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DR. H. W. SEARS AND REV. SAM P. JONES AT CHAUTAUQUA

Large Audiences Gathered at Both Yesterday Afternoon and Evening Exercises. Dr. Sears an Orator and Philosopher. Great Speech.

Sam Practiced on Charlotte Audience with New Speech on "A-Comin' Some." It was Very Pleasing. Program for this Afternoon and To-night.

PROGRAM FOR TOMORROW.

4:00 p. m.—Program of Music: Hobart Smock, the Dailey Quartette and Richardson Orchestra. Address: "The Twentieth Century Woman," Hon. John Temple Graves.

8:00 p. m.—Music: Hobart Smock (Mr. Smock's last appearance). The Dailey Quartette and Richardson's Orchestra. Address: "Railroads, Trusts and Corporations." Senator Ben Tillman.

Interest in the Greater Charlotte Chautauqua increases steadily. There was a marked interest in all the exercises yesterday and none were without praiseworthy features. The musical programme is one of the strongest attractions. The Richardson Orchestra whose reputation here has been long established is pleasing and growing in popularity. Additions have been made that have proven effectual in bringing the orchestra to a prominent place in the estimation of the people generally. Its splendid work during this occasion is receiving the comment of all.

Mr. Hobart Smock who made his initial appearance yesterday delighted the audience with his several selections. He is a singer of the first type. There is a personality about the man that shows in his songs. Gifted with a rich, sweet, flawless voice that rings clear and perfectly distinct, he is no less endowed with that personal attraction which fastens itself irresistably on human hearts, thus giving an interpretative value to his efforts.

Nothing needs be said here in commendation of the Dailey Quartette who are acknowledged favorites of Charlotteans. In this combination of geniuses there is talent that commands a unique admiration and reders just criticism impossible. There seems to be absolutely nothing lacking in this quartette of mellowness, richness of tone, or any element that makes musical renditions perfect.

Dr. Sears Yesterday Afternoon.

The subject of Dr. Sears' address was, "More taffy and less epitaphy," or in les lucid language, "More praise for the living, and less for the dead." If there could be any criticism of the lecture that is worthy of record it is found in the fact that the enunciation of the lecturer is his marked defect. At times the indistinctness was really burdensome. He talked so fast that his hearers followed with a strain.

But there is oratory in the man. It was born there, the emotional, impassioned ascents that evidence the genius that is in him. He moves around some, too. The strong feelings that show themselves in sentimental appeals and accompanying gesticulations stamp Dr. Sears as worthy of the rank he has taken upon the American platform.

He spoke for a good while yesterday afternoon on the above-named subject, interspersing his remarks with numerous incidents that well illustrated the points at which he aimed. He upheld the doctrine of brotherly kindness and fellowship even at the expense of church or sectarian doctrines. He said the churches are getting closer together in this age than ever before and there was no event he took more delight in heralding than the coming of that day when there would be union among God's own people. It was beautiful when he said there were doctrines close and dear to him, but that he would lay them all down, and trample upon them in order to extend the glad hand of fellowship to a brother.

He plead for sympathy among people, Christian sympathy. "Many people," said he, "are down, like the old horse with the shafts holding him to the ground, who only need your glad hand to remove the burden and make them capable of ascending the scale of success."

The audience was moved when reference was made to the fact that every State was linked with the name of some single man. Kentucky and Lincoln, Missouri and Folk, South Carolina and Calhoun, Massachusetts and Webster, North Carolina and Vance, Georgia and Sam Jones and John Temple Graves. It was a magnificent strain.

The address was enjoyed heartily, and another large audience will doubtless greet him on his last appearance in this city this afternoon.

Sam Shoots Another Gun

Sam proved his hold upon the people again last night. The audience of the afternoon was at least doubled and when the old fellow pulled himself up and walked non chalantly across the stage that broad smile which is synonymous with his appearance passed around. Everybody knows to get their laughing apparatus in good working order when Sam arises, because the first thing he does is to give it a test.

