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SENATORS ANSWER BITTER ATTACKS

Government Offices Jammed with Partisans Without Regard to Merit System

WASHINGTON.—During the course of ill-tempered and intemperate attacks which Democratic senators made upon the President because of his dismissal of certain officials connected with the United States Bureau of Engraving and Printing, Republican senators made some very pointed comments regarding the hypocrisy of Democratic professions of friendship for civil service. Senator New, Republican of Indiana said: "Mr. President, I undertake to say and to attempt to justify by facts that there never was so partisan an administration as the one which closed on March 4th 1921. That administration filled up the department here with incompetents to the point where if scaller on business wanted to reach the head of one of the departments he had to elbow his way through a crowd, like getting up to the ticket wagon of a circus. That was the condition in regard to the departmental offices; the appointees fairly crowded each other out on the sidewalk. Ten thousand of them have, very happily, been separated from the service since the present administration came in; a great many more thousands can be separated to the very great benefit of the service; and, speaking for myself, I very earnestly hope they may be; but whether or not they shall be, I do not undertake to say."

Senator Moses, Republican of New Hampshire in commenting upon the Democratic trades, said:

"I want to say, apropos of the performance that has gone on here on the floor of the Senate because of what is described as an outrage, the removal of 27 office holders, if Republican senators eight and nine years ago had devoted their time and taken the time of the Senate in the discussion of questions of that character, there would have been no legislation whatever because we saw Democratic administration come in and absolutely ravage every department of the public service. And then when they had filled all the post offices with their selections they put over them a blanket of civil service law. I wish to say that the whole pretence in the matter about the Bureau of Engraving and Printing is absolutely childish and ridiculous."

In the course of the debate, Senator Harrell, Republican of Oklahoma, brought out the fact that under a law enacted by the Democratic Congress in 1916 there was a provision to the effect that appointments under the law could be made without restriction or limitation and that the civil service rules should not apply for two years, and that during that time thousands of Democrats were inducted into office and then blanketed under the civil service protection.

It is remained for Senator Norris, Republican of Nebraska, to administer the most scathing arraignment of the Democratic hypocrisy in this effort by a long lamentation by Senator Hitchcock, of Nebraska, deploring the alleged prostitution of civil service by the present administration. He read into the record to letters written from Hitchcock's office by his private secretary during 1919, which proved, as he said, that Hitchcock "believes in civil service when the Republican party is in power, and he believes to the victors belong the spoils when the Democrats are in control. The tears he is shedding now for the civil service were tears of stone when Woodrow Wilson was in the White House. He is complaining now because officials are putting Democrats out and Republicans in but when Woodrow Wilson was in power and before my colleague's reelection to the Senate was so close at hand he was demanding that Democratic politicians be placed in office and that the Civil Service Commission should be scrapped." Senator Norris made specific charges and quoted letters and documents written by Senator Hitchcock's secretary to show that he was a spoils man of the most exaggerated type during the Democratic administration.

Senator Hitchcock had no reply whatever to Senator Norris' speech, which caused a sensation in the Sen-

ANNUAL MEETING OF BEAUFORT COMMUNITY CLUB

At the annual meeting of the Community Club Thursday afternoon April 6th, new officers were elected. Mrs. G. W. Lay, our very efficient President for the past year, was re-elected. Other officers elected were: Vice President, Mrs. M. L. Davis, Recording Secretary—Mrs. J. A. Hornaday, Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. U. E. Swann, Treasurer, Mrs. H. C. Jones, Chairman of Civic Department, Mrs. W. W. Shaw, Chairman of Health Department, Mrs. Murray Thomas, Chairman of Music Department Mrs. Joseph House.

The Treasurer made her annual report, reporting total receipts of \$503.20, total disbursements \$194.57, leaving a balance of \$308.63. Of the receipts \$106.25 was reported by the Music Department, \$109.12 by the Ways and Means Committee and \$14.28 by the Civic Department. The splendid annual reports of these departments will be published in full at an early date.

Mrs. Bayard Taylor stated that \$50.00 of the amount reported by the Ways and Means Committee was contributed by Mr. C. C. Buckman of Baltimore to be used for the benefit of the Community Library. This generous gift was much appreciated, and the Secretary was instructed to write a note of thanks to Mr. Buckman expressing the thanks of the Club. It was voted to use the money at once for the purchase of new books.

The President reported the Library was ready for use and urged the members to take out membership cards which were only \$1.00 a year. It was also announced that the Travelling Library had arrived and that any citizen of Beaufort was entitled to the use of it without cost.

Two other gifts were reported one from the Town Commissioners to be used for some permanent town improvement, and one of \$34.75 from the Chautauqua Association of last year.

