

Water Campaign Foreseen In North Carolina

Observers Expect To Rival 1876 In Some Respects

The movement by a group representing South Carolina Democrats to name a pro-segregation electoral ticket to be put on in November in the opinion of some observers, precipitates the bitterest campaign in the state since 1876 and a campaign which may rival in some respects the campaign of 1876.

Some 30 dissenting Democrats in Columbia Wednesday and Thursday resolved "authorizing" members of the regular Democratic executive committee to name an electoral ticket, dissenting members of the executive committee as listed in the executive committee of the Democratic Party of South Carolina.

Delegates from the state Democratic Party in white and negroes, generally taken for granted in the electoral ticket which the Democratic Party named would almost certainly have included a Negro.

There was some talk to the effect that the decision to get around asking the dissenting members of the state Democratic Party to name the ticket was generally thought to be a principal reason the convention was held Wednesday.

Some 30 people attended the convention although some of the delegates, including Dr. John McLaughlin of the University of Carolina, insisted they be only as "observers."

Generally believed that the ticket will get the vote of the state and the whites who will line up to make necessary turnout in order to elect the ticket.

While the Kershaw county has arranged to have registration books in county open through the year in order that all citizens have a chance to register, it is announced last week that the county is to be taken to vote over the county in order to be convenient for all.

Schedule for the county follows:

- Sept. 11—Hill-Sept. 14.
- Sept. 15—Cross Roads-Sept. 15.
- Sept. 17—W-Sept. 18.
- Sept. 21—E-Sept. 25.

The polls will be open in the morning in Camden on all other days except the above.

New Junior High Planned Improvements Made In School Plants of No. 10 District During Summer

Extensive improvements have been made during the past summer in buildings and equipment of the schools of Camden District No. 1, Superintendent J. G. Richards said this week. He also stated that the trustees have under consideration the erection of a two-story Junior High School with a one-story cafeteria to serve the grammar and junior high schools. This project, he said, would be financed by the sale of school district bonds and would be ready for occupancy in September, 1949.

"Taking advantage of the vacation period of the summer," Mr. Richards said, "a number of school buildings have been repainted either outside or inside. In the city white schools, all class rooms, hallways, offices, rest rooms and library of the Camden high school have been painted in soft colors, chiefly green, yellow, brown and white; all class rooms of the grammar school have either received new coats of paint or have been retouched. The rooms in that building also have been finished in colors restful to the eye.

"The entrance to the gymnasium has been painted and the gym floor has been sanded carefully, faulty flooring removed and replaced. The entire playing floor is now beautiful with its coats of hardwood varnish.

"The hallway and class rooms are now being painted at the Pine Tree Hill school. The work there will be continued at intervals after school opens until all class rooms and out side wood work have been painted.

"Two colored schools, Knights Hill and Airport, were also painted during the summer, both being exterior paint jobs. The painting done during the vacation period has been done by one regular maintenance man and the janitors of the schools under the supervision of the superintendent of schools. The use of this regularly employed labor has saved a considerable sum of money for the school district.

"The additions of two class rooms to the Jackson high school and four class rooms to the Jackson grammar school are nearing completion and are expected to be ready for occupancy on September 16. The class rooms will be equipped with fluorescent lights similar to those in the white grammar school class rooms. The lighting equipment was installed in the Camden grammar school during the summer of 1947 and have proved much more satisfactory than the type commonly used in schools.

"During the summer of 1947 a concrete wall fence was erected on three sides of the Zemp football field. A ticket sales house and a building for cold drink sales were also erected of concrete blocks. This summer in August work was begun on the erection of concrete stands on the east side of the field. The stands which will seat approximately 800 fans are nearing completion and will be ready for the opening game.

"The erection of the stands was made possible through the interest of a number of Camden business men. These men agreed to furnish the money on condition that it be repaid from the proceeds of football games over a number of years. The money for the erection of the fence was secured by loan from a local bank and is being repaid with a percentage of the gate receipts. At the end of the last season a payment of \$1,000 was made on the loan. Thus the considerable improvements being made at the football park are not at the expense of school district tax money.

"The football field itself has been mowed at least once a week during the summer and is in excellent condition with a beautiful green sod.

"Recently the board of trustees have had under consideration the erection of a two story Junior High school with a one story cafeteria for the service of two schools.

Attending the meeting were state farm bureau directors and county presidents and more than 60 leading growers from about 26 counties, Mr. Agnew said after the meeting.

A large cotton surplus is expected this year, Mr. Agnew said, with the prospect of increased acreage and declining prices next year if quotas are not set.

If there are no quotas, he continued, South Carolina farmers would still be guaranteed the 90 per cent parity price support.

"South Carolina farmers are not willing to accept the privilege of unrestricted production coupled with a mandatory price support program," he declared.

Chamber Plans To Be Discussed On Friday Night

All Who Are Interested In Organization Urged To Attend

A meeting of all who are interested in the Camden Chamber of Commerce will be held in the American Legion hall Friday night at 8 o'clock, Harold Funderburk, president of the Chamber, announced this week.

