

"The reward of a thing well done is to have done it."—Emerson.

THE CAMPAIGN CIRCUS

The campaign this summer is producing a number of interesting angles as the main battle goes on between the old-line parties. For example, there is the speculation as to what conservative Democrats will be able to do towards diverting ballots from President Roosevelt. The conference at Detroit was relatively small in point of numbers but the bolters pointed the way for other Democrats who may be willing to follow their lead at the polls. It is pure speculation, however, to attempt to weigh the result in votes.

There are in the field, of course, the candidates of the Socialists, the Communists, and the Prohibitionists but they are not new and few people expect that they will be able to vitally affect the result of the main bout. Discounted in advance, as they are, these groups will carry on as usual, make speeches and keep their adherents warmed up. That is about all they can accomplish.

NEW-COMERS IN FRAY

Other factions are on the battlefield, hoping to make good showings and to be able to attract sufficient strength to serve as a nucleus in 1940. Apparently, the astute managers of these groups expect some major political alignment and some observers see a possibility of three or four new parties vying with the Democrats and Republicans in the next campaign. Among these must be included the Laborites, the Townsendites, the Coughlin array and, to an extent the so-called Progressives of the West.

VOTERS MAY RE-GROUP

Months ago, in these columns, we pointed out that the policies of President Roosevelt were apt to create a new political alignment. His "New Deal" was certain to eliminate from the Democratic party some of its conservative elements and his drive apparently was to capture enough progressives from other sources to offset the loss. There was, and is, no surprise in the attitude of the Democrats led by such figures as former Governor Ely, of Massachusetts, former Senator Reed, of Missouri, and former Governor Smith, of New York.

OUTLOOK IN THE SOUTH

The attitude of the conservative Democrats of the Southern States has been a factor to be considered in the present situation. As the picture looks today, the Roosevelt administration has little to fear from the Southern Democrats. For years the section has been consistently Democratic, excepting the notable desertion of Al Smith, in 1928, and while Republican strength has been gaining somewhat in several States there is little or no likelihood that the progress will be sufficient to gain any votes on the electoral college except upon rare occasions. Even as Senators Glass and Byrd, of Virginia, are back of the President in his campaign and will do their bit towards his re-election.

LEMKE'S STRATEGIC PLACE

The candidacy of Representative William Lemke bears watching because of the support which has been given it by various groups, each with an appeal that is potent in some areas. Few informed observers believe that Lemke has any chance to win an appreciable number of electoral votes but they recognize that in close States the votes that go to him may determine whether the plurality that is left casts the electoral vote of the State for Roosevelt or Landon. Generally, it is believed that the movement will hurt Democratic prospects more than Republican, but here again the question mark comes up because of the strength of the Townsend movement in certain Republican areas.

PRIEST AND PREACHER

What will be accomplished by the efforts of Father Coughlin and his National Union for Social Justice remains to be seen. Undoubtedly his speeches will attract attention, as will those of the Rev. Gerald Smith, present head of the Huey Long Share-the-Wealth faction. Conceivably, these gentlemen of the pulpit may be able to stir emotions and to change votes but that the voters, thus changed, will go to the polls in behalf of their man, Lemke, in sufficient numbers to make him a factor to be reckoned with hereafter is decidedly doubtful. Their work may possibly throw some strength to Governor Landon, but the net result, as it seems to this writer, will be the stirring

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Complete List Of Teachers For This Co. Made Public

Teachers Meeting To Be Held Here Sat. In Order To Discuss Any Topics That May Be In Order

TO BEGIN AT 10 A. M.

Instructional Supplies For Various Schools Of County To Be Given Out On This Occasion

A meeting for the teachers of Alleghany county is to be held in Sparta on Saturday, August 29, at ten o'clock.

W. C. Thompson, superintendent of Alleghany county schools, requests all teachers in the county to attend. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss any new rules, regulations, etc., pertaining to the new school term. Instructional supplies will also be given out at this time.

Following is a complete list of Alleghany county teachers for the 1936-37 term, as turned in by the district committees:

District No. 1: Sparta high school—Chas. R. Roe, Principal, Mrs. Charles R. Roe, Mrs. Dalton Warren, Ina Jean Reeves, Bryan Taylor, Ralph B. Cheek, Mrs. Clinton Halsey, F. H. Jackson, Mrs. Haswell Rector, First Grade, Mrs. Sam Richardson, First Grade, Mrs. Bessie McMillan, Second Grade, Annie Sue McMillan, Third Grade, Clyde Higgins, Fourth Grade, Gertrude Andrews, Fifth Grade, Mrs. Vance Choate, Sixth Grade, and Burton McCann, Seventh Grade.

Liberty Knob, Grace Wagoner; Cherry Lane, Hazel Burchette; Glade Valley, Edna Gentry; Wolf Branch, Hugh Choate, principal, and Donna Jones, asst. Pine Swamp, Mrs. Vera Edwards; Whitehead, Evelyn Caudill, Principal, and Betty Joines, Asst.