"We will now have a lecture by my wife's first husband," he began. "And I want to say that I hope I will never live to see my wife married again. I knew a fellow who was married 20 years to one of the best women I ever saw. One day she lay down and died. Just about twelve months after that, the husband began looking around some. He bought a fine, rubber-tired buggy, rolled back the old house and built a new one, and the first thing you knew he had two servants where he never had one before, and then pretty soon he married again. I tell you that's where the dog shows first in a man. If you ever hear of Sam Jones doing that way, I want you to break his neck."

"I always said that a man was half dog. And the trouble with most of you is that you have fed the dog and starved the man in you."

"I promised I would speak to-night on "Comin' Some," I never tried that

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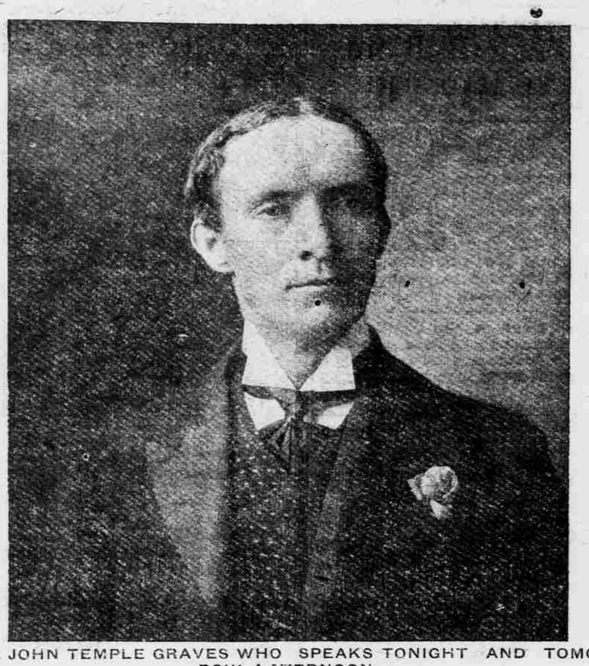


HON. JOHN TEMPLE GRAVES WHO SPEAKS TONIGHT AND TOMORROW AFTERNOON.

MURDER IS VEILED IN DEEP MYSTERY

No Clue as to Brutal Murderer of Mrs. W. K. Lewis. Her Body was Found in Closet in Horrible Condition. Motive Unknown.

By Associated Press.

Philadelphia, September 11.—The mystery surrounding the brutal murder yesterday of Mrs. M. K. Lewis, the young wife and mother, who was shot and killed at an apartment house in the uptown section of the city, is still unsolved.

Morris K. Lewis, husband of the slain woman, is a travelling salesman and was at Altoona, yesterday. He reached here to-day.

The dectectives thus far have been unable to obtain any clue.

The body of Mrs. Lewis was found by a policeman who had been called into the house by the proprietress, Mrs. Charlotte Kelly. The latter accompanied by her mother went sightseeing yesterday and on her return in the evening was alarmed at the condition of the house. They found Mrs. Lewis' seventeen months old child in the hall spattered with blood.

A policeman was called and found the body of the slain woman wedged in a closet where it had been thrust by the murderer. A bullet wound was found in the neck and a knife wound in the breast. The motive of the crime is unknown.

SMITH BROTHERS ON TRIAL.

Indicated for Alleged Peonage—Charged With Holding 4,000 Negroes in Slavery.

By Associated Press.

Cape Gibardeau, Mo., Sept. 11.—The trial of Charles M. Smith, Pas. E. Smith and Rex Smith, brothers, of Sikeston, on the charge of peonage, began in the United States District Court. Three hundred witnesses are here. The charge against the Smiths is that they have held 42 negroes, four of them women, in practical slavery and made them work on 4,000 acres of reclaimed swamp land.

Mrs. O. N. Hahn and children of Rock Hill, S. C., are spending some time with Mrs. R. L. Hallman at her home on South Caldwell street.

AN END OF BLOODSHED.

Massacre of Jews Ended for Time Being—About 100 Were Killed.

By Associated Press.

