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ASSISTANT ATTY. GEN. SPEAKS HERE

Walter D. Siler, of Pittsboro, Addressed Voters Here Tuesday Night—Blamed Republican Administration for Plight of Business Today.

RETIRE FROM BOARD CO. COMMISSIONERS

S. J. Cameron Was One of First Members of Hoke Commissioners—Retires Voluntarily After Useful Career of Service.

The opening gun in the campaign for the election next Tuesday was fired here Tuesday night when Assistant Attorney General Walter D. Siler, of Pittsboro, addressed an audience in the court house here. He was preceded on the program by Edgar Hall, chairman of the Hoke County Democratic Executive Committee who presided at the meeting and spoke a few words of appreciation to those who had come out. He recognized MacNair Smith, local attorney, who exhibited a sample of the ballots to be voted next Tuesday and explained how they should be marked. The kind of ballot used this year is entirely different from the one heretofore used. He was followed by Murdoch M. Johnson, of Aberdeen, Democratic nominee for State Senator from this district who made a short talk and introduced his running mate, J. R. Baggett, of Harnett County, who made a speech of about ten minutes. Mr. Baggett has represented this district in the State senate before and was serving when Hoke County was formed, being a colleague of Major J. W. McLaughlin, who represented Cumberland County in the senate at that time. Mr. Baggett stated that he was glad he helped get Hoke County and expected to render every service of which he was capable to this county in the next General Assembly. He especially stressed the subject of taxes on real estate and promised to do all in his power to get the burden of taxation shifted from the land owner to other shoulders more able to bear it. Mr. Baggett closed his speech by introducing Mr. Siler, who spoke for forty five minutes to a small but attentive audience on the issues before the people. His speech was largely a review of Democratic and Republican rule in North Carolina and the nation. He waded into the Republican National administration for the plight of business today and insisted that the present state of affairs is due to Republican legislation and broken promises in the way of relief to the farmer. His speech was studded with pithy remarks and witticisms that frequently brought laughter and applause.

Hoke County people have a peculiar liking for Mr. Siler on account of the fact that he was senator from Chatham County when Hoke County was created in 1911 and he led the fight for the creation of the county. A unique feature of the rally was mention made by Sheriff Hall when he stated that one of the oldest and most loyal Democrats of the county was in the house—a man who had battled for the ticket when it was dark and one who had served Hoke County on different occasions most acceptably. He referred to Mr. S. J. Cameron who arose amid loud applause and made his best bow.

HOKE COUNTY'S FIRST REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE
For the first time since Hoke County was established the Republican party has a candidate for a county office. This candidate is Mr. J. T. Parnell, of Quenwhiffle Township, who is running for County Commissioner. He filed in the primary last spring when the election law was construed to bar Republicans from participating in a Democratic primary. Mr. Parnell's action being in the nature of a friendly protest against the ruling. Prior to this year, Republicans who desired to do so, participated in the Democratic primary for county offices and few, if any, objected to their doing so as long as they had no county ticket of their own. This year, however, the Republicans had candidates in the legalized primary for the first time and it was held by the Attorney General that they could not vote in one part of the primary as Republicans and then participate in any of the democratic contests. The ruling likewise barred Democrats from voting part of both primary contests.

BIRTHS
Born to Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Burkhead on October 8th, a fine son.

THE BIG FIVE FOOTBALL TEAMS AT A GLANCE
State: A Stout defense. Wake Forest: The Mills of the Deacons grind swiftly and the seem Benton passing. Carolina: The main line may be weak but the Branch line carries on. However they came near losing a star of the first Magnitude. Davidson: Whatever you McCall it. Duke: Had trouble brewing for a while but now they are prepared to Sink all future opposition.

