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26 County Candidates Becoming Active But Political Pot Simmers Only Slightly

No Big Issues Are Pushed To Forefront By Candidates; Interest Is Luke-Warm. Candidate List

With just 23 days to go before the Democratic primary of June 5, the voters of Cleveland county are already faced by a battery of 23 candidates, not to mention numerous candidates for state and district offices to be voted upon locally.

Such is the number of candidates that frequent inquiries are being made as to how many are running for a certain office. If there is to be a handicap of any nature on the battle of votes June 5, it will undoubtedly be because there are so many candidates that the voters will become befuddled in making selections.

Pot Simmers Some It's usually about this length of time before a primary that political scribes begin to talk of the "boiling of the political pot." Such a collection may be brewing in Cleveland county, center bed of Democracy, but it has no more than reached a simmer. Business and busy farm days together with other diversified attractions have held the mind off the coming primary and even though candidates are numerous the political heat is hardly discernible.

Nevertheless, candidates are getting in good time with scattered visits to all sections of the county and various methods of campaign procedure. The lack of heat as yet is perhaps because factions have not apparently entered into the campaign. No candidate seems to be backed by any faction of the party, strong or weak, and on the surface it seems to be a campaign of individuals with every man for himself. Contrary to some campaigns one never hears that "So-and-so" is backing this or that candidate, or that a certain group is furthering the interests of any particular candidate. If there be political factions, and political history says there must be everywhere, these factions are apparently content with any individual personality that may emerge winner for any particular office. Which is so much the better for the cleanliness of any campaign.

No Big Issues With the primary just a fortnight to the leeward no big issues have developed. Voting precincts are not torn by any local or imaginative questions. In brief and stripped of the "stuffy" it seems that although more candidates are out than ever before that it will be much the matter of who the people want out of anywhere from two to six candidates for each office. No candidate offers vote-stirring issues, which is merely the opinion of this article. The voters will merely judge between men—picking the men they think best suited for the various offices.

At the outset, when the primary first began to be talked, there were rumblings of an eight months scandal term, of the Australian ballot, of the Poole bill, and of other things. But some how the clouds behind the rumbling seem to have blown over and the storm is not likely. Few of the above mentioned issues really have anything of importance to do with county offices and it is much the better that they were left alone. Nevertheless, a champion of an eight months scandal term would have been a welcome sight even tho, perhaps, a bad annexer of votes.

Candidates Presented The Star will below present the entire list of county candidates without pushing any to the forefront. Practically every candidate is known, and boosting or explanation about any of them is not at all necessary. All have friends in the county, many of them, it is supposed, and every candidate no doubt is capable of handling well the office he seeks. Furthermore, all of them will receive votes from good people. Nevertheless only so many can receive the most votes, and advancing the cause of anyone is not the intention of this article.

Below follows, as near as could be secured the entire list of county candidates up until the time the article was written. If any are omitted or overlooked it is not intentional: Sheriff—Hugh A. Logan, E. W. Dixon, and E. A. Wellon. House of Representatives—B. T. Falls and Horace Kennedy. State Senate—Peyton McSwain, J. Woodson and H. T. Fulton. Register of Deeds—R. Lee Weathers, A. F. Newton and A. B. C. DePrest. Clerk of Court—A. M. Hamrick, George Washburn and Grover Roll. County Recorder—John P. Mull and James S. Cline. County Solicitor—C. A. Burrus and P. C. Gardner. County Commissioners—A. E. Cline, George Peeler, W. W. Washburn, Sam

This Farmer Raises Flies



Vivian Elliott raises flies to feed her pheasants. She operates a fly hatchery at Lake Forest Park, Washington.

It's A Puzzle To Dellinger If He's Not Ross, Who Is He?