Delegates to the annual meeting of the State Federation which meets in Greensboro in May were elected. By virtue of the office as President Mrs. Lay will be sent by the Club. Mrs. F. R. Seeley and Mrs. H. M. Hendrix were the other delegates elected with Mrs. H. L. Potter and Mrs. Joseph House as alternates.

It was voted to allow Miss Lottie Sanders as chairman of the Entertainment Committee the sum of \$10.00 for buying necessary equipment for the social features of the Club.

At the close of the business session a pleasant social period was spent, the Club members being served tea and wafers by the Entertainment Committee.

Corresponding Secretary.

ODD FELLOWS MET

AT NEW BERN

NEW BERN, N. C. April 7.—The Odd Fellows of New Bern were hosts to the members of the order in this section at a degree demonstration and District Convention held here yesterday and last night, when the four subordinate lodge degrees were conferred on a class of 33 candidates from Beaufort, Morehead City, Kinston, and New Bern.

The degree work was conferred by the degree teams from Washington and Goldsboro. A banquet was served by the local Odd Fellows at Centenary Methodist church Thursday evening. C. L. Abernethy as toastmaster. The program at the banquet included brief addresses by Grand Master L. W. Moore, of Wilmington; Deputy Grand Master W. E. Coppedge of Rockingham; Grand Secretary John D. Berry of Raleigh and Grand Marshal S. L. Whitmore, of Greensboro and special music by Mrs. Mary Corbell Pool.

The Grand Lodge of North Carolina held a special session here yesterday, and several Past Grands received the Grand Lodge and Past Grands degrees.

Arrangements were made to hold another Degree Demonstration at Kinston, Tuesday, June 6th. The next session of the Fourth District Convention will be held in Morehead City in August.

ate because of his terrific arraignment of his Nebraska colleague.

No spot in New Zealand is more than 75 miles from the sea.

ESTABLISH MANY HIGH SCHOOLS

Every County In North Carolina Will Have At Least High School.

RALEIGH, Apr. 10th.—An epoch was marked in the educational development of North Carolina when, Saturday afternoon, the State Board of Education appropriated \$54,850 to aid in establishing standard four-year high schools in rural districts in counties which have not had such schools heretofore, thus assuring a standard high school for every county in North Carolina.

At the close of the last school year there were 28 counties in the State in which there was not a high school of standard grade. All of these 28 counties will be enabled to maintain such a school through the action of the Board of Education, and in addition there will be established 15 other high schools in the rural districts of counties which have not heretofore had a high school of standard grade outside of the towns of these counties.

This act of the board is made possible by a law enacted by the last General Assembly, and the appropriation to the schools that will be affected will range from \$500 to \$1250, the later figure being appropriated in most instances. A high school of standard grade must maintain at least an eight-months term, have three teachers devoting their whole time to high school instruction, and have an average attendance in the high school department of not less than 45 pupils.

The development of high schools within the State during the past two years has been most encouraging. The enrollment in the high school department in 1920 was 30,868, while the enrollment for the present term is 42,316, an increase of nearly 50 per cent in attendance. North Carolina has heretofore been almost at the bottom of the list of the states in providing high school advantages. Through this new aid from the State however, the growth of county high schools will soon place them on a plane with those of other states, making the opportunities of high school education at home available to a much larger percentage of the school population of the State. The remarkable growth of consolidated schools in North Carolina is regarded as one of the greatest achievements for education in the past several years.

The counties which will hereafter have at least one standard high school as a result of the action of the Board of Education are as follows:

Alexandria, Alleghany, Ashe, Bertie, Bladen, Brunswick, Camden, Currituck, Dare, Davis, Davie, Franklin, Iredell, Caswell, Chatham, Clay, Cur Gates, Graham, Granville, Greene, Haywood, Hyde, Jones, Lenoir, Macon, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Montgomery, Onslow, Pamlico, Perquimans, Person, Polk, Randolph, Rockingham, Stokes, Swain, Transylvania, Tyrell, Washington, Yadkin, Yancey.

STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS SETS DATES FOR CAMPAIGN

RALEIGH, April 1.—The state board of elections today announced its calendar for the 1922 primary and election.

April 15 is for meeting of county boards of election and appointment of registrars and judges of election; April 22 is the expiration of time for filing notices of candidacies; April 27 the registration books open, and May 20 they close, and this is likewise the last day for county candidates and state senators to file notices of candidacy, May 24 is the last day for filing statement of campaign expenses, June 3 is the primary.

LEWIS—HAMILTON

Mr. Warden Lewis and Miss Sadie Hamilton of Sea Level were quietly married at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Lewis Wednesday afternoon. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. W. W. Lewis. Only a few friends were present to witness the occasion. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis returned to their home at Sea Level Thursday.

