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Favorite Son, Hon. Felix E. Alley, Outlines Democratic Platform

Chamber of Commerce Membership

Below is a list of the members of the Waynesville Chamber of Commerce as furnished by the Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. Ernest L. Withers. The Chamber of Commerce should be the most important organization of any civic bodies. The town of Waynesville's future depends absolutely upon its Chamber of Commerce. If this body functions properly there is absolutely no reason why our city should not become the best of Western North Carolina.

Of course the Chamber of Commerce cannot function properly or run in high gear unless properly supported by every professional business man and woman.

Then, too, the success of this organization depends largely upon the executive ability of its secretary, who, if an experienced advertising and publicity expert, can put our town upon the map.

The number of shares in the Waynesville Chamber of Commerce amounts to over one thousand at ten dollars per share. While the personnel of the organization is not extra large, many of them were heavy subscribers, the correct amount of each subscription will be gladly published by the Waynesville Mountaineer at any time.

Members:

Suncrest Lumber Company, T. L. Gwyn, W. T. Lee, Jule W. Tate, F. R. Williams, J. R. McCracken, J. W. Mull, L. A. Miller, C. F. Kirkpatrick, S. F. Robinson, Medford Furniture Company, Buel B. Hyatt, Henry Francis, J. C. Grammon, Asheville, Ed Swayngin, Elmart Shop, Massie Furniture Company, Camp Junaluska for Girls, Max M. Bryant, N. N. Shoobred, F. W. Miller, M. H. Reeves & Son, Logan Auto Company, Waynesville Electric Company, Tom Edwards, S. C. Satterthwait, Waynesville Grocery Company, J. H. Kuykendall & Son, J. M. Mock, D. L. Schulhofer, Caldwell's Barber Shop & Pool Room, Waynesville Book Company, Boyd Avenue Grocery Company, (E. C. Moody), Waynesville Hardware Company, J. W. Boyd, Mrs. Maria L. Mitchell, Bramlett Bros., Swift Motor Company, Acme Billiard Company, T. L. Green, Haywood Garage, H. G. Stone, Waywood Theatre, Dr. J. L. Stringfellow, E. K. McGee, H. L. Liner, Martin Electric Company, Blue Ridge Furniture Company, E. P. Martin, R. Q. McCracken, W. J. Hannah, H. B. Atkins, Bass & Withers, D. M. Simons, Waynesville Cafe, J. M. Long, Jas. Atkins, Jr., R. L. Coin, Joe Mormino, Morgan & Ward, Minthorne Woolsey, Morris Grocery Company, Company, C. A. Haynes, T. C. Norris Construction Company, Blackwell-Bushnell Company, John R. Carswell, Frank Smathers, T. C. Breeding, J. A. Turpin, Hyatt & Company, Haywood Electric Power Company, Kelley's Studio, Walker & Ferguson, Dr. Wm. G. Francis, Norman Caldwell, E. T. Duckett, C. M. Dicus, Cherokee Auto Company, J. C. Patrick, Depot Barber Shop, H. G. Moody, W. A. Abel, Clyde H. Ray, The Toggery, Wm. C. Allen, Burgin Bros., Miller Bros., Pritch, Ferguson, Waynesville Ice & Cold Storage Co., McCracken Clothing Company, Phillips Construction Company, Mrs. Rosalie A. Rung, H. H. Plott, Chas. R. Thomas, J. W. Seaver, Mrs. Lilly S. Harrold, Waynesville Hudson Company, John A. Smith, Thomas J. Davis, Wm. A. Band, C. E. Ray & Sons, Geo. C. Ball, Dr. N. M. Medford, American Fruit Stand, Dr. W. L. Kirkpatrick, Alexander's, Sluder-Anderson Furniture Company, Asheville Baking Company, A. & P. Grocery Company, Adgey Home, Bell Motor Company, N. W. Garrett, J. F. Kurfue Paint Co., Louisville, Ky., Asheville Paving Company, R. N. Barber, Eagles Nest Dairy, Citizens Bank & Trust Company.

