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The United States Supreme Court in a recent decision upholds the validity of the "Jim Crow" law.

With the experience of the past two weeks our people should be sufficiently amused with bad roads.

The people of North Carolina showed the proper spirit last week when they took up the state's bond issue.

If any man can ride over the roads in Franklin county now and not be in favor of good roads, he's a "lost chicken."

Who is it in Franklin county that has a good road running by his home that is not glad to pay the extra tax rather than go back to the old ones?

BRODIE DUKE and Miss Wylanta Rosehelle were married Saturday last at Camden, N. J. This makes his fourth wife, who is only 26 years old, he being 62.

REMEMBER that a vote by ballot will be taken in each township in Franklin County for the offices of Senator and Solicitor. Hence the importance of going to the polls on that day and casting your ballot.

The people all over the State will await the primaries in Wake county on June 25th with much interest. There's somebody a long way off and it remain to be seen who the people will endorse.

Among the many banks and private persons who subscribed for the State bonds we noticed the Citizens Bank, of Franklinton, who took \$5,000. Franklin County people can generally be counted on when a patriotic act is to be performed.

We again call the attention of our readers and contributors to the fact that any and all articles concerning the nomination of any candidate for any office that is to appear in the columns of the TIMES must be paid for at the rate of 10 cents per line.

An exchange in warning the several candidates about making promises used the old adage that "promises were like pie-crusts easily broken," which was commented on by a contemporary by saying "provided they were republican promises."

In an address of Mr. J. P. Cooke, superintendent of the Jackson Training school, at Concord, it was plainly suggested from experience, that if the boys had heretofore and would now receive the proper home training there would be no need for this school. Parents how about that?

In the six days that is required to work the roads most any average man could make more than enough money to pay his extra road tax, and not have to strike a lick on the roads, besides having good roads to travel on when he wishes to go anywhere. Think this over gentlemen.

Those Deputy Sheriffs who hid themselves together with the tax books for the purpose of not allowing the people to settle their taxes before the first of May should be made an example of by the Governor. It also goes to show what might be expected from Republican rule. Will these people re-elect such men to office?

Some papers are having a great deal to say about the American Tobacco Company's liberality in taking \$1,000,000 worth of the State bonds last week in comparison with the heretofore trust legislation and criticisms. This we see no need of as even the worst of criminals possess some good traits. We honestly think the Company deserves credit for their assistance, but do not endorse the feeling that we must turn them loose and let them do as they please.

We believe in "giving the devil his dues," but no more. The fact that the American Tobacco Company took \$1,000,000 worth of State bonds last week is commendable, but this fact should have entirely no effect upon legislation as is intimated by some of our esteemed contemporaries. This fact should not give them license to oppress the people without hindrance.

THE PRIMARY.

Saturday, June 25th, has been set for the day to hold the primary to select delegates to the county convention to be held in Louisburg on Monday, July 2nd, for the purpose of selecting delegates to go to the Senatorial, Judicial, State and Congressional conventions. As the nominations within the gift of these conventions are of such great importance, it becomes more forcibly the duty of every voter in the county to attend the primaries and take an active part in the selection of delegates. Your friends should not be so much the consideration as the man best fitted for the office, as it is these men who you will expect to make the laws for you to be governed by and to have final power in enforcing them. Look the field over, weigh each man's worth in the office they seek and then cast your vote either for the man of your choice or for a delegate who you believe will support your man. In order to have a good strong party it will be necessary to have good strong men as officers who will work for the people by giving them good honest and just legislation and that will hand out their decisions in a like manner. Remember your duty gentlemen and do it.

JUDGE WILLIAM R. ALLEN.

The People Want the Ablest Judge on the Superior Court Bench Elevated to the Supreme Court.

Editor of the TIMES: In your issue of June 3rd, there appears on your editorial page an article copied from the Moore County News, headed "Judge Manning should stay on the bench," in which this statement occurs, "the result of this nomination is of small consequence to Judge Allen, but if Judge Manning is defeated, it will be a very serious reflection, not only upon him, but would also be a slap in Governor Kitchin's face."

In your issue of June 10th, appears another article on your editorial page, copied from the Chatham Record, headed, "Why should Judge Manning be turned down." In this article it is said:

"Common fairness demands the nomination of Judge Manning. And why should he not receive it? The only objection suggested is that another good democrat wants it. Is this sufficient reason for turning down Judge Manning and rebuking Governor Kitchin?"

