

# Jonas Howl About Voting Fraud In District Brings Hot Denial From Election Board Officials

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In which I was defeated by Maj. A. L. Bulwinkle, I do feel that the citizens of this district would not stand by and see a congressman take his seat if investigations revealed that he had gained that seat with the assistance of election frauds." Mr. Jonas said in beginning his statement.

"A member of the committee headed by Senator Nye and charged with the duty of investigating reported election irregularities went so far as to tell me that in his opinion the voting an election conditions in North Carolina had those in Pennsylvania stood aside." Mr. Jonas is quoted as saying.

**No Need For Corruption.**  
"The democrats of North Carolina can carry the state without resorting to such practices as they have," he said. "They could have carried it in November without doing the things they did. However, if they don't call a halt, quit their unfair play, and follow the election laws, the thing is going to turn against them soon or later, and it will be possible to carry the state against them."

A chorus of denials and verbal swings at the representative greeted his statement.

"I don't think there is anything to Mr. Jonas' charge," Major Bulwinkle replied last night. "If any election ever was fair, I think this last one was. Both sides watched it very closely."

The major added that he would have no conscientious scruples against taking his seat next March 4.

**Same Old Story.**  
"Just the same old republican habit—run for an office, get bent, and then holler that the democrats stole the election," declared B. Lee Setzer, chairman of the board of elections of Catawba county. "Let Mr. Jonas come up here. I will give him any information he wants about our election. There wasn't any fraud up here. The democrats won the election fairly. Charlie's just mad because he got beat, that's all."

**Mull Denies Charges.**  
John P. Mull, Shelby, chairman of the board of elections of Cleveland county, denied that fraud or election irregularities had been practiced in his county. Of the approximately 7,700 ballots cast in the senatorial contest in November, said Mr. Mull, only about 300 were absentee ballots and the majority for Bulwinkle, according to his recollection, was 2,401 in Cleveland.

"The republicans had two precinct judges arrested, but they not crossed the case against one before it came to trial, and at the suggestion of the republican who had caused the arrest, and the other man was dismissed by the recorder," Mr. Mull declared.

He said a Nye agent appeared in his county also a few days before the election. No charges of fraud were made by anyone before the canvassing board after the returns had been counted, Mr. Mull said.

## Supt. Smith Greets Pupils, Teachers, Parents Of Shelby

One Fourth of Shelby's Population Troop Back To School Tomorrow. Shelby's Future Hope.

(By Supt. B. L. Smith of City Schools.)  
Through the courtesy of The Star I am permitted to extend New Year's greetings to all the pupils, patrons, and teachers of the Shelby public schools. I do it heartily and with the sincere hope that the New Year may bring to each of you a full measure of its richest blessings.

On tomorrow morning one fourth of Shelby's 10,000 population will troop back to study, to recitation, to laboratory, to library, to teacher. I salute you boys and girls as Shelby's finest hope and chief dependence for future greatness. Eighty-six well trained and highly consecrated teachers will greet you, glad to have a share in helping you to realize your educational endeavor. Between one and two thousand parents will send you away with a devotion that will call them to the greatest sacrifice in your behalf. You will enjoy not simply the affection of your own parents but also the affection of a devoted citizenship for the childhood of an entire community.

I greet you parents with the happy thought that the school is your chief dependence in your largest responsibility. In turn the school looks to you as its chief dependence in discharging its obligation to your children.

I greet you teachers with the confident belief that we shall face together the tasks of the New Year. The work will likely be heavier and the remuneration less, but we may set the measure of our own satisfaction through the strength and ability we possess and the devotion we summon. "God me thanked who has matched us with his day."

## Boy Scout Court Of Honor Will Be Held Monday Night

Scouts And Officials Of Shelby District Too Attend Meeting Here.

The monthly court of honor of the Shelby district of the Piedmont council of the Boy Scouts of America will be held at the Cleveland county court house, Shelby on Monday night, January 5, beginning at 7:30 o'clock.

Troops of Scouts from Shelby, Lattimore, Earl, Belwood, Lawndale, Polkville and Mooresboro are planning to be present at this court of honor for advancement.

Scout officials of the Piedmont council are asking that all scoutmasters, troop committeemen and scouts of the Shelby district be in attendance at this meeting.

Joe Whisnant is chairman of the court of honor and the following men constitute the court membership: W. E. Abernethy, Arthur Beony, Jean Schenck, Charles Hoey, Dale Katter, Lindsay Hall, Ralph Royster, Z. J. Thompson, John McClard, John McArthur, Dr. Thos. Mitchell, Max Washburn, L. P. Holland, Herman Eskridge, R. W. Schoffner, Willis McMurry and John P. Tomp.

## Gardner's Plan Appears Popular

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ity buying and by getting a low bid or price for the entire lot."

