

# Watauga Democrat.

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E. C. Rivers, Editor and Proprietor

Hackett Endorsed.

The time has come when the voters in the Eighth Congressional district should look forward to the choice of a candidate for Congress.

The dawn of a new political era is beginning to illuminate the eastern horizon of the government. The strife between the money powers and the "common people" is more terrific than ever before. We, as the common people should with great interest and zeal strive incessantly to place in Congress a man who, with undaunted courage will stand and plead for our needs. The person we wish to place before the public is a man worthy of the nomination in every respect. For the past eighteen years he has been an ardent, zealous soldier of the great principles of Democracy.

When the dark clouds of political warfare hovered over the Democratic party; when the keen lightning flashes of party strife played across its bosom; when the rattling thunder of Republicanism belted forth in awful roaring and hissing sounds that threatened to rend the Democratic party from center to circumference, this illustrious son stood true in the dark hour of defeat.

Go, from where the blue waves of the Atlantic lap the golden sand to where the majestic mountains rear to heaven their lofty summits; go from the dry, hot region of New Bern to the balmy air of Ashe, and no place in this great State can we find a person more suitable or better prepared to represent us in Congress than R. N. Hackett, of Wilkes county.

Awake, ye that slumber in sweet repose, whose eyelids are heavy with the sleep of despondency! Awake! The old Ship of State has been drawn up, her sails are spread and are being wafted by the strong breeze of politics. Look well that Hon. R. N. Hackett is on board for Congress.

F. A. CAUDILL, Valle Crucis, N. C.

President Roosevelt's intense dislike of "the man with the muckrake" can hardly be wondered at, for "the man" has uncovered so many scandals that the Roosevelt Administration will go down into history as the most disreputable era of Republican supremacy. If there had been no muck, the rake would have remained idle. Was not a rake necessary to uncover the insurance grafting, the postal frauds, the land frauds, the Panama grafting and mismanagement, and would President Roosevelt have prevented the exposure of these scandals, because it unmasked the corruption or connivance of some of the highest officials, but the man who does stir up the muck in an evenhanded manner, telling the truth without fear, or favor is a public benefactor. The fact is, the Republican Politicians had become so entrenched in power that the grafters thought anything they did, however vicious, would be unobserved by the people, but the man with the rake with his publicity, exposed them and the Republican party which was responsible for them.

It was beautiful and suggestive too that the first cities to help stricken San Francisco were those who had suffered themselves.

Just now, it does seem that Nature has truly exerted herself in making this section one of the prettiest to be found on the face of the earth. The orchards, with promise of an abundant crop of fruit, are acres of ground having the appearance of being bestudded with huge boquets; the early gardens are beautiful, and the fields, carpeted in green, together with the low hum of the bee, the warble of the bird, and balmy breeze ever wafting sweet perfumes on their gentle wings, go to make Watauga almost an earthly paradise. The Great Being has indeed spread blessings abundant around us and surely we should be the happiest and most contented people to be found.

We glean from the News and Observer that the two revenue agents, Samuels and Hasty, who were convicted of an assault upon Editor R. A. Deal, of the Wilkesboro Chronicle, are now seeking pardons. The counsel for the prisoners have made application for their pardon, and the Governor will consider the application later. The assailants were convicted of an assault and sentenced to six months each on the roads. This sentence was to go into effect the 3rd of May. Gov. Glenn, in order that he might be might investigate the appeal for pardon, granted the men a respite until the first of June.

The Democratic Congressional Convention for this the Eighth district, has been called to meet in Statesville on Tuesday, June the 12th, for the purpose of nominating a candidate for Congress. The people of this part of the district are highly pleased that the convention is to be held in Statesville as it is much more accessible for us than Wilkesboro. The moving little city is well prepared with hotel facilities to care for all who may attend as delegates or visitors.

The Tar Heel says that the Hon. R. Z. Linney has named the place for the holding of the Republican State Convention, but the time hasn't yet been set. Mr. Linney suggested some time since, you remember, that unless the rascality among Republican officials in North Carolina could be curbed in some way, the next State Convention would be held in the penitentiary. It is now up to this distinguished gentleman to name the time.

It is a strict violation of the law to shoot harmless birds, yet we are told, shame that it is, that there are young men within the corporate limits of Boone who shoot with impunity every bird they can. This is not only a violation of the law, but an outrage to the community, and every one guilty of it should be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. Shame on you boys! For pity's sake don't be guilty of this again.

A fearful tornado swept over Belevue Texas April 27, in which 13 were killed and 600 left homeless. Only four houses were left standing. After the storm passed over the fire broke out and finished the job. The destruction was complete. The loss of property will reach \$200,000.

