

RED BUCK WRITES OF POLITICS

Political Gossip Lively

Predicts Hot Fights in This State Next Year, When Congressmen, Justices of Supreme Court and County Officers are Elected.

Greensboro, N. C., Oct. 5.—The ambitious—their name is legion—are getting their names in the political pot, many fat, succulent jobs will be given away by the people next year; a Corporation Commissioner, a Chief Justice and several associate justices of the State Supreme court, eight Superior court judges, sixteen solicitors, ten Congressmen, and hundreds of county officers will be elected. Bees are buzzing in many honets.

Six of the ten congressional districts are certain to have contests. Down in the third, where Mr. Chas. Randolph Thomas has resigned undisturbed for a score and more years a number of candidates is in the field. Mr. Joe Robinson of the Goldsboro Argus, has announced himself; so has Dr. John Paison and H. A. Grady will not neglect so great an opportunity. Others are in training. Mr. Thomas will have to fight as he has never fought before.

A battle royal will take place in the fifth, where Governor Kitchin held sway for a decade or more; the Democrats believe that Representative Morehead won on a fluke, and is representing a Democratic district. They feel sure that the Republicans will be knocked under next time. The cold mit, ever ready at the White House for Mr. Morehead, is increasing this feeling. In the past the fifth has been constant to its favorites, and once a fellow gets in he is apt to stay until something unusual happens; Mr. Kitchin was sent to Washington time after time until he cried "enough." He redeemed the district from the fusillades.

If Guilford has a candidate who does not seem likely, his name will be Barringer—John A. Barringer—and in the event that he avows his candidacy some other citizen of the county may come forward and offer his services—Gulford like Mecklenburg, Wake, Forsyth and other counties with large cities has factions. Grantville will be represented in the convention by B. S. Rogister, a popular aspirant. The friends of J. A. Long, of Person, are urging him to run; he is a business man.

Dr. George A. Mebane, of Spray, seems to be in the lead at this stage of the contest. There is some talk of the Republicans nominating B. Frank Mebane, to succeed Mr. Morehead, who has declared that he will not stand for re-nomination. If this should be done, and the Democrats were to put up the doctor, the fifth would present an unusual spectacle—brother against brother.

The gamblers of the district say that Dr. Mebane is a sure thing for the nomination, as they see it now, but the situation may change at any time. Prospective delegates are already being pledged. Forsyth will have two or more candidates. Judge E. B. Jones is considered as good as in the right. Mr. J. C. Buxton and Mayor O. B. Eaton are contemplating entering.

Ex-Governor Clark has repeatedly declared that he would not be a candidate. Mr. Cyrus B. Watson will not enter the race, but if his health continues to improve, he would not decline the nomination. If the delegates were left free to act at the convention Mr. Watson would be the winner. At present he looks well and is active and strong. If he gains as he is now doing he will soon be himself again.

Mr. A. H. Boyden, of Salisbury, in talking of Mr. Watson and the likelihood of his being honored by the Democrats of his district expressed a sentiment that is found general.

"Cy Watson is the man for the nomination," declared Mr. Boyden. "He is an old soldier. Once he was put up and defeated. His loyalty has never been questioned. No one doubts his ability to carry the district. He would like to see him have it. He would do more to bring Democratic harmony than any other man in the district. Many anti-prohibitionists who were alienated, would be attracted back to the ranks."

Representative openings in the sixth is going to have a contest. Several Democrats are ready for the fray. Messrs. H. L. Conks and John G. Shaw of Fayetteville, J. J. McKinnon of Marion, Joe A. Brown of Columbus, George Horton of Wilmington and others are mentioned. This situation may change before the convention. The Mr. Woodfin and others are also mentioned.

COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Established a New School District at Hunter's Bridge to be Known as No. 15.

The County Board of Education met in regular monthly session yesterday at the courthouse with all the members of the board present.

