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Whitener Assesses Sentiment Of District

(From the Shelby Star)
Representative Basil L. Whitener, congressman of the soon to change North Carolina 11th District, leaves Gastonia for Washington Monday ready to battle for a strong national defense and against heavier government spending on new or expanded domestic programs.

That's the way Whitener assesses the sentiment of his district after visiting every county in the 11th, which will become an eight district following the Mrs. R. congressional elections holidays. He will support all the legislation that is necessary for a strong defense," Whitener said. "But they are most apprehensive about new or expanded programs in all other areas of government spending."

In fact, spending is what Whitener believes most of his district citizens like least about the new Kennedy administration. He feels that Piedmont voters have been very impressed with the new President's grasp of the world situation, with the reception he has received on visits outside the country and in his handling of foreign affairs in general.

Whitener answered questions covering the next Congress and his recent visit to Europe. Here, paraphrased, are his comments:

ON BIG ISSUES — The two most important items to face the coming Congress will both concern international relations. One will be the handling of our foreign affairs on the diplomatic level and the other will be a review of international trade and import legislation.

The latter is likely to be of most vital interest to Piedmont citizens.

ON TRADE AND TEXTILES — "I am frankly apprehensive about the textile picture. This is

the chief source of employment in the area I serve. New legislation concerning imports will have a direct bearing on the textile situation."

"I do not feel that Undersecretary of State George Ball is sympathetic with industry in general."

FOREIGN AFFAIRS — "There has been much reaction in my district over the way this country handled the Katanga affair. I believe the people desire sweeping changes in the way our foreign affairs are handled, but the only way we can clean house in the State Department is to revise our Civil Service regulations as they apply to policy-level jobs."

NEW DOMESTIC PROGRAMS — "There will be much pressure for Congress to pass a medical care for the aged program supported by Social Security. Federal aid to education will also be brought up again, but this appears to be losing its appeal to the public. In fact, I believe there will be a lessening of activity in support of many programs involving heavy spending."

FARM LEGISLATION — "There will be no major changes in the present approaches to farm matters in general, but there may be some effort to bring governmental controls to bear on the poultry industry. This will be of particular interest to farmers in our area who are in the poultry business. Frankly, I believe they are fairly evenly divided on whether the government should become involved, but the poultry business has been depressed for some time now."

WHITENER FLATTERED — When asked about the possibility of his becoming a candidate for the North Carolina governorship in 1964, Whitener said he is "flattered that my name has been mentioned", but added that

County Schools Open Today

The sunshine Wednesday started a fast thaw in the heavy snowfall of Monday. Residents woke up to a fairly land of snow on New Year's Day. The children and many of the older folks have enjoyed a wonderful two days of sledding, and one can see all types of snowmen on the local lawns, even Chinese snow people have appeared on one lawn in town.

All primary roads are free of snow and ice, except a few hazardous spots which should be re-spectored, and the side roads are in fair condition.

All schools in the county will open today (Thursday) according to Superintendent of Schools, Justice, and there will be a full schedule through Saturday in order to make up one of the two days lost due to the snow.

MRS. MARY DEYTON — Mrs. Mary Deyton, 44, of Avondale, Pa., died Monday of injuries received Sunday in an automobile accident. She was a former resident of Yancey County and had been living in Pennsylvania for the past six years.

Services will be held at 2 p. m. Friday in the chapel of Holcomb Brothers Funeral Home in Burnsville.

The Rev. A. Z. Jamerson will officiate. Burial will be in Hunter Cemetery.

Surviving are: the husband, John Deyton; five daughters, Mrs. Sheila Hamm, Mrs. Irma Jean Smith, Miss Dorothy Deyton, Miss Wanda Deyton and Miss Wilma Deyton of Avondale; four sons, Richard Burgess, Elmer and Terry Deyton of Avondale; the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Tipton of Rt. 1, Burnsville; five sisters, Mrs. Jake Lewis of Charlotte County Courthouse, Va., Mrs. Otis Johnson of Gallipolis, Ohio, Mrs. Kenneth Ogle of Union, Tenn., and Mrs. Dock Mc Curry and Mrs. Arnold Gregory of Burnsville; and three brothers, Charles of West Grove, Pa., and Woodrow and Joe Tipton of Burnsville.