New York has raised a vast sum for the benefit of the suffering people of San Francisco. The collections from all sides will probably reach \$3,000,000. The collections came from the rich and the poor. Even school children gave their savings. One man walked into the City Hall, laid twenty-five one thousand dollar bills on the table and went off without telling his name.

A Washington dispatch says that all of the high officials united in commemorative ceremony over the body of John Paul Jones, the first American Admiral. April the 24th is the anniversary of Jones' victory over the British frigate Drake. The remains of Jones were unearthed in Paris last year, and brought to America.

That Senator Elkins of West Virginia should declare in a speech in the Senate that he is the best friend the railroad rate bill has, either indicates that the railroad do not fear that measure will hurt them, or that the Senator begins to fear the people, who will soon have his case under consideration. His vote on amendments and on the final passage of the bill will be closely watched by his constituents.

The late tilt between Republican State Chairman Rollins and Judge Bynum made very interesting reading, but the talented judge so completely demolished Rollins on the first round that if he has spoken since it has not been in print.

A special to the Citizen says that John Owens, a farmer of Rowan county, was literally cut to pieces on the morning of the 25th ult., by a neighbor, John Brady, the result of an old family feud. The murderer made his escape.

Congressman Longworth has been trying to help father-in-law out by telling the Hamilton club of Chicago that the present cry of dishonesty has the elements of hysteria. There is a general objection by Republican politicians to exposing the grafters.

If the long debate in the Senate over the railroad rate bill was not occupying the Republican Senators, they might be doing something worse. It's only a week or two ago they passed the steal known as the ship-subsidy bill.

Both the Republican congressmen from Oregon are appealing for new trials on the indictments for connection with the land frauds, and the grand jury at Portland has just indicted another batch charged with the same offence.

Mrs. Irene Craven, widow of the late Braxten Craven, founder of Trinity College, died at her home in Trinity in her 83rd year.

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Another prophet has predicted that the end of time will be in 1908. Lee Spangler an evangelist and Bible student, has self-styled himself as the last of the prophets. The Baltimore Sun says that he predicted the death of Me Kinley and Queen Victoria. He says that the summer of 1907, will be hot and sultry, with a high death rate. His prophecies were made known in December last, and it appears that they are already being fulfilled. The eruption of Mt. Vesuvius, and the earthquake at San Francisco, which he predicted, have come to pass. He may guess well enough to hit some things, but as to the end of time, he will fail as did Muther Shipton and all who have tried, have failed.

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First tract lying on the south side of Dugger's Knob, on Triplett's branch of Buffalo creek, beginning on a pine, chestnut and chestnut oak on the ridge between said branch and Joe's Fork, running N. 40 poles to two chestnuts and a locust, then E. 5 poles, thence N. 40 poles, thence E. 65 poles, thence S. 110 poles, thence W. 80 poles, then 50 poles to the beginning, containing 50 acres or less, being grant No. 47, granted to David E. Horton Jan 23 1851.

Second tract granted to David E. Horton by grant No. 2162, on the 24th day of Dec., 1836. This land lies in what was formerly Ashe county, on the waters of New River, now Watauga county. Beginning on a chestnut on top of Blue Ridge, in the old county line and near the Big Gap and runs N. 77 poles to a stake, then W. 126 poles, crossing a branch to a stake, then S. 49 poles to a chestnut in the old county line, then with the meanders of the county line to the beginning, containing 50 acres.

Third tract: Granted to David E. Horton on Dec. 28, 1854, by grant No. 458, on waters of Joe's Fork, branch of Buffalo Creek. Beginning on a chestnut tree in the Low Gap of the Blue Ridge, a corner of David E. Horton's 50 acre tract running west 40 poles to a chestnut near the top of the ridge, then running south 56 poles to a stooping black oak, then east with said line 40 poles to a stake corner, then north 22 poles to a maple, his corner, then east 56 poles to a stake, then north 99 poles to a stake, then west 36 poles to a stake, then south 25 poles to a stake, then 12 poles to a stake, thence to the beginning, containing 50 acres more or less.

Fourth tract: Granted to Edmund Wilson by grant No. 203 and conveyed by him to David E. Horton by deed dated Jan. 15, '55, lying on Joe's Fork of Buffalo Creek, beginning on a chestnut on the side of the road leading from Levoir to Ashe county, and runs east 20 d to a chestnut on a cliff of rocks, then south six poles to a stake on the creek bank, thence south 4nd, east down and with the meanders of said creek 100 poles to a poplar and ash on the west bank of said creek, thence west 82 poles to a stake then to the beginning, containing 25 acres.

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