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### Sure Deliverance.

Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence.—Psalm 91:3.

### POLITICS ON THE RAMPAGE.

Politics in North Carolina and more especially in Chatham county, seems to be on the rampage. Things have become so desperate that it is carried out to the letter in the several vocations of the folks in general. Democrats want a democratic doctor and they want democratic lawyers, they want their teamsters, chauffeurs, their hirlings in any capacity to hew strictly to the line and have "no other."

So long as conditions exist as they are today Chatham county or any other county will progress. There is not the same degree of cooperation as there otherwise would be and good, true men are being driven from the party ranks by the methods that are employed. Everyone knows that the editor of this paper is a Democrat, but we have made every effort to play fair in running an independent paper. We appreciate the fact that there is some very able men in the Republican party, even in Chatham county. Men who are sincere, of common sense and who have friends that will resent unfair things, and it does seem that those in power could get away from the old stereotype "now is the time for all good men to come to the aid of the party."

There has been some rough criticism of this paper by those who would "hew to the line" because we published the letter in regard to the engagement of A. W. McLean speaking at the Chatham County Fair. We want to repeat that to have Mr. McLean there is an unwise move. It will certainly not do the Fair any good, it will not further the interests of the Democratic party and it will not have influence to coordinate the very best feelings in the county among Chatham's good citizens, both Democrats and Republicans.

It so happens that the stockholders of the Fair are pretty well divided, if anything more Republicans are at the helm with their money than any one else and we fail to see the advisability of having a prospective candidate for governor on the Democratic ticket to make a speech at our local Fair.

This article is written on Friday before Fair week. As to whether Mr. McLean will fall for the "disclaim" or not we do not know. We do know that it will be suicidal for himself and to the Fair in Chatham county.

The Republicans are not asleep and they will awaken more acutely than ever. They realize that everything in this world changes except justice. Once the world was a flaming mass of liquid fire. It was once destroyed by a flood. At last it became what we call solid, little by little, until now, according to calculations of scientists, it is as "rigid as steel."

Remember, folks, the once terrible dodo bird with wings, but not able to fly and with brain but not able to think, had to go. Time changes, men change, but principles never! The monarch of today, both harmless and useless will have to go the way of the dodo bird.

### CHATHAM FAIR PULLS BONER

Raleigh Times

There are conflicting reports as to whether Angus Wilton McLean will make an address at the Chatham County Fair.

The first statement was that he had accepted an invitation. Then officials of the fair were said to have written Mr. McLean a letter telling him that the invitation had been extended without their knowledge or consent and that they could find no place for him on their program. Now comes word that a place has been found.

Another splendid argument for dispensing with speeches at air. There can be no excuse for the embarrassment caused a decent citizen by raising the question in the newspapers of whether his presence is desirable at the community's big occasion. The Chatham Record, which had to go to press before the returns were all in, approves editorially the decision of the unfair fair officials and gives it as its opinion that no candidate should be allowed to appear on the program.

We suppose everything that happens to a candidate in North Carolina is news; but this whole incident would never have reached the public if Chatham had had the proper sort of discretion.

The worst feature of it is that Mr. McLean, to avoid the appearance of evil humor, will be virtually compelled to attend the fair.

If he has any trouble with preparing a speech, we'd like to contribute a paragraph. It wouldn't contain any remarks that would make votes for Mr. McLean, perhaps, but it might help to ease his feelings.

### The Little Samaritan Knows.

Greensboro News.

As Chatham County is the home of stout Old Guarder Walter Siler, it should be right difficult to establish the suspicion that any J. W. Bailey man recalled the McLean invitation to speak to a county fair.

North Carolina is to have four state fisheries. They will cost the state \$200,000. But see what they will do for the state—bring in millions and millions of money. They remind us of Gump's hair brush factory. He had \$100,000 to start with but in paying for the plans and building the factory it cost over \$200,000. Where is the money to come from to pay off the laborers. Politicians are building the fish hatcheries and politicians, and not the people, will get the benefit of them.

People are getting tired of paying subscriptions. Every time a certain class of citizens, clubs or churches want to raise a lot of money they start a campaign to beg and worry the people until they get several thousand dollars. By the time one campaign ends some other organization starts another one. Raleigh just finished a campaign for \$70,000 for the Y. W. C. A. A campaign for \$10,000 was recently had in the same city for the Salvation Army, and we notice that some man is calling on the people for \$2,500,000 more after they have given the cause he is working for \$18,000,000. There are too many campaigns and too much begging going on.