It's much too early to make plans that far ahead. The Representative has made no announcement of his intentions concerning the 1962 congressional race, either, but few doubt that he will be the candidate in the new 10th district. He is optimistic about the Democratic Party's chances to keep a Democrat in the post, although Whitener admits that there is a strong Republican element in the four new counties of Avery, Burke, Catawba, and Mitchell. The new 10th District does not contain Polk, McDowell, Yancey and Madison counties. Observers feel that Whitener will run strong in Burke County, where he attended college, and in Catawba, where the Democratic Party is the strongest of any of the newly-added counties.

BACK FROM EUROPE — Whitener returns to Congress fresh from a trip to Europe as an Air Force Reserve Officer, during which he visited West Germany and West Berlin, NATO headquarters in Paris and NATO installations in Greece, Spain, and Italy.

"I came back very much encouraged about the state of our readiness," Whitener said. He noted that all Americans should be proud of the way our troops in Europe and the troops of our European allies are conducting the frontline defense against the menace of international communism.

BLOODSHED BOXSCORE ON N.C. HIGHWAYS — RALEIGH — The Motor Vehicles Department's summary of traffic deaths through 10 A. M. Monday, January 1, 1962: **KILLED TO DATE** 0 **KILLED TO DATE** Last Year 7

New Year's Holiday Road Deaths Low

Good luck or good sense? The Motor Vehicles Department wasn't completely sure but rejoiced with the rest of the state in observing only six New Year's holiday road deaths.

Eighteen had been predicted to die by the North Carolina State Motor Club.

Officials suspected that strict attention to good driving practices, in line with a pre-holiday appeal from Gov. Sanford, had much to do with the lowered fatality toll.

Traffic over the 78 hour period was called "about normal" for a year end holiday, highway patrol officers said.

The state catalogued traffic deaths from 6 p. m. Friday, December 29 through midnight Monday, January 1.

In addition to the six fatalities, 134 personal injuries were reported in mishaps.

In searching their records department statisticians found that three were killed in the one day New Year's observance in 1958. In 1947 none were killed. Sixteen died last year.

YANCEY COUNTY NATIVE PROMOTED BY E. S. C.

RALEIGH, N. C. — The State Employment Security Commission Wednesday named a new assistant director for its employment service division.

He is Alden P. Honeycutt, 52, former chief of the commission's staff services. He has been with the E. S. C. for 27 years.

Honeycutt, a Yancey County native, replaces Ernest C. McCracken who retired Dec. 31.

Locals

Miss Cynthia McIntosh of Washington, D. C., spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rex McIntosh, of Bee Log. She attended the president's Greeting To The Nation, Lighting of The National Community Christmas Tree in Washington on December 20.

Carlie Rice has spent the last two weeks vacationing with friends in Miami and Key Largo, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Fox and daughter, Jane; Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Fox and sons, Russell and Randy of Winston-Salem and Glenn Fox of Asheboro visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Fox, during the holidays. Miss Clara Young of Statesville visited friends and relatives in Burnsville and Roonford during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Sutton of Western Carolina College, Cullowhee were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Z. B. Byrd. Mr. and Mrs. Ronald R. Kiser of Chapel Hill spent the Christmas holidays in Burnsville with Mrs. Kiser's parents, the Olen Shepards. Mrs. Kiser is teaching in Durham and Mr. Kiser is a student at the University of N. C.

McDOUGALD-CARR WEDDING — Miss Norma McDougald, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James McDougald of Burnsville RFD 5 and James Carr, Jr., son of Mr. James Carr of Hammond, Indiana were united in marriage at the home of the bride on December 23. Norma is a graduate of East Yancey High School and Blanton's Business College. Mr. Carr is now serving with the Air Force in Offutt Air Force Base, Omaha, Nebr.

McCURRY-HALL WEDDING — Miss Cynthia McCurry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Flavil McCurry, was married to David Hall, son of Mrs. Mark England and the late Robert Hall, December 28th, in the Baptist Parsonage here.

Rev. Charles B. Trammel officiated with members of the immediate family present. Mr. and Mrs. Hall will make their home in Burnsville. Both are graduates of East Yancey High School. Mr. Hall is employed with Carter Auto Parts and Mrs. Hall is employed with Pollard's Drug Store here.

Health Careers Congress To Be Held



MISS RHOBIA TAYLOR

WINSTON-SALEM, — A nationally known editor and a representative of the National League for Nursing are on the program for the Health Careers Congress which will bring some 400 North Carolina high school students to Winston Salem, January 26 and 27.

The meeting is being held to interest high school seniors and juniors in choosing careers in medical and related health fields.