Chestnut Grove, Vada Duncan; Airbells, Muriel Caudill; Stratford, Izabelle Taylor; New Hope, Arnold Jones; Toliver, Letha Osborne, and Irwin, June Crouse. District No. 2:

Piney Creek high school—L. K. Halsey, Principal, George Mack Vahoy, History, Helen Ingram, French and English, H. D. Questberry, Agriculture, Helen Andrews, Home Economics, M. T. Parsons, Seventh Grade, Gladys Robbins, Fifth A and Sixth Grades, Ruby Lee Joines, Fifth A and Fourth Grades, Blanche Gambill, Second and Third Grades, and Jean McMillan, First Grade.

Rock Creek, Garnett Edwards; Rocky Ridge, Leona Church; Turkey Knob, Mrs. Ola P. Osborne, and New River, Maggie Osborne.

District No. 3: Little Pine, Mrs. Hazel H. Taylor, Principal, and Anne Truitt, Asst.

Belvins X Roads, Glenn Toliver; Vox, D. Clair Wyatt; Rich Hill, Thelma C. Osborne, Principal, and Blanche Joines, Asst.

Dividing Ridge, Lola Billings, and Hooker, L. C. Joines.

District No. 4: Laurel Springs, Blanche Pugh, Principal, and Nancy Miller, Asst.

Pine Fork, Johnny Dale Taylor; Pleasant Grove, Fred T. Hart, and Belview, Mrs. E. W. Shepherd.

Story-Telling Hour For Children To Be Conducted Here

Mrs. A. B. Richardson, supervisor of the WPA Library Project in this county, has announced the opening of a story-telling hour for children in the county. The first will be held Friday morning, August 28, at 10:00 o'clock in the Sparta high school library.

On this day all children of school age are invited, but after the opening of school only children of pre-school age are expected to attend.

Later two hours each week will be devoted to this work, according to Mrs. Richardson. If it can be arranged after the opening of school.

Horse 'n' Buggy Romeo



OLNEY, Ill. . . . Syl Plumlee, 68 (above), has taken unto himself his tenth bride, since 1898, all wooed behind the dashboard of a horse and buggy rig. As he recalls 'em there was Mary, May, Lou, Sada, Stella, Lela, Sarah, Sarah II, Laura, Julia; and now Viola.

Ninth Dist. Meet To Be Held Soon In Taylorsville

Several Alleghanians Named To Committee On Arrangements For Event To Be Held September 3

The Ninth Congressional district meeting for this year is to be held at Taylorsville on Thursday, September 3, beginning at eleven o'clock in the morning. Announcement to this effect was made recently by Congressman Robert L. Doughton.

The meeting is expected to attract many persons from all the nine counties of the district, among which is Alleghany.

All the Democratic candidates of the different counties are being invited to attend and will be recognized at the meeting. The chairman of the Democratic Executive committee of all the counties are expected and will be granted time for brief talks. The Honorable Charles West, of Ohio, assistant Secretary of the Interior, and recognized as one of the best speakers of the nation, is scheduled to make the principal address.

The members of the Democratic Precinct committees of the different counties have been named on the committee on arrangements and have been given invitations to attend the meeting and to assist in arranging for as many of their friends to attend as desire to go to Taylorsville. The following have been named in Alleghany county:

R. G. Cox, B. F. Wagoner, D. C. Bledsoe, Glen Duncan, Hurley Edwards, Glen Edwards and Walter F. Osborne, Sparta; R. G. Warden, Stratford; W. F. Jones, George W. Perry and J. F. Shepherd, Scottville; E. R. Cox, J. T. Finney, Frank Basic and Mc. L. Hash, Piney Creek; Clyde Wagoner, D. M. Edwards, John Carico, L. L. Cox and R. L. Hendrix, Ennice; M. L. Richardson, Lonnie Edwards, Cleve Caudill and E. L. Wagoner, Whitehead; J. T. Inskeep and Coy McCann, Roaring Gap; Page Thompson, A. V. Millsaps and DeWitt Bryan, Glade Valley, and Dr. L. L. Long, John Myers, R. A. Waddell, Van Miller and Fred Hart, Laurel Springs.

Alleghany County Agricultural Fair To Be Held Oct. 2-3

The Alleghany County Agricultural fair is to be held in Sparta on Friday and Saturday, October 2 and 3.

Further details concerning this event are expected to be made public next week.

Governor Olson, Of Minnesota, Dies In Mayo Clinic Sat.

Rochester, Minn., Aug. 22.—Floyd B. Olson, of Minnesota, the nation's only farmer-labor governor, died here tonight.

