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Enthusiasm of Democracy at High Pitch.

CAMPAIGN OPENS IN EARNEST THIS WEEK.

Big Basket Picnic at Farmer With Cland Kitchen as Speaker--Chairman Miller Bay Correcting Malicious Falsehoods Being Circulated.

The Democracy of Randolph county is aroused to the highest pitch already and from now until the third day of November a strenuous campaign in behalf of the Democratic ticket will be waged.

No stone is being left unturned that will serve to open the eyes of the people to the hidden crimes of the Republican administrations in State and County and the Republic can extravagance and trickery in the management of the affairs of the nation is impressing the free and unprejudiced voters that success of the Republican party in either County, State, or National elections will place our nation in immediate danger of bankruptcy, crime, social unrest and starvation. One has only to hear the issues discussed impartially, taking only bare facts into consideration without comment, to realize the importance of Democratic success this fall.

Democratic headquarters is a busy place. Not only is Chairman Miller busy securing speakers and making appointments, but every day he and his assistants are called upon to trace up and correct some false statement or misrepresentation made by some unprincipled Republican ward healer or speaker in the county.

On Tuesday the report was circulated that the Democratic Board of County Commissioners had issued \$20,000 in bonds for the court house at their meeting Monday. As there is no truth in the report it was immediately corrected and the statement is made that the court house will not only be built without a bond issue, but also without a special tax levy, provided the Democrats are retained in power.

Mr. Miller says that arrangements are being perfected for holding basket picnics in many of the townships in the county and he is gratified at the interest being manifested by the Democrats all over Randolph. The first picnic is announced to be held at Farmer on Friday, Oct. 3rd. The county candidates will be there on that date and also Hon. Claud Kitchen, one of the best orators in the State. The day will be made one Great Democratic Rally and a cordial invitation is extended to both Democrats and Republicans to attend and bring their wives and daughters if possible. Everybody is urged to go early and take their dinner and picnic on the grounds. Other picnics will be announced later.

The coming of Mr. Kern, Democratic nominee for vice-president, has aroused no little enthusiasm and when he lands in Greensboro he will be given a rousing reception and many democrats from Randolph will see him.

Remember the great Democratic Rally on September 30th. Hon. T. W. Bickett, nominee for Attorney General, will address the people on the issues of the day. A large crowd is expected.

Among the speakers for the campaign which begins in earnest this week will be found the following:

Hon. J. R. Blair's Appointments.

Hon. J. R. Blair will speak at the following times and places with the county candidates and nominees for the General Assembly:

- Trinity, Monday, Oct. 5th.
- Archdale, Monday night, 5th.
- New Market, Tuesday, 6th.
- Level Cross, Tuesday night, 6th.
- Widow Channess, Wednesday 7th.
- Melanthrop, Wednesday night, 7th.
- Liberty, Thursday 8th.
- Staley School House Thursday night, 8th.
- Ramseur, Friday 9th.
- Franklinville, Friday night 9th.
- Cedar Falls, Saturday 10th.
- Central Falls School House, Saturday night, 10th.

County Chairman, W. J. Miller announces the following appointments during the remainder of this month and the first of October. All speeches for night will be delivered at 7:30 o'clock:

GOVERNOR AYCOCK AT TROY.

Large Crowd Heard Educational Governor on State and National Issues

Gov. Aycock, in his speech at Troy Tuesday of this week, said that which made Mr. Bryan so great was not his eloquence nor his great mind, but his true heart which was a Democratic heart; a heart which is for equal rights to every man and no special privileges. Mr. Bryan makes himself the equal of all and the superior of none, declared Gov. Aycock. He is on a level with the greatest rulers of the universe, yet he is also on a level with the man who toils for his daily bread. The people nominated him. He was nominated in the homes of the toilers, the masses of the citizens of this great country, and it was against the wishes of the professional politicians.

Taft Sanctions Democratic Rule in N. Carolina.

He referred to the speech of Mr. Taft, at Greensboro several months ago in which he said that North Carolina would be better off if the Federal offices in this State were filled by Democrats; and Mr. Taft spoke the truth, too, for the Republican party as well as the whole citizen-ship would be better off if all the offices were filled by Democrats; that the office-holding element had not forgiven Mr. Taft for this statement.

Public Economy.

Gov. Aycock declared also that Mr. Bryan stands for public economy. Most people are afraid to speak of economy and yet Congress is spending a billion dollars a year for the running expenses of the government. The Republican administration is today spending more of the people's money, when the country is at peace, than was necessary during the Civil War when a million soldiers had to be paid, supported and transported, in addition to the other expenses of the government. Of the million dollars expended directly from taxation, every dollar of it comes out of the working men, the wage earners of this country. We pay it all. In the last analysis he showed how a billion of dollars were added to the burden of consumers all over this land by the indirect taxation known as the tariff. It is a pitiful, it is a sorrowful ambition of these masters of finance that their names shall be handed down to posterity as the richest, the most powerful men the civilized country ever knew. Money is their god. As is the government, so is the people. If the government is extravagant, the people will be extravagant. Also if the government is corrupt so will the people be.