Miss Catherine Covington of Shelbyville, Tenn., arrived Monday and will be the guest of her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Covington, for several weeks at their home on Love Lane.

The Waynesville 1926 Dahlia Show

The following letter will be of interest to all lovers of flowers:

Charlotte, N. C., Jan. 13, 1926.
Mrs. C. H. McDowell, Pres.,
Woman's Club,
Waynesville, N. C.

Dear Mrs. McDowell:

I am glad to see from the Carolina Mountaineer that you are making your plans for the Fall 1926 Dahlia Show. I, too, have been thinking and working some on the show and think that I have a feature that will lend a great deal of interest to the event.

I have written a number of the best dahlia growers of the country, telling them of our Waynesville Dahlia Show and asking them if they did not want to encourage the growing of better dahlias by offering premiums of their best dahlias. The response has been very gratifying and I am pleased to announce that up to date a number have agreed to give premiums which I list as follows:

D. V. Howell, Peconic, L. I., \$10.00 worth tubers from his catalogue.

H. F. Hall, Lynora Gardens, Moorestown, N. J., \$5.00 worth tubers.

W. H. Waite, Rohalton, Rumson, N. J., \$5.00 worth of dahlia tubers, also of his dahlia books.

John Lewis Childs, Flowerfield, L. I., New York, \$10.00 worth of dahlia tubers.

Jacob Schulz Co., 550 Fourth Avenue, Louisville, Ky., \$10.00 worth of merchandise from their catalogue.

Mrs. C. R. Stewart Leckie, Sundial Dahlia Gardens, Greenwich, Conn., \$5.00 worth dahlia tubers.

James Smith, 356 Somerset street, Plainfield, N. J., two \$5.00 dahlia tubers.

Harley T. Peck, Lebanon, Ohio, first prize, \$7.50 worth of dahlia tubers; second prize, one tuber Heart of Gold, value \$5.00.

C. Louis Alling, 251 Court street, West Haven, Conn., one tuber, White Glory, two tubers of Yale, value \$6.00.

J. A. Kemp, Little Silver, N. J., one tuber each, Robert Treat and Mordella, value \$5.00 each.

George Wolfrum, Sunnyside Floral Gardens, Berlin, N. J., for the largest perfect bloom of any Sunnyside creation, \$10.00 worth of tubers, providing there are at least two entrants.

Carl Salbach, Creston Road, Berkeley, California, \$5.00 worth of Gladolus bulbs, or \$5.00 worth of Iris rhizomes.

W. Atlee Burpee Co., Fifth and Buttonwood streets, Philadelphia, Pa., first prize, \$5.00 worth of seeds, roots or bulbs, second prize, \$3.00 worth of seeds, roots or bulbs, third prize \$2.00 worth of seeds, roots or bulbs.

Lee's Dahlia Gardens, 5438 South Yakima Avenue, Tacoma, Washington, one tuber Celia E. Harris and one tuber of J. W. Lee, value \$5.00 each.

Peacock Dahlia Farms, Berlin, N. J., \$15.00 worth of tubers.

Fisher and Mason, Sanhican Gardens, Trenton, N. J., \$5.00 worth of tubers, also \$5.00 worth of tubers for the best decorative dahlia originated by Fisher and Mason.

Stum and Walter Co., 30 Barclay street, New York City, fifty giant Darwin tulip bulbs.

J. K. Alexander, East Bridgewater, Mass., \$5.00 worth dahlia tubers.

George L. Stillman, Westerly, R. I., one tuber Silver Kuarta, value \$10.00, for the best three blooms of U. S. A.

Blue Ribbon Dahlia Company, Trenton, N. J., \$5.00 worth of dahlia tubers.