All business and professional men of the city are particularly urged to be present and it is hoped also that all others who may be interested in the organization will also attend.

The meeting is being called to consider ways and means of financing the organization in the future. The city has announced that it will discontinue appropriations to all organizations that do not perform some governmental function and this will eliminate appropriation to the Chamber of Commerce.

Business men of the city feel that such an organization is necessary and it is for the purpose of discussing ways and means of financing the organization in the future that the meeting is being called Friday night.

There will not be any solicitation of funds at the meeting Friday night.

Hartsville Wins First Of Series Over Orangeburg

Home runs by Bill Mims of Camden and Bill King of Hartsville were big factors in the 3 to 2 victory of the Hartsville Sonococs over Orangeburg in the first game of the playoff series of the Palmetto league finalists.

Orangeburg's three hits off Bill Harrington in the first inning, which when sandwiched with two Sonoco errors gave Orangeburg a 2 to 0 lead. But King's homer in the same frame and one by Mims in the second tied up the score.

After the two run splash off Harrington in the first, the Braves were held to three lonely singles during the remainder of the game. The Sonoco are spacing them well. Hartsville took the lead in the third when a runner was pushed home. A fourth came in the eighth. Orangeburg made its only threat in the ninth when Bill Bustle doubled to score Kohenen who had singled. Harrington tightened up and struck out the next two batters.

Hugh DeLury, Braves third baseman and former Camden player, was hit in the ribs with a pitched ball in the first inning. One rib was broken and two were cracked. If he is unable to play in the remaining games his loss will be keenly felt by the Braves.

Barney Martin, Orangeburg's ace hurler, was given the works by the Sonoco sluggers in a final series title clash in the Palmetto league playoff, the Hartsville team combining the slants of the former Sally league for 12 blows and 9 runs. Hartsville won 9 to 4.

It was the second straight win for the Sonococs and the scene of battle now shifts to Hartsville, where with the prospect of Buck Newsom taking the hill, a third win appears to be in the offing for the Sonococs.

Not only did Pitcher Jim McAlarney of Hartsville scatter the Brave hits over as many frames, but he connected for three hits in four times at bat.

Several score of Camden fans motored to Orangeburg for the game.

Every Citizen Should Register

The Kershaw County legislative delegation, aware of the dangers which abound in the present political situation for the people of South Carolina, has wisely made arrangements to have the books of registration in this county remain open through September in order that every citizen of the county may have an opportunity to register and thus be qualified to vote in the November election.

In South Carolina, the majority of the voters have been accustomed to passing up the November election for the reason that not in many years has there been any serious opposition to the nominees of the Democratic primaries and a large turnout of the voters has not been necessary.

This year the situation may be entirely different. There are strange forces at work and there appears a possibility that there may be effected a coalition of some elements in the state which will not bode good for the majority of the people of this state.

The only hope for the state lies in a practically solid front on the part of the majority of the people of the state. If some elements of this majority form a coalition with a united minority, the situation in this state could be drastically changed if our people are not on guard. And there are always those who will seek any sort of coalition for personal gain.

The Chronicle feels that the situation is so serious that every citizen of Kershaw county should get a registration certificate and be prepared to do his or her part in the November election.

It's better to be safe than sorry. Get your registration certificate at once and take care of it.

Ernest Nutting And H. F. Bishop Form Partnership

Will Conduct Consulting Forestry And Forest Products Business

Ernest Nutting, of Camden, former forester of the South Carolina State Commission of Forestry, and Assistant State Forester H. F. Bishop have formed a partnership and will conduct a consulting forestry, land surveying and forest products business with headquarters at both Camden and Marion.

Mr. Bishop's resignation as assistant state forester in charge of the branch of forest management, was announced this week. Mr. Nutting resigned some time ago.

At Marion, Mr. Nutting and Mr. Bishop plan to supply lumber to Horace Tilghman, Jr., son of the late Horace Tilghman, first chairman of the State Commission of Forestry. Mr. Tilghman's operations will center around Sellers, former location of the Tilghman Lumber Company plant, as the Tilghman lands are being managed along forestry lines by the family.

Mr. Bishop graduated in forestry from North Carolina State in 1935 and immediately went to work for the South Carolina State Commission of Forestry. He has been with the commission continuously as district forester at Walterboro and Florence before being promoted to his present position in Columbia. However, during the war he was ordered to active duty with the army and served in the states and South Pacific and is now a major in the reserves.

Mr. Bishop will be succeeded as assistant state forester by E. B. Price, who was at one time stationed in Camden. Mr. Price finished forestry at the University of Georgia in 1939 and since coming with the commission nine years ago has been stationed at Spartanburg, Aiken, Camden and Columbia in various capacities.

Mr. Nutting will have his headquarters in Camden and Mr. Bishop in Marion.