ASHMONT SCHOOL VOTING PLACE QUEWHIFFLE TOWNSHIP
The News-Journal, has been requested to announce that the voting place in Quenwhiffle Township for the election next Tuesday will be a room in the Ashmont school building. A change in voting place was made necessary by the burning of Maunty Store at Montrose. Election officials state that the school building was the next best place available, especially on account of lights, heat, and the desirability of a ground floor room.

BARIUM SPRINGS ORPHANAGE FOOTBALL TEAM TO PLAY MAXTON JR. COLLEGE TEAM
Maxton, Oct. 27.—Football fans will have an opportunity to see some real football here on Friday afternoon (October 31) when the fast Barium Springs Orphanage team meets the Presbyterian Junior College here in Maxton. Those who have seen the Orphanage team in action say they have a perfect machine and will give any team of equal weight a hard struggle for the "pig skin." The P. J. C. bunch is making splendid progress under the training of coach Doc Henderson. "Doc" got his football knowledge from Coaches Younger and Tilson of Davidson College, and those who witness the game here Friday afternoon will see the influence of these experts. It is a safe bet that it will be a hard fought battle and will furnish the fans plenty of "thrills."

Friday is also the date for the Lumbee Harvest Festival, a community fair held annually here in Maxton. Those in charge of the fair say the exhibits will be of a high order and the program of fun which is always a great success will excel the records of past years. The fair program begins at ten o'clock Friday morning and will continue through the day and to a late hour that night. The football game will be a part of this program and will be played, according to those in charge, around 3 o'clock. Those in charge of the program are sparing no effort to give Maxton and her guests a day of profit and fun. They are extending through the courtesy of the press, and especially through this paper, a warm and cordial invitation to all former Maxtonians and friends everywhere to join them in this day of fun and recreation, as a fitting time that a first-class High School game awaits them.

BE SURE TO VOTE.

Next Tuesday is election day, and every Democrat in Hoke County should go to the polls early and vote, because by this act you express your confidence in your party's nominees. To stay away you say to the candidates, "I do not care whether you are elected or defeated." Go, every one of you and make the vote as large as you possibly can.

To stay away and not vote because certain members of the party have not treated us as we think they should have would be acting childish and spiteful. Spite work has never paid.

The Democratic Party is MY PARTY, and the little spite work against me makes me a stronger Democrat. It is my home. They cannot drive me out of it, because I know the hope of reforms we certainly need must come through the Democratic party, for this party will always be the dominant party, in the South—where we will always live.

The Republicans will all go and support their nominees to a man. Do not be less true to your country than they. They vote Republican because they think they are doing the wise thing for their country. Hoke has a lot to do toward electing Democratic Congressmen. Much depends upon you. Some time you may depend upon these friends for favors political or otherwise, and you want them to stand true. I will never prove a disappointment to my friends nor party, and the best way to restore party harmony is to all vote as we used to, or we may all live to regret the mistake we make by not voting. Let Hoke cast a vote of 2,000 this time.

D. SCOTT POOLE.

Belton Wright Tried 8,875 Bales Cotton In Mayor's Court Ginned In Hoke

In Mayor's Court Monday, Belton Wright, prominent young white man, was given a preliminary hearing before His Honor R. L. Bethune on a charge of an assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill and was bound over to the November term of Superior Court under a five hundred dollar bond.

This case is the outgrowth of an argument between Wright and Harry Epstein more than a week ago, when Wright is alleged to have cut Epstein on the neck and the wound coming very near proving fatal. Epstein has recovered from his wounds and was at the trial. The defendant offered no testimony, evidently preferring to await the hearing in Superior Court before giving his version of the affray.

Walter Lambeth and Hinton James Here Last Saturday White Newsprint Paper From New Source

Walter Lambeth and Hinton James, Democratic candidates for the long and short terms of Congress respectively, spent several hours in Hoke County last Saturday meeting the voters and stimulating interest in the approaching election on their constituency. This was Mr. Lambeth's first visit to Hoke County and he made a most favorable impression on the people that he met. He stated that he expected to put in the entire time between November 4th and March 4th going the rounds of the thirteen counties of the district and meeting the people. He appeared confident of victory on November 4th, and appeared to feel that it was a matter of getting out the Democratic vote to make victory certain.