N. Harold Cottam and Son, Wappingers Falls, N. Y., \$10.00 worth of dahlia tubers.

Lufkin Dahlia Gardens, 6 Harrison Avenue, Gloucester, Mass., \$10.00 worth dahlia tubers or plants.

Miss Maude M. Wilson, Flushing Dahlia Gardens, Flushing, N. Y., one dahlia tube, Glory of Flushing, value \$10.00, or \$10.00 worth of tubers from catalogue.

W. L. W. Darnell, East Moriches, L. I., New York, first prize, \$5.00 worth dahlia tubers, second prize, \$3.00 worth dahlia tubers.

Success Dahlia Gardens, 171 Ferry

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TO THE DEMOCRATIC VOTERS OF THE TENTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT.

In the earlier stages of each campaign since 1910, loyal friends throughout the district have been kind enough to suggest that I enter the race for the democratic nomination for Congress.

It has always been my desire and aspiration to represent my people in that office, but in each instance I have deferred my wishes to the ambition of some other man and have contented myself with working for his and my party's success.

On the sixth day of last June, by my authority, the Waynesville Mountaineer announced that I would at this time be a candidate, and practically all of the newspapers of the district very kindly repeated the announcement and gave it prominence.

Within the last few days the statement has been repeatedly made to me that rumor is going the rounds to the effect that I may not remain in the race. This rumor, like the report of Mark Twain's death, has been "slightly exaggerated," and is due, I trust, to the honest misapprehension of its author.

I am writing this letter, therefore, to declare, once for all, that I have been a candidate since the announcement was made, and will continue to be a candidate, at least until the last vote has been counted in the coming primary.

And in this connection I wish to correct another impression which is likewise utterly without foundation. Shortly after the announcement was made that I would be a candidate, a press report came out from Washington, which was published in some of our papers, suggesting in substance, that the contest between Mr. Weaver and me would probably result in bitterness and would tend to disrupt the Democratic party in this district. To my own personal knowledge the foregoing suggestion has been repeated in at least two counties in this district by men who are opposed to my nomination.

I concede that a contest like this could be waged on a plane so low as to produce the result predicted, but no man who really knows Mr. Weaver and me will for a moment entertain a suggestion so ridiculous and absurd.

A friendship of many years standing has existed between Mr. Weaver and me. I have heard the claim advanced by some of my friends that since Mr. Weaver has been running for Congress I have perhaps made more speeches in his behalf and in behalf of the Democratic party than he has made. Let that be as it may, I know it can be said with truth that I have made more Democratic speeches in this district than any other living man in it, and no man will undertake to say that I have ever faltered in my loyalty to Mr. Weaver and the Democratic party.

And I am unwilling to admit that I am estopped from aspiring to this nomination because perchance it may be the opinion of a few men in this district, or the opinion of some press reporter beyond the limits of the State, that my entrance into the contest may injure the Democratic party.

Any Democrat of proper age, who has familiarized himself with the history of his country and the political questions of the day, and who possesses the requisite qualifications and character, has both the moral and legal right to aspire to any office within the gift of the people; and no man can claim an indefeasible title to any office within their gift.

I maintain that in seeking a democratic nomination, as well as in the administration of the affairs of Government, the time-honored tenet of the democratic faith "equal rights to all and special privileges to none" does, and of right ought to apply.

How can any man in this district, knowing me, believe for a moment that I could or would do or say anything to the injury of the Democratic party? Much of my life has been spent in upholding the democratic cause. From the time I was twenty-one years old and before, in every political battle that has been waged in this section, I have always been

found in the thickest of the fight. At no time during the last quarter of a century have I ever turned a deaf ear to any appeal my party has made to me whenever and wherever it was thought that I might serve its cause. In each campaign, at my own expense, and at the sacrifice of my own time and business to the uttermost of my humble power I have held aloft the democratic banner; and when this contest is over, if it turns out to be the wish of the people that I shall continue to serve as a private in the ranks and my life and health shall be spared for twenty-five years longer, I will continue without reward, to fight the battles of the Democratic party, because I believe that the institutions of this country can be made to endure only by the application of democratic policies and democratic principles in government.