The following business was dispensed with:

It was decided that all the public schools of the county should open on the first Monday in November next. In reference to the application to establish a new school district at Hunter's Bridge, the people in that section offered one and one-half acres of land on which to erect a school building. The board decided they would establish the new district and accept the deed for the land with the understanding that the citizens in the district erect a building to cost not less than \$500, the County Board of Education to furnish \$200 of this amount. This agreement is not to take effect, however, until next year.

The new district will be known as Bath district No. 15.

A number of committeemen appeared before the board and announced much progress on the school buildings in districts Nos. 5, 4 and 1, Long Acres township.

Several other matters of minor importance were dispensed with by the board.

CENTRAL OFFICE COMPLETED.

The central office of the Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company has been completed, but it will be at least a month before the new exchange is ready for operation.

SCHOONER IN PORT.

The schooner Mary Gaillard, P. W. Midette, captain, is in port, loaded with general merchandise for E. R. Mison & Co. She will carry 500 kegs of mullets to Norfolk on her return trip.

IS CONVALESCENT.

The infant child of Prof. W. E. Smith is convalescent from an attack of diphtheria.

dates may stay out.

The eighth looks blue to Democrats. That district seems to be Republican. There is a feeling, however, that Representative Cowles, who never was strong, will not be able to repeat his victory of a year ago. Messrs. Walter Murphy of Salisbury, L. C. Caldwell of Statesville, R. A. Doughton of Alleghany and J. R. Gwaltney of Alexander, are spoken of. A Democrat to redeem the district must carry Rowan by 1,200; Stanley, 150; Cabarrus, 150; Iredell, 700; and Alleghany, 100; and hold the Republican majorities in Wilkes to 1,250; Alexander, 100; Caldwell, 250; and Watagua 100, and split even in Ashe.

That would give him the election by 3,500.

Cowles may not be renominated. There is trouble brewing in his own camp. On account of this the Democrats are beginning to be hopeful.

There is promise of interesting developments in the eighth. Some think that the Democrats should name either Mr. John S. Henderson or Mr. Theo. F. Klutz into harness.

The ninth is looming up. Mr. Webb is going to have opposition. Mr. W. C. Dowd, of Mecklenburg, has led friends to believe that he would run. If he does Mecklenburg will have two or more candidates in the convention. The names of J. D. McCall and W. C. Maxwell are being used in this connection. There is another man who has almost regained his old-time popularity by several recent legal battles; that is Judge F. I. Osborne. Some of his ardent admirers would have him enter the race.

Judge W. B. Council, of Hickory, will be in the thick of the fight. He will not ask for a renomination. Mr. Isaac Avery, of Burke, is said to be in a receptive mood. The ninth is full of promise, with the odds in favor of Mr. Webb. So long as Gaston and Cleveland stand shoulder to shoulder and Mecklenburg continues to remember the differences of fifty years ago Mr. Webb has a cinch.

Up in the tenth a dozen or more Democrats are getting ready to swat Col. John G. Grant.

A number of good names have succeeded Judge Council. Messrs. Edmund Jones of Caldwell, Mr. Thomas Finley of Wilkes, and Mr. E. B. Childs of Catawba, are looked on as candidates. This will be a pretty contest. Messrs. Small of the first, Kitchin of the second, Fox of the fourth and Page of the seventh do not appear to have serious opposition.

FORMER OWNER OF NEWSPAPER KILLS HIMSELF

He Feared Insanity

Albert Pulitzer, Brother of Publisher of N. Y. World, Takes Poison in Vienna—Suffered a Nervous Breakdown.

Vienna, Oct. 4.—Albert Pulitzer, brother of Joseph Pulitzer, the proprietor of the New York World, driven nearly to madness by a nervous disease, committed suicide in the Grand Hotel here by taking poison and then shooting himself in the head. The body was found early today.

Mr. Pulitzer and his servants were occupying an elaborate suite in the Grand Hotel and the sick man was under the almost constant care of Dr. Jacob Pollak. With Mr. Pulitzer in addition to two servants was Count Mikorsky, his secretary. Late last night Mr. Pulitzer dispatched all three on errands. Some hours afterward Dr. Pollak called and found the door of his patient's room locked.

