

News and Comment From Raleigh

# CAPITAL LETTERS

By THOMPSON GREENWOOD

**DEWEY**—Governor Broughton's speech on the Democratic convention in Chicago has provided the Republicans of this State with plenty of political ammunition and they are using it to the fullest extent possible. The Union Republican, Winston-Salem paper, played up the speech big in a recent issue, and it is being used by Democrats in the State who are afflicted with a Liberty League (remember?) outlook. Some of these fellows have been looking for a good excuse to move against the Democratic ticket this year, they have found it in the words of the titular head of the party in old Democratic North Carolina. That radio speech was full of it.

**HORNE**—The phlegmatic Josh Horne, editor of the Rocky Mount Evening Telegram, chairman of the Board of Conservation and Development, and Willie man in 1940, has come out with an editorial for Dewey—just like a good Republican. Governor Broughton spent a day or two in Horne's company last week and no doubt they had a big time discussing the Democratic party, which the Governor was so eager to serve as its Vice Presidential nominee a few short weeks ago.

**SELF**—Members of the Broughton ring are laying careful plans to look after their own in the years to come. They would like to retire R. O. Self, of the Utilities Commission, and replace him with either Charles Flack, Broughton's private secretary, or H. J. Rhodes, assistant to the Attorney General. The finger points to Rhodes if Mr. Self is moved out, though Flack may get the place.

Wade Bruton, whom Rhodes succeeded, is now in the Adjutant General's office on a leave of absence and may come back any day, throwing Rhodes, who is personally a good fellow, out of a job. On the other hand, the Broughton folks may try to get a little more money appropriated for the Attorney General's office so that they may keep Rhodes and Bruton.

**TWO DAYS**—Those first two days of school—September 15 and 16—in which not one student will be taught, will cost the State around \$450,000. It's all sham, or

pretty nearly all, anyway. The days will be given over to teachers' conferences. Why two days for conferences this year? The schools have run pretty well now for several decades without using the State's money for conferences. It is doubtful if the teachers will have enough real business to warrant their spending more than three or four hours laying plans for the school year. As things stand now, it is almost impossible to do a great deal until the children come to school. At any rate, will the conferences be worth around a half-million dollars to education in this State?

**CONTACTS**—Men who have lived in Raleigh manage to keep their contacts with Raleigh bureaucrats—if they are smart. P. G. Hampton, Western North Carolina attorney, was prominent here for many years as an official of the old Department of Labor and Printing. He still comes to town now and then to represent some client, and he is usually successful, for his contacts with various folks are still strong. A whisper here, a black slap there, and a compliment or two over yonder almost always do the trick.

Hampton, incidentally, is a brother of Frank Hampton, former secretary of the late Senator F. M. Simmons. Frank Hampton is now the leading attorney with the Federal Power Commission.

**BAILEY**—Senator Josiah W. Bailey is not in good health, it is said, and Broughton opponents are afraid he may decide to resign before the Governor's term ends, thus opening the way for JMB to go to the Senate. If Bailey goes on into the Cherry years (1944-48) the Gastonia gentleman may name your next Eastern Carolina senator.

## Marine Frazier Spends Brief Furlough Home

Pvt. Lemuel H. Frazier, Jr., of the Marine Corps and son of Mr. and Mrs. Hilliard Frazier of route one, recently spent a 10-day furlough with his parents.

Pvt. Frazier entered service in May of this year and took his boot training at Parris Island. He is now stationed at Cherry Point.

Prior to entering service he was employed at Unagusta Manufacturing company. He has a brother, Cpl. John Frazier, with the army somewhere in England.

## TELLING

You can tell an apprentice seaman by his look of great alarm. You can tell a petty officer by the chevrons on his arm. You can tell a swank lieutenant by his manners, dress and such. You can tell an ensign, but you sure can't tell him much.

