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The election for state officers in Maine came off Monday and the whole thing went republican, as usual. Nobody expected anything else. Maine has always been a rock-ribbed republican stronghold, and, this being a presidential year, it is only natural that the full strength of the party vote should be brought out. But the republicans will use it to brag over and whoop up their weak members by pointing to the great victory they have gained in Maine, when, in fact, it is no victory at all. It is nothing however but Maine in a presidential year.

Clean Up!

Once more we want to call the attention of our citizens to the condition of the lots in the rear of the stores and other business places, and also to the back yards of residences in the town. We know that the weather conditions for the past month have been such as to make it almost impossible to keep the lots and yards in a good condition, but with the beginning of the fall season we have every right to expect a change in the weather conditions, and as it is generally predicted by the medical fraternity and the State health department we may expect another epidemic of the flu early this fall, it will be well to prepare for it in time. A saying that is almost as old as time itself is that "cleanliness is next Godliness," makes it all the more binding on each householder and business house to see that their premises are put in good condition. The ladies who compose the Civic League are doing all they can to help the town, but unless they have the cooperation and backing of the citizens they can't accomplish anything. In the olden days the streets and sidewalks of Jerusalem were always kept clean, and it was done by every person keeping them clean in front of their premises. Elkin can be made and kept a clean town if everyone will keep their own premises in a good, clean condition. Neighbor, won't you set the example by cleaning up your premises both in front and rear? Try it and see how much better it will look and how much more enjoyment you will receive from it.

Tax Talk.

A great deal is being said at this time about the revaluation of property, and especially of land, and the Republican leaders are using the revaluation Act passed by the 1919 legislature as a tool in their endeavor to stir up strife and discord among the farmers of the State. They seem to have lost sight entirely of the fact that the valuation of land was an uncertain quantity and that the system of taxation was far from being equal. As an illustration we will say that land in Wilkes would be valued at \$10.00 an acre, in Yadkin at \$12.50, and in Surry at \$15.00. At this rate Yadkin was paying twenty-five per cent and Surry fifty per cent more tax on their land than Wilkes was paying. Was there any fairness in that? It was to remedy this that the Legislature passed the revaluation act, so as to equalize the values and make taxes more uniform.

It was not a political measure, Democrats and Republicans alike voted unanimously for it, and when the board of assessors were appointed to revalue the lands in the different counties, both parties were represented on the county boards; in some counties two Republicans and one Democrat composed the board, and in others it would be two Democrats and one Republican. These men were sworn to perform the work faithfully and without prejudice to any one. Any man on the county board had the right to appeal to the

state board if he disagreed with the decision of the board, but not a single appeal was made by any one of the fifteen counties and Republicans that done the work.

Now, if the Republicans were opposed to the law, it was the duty of the Republicans in the general assembly to say so. They did not. They are bound by their action to the same extent the Democratic party is. It seems to us a mighty poor policy for Republican leaders to be going about over the State attacking most unjustly the action of these good men.

We need not expect the law to work perfectly as it now stands, but the next legislature can make such amendments as may be needed and we feel sure that the good work thus begun will be carried on until the tax rate on all property, both real and personal, will be placed on an equal basis, that each citizen will pay tax on a uniform basis, with every citizen in the State.

OUR RALEIGH LETTER.

(Special Correspondent)

Raleigh, Sept. 13.—The latest effort of the Republican management of the campaign to interfere with the operation of the absent voter's law at the approaching general election, may be regarded right at the start for what it is—a loud call for the calf rope.

Montague Chairman Warren is advising all voters (especially school-teachers, male and female), who expect to be absent from their homes during the registration period (Sept. 30 to Oct. 20), to demand their right to register at any time before that period, which they can do by applying to the chairman of the county board of elections in their respective home counties.

The suit instituted by the Republican campaign management at Greensboro in the name of the Republican candidate for state treasurer, J. J. Jenkins, to secure an injunction restraining the State Board of Elections and the State Treasurer and the State Auditor from sending out absent voter's blanks, etc., will be heard in Raleigh on Thursday of this week by Judge Kerr. The application is based on the alleged "unconstitutionality" of the law, and as state lawyers here say there is nothing but a Republican trick to it, Judge Kerr will probably have no hesitation in dismissing it.

The Republicans can appeal from his decision and if they do a decision from the Supreme Court will be secured before the time for election. The law is really an admirable one and secures to many qualified voters the exercise of their right, which otherwise their unavoidable absence from the home precinct would deprive them from voting. The Republicans evidently think more Democrats are proctected in this way than Republicans. Hence the desire to have the law put of commission.

In reality and in all reason, this bone-head stunt on the part of the Republicans may be regarded as more a cry of distress than anything else.

Senatorial Harding, Republican candidate for president, was put on record early in the campaign, when labor forced his hand, as to the absent voter's law, and he declared for it in his State and all the other states that have such a law, as being of much benefit to all citizens in the exercise of their right to vote when compelled to be temporarily absent from their home.

Important School Tax Opinion.