Fearing a tragedy, the physician had the door broken down and Pulitzer's body was found stretched upon the floor in front of a mirror. A pool of blood had formed from a wound in the head. Dr. Pollak examined the body and said that death had been doubly sure by the administration of poison before the shooting. Dr. Pollak said:

"Mr. Pulitzer has been my patient for a number of years. He suffered terribly from nervousness and feared that he would go insane. His mania was that he was being persecuted and he feared everyone." Mr. Pulitzer was wealthy. His brother has been notified.

His American Experience.

New York, Oct. 4.—Albert Pulitzer was once proprietor of the old New York Journal before it was purchased by William Randolph Hearst. Mr. Pulitzer, who was fifty-eight years old, had lived abroad since 1895, with the exception of a visit to this country three years ago. At that time he reached New York and aroused considerable interest in the newspaper world with the announcement that he was going to start a new newspaper in New York city. He declared at the time that all the newspapers in New York would be annihilated by his new venture.

From New York Mr. Pulitzer went to San Francisco. He created a sensation there while sojourning at the Tavern on the top of Mount Tamalpais, just outside the city. He arose at 4 a. m. and made such a disturbance that he aroused the other guests. He said that he was writing his memoirs and could only do his work before sunrise. He returned to Europe shortly afterward.

Mr. Pulitzer was a Hungarian and came to the United States first in 1867. He went West and taught German for a living at the schools in Leavenworth, Kansas. From there he went to Chicago and then to New York and founded a newspaper there.

HOPFUL OF PLACING THE "MERCHANT OF VENICE"

Edward M. Roberts, representing the Shakespearean actor, Edouard D'Oise, is in the city for the purpose of arranging for an appearance of Mr. D'Oise in "The Merchant of Venice." Under the management of Guy F. Gregg, Mr. D'Oise is calling for the best endorsements from the press in the cities of his appearance. The sumptuous production compels extraordinary care in booking. The production is complete and expensive to carry. Mr. Roberts hopes to receive encouragement sufficient to warrant the coming of the attraction. "The Merchant of Venice" is the sole offering of Mr. Gregg for Mr. D'Oise this season. With encouragement he hopes to reckon Washington among his cities of annual visitation. He will have a new offering each season with Mr. D'Oise as star.

Mr. D'Oise will be accompanied by the gentleman who so successfully produced "Danton and Phylax" in Washington last year. If his definite coming professionally is announced, it will be a good house.

COFFIN CONTENTS DISCOVERED. In the coffin contents recently held at the home of Mr. W. B. Brown, of Washington, D. C., were discovered the remains of a man who had been identified as a soldier in the Civil War.

WRIGHT MAKES GREAT FLIGHT

Up the Hudson and Around Tomb of Grant—His Crowning Achievement.

New York, Oct. 4.—An aeroplane flashed past the white dome of Grant's tomb today, then turning gracefully in mid-air over the waters of the Hudson, shot like a falcon back to Governor's Island, ten miles away. Wilbur Wright, of Dayton, Ohio, thus placed his name in the rank with Hudson and Fulton in one of the most spectacular feats in the history of aeronautics.

Over the masts of warships from whose decks hoarse cheers of the sailors were borne up to him in his elevated seat, he flew for twenty miles—ten miles up and ten miles back—remaining in the air for thirty-three minutes and thirty-three seconds and alighting at the aerodrome without mishap.

During the flight business was practically at a standstill in all that part of Manhattan from which a view of his remarkable performance was available. Harbor craft shrieked their applause, cheer after cheer swept up from the banks of the Hudson and the lower bay—for the Dayton aviator had "made good," crowning the aviation program of the Hudson-Fulton celebration with a record.

Wright started on his flight up the Hudson at 9:55 a. m. and finished at 10:29:33.