"Of course I know that it is not your purpose to give editorial endorsement to these articles, but the fact that they are both published on your editorial column may lead some of your readers to think so. I desire space in the TIMES to say a few words to the good people of Franklin county to answer some of the misleading statements contained in these articles, (which are being reproduced in almost every weekly newspaper in the state) and I know that the spirit of fairness that has characterized the policy of the TIMES in all its long and useful career will grant the friends of Judge Allen a hearing.

The statement that to vote for Judge Allen for a seat on the Supreme Court bench will be to "slap Governor Kitchin in the face" is not so, and does Governor Kitchin a gross injustice. "I have no authority to speak for the Governor, but I do not believe that he, for one minute, would endorse the idea that loyalty to him shall be measured by whether a man votes for Manning or Allen. Governor Kitchin has preached the doctrine of personal and political freedom too long to insist that men must give up their freedom of choice and become mere automata to register the will of someone else. WHO SLAPPED GOVERNOR FOWLE IN THE FACE. Gov. Daniel G. Foyle appointed

Judge Thomas B. Womack to fill the vacancy in the Fifth Judicial District caused by the resignation of Judge Gilmer. The Democrats of that District nominated Judge Robert W. Winston over Gov. Fowle's appointee.

Did they "slap Gov. Fowle in the face" and reflect on Judge Womack? WHO TURNED FRANK WINSTON DOWN?

Gov. Chas. B. Aycock appointed Judge Francis D. Winston Judge of the Second Judicial District. He was defeated for nomination by Judge R. B. Peebles, and Honorable Claude Kitchin, Walter Daniel, E. L. Travis and other relatives and friends of Gov. Kitchin helped to defeat Gov. Aycock's appointee.

Did they intend to rebuke Gov. Aycock when they "turned down" Frank Winston?

GOVERNOR AYCOCK SLAPPED IN THE FACE.

Gov. Aycock appointed Geo. A. Jones (whose son is now assistant to Attorney General Bickett, Judge of the Sixteenth Judicial District, and yet he was "turned down" and Judge Garland Ferguson nominated in his place.

Did these mountaineers intend to "slap Gov. Aycock in the face?" GOVERNOR GLENN REBUKED.

Gov. R. B. Glenn appointed Judge J. D. Murphy as judge of the Fifteenth Judicial District to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Judge Fred Moore. The people of the District "turned down" Gov. Glenn's appointee and nominated Judge J. S. Adams.

Did they intend to "rebuke" Gov. Glenn?

WILL THE PEOPLE REBUKE GOVERNOR KITCHIN?

Gov. W. W. Kitchin has appointed Judge Geo. P. Pell as Judge of the Eleventh Judicial District to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Judge E. B. Jones.

If the people of that District "turn down" Judge Pell will they thereby "rebuke" Gov. Kitchin?

All this talk about "rebuking" Gov. Kitchin and "slapping him in the face" that is being scattered over the state with such system and persistency in for the purpose of keeping the people from considering the relative merits of Judge Allen and Judge Manning—to shut the door on judgment—and by false logic, sweep Judge Manning into office on Gov. Kitchin's popularity.

JUDGE ALLEN THE ABLEST JUDGE ON THE SUPERIOR COURT BENCH.

Judge Allen is known to the people of Franklin county. He is recognized as the ablest Judge on the Superior Court bench. The people want him on the Supreme Court bench because of his ability and his superior fitness for the highest judicial work. He is not seeking a job—for he can make more money practicing law than the office will pay him—but he is willing to sacrifice his financial interest to serve the people on the highest court in the State with the same fidelity that he has served them on the Superior Court bench.

JUDGE ALLEN HAS STOOD FOR THE PEOPLE.

Judge Allen has served the people faithfully and well in every place that he has filled. When a member of the Legislature he fought the battles of the whole people. No special interest could get his help to secure legislation against the interest of the people or to defeat remedial legislation demanded by the people.

If there had been no appointment to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Judge Connor, there is little doubt that Judge Allen would be nominated without opposition in the Democratic State Convention. Does the fact that Gov. Kitchin appointed Judge Manning forestall the will of the people? It is the duty of the people to nominate the candidate, and to the people Judge Allen's friends appeal.

THE EAST ENTITLED TO THIS PLACE.

As the court now stands there is only one member who resides east of Raleigh. By "common fairness" this office does not belong to the Fifth Congressional District (which already has its full share) but should go to the eastern portion of the State.

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