

COMMUNICATION FROM MR. ERWIN A. HOLT.

BURLINGTON, N. C.,
Oct. 8th, 1912.

My dear sir:

Early last August I issued a circular letter recommending a few things for the Progressives to read during the campaign. Unintentionally (through oversight and partially through ignorance), I neglected to mention the *Munsey Daily Papers*, so now wish to write a revised letter along these and Progressive lines.

As most of our big dailies in our Eastern cities are alleged to be either owned or controlled by the interests, the Roosevelt news is very badly muzzled and seems to be more so this year than usual. Many are Democratic papers and our State papers are nearly all this way, so to get any real news, has been necessary to go out of the State for the news. As a consequence many are seriously misled and kept in unnecessary ignorance and prejudice.

Wish to state, however, that the Greensboro Daily News and Asheville Evening Gazette are Roosevelt supporters, but at the same time since the associated press news seems also to be controlled by anti-Roosevelt forces and the news also muzzled, colored or disclosed these papers are handicapped, so to get the inside news, to hear the other side and learn what you never would otherwise, would suggest to all Progressives, and, in fact, all voters to read what I will mention below.

Only two years ago, one Magazine Editor stated that the "Philadelphia North American" was the only real independent paper of any size in the Country and until this year there seem to be very few east of the Mississippi, however they now seem to be increasing and doubtless will from now on.

Beginning with the Philadelphia North American, this is edited by E. A. Van Valkenburg, who is a most able and fearless writer. His editorials are long, conclusive and most instructive. This paper is especially live, perfectly clean and non-sensational.

Can also speak in the highest terms of the five *Munsey Dailies* owned by Frank A. Munsey, which are as follows: The "Boston Journal" (morning) The "New York Press" (morning, and bought by him less than a month ago,) "The Philadelphia Evening Times", "The Baltimore Evening News" and "The Washington Evening Times."

All of these are newsy, and full of rich and spicy editorials, cartoons, etc. Judson C. Welliver contributes every few days, something I never like to miss.

Perhaps this section would prefer one of the papers nearest home and the "Washington Evening Times" reaches you before breakfast.

Must not overlook the N. Y. Evening Mail (New York City) which until recently, was the only Progressive there, and a Hendersonville gentleman says is the best of all.

You can reach any of these by simply addressing their respective names in their respective Cities. The subscription rates are around 25c per month, and a little over, and I know of no Dailies which give you more progressive news in return for your money as well as news in general. Really I would urge as many as possible to read one or more of the above from now until election. Some twenty or more of the celebrated Magazine Writers and Authors are just now contributing to the Progressive papers in various sections.

So much for the Dailies. The *OUTLOOK* (weekly) needs no introduction and Col. Roosevelt has been contributing Editor for more than the past two years. His articles relative to the Stolen Convention are most convincing, entitled: "Mr. Taft's majority," "Thou Shalt Not Steal," "The Steam Roller," and "Men Who Live Softly." These are now in pamphlet form and perhaps may be distributed at Progressive Clubs and with other literature.

COLLIER'S WEEKLY (claiming to support no one) always happens to boost Col. Roosevelt. They have given some most valuable information, as well as an unusually good account of the Progressive Convention at Chicago.

MUNSEY'S Magazine has been especially good and nearly the whole year has had something unusually good such as "Catching Up with Roosevelt" etc., and every last number seems to be the very best.

REVIEW OF REVIEWS (always unbiased) is very strong for T. R. and their version of the Chicago Steal, the Progressive National Convention, and a number of other things are something I would not have missed for a great deal. Every last number of this also seems to be still more interesting.

HEARST'S Magazine (formerly the *WORLD TODAY*) has been publishing some Penrose and Archbold letters. No doubt the November number will have something surprising to many which I venture to predict will help Col. Roosevelt.

It is rumored that Mr. Hearst and all his papers (New York American Journals his papers in Boston, Chicago and San Francisco) will soon come out for Roosevelt. They certainly have not been unfriendly to him and his cause during this campaign.

The *KANSAS CITY WEEKLY STAR* is also good and am pleased to learn of what a large circulation it has in the Rural Districts.

I have been a most staunch admirer of Col. Roosevelt for some fifteen years and this loyalty is growing more and more.