He had intended to improve upon his achievement of the morning by making a longer and more hazardous flight at sunset—but the crippling of his motor just as he was about to start on the evening attempt dashed his hopes as well as those of the thousands who had assembled on Governor's Island and along the waterfront to cheer him on.

The flight was made under conditions only moderately favorable. The wind was blowing about ten miles an hour, while an overcast sky added to the uncertainty of the weather. Amid the clatter of the machine's exhaust which sounded like musketry fire, Wright climbed to his seat in his aeroplane. In a moment the machine was off.

With the planes tilted slightly to one side the man-bird slowly ascended into the air, rising to a height of barely twenty feet, while it swooped in a semi-circle toward the water's edge. Here the presence of many craft, all hysterically tooting their whistles, caused him to ascend further into the air before making for the mouth of the river.

Almost indistinguishable against the gray-banked clouds the machine soared past Old Castle William and soon entered the canon made by the giant sky scrapers of Manhattan Island and the Jersey hills.

Over the warships of four great powers he passed, his progress marked by cheers from the sailors of his own country and those of Great Britain, Germany, France and Italy.

When the air vessel reached the British cruiser Argyle, anchored an eighth of a mile above Grant's tomb, Wright described an easy and graceful curve and started on his return journey down the river. The wind conditions which had bothered him on the journey up were now more favorable and it was here that the speed possibilities of the machine were demonstrated.

Nearing the harbor entrance again, he was confronted with the same architectural conditions which caused him to vary his altitude on the way up. Again he lowered himself and when he reached the open water of the bay he was flying barely sixty feet above the surface. Thence onward he gradually lessened his height. Past Governors Island the machine sped, an eighth of a mile over the bay, then veering sharply around Wright headed swiftly for the landing place on which he settled with the ease of a bird amid the enthusiastic plaudits of soldiers and civilians.

ORR LODGE

There will be a regular communication of Orr Lodge No. 104 A. F. & A. M. at their hall, corner of Bonner and Third streets, this evening at 7:30 o'clock. All visiting brethren cordially invited to be present.

FREIGHT CAR DERAILED.

An engine derailed in the Norfolk and Western yard at Washington, D. C., today, causing the holdup of the outgoing trains, and passengers for Norfolk and stations along the line were obliged to curb their impatience until the situation could be rectified.

ONE AMERICAN TAKES PART IN THE BIG RACE

Seventeen Make Start

They Start From Zurich for the James Gordon Bennett Cup—The Course Seems to Lie Over Southern Russia.

Zurich, Switzerland, Oct. 5.—A beautiful sunny autumn day, following yesterday's discouraging down-pour, made the start in the international balloon race for the Gordon Bennett cup a splendid success, and more than 200,000 persons watched the 17 balloons soar skyward and disappear on the horizon in what is likely to prove a stirring battle to cover the greatest distance.

The wishes of the balloonists, as voiced by the American entrant, Edgar W. Mix, of Columbus, Ohio, were realized in a measure; for the southwest wind which was blowing at the start seemed certain to carry them toward Russia instead of to the sea, and thus a genuine test will be afforded of the endurance of the balloons and the skill of the pilots, instead of, as in the past, premature descents to avoid a plunge into the ocean.

Perfect organization enabled the carrying out of the program without a hitch. The sole disappointment was the receipt of a dispatch from Count Zepplin that he would be unable to visit the grounds with his airship Zepplin III, but this was counterbalanced by the ascension of the Parseval, which went through a variety of evolutions, to the great delight of the cheering spectators.

Edgar Mix was the sole representative of the United States. He was elated at the prospects as he made a final inspection of his balloon, America II.

"It will be the greatest race on record," he said, "and a real long distance contest in which the best balloon will win. If the southwesterly holds, it will drive us over Southern Russia. We are carrying provisions for three days, but are discarding our mountain garments."

The Italian balloon, piloted by Signor Piacenza, was the first to leave, and the others followed at five-minute intervals. The band broke out with the strains of "America" as Mix and his companion climbed into the basket. They were showered with the best wishes of all the Americans, who joined in the hearty cheer as the balloon gracefully mounted and disappeared like the others in the direction of Vienna. The wind was slight in the valley, but about 12 miles an hour at a height of 4,000 feet.