The governor, who was 44 years old and who long was prominent in state and national political circles, succumbed to a stomach ailment at 8:31 (central standard time) in the famous Mayo clinic.

To Hold Sunday School Convention At Cox's Chapel

Alleghany Co. Sunday Schools To Meet Sept. 6 With Morning, Afternoon And Night Sessions

Alleghany county Sunday schools, of all denominations, will hold a convention in the Cox's Chapel Methodist church on Sunday, September 6, with morning, afternoon and night sessions.

The theme this year is "A New Church For The New Day." There will be addresses, discussion groups, and special music, at the morning and afternoon sessions. These discussion groups will be for everyone and on every division of the Sunday school. There will be an interesting religious dramatization put on at night. The night session will be especially in the interest of young people's work, but adults are invited to attend also. Between the morning and afternoon sessions, there will be a fellowship dinner. Everyone is urged to attend and take baskets of lunch.

Rev. Shuford Peeler, General secretary of the North Carolina Sunday School association, and Frank J. Watson, also of the State association, will be present and take active parts. Local pastors and others will participate also. It is hoped that every church will send not less than six delegates. They are urged to send more, if possible. At the close of the night session, a penant will be given to the Sunday school having the best record of attendance, based on the number of miles traveled.

Further information about the convention may be obtained from Miss Wilma Crouse, Sparta, the county president, or Miss Grace Kirk, Mouth of Wilson, Va., the county secretary.

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Revival Meetings To Be Held Near Whitehead In Sept.

Rev. E. A. Vannoy, a minister of the Church of God, is to conduct a series of tent meetings at Claud Holloway's place, two miles east of Whitehead, September 2 to 13.

Services are to be held daily at 11 a. m., and 7:30 p. m. The meetings, it is said, will be non-denominational and the public is invited to attend.

Decoration To Be Held At New Hope Cemetery Sept. 6

Decoration and memorial services are to be held at New Hope cemetery near Furches, on Sunday, September 6, at one o'clock in the afternoon.

All persons who are interested in the care and upkeep of this cemetery are urged to meet there on Thursday, September 3, at 8 a. m., for the purpose of cleaning the burial grounds.

Demonstration In Lamb-Dressing To Be Held In Sparta

Arrangements have been made by R. E. Black, Alleghany county farm agent, for a lamb-killing and dressing demonstration to be given at Mr. Black's home, about 22 yards from the court house in Sparta, on Wednesday, September 2, at 1:30 p. m. This demonstration is to be conducted, according to Mr. Black, in order that the farmers of the county may have an opportunity to see the contrast between the different grades of lambs.

Mr. Nance, a meat specialist from State College, Raleigh, is to assist in the demonstration. At least three grades of lambs are to be on hand, and after the lambs are dressed, the farmers can see the difference in the carcasses.

Mr. Black recently expressed the hope that every sheep producer in Alleghany county may be able to attend this demonstration. After the demonstration, the lambs will be sold, and persons wanting mutton may be able to obtain it at market price.

Gov. Landon Sees U. S. Education Plan In Danger

Is Heard On "Dangers Of Free Education" In Talk At Chautauqua, N. Y. Raps Administration

Chautauqua, N. Y., Aug. 25.—Governor Alf M. Landon, of Kansas, told an audience overflowing the Chautauqua amphitheatre last night that American education was endangered by "widespread use of the machinery of the federal government to maintain the present administration in power."

The Republican presidential candidate faced a crowd that exceeded the 7,000 seating capacity and drew applause at the outset when he said:

"In Kansas, we believe that our schools—public, parochial and private—must be kept free of all control by the federal government."

"In Kansas, we insist that no teacher should be required to take any oath not required of all citizens."

"In Kansas, we believe in academic freedom and we practice it."

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Piney Creek H. S. To Begin 1936-37 Term August 31

Piney Creek high school will open on Monday, August 31, at 8:45 A. M. for the new 1936-37 term. All students are requested to carry their lunch, as an all-day session is expected, rather than dismissal at noon, as has been customary.

Patrons of the school are invited to be present for the opening of the term.

Two New Dwelling Houses Are Being Built In Sparta

Construction work has been begun on two new brick dwellings in the north end of Sparta on the Twin Oaks road.

One of these, in the extreme edge of town, is being erected by Howard Hoppers on his lot there and the other is being built by Sam Porter on his property, adjoining the shop purchased by him several months ago.

Services To Be Held Sunday At Baptist Church

Services are to be held at Sparta Baptist church next Sunday morning at eleven o'clock, with a sermon by the pastor, Rev. Howard G. Ford.

In view of the fact that the Baptist association meeting will close on the second Sunday morning in September, the services Sunday will take the place of the regular services for September 6.

Here To Fly



WICHITA, Kans. . . . Peggy Salaman, England's outstanding woman flyer, is here to take charge of the cabin monoplane she is to fly in the U. S. air race for the Ruth Chatterton trophy later this month.

