

REPUBLICANS HAVE MADE NO MOVE TO PUT OUT A TICKET

Some Speculation Over the Turn State Politics May Take This Year

DEMOCRATS CALL A COMMITTEE MEETING

Republicans Have Issued No Call—Morehead May Oppose Simmons—Court Judges Unopposed

(Special to the Dispatch.)

Raleigh, February 13.—The call of the Democratic executive committee for a meeting March 5 and the absence of any Republican call formed the excuse for a general suspicion here that the Republicans are going to make no fight in the State this year.

The Republicans always precede the Democrats. Often they have their executive committee call and their convention before the Democrats make a start. Their convention March 1 two years ago when the sole object of a meeting appears to have been the overthrow of National Committee-man E. C. Duncan, was long ahead of the Democratic convention which had as much harmony as the Republicans had chaos. Save the hot denunciation of Marion Butler by Cam Morrison, there was hardly any excuse for any meeting.

There is one this year. No rules for the holding of the regular Democratic primary have been laid down and this convention will do that. It will write some sort of a platform, will fill vacancies and of course fix the time of the State convention. It will name a day for pre-convention meetings and county primaries for the selection of delegates to the various conventions. It will fix a common day for holding county conventions.

The convention itself loses greatly in importance each year. It cannot manipulate now as the time-honored institution once did. The primaries settle everything. Of course, the State convention called in conjunction with the meeting of the executive committee Tuesday night, March 5, in the Senate chamber, will be held in advance of the regular June primary.

The Republicans have not justified the Democratic complacency. Perhaps there would have been no such talk if the Republicans had not overthrown their convention. In the 1915 campaign they took such an early start that they were having their executive committee meeting in November, a year ahead of the election. They had a disastrous year in 1916. The defeat of Duncan was such an affront to the better Republican element that it seems to have lost its fighting heart.

Some of the Candidates. Six years ago the ostensible purpose of the Democratic convention was the formulation of a platform, the election of delegates to the national convention and the fixing of primary dates, but the inevitable conclusion of those who heard the conversations of Kitchin and Simmons men was that meetings were a try-out of strength. Everybody was uneasy. People forgot everything that year for the Senate.

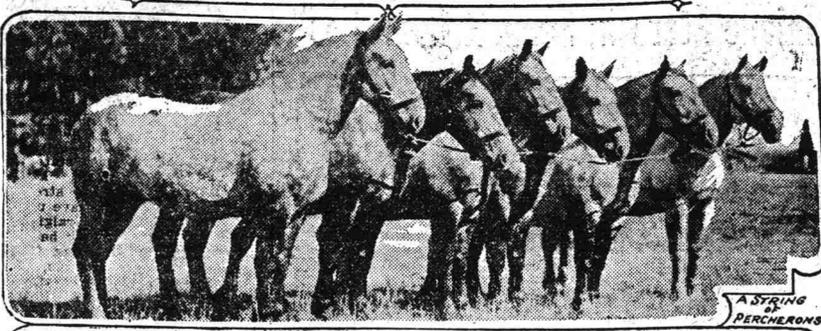
Senator Simmons goes back this year without an opponent. He has absorbed nearly all the honors that he and his friends expected and many they did not look for. There is no hope of starting anything on Simmons now. Similarly Chief Justice Clark and Associates Walker and Allen will get back without another fight.

War between Chief Justice Clark and Judge Allen has been averted but narrowly many times. For the first time since he ascended to the highest bench has Judge Clark met a man many times his match in politics. The State has no department in which politics is so interesting as on that bench. Chairman Tom Warren who told Woodrow Wilson what a beast of a politician Judge Allen is shocked some people, but nobody here. Mr. Wilson could learn from him if he tried. Chief Justice Clark has many times picked up valuable information through Judge Allen who has almost divulged one tenth of what he knows or can do.

These two judges were at legal odds so often that it seemed necessary two years ago to pit Allen against Clark. The one man in all the world that Judge Clark would have dreamed up to him. When Aycock jumped in to the Senatorial race, Simmons whispered "Bill Allen," so all of them say and they all know. Sometimes they accuse Judge Clark of being a politician when he writing in his most learned way the law of the land, or a dissent which in time to come will be the law. When most of the judges most of the politicians they say, "With Allen it is the converse. When Judge Clark is the politician he is always the chief justice."

Two years ago everybody was expecting chief justiceship fought by Allen and Clark. There will be no fight. There will go back without foes. There are 10 superior court judges to be chosen. Three have announced their retirement, Judge G. S. Ferguson of the twentieth, Judge Frank E. Cline of the nineteenth, and Judge E. B. Cline of the seventeenth. In each of these districts contests will doubtless occur. J. W. Haynes, of Asheville, is slated to succeed Judge Carter. B. Finley, of North Wilkesboro, whom Judge Cline defeated, may succeed him. Judge H. Kerr of the

WESTERN CANADA IS FERTILE FIELD FOR HORSE BREEDING.