Local business men take the same view. No big business, they say, no matter how many units it may have, permits a half dozen organizations to scatter around to do its purchasing. It is the idea, those favoring the plan say, of taking cooperative buying into governmental affairs. If a group of farmers can band together and save money by purchasing fertilizer or other necessities in wholesale lots, why cannot the state, with its many institutions and departments, do the same thing?

Representative Edwards said that since the proposal had been advanced he had talked with several businessmen who have sold goods to or have called on purchasing agents at a number of state institutions. "What they told me," he said, "was enough to convince me of the soundness and wisdom of the plan even if I had been opposed to it at first."

**Leave Tuesday.**  
Senator McSwain and Representative Edwards will leave Shelby for Raleigh next Tuesday to be on hand for the opening of the general assembly on Wednesday morning.

In view of numerous reforms suggested by Governor Gardner and other legislation to come up they believe it will be one of the most important sessions in years.

Many citizens have expressed the wish that the proposed bill to have the state take over and maintain all county highways would go through. An estimate made by some has it that the proposed plan would cut taxes on property on the average of 25 cents in all townships of Cleveland county. To do so the state would have to add a one cent tax to gasoline, it is said, but supporters of the movement declare that the one-cent tax would be far more pleasant than the present road tax, which varies in the several townships. No property-owner, they contend, could do other than favor the plan, because many motorists without property do not do their share to maintain the roads and the extra cent would come from all motorists, or those who use the roads instead of from property owners entirely.

## First Baptist Helps Five Hundred People

Eighteen Hundred Articles Of Wear Given Out. 15 Helped Ones In Sunday School.

One hundred families, aggregating 500 people, have been helped so far by the First Baptist church in the dispensation of charity, according to a report made yesterday by the pastor, Dr. Zeno Wall, to the county welfare department. Packages of groceries including meal, flour, canned goods, sugar, etc., given to these families number 250 to date. Fifteen people from families helped by the charity of this church were in Sunday school last Sunday, according to Dr. Wall.

The Baptist church is keeping in touch with the welfare department and reporting the cases helped in order that there might be no duplication or overlapping. Charity work on the part of the church is going right along and will continue until the winter has abated. There are enough deserving cases to justify all organizations doing a part, says Dr. Wall, but all outside help should be reported to the county welfare department.

## SOCIAL NEWS

**Miss Suttle Entertains At Buffet Supper.**  
Miss Betty Suttle was a charming hostess on Tuesday evening at her attractive home in Belvedere Heights at a buffet supper in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Esley Pendleton, who were married recently. Miss Suttle received in a dinner dress of black and gold net with which she wore a shoulder bouquet of red roses. Mrs. Pendleton wore a becoming dress of white satin with which she used a corsage of orchids.

Red roses were used along with Christmas evergreens as decorations, the guests found their places at the six small tables by place cards depicting the infant New Year. The large table in the dining room centered the decorative scheme and made a pretty picture with lace cloth and centerpiece formed of a candelabra holding lighted red tapers, around which holly and poinsettias were banded. Above this centerpiece the chandelier was decorated with holly and cedar and bore a large bow of red ribbon, from the chandelier hung a shower of small red bells and sprays of cedar. Red candles burned also on buffet and serving table, no light being used except that of the candles.

After supper bridge was played during the evening, and at its close Miss Suttle gave Mrs. Pendleton a beautiful rose crystal bowl, finished with gold filigree. The high score prize, a box of candy, went to Mr. Charles Austell.

Miss Suttle was assisted in entertaining by Miss Nancy Suttle, Mrs. Julius Suttle, Mrs. Lewis Forney.

## Blanton Views 1931 Outlook In Section

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sible. They know this situation and I believe cotton acreage will be cut voluntarily 25 to 30 percent. We do not plan to dictate to any farmer what and how much he shall plant. I believe they know the situation as well as I do with reference to prices and will plant less cotton, more feed and feedstuffs, work harder and economize.

**A Blessings in Disguise.**  
"This so-called depression we have gone through with will be the making of many of us. We have learned the value of a dollar and the importance of living within our income. We have come to realize our many blessings for there are sections much worse off than we are. The pendulum of business is bound to swing backward. Just when, I would not venture to say, I believe however, the worst is over and that already improvement is showing itself."

**A Turn For Better Now.**  
"Extravagant buying has stopped and economy has taken its place. Pessimism and gloom have disappeared and people are more hopeful and spirited. I believe our folks are now going to settle down to hard work and practise economy and thrift. We have been very fortunate indeed in the fact that our textile plants have been running from 75 to 80 per cent of the time; that our cotton crop turned out better than 60,000 bales; that in spite of the drought we made ample food and feedstuffs."