MR. T. CARL HAMRICK HEADS COTTON COOPS

Mr. T. Carl Hamrick was elected chairman of the Cleveland county cooperative cotton growers association in the annual meeting held in the Court House here Tuesday, May 11th. Frank Harrill was made vice-chairman for the ensuing year and Edney Willis, secretary. There was a small crowd present at the meeting but the interest by those present was keen nevertheless, in the success of the association. In the absence of the chairman, Mr. O. P. Hamrick presided over the meeting. The following delegates were elected to the district meeting which will be held in Shelby May 18th: L. S. Hamrick, R. W. Wilson, L. A. Smith, Franklin Harrill and Seth Morehead. The district meeting comprises number of counties in this section and will no doubt bring a large delegation here, at which time Mr. George Blanton, district director will be re-elected or a successor to him will be named.

Shelby Highs Play Final Game Friday

The Shelby Highs will no doubt present their season's swan song here on Friday afternoon in the county championship game with Kings Mountain. Many fans who did not get to see the brilliant contest at Gastonia will likely take advantage of this opportunity to see the local youngsters in what promises to be the season's final high school game. "Skeeter" Skates, Kings Mountain's big hurler, will likely work against Shelby and a game with more than usual interest is expected as the result will decide the winner of the Mull cup.

Kendall Official Of Tennis Group

Following the Carolinas tennis tournament at Lexington last week Whitelaw Kendall, young Shelby tennis player, was named vice-president of the Inter-scholastic Tennis association of the Carolinas. George Rogers of Asheville, was named president. Rogers is the Carolinas champion, defeating Kendall recently in the finals at Chapel Hill. In the two-state tournament, Kendall and Gilmore Singleton, Shelby's doubles team, was eliminated by Lexington, while Rogers again eliminated Kendall in the semi-finals. The two young high school performers, it is understood, will participate in the various tennis tournaments to be held on the Cleveland Springs playgrounds this summer and officiate at others.

VIRGIN BIRTH OF JESUS DISCUSSED

Mrs. Thacker Says Christians Cannot Help But Believe in Miracles And Virgin Birth.

The brilliance and intellect of Mrs. Addie Dixon Thacker who is assisting her husband Dr. Thacker in a revival meeting here, is declared by many to be the outstanding mind in the famous Dixon family. Her morning talks at the Presbyterian church draw large crowds and on yesterday morning her discussion of the virgin birth of Jesus was thought to be her best public utterance yet delivered. The miraculous virgin birth of Jesus is told only by two Gospel writers, but this is sufficient proof of the fact. Matthew and Luke wrote of the childhood of Jesus while the other Gospel writers dealt mainly of his natural life. Mrs. Thacker contends that because only two Gospel writers tell of the virgin birth, that is no argument against the fact by those who disbelieve it. A man may be charged in our courts with stealing and be convicted on the evidence of two eye witnesses, while the defendant may summons a hundred who failed to see and testify that in their opinion the theft was not committed.

Answering the second objection that is raised to the virgin birth, is that the Bible refers to Joseph and Mary as father and mother of Jesus, Mrs. Thacker said Jesus never referred to Joseph as His father, but pointed always to God as His Father. The people did speak of Joseph as the father and it was perfectly natural for them to do so, but Paul, Joseph, Mary, Gabriel, Luke and Matthew testify to the fact that God was the supernatural father and they knew Jesus to be the child of God just as we know that our father and mother are our earthly parents.

Some of our boys and girls are taught in schools that miracles did not and cannot happen. Mrs. Thacker refuted this theory in no uncertain terms and declared that if we disbelieve miracles, we cannot be Christians; that if we deny the virgin birth, we throw away 54 chapters of the Bible. The law of navigation can not move a ship, the law of gravitation won't make an apple fall to the ground; it is God's power behind these laws. Laws are only methods and God is king over them all.

Laws are servants. In His hands, when Jesus was born, a sinless being came into this world, therefore a miracle took place, and to say that the virgin birth is folly is to play to the galleries. Very often intellectually stands between us and blessings from God. Mrs. Thacker would not discount scholarship but declared there is something in the world that is bigger and better and that is faith. She, herself, spent much of her time while doing her household duties, in study and research, but has never been able to find anything that shakes her faith in God and the fact that Jesus was His Virgin born son. "God pity the man who teaches distrust and disbelief," said Mrs. Thacker with emphasis.