A STRONG PERCHERONS



ALBERTA RANCH



WESTERN CANADA TYPE

Today is the horse breeders' opportunity. The world's horse market must be restocked. The European war is depleting this market daily and European horse breeders have ceased activities almost entirely. America is called upon to furnish immense shipments of horses and mules for overseas and unless this continent's output of these animals is increased greatly and speedily, the already existing scarcity will develop into dearth. Prices paid for horse flesh have already soared to undreamed-of figures.

Western Canada offers all the needed essentials for the successful breeding of horses and Canadian farmers are not blind to their opportunity. Greater areas of new lands are being broken each season and, while many tractors are used in this work, a majority of farmers still cling to horse power. This creates a large local demand for heavy draft horses. A demand greater than will present supply. A demand that calls for an immense increase in this industry. Western Canada's climate, water and feeds all make for fine draft horses and particularly Percherons, the best liked horse in Canada.

The Percheron brood mare is a double earner, being also the farmer's work horse.

Mr. E. A. Davenport, a successful Alberta breeder of Percherons for many years, contends that environment is at times more powerful a factor than heredity; that the best strains will deteriorate if placed in unfavorable environments. Western Canada, he claims, has soil suitable for the growing of feed that will produce strong, perfect and enduring frames; has a bright, pure and bracing atmosphere that makes for lung development and blood-building; has sufficient mineral matter in food and water to develop dense, flinty bones;

is, in fact, the ideal environment for the breeding of draft horses.

Mr. Davenport lays stress on the commercial value of bran as a horse food. It develops the strong bones, dense tendons, tough hoofs and powerful muscles for which Canadian horses are already famous. He claims that Western Canada can do almost better than any other section of the country, produce draft horses of ideal quality and development as regards frame, vigor, stamina, constitution, action, docility and durability. The Canadian bred Percherons combine the essential requirements necessary in a horse that works hard either in the city or upon the farm.

MUST HAVE PASSED.

No One Allowed in Barred Zone Unless There on Business.

Persons entering the barred zone after 6 o'clock this evening must have permits or passes and the privilege of visiting the river front is to be denied only those who have business there. These passes are issued by the collector of customs and are stamped with the photograph of the bearer. One can go without a pass in event one is accompanied by a person who has a pass and who is willing to vouch for him. Notice to this effect was issued yesterday afternoon by United States District Attorney J. O. Carr.

MEETING COLORED CAFE MEN.

Will Be Addressed by County Food Administrator McCormick.

Colored restaurant keepers and all others interested will attend a meeting to be held at St. Stephen's annex tomorrow night, when Mr. J. G. McCormick, county food administrator and chairman of the New Hanover County Council of Defense, will deliver an address on the rules and regulations governing the sale, purchase and hoarding of foodstuffs. It is hoped that the attendance will be large, as the question to be discussed is one of vital importance.

CONTINUE REGULAR TRIPS.

No Changes Contemplated Concerning the Steamer Wilmington.

Changes in the operation of the steamer Wilmington are not contemplated by her new owners, Capt. L.

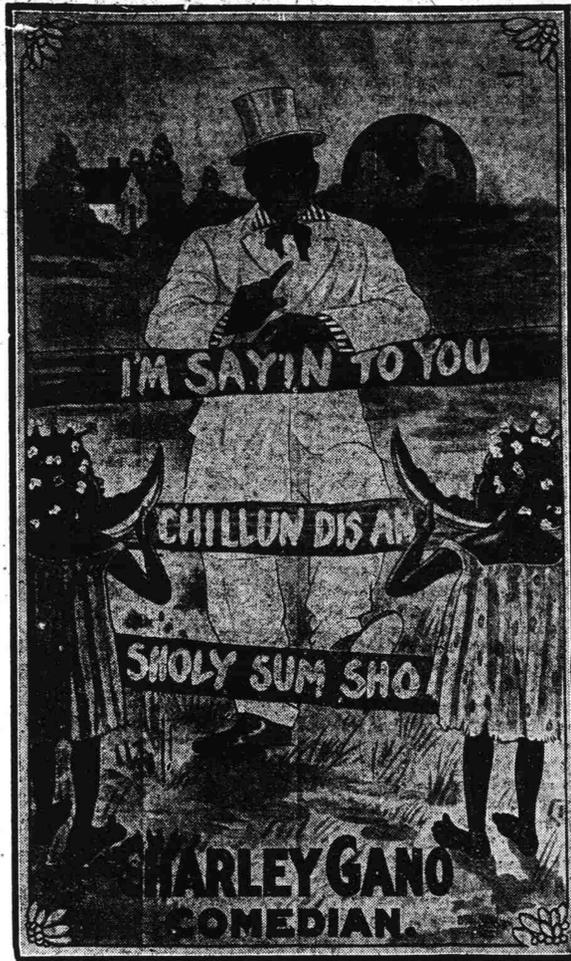
D. Potter and Mr. R. R. Stone, it is announced, and the vessel will continue to operate between this city and Southport, making as many trips daily as necessary to accommodate passenger travel and freight. The only changes anticipated will be with the object of improving the service. Captain Potter, who was born at Southport and who, was for many years a resident of this city, was associated with the late Capt. John W. Harper and this fact makes him all the more determined to keep the Wilmington in the Cape Fear river.

