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Along the POLITICAL FRONTS

W. G. Byers, member of the N. C. Democratic Executive committee, states that at the recent meeting in Raleigh, the precinct meetings were set for May the 7th. The delegates elected on the 7th will represent the precinct at the county wide meetings to be held on the 14th. At the county convention the delegates to the state meeting to be held in Raleigh on May the 19th will be chosen. According to Mr. Byers, all three occasions will be marked by interest and harmony in the great cause of Demoracy.

The candidates of this year are certainly "timid violets," if one is to judge by the slow manner in which they are coming forth to proclaim their entrance into the contest so near at hand. They all seem to be shy, without exception. Perhaps each one is watching and listening to see what the other fellow, who may be aspiring to the same office, is going to do and say about the matter. Rumors are still astir that there will be more than one close hard fought battle. While other prophets claim, that in some cases there will be no contest, and that the primary will not be so hot as many of those watching from the side lines anticipate.

The Senators up in Washington have been in the midst of a great controversy. The subject, food; which is better a Maine or an Idaho potato? If you ask for cheese should it be New York or Wisconsin? Does it make any difference whether its a Chesapeake Bay, Rhode Island, or New Jersey oyster, so long as it's fat and tender and juicy, and properly garnished? These grave issues have been fought out in the Senators' Capitol Restaurant. It seems they have worked up quite a bit of rivalry about foods. Last week Wisconsin cheese was served free—and the Secretary of the National Cheese Institute declared it was "heroic in proportion, exquisite in palatability, infinite in variety." And the rest of us poor tax payers are content to have any kind of cheese.

Chairman A. T. Ward, of the Haywood Republican party, is all set to call his members to order Saturday afternoon at two o'clock at the Canton high school. Plans are to organize for the coming year, and name sixteen delegates to the state convention in Charlotte this month.

The Haywood Republicans will name their ticket before the June primary, Chairman Ward said.

Surprising to some politicians here this week, was the attitude of some of the most prospective candidates. They appeared only "luke warm" to the subject this week, and assumed an attitude of "I don't care if I don't run."

Over in Buncombe county, a hard race seems to be in the making between Judge A. Hall Johnston and Zeb Nettles, present solicitor. Both are seeking the nomination as superior court judge.

There was more talk here this week about the commissioners race than at any time so far this year, but no developments came from the "talk." Some would-be candidates held their ears closer to the ground in the hopes of getting latest developments, but most of them learned nothing.

U.S. Department of Agriculture
WEATHER BUREAU
Waynesville Cooperative Station
H. M. HALL, Observer

March	Max	Min	Prec.
3	56	41	0.56
4	61	39	0.20
5	59	39	
6	68	44	081
7	56	23	
8	51	24	
9	60	25	

Mean maximum	58.7
Mean minimum	33.6
Mean for week	46.1
Low for week	23.0
High for week	68.0
Departure from normal March temperture, minimum	0.5
Precipitation for week	1.57
Excess Prec. for March to date	0.91
Total Prec. 1938 to date	6.38
Deficiency Prec. for year to date	2.07

Same Period Last Year

Mean maximum	55.7
Mean minimum	26.4
Mean for week	41
Low for week	19
High for week	63
Precipitation for week	0.10

Methodist To Hold Regional Rally On Sunday

Bishop Paul B. Kern To Address Group At Services Sunday Morning At 11

A regional rally of the two hundredth anniversary of the conversion of John Wesley will be held in the First Methodist church here, on Sunday, March the 13th.

The first service will be held at 11:00 a. m., at which time Bishop Paul B. Kern will be the speaker. This service will be for everybody who is interested and it is expected that adult representatives from each of twenty-five charges in the Waynesville district will attend.

At 3:00 o'clock in the afternoon a great youth rally, the largest ever to be held in the Waynesville district, will meet. Several hundred young people of the churches in the district are expected, and have signified their desire to attend.

The speakers for this service will be Bishop Paul B. Kern and the Rev. L. F. Tuttle, of Concord. The Rev. Mr. Tuttle will speak on the theme, "Youth Faces a New World." Bishop Kern will speak on "Methodism's Message to Modern Youth."

Others on the program in the afternoon will be the Rev. J. C. Carpet, pastor of Long's Chapel, George Swearingen, and special music by the Brevard College choir.

A similar meeting to the one here on Sunday will be held at the Central Methodist church in Asheville, as a climax in the Aldersgate commemoration program of Methodist churches in the Asheville area. Bishop Kern and the Rev. Tuttle, will also be the main speakers on the program in Asheville.