Thomas was a doubter until Jesus asked him to thrust his finger into his pierced side. There are too many Thomases living today and if Thomas the apostle were living today he could be elected president of one of the largest universities in America. Mrs. Thacker declared that the virgin birth is not a legend. It takes years for a legend to grow, yet Jesus was known and famed even before his birth; his name stands out in every manuscript for the past 1900 years and he is the only virgin born in all human history. In closing she made an appeal for study of the Scriptures and for the acceptance of conclusions reached by wiser heads than ours. Our fathers and mothers piloted their heads upon the Book. It was all-sufficient for them; it will be all-sufficient for us.

Warren Sain Dies At Shelby Hospital

Was Seven Years Old and First Death In Family—Operated On For Appendicitis

A large audience gathered at St. Peters church Friday morning, May 7, to pay their last tribute of respect to the body of Warren Sain. He was the little seven year old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Sain of Toluca. Warren died Wednesday evening about 2 o'clock at Shelby Hospital. He became ill about a week ago. The doctor was sent for and the little boy was thought only to have a disordered stomach. The case developed into a very serious one and the doctor was sent for again Wednesday. This time the case was pronounced appendicitis and the little one was taken to the hospital with great haste. His condition was declared very precarious by the doctors of the hospital.

Heavy Hail Storm Near Kings Mtn.

Refreshing rains visited all sections of the county Tuesday afternoon, according to reports coming in. Moisture was needed to germinate the seeds in the ground and mature the thousands of acres of hay in the county. Many call it a "half-million dollar rain".

One of the heaviest hail storms in years visited a narrow stretch of country two miles out this side of Kings Mountain. Farris Ledford of the Rex Cigar Co., who had been over to the battleground making pictures for new labels of the Isaac Shelby cigar, was caught in the midst of the down-pour of hail stones. The ground was literally covered with ice in such abundance that he gathered up a half gallon bucket full and brought the hail stones to Shelby. Terraces were washed and side-ditches were filled to overflowing with the heavy rain that accompanied the hail. The rain seemed to be general. Upper Cleveland had had showers every day since Sunday.

3 Men Added To Commerce Groupe Here

Three New Members Added to Board of Directors of C. of C.—To Take Page Advertisement

Three new members were added to the membership of the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce at a meeting of the directors Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock; it was agreed to take a page advertisement in the Charlotte Observer special booster edition to appear in June and new quarters were selected over T. W. Hamrick Company's jewelry store where Secretary J. Clint Newton will open offices on June 1st.

J. S. Dorton, R. E. Campbell and Wm. Lineberger, all of whom have been enthusiastic for a Chamber of Commerce, were unanimously elected to membership, it being the opinion of the directors that a larger board would better serve the club and its enterprising secretary. This makes a board membership of 15 instead of 12 and it will be written in the by-laws that five men constitute a quorum after all members have been notified to attend a meeting.

New Quarters Selected President Max Gardner with-drew his offer of offices in the Webb building which were to be headquarters for sale of Henderson Mountain Lakes Property in the mountains and several other locations were suggested. The committee appointed to secure a suitable location for offices was present in the personage of Dr. E. B. Lattimore, Chas. L. Eskridge and Carl Thompson and after giving due consideration to the offices that are available and having in mind the necessary economy in the matter of rent, the committee recommended offices over T. W. Hamrick Company's jewelry store. The Hamricks already have plans drawn for remodeling the front of this store building, the erection of steps from the outside so that entrance can be gained from the main street between the Cleveland Bank and Trust Company and the Hamrick Jewelry store. One large room or two smaller rooms can be had at a rental of \$25 per month. This being a central location, near the bus station and close to all business activity, it was agreed to rent this location from the Hamricks who agree to have it ready for occupancy by June 1st.