Warsaw, September 11.—The reign of bloodshed at Siedlce has ceased, at least for the time being. Troops are camped in the streets, and a systematic search of houses and persons is being carried on. The authorities have opened an inquiry into the events which led up to the outbreak and the subsequent reign of terror. There is great need for medical assistance for the wounded. According to the best information the number of persons killed in Siedlce is about 100.

BRYAN SOUTHWARD BOUND.

Makes First Stop on Southern Tour and is Warmly Greeted.

By Associated Press.

St. Louis, Sept. 11.—The reception committee, including former Governors Stannard and Dockery, National Committeeman Rothwell, Senator Stone and many other prominent Democrats greeted Mr. Bryan on his arrival this morning. St. Louis is the first stopping point in Bryan's intinerary of the South which will end in Indian Territory late this month. He will address a mass meeting at the Coliseum tonight. After breakfast at the Hotel Jefferson Mr. Bryan held a general reception and later visited the Merchants' Exchange.

Trust Fighter is O: K.

Mr. Bryan said he had not been following closely the ouster proceedings of Attorney General Hadley against the alleged oil combine, but, referring to Attorney General Hadley, he said: "I'm right with anybody who fights trusts."

REDUCE RAILWAY FARE.

Erie Railroad Makes Reduction in Rate of Transportation.

By Associated Press.

New York, Sept 11.—The Erie railroad issued a notice beginning Nov. 1 the maximum one way local fares will be two and one-half instead of three cents per mile over the entire system.

Stationary Engineers Meet.

By Associated Press.

Philadelphia, Sept. 11.—The 25th annual convention of the National Association of Stationary Engineers began with 500 delegates from all sections.

Eustice B. Rogers Appointed.

Washington, September 11.—Pay director Eustice B. Rogers has been appointed Pay-Master General of the Nay.

STATE OF MAINE IS STILL IN HANDS OF PROHIBITIONISTS

Although Republican was Elected for Governor his Majority was Near 17,000 Short of Previous Majorities. Some Explanations of the Great Break.

Democrats Made Re-Submission of Liquor Prohibitery Amendment Part of Platform while Republicans Endorsed Prohibitory Plan.

By Associated Press.

Portland, Maine, September 11.—The result of the election yesterday when the Republican plurality for Governor which usually approximates 25,000 was reduced about 8,000, while at the same time the total number of votes was greatly increased over the figures of four years ago, is attributed by the leaders of both the Republican and Democratic parties to the popular feeling over the operation of the prohibitory liquor laws.

Although the Republicans re-elected Governor Cobb and all four Congressmen, and will have the working control of the State legislature the plurality was so generally reduced as to occassion surpise in many quarters.

Both Governor Cobb and Congressman Littlefield, in whose district the most vigorous battle of the campaign was waged, are of the opinion that the Sturgis law providing for enforcement of the existing prohibitory laws by the State liquor deputies, was the leading factor in the result. The Democrats made the re-submission of the liquor prohibitory amendment a part of their platform, while the Republicans stood squarely for the endorsement of the prohibitory plan and its strict enforcement.

The result was especially evident in the cities, the Democrats carrying all of 21 municipalities, with the exception of four smaller ones.

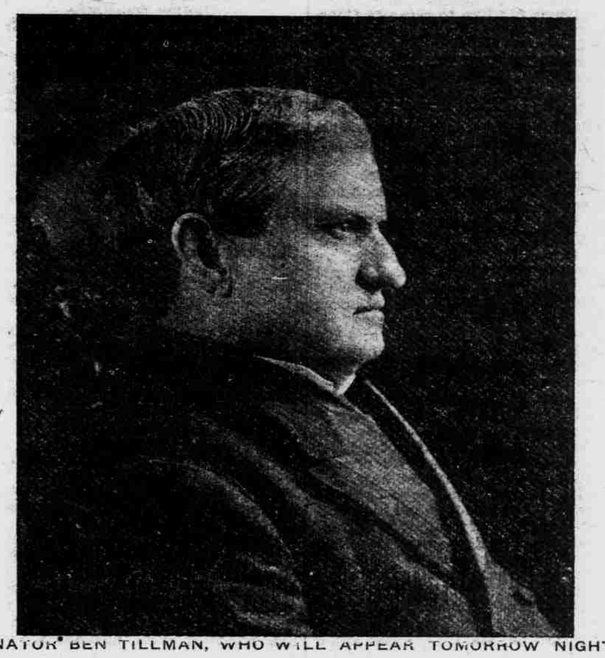
The vote of the country districts, however, where the re-submission idea has never gained any noticeable following more than offset the Democratic gains in the cities.