Mr. Blanton turned back to his work as he concluded with the statement that "business is already showing a turn and the experience we have gone through will be a blessing in disguise."

## Clothing Division Gives 1862 Garments

Girls Clothing, Shoes And Underwear Needed. Colored School Falls To Open.

A colored school in No. 5 township failed to open this week because the children did not have sufficient clothing to brave the cold weather, said J. B. Smith, county welfare officer. An effort is being made to equip these children from the old clothes depot which is maintained in the basement of the Weathers-Blanton building next to the Masonic temple.

**Articles Needed.**  
Miss Frances Hendrick who is in charge of the depot says 1862 articles of wear have been dispensed to needy cases since the depot opened under the supervision of Lee D. Weathers about the middle of this month. Needy people are being fitted daily with clothes given by housewives and merchants of the city. There is a special demand for clothing for girls, shoes and underwear for all ages. Housewives and merchants who have any of these articles will please telephone Miss Hendrick at No. 255 any morning from 10 to 12 or afternoon from 2 to 5 o'clock and a boy scout will call for the package.

The clothing department is fairly stocked and articles are being given out as fast as possible, but the store room is short on these certain items and contributions are solicited.

## Man Who Figured In Sensational Killing Fifteen Years Ago Passes At Spruce Pine

Spruce Pine, Dec. 31.—Aaron Wiseman, central figure in a North Carolina murder sensation of 15 years ago, is dead.

## NEW HOUSE NEWS OF THE WEEK-END

**Mr. Bailey Buried At Sandy Plains.** Mr. and Mrs. Fay Jenkins Entertain. Personals.

(Special to The Star.)  
New House. Dec. 30.—The snow which fell two weeks ago is still here although part of it has melted. The roads in this section are the worse they have been in years. Members of the church and friends pounded Rev. and Mrs. Elam. They received a good deal of food.

**Entertain With Dinner.**  
Mr. and Mrs. Fay Jenkins very delightfully entertained with a six o'clock dinner Saturday evening honoring their nephew Mr. J. P. Walker and Mrs. Walker who were recently married. Mr. and Mrs. McKee and Miss Vernie Walker were also present.

Miss Gladys Greene spent the latter part of last week visiting her sisters at Lattimore.

Mr. John Hawkins and family of Gastonia spent the Christmas holidays with Mr. S. O. Hawkins.

**Mr. Bailey Dead.**  
Funeral services were held at Sandy Plains Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock for Mr. Eddy Bailey who lived at Spindale. He formerly lived near here. He was as well as usually on Christmas day. On Friday morning, Dec. 26, he was taken sick with pneumonia and other complications and died Saturday morning, Dec. 27 at 7 o'clock. Mr. Bailey is survived by his wife and eight children. The services were conducted by his pastor Rev. Z. D. Harrill. Mr. and Mrs. Z. R. Walker were the dinner guests Saturday of Mrs. Maggie Whitaker.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleatus Brooks spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. John Crawley.

Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Elam were guests of Mrs. Rachel Humphries Saturday.

Misses Gladys and Euzelle Petty visited Miss Sara Lou Whitaker Christmas day.

Miss Lula Walker is spending some time at the home of her uncle Mr. and Mrs. Ed Walker.

Mr. and Mrs. Broadus Petty had as their guests Saturday Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Petty and family and Miss Sue Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. Crayton Hawkins spent Sunday night with Mr. and Mrs. Will Butler.

Mr. and Mrs. Cone Doty and son, J. C., who have been visiting relatives in this section returned to their home in Georgia Sunday.

Mrs. Lizzie Doty and daughter, Zephyr are both sick and in bed. Miss Annie Dalton who is attending Rutherford college is visiting at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Dalton.

Mrs. Rush Padgett of Lowell is visiting her parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. D. Bridges.

Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Walker have been visiting relatives in Shelby for the past few days, returned to their home Monday.

Mrs. John Humphries who has been real sick is slightly improved. Mr. Buran Humphries recently had the misfortune to get his foot very badly cut.

Miss Miriam Morehead of Mooresboro spent the week-end with Miss Frances Walker.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Walker spent Christmas with Mrs. Walker's mother at Ellenboro.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Jenkins and children, Mr. and Mrs. Fay Jenkins and son and Mrs. Hattie Doty were dinner guests of Mrs. L. S. Jenkins Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Doty and daughter, Verdia, spent Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Barney Doty of Lattimore.

## Card of Thanks

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for their many acts of kindness shown us during the sickness and death of our dear wife and mother.

Julius McCurry and Children.

## Consoling

He: "Dearest will you marry me?"  
She: "No, I can never marry you. Jack; but I shall always respect your good taste."