People Burdened

Part of the running expenses of the government comes from the tariff tax. To illustrate, an article worth a dollar is imported from another country. The tax is fifty cents making the article cost one dollar and a half. The buyer has to make a profit, so he again raises the price; the article changes hands several times, and when the consumer finally gets it the cost is two dollars or more, and the consumer who is a poor man has to pay it—the first cost of the article, the tax and the profits to each one who handles it. This is where a part of the expenses of running the government comes from, but not all.

Combines Oppress Us

The working men are paying the taxes in another way. Several firms making the same articles would join together and raise the price of their goods. They would also at the same time reduce the wages of their employees. One man conducting a business without competition will not pay as much for wages as would fifteen or twenty concerns where there is competition and a demand for labor. The prices on the output of these firms would be lower where there was competition. When only one man is engaged in making a certain article we must pay the price he charges or go without it. Fifteen or twenty firms making the same article would cause the price to lower considerably. It will be better for the laborer, the buyer and the consumer when there are no trusts. The Democratic plan is to have free and open competition and every man to have equal rights. The strong man shall not take from the weak man what little strength he has and give it unto one who already has a

"RUIN AND DISGRACE"

Attend Republican Rule Declares Mr. Watson--A Plea for United Democracy.

The Democrats of Forsyth county organized a Democratic Club Friday night with 267 members. The organization followed a stirring speech by Cyrus B. Watson.

Among other things, Mr. Watson said: "Now, is there anything this evening, September 18th, 1908, that would make a man who was a Democrat in 1904 desert his party? I submit there is nothing. I differ frequently on certain questions with my party, but in the main, I have never disagreed with its principles. I disagreed with the Democratic party of the last Legislature in some matters. I disagreed in such a manner that lifelong friends of mine and leaders of the Democratic party, for which I had labored all these years would scowl at me in the streets, and the disagreement was so great that I would scowl back at them. But none of these questions are involved in the present campaign. These questions are now set aside by all people and parties as not political questions, and not coming from any political party. Neither political party has attempted to inject them as issues into its platform. Yes, during this spring I have heard words and have received letters from men, which were bitter indeed, but I hope some time to take these letters and, with these old friends who wrote them, laugh over them. Now I want to ask if there is anything in our platform that would cause a Democrat to cease to be a Democrat? No, our platform presents the principles of the Democratic party for one hundred and eight years.

"I want to say to you to do nothing dangerous. It is dangerous for a Democrat to scratch a ticket. I don't ever scratch them, (Applause), because when I scratch them I have left in my gun only half a load and when I shoot, I want a whole load, both of powder and lead.

"Now, let us not so far forget ourselves as to stay away from the polls in 1908, but let us organize and help to fight the enemy.

"I wish I was able to go from the East to the Tennessee line and tell this message to all the people. I have not long to live. I have children and grand children but I say to you that no stroke of this right hand shall aid in putting the Republican party over these children and grand children. (Applause). I say it because I have tried it in the past and, having tried it in the past and having found nothing but ruin and disgrace, I cannot help but fight it now."

DEATH OF MR. REITZEL.

End Came After Lingering Illness--Popular With All.

Walter O. Reitzel, of Liberty, who had been ill for several months, died Friday morning at the home of his father M. J. Reitzel at Liberty. The deceased was 25 years old and was well and favorably known. For several years prior to his illness he was engaged in railroad work, and was popular with his employers as well as with those with whom he worked.

The announcement of his death was received with feelings of sadness and sympathy for the bereaved relatives.

The funeral was conducted Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock at Liberty.

Collapse of Fair Building Killed One.

The Exhibition Hall of the Forsyth County Fair Association, collapsed Thursday evening about 7:30 o'clock, instantly killing John Parker, a native of Guilford county, and seriously injured five other men employed in erecting the building. The building fell without warning. Ten others were in the building and had miraculous escapes.

Fire at High Point.

Three stores were burned at High Point Friday morning, incurring a loss of \$30,000. The fire originated in the store of the High Point Clothing Co. and the stocks in the Morris Book store and Clark Shoe Co., were burned. The buildings belonged to A. V. Sapp. The building was on Main street, in the heart of the city.

SENSATIONAL HOMICIDE.

Tragic Shooting Occurred Three Miles From Durham.