America's chances for victory are placed high even by the competitors. Following is a list of the starters by countries and pilots:

- America—Edgar W. Mix. Austria—Dr. Anton Schlein. Belgium—Leon de Broekere, Geo. Geerts. France—Alfred LeBlanc, Emile Dubonnet, Maurice Monaine. Germany—Captain Von Abercron, Dr. Brockelmann, Paul Hecker. England—Frank McLean. Italy—Guido Piacenza, Captain Frassinetti. Spain—Alberto Oetli. Switzerland—V. de Veauclair, Captain Messner, Colonel Schaeck. The Spanish balloon Montana, piloted by the Marquis Salvaterra, the Belgian balloon Henrietta, in command of M. Vleming, and the Italian Ruwenzerl, piloted by Signor Usulli, were entered, but did not start.

Shot Because She Refused Marriage

Chicago, October 5.—Refusal of Miss Phoebe Armstrong, 28 years old, to marry Charles L. Miller, a stationery engineer, aged 50 years, terminated in a double tragedy in the boarding house at 519 Rush street early yesterday.

Miss Armstrong, employed as a cashier for a business firm, roomed on the first floor and her admirer who had been attentive for two years, on the second floor. Miss Armstrong slept with her window open and it is said by the police that Miller, having stolen down a back stairway, entered the room by this means at about 3 o'clock in the morning.

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LEFT BABY ON THE TRAIN

Woman Boards Train at Richmond With Bundle and Departs Without It.

Rocky Mount, Oct. 4.—A case of evident abandonment and a most motherly act was that committed on train No. 31 between Richmond and this city yesterday afternoon. A young white woman neatly dressed boarded the southbound Atlantic Coast Line train at Richmond yesterday afternoon and it was noted that she carried a bundle in her arms. She made the trip to Jarretts, Va., and attracted no notice, and it was here that she left the train, so it is believed.

Shortly after the train had left Jarretts the bagman discovered a baby but a few months old in the car, and the matter was at once reported to the conductor. The conductor left the little one in charge of the station master at Emporia and wired to Jarretts to detain the woman could she be found.

The find was at once reported to the officials of the company here and the matter is being given a rigid investigation by them. In the meantime the infant, which appears to be only a month or two old, remains in the care of the agent at Emporia, Va. The wire to Jarretts did not have the effect of detaining the woman; and according to the statement of the agent, it seems that there is some doubt as to whether or not the woman left the train there.

BUSY DAY FOR PRESIDENT

Oakland, Cal., Oct. 5.—President Taft put in a busy forenoon today. After a brief visit in Berkeley he arrived in this city shortly after 10 a. m. and was met by Mayor Mott and a reception committee of prominent citizens. Thousands of people turned out to greet the distinguished visitor, who was driven to "The Willows," where the children of the public schools were massed to listen to a brief address from the president. Immediately after concluding his address the president was escorted to the boat which was to convey him to San Francisco across the bay. Fourteenth street, Broadway and other leading thoroughfares through which the president passed were elaborately decorated in his honor.

Welcomed in San Francisco.

San Francisco, Cal., Oct. 5.—President Taft arrived in San Francisco shortly before 1 o'clock today, having crossed over from Oakland on the U. S. revenue cutter Golden Gate. An enormous crowd was gathered to welcome him. The official greeting was extended by Mayor Taylor and a committee representing the commercial organizations of the city. The decorations of public and private buildings were profuse.

The program of entertainment was such as to keep the president busy from the time of his arrival until he retires at midnight following the close of an elaborate banquet at the Fairmont hotel. Included among the features arranged for the afternoon are a drive about the city, a short address at the laying of the cornerstone for the new Y. M. C. A. building and a reception at the Union League club.

TEACHERS TO BE EXAMINED

White Teachers Will Be Examined October 14; Colored October 15.

