, coupled with his knowledge of the law and his judicial temperament, particularly fit him for the Supreme Court. A graduate of the State university, a brother of the late Dean Marvin H. Stacy, himself a man of letters and learning, with marvelous clarity of expression, it is felt by friends here and wherever he is known that the state would be fortunate in his nomination and election.

From the report of the Provost General sent Mr. Henry Kerving, former chairman of the local board during the draft period, we glean the following facts: There were 828 men called to service and 816 actually inducted into the service from Sampson County, of which 724 were accepted. The net cost of the draft in Sampson County was \$7,392.24, or nearly \$10 a man, net cost per man in the whole county was \$11.54 but this included cost of higher officers' services, making Sampson about an average.—Sampson Democrat.