Harry Golden of Charlotte, writer and lecturer as well as editor, will speak at the banquet session at the Robert E. Lee hotel, and Miss Rhobia Taylor of New York, field consultant of the National League for Nursing's Committee on Careers, will address the opening session. The students will tour Bowman Gray School of Medicine and the laboratories, schools, and other facilities of North Carolina Baptist Hospital. On the entertainment program will be a fashion show, a visit to one of the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. plants, and a tour of Old Salem Village.

Plans for the Congress were initiated by the North Carolina League for Nursing as a part of its recruitment program. Among its purposes are the organization of local Health Careers clubs into a statewide group and the promotion of new ones. Counselors accompanying the students will receive ideas for enriching the program of their organizations. Various health agencies will have exhibits to provide information about the opportunities and the need in particular fields.

The Congress was made possible through a grant from the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. A number of agencies and foundations interested in solving the critical shortage of trained personnel for health services are joining the League as sponsors.

Licensing Information For New Year

Miss Foy Ingram, director of registration for the Motor Vehicles Department, this week issued a round up of licensing information for the new year. She furnished some of the new purchase and use regulations of the "utmost importance" to tag buyers.

Books Available In Public Libraries

Books may be borrowed from headquarters library in Newland, Bakersville, Burnsville or Spruce Pine and from the various bookmobiles in each of the counties. Requests for books in circulation may be placed in the libraries or on the bookmobiles.

NON-FICTION
HARDY HEATHS by A. T. Johnson. The increased use of heaters for rock gardens, banks and such prompted the author to write on useful heaters. Much information in the book on allied shrubs, trees, vines to combine with heather in fine garden plans.

MIDGET MOTORING and KARTING by Kenton McFarland. For talented teenagers who are mechanics minded. Safety rules pertaining to construction and operation of all essential Kart performances.

THE RANCHER TAKES A WIFE by Richmond P. Hobson, Jr. A rough and ready account plus a lights and excitement of living in Northern British Columbia in the Canadian far North. Hazardous and interesting reading.

FICTION
FLAME OF FIRE by Jane Oliver. The dedicated life of William Tyndale who worked forty years in order to train himself to translate the Greek Bible into English. Of interest to history lovers and those who wish to learn something of the English Reformation and furor.

WEST WITH THE VIKINGS by Edison Marshall. Strife between two brothers led to Leif Ericson's discovery of America. Violent battles make for exciting adventure.

Masonic Lodge Installs New Officers

The Burnsville Masonic Lodge No. 717 installed new officers for the year 1962 on January 2.

The new officers are Woodrow Ballew, Master; Mack Branton, Senior Warden; Edd Hensley, Junior Warden; J. Hubert Cooper, Treasurer; Gus Peterson, Secretary; Homer Price, Senior Deacon; Hershel Holcomb, Junior Deacon; John Dale and Jimmy Roland, Stewards.

She added that full details of the new truck fees and a summary of other regulations are contained in the special instruction leaflet sent with license renewal cards, and emphasized the importance of reading the instructions carefully.

Mrs. Elma Young Teaching In Connecticut

Mrs. Elma H. Young is a second grade teacher at the Nathan Hale School in Middletown, Conn. Mrs. Young taught in Yancey County for 19 years and moved to Middletown last year. She was graduated from Micaville High School and received a BS degree in primary education from Appalachian State Teachers College, Boone, N. C.

She is the mother of one married daughter, Mrs. Sabra Horis, of Charlotte, and two sons, Tarp Young of Middletown, and Jimmy Young, who is in the United States Air Force.

(Editors note: This article was taken from a Middletown, Conn. paper entitled "Our New Teachers.")

WEATHER WRITES the RULES!

ICE AND SNOW MEAN YOU MUST ADJUST YOUR DRIVING TO ROAD CONDITIONS. TAKE IT EASY!

Snow, Ice Increase Driving Hazards

Five per cent of fatal motor vehicle accidents and 10.7 per cent of all motor vehicle accidents in 1960 occurred on snowy, icy roads, according to reports of 25 state authorities.

Reduce driving speed and increase the distance between vehicles when snow or ice are on roads and streets and be particu-

larly careful on bridges, advises the Insurance Information Institute.

It takes 3 to 12 times as far to stop on snow and ice as on dry pavement, according to the National Safety Council's Committee on Winter Driving Hazards. At 20 m. p. h. (miles per hour), stopping distance is 60 feet on loosely packed snow and 195 feet on ice.

The recommended technique for stopping quickly and with full control of your car is a fast up-and-down pumping of your brakes.



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