These Aldersgate meetings, which are being held throughout the Methodist churches, do not close the "Bishop's Crusade" in the commemeration, but are in reality the commencement of the great movement in the church.

Tax Listers Named By Commissioners

At the regular first Monday meeting the County Board of Commissioners, held this week, most of the day was spent in adjusting routine matters that appear from time to time before the board.

The contract for the placing of the letters in the courthouse building was let, and within thirty minutes the work was started.

The following were appointed as tax listers in the county: Cataloochee, Flora Palmer; Beaverdam, Leta Harkins Smathers, Cecil, Horace Ledbetter; Clyde, Carey Byers; Crabtree, Jack McCracken; East Fork, K. L. Burnette; Fines Creek, Cauley Rogers. Iron Duff, Horace Byers; Ivy Hill, Mrs. Sam Queen; Jonathan Creek, Lee Ferguson; Pigeon, Gay Burnette; White Oak, Herman Holder.

Bids Sought For Putting Letters On Post Office

The post office department is seeking bids by March 18th, for placing bronze letters on the front of the building.

Postmaster J. H. Howell has been working to get this done for the past four years, and this week received specifications for bids.

The contract will be let within thirty days after bids are received, he said.

The specifications call for a block bronze letter, similar to those placed on the court house.

Broken Press Delays This Week's Paper

The Mountaineer was unavoidably delayed this week due to a broken part on the press. After spending several hours having the part repaired, it broke again when put back in use, which necessitated another delay of several hours.

Every effort was made to get the paper out on time, but it was impossible. The broken part has been replaced and the press in running smoothly, thank you.

POWER TO BE OFF

The Carolina Power & Light Company has announced that due to repairs, the power here will be off next Sunday afternoon from one to 3:30 o'clock.

P. T. A. WILL MEET MONDAY

The East Waynesville P. T. A. will meet Monday evening, March 14th, at 7:30 o'clock. Mrs. Sam H. Jones will preside.

Addresses Oil Men

S. GILMER SPARGER

Oil Men Oppose Diversion Of Highway Funds

The Haywood County Petroleum Industries committee, gathered at the Gordon Hotel here, on Tuesday, at a luncheon meeting, ratified the four point program of the North Carolina Petroleum committee as setting forth fair principles of taxation for oil men and motorists of the state. The program now is being considered for ratification by similar groups in other counties, and when approval is general the entire manpower of the petroleum industry will be thrown behind the plan.

S. Gilmer Sparger, of Raleigh, secretary of the North Carolina Petroleum Industries committee, addressed the local group and explained the features of the program.

The idea to foster justice and equality for the motorist taxpayers, was brought out by County Chairman W. J. Campbell, who further explained, "It will safe guard the welfare of thousands of workers engaged in the automotive petroleum and allied trade in this state."

"Diversion of automotive tax income to purposes unrelated to highways is one of the most unjust and dangerous financial policies a state could adopt," declared Mr. Campbell.

Officers of the County Petroleum Industries committee are as follows: W. J. Campbell, chairman, Harry Davis, vice chairman, W. L. Hardin, Jr., secretary; legislative committee, Dan Watkins, chairman, White Mease, vice chairman, and Spalding Underwood; local affairs committee, C. V. Bell, chairman, S. K. Pickens, of Canton, vice chairman; public relations, F. W. Woody, Canton, chairman, and Albert Abel, vice chairman.

The group plans to hold another meeting here sometime in May, when other points of the program will be stressed.

Well Known Colored School Teacher Dies

Funeral services were conducted on last Friday afternoon in the negro Methodist church for Charlie Patton, well known and highly respected negro, who died at his home here on Wednesday morning. The Rev. Turner, of Asheville, former pastor, officiated. Burial was in the cemetery nearby.

He had served as principal of the negro school here for more than 20 years. He owned his home and had at all times held the respect and confidence of both his own and the white race.

He was an outstanding leader of his people and had worked for years in the cause of education and improvement of his people.

SINGING AT COURTHOUSE

The Haywood County Singing convention meets at the courthouse Sunday, March 13, at 10 a. m. All class leaders are urged to be present with they classes.

DEWEY HYATT Secretary.

RETURNS HOME

Mrs. J. E. Fiscus, of Chedalis, Wash., left Friday after spending the past two months here as the guest of her mother, Mrs. W. L. Arrington.

ATTENDS CONVENTION

Oscar L. Briggs, fire chief of Waynesville, attended the state convention for fire chiefs in Salisbury Friday and Saturday of last week.

LOSE LICENSE

Clyde Cothran and Charles Cleveland Seay, both of Cantan, have had their drivers license revoked for driving drunk, according to the state department of revenue, this week.