First Outside Advertising The first outside advertising to be done by the newly organized Chamber of Commerce will be in the Charlotte Observer's Booster edition to appear about June 15th. It was unanimously voted to use a full page advertisement, provided Mr. A. P. Marshall of the Cleveland Springs Estate will cooperate with the Chamber of Commerce in bearing a part of the expense. It was the unanimous opinion of the directors that the success of Cleveland Springs is vital to Shelby. It is owned practically in its entirety by Shelby capital and all are interested in helping Mr. Marshall succeed with his development. Mr. Gardner said, "If the Chamber of Commerce accomplishes nothing else but helps put over Cleveland Springs, it will have wrought a splendid work this year." Cleveland Springs is not a private development, but one in which the people of Shelby are generally interested. The Charlotte Observer edition in which Shelby will have a page advertisement will have a distribution of 50,000 copies. Forty thousand of these copies will be sent to the regu-

Wall And Padgett To Conduct Revival Here For Baptists

VETERANS GATHER FOR ANNUAL MEET

The main features of the day at the annual reunion of Cleveland county Confederate veterans Monday were the address of Dr. Ernest Thacker and the dinner provided the "thinning gray line" by Daughters of the Confederacy. Dr. Thacker's address, not confined to any one topic, but full of praise of the valor of the Southern soldier, proved enjoyable to the veterans assembled. Mrs. Thacker followed her husband and made a brief and interesting talk to the veterans all friends of her father. Other than these talks and the exchange of reminiscences among the veterans there was little of formality. Old Phil Roseboro, aged colored man, who served faithfully with the white troops during the conflict as the guest of the veterans and the ladies providing the entertainment. Early in the morning the old soldiers began gathering on the court square and many of them lingering until late in the afternoon before departing for home after the dinner. Many were the stories told of the deeds of companies that followed Lee and Jackson, of hardships and friendships, of sadness and of joy. No business meeting of the veterans camp was held and Capt. A. M. Lattimore, who was named commander of the county camp following the death of the late Rev. A. C. Irvin, presided at the dinner. The little group has thinned considerably since the reunions of four and five years ago. No longer do 100 or more of the "thin gray line" gather on the square—they have "thinned" fast with recent years. The forty-eight present at the dinner were: P. Z. Carpenter, E. D. Dixon, E. R. Ellis, Wm. Turner, J. W. Eskridge, D. B. F. Suttle, L. H. Black, J. Y. Hord, Bert Whisnant, A. S. White, W. C. Lee, J. M. Gillespie, Laban Queen, W. D. Harris, J. Z. Falls, J. C. Elliott, Ben Elmore, J. R. Lackey, W. L. Padgett, T. H. Potest, P. H. Connor, B. F. Jolley, Jabez Hamrick, W. W. White, J. G. Herndon, A. T. Connor, W. D. H. Covington, Tom Holland, A. M. Lattimore, F. N. Gardner, G. B. Humphries, J. W. Ware, J. R. Rhyne, D. Parkers, D. McCall, L. M. Williams, O. C. Surratt, Isaac Boone, J. M. Walker, L. B. Scruggs, S. R. P. Glenn, J. M. Anderson, O. C. London, W. R. Putnam, W. B. Wells, Isaac Mauney, J. M. Pinson, C. B. Suttle, J. S. Mauney, T. S. Elliott. E. D. Dixon was the oldest veteran present and W. D. Harris was the youngest.

Evangelist Railroad Spinks and His Organization Not Coming To Shelby for Meeting.