The County Superintendent of Schools, Mr. W. L. Vaughan, announces that there will be an examination for public school teachers in the courthouse, this city, the second Thursday of this month, it being October 14. This will be for white teachers. The colored teachers will be examined the next day. The examinations begin promptly at 9 o'clock.

The State Superintendent of Public Instruction has prepared the examination for this year, it being uniform all over North Carolina. He also has the authority to examine all papers submitted by the teachers if he so desires, to see if the papers have been properly graded, etc.

GOOD ROADS MEETING IN ASHEVILLE.

Asheville, N. C., Oct. 5.—Public officials, engineers and representatives of numerous agricultural and commercial organizations, gathered here in force today for the three day session of the Southern Appalachian good roads convention. The direct object of the meeting is to promote a movement for the construction of 300 miles of improved roads in the Southern Appalachian mountains, with connecting roads leading to the Piedmont region of South Carolina, North Carolina, Virginia and Tennessee.

THE ALDERMEN TO IMPROVE THE CITY HALL

Work Starts at Once

Second Story on Engine House to Be Used as Office for Clerk, Supt. of Electric Light Plant and Storage Room.

The city aldermen met in regular monthly session at the city hall last night, with all the members present.

Mr. Joseph G. Chauncey was elected as alderman from the First ward, to succeed Mr. Frank C. Kugler, resigned. Mr. Chauncey being present, was duly installed.

Policeman William R. Pedrick, was granted one week's vacation.

All the annual bonds for the rent of the market house stalls were submitted and approved by the board.

In connection with this matter, The News will have further to say in a future issue.

Mr. G. W. Foreman was relieved of poll tax, due to infirmity.

Mr. E. W. Myers, a civil engineer of Greensboro, appeared before the board and made a proposition to do the surveys for the city with reference to the street paving, sidewalks, etc. He was requested to submit his proposition in writing, which he will do at a recess meeting to be called later.

The mayor and clerk were authorized by the board to borrow the necessary funds to erect a second-story on the fire engine house connecting with the city hall. The work will start at once.

This additional story will be used as an office for the city clerk, for the superintendent of the electric light plant, and the rear portion of the story will be utilized as a storage room for electrical fixtures. The aldermen claim that in moving the electrical offices the city will be able to pay for the improvements in seven years in the saving of rent.

An order for the sale of the street bonds was made. The mayor, clerk and three members of the board were instructed to advertise and receive bids for same. They are to make their report at a subsequent meeting.

Preparations for Union Meeting

At the Minister's Union yesterday it was decided to hold a series of prayer meetings before the beginning of the evangelistic campaign that will be conducted by Rev. Wm. Black, of Charlotte.

The meeting proper will begin Sunday, October 21. These preliminary services will be held at the Methodist Church the preceding week, and will be devoted to prayer, conference, training of personal workers, and the practice of songs. The success of the meeting will depend very largely on the degree of our preparation for it. We must do our duty before we can claim God's blessing. Let us have the energy to attempt great things for God, and the faith to expect great things from God. All earnest Christians are urgently requested to pray for Divine blessing upon this united effort for the spiritual and moral welfare of our community.

DONATES GROUND FOR CHURCH.

Mr. Thomas W. Latham, of this city, has donated to the Free Will Baptist Church a plot of ground on Pearce street, one block from the railroad, on which to erect their church building. This denomination recently organized, are making efforts to secure a church home, and any of the citizens wishing to aid them can hand their contributions to either Joseph Hodges, J. A. S. Davenport or J. H. Jolley, who are trustees. The congregation at present hold services in the Masonic Hall.

New Advertisements in Today's News.

- J. K. Hoyt—Ladies' Fine Black Suits. Water-Creosote and Talk Flour and Buckwheat. Washington Electric Plant—Lights. Wm. Traylor & Co.—Fire Insurance. Boye's Great London Shows. Home's Kidney Pills. Howell Supply Co.—Suggies. H. C. Sparrow—Fresh Eggs of Charlotte. Powell—Black of Keys.