

Watauga Democrat

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The Disparager at Blowing Rock. Mr. Editor: After a short pose, in full view of his hearers, with that dignity which characterizes a man who says he is second to none...

He began his harangue by his usual quotation, and in order for me to follow his own sequence, I will be compelled, in order to do his speech justice, to put my arrangement in some embarrassment.

He first gave a lecture on the subject of thought, entered an urgent plea for the voters to think before they voted, and I think some of his hearers did think, for several of his own party said before they left the ground, that they could not vote for him.

He next alighted from his high perch, and gave Southern chivalry its death blow, and certainly offered an insult to every thinking Democrat and Republican, who lives in the South.

In short, his speech was little more than criticism and abuse. He charged the Governor of North Carolina with spending \$500,000 of the people's money to entertain President Roosevelt just because Mr. Roosevelt had dined with Booker Washington.

Had Mr. Blackburn stopped here, there might have been some of the crowd left in doubt as to his abilities and fitness for office; but it is to be remembered that the mocking bird always lets you know that he is a mocking bird before he quits singing, and so it was with the Congressman.

His reason "for not meeting his opponent, he said, "was because he (Mr. Hackett) was not a decent man," What was the matter with Mr. Blackburn four years ago when he failed to meet Mr. Kluttz? This question can be answered by any unprejudiced man. It is not, as every voter should know, Mr. Hackett's "indecent" Mr. Blackburn dislikes, but he fears to face his opponent and the people on account of his own iniquities.

tried to excuse himself by saying that the man who made the affidavit had been indicted several times. Now if men who have been indicted word is not to be taken, the voters had better be careful who they believe.

He then referred to Mr. Hackett's drinking, and said in a very boastful manner that he (Mr. B.) had never graduated from the Keely Institute and certainly from all reports this is a self-evident fact.

His speech was a disappointment and was but abuse and vituperation, and I am not sure of but three men that were glad they were there, and they were men who had bills, protested checks, etc. against Mr. Blackburn with the hope of getting their pay out that Mercenary thousand.

He referred to those bills, (which has been the talk about Blowing Rock for some time) owing that he owed his livery bill, but left the impression with the people that he did not owe a board bill or anything of the kind. Nevertheless the board bill and the protested check together with the drug bill which was of two years standing was presented to him in person, for one of the gentlemen said he was afraid to risk the mail as Mr. Blackburn had always failed to get mail of this kind.

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Here is an extract from the Elkin Enterprise that should be read by every voter before he casts his ballot next Tuesday: For several weeks the Industrial News of Greensboro, has been charging, in every issue, "Democratic extravagance and incompetency."

A VOTER. Blowing Rock, N. C.

Next Tuesday will decide the contest between the parties in the county, State and nation. We want to impress upon every voter the necessity of knowing why he votes as he does and why he votes for the man he does. In our county affairs the time has come when every citizen should see to it that the man for whom he votes is worthy of his suffrage and will make a brave, fearless official, who will do his whole duty regardless of the consequences.

I have been accused of firing the first shot, which is false, and just as I give this I can prove it by 6 witnesses and a part of their crowd. Hodges knocked on the door. In answer to his knock I escaped the window and ran as fast as it was possible for me to. The crowd opened fire and fired about 40 shots. I made a narrow escape, and thought more than once that I was hit, one ball glancing my side.

I ran in six feet of Hodges and Green; told the sheriff to stand back and he gave me all the room I needed. I think they ran as fast as I. In time of the fight one man, Potter, fired three shots at me, and in response I fired at him to hit. My weapon was a Smith & Wesson 45. By this time Hodges had disappeared and I drove all out but Tom Watson. He and I were very good friends and talked of the bond, and I was informed that there were no papers for me at all. I am sure, I think, in saying that the crowd was drinking.

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Mr. Editor: I wish through the columns of your paper to state a few facts in regard to a small battle which took place at my home on August the 28th, 1906, in which Sheriff Hodges, Tom Watson, and eight or nine more were engaged. It has been misrepresented, and I wish to give the true statement.

For a number of weeks I had been in West Virginia at work. I have a large family all of whom are dependent upon me. During my absence my whole family was taken with the measles, and I came home to see them. At about 2 o'clock one morning I discovered that these men were around my house. The raid was made at about 6 o'clock.

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- North Fork, W. N. Thomas' Store, Tues. Oct. 16, 1906. Bald Mountain, Voting Place, Wed. " 17, 1906. Meat Camp, Soda Hill, Thur. " 18, 1906. Stony Fork, Voting Place, Fri. " 19, 1906. Elk, Voting Place, Sat. " 20, 1906. Blue Ridge, G. L. Stories Store, " 23, 1906. Blowing Rock, Voting Place, Wed. " 24, 1906. Watauga, Shull's Mills, Thurs. " 25, 1906. Shawnee, L. M. Banner's Store, Fri. " 26, 1906. Beech Mount Loggy Gap, Sat. " 27, 1906. Laurel Creek, Voting Place, Wed. " 31, 1906. Beaver Dams, Voting Place, Thurs. Nov. 1, 1906. Cove Creek, Mable, Fri. " 2, 1906. Boone, Sat. " 3, 1906.

The County Candidates will be present at these appointments. Everybody come out and pay your taxes, shake hands and have a good time. Respectfully, JOHN W. HODGES, Sheriff.

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