L. A. GARNER IS DEAD.

The information reached the News today that Mr. L. A. Garner a former resident of Beaufort died on the 6th of April at Hillsville where he has made his home since January 1919. Mr. Garner was 70 years of age. The cause of the death was due to the effect of influenza which he had some time ago. He is survived by his widow, a daughter Mrs. S. F. Brinson of Ocean and a son C. L. Garner of Washington, D. C. Mr. Garner lived in Beaufort 26 years and was Clerk of the Superior court here 13 years. He was highly esteemed in Beaufort and has many friends and acquaintances who were distressed to learn of his passing away.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Register of Deeds Troy Morris has issued permits to wed to the following couples:

Ivey Mason and Leonda Bullock of Atlantic

Gustan Johnson and Nellie Newkirk of Beaufort.

Warden Lewis and Sadie Hamilton of Sea Level.

NEWKIRK—JOHNSON

Last Saturday night a wedding of much interest and surprise took place at the home of Reverend Harry A. Day when Miss Nellie Newkirk and Gustav Johnson was joined in wedlock. Miss Newkirk is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Newkirk of Beaufort. Mr. Johnson is a native of Sweden and has many friends here who wish them a happy life.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

The following deeds have been recorded at the office of the Register of Deeds:

Bank of Morehead City, mortgage to C. E. Daniels, 1 lot in the Oaksmith subdivision, consideration \$100.

J. A. Spear to W. R. Wade, lot in block 109, Morehead City consideration \$900.

E. H. Gorham trustee to W. J. Hales lot 9 in block 23 Morehead City, consideration \$100.

Joseph W. Piner to Elijah Piner 8 1/2 acres in Smyrna township, consideration \$100.

Manly F. Springale to Fred and Lizzie Stewart, 20 acres adjoining the land of Frank Suggs, Beaufort township consideration \$450.

S. P. Hancock and wife to John Styron 16 acres in Merrimon township consideration, \$1500.

Alexander Foreman to C. B. Foreman lot 30 in west Beaufort, Gallants Point.

G B Small and wife to B. A. Oglesby 262 acres in Newport township, consideration \$2000.

Mrs. Martha K. Smith and husband to S. A. DuPlanty lot in M. City township, consideration \$200.

John L. Robinson and wife to Lionell W. Pellitier 2 1/4 acres in Whiteoak township, consideration, \$310.

W. R. Styron and wife to W. S. Every 1-4 acre in Cedar Island township, consideration \$150.

DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

The county convention of the Democratic party will be held in Beaufort Saturday in the county courthouse. The principal business of the convention will be to nominate delegates for the State convention which meets in Raleigh on April 20. Of course any other business which the convention may wish to transact will be taken up; as to whether the convention will endorse candidates for any of the county offices the News is not advised.

SEWERAGE WORKERS HERE

Representatives of the firm of J. E. McCrary Co of Atlanta have arrived here and are getting ready to start active operations on the sewer and water lines. Those who are here are E. H. Hodnett, superintendent, Ivey H. Smith, engineer and Wm. Austin foreman. Other men will be here and a number of local men will be employed on the work. The main business this week is getting tools and materials together and doing other preliminary work. Next week, in all probability, the dirt will begin to fly in earnest.

ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL "STAGS" PUT ANOTHER ON ORIENTAL.

(Contributed)

On Friday April 7th the St. Paul's School band and baseball team went to Oriental.

As the weather was bad all day, the Base Ball Game was postponed until Saturday morning at 10:30 o'clock.

The band gave a concert Friday night which was enjoyed by all who heard it.

Saturday morning the game was played and the S. P. S. boys worked the best yet. Batteries: Beaufort, Harrell, Fulcher. Oriental: Nelson, Bookin.

Fulcher fanned the first 9 out of eleven that faced him and fanned 18 men in the game. One error was made. At the beginning of the seventh inning the score was 7—0 and Oriental was finally defeated by a score of 9 to 1.

All of the boys enjoyed their visit to Oriental and were treated with the greatest hospitality, while there.

Taylor scored the run made by Oriental.

The runs scored for Beaufort were as follows: Skarren 3, Harrell 2, Longest 1, Chadwick 1, Willis 1.

The game was played in an hour and 20 minutes. The feature of the game was two excellent catches; one by Skarren and one by Willis.

BOARD DECIDES TO COMPLETE SEWER LINES

A special meeting of the board of commissioners of the town of Beaufort was held Monday evening at the City Hall for the purpose of considering a petition of citizens in regard to the proposed bond issue for sewers and water. The petitioners asked that an election be called for the purpose of deciding whether the bonds should be issued or not.

The board refused to grant the petition on the ground that it was not legal in the first place because the law requires 25 per cent of registered voters which the petition did not have. Besides this when the matter was first discussed months ago there was no opposition to the bonds and on the contrary the Chamber of Commerce and many individuals had urged that the work be done. There are 957 registered voters on the here and the petition had only 195 names on them which is not 25 per cent.