But I ask no man or woman in this district to support me because of my party service. If I have served the Democratic party I have served it because I conceived it to be my duty to serve. It is not a question of handing out to a deserving democrat the honor and salary that go with the Congressional office. If this were true each county in the district could present a score of equally deserving men, possessing every qualification and fitness, while there is but one office to be filled.

The question of paramount importance to the voter is the selection of that man who can best serve the interest of the splendid people of this great district, and the object to be sought by the candidate is the opportunity for service which a seat in Congress affords.

On my part there shall be no bitterness, or personalities, or criticism or acrimony between Mr. Weaver and me. Nor can there be any difference between us in reference to the questions involved.

We are both in favor of all the good things possible for this great district. We are in complete accord upon the political issues of the day. We are both in favor of democratic policies and democratic principles of government.

He is seeking his sixth term in Congress—a total of twelve years. I have done all I could to aid him to win the terms for which he has been elected, while I am, for the first time, seeking the honor, and I do compete for an opportunity to serve the people of this great district. I know our glorious mountain section. I am familiar with its beauty and its grandeur. I know something of its marvelous and inestimable wealth. I can vision its future which is now aglow with hope and opportunity and promise.

I was born of these mountains; I was nurtured at their breast; I have lived my life within their shadows; and when my course on earth has been finished, I pray that my spirit may be permitted to take its flight from their lofty heights into the great beyond. And I believe I know something of the needs of the people of this great district.

And if by their votes they decide that I shall have the opportunity to serve them in the great office to which I aspire, I shall be glad; and in that event it will be by my solemn pledge that upon all political questions I will use such talents and powers as God has given me to advance the cause of democratic faith. I will, on every occasion, oppose any measure that tends toward the centralization of power in the Federal Government, or that tends to impair the sovereignty of the States in their right to regulate and control their own internal and local affairs. And upon questions not of a political character, I will first undertake to ascertain the wishes of my people, and then act upon such instructions as they may give me and as God will enable me to see the right.

If, on the other hand, the people shall render their verdict in favor of Mr. Weaver; if they shall decide that he is again entitled to wear upon his brow the laurel wreath; if it is their wish that he shall again carry the Democratic banner; then it is likewise my solemn pledge that every time he unfurls its silken folds to the breeze I will stand by his side and

Park Detrimental to Local Interests

Mr. Editor:

Some of our business men are in favor of the proposed National Park on the theory that it will benefit Waynesville and Haywood county. I am opposed to it on the theory that it will reduce Waynesville to a filling station on the road to the park. Many think it will increase real estate values. I think it will reduce them. Many think it will increase our population. I think it will reduce it. Many think it will increase the number of tourists coming here. I think it will reduce the number. Let me show, if I can, how I reach these conclusions.

The park will be ceded to the Federal Government and thereafter will be under control of Congress, depending solely upon its will for its support and maintenance and the policy of its management. What is that policy at present? So far as recently established parks are concerned it is to do nothing for them so as to discourage visitors until such a time as Congress feels it can afford to do something for them. As one member of Congress said last week while debating whether Mt. McKinley Park should have a road built to it: "Why should we hurry. The mountain will still be there." And they may well say, after we shall have handed over this vast area, "Why should we hurry, the mountain will still be there?"

Let those who think that blessings will begin to flow as soon as the land is ceded take warning. Congress is a political body and the South will usually have to approach it as a suppliant and not as a master. But this point, serious as it is, does not bear upon my argument. I base that upon a park fully established according to the hopes of its proponents.

The present policy of the Government (according to Mr. Cramton, the Congressman having in charge the National Park appropriations) is to let its hotel and boarding houses concessions to rich concerns, fully able to carry on the business as the Government desires it carried on. This shuts out the pikers, and I am not complaining about that. I only hope to show that pikers will not be able to compete with them.