Illinois And Ohio Folks Lead Among Visitors In Park

Visitors to Great Smoky Mountains National Park during February numbered 13,493 and they came in 4,680 vehicles (actual count.) This figure represents an 11 per cent increase over travel for the previous month, January, 1938. Travel for February, 1938, represents a decrease of 12 per cent over the estimated travel for February, 1937. The estimate for last February was merely too high; no definite decrease in travel has been noted.

Visitors from 44 states, the District of Columbia, and one province of Canada, Ontario, were counted, with 29 per cent of the visitors being from other than the States of North Carolina and Tennessee. A greater number of states was registered than in February, 1937, and the percentage of visitors from states other than Tennessee and North Carolina is higher.

The greatest travel for any one day in the month was recorded on Sunday, February 13, when the total of 2,333 persons in 655 vehicles visited the park. They were from 24 states and the District of Columbia.

Ohio and Illinois lengthened their ever-increasing lead in number of visitors over all other states except the local states of Tennessee and North Carolina.

Fire Destroys Jim Garret Home

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jim Garrett, a modern five room bungalow, located on a branch road, leading off from the highway near the Green Valley Farm, was completely demolished by fire on Thursday night.

The fire was not discovered by the family, who were sleeping soundly, until 12:30, when they heard the kitchen roof fall in. They rushed to the neighbors for assistance, but the headway the fire had made and the high wind of the night, rendered it impossible to extinguish the flames. Practically nothing was saved in the way of household furnishings. Food supplies which were in a small house in the yard, were unhurt.

The house was partially insured.

Youth Council Holds Meeting At Shady Grove

The Youth Council of Waynesville township met at the Shady Grove church on March the eighth. This meeting was called for the purpose of applying some of the suggestions obtained at the youth rally on March the sixth and to adopt a constitution.

The constitution drafted by the committee was read and accepted. The constitution provided for four standing committees to combat the evils of modern life. Some of these evils were discussed and assigned to the committees. One of these evils outlawed by the council was the reading and sale of cheap magazines. Definite action is to be taken immediately to stop these evils.

The next meeting of the Youth Council will be held March the fourteenth at the Ratcliff Cove Baptist church. Everyone is urged to come and take part in the solutions of problems facing modern youth.

New Market Being Opened Saturday Of This Week, Here

C. A. Lasinger, experienced market operator, will formally open a new market in the A&P Tea Company, on Main street, here, Saturday, according to an advertisement on page 5 in this issue.

Until three years ago, Mr. Lasinger owned a chain of 12 markets in Cleveland. After selling these, he owned two in Wadsworth, Ohio, and recently sold them.

He said that he and his family decided after two trips to Waynesville, that this would be the place where they would spend the remainder of their lives.

Mr. and Mrs. Lasinger have two daughters, one will graduate in music this year, and the other from high school. At present they are making their home at Hillcrest.

He is a Legionnaire, D. A. V., V. F. F., Mason and a Methodist.

In the opening advertisement today, the owner is advertising for a name for the new market. New and modern equipment is being installed, and the market will be double the size of the average markets in stores of the size of the local A&P, it was said.

Wins Honors

NORMAN PLOTT

Norman Plott, of Canton, has recently been selected as one of the outstanding members of the senior class of Western Carolina Teachers College where he will receive his B. S. degree in June.

Cut courtesy Canton Enterprise

Haywood Boy Is Making Record At W.C.T.C. This Year

E. Norman Plott was recently selected by the faculty of Western Carolina Teachers College as one of the ten most outstanding students in the senior class.

He was selected as the best all-round student. Mr. Plott's picture and a short biographical sketch will be included in the American College Yearbook for 1938, which will be published in April or May. This book contains the pictures and biographical sketch of the outstanding students in American colleges and universities.

This is the first year Western Carolina Teachers college has been invited to send their selection.

Mr. Plott is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Plott, Canton, Route 2. He graduated from the Bethel high school in 1934 with high honors. He was selected that same year the most valuable student in school. He graduated from Brevard Junior college in in 1936, also with high honors. He will receive his B. S. degree from Western Carolina Teachers College in June. He has received many honors there also.

He is senior class editor of The Catamount, the college yearbook, published each year by the senior class. He is a reporter on the staff of the Western Carolinian, the college newspaper. He is active in the following clubs and societies: The International Relations club, the Debate club, The Ersophian Literary society. He has been outstanding in public speaking and debating throughout his entire school career. He reached the state finals of an essay contest sponsored by the Building and Loan Association in 1934. He has attended outstanding public speech tournaments in the South while a member of the Brevard college and Western Carolina Teachers College student body.

