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## DEMOCRATIC TICKET

**NATIONAL**  
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**WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN**

For Vice-President:  
**JOHN WORTH KERN**

**STATE**  
For Governor:  
**W. W. KITCHIN**

For Secretary of State:  
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**R. B. LACY**

For State Auditor:  
**B. F. DIXON**

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**T. W. BICKETT**

For Commissioner of Agriculture:  
**W. A. GRAHAM**

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**B. F. AYCOCK**

For Superintendent of Education:  
**J. Y. JOYNER**

For Labor Commissioner:  
**M. L. SHIPMAN**

## Publicity

The quickest if not the only way to bring about honesty is to make it profitable.

It is a strange, albeit an inspiring, spectacle to see the Donkey and the Elephant fall overthemselves in an effort to bring about publicity of campaign contributions and by so doing prove to the people that the fire of virtue, after long obscurity, is still blazing bright in their hearts. And even the long suffering corporation comes in for another jolt being forbidden with much gusto to contribute at all to the efforts toward saving the country.

We may without questioning the sincerity of either party, conclude that it is old case of making a virtue of necessity. The Democrats have nothing to fear, not being particularly threatened by corporate contributions. The Republicans must follow Bryan's lead or take the consequences. Besides, there are ways to get money at the back door without their own knowledge.

The surprising thing about it all is that the Republicans allowed Bryan to get the first move. It shows that Taft and not Teddy is at the helm, Taft has arrived too late and Bryan will gain any advantage that the movement has.

And in all this can be plainly seen the subtle and shrewd hand of Colonel Watterson who, with or without title, is driving the Democratic band wagon more skillfully than it has been done for a decade.

Mr. Hearst says he will attend the Independence convention. We suspect the convention will attend Mr. Hearst.

In view of the fact that Mr. Kern is to occupy the white House with Mr. Bryan it is just as well that the nominee for Vice-President is a small man.

Saloons stay open night and day but the churches of the living God remain steadfastly closed.

Secretary Taft is at Hot Spring. Indications are he will be in hot water all summer.

With a Kern and Colonel on the ticket the Democrats ought to be satisfied.

## The Negro and the Democratic Party.

Considerable interest is aroused by the report that the Ethiopian is about to change his political skin and vote the Democratic ticket. For forty years the gentleman of the sable have voted conscientiously for Abraham Lincoln without fear of reward; now that they have decided to hold up the arms of the sons of Jeff Davis, we would not be surprised if the Dog tar hitched itself to the Bryan band wagon and the Aurora Borealis offer its services as national committeeman. Levity apart, the new alignment of the negro is a sinister portent indicative of chaos and a presage of confusion.

A negro Democracy will most certainly bring about a Southern white Republicanism. It is the negro that holds the South solidly Democratic. But should the Democratic party—controlled by the North and East take communion with the negroes the South may be expected to take the opposite side. A colored Democracy or a complete negro disfranchisement means a Republican South; take the negro out of politics and the South will divide.

The new alignment means the surrender of the black to white after a contest of forty years. As the negro votes are mostly in the North the Democrats will make a temporary gain—the increase at the North outweighing the loss at the South.

## Freight Rates.

We are not Socialist neither do we believe in government ownership but thinking of the recent decision of the railroads to raise freight rates we regret that that there is not some method by which the railroads could be brought sharp up.

It is after all a foolish thing to do. The railroads have already a dangerous lack of popularity. Do they want to set the nation against them? The people's cup of discontent is already full. They have shown their strength in reducing passenger rates and a little more exasperation will cause them to go and do likewise to the freight rates.

Meanwhile the Socialist and other advocates of government ownership profit by the situation. The higher rates the more discontent, the more Socialism and the more Socialism the less private control of railroads. The railroads are furnishing the rope to hang themselves.

## Lightningbug News.

Correspondence to The Democrat.

Seven Springs July 20, 1908.

Dear Editor:  
It has been a good while since I have seen anything in your valuable paper from this part of the world. So I thought I would give you a few lines this morning.

Crops are looking fine in this part of the country. We have had fine seasons so far this year and if nothing happens there will be a good big crop to gather this fall. There is a large crop of fruit this year. Oh! If we could make brandy we would be in the swim boys. But we would have to stay away from Hickory you bet. If you have to go before Mayor Blackwelder he will give you trouble and lots of it. So all we got to say boys when in Hickory walk straight and keep in the middle of the road for Mr. Blackwelder will not fool you.

I believe Rusticus could preach if he had too. I enjoyed reading his letters very much in the Democrat.

L. S. Jones and wife and little daughter were at the Springs Sunday, they are of North Newton.

Well as the editor don't like too long a letter I will ring off for this time.

A. S. K.

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## A Statement

In way of explanation, as there has been so many inquires we wish to say to the public that we think the people should know the facts in the case. When we went into office two years ago, we took an oath to transact the business of the County honestly and without fear or favor, and according to all the laws in force, and as Board of county commissioners we have simply dared to do our duty. (Now the trouble) The board of Equalization for 1907 had a letter from Hon. A. A. Shuford saying that his Cotton Mill property (bring an incorporation) was too high in proportion to other Cotton Mills in the county, and Mr. Turner a member of the board and a Cotton Mill man thought it best to investigate and call the mill people together according to law which was done, and as you know all corporations are taxed on the Capital stock valuation made out by the State Corporation Commission; so you can see that the county com's can not change the valuation on the Capital Stock of corporations. But we found one Cotton Mill "The Catawba Cotton Mill, in Newton, N. C., not incorporated and still having the old assessment of 1903 not changed by assessors of 1907 and the Chairman and the other members of the board Comms thought that according to the no. of Spindles and in operation that the valuation should be raised 10 per cent at least to bring the valuation equal to the other mills of the county and at that the "pot began to boil" and after a hot speech by the owner it was finally voted down, and the assessment was not changed.