MIGHT GO TO WAGRAM.

(Laurinburg Exchange)
The newspapers say that sentiment is growing in North Carolina for the consolidation of counties to the end that there may not be more than 70 or 75 counties instead of the one hundred separate political subdivisions we now have and call counties. Some of the smart fellows at Raleigh have figured out a tentative plan of consolidation or combination of counties, and in their line-up they would make one big county out of Scotland and Hoke, with Laurinburg as the county seat. As a matter of fact Laurinburg is located in the southern end of Scotland and only six or seven miles from the South Carolina border. It is 23 miles from Laurinburg to Raeford, Hoke capital city. How many Hoke folks would want to come all the way to Laurinburg to transact public business, even if there are good roads and automobiles to make traveling fast and easy? Wagram is more centrally located with respect to the two counties and if ever such a fantastic dream should be realized (and we doubt it) then Wagram might put in a bid for county seat honors.

ROUGH ON THE SON.
"Here, here!" said the golf fiend, to his son, who was ignoring the spinach on his plate. "Get back on the green."

GRAHAM SPEAKS AT BLUFF CHURCH RECORDERS COURT HAS SEVERAL CASES

Meeting of Fayetteville Presbytery Held at Historical Church—Several from Here Attend.

Fayetteville, Oct. 29.—Addressing the Fayetteville Presbytery and a home coming gathering celebrating the 172nd anniversary of the oldest Presbyterian church in North Carolina, Frank Porter Graham, president of the University of North Carolina, Wednesday urged his hearers to allow no let-down in the cause of education because of present industrial conditions. President Graham spoke in the Old Bluff church, founded in 1758 by the early Scottish settlers, his own forebears among them, and he sketched the growth of education from that day, through long periods when almost unbelievable sacrifices were made to advance the cause of the school and the church.

Despite a downpour of rain the university president was heard by an audience which filled the church beyond its seating capacity. It included many of the "Dispersed Abroad" from families which had some time in its long history have belonged to the Old Bluff, the mother church of Presbyterianism in North Carolina, more than a few of them distinguished in their spheres of work. One of these was President Graham's own father, the beloved Dr. Alexander Graham, of Charlotte, himself a pioneer of public education in North Carolina. Dr. R. Murphy Williams, moderator of the North Carolina Synod of the Presbyterian church, was also present, having come from his home in Greensboro to attend the closing day's session of the Presbytery. He addressed the Presbyterial body at the request of Moderator A. R. McQueen.

At the close of President Graham's address a fine dinner was served in the church building by the hospitable people of the Wade neighborhood.

The Bluff church, whose 172nd year of Christian service has been completed, is believed to be the oldest Presbyterian congregation in this State. In its church yard stand monuments to Rev. James Campbell, the first preacher of that faith to locate in North Carolina, Colonel Alexander McAllister, Revolutionary patriot, Sir Farquard Campbell, and other early builders of this section. Though the church is not used regularly now, the beautiful colonial edifice is well preserved and has recently been much improved thru the generosity of W. W. Fuller, of New York, a native of this section.

Among those from Hoke County attending the annual meeting of Fayetteville Presbytery at Bluff Church above Fayetteville, this week were H. F. Currie and Rev. G. W. Hanna, of Antioch, W. B. McLaughlin and Dr. W. M. Fairley, of Raeford, W. C. Guin and Rev. A. D. Carswell of the Phillip Church.

