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ALONG POLITICAL FRONTS

Employment Service Director



MAYNE ALBRIGHT

Candidates from the east are taking their way up in the hills considerably frequently as time goes on and are expected in larger numbers for the May primary. On Tuesday of this week, Ross Pou, candidate to succeed himself as state auditor, opponent Charles Miller, of Asheville, is checking up with the superintendent of the State House. Mr. Pou knew personally all the candidates in the state, and they are to set great store by him. At Canton at the dedication of the new postoffice, candidates, local and otherwise, were as busy as house flies in spring. It seems to be a very important spot around election time.

Democrats of the eleventh district plan a general rally in Asheville on the 15th of this month. William H. local attorney and state representative, is chairman of the speaker's committee. The Young Democrats are speeding up their plans to live up to the ranks of democracy in the final goal set in November. Tyre now a Washington attorney realized back in 1928 was trying to find a way up the split caused by Al in the ranks of the Democrats. The state just what a big was starting when he or the Democratic youngsters. At that time the organization was national.

still the list of candidates in Haywood. R. T. Messer, in the retail and wholesale business, and member of the county board of education since 1932, is seeking re-election. Mr. Messer has been in of repairs and maintenance of the schools. Under him NYA boys do general run on school improvement.

V. Gagle, in the general dis business in Canton for 27 years and a member of wood County board of education since 1932, has announced a candidate for re-election. He seems to have inherited for a place on the county education, as his father, Manson Gagle, served on for sixteen years.

Leatherwood, farmer and man, has cast his hat in the political ring during the has announced himself a for county commissioner. Mr. Leatherwood's first to the political arena, his have been office holders. His the late Jerry Leatherwood, and his father, the Leatherwood, was sheriff of county and also served of the court.

Mayne Albright Will Address Young Democrats

State Employment Service Director Will Speak On Citizenship Day Program

Mayne Albright, of Raleigh, director of the North Carolina Employment Service, will conduct the Young Democratic Citizenship Day program to be held on Saturday, April 13, at 7:30 o'clock in the courthouse.

William Medford, Haywood County chairman of the Young Democrats, is in charge of the arrangements.

All persons who will vote for the first time in the coming elections will be special guests at the meeting. It has been estimated that there are approximately 800 young men and women in Haywood County who will cast their first vote in the elections of 1940.

The purpose of the meeting will be to instruct the new voters in the responsibility of the ballot and of citizenship in general.

All over the state Young Democratic Clubs are holding special meetings and programs in commemoration of Jeffersonian Day, and the Citizenship Day program on Saturday night is the form in which the Haywood County group will celebrate the day.

Mr. Albright, a member of the class of 1931 of the University of North Carolina, is an able speaker, and the public is urged to attend the meeting on Saturday night.

Election Board Appoints Judges And Registrars

Gudger Bryson, chairman of the county board of elections, has announced the appointment of registrars and judges for the voting precincts of the county.

In compliance with the requirements of a new registration, registration books will be opened on April 27th and will close on May 11th. The registrars will be at the voting precincts to which they have been appointed on the following Saturdays, from 9 a. m. until sundown, April 27, May 4, and 11th.

The following have been appointed registrars: W. W. Pless, Beaverdam No. 1; W. L. Clark, Beaverdam No. 2; C. E. Williams, Beaverdam No. 3; Blaylock Ayward, Beaverdam No. 4; Grover Russell, Beaverdam No. 5; S. C. Wood, Beaverdam No. 6.

John D. Cathey, Pigeon; Charlie Moody, Cecil; R. P. Russell, Clyde; Bryan Heatherly, East Fork; Ben Nolan, Crabtree; Lush Caldwell, Cataloochee; Glenn James, Fines Creek; Manson Medford, Iron Duff; Alney Mehaffey, Ivy Hill.

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Taking Part In Senior Play Friday Night



The following cast will present the senior play, "Annie Laurie," Friday night at the high school auditorium: Front row (left to right)—Vance Spivey, Flora Smith, Talmadge Woodward, Corinne Alley and Jack Richeson; second row—Mary Stenz, Pauline Wilson, Roberta Norris, Sara Louise Leatherwood and Bula Caldwell; standing—Ned Howell, Catherine Jones, Bill Milner, Nell Cooke and Greek Waddell. (Lewis Jones was not present when the picture was made.)