Mr. Plott is also active in the young people's department of the Cullowhee Methodist church. He has served as president of the Epworth League and at the present is secretary-treaurer of the Swain-Jackson Epworth League Union.

Missionary To Address Baptist Congregation

Miss Pearl Johnson, a missionary of the Baptist church in China, home on a furlough, is to speak at the Baptist church tonight at 7:30 o'clock.

Miss Johnson has a place on the program of the State W. M. U. convention being held in Asheville this week, and the local congregation is very fortunate in being able to bring Miss Johnson to Waynesville at this time.

Not only the members of the church are expected to attend, but the public in general is invited.

RETURNS TO RALEIGH

David Palmer, who has a position with the State Department of Revenue at Raleigh, returned to his duties there yesterday. Mr. Palmer was called here on account of the sudden illness of his mother, Mrs. Geo. H. Palmer, of the Ratcliff Cove section.

JUDGE ALLEY TO SPEAK

Judge Felix E. Allen will give a talk over WWNC this afternoon from 5:45 to 6 o'clock, especially for boys and girls. The program is being sponsored by the Good Samaritan organization, of Asheville.

Sentelle Portrait Will Be Unveiled Saturday Morning

Event Will Take Place At Teachers Meeting At Central Elementary School

The memorial services and the portrait of the late beloved R. A. Sentelle, which will be unveiled on Saturday morning in the auditorium of the Central Elementary school, at the county-wide teachers meeting, will be of interest throughout the county.

The Rev. Thomas Erwin, principal of the Cecil school, who was associated for many years in school work with Mr. Sentelle, and who was one of his closest friends in his latter years, will be the main speaker.

The portrait, which is to hang in the office of the county superintendent of education in the court house, will be presented to the county board of education, and accepted by a member of the board.

The regular teachers meeting, the last of the current school year, will begin at 10 o'clock, and a general business session will be held. At 11 o'clock the public is invited to join the group for the unveiling of the portrait.

For sometime the teachers of the county have desired to recognize the work of Mr. Sentelle in some form and a year ago the idea of the portrait was definitely decided. At first the plan was for a memorial tablet, and the money was partially raised, but was later abandoned, and the portrait was found in greater favor.

The distinguished educator was born in Henderson county, in 1846 and came to this county at an early age, and his struggle for an education, and subsequent educational work are known in the county. Aside from teaching many years, he served in all 32 years as county superintendent of education.

Leiber Freedenhalt, of Asheville, who has studied with the leading masters of Europe, is the artist of the oil painting, which is said to be a splendid likeness of Mr. Sentelle as the present generation recall him.

Joe Johnson Wins D.A.R. Gold Medal

Joe Johnson, a member of the senior class of the Waynesville district high school, was the winner of the gold medal, in the declamation contest staged last Friday in the school auditorium, by the Dorcas Bell chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Joe Davis was adjudged the second place in the contest.

The speakers and the subjects were: "Surposed Speech of John Adams," by Joe Johnson; "American Ideal of Public Education," Jack Rathbone; "Memorial Day in Arlington," by Sam Queen, Jr.; "Call to Arms," by Kenneth Palmer; "Unknown," by Joe Davis; "Gettysburg Address," by Robert Cope; "The Supreme Menace," by Hugh Palmer.

Joe Johnson, the winner, also won first place with the same selection in the recent county wide declamation contest, the medal on Friday being the second in the past two weeks, he has been awarded. Young Johnson is president of the student body and an "A" student.

Mrs. J. F. Abel, regent of the D. A. R., chapter, presided. The invocation was given by the Rev. R. P. Walker, pastor of the Presbyterian church. Mrs. J. Harden Howell, chairman of patriotic education, gave a history of the declamation contest, which has been held each year by the chapter since 1909, and read the list of the winners.

Town Adds Truck To Get Garbage

The town put a new garbage truck into service this week. The old truck will be used by the street department.

The addition of the new truck gives each department of the town a truck—the light, water, street and garbage. Four trucks are operated besides the police car.

PROGRAM POSTPONED

The program sponsored by the Crabtree school P. T. A., that was to have been given Friday, March 11, will be postponed indefinitely due to a threatened epidemic of measles.

S. E. CONNATSER, Prin.

Mrs. Charles C. Francis, Miss Eugenia Boston, Miss Avia Noland, and Mr. Walter Francis spent the week end in Greensboro and Wake Forest, where they visited Miss Elizabeth Francis at the North Carolina College for Women, and Mr. Arthur Francis at Wake Forest College.