### THE CHATHAM AFFAIR.

Tom Bost in Greensboro News.

Chatham county's Fair with its political exhibits as described by Ernest Hunter in this morning's Daily News almost takes Raleigh's eyes off its own.

In recalling of an invitation to A. W. McLean to speak at the Fair was much more mysterious than a Robeson county slight to J. W. Bailey. It did not take long to find out the trouble there. A school principal, according to news brought to Raleigh, had lost out. He was not going back for the next year. He doubtless did not like the place and for commencement orator he chose Mr. Bailey. Members of the school board who had not re-elected the teacher, resented the invitation and made him take it back. The thing got in the papers.

The Ku Klux got the credit for the stunt and Mr. Bailey reaped a slight advantage from that. But the Kluckers did not receive the Bailey kick more than once bestowed upon them, until after the Parkton episode. The McLean members of the school board were credited with a spirit of intolerance unwilling to hear the opposition to their candidate. But the real truth as it comes from the teacher who executed the deal was that he knew he had not been elected and he was determined to put the board in a hole. The Robeson candidate was much worse hurt than the board members who handled the affair just about as bunglesomely as the teacher guessed they would.

but everybody in Chatham seems to be denying the politics of it and the sleuthing of Mr. Hunter is made all the more difficult. Naturally an invitation from Walter Siler's county to Mr. Siler's candidate for governor would arouse the suspicion of Mr. Siler's enemies, of whom he has plenty and to spare. Mr. Siler belongs to an order of politics that invites much. Invites men to become candidates for office and invites others who would like to be, not to be. Such invitations have been much extended in this year and they will be good for all of next.

There was a suspicion here that a member of the old guard did this trick to make it appear that some sympathizer of Mr. Bailey had done it, but Mr. Hunter has nailed that bad guess. The region in which he is operating is distinctly in anti-old guard realms. But the Siler opposition, if it has done this trick hasn't helped. The former solicitor just thrives on boneheads of this character. In the language of the county chairman whose candidate was in a rage about a campaign canard. "I knowed it would help you when I written it."

### DOINGS AT ROSCOE.

Roscoe, Oct. 15.—We enjoy the Record so much.

Despite the numerous visiting we had a good attendance at Sunday school. We now have a new rule—if one misses Sunday school four Sundays, they are counted "out." So let's hustle up and don't miss. Be on time, 10 o'clock strictly.

Mr. J. B. Thompson is suffering with rheumatism.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Dark Saturday night were Mrs. Dark's brother, Mr. Bea Williams, and Mr. and Mrs. Johnson O'Daniel, a sister of Mrs. Dark.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. L. Dark and children were callers at Mrs. Vida McBane's Sunday afternoon. She is Mrs. Dark's mother.

Mrs. Willie Lutterloh is sick. We hope for her early recovery.

Mr. N. R. Cole has a new car, and it is not a Ford. He is thinking of moving to Washington, D. C.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Dark were Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Dark and little Maxine, of Oxford. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Durham, Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Cole and children, Reid, and Ollie, Ben Williams and Mr. and Mrs. Johnson O'Daniel.

Mr. Ward Perry and Miss Fuquay were married last Thursday. We wish them much happiness through life.

Let's all go to the Fair this week, either to Siler City or Raleigh.

SMILES.

### BROWNS CHAPEL NEWS.

Pittsboro, Rt. 2, Oct. 15.—Miss Lelia Mann, Miss Ada Roundtree and Mr. Luther Straghan were visitors at Mr. J. T. Mann's Sunday.

Mr. Lonnie Durham had the misfortune to break his arm Sunday, while trying to crank his Ford.

Miss Ethel Lindsay spent Sunday at home.

Mr. J. J. Thomas went to Siler City Saturday and purchased a Ford.

The Brown's Chapel school will begin on Monday, the 22nd. Miss Nell Riggsbee will be the teacher.

Mr. J. J. Thomas and family spent Sunday in Orange county visiting relatives.

County Agent W. Kerr Scott, of Alamance county, reports that 175 cotton farmers recently joined the Co-operative Cotton Association.



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