We also let the printing of the annual report out to the lowest bidder which is according to law, and we saved the county a nice sum by it, Though it did not please all the Editors in Newton.

Further—the law as you know fixes the fees allowed on all official work that the county is liable for, we had to cut a few bills down, as we could not allow any more in fees than the law fixes, it being perjury to do so. It was said by some of the bosses that we were to close with County funds, if you will examine the records you will find that is not a fact of course we have tried to handle the finances in a safe business manner, and have made various improvements in the county especially at the Co., Home which will soon be in ship shape and self sustaining.

Of course we expected when we gave certain parties notice to appear before the board that we would go down and out. We have stood for the County's interest as a whole and not for a few individuals and therefore have nothing to undo.

We have ever kept before us the sayings of old Dave Crockett "Be sure you are right and go a head"

I. Alex Yount,  
Q. M. Smith,  
G. Wilfong,  
Samuel Turner.

## Follows Bryan's Lead

Judge Taft in an interview July 18 stated that the Republican National committee would accept no contributions from corporations. Mr. Taft said the Federal law passed in 1907 forbids such contributions. When asked about the Labor vote Mr. Taft asserted that Gompers could not fulfill his promises to Bryan.

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## With the Exchange

From the Globe Democrat—Tenn.  
Mr. Carmack, who was defeated for the Democratic nomination for governor in Tennessee, says "the war has just begun." The Tennessee Republicans have a good chance, but it is a singular fact that they always run a dead heat with the Democrats in factional quarrels.

From the Washington Herald.  
"Up to this time, we believe, President Roosevelt has not gone so far as to call it my Congress," says the Chicago Tribune. Perhaps he doesn't want to claim it as his.

From the Springfield Republican  
Newspaper men from Indiana who ought to be impartial judges of the political situation there, say that the effect of the Kern nomination is likely to be to make the State Democratic this fall. State pride is strong and before this nomination was made there were plenty of signs that Indiana belonged in the column of the doubtful States this year.

From the Buffalo Express.  
The Socialist-Labor party intends to make Martin R. Preston its candidate for President, despite his declination. Mr. Preston, therefore possesses the following positive disqualifications:  
1. He will be in prison for the next twenty-five years.  
2. He has not reached the constitutional age.  
3. He declines to run.

It will be seen that Mr. Preston is an ideal candidate—from the Socialist-Labor point of view.

## Items From Granite Falls.

Senator Foraker is making no noise in bluffs and idle boasts as to his return to the United States Senate. If he does not return Ohio will lose great power and influence and the Senate will be deprived of its ablest member; the country will miss the counsel of its greatest statesman.

"Private overtures have been made to the Senator promising him re-election of Mr. Taft. Senator Foraker is no child, He was attacked in the open; whatever overtures are made to him should be made in open. They should hurriedly be made. If the Senator goes fishing this summer Ohio goes Democratic this fall. If Senator Foraker is denied the support of the Taft force, the Taft force must reckon on the electoral college with Ohio in the other column.

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vention by an overwhelming vote rejected a resolution pledging the party to publicity legislation.

## Catawba Items.

Correspondence to The Democrat.

Miss Mary Lowrance is the guest of her sister Mrs. Blanche Brower at Connelley Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Rector, of Richmond, Va., are visiting at the home of Mr. J. H. Trollinger.

Mr. Cleveland Little, of Newton spent Saturday night and Sunday with his motner Mrs. Eva Little.

Miss Mizzie Hewitt, of Conover is the guest of Miss Nevada Trollinger.

Miss Shirley Harwell is visiting friends in Davidson and Statesville.

Mrs. M. Rufty has returned from Taylorsville where she spent the past week with relatives.

Mrs. John Sherrill, Misses Nora Lowrance, Fanny and Kathrine Cochran are attending the summer school at Newton.

Misses Annie and Johnson Lowrance are visiting their sister Mrs. Andrew at Sedelia.

Miss Eula Sherrill is visiting relatives in Statesville.

Miss Winnie Reid is the guest of her sister Mrs. Mack Brawley at Statesville.

Miss Nevada Trollinger entertained a number of her friends Tuesday night in honor of her guest Miss Lizzie Hewitt.

Mr. George Coulter went to Dr. Long's Sanatorium in Statesville Tuesday where he under went an operation for appendicitis.

Nemo.

## Items From Granite Falls.

Correspondence to The Democrat.

Editor Democrat:

A few lines from our city may not be out of place as it has been some time since our last article. Apples are selling at 15 and 25 cts, per bushel and not much sale at that.

Dr. Flowers is finishing his store house, the second story is being fitted up for a Masonic Hall. We hope to organize a lodge here in the near future.

The Methodist held their District confer ence here last week. The church was dedicated on the 2nd Inst. Dr. J. H. Weaver of Hickory preached the dedicating sermon which was appropriate as well as instructive.

The Baptist are covering their church.

J. N. Flowers and family, of Lawndale are visiting friends and relatives in and near town. Hustler.

We take pleasure in directing our readers' attention to the advertisement appearing elsewhere in our columns of the Southern School of Telegraphy, located at Newman, Ga. There is a great and constantly growing demand for telegraph operators, and we are glad to see this worthy and well-recognized institution doing such creditable work in helping supply that demand. Any young man wishing to learn a good profession should investigate the opportunities offered in the telegraph field by writing at once for the School's free, descriptive literature.

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