The concession for transporting passengers within the park will be let to one concern, and no local taxi driver will be permitted to enter the park with a passenger. The state of Colorado has been carrying on a suit against the Government over this one man taxi concession, but has recently abandoned it. Wouldn't be so bad if our drivers could carry the passenger to the park gates and turn him over. But it won't work out that way. The park concessionaire will come to Waynesville and Asheville and take the passenger clear through and bring him back. I cite this merely to show how one class of our citizenry will be effected.

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wave in loyalty the olive branch of peace in the ranks of the Democratic party.

Let there be no inharmonious strife in the Democratic household. A Democrat who attempts to engender strife or bitterness in a contest between Democrats is an enemy of the Democratic party.

Favoritism and Centralized power are entrenched in our Citadel. Special Privilege sits enthroned in our Nation's capital. Graft and Greed hold high Carnival in the high places of our Government. The beneficiaries of class legislation lol and revel in luxurious splendor in palaces whose fluted columns point to the skies; while Hunger and Want shiver and suffer in the humble homes of the poor, who neither seek nor enjoy special privileges from the government to aid them in their battle for bread.

The Money Changers are polluting the Temple of our Liberties, and whether Mr. Weaver or I shall be nominated in the Tenth Congressional District, it is vitally essential that the Democracy shall present a united front.

FELIX E. ALLEY.

Building Activities Increasing Here

Waynesville Scheduled for Greater Prosperity Than Ever Before

Stupendous Building Program—Real Estate Movement—Manufacturing Enterprises.

Prosperity in Waynesville township this year will exceed that of nineteen hundred and twenty-five many folds, is the opinion of those in a position to know.

There has been more than sufficient work in Waynesville to fairly well employ the labor supply and all those wishing to work, however, the prospects for general industrial prosperity for the next twelve months seem even greater than at any time in the past.

Reports from the various sections of our township indicate that of the industrial plants with enlarged and production increased will mean a larger demand for labor than during the increase in the volume of construction is reporting trades men as have steady employment this year.

Building will continue enlarging plants and homes, business houses, schools.

One manufacturer anticipates a building is already under construction quarters of a million.

Another large project is development in Haywood is a twelve million dollar proposition. Much of this money will be put in circulation in our township.

Reports indicate that the school building program will be a considerable sum over the county. Public works in our township will be another large expenditure. This work will consist of highways, bridges, paving of streets, increasing water and sewer systems enlarging power and light facilities, and the construction of playgrounds and parks in Waynesville. Also some talk of building a municipal hall.

There will also be an increase in the acreage sown in all trucking crops in the township this year.

There are many new residences being built and others under consideration at the present time.

Mr. George Roberts of Miami, Fla., will build this spring a fifteen thousand dollar home on the corner of Tate and Church streets.

Mr. Allen expects to erect a new home on Church street at a cost, it is said, of around twenty thousand dollars.

The Catholic church of North Carolina expects to remodel the chapel on Church street.

Mr. J. D. Hood of Sanford, Florida, will commence about March 1st on the huge development of Jone Knob—new roads, residences, etc., to be undertaken.

There are several new residences being built and others contemplated in the Grimbalk Park section.

Mr. Grosse of Cocoa, Fla., has about finished his new fifteen thousand dollar home near East street.

Also two other new homes under construction on East street by Mr. Turner Russell and Mr. Pink Francis.

Mrs. Silverthorne of Aiken, S. C., plans a new home near East street. Mrs. Silverthorne has also leased the Hilliard Atkins building, formerly occupied by Bass & Withers. She will remodel this as a gift shop.

The new office and store building of Morgan & Ward under construction on Main street, just opposite the court house, will be a handsome addition to our business section.

Mr. Joe Mormino plans to erect a new store near his present occupation at an early date.

The new home of Dr. Tom Stringfield on Walnut street near completion will be one of the show places of our residences of Waynesville. This grand home will have cost more than thirty thousand dollars.

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