The killing of his wife by W. H. Tilley, at their home 3 miles from Durham Thursday night, adds another tragic homicide to the records at Durham. Tilley claims the shooting was accidental but circumstantial evidence points strongly to deliberate murder. Mrs. Tilley was sitting in her room reading when a rifle in the hands of her husband was discharged, and death was instantaneous. No one witnessed the shooting, and Tilley admits that their domestic life had not been harmonious. Relatives declare Tilley had threatened her life many times. Tilley is being held without bail.

Both the victim and her husband are prominently connected in Durham and vicinity.

Kennett-Goodno.

Will R. Kennett, son of Rev. W. C. Kennett, of Liberty, was married at Raleigh last Thursday night to Miss Bessie L. Goodno, of that city. The ceremony was performed by the father of the groom, assisted by Rev. W. C. Tyne, pastor of the First Baptist Church at Raleigh. It was a pretty church affair and was attended by a large gathering of relatives and friends. After spending several months in California and other Western States, Mr. and Mrs. Kennett will be at home at Raleigh.

Mr. Kennett is a contractor on the Seaboard Air Line Railway from Raleigh to Richmond.

Contest Closes Oct. 10th.

Owing to request of several of the contestants the Courier Piano and Organ Contest will close on Saturday October 10th, at 12 o'clock.

The young lady who sends us the largest sum of money for subscriptions from September 12 until the close of the contest will be given a handsome Gold Watch, guaranteed for 20 years, in addition to the prizes heretofore published.

The Jamestown Robbery.

In January an item appeared in these columns announcing a robbery at Jamestown when thieves took \$2,100 which had been taken from the bank and placed in a bed tick by Ellen Gardner, who became alarmed by the money panic. Arthur Little has been arrested charged with stealing the money. Little is a white man and lives at Jamestown.

N. Y. Democrats.

The Democratic State convention of New York last week nominated Lieut. Gov. L. Stuyvesant Chanler for governor, and Jno. A. Dix, for Lieut. Governor. Judge Parker was chairman of the convention and in a speech severely arraigned Sherman and Roosevelt for their attitude toward Wall Street and the Harriman interest.

Boy Ground to Pieces.

A dispatch from Fayetteville says Luther, the 5 year old son of J. D. McRaney, of Parkton, was ground to pieces in his father's cotton gin last Thursday. He was playing in the gin house when he fell into the machine.

Flagman Murdered.

The body of W. K. Winstead, a flagman on the S. A. L., was found lying by the track near Eno on the Norfolk division Friday. It is thought tramps killed him and threw him from the train. His home was at Wilson.

Wilkes County Fair.

Wilkes County will hold its first county fair September 29th, 30th and October 1st, North Wilkesboro. Exhibits will be made of live stock, agricultural products, poultry and all manufactured goods.

Murdered On Duty.

Jack Robertson, aged 60 years, night watchman at the plant of the Carrington Lumber Co. at Durham, was assassinated while on duty Friday night. Wesley Bates, a negro, is in jail charged with the crime.

Alamance Fair.

The Alamance County fair will be held at Burlington September 29th and 30th and October 1st and 2nd. A very successful gala week is promised.

MET DEATH IN WELL.

Trustworthy Negro Killed By a Fall While Digging Well.

Eli Brady, a respected young negro, was killed near Kemps Mills Monday about noon by falling into a well. Brady was digging a well on the farm of John Wright, in Grant township. At noon he was being raised to the surface and before he reached the top of the well he called to those who were at the windlass to draw fast as he was sick. As he reached the surface, without warning, he released his grasp on the rope and fell head foremost to the bottom, 35 feet below. Death was instantaneous. His skull was crushed and his body badly mangled.

Brady was raised by Sheriff Hayworth and was a well-to-do and trustworthy colored man. He was respected by both races.

He was buried at Stout's Chapel, a colored M. E. Church, Tuesday afternoon.

Forest Fires In The East

Devastating forest fires are raging in the Northern part of New York State and effort to check the progress of the flames has so far been in vain. The inhabitants in the devastated section are worn out with continuous fighting and aid has been asked from the cities and towns many miles from the scene. Many lives have been lost.

Sunday School Religious Worship.

The recent decision rendered by Judge Peebles in which he declares that Sunday School meeting does not, in the eyes of the law, constitute a gathering for religious worship, caused the Rowan county Sunday School Association to pass resolutions condemning the decision and demanding an investigation of the decision.

Good Roads Congress.

The National Good Roads Congress meets at Greensboro October 13th. Gov. Glenn has issued a proclamation urging the county commissioners and mayors of the State to appoint delegates to the convention. Representatives will attend from every State in the Union.

Books and Clothing for Needy School Children.