Cannot refrain from saying that I consider him a God-send, and the greatest man of man of the age and really in a class by himself, and although most versatile, his speciality is knowing how to run a Country and give a square deal all around.

Only wish I had the time, space and command of words to state why I think it is for the interest of all that he should be our next President.

Think the business world would have no uneasiness who carry on same in a legitimate way.

While I have the highest regard for Dr. Woodrow Wilson, I have very little confidence in the Democratic Party (Nationally) and their alliance with Tammany and the Old Line Bosses, etc. on both sides who would either make some serious blunders in tinkering with the tariff or restrict the really needed legislation.

Col. Roosevelt really "knows" what to do and is able to cope with his opponents, so, with ex-Speaker Cannon, and others eliminated and many doomed to be supplanted by progressives, he would doubtless bring about some fruitful results in due time.

This wise and able man gives his support to everything that is calculated for good.

The fact that Jane Addams (called the apostle of purity,) Judge Lindsey, Jacob A. Riis, Pinchot and many others (too numerous to mention) working for humanity are giving him their support is a great recommendation, while on the other hand the powers like Barnes, Root, Penrose and others being so bitter, is also an unusual recommendation in another way to be proud of.

Poor President Taft! I saw my mistake a few months after voting for him.

The Chicago Steal was the the most diabolical thing I ever heard of and I certainly concur most heartily with Col. Roosevelt,

Hon. Thomas Settle

Speaks in Graham

Monday, October 21st, at 1:30 P. M.

and At Burlington

Monday Night at 7:30

Everybody invited to come and hear this distinguished speaker.

Geo. W. Vestal, Ch'm.

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Gov. Wilson and Labor Questions

"MR WILSON, in his book on constitutional government denounces as 'the alchemy of decay' the proposal to use the federal power to regulate commerce between the states as the Progressive platform proposes to use it. He says the regulation of child labor affords a striking example of the 'absurd extravagance' of the Progressive proposals.

"Mr. Wilson and the Democratic platform put states' rights above the right of the people to save the children of this country, to regulate labor in mill and factory so as to care for the aged, relieve overworked girls and safeguard burdened men.

"The other day he said the Progressive party, although it declared for the organization of workers, did not state how it would buttress with steel these organizations. As usual, he made no definite proposal himself; he merely criticises the proposals we make and then marks time himself. We declare for the prohibition of child labor, for a minimum wage standard for working women, for a living wage, for an eight-hour day for women, for one day's rest in seven for all workers, for an eight-hour day in continuous twenty-four-hour industries. And our proposals thus to 'buttress with steel' the interests of labor Mr. Wilson says is 'the alchemy of decay' and absurd extravagance."—Theodore Roosevelt's speech in Houghton, Michigan.

and all others in denouncing it, however, think it will prove providential since it has sounded the alarm and will hasten the end of Boss Rule.

The present Clapp Investigation Committee I also think has proved providential in clearing all doubt for good and all, detrimental to T. R. and vindicating him at every turn.

Really Penrose and his intriguers reader the Colonel great service.

I never knew of any man who has been more unjustly abused, however, the crisis has passed and the tide turned; in fact it could not be otherwise since this just man was in the right. I certainly marvel at him more and more and want to do all I can for him now.

Thirty years of politics has not hurt him. He has proved more than a real man, has lived above all bad influences and was not for sale.

On the other hand he has made politics cleaner and been a great inspiration to many, such as Judge Lindsey and others. His running mate, Gov. Hiram Johnson, is indeed more than a tower of strength and has already achieved wonders in generating California.

This is undoubtedly the strongest pair I have ever known and no doubt the strongest in all our history.

Do not forget some of the especially able men of National reputation who are candidates for Governor in various States, such men as Straus, Beveridge, Herbert Knox Smith, Bird, Winston Churchill and numerous others who are most determined in this all important movement to say nothing of our own State candidate, Hon. Iredell Meares.

Our County ticket is also unusually strong and confident of victory.

This is the first time in my life I have ever given any political candidate my real active support, but when it comes to Col. Roosevelt I would do almost anything for him and shall certainly lend a helping hand in my small and unofficial capacity, urging all to break away from old time traditions and to come forth as crusaders in a great cause.