Broughton Opens State-Wide Campaign For Governor Here

Large Audience Hears Candidate, And His Speech Is Broadcast Over WWNC

Before a large and enthusiastic audience, J. M. Broughton, of Raleigh, candidate for governor of North Carolina, opened his state wide campaign here in the court house on Tuesday evening.

He was frequently interrupted by loud applause, showing the approval of those assembled of his ideas for the continued progress and development of North Carolina. The audience was especially appreciative of his attitude toward the development of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

Mr. Broughton said in part: "The Democratic party has by vote of the people been vested with responsible leadership in North Carolina continuously for forty years. Under this leadership the state has made remarkable progress. I do not propose any radical change in the form of government that we have maintained under Democratic leadership, but my program contemplates the furtherance of this type of government, with such changes and adaptations as new conditions may require."

As a candidate for the Democratic primary my first word is one of exaltation of the Democratic party in the state and the nation. We are making great progress in all essential lines, and I pledge myself to the task of carrying on this program of progress without retreat or deviation. During the last seven years the party has given to the nation an unparalleled record of achievement in the interest of the great masses of the people, under the leadership of the world's greatest humanitarian, President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

North Carolina enjoys an enviable record among the states of the nation in its financial, industrial and agricultural position. In its financial structure the state is sound. The budget is balanced and the bonded indebtedness is being steadily and substantially reduced.

In our industrial life we have made remarkable progress. Pulp mills, rayon plants, cigarette paper factories, new textile industries, new furniture industries, hosiery mills, creameries, and a great list of others are looking upon North Carolina as a favorite place for their locations. In this lies the greatest hope of our state industrially and economically.

Already, with the unsurpassed attractiveness of the Great Smoky Mountain park in the west and the unsurpassed resorts in the piedmont and east, we are attracting to the state hundreds of thousands of visitors annually. This in itself constitutes a great industry in North Carolina and is adding immeasurably to our current wealth. It is a tribute to the fine program of advertising that the state has received and to the co-operation that has been given by the many civic agencies. We propose to carry on this program, to add to and improve our scenic attractions,

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Soco Dance Team Will Appear In Aiken Tomorrow

The Council of Farm Women, of Aiken, S. C., is sponsoring the Soco Gap Dance Team in a performance tomorrow night in the Armory in Aiken.

It was learned from Sam Queen, manager, that following the performance the audience will join in the square dancing.

The Soco team returned on Monday morning from Pittsburgh where they appeared in Carnegie Music Hall, under the auspices of the In-and-Out Pittsburgh Music Educators club.

They were honor guests at a dance following their appearance, and also at a breakfast the next morning.

Miss Catherine Martin spent the week-end in Charlotte as the guest of friends.

Farley Dedicates Canton's New Post Office Tuesday

Brighter Lights...

The "white way" which was installed some years ago to light Main Street has been practically torn down during the week and today the completion of the arc lighting system will be made on Main Street, starting at the Waynesville Sanatorium and extending to the Gordon Hotel.

Where the street has been lighted with a 100 candle power at intervals the new system gives 600 candle power every 125 feet.

Resurfacing Of Main Street By State Underway

The State Highway and Public Works Commission are now engaged in resurfacing Main Street inside the corporate limits of Waynesville. This work is being done entirely by the state out of a fund of \$500,000 allocated for repairing streets in incorporated towns on which state highways are routed, according to T. L. Bramlett, town alderman.

The work consists of spreading two to two and a half inches of fine stone over which a tar binder will be poured and then rolled into place. The work will take several days to complete and the street will be closed in sections so that traffic can be maintained. Each section will be closed approximately 24 hours.

Plants And Bulbs Are Stolen From Lake Property

Discovery was made during the week that the basement of the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Ivey at Lake Junaluska had been broken into and all their valuable dahlias and bulbs stolen.

About two weeks ago hydrangea and butterfly bushes were stolen from the Methodist Assembly grounds property, and three junipers were taken from the property of a private owner.

As a result of the thefts the management of the assembly grounds has put on an extra night watchman, and every effort is being made to locate the guilty parties.