Evangelist "Railroad" Spinks and his organization will not conduct a revival meeting in Shelby as was planned and announced in last week's Star. Instead, Rev. Zeno Wall and Rev. Rush Padgett, pastors of the First and Second Baptist churches of Shelby have leased the tent from Evangelist Spinks and will pitch it somewhere in the south-western part of Shelby where they will conduct a "conservative, sane, consistent New Testament revival," beginning May 23rd and continuing for two weeks or longer, according to Dr. Wall. The large tent which has been leased from Evangelist Spinks comfortably seats 2,000 people, while, 1,000 more can easily be accommodated around the edge of the tent and hear the services with a fine degree of satisfaction when the tent sides are up-lifted. Messrs Wall and Padgett expect great things of the meeting and declare that it will not only be for the community in which the tent is located, but will be community-wide in its scope. Ministers of churches in the surrounding community will be invited to take a part, bringing with them their congregations to help in the revival. Mr. H. M. Pippin evangelist singer of the First Baptist church will organize the voices of the city into a large choir so that the music will be a decided feature of the meeting. Dr. Wall expressed hope to the Men's Bible Class last Sunday morning that he wanted to propose the erection of a large Baptist tabernacle in South West Shelby whereby the people of that section with Baptist inclination could avail themselves of services nearby, but he has forgone this plan for the present. If the large tent revival meets with the success that is anticipated, it might be that a Baptist tabernacle will result therefrom. Dr. Wall and Mr. Padgett make a fine working team of evangelists. Both are well known in the community, are conversant with the people, their disposition and attitude, so it is felt that their meeting will enlist the hearty co-operation of the Christian people generally. "Railroad" Spinks who has been conducting a revival meeting in Gaffney, S. C. has gone to the Southern Baptist convention in Houston, Texas. His tent will not be in use for a few weeks after May 23rd, so Messrs Wall and Padgett rented it from him to be in the Shelby meeting.

Cleveland Springs Offices To Open Formally Friday

The offices of the Cleveland Springs estates, in the new Royster building on South Washington street, will be formally opened to the public of Shelby and section Friday afternoon and night. A cordial invitation to the public generally is issued and a large crowd is expected to attend. Special music for the afternoon and evening will be furnished by the Tar Heel Syncopators and refreshments will be served, while all ladies attending will be given souvenirs. Mr. Alfred P. Marshall, sales director of the big development, urges that all attend the services at the Presbyterian church and come by for the opening either before or after the services.

Candidates Urged To File Notices With Chairman

Attention is again called to all candidates to file with the county chairman Bynum E. Weathers, on or before May 22nd, or two weeks before the election in June. Many have already filed officially and paid the proper filing fees; however, there are a few township officials yet to be supplied and only ten days remain in which to make formal announcement. Registration books close at sunset on Saturday, May 22nd, the final date on which candidates may definitely announce for the various county and township offices. Those who have not registered for the primary should attend to this matter at once. One week following the close of registration, challenges will be heard at the precincts throughout the county. After the two remaining Saturdays May 15th and May 22nd, tickets will be printed and every candidate desiring his or her name to appear thereon should lose no time in meeting the demands of the State Election Board before the expiration of the time limit.

PLOWS UP BABY IN CALDWELL COUNTY

When a man plowed up a three days old baby on his farm in Caldwell county late Saturday afternoon things began getting hot in Lenoir. Sheriff Sherrill was called and after an investigation, the method of which was not made public, he arrested and jailed one Burt Nelson of that county. A coroner's jury will hear the details soon, and Sheriff Sherrill said he expected to make another arrest within a few days.

Ledford Captures Liquor And Car

From a case tried before Recorder John P. Mull this week it was learned that Deputy Sheriff Plato Ledford recently captured a Ford roadster, two gallons of liquor and two men near Three County Corners. Joe Smith, said to be from near Bessemer City, was fined \$100 and the costs and his car is to be sold. W. D. Best, who was with him, was fined \$50 and the costs.

Dick Lackey Enters Politics After Rest

W. D. (better known as Dick) Lackey has re-entered politics. Today he announces himself a candidate for membership on the county board of education, having been urged to make the race by many of his loyal friends and supporters. Mr. Lackey has regained his health and is active again. He served as sheriff for a number of years and later as mayor of Shelby, which position he was forced to relinquish because of ill health. French taxpayers may prepare to rejoice. Abdel Krim has taken a young wife.

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