In conclusion, I urge all to simply read both sides from now until election and do all they can in their respective capacities, no matter on how small a scale as they may have time and opportunity.

Have tried not to discriminate too much in favor of or against any Newspaper or Magazine nor reflect on those in my own State (as I explained to two of our N. C. Newspaper men in person) and am only giving the facts as I see them prompted by very best intentions.

With kind personal regards and best wishes, I am very truly yours,

ERWIN A. HOLT.

Death of Margaret Sellars.

Seldom is our town shocked more than it was Sunday morning October 6th when news spread abroad that Miss Margaret Sellars the attractive fifteen years old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Sellars was dead.

A month or six weeks ago while spending her summer vacation with the other members of the family at Montreat, Miss Sellars fell from a railroad trestle and sustained serious injuries. Later she recovered sufficient to be brought home but a few days prior to her death became worse.

The kind manners and lovable disposition of Miss Sellars made her the favorite of her many friends who extend to the family and near relatives deepest sympathy.

Rev. D. Melver assisted by Rev. A. B. Kendall conducted the funeral in the home Monday evening at three o'clock. The large concourse of friends who assembled and number of floral tributes proved the high esteem in which Miss Sellars was held by all.

After the funeral the services were concluded at Pine Hill Cemetery where the lifeless form was laid to rest.

N. A. WILLIAMS DEAD.

Prominent Citizen of Burlington, Died Yesterday in This City.

N. A. Williams, of Burlington died yesterday morning at 8:20 o'clock at the home of his daughter, Mrs. A. P. McDaniel, on North Edgeworth street. Mr. Williams was 90 years old and the last survival of a family of ten children, he having been preceded in death but three days by the last remaining brother, Peter Williams, of Adell, Ga., who died October 9.

Mr. Williams was a Confederate veteran and had lived in Alamance county practically his entire life. He was a member of Company G, 18th regiment. He had been living in Burlington during recent years but was on a visit with his daughter, Mrs. McDaniels, when his condition grew alarming and he began to sink a few days ago.

The funeral will be held at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon from the Springwood church, the interment to follow in the church cemetery. Mr. Williams is survived by three children, L. N. Williams, and Mrs. C. J. Greeson of Burlington and Mrs. A. P. McDaniels of this city.—Sunday, Greensboro News.

Roosevelt in Michigan.

According to reports, in newspapers editorially opposing Mr. Roosevelt and his cause, the colonel and the Progressive party will poll enormous vote in Michigan with an excellent chance of carrying the State. The attitude of the public toward Mr. Roosevelt was indicated by the reception given him in Detroit when 5,000 people crowded the hall where he spoke with thousands more outside unable to get in. The next day Harlan and Bede, the men assigned to trail the Moose, got an audience of 426 in the same auditorium. These campaigners were hissed and hooted even by the handful that heard them. All over Michigan the Progressive spirit is increasingly large and his campaign has made an impression sure to be recognized in November.

Will Speak at Club.

Dr. J. A. Pickett will address the Progressive of Alamance at the progressive club Saturday night at 7:30 o'clock. It is hoped to have a goodly crowd present to hear this entertaining speaker.

Younger-King

Mr E. M. King and Mrs Lena Younger surprised their many friends last Wednesday night when Rev A. B. Kendall pastor of the Christian church at the Christian Parsonage spoke the solemn words which united them as man and wife. Both are popular here and have many friends who extend congratulations. They will make their home in our town.

Names of Those Who Have Entered the Dispatch Contest.

NAME	NO. VOTES
Bertha May Horne	63000
Addie Ray	56000
Aurelia Ellington, Mebane, R. No. 4.	48000
W. J. Brooks	45700
Mary Lee Coble, R. No. 1	48500
Waller Workman	17700
Lizzie Cheek	13100
Bettie Lyde May	11300
W. I. Braxton, Snow Camp,	7900
Martin L. Coble, R. 1.	4300
T. F. Matkins, Gibsonville.	3700
Carrie Albright, Haw River.	4900
Mrs. B. L. Shoffner, R. 10,	3000
J. R. King, Greensboro.	1100
May Carr Hall	1000
Margie Cheek	1000
Doyle Heritage	1000

Christian Church Banquet and Business Session.