Sparta H. S. To Open Monday For New 1936-37 Term

New Building Expected To Be Ready For Use In About Two Months. Roe Is Principal Again

Sparta high school will hold its opening exercises on Monday, August 31, beginning at 9:00 o'clock. A number of short talks will be made by local citizens.

The school buses are being reconditioned, the grounds and buildings are being put in order and everything, with the exception of the new building, will be in readiness for the opening of the term. It is very much regretted that the new building will not be ready for occupancy at this time. However, plans are being perfected by which the construction may be speeded up and it is hoped by school officials that the building will be ready for use within the next two months. A supply of high school text books is on hand, according to C. R. Roe, principal.

All patrons and friends of the school are invited to be present at the opening.

Landon Is Heard Sat. At Village Birthplace In Pa.

West Middlesex, Pa., Aug. 25.—Speaking from his village birthplace, Gov. Alf M. Landon told an outdoor throng Saturday that the voters' choice in the 1936 campaign was between "the pig in the poke policies" of the Roosevelt administration and "our heritage of freedom and opportunity."

Applauded as he said the "American way of life is being threatened," the Republican nominee pledged himself "so far as it lies within my power to protect for America our heritage of freedom and opportunity."

It was estimated a crowd of 40,000 persons dotted the fairways. It was drawn chiefly from the Mahoning Valley industrial area of Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Virginia.

Roosevelt Turns Westward; To Meet Landon September 1

Washington, Aug. 25.—President Roosevelt turned westward tonight for his long planned drought inspection tour after a series of governmental and political conferences, high-spotted by a renewed pledge of support from Senator Carter Glass.

His Republican opponent for the presidency, Governor Alf M. Landon, of Kansas, will attend one of the conferences, to be held September 1 at 3:30 p. m. (e.s.t.) at the statehouse in Des Moines. It will be attended also by the governors of Iowa, Nebraska, Oklahoma and Missouri.

LEFF JOINES TO BE COACH AT CONCORD HIGH SCHOOL

Leff Joines left Tuesday for Concord, where he has accepted a position as teacher of Science and athletic coach in Concord high school. It will be remembered that Mr. Joines taught at Concord for three years, previous to his work in Sparta.

Exciting Man-Hunt Follows Shooting Near Glade Valley

Colored Man From W. Va., Wounds Buster Atwood At Colored Church Sun. Two Automobiles Collide

NEGRO FLEES IN CAR

Sheriff Irwin Seems To Be Satisfied With Results Of Search. Mob Violence Feared As Posse Gathers

A most exciting man-hunt in the hills and mountains north of Sparta took place Sunday night following the shooting of Buster Atwood, Stratford, by Lawrence W. Boyden, (colored), of West Virginia.

The shooting took place late Sunday afternoon at a colored church near Glade Valley, where there had been an all-day meeting. A coupe, driven by Boyden, is said to have collided with the car driven by Atwood with a slight impact and during the altercation between the two men which followed, Boyden took his gun from his car and fired once at Atwood. The bullet entered Atwood's abdomen on the lower left side lodging in his hip without injuring any vital organs. Atwood was taken to the Wilkesboro hospital, where his condition was not pronounced serious.

Following the shooting, the negro fled in his car, going through Sparta and Twin Oaks, and, after driving to the end of a side road near Twin Oaks, abandoned his automobile and fled on foot into the nearby mountain.

After officers had been notified of the shooting, Sheriff Walter M. Irwin obtained blood hounds from Elk Creek, Va., and put them on the trail. The dogs eagerly followed the trail which led round-about through the mountain, until they came to New River, where it was lost.

A large posse of men, most of them armed, accompanied the officers and, had the negro been apprehended, it was feared there might have been an attempt at mob violence.

Sheriff Irwin traced the negro Monday morning to Fort Chiswell, in Wythe County Virginia, and by Monday night announced himself satisfied with results at his efforts to capture the man. However, Sheriff Irwin has not announced the capture of the man, but it is thought my many, judging by the sheriff's reputation for catching his man, that he has been taken and is being held elsewhere for safekeeping.

To Hold Quarterly Meeting Sunday At Gentry's Chapel

Quarterly conference for the Sparta charge, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is to be held at Gentry's Chapel, Edwards X Roads, on Sunday, August 30, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Dr. A. C. Gibbs is presiding elder of the Mount Airy district, in which the Sparta circuit is located.

ALMANAC AUGUST 27—Last battle of the Revolutionary War, great Charleston, Va., 1782. 28—Count Leo Tolstoy, greatest of Russian writers, born, 1828. 29—First Indian Reservation established by New Jersey, 1794. 30—Oswego makes their last raid on Fort, 1784. SEPTEMBER 1—Confederate secretary Adams after escape, 1862. 2—St. Petersburg, Russia, is captured by Prussians, 1813.