A Committee from the school board at High Point has been appointed to see that no child remains away from school in that town from lack of clothing books, etc. The Jr. O. U. A. M. also has a fund set aside for that purpose.

Charged With Murder.

John Ed. Collins, colored who killed another negro in Orange County three months ago, was arrested at Julian last Saturday night. A reward of \$25 was offered by Orange County commissioners for his arrest. Collins was known at Julian as Ed. Mebane.

Biscoe Hardware Co.

The Biscoe Hardware Co., Montgomery county, is chartered with \$5,000 capital by J. D. McLeod and others. Another charter is to the O. C. Wall Co., Coolsmes, Davis county, having \$10,000 capital by O. C. Wall and others for mercantile business.

Charged With Manslaughter.

Sidney Fass who killed Arthur Brittain, another negro at Summerfield last Thursday was given a preliminary hearing at Greensboro Saturday. He was bound over to court in a bond of \$1,000, which he failed to give.

Must Not Haul Cotton to Gin.

Night Riders have posted notices in Jones County, Miss., warning the farmers not to haul cotton to the gin after September 14th. Considerable excitement prevails.

May Make Lecture Tour.

Norman H. Johnson, editor of Merchants Journal, is considering a proposition from a Chicago lecture bureau for a series of lectures on commercial topics to be delivered in the Pacific Coast States.

King to Be Tried.

C. F. King, promoter and stock broker of New York and Boston, and well known in North Carolina will be tried at Boston this week for alleged fraud.

NEGRO MAY DIE.

Serious Negro Cutting Affray At Randleman.

JOSHUA EVERETT IN JAIL ON SERIOUS CHARGE.

Carl Allen His Victim Stabbed In The Breast--Little Hope of Recovery--Good Work of The Sheriff and His Deputies.

A serious cutting affray occurred Sunday night at Randleman, which landed Joshua Everett, colored, in jail and his victim, Carl Allen, is lying at the point of death.

The story told by Everett, is that Allen, who he thought was drinking, overtook him as he was going to church and grabbing him (Everett) by the collar, asked him if he did not believe he was a man. A scuffle followed in which Allen threw Everett to the ground and began punching him. Everett says he stabbed Allen in self-defense.

From another source it is learned that the two quarreled over a woman. Allen was stabbed in the breast. Although alive his condition is critical. Everett is in jail awaiting developments.

Much credit is due Sheriff Hayworth and his deputies for the prompt arrest of Everett, who made off, post haste. Sheriff Hayworth was notified of the crime Monday morning; and was told that the fugitive left Randleman headed Southward. Deputy C. A. Hayworth immediately phoned a description of the negro in every direction, and then set out on the chase himself. Before noon word came from Seagrove that Allen was being held there by Chas. Woodell at Corneli-son's store. Deputy Sheriff J. B. Slack was notified and took prisoner in charge and carried him to Randleman on the vestibule which passed Asheboro Monday morning about 11 o'clock.

Successful Randolph Boy.

Sunday's Raleigh News and Observer contained a lengthy write-up of the town of Rockingham among the business men represented is Ludolph G. Fox, Druggist, who is a son of O. B. Fox, of Asheboro. Of him is said:

Mr. Fox is a young man of energy and enterprise, and is one of the leading spirits in the business life of Rockingham. His signal success is to be attributed to his sound business judgment, and should be a stimulus to young business men throughout the State.

Davidson Republicans

The Republicans of Davidson County held their convention Saturday and nominated the following ticket: Sheriff, A. T. Delap, the incumbent; House of Representatives T. E. McCrary; register of deeds, G. W. Miller; treasurer, W. G. Fitzgerald; State Senate, S. W. Wall; commissioners, J. L. Doby, A. E. Myers, and M. H. Harris. With one exception the machine ticket was nominated.

Hear The Orphans.

Attention is again called to the Oxford Orphanage Singing Class which will give a concert in the Graded School Auditorium on the evening of October 1st. The concert this year is by far superior to any concert heretofore given, and merits a large audience. The local lodge of Masons is anxious that Asheboro gives them the largest audience in the State this year and urges everybody to attend.

Mrs. Blair Ill.

The Columbia State says: The case against Mrs. Ethel W. Blair, the handsome North Carolina woman who has been through one trial for the murder of her husband, Conductor Cullen W. Blair, was continued in the Sessions Court here Friday on the ground that the defendant was too ill to appear in court.

Died Suddenly.

Wm. Stuart, an aged citizen of Asheboro, died suddenly Monday evening. Mr. Stuart had been in ill health for sometime. On Monday he was up as usual, but while at supper he fell over and died immediately. The funeral was conducted at Hopewell church.

The Floradora Goano Co., has been chartered for Lenoir, with Jno F. McNair as principal stockholder.