In the second district, congressional, where Mr. Gompers, president of the National Federation of Labor, conducted a vigorous campaign to defeat Littlefield, Littlefield's majority was reduced from that of four years ago by several thousand. The Congressman attributes the result not to the compaign against him but to the general sentiment regarding the Sturgis law.

A Puzzling Election.

The election was one of the most puzzling in Maine's history. The city of Lewiston was one of the most important factors in reducing Littlefield's plurality for it gave to McGillicuddy a vote of 1,430 in excess that given to Littlefield. Four years ago Littlefield divided the votes evenly with his Democratic opponent.

Of more startling nature was the vote for Governor Cobb who failed to carry his home city, Rockland, where Davis received a plurality of 17. Augusta, the capital of the State, went Democratic by a small margin. Sixteen out of 20 cities in the State went Democratic, Hallowell, Gardiner, Eastport and Calaias being the only ones to remain Republican. Two years ago when the candidates for governor were the same as this year Cobb carried 18 of the 20 cities, Waterville, the home of Davis, and Lewiston being the only cities in the Democratic column.



SENATOR BEN TILLMAN, WHO WILL APPEAR TOMORROW NIGHT.

CONCERNING YELLOW FEVER.

Tropical Countries Fast Ridding Themselves of Plague—An Encouraging Report.

By Associated Press.

New Orleans, La., September 11.—One of the most encouraging reports of the present summer on the struggle to exterminate yellow fever was given out by Juan J. Fernandez, Consul General for Honduras. It indicates that the tropical countries from which it has been charged yellow fever infection has been transmitted to Southern United States, are successfully ridding their territories of the disease in Honduras with American surgeon in charge, the precautions have been carried almost to extremes.

As a result during the last two months in the communities where for the last year 50 or more cases of yellow fever were reported not one case has been reported during the last two months.

KILLED BY LIVE WIRE.

Two Men Killed Instantly by Coming Into Contact With Barbed Wire Fence Charged With Eelectricity.

By Associated Press.

Rushville, Ind., Sept. 11.—Three workmen were killed by coming in contact with a barbed wire fence that had been charged with electricity from the plant of the Indianapolis and Cincinnati Traction Company. A bolt of lightning had burned the insulator which allowed the guy wire leading to the fence to become charged.

COLORADO CONVENTION.

Democratic State Convention Meets To-day to Name Full Ticket.

By Associated Press.

Denver, Colo., September 11.—The Democratic State Convention met to nominate a full state ticket and two justices of the supreme court. Friends of former Governor Alva Adams, claimed he would be nominated for another term.

HOO-HOOS IN SESSION.

Lively Contest Over Next Meeting Place.

By Associated Press.

Oklahoma City, Sept. 11.—Hoo-hoos, in the national convention, held a business session this forenoon. In a contest for the next annual meeting Niagara Falls and Cleveland have dropped out leaving Norfolk, Little Rock, Atlantic City and Baltimore in the competition.

DEATH OF CAPT. N. A. RAMSEY.

One of Durham's Most Prominent Citizens Dies of Strangulation of the Heart.

Special to The News.

Durham, Sept. 11.—Captain N. A. Ramsey, a prominent citizen and captain of a company in the 15th North Carolina Regiment, died suddenly this morning from strangulation of the heart.

He had been for many years a prominent man in Durham and practically planned and surveyed all the principal streets. Only yesterday he surveyed a large farm several miles out from the city. He is survived by four daughters and one son. They are Mrs. R. L. Wharton, of Cuba, Mrs.. W. H. Oakey of Salem, Va., Miss Cora Ramsey of Shelby, and Miss Adelaide Ramsey of this city and Mr. N. A. Ramsey, Jr., of Denver, Colorado. The deceased was 75 years old and his death means a great loss to the state.