Persons contemplating the purchase of dahlias or shrubbery from individuals are asked to investigate if they do not know where the plants came from, and notify the assembly office at Lake Junaluska.

Annual C. Of C. Dinner And Party Set For April 23

The executive committee of the Chamber of Commerce has definitely set Tuesday, April 23, as the date for the annual dinner and community party.

The affair will be held in the new community center in the building formerly occupied by the Citizens Bank and Trust Company, and the occasion will mark the official opening of the new quarters.

A good dinner is promised those who attend, and a short interesting program provided by local talent. Tickets will go on sale at fifty cents, and will carry a stub and number which will entitle the holder to a chance at one of the many prizes which will be donated by the merchants and manufacturers of the community.

A list of the attractive prizes to be distributed that night will be published in next week's issue of this newspaper.

Townpeople in the meantime are cordially invited to inspect the new headquarters of the community center and observe the plans that are underway for the entertainment of the local people and the visitors.

Miss Ethel Brown, student at the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina, spent a couple of days during the week here with her sister, Mrs. Ray Burgin.

Other High Officials Take Part In Impressive Program Attended By 5,000

Approximately 5,000 persons were present in Canton on Tuesday afternoon when Postmaster General James A. Farley dedicated the new postoffice building to "the service of all classes of the people of the community and this nation."

Mr. Farley reviewed the extensive building program of the Roosevelt administration and of the general improvements in the postal service. He pointed out that the great construction program had come at a time when it had served a dual purpose, with improved postal facilities and work for thousands of jobs.

"Such construction," he said, "provided suitable quarters for a rapidly growing postal service, the largest in the world, and for you, its patrons, but more than that, it supplied steady employment for workers not only at the site of these postoffices scattered into every part of the nation, but in forests and quarries and at factories and institutions in many cases thousands of miles away from the actual scene of construction."

The new \$80,000 Canton postoffice he said will stand as a monument to the "industrial prosperity of this community, proclaiming to all who see it that here is a town which is growing progressively."

Mr. Farley paid great tribute to the Champion Paper and Fibre Company for its generosity in donating the site for the building.

Reuben Robertson, executive vice president of the Champion Paper and Fibre Company, served as master of ceremonies. The Rev. George Hammond, pastor of the Canton Presbyterian church, gave the invocation. Mayor Paul Murray delivered a brief address of welcome, and presented Mr. Robertson.

Mr. Robertson in turn presented Postmaster Wade Hill, who recognized Paul Yount, Charlotte postmaster and president of the National Association of Postmasters; Postmaster J. H. Howell, of Waynesville; Postmaster Grover Haynes, of Clyde; Postmaster Wythe Peyton, of Asheville.

Mr. Robertson introduced Congressman Zebulon Weaver, who presented the second assistant postmaster general, Ambrose O'Connell, and the fourth assistant postmaster, Smith W. Purdum, both of whom pleased the crowd with their remarks.

Congressman Weaver presented Mr. Farley as a national leader and an international figure, stating what he had done for the postal service of this country.

At the conclusion of the postmaster general's address, which held the continued interest of the crowd despite the chilly winds, he recognized Jeff Hayes, of Tomola, who had retired after nearly 58 years of service in the postal department, the longest record with the exception of one other in the United States.

The Rev. H. K. Marsteller, pastor of the Canton Baptist church, closed the impressive occasion with prayer. Music was furnished by the Canton High School band, a program being given while the hundreds were gathering on the ball grounds.

Mr. Farley and about forty of the distinguished visitors and a number of local people were guests of Mr. Robertson for lunch prior to the dedication.

Mrs. D. D. Alley Talks To Central Elementary PTA

Mrs. Doyle Alley, president of the N. C. Congress of Parent and Teachers Asso., was the principal speaker at the P. T. A. meeting at the Central Elementary school on Monday night. She had as her subject "Progress of the P. T. A. in North Carolina."

After her talk Mrs. Alley installed the following officers: President, Mrs. S. P. Gay; Vice President, Mrs. C. J. Vandenhoeven; Secretary, Mrs. Bonner Ray and Treasurer, Mrs. Wilfred Jackson.

Following this a group of 5th and 6th grade children entertained the members with a musical program.