FUNERAL FROM RESIDENCE.

Remains of Mr. Isaac S. King Interred in Bellevue Cemetery.

Funeral services for Mr. Isaac S. King, chief electrician for the Tidewater Power Company for a number of years, were conducted from the residence, No. 716 South Sixth street, yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock by Elder J. E. Scott, pastor of the Fourth Street Advent Christian church, and interment was made in Bellevue cemetery under the auspices of the Improved Order of Red Men, of which organization the deceased was a member. Many beautiful floral designs were sent and the last sad rites were attended by a concourse of sorrowing friends who assembled to pay tribute to one who was respected and esteemed by all who knew him.

The pallbearers were: Honorary Messrs. Harry F. Woolcott, H. B. Bailey, T. B. Willard and Raymond Hunt. Active Messrs. Roy Woodbury, D. H. Barnett, J. W. Capps, Geo. C. Jackson, George Hewlett and J. R. Davis.



Well Known Burnt Cork Entertainer, Appearing with Coburn's Greater Minstrels, Academy of Music Tonight.

THEATRE

COBURN'S GREATTR MINSTRELS.

"Darktown's Submarine Chasers," the latest comedy travesty of Charlie Gano, who is Joe Coburn's principal comedian and producer, is claimed to be the best of all his many funny black-face acts. It's a scream and running over with funny situations dialogue, etc. A special set is carried for this act showing the deck and upper works of a "chaser" manned by the heroic defenders, and introducing torpedoes, German submarines, man-eating sharks and battles gators. Gano is one of the most versatile minstrel comedians on the road, popular, courteous and clever. Clean fun and plenty of it at the Academy of Music tonight, with Coburn's Greater Minstrels. The prices are 50 cents, 75 cents and \$1. Tickets are now selling at Elvington's.

THE IMPOSTER.

Miss Ann Murdock, one of the most fascinating of the late Charles Frohman's constellation of stars, is at her best in "The Imposter," latest of the Frohman speaking stage successes to be produced pictorially under Empire-Mutual auspices, at the Grand Tomorrow. "The Imposter" is a clever little play, full of vivid action and replete with dramatic situation and sparkling comedy. Miss Murdock flits from grave to gay with charming ease and grace, making the play live by her ready adaptation to the innumerable requirements of the role. The photography and stage settings are of the finest and that distinguished director, Dell Helderson, has made the most of his opportunities which are many and varied.

Miss Murdock leaves nothing to be desired in her interpretation of the

part of Mary Fenton—little country girl projected suddenly without a cent in the world, into the maelstrom of New York's pseudo fashionable world.

A NEW, BIG BILL.

An all-new bill from beginning to end will be presented at the Royal for two days, matinee and night, beginning with matinee this afternoon at 3 o'clock, when Joe Carr's famous Belles of Broadway will present for the approval, edification and enjoyment of Wilmington amusement lovers a tabloid version of one of Broadway's biggest musical comedy successes.

Eight girls, all young and good looking, will feature the chorus work of the organization in this big bill again, and they will display some of the most gorgeous costumes ever seen on the Royal stage, with uniqueness and novelty the predominating and outstanding feature of their attire.

All new dance and song specialties, a stirring patriotic interlude and some big comedy and dialogue specialties will also feature today's big bill.

Seek Whiskey.

New Orleans, Feb. 13.—Federal Judge Foster yesterday continued until next Thursday the hearing on the application of seven liquor dealers of Alexandria and Monroe, La., for an order to compel the Wells Fargo Express Company agents to accept shipment of liquor for Texarkana, Texas. The agents, the plaintiffs alleged, refused to accept liquor for Texarkana, on the ground it would have to be carried through "dry" counties in Texas, which they held would violate the Federal "bone dry" law.

Cracker pudding is a delicious affair served with lemon sauce.

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