Will Play Dreher High Camden High Bulldogs To Open Season In Columbia

The Camden high school football team will open the 1948 season on Friday night, September 17 in Columbia when they meet the Dreher high school team on Melton field. Coach Lindsay Pierce has had the Bulldogs hard at work for some time now and they are rapidly rounding into form. The team is expected to have a strong, heavy line but will be rather light and inexperienced in the back field.

The opening home game will be on Friday night, Sept. 24, when the Sumter high school team will meet the Bulldogs on the local field. This game is always one of intense rivalry and the contest this year is expected to be no exception to the rule.

Work on the new bleacher section with its locker and rest rooms, etc., is progressing rapidly and it is expected that the work will be completed in ample time for the opening game. More lights are being added to the lighting system, thus insuring better illumination for the stadium.

Donald Morrison and Ernest Baker are co-captains of the 1948 edition of the Bulldogs.

The schedule for the season follows:

- Sept. 17—Dreher High at Columbia.
- Sept. 24—Sumter High here.
- Oct. 1—Hartsville High at Hartsville.
- Oct. 8—Florence High at Florence.
- Oct. 15—Charleston High here.
- Oct. 22—Chester High at Chester.
- Oct. 29—Darlington High at Darlington.
- Nov. 5—Brookland-Cayce here.
- Nov. 19—North Charleston at North Charleston.
- Nov. 25—Lancaster High here.

The Lancaster High game here will be the homecoming game. The team has been practicing twice daily for the past few weeks.

JayCeers Hear Plans Of New Administration

Mayor, Commissioner and City Manager Outline Future Policies

Members of the Camden Junior Chamber of Commerce were assured that the affairs of the city of Camden would be conducted on a strict business basis by the new city administration last Friday night, when they heard talks by Mayor Henry Savage, Jr., Commissioner A. Sam Kershaw and City Manager Jack Tallent.

The JayCeers were told by the city officials that the new administration planned to lay all its cards on the table at all times and to keep the public fully informed as to everything they did.

City Manager Tallent outlined somewhat in detail some of the plans of the administration, listing a number of important moves that are now being made or are in contemplation.

These plans include: Adoption of a city budget. Mr. Tallent is now working on a budget which will be effective beginning November 1. He prepared the budget and submitted it to the city commission for approval or amendment.

Study of tax structure. Personnel study with a view to seeing that employees receive like pay for like work.

Adoption of a centralized purchasing system, all purchasing for all departments of the city to be done through this department.

Setting up of a municipal accounting system.

Payment of all salaries twice a month. This was a check and balance system.

Which all city motor equipment is to be kept.

Cleaning up city premises in the hope that later a city-wide clean-up campaign will be conducted.

Traffic survey and check-up on parking meters.

Mr. Tallent asked the cooperation of the JayCeers in the efforts of the administration to conduct the affairs of the city on a business basis.

Commissioner A. Sam Kershaw said that when the present members of the commission were asked to run they stated that they would run on the condition that if they were elected they would give the city a strictly business administration and they proposed to do so.

Mayor Savage said that the commission was going to leave the job of running the city to the city manager under policies laid down by the commission and that he would be accountable only to the commission.

Report Is Made On Tonsil Clinic

A report on the tonsil clinic conducted this summer by the Junior Welfare League reveals that 23 cases treated and that a total of \$517.50 was spent by the League in the treatment of the cases.

Hospital charges were \$287.50 and doctor's fees were \$230. The money was derived from selling programs at the races, Christmas dance and teas.

Mrs. J. Dong Montgomery, chairman of the committee, said this week that the committee desired to express its thanks to the hospital, the physicians, nurses and all other helpers for their hearty cooperation in making the clinic a big success.

Contributions To Sewanee Campaign

South Carolina has contributed a total of \$74,939.44 to the \$500,000 campaign of the University of the South (Sewanee), according to M. E. Burns, chairman for the drive in Kershaw county. Of the amount contributed in South Carolina, Columbia has contributed \$18,938 and Charleston \$28,875, the remainder of the contributions coming from all over the state.

Tennessee has led all other states in contributions that state having contributed a total of \$365,275.30.

Blaney Schools Open Sept. 16

The Blaney public schools will open its 1948-49 season on Thursday, September 16 at 8 o'clock. A faculty meeting for all teachers will be held Wednesday, September 15 at 3 o'clock.

The public is cordially invited to attend the opening ceremony.

Burgess At Education Meeting

Leonard Burgess, director of education at Bethesda, Md. church of Camden, is the group of young people in conference weekend at Presbyterian in Clinton.

20 church directors of education of the synod of Carolina gathered from throughout Saturday night to discuss their work.

Mr. Burgess, director of education for the conference, had charge of the conference.

State Bonds In County

H. Heyman, Kershaw county bonds chairman, is in Savings in Kershaw county north of August.

Plans in South Carolina are considerably above for this season the \$1,172,343.36 for 1948 according to W. Brooks state director.