## Penny Column

WANTED A FRESH MILK COW R. L. Shuford, R-1, Lawndale, 1-31p  
FOR SALE: TWO FRESH MILK cows. S. L. Faulkner, Kings Creek, S. C. 4t 31c  
FOR ALTERATIONS ON CLOTHING or new linings in coats, see Beck and Pratt. 3t 31p  
WILL PARTY FINDING BLACK handbag lost from car on North Lafayette street December 13th please notify Star office. Reward. 1-31p  
I HAVE RESTOCKED MY store on the Shelby-Polkville highway, with a fresh line of groceries including Shelby flour, Goodyear tires, Good Gulf gas and oil. It will pay you to trade with me for I will save you money. C. B. Elliott, 4-31p  
WANTED TO BUY CORN AT market price at Brookside Mill and Service Station on Highway 20, West. Will exchange flour for corn. T. P. Hamrick. 4t 31p

## Outline Of Changes Suggested In North Carolina Government; A General Consolidation Idea

Would Consolidate 92 Agencies Into 14. Make Governor Real Manager.

Raleigh.—Complete reorganization of the state government of North Carolina to consolidate 92 existing agencies into 14 departments with the governor becoming the real and not theoretical "general manager" is proposed in the Brookings Institute report announced by Governor O. Max Gardner.

A summary of the recommendations of the Brookings Institute for changes in North Carolina state government follows:

The report introduction closed with a summary of recommendations which include: Constitutional amendment: I. Amend constitution to abolish the office of secretary of state.

Statutory: 1. Abolish the municipal board of control and transfer its functions to the proposed bureau of state records of the executive department.  
2. Create an executive department with the governor at its head, containing six bureaus (1) office of governor; (2) a service of general administration; (3) bureau of state records; (4) bureau of military affairs; (5) bureau of state police; and (6) advisory budget commission.

3. Authorize the governor to appoint the heads of all bureaus of the executive department.  
4. Transfer the present work performed in the secretary of state's office to the bureau of state records.

5. Transfer the present work of issuing commissions to notaries public from the governor's office to the bureau of state records.

6. Combine the state board of elections and state board of canvassers into a state board of elections and canvassers and have the director of the bureau of state records (secretary of state) serve as the board's executive officer, utilizing the bureau of state records for administrative work.

7. Transfer the duties of the present adjutant general's department to the proposed bureau of military affairs.

8. Transfer the duties now delegated to the state board of pensions to the bureau of military affairs.

9. Transfer the pension bureau of state auditor's office and its present personnel and records to the bureau of military affairs.

10. Create a bureau of state police and transfer to it the present state highway patrol and its present duties of patrolling the state highways and of enforcing all laws and regulations respecting the use of motor vehicles upon the state highways.

11. Transfer to the bureau of state police the duty of administering the laws providing for the inspection of weights and measures now located in the department of agriculture.

12. Transfer to the bureau of state police the present work and force now employed in the theft division of the bureau of motor vehicles in the present department of revenue.

13. Organize the service of general administration into five distinct bureaus and assign to them the duties described under the section "Proposed organization of service of general administration." The bureaus suggested are (1) office of commissioner; (2) bureau of the budget; (3) bureau of central accounting and reporting; (4) bureau of personnel; (5) bureau of purchase and contract.

Administrative: 1. Organize an administrative council in the service of general administration composed of the commissioner and the heads of the several bureaus of this service.

2. Assign to the administrative council the duty of standardizing all business procedure of the state government.

3. Organize the bureau of state police into two distinct divisions: a division of state police and a division of weights and measures.

**Financial Control—State Treasury.**  
Constitutional Amendment: 1. Amend the constitution to provide that the state treasurer shall be appointed by the governor upon recommendation of the commissioner of the proposed department of finance.

Statutory: 1. Relieve the state treasurer of his ex officio membership on the state board of education and board of public buildings and grounds.

2. Make the state treasurer an ex officio member of the local government advisory council providing our recommendation is adopted to transfer the supervision of the issuance of bonds and notes by local government to the proposed department of local government finance.

3. Relieve the state treasurer of his present duties as ex officio treasurer of the 14 institutions and agencies of the state government.

4. Transfer the treasury department to the proposed department of finance as a bureau of finance as a bureau of that department.

Administrative: 1. If the decision of the supreme court (Bank vs. Worth, rep. 117,147) permits, have this agency discontinue keeping administrative accounts.

2. Discontinue the present system of decentralized disbursing and provide petty cash funds only to those departments and institutions required to have cash available to meet immediate demands.

## Bus Station Under New Management

Marshall Moore, Jr., perhaps better known as "Lefty" Moore has accepted a position with the Queen City Coach Co. as ticket agent at the local bus station. "Lefty" and Carver Blanton will also operate the bus station cafe under the new name of "Lefty's Cafe."

## WOODMAN DANCE HERE ON SATURDAY NIGHT

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