Laurinburg Team Defeats Raeford

In a peculiar game played at Laurinburg last Friday, the local high school lost 38-0. During the first half both teams were unable to gain well, but Laurinburg was able to carry through and made two advanced end touchdowns. The half ended 12-0 in favor of Laurinburg. The first half was marred by continual disagreement on the part of both teams over the decisions of the referees. Coach Raynor injected his second team into the game at beginning of the second half and Laurinburg ran off four more touchdowns to make the final total thirty-eight points. Raeford's team showed inability to work together consistently, while the first team was in the game and the scrub team, though they fought fiercely, was unable to hold the Laurinburg offensive.

WEATHER IDEAL FOR SOWING OF GRAIN CROPS.

After a long period of rather dry weather, rains began to fall Tuesday night and all day Wednesday and a good season was the result here. Farmers have had fine harvest weather and a good season to soften the land and make sowing of winter grain crops possible was welcome to nearly everyone. Thursday was fair and beautiful and it looked as if the season were made to order.

Drunks, Carrying of Deadly Weapons, Manufacturing and Possessing of Liquor and Game Violators were in the grind.

In Recorder's Court Tuesday, Henry Walker, a young colored man, entered a plea of guilty of carrying a pistol on two different occasions and was sentenced to four months on the county roads in each case. He had just completed a sentence on the roads for an assault with a deadly weapon. Evidence showed that in addition to carrying a pistol, he had fired it at a colored church at Bowmore and had caused trouble there.

Jason Armstrong and Thomas Myers, both colored, were indicted on two counts of violating the prohibition laws. One for the possession of a still and utensils for the manufacture of whiskey and the other for possessing whiskey for the purpose of sale and of manufacturing. Jason sought to take all of the blame on himself and clear Myers but both were sentenced to 3 months each on the two counts. The still was found in Quenwhiffle Township by Sheriff Hodgkin, Deputy Barrington and Murphy Howell of the Raeford Police force. They found the still in operation and caught the two men as they sought to run away. A small quantity of poor whiskey was found and some beer. Bernice Blue, young colored man of Ador, was charged with carrying a concealed weapon and of an assault with a deadly weapon at the home of Mattie Byrd, colored, on the Buchan farm in Western Hoke. He was found not guilty of carrying a concealed weapon, but guilty of assault and was given six months on the county roads. A warrant was issued for one Hezekiah McRae, who was said to have been with Blue at the time, but the state took a nol pro with leave as for him.

John F. McRae, a young colored man of Raeford Township, entered a plea of guilty of operating a car while under the influence of whiskey and was sentenced to three months on the county roads. Currie Clark, prominent white man, was charged with killing squirrels without a hunting license and was found not guilty. The County game Warden, H. R. McLean, came upon him on the highway after a wreck and found two squirrels dressed and wrapped up in paper and also a gun in the car, but the Court held that the evidence was insufficient for a conviction. He was also tried on a charge of driving a car while intoxicated and a verdict in the case was reserved until the next session of Court.

Another case that created quite a bit of interest was that charging T. L. Hart and H. N. Hennings, white men of Little River Township, of hunting without license. District Warden McMillan, made a trip on the border of Hoke, Cumberland and Harnett Counties on the first day of October, looking out for folks hunting without license. He found the car of Hart in the woods and stayed with it until nearly dark when Hart and Hennings came up with a gun each. He stated that he did not know whether they had shells or not and that they had no hunting coat. He called for their licenses and they could not produce them, but stated that they had been hunting for a whiskey still in company with a deputy sheriff of Cumberland County and had not been hunting for game. The deputy sheriff was put on the stand and testified that he had met the men there by appointment to look for a still and that they had spent most of the day searching and that the two defendants had not hunted for game that he knew of. They were found not guilty.

Poster McLean, colored, who was under a suspended sentence as the outcome of an automobile wreck some months ago, failed to comply with the terms of the suspension and the state prayed judgment. He was sent to the roads for six weeks.

Nathan Taylor, a highly respected old colored man of Stonewall Township who was given a suspended sentence some time ago for violating the prohibition laws and who failed to comply with the terms of the suspension, was brought into court under a capias and given one month on the roads.

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