Homeopathic Congress Meets.

By Associated Press.

Atlantic City, September 11.—The world's homeopathic congress began a scientific discussion of papers on nearly all subjects coming within the jurisdiction of the profession.

Revival in Great Britain.

The report prepared by David Dyce Brown, of London, showed that there had been a great revival in homeopathy in Great Britain. Reports from other countries are also of an en-

THE INDEPENDENCE LEAGUE IS VEXED

Whether to Name a Straight Party Ticket, or Nominating Hearst for Governor Agree to a Fusion with Democrats Still a Mooted Question.

By Associated Press.

New York, Sept. 11.—The much debated question of whether the Independence League, in its State convention which opens today shall name a straight party ticket, or nominating Hearst for governor, agree to a fusion with the Democrats so far as the remainder is concerned, was still undecided when the State committee adjourned at three this morning.

After hours of debate and when an agreement seemed hopeless, the State committee voted to refer the whole matter to the committee on resolutions, instructing that body to report to the convention upon the expediency of the league naming a straight ticket, fusing with Democrats, or accepting the proposition to appoint a committee to confer with the committee to be named subsequently by the Democratic convention at Buffalo, this joint committee to choose the ticket on which the Independence League and Democratic party shall unite.

In the meantime the league to name no candidates, it being understood, however, that the candidate agreed upon by the joint committee shall endorse the principles represented in Hearst's candidacy.

The State convention will be called to order at noon.

Hearst's Name Applauded.

The convention was called to order at 1 o'clock by the State Chairman Ihmsen. Every mention of Hearst's name was enthusiastically applauded, the cheering following the first reference lasting fully five minutes while several delegations marched cheering round the hall.

Stenland Coming Home.

By Associated Press.

Gibraltar, September 11.—Steamer Prinz Adelbert, due here Wednesday, will call at Tangier to pick up and take to New York Paul O. Stensland, former president of the Milwaukee Avenue State bank at Chicago.

ONE OF THE MEANEST MEN IN THE WORLD IS NOW IN JAIL

Because his Wife Spent Six Cents for Household Necessities Without Permission of her "Lord and Master" she was Beaten Almost to Death.

When the Woman Confessed to Expenditure of the Sum her Husband Began Beating her With Axe Handle. Little Hope for Recovery.

By Associated Press.

Paterson, N. J., September 11.—The expenditure of six cents for household necessities without her husband's approval may cost Mrs. William Leonard her life.

She is now in the hospital in a precarious condition and her husband under arrest charged with beating her with an axe handle.

According to the story told the police by Leonard's ten year old son, Leonard became furious yesterday when he missed six cents which he had left in the house.

When Mrs. Leonard admitted that she had spent the money the boy says his father attacked her as she stood with a month old baby in her arms.

He felled her with an axe handle and kicked her as she lay on the flood until the police interferred.

CUBA AND UNITED STATES.

American Warship to Protect American Shipping and Commercial Interests.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Sept , 11.—The American shipping and commercial interests about Havana are to have the protection of the American warship in Cuban waters. While the government officials show an inclination not to discuss Cuban affairs beyond making public dispatches from the American charge at Havana, confirming the dispatches printed in the daily paper, there can be no doubt of the attitude of the officials that the cruiser Desmoines, which cleared from Norfolk yesterday is sailing on a State Department mission and it is rumored in official circles she will proceed immediately to Havana.

The Secretary, concerning the Desmoines, extends to all officials of the Navy Department, where it is said she has been sent on a cruise, "for the benefit of the health of the sailors and marines."

President, 'tis rumored here, is responsible for the sailing of the Desmoines.

CUBAN SITUATION.

Prominent Men Join Insurrection—Battle Reported.

By Associated Press.

Havana, Sept. 11.—What appears to be a positive confirmation has been received of the report that Alfred Zayas, president of the Liberal party and vice-president of the Cuban Senate, is among a group of prominent men who have joined the Insurgents outside Havana.