After a considerable discussion of the matter the board adopted a resolution which sets forth their opinion as to the bond issue and then adjourned.

CORRECTION SCHOOL REPORT

In the account of the county commencement in last week's issue of the News an error was made in reporting the prizes awarded. It should have read Prize for Best Speller a \$5 gold piece, from High Schools, won by Annie Guthrie, Beaufort. A \$5 gold piece given for the best recitation from the primary grades was won by Charles Lincoln of Morehead City.

CONGRESSMAN BRINSON ILL.

Much regret has been expressed in Beaufort by reason of the news that Congressman S. M. Brinson had returned to New Bern on account of serious illness. Mr. Brinson arrived there last Saturday and was taken at once to a hospital. The report reaching Beaufort are that his condition is critical. Last Winter Mr. Brinson spent considerable time in a hospital and recently he has been in a sanitarium. At one time his health seemed considerably better and he was able to resume his duties in Congress. His recent relapse was a considerable shock to his friends and admirers.

CONGRESSMAN BRINSON DEAD

Since the above was put into type the News learns that Congressman Brinson died this morning at the hospital at where he has been since his return to New Bern.

A women contributor writes: "Men are so perverse that I am sure they would actually enjoy taking castor oil if they had to sneak into a back door from a dirty alley on Sunday morning to get it."—Altoona Tribune

HARMONY EXISTS AT CONVENTION

Republican Gathering Last Saturday Heard Enthusiastic Speeches Predicting Success.

Carteret county Republicans held an enthusiastic and harmonious convention here last Saturday. The meeting began at noon and was held in the county courthouse. The principal business transacted was selecting 23 delegates and alternates to the State convention and the passage of several resolutions and endorsing several persons for certain offices. The meeting was called to order at 12:30 o'clock by Chairman C. H. Wade, A. L. Wilson of Newport and W. G. Mebane were the secretaries of the meeting.

A committee composed of C. R. Wheatly, O. B. Willis and C. G. Gaskill was nominated to suggest a list of names for delegates and alternates. This list was presented and accepted by the convention with the amendment added that any Republican who might wish to attend the State convention should be considered a delegate.

The convention passed resolutions endorsing John M. Morehead for National committeeman, E. W. Hill for Congressional nominee, W. G. Mebane for secretary of the State executive committee, D. M. Jones for House of Representatives, A. L. Wilson for U. S. Marshal, W. B. Rouse for postmaster at New Bern. A resolution was also passed endorsing the national administration, the State organization and the county administration.

In response to calls the convention was addressed by C. R. Wheatly, E. Walter Hill, J. F. Duncan and W. G. Duncan. The speakers praised the achievements of the county and national administration and predicted a big Republican victory in November.

The delegates chosen for the State convention were also named for the congressional, judicial and senatorial conventions. The following named are the delegates and alternates:

Delegates
Winfield Haskett, A. L. Wilson, T. L. Piver, N. H. Russell, Andrew Gillikin, C. H. Wade, W. G. Mebane, C. R. Manson, T. W. Nelson, James Daniels, W. O. Noe, K. E. Hardesty, E. F. Carraway, E. H. Davis, J. L. Murphy, John Willis, W. I. Willis, Richard Podrie, Cleveland Davis, Dora Merrill, C. G. Taylor, J. L. Edwards, H. W. Peterson.

Alterates
W. W. Chadwick, Gib Willis, E. W. Hill, A. T. Gardner, Leon Rice, W. D. Allen, J. S. Whitehurst, Dennis Watson, Stacy Willis, Romain Gaskill, Geo. A. Willis, W. T. Willis, J. F. Duncan, C. D. Jones, W. A. Mace, Stephen Harris, Jacob Piner, John Duncan, J. A. Small, Walter Smith, Leslie Styron, John H. Mason.

REPUBLICAN CONVENTION

WINSTON—SALEM, N. C. Apr. 12 1922.—The Republican Convention here to day was large, enthusiastic and well attended. Chas. A. Reynolds was elected National Committeeman and W. G. Bramham State Chairman. The Convention was harmonious and confident of big gains in November.

FIRE LOSS FOR JANUARY.

The fire loss in North Carolina, during the month of January, according to official reports in the office of Insurance Commissioner Stacey W. Wade, aggregated \$1,080,350 against \$1,025,000 for the preceding month of December, and \$617,000 for the corresponding month of January 1921. One million loss per month has been recorded before, but Commissioner Wade doesn't recall any such fire loss for two consecutive months, or an average daily loss of \$35,000 for so long a period as 30 days. The largest loss before recorded for any one month was April, 1921, \$1,348,075, although Commissioner Wade states that one million of that was one lumber fire near Wilmington.

The former lumber's palace in Berlin has been used as a movie studio since the war ended.