Attorney General Manning has just given an opinion, at the request of the State Tax Commission, in which he holds that the county tax levies to provide funds for the operation of the public schools of the State for the constitutional term of six months cannot be restricted by legislative enactment under the 10 per cent premium, and the commissioners of any county are empowered to levy whatever additional rates that are deemed necessary.

A number of the counties of the State had complained to State Superintendent of Education Brooks that they had found that this year's school budget could not be covered by the amount of last year's income, plus the legislative allowance of ten per cent increase. Superintendent Brooks has held all through that the legislature could not limit the necessary income of schools when the State constitution required them to operate six months or more in the year. But surely there is no kick coming from any one from the decision of the Attorney General which now confirms the opinion of the State Superintendent.

Tax rates other than school taxes fixed by the General Assembly at the special session are not involved, and can not be, as

there is no provision of the law in any section of the organization of the State.

State of North Carolina Department of Stats.

Certificate of Dissolution

To All to Whom These Presents

May Come—Greeting:

Whereas, It appears to my satisfaction, by duly authenticated record of the proceedings for the voluntary dissolution thereof by the unanimous consent of all the stockholders, deposited in my office that the Elkin Iron and Light Company, a corporation of this State, whose principal office is situated in the town of Elkin, County of Surry, State of North Carolina (M. F. Butler being the agent there in and in charge thereof, upon whom process may be served), has complied with the requirements of Chapter 21, revised of 1905, entitled "Corporations," preliminary to the issuing of this Certificate of Dissolution;

Now, Therefore, I, J. Bryan Grimes, Secretary of State of the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify that the said corporation did, on the 15th day of September, 1920, file in my office a duly executed and attested consent in writing to the dissolution of said corporation, executed by all the stockholders thereof, which said consent and the record of the proceedings aforesaid are now on file in my said office as provided by law.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereto set my hand and affixed my official seal at Raleigh, this 15th day of September A. D. 1920. J. Bryan Grimes, Secretary of State.

Revenue Officers Active.

Revenue officers have been quite active in this section lately. During this week they have destroyed eight or ten moonshine stills but have been unable to round up any of the operators. Yesterday morning officers Hatcher, Zeigler, Dunegan and Lovelace located a plant near Roaring River on the land of Shell Martin, colored and destroyed about 500 gallons of beer and all the fixtures. They secured a 50 gallon copper still and some which they brought here. Evidence around the place showed that work had been going on for some time. There was no body about the place when the officers arrived.

Mr. M. I. Cummings Passes.

Mr. M. I. Cummings died Monday at 7 o'clock P. M., at his home at Guyer's Ford, Mitchell's river, after a lingering illness of more than a year from a complication of diseases. He was 73 years old and all his life had been spent in the community where he died. He was a quiet, peaceable citizen and a good neighbor and his passing will be regretted by all who knew him. He is survived by his widow, three sons and six daughters. His remains were interred in the cemetery at Gregory Creek church yesterday.

Republican Speaking.

Hon. John J. Parker, Republican candidate for Governor, will address the citizens of Surry, Wilkes and Yadkin counties, at Elkin, Saturday, Sept. 25th, at 1:30 P. M. Men, women and children are cordially invited to attend and hear the issues of the day discussed.

A. H. WOLFE.

Chairman Republican County Executive Committee, Surry Co.

The remains of Rev. H. P. Blevins, who was accidentally killed at his home in Riverton, Wyoming, Tuesday of last week passed here Monday on the noon train for Winston-Salem. They were accompanied by his widow and brothers. Mrs. J. Henry Tharp joined the funeral party here. Mr. Blevins had been fishing and was using a metal rod and as he was returning home he stepped at the Electric Power house, and the metal rod in his hand touched a live wire forming a circuit and sending several hundred volts of electricity through his body, causing instant death. The remains were buried Tuesday, but we have no particulars in regard to the funeral services. A few years ago Mr. Blevins served the Baptist church here as pastor for eighteen months very acceptably and he had many warm friends among the entire citizenship who will be pained to hear of his untimely death.

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You can get any kind of blanket you want—from the best to the cheapest—at Graham Gwyn Co's.

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WHO'S WHO

The best answers submitted to the "Who's Who" page came from Mrs. C. V. Smith, who is entitled to receive \$10 in gold.

The next best answer came from Miss Annie Woodruff, and she will receive second prize of \$5.00 in gold.

Contestants deserving special mention are Mrs. W. A. Pinney, Walter E. Hargiss, Mrs. Herbert P. Graham, Miss Margaret Koch, Miss Clara Bell, Miss Catherine Wellborn, and Ernest Rosen, of Winston-Salem.

None of the answers were erroneous.

The prize winners should call at The Tribune office and receive their orders on The Farmers & Merchants Bank for their gold.

"WHO'S WHO" EDITOR.

Bryan Lodge, No. 127, meets

every Monday night, and if you are an Odd Fellow why don't you come out and do your part. You will be expected next Monday.

Don't disappoint us. Visiting brethren welcome.

M. R. BAILEY, N. C.

Masonic Notice.

Special communication Elkin

Lodge, No. 154, A. F. & A. M.,

will be held Saturday evening,

Sept. 18th at 8 o'clock. Work in

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M. R. BAILEY, Sec.



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