The Mayor of Moron, a province of Puerto Principe, reports a fight in his vicinity of rural guardsmen and volunteers with a band of rebels. They were later dispersed. The casualties are not known.

CHARTER GRANTED.

Number of Companies Chartered today by the Secretary of State.

Special to The News.

Raleigh, N. C., September 11.—Charters were issued to the Greensboro Decorative Art Co., at a capital of $50,000 by P. C. Baker, Abram Mendenhall and others. The Beaufort Grocery Co., was chartered at a capital of $25,000 by N. W. Taylor, I. E. Ramsey and others, also Laurinburg Normal and Industrial Institute for training colored teachers at no capital stock.

NEGRO HANGED TO-DAY.

Joseph Gibson Pays Penalty for Murder With His Life.

By Associated Press.

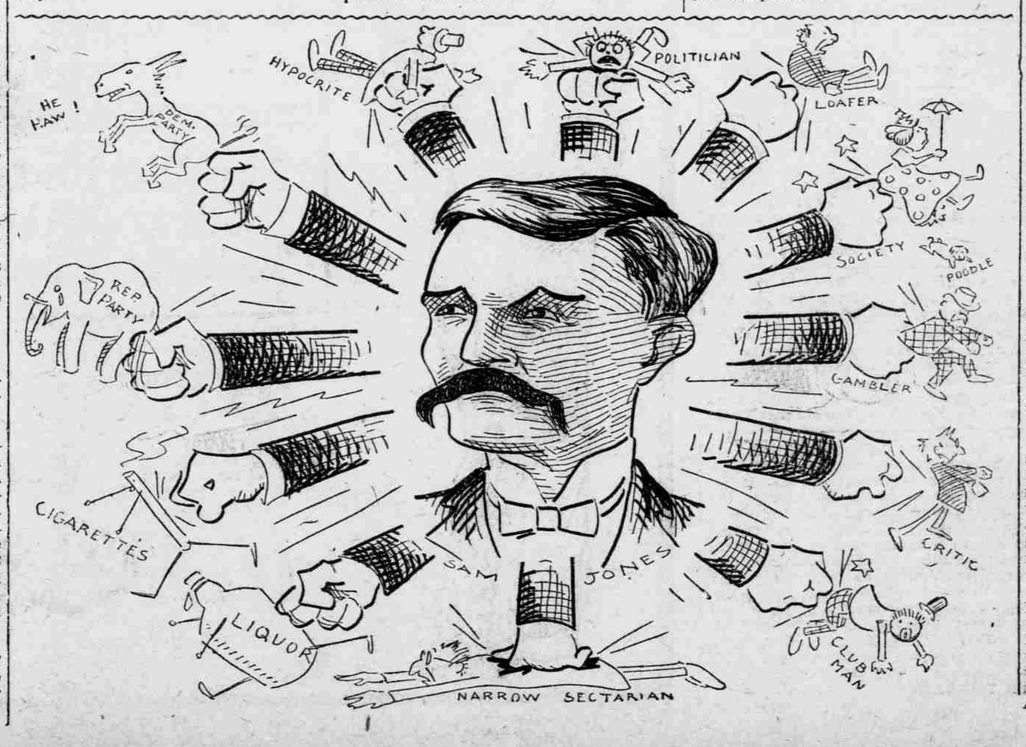
Philadelphia, Pa., September 11.—Joseph Gibson, colored, was hanged for the murder of William Sanders, also colored, during a quarrel over a card game.

Major Pilcher Won Medal.

By Associated Press.

Buffalo, N. Y., September 11.—At to-day's session of the Association of Military Surgeons of the United States Enno Saunder's prize essay on "The Training of the Medical Officer of the State Forces to Best Qualify Him for Local Service and for Mobilization with National Troops," was read.

It was announced that Major Pilcher was the winner of the medal.

Who the Looters Were.

Warsaw, September 11.—The refugees from Sidlce declare that the principal plunderers were Reservists who passed through Siedlce Monday on their way home.