## In India



**PVT. GARRETT HOWELL**, U. S. Air Forces, who is now serving with the armed forces in India. He entered the service in November, 1942, and was inducted at Fort Jackson. From Fort Jackson he was sent to Augusta, Ga., and then to Fort Moultrie, Ga. Before being sent overseas he was also trained at Malden, Mo., and Greensboro air base. Prior to entering the service Pvt. Howell was employed by the State Highway Commission.

In a recent letter to his wife Pvt. Howell enclosed a copy of the ship's paper en route to India. It was dated July 4, and told of the huge offensive on the western part of the Cherbourg peninsula. The issue had many items of interest to the men who had been aboard and also contained a "warning" to those aboard regarding the entrance of the ship into a foreign port, where enemy agents are known to be at work.

## Much Interest In Feeder Calf Sale Next Month

Increased interest is being shown in the third annual feeder calf sale which will be held at the Clyde Stockyards on Wednesday, Sept. 13.

Buyers from several states have inquired about the sale, and plan to attend.

Calves for the sale should weigh between 300 and 600 pounds. All animals will be graded immediately before the sale.

## Former Haywood Man Named To Texas State Board Of Health

Dr. J. C. Davis, a native of Haywood county, who has been a practicing physician in Texas for the past forty years, has recently been appointed by the governor of Texas as a member of the State Board of Health of that state.

Dr. Davis, a resident of Rule, is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Davis, of Iron Duff section and a brother of Dr. F. M. Davis of Canton. He is widely connected in this county.

## Mrs. James A. Gwyn Winner In DuPont County Club Playoff

Mrs. James A. Gwyn was medalist with a score of 36 in the qualifying round of flights of eight played by the associate women golfers of the DuPont Country Club, of Wilmington, Del. The round was the opening of the championship week of the group.

Twenty women participated in the round and following the match a picnic luncheon was served. Mrs. C. E. Woodhouse, the golf champion for the season who has been a Waynesville visitor, presided. Mrs. Gwyn, the former Mrs. Bessie Lee Page, of Waynesville, is a well known golfer and has many championship records to her credit.

## Tech. Sgt. James Eavenson Given Oak Leaf Cluster

An Eighth Air Force Bomber Station—Technical Sergeant James E. Eavenson of Waynesville, engineer and top turret gunner on an Eighth Air Force B-17 Flying Fortress, has been presented an Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal for "meritorious achievement" while participating in heavy bombing assaults on vital Nazi targets in Europe and in support of advances by the ground troops in France.

Sgt. Eavenson, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Eavenson of Waynesville, entered service in May, 1942, prior to which he was for three years in the Coast Artillery in the Panama Canal zone.

## Fines Creek News

By Mrs. D. N. Rathbone

The quarterly conference of the Methodist church will be held on September 24 at 11 a. m. at the Upper Fines Creek Pine Grove Methodist church.

The revival meeting which has been in progress for the past two weeks came to a close on Sunday at the Fines Creek Baptist church. There were 11 professions of faith, seven of whom will receive the baptismal ceremonies next Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, at which time the baptizing is set. The Rev. R. P. McCracken and the Rev. Rogers will be present to administer the baptismal rites.

Miss Georgia Fish, of Georgia, recently visited a few days here with her sister, Mrs. Reeves Rathbone.

Pvt. Jimmy Rathbone, who was in the first combat group to land in France on D-Day, is now a patient in Moore General Hospital. Pvt. Rathbone is suffering from

injuries he received while serving with the glider crew while trying to make a forced landing. Pvt. Rathbone spent the week-end here with his mother, Mrs. Thomas Rathbone, at her home on Wesley's Creek.

The housewives of the Fines Creek section can boast of full cellars this year as the season has been bountiful. They have been kept busy this year with home and farm problems.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Green received a letter last week from their son, Sam Green, who is serving with the U. S. Army and is stationed in New Guinea.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Chambers and Miss Cora Ledford, who makes her home with them, visited friends and relatives in Fines Creek on Sunday.

Wayne Bramlett, of the U. S. Army, is spending his furlough visiting friends and relatives in White Oak and other sections of the county.

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