The first Annual Banquet and Business Session of the Christian Church was held in the old Armory Building.

The hall was tastefully decorated for the occasion with the "national colors" and potted plants.

At eight o'clock one hundred and fifty of the churchmembers gathered about the tables and joined in singing the Long Metre Doxology.

After grace was said by the pastor a most appetizing three course supper was served by the ladies of the congregation.

At the close of the supper the following program was rendered and business transacted.

Hymn by the congregation. "On Ward Christian Soldiers. Prayer by the pastor.

Vocal Trio from "Ruth" by the Misses Pit, Clemons and Barns from Elon College.

History of the Church. Capt. J. A. Turrentine.

Past pastor's Reminiscences. Vocal Solo "O, God be Merciful." A. B. Kendall.

Treasurers Report. Jno. M. Fix. Pastors Report A. B. Kendall.

Report of the Y. P. S. C. E. Miss Bessie Holt. Report of the S. S. John R. Foster.

Recitation Selected Miss Clemons. Report of Ladie's Aid and Missionary Society. Mrs R. M. Morrow.

Report of the W. H. & F. M. S. Mrs D. E. Sellars. Vocal Solo Selected. Miss Catherine Boland.

Roll call of members. Many letters were read from members who could who be present.

Recitation with musical accompaniment, The "Last Token." A. B. Kendall. Accompaniment Mrs J. L. Scott.

Forward Look by the pastor. Report of Nominating Committee and election of officers.

At this point in the program the company joined hands and sang "Bless be the Tie that Binds."

After the benediction was pronounced the congregation departed for their homes pronouncing it a very enjoyable occasion.

The following officers were elected for the coming year.

Cleark, Jas. P. Montgomery. Assistant Clerk, W. R. Sellars.

Organist, Miss Mamie Fonville. Treasurer, John M. Fix.

Ushers, W. R. Sellers, Chairman. Vitus Holt, Glen Hall.

Cicero T. Holt, Edwin King. D. J. Pickett.

Collector, Miss Nonie Moore. Finance Committee.

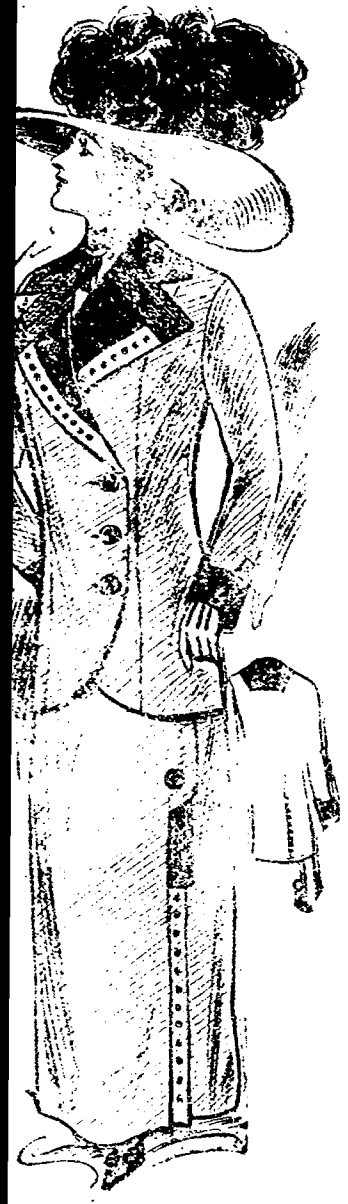
John M. Fix, Miss Nonie Moore. Jas. P. Montgomery, W. K. Holt.

Jas. G. Holt, R. M. Morrow. A letter from Nashville Tenn brings this news:

"The County has 1600 Republican votes and the poll shows 1408 for Roosevelt, 400 for Taft, but as Roosevelt came into this state and spoke at Jackson, Tenn, a change of 200 of the 400 for Taft has occurred. Reading now, Roosevelt's 1900, Taft 200, exactly 8 to 1. It looks like Roosevelt's visit here has been a clean sweep."

Bishop Cheshire of the Diocese of North Carolina will officiate at the Church of the Holy Comforter Sunday morning and night and administer the rite of Confirmation at night.

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