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Senator Simmons' Speech.

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Arraigns Roosevelt and Republicans— State Issues Discussed—His Defense of Watts Law.

At the democratic barbecue in the academy grove last Thursday, Hon. P. M. Simmons, the senior Senator from North Carolina, addressed the greatest assemblage of people ever gathered in Randolph.

The grove was thronged with mostly democrats, who had fought under his leadership as Chairman of the State Committee through many hard fought campaigns. It was a great reunion and the first opportunity that many of our citizens ever had to hear the distinguished speaker. The speech was received amid loud cheering.

His mention of the Watts Law and the attitude of the democratic party on that issue was received with long and hearty applause, showing clearly the feeling of our citizens on that question.

At eleven o'clock the crowd was called to order and Dr. T. H. Wood led in prayer. Mayor E. M. Pitt welcomed the great crowd and Chairman in appropriate words introduced the speaker, Col. A. C. McAlis for presiding over the meeting.

THE SPEECH.

Senator Simmons said in part: "The object of all political meetings is to discuss the questions of the hour and what to vote for. The chief thing to consider in determining how to vote are the candidate and the issues, and the questions which every voter should ask himself are: what is the character of the candidates and what do they stand for. I will not take up your time to discuss the relative qualifications of the candidates of the two parties for State positions. The contrast is so great there is really no room for comparison. The better side of the absurd lack of fitness of the men the Republican party have nominated to rule over the people of this great State could be easily shown, if necessary. But every one knows the fate of that ticket, and there is no disposition to add humility to defeat. I feel about this like everybody else seems to feel and while I cannot restrain an outburst of pride in the magnificent equipment and qualifications of our State candidates, in a spirit of charity I prefer to be silent about the defects the Republican party has put up for slaughter in this State. That ticket died, as it deserved to die, aborning, and I have been taught from my childhood that it was neither good manners nor good religion to speak ill of the dead.

"My friends, I am proud and the Democratic party is proud, and justly so, of the great and good man who has been nominated for President. The Republicans, likewise pretend to feel pride in their candidate, but after living in Washington for more than three years, in more or less touch with the leaders of Republican thought and feeling, I can say to you with absolute candor that when Senator Thurston, a great Republican leader, said a short time before the Chicago convention, that Roosevelt was a candidate everybody was for and nobody wanted, he expressed a feeling widely prevalent among those Republicans who do not belong to the one hundred thousand placemen who carry Roosevelt commissions in their pockets.

"There are two things which the President seems to regard as indispensable faults. One is to live in the South and be a negro, and the other is to walk on two legs and eat hard-boiled eggs. I have a pistol in each hip-pocket and a sword in each hand.

"It would seem that the Populists would be against Roosevelt also, for in his wholesale abuse of nearly everybody, he has put the Populists down a little bit lower than everybody else. In his book on American Ideals, page 23, Vol. II, he declares that the Populists consider religion immoral; that they regard with suspicion frequently people who attend church; and that they consider their faith and industry and the payment of honest debts as altogether wrong—and not understanding, but as yet not so understanding, Butler, and even Marston, 'our noble leader,' is for Roosevelt, hand, pocket, full, tooth and nail; and it is said he is going to and fro, up and down the land, in the interest of Roosevelt, seeking to revive and re-organize the disembodied spirits of that defunct old organization in the interest of Roosevelt and to rally them for Roosevelt's decoy ticket headed by 'our other noble leader,' Thomas Watson.

"The success of Butler and Watson in this nefarious enterprise will depend upon the number of post-offices, saw-paw places, or something equally as good, which may be given to the distribution among the members of the ticket in North Carolina. I regret to say, many Populists who can do more for the temptations of a postoffice than a hungry negro can do for a chicken coop—a nice, gaudy, high postoffice, seat, and gaudy, with good, comfortable, deerskin covered seats. If Roosevelt should hand out one of these post-offices before these revenue Populists and my friends, 'This I will give unto thee if thou wilt but fall down and worship me and my doctrine,' his mouth will be open crying, 'Populists, Populists, the name of Roosevelt, protection and the gold standard, forgive me, O, good and merciful Octopus, for all I have

A Scene at the Republican National Convention.



The above cut shows another scene in the Republican National Convention at Chicago which nominated Mr. Roosevelt for the presidency of the United States.

Mr. Roosevelt was placed in nomination by ex-Governor Black, of New York. His nomination was seconded by Harry Smythe Cummings, a negro from the city of Baltimore. Some of our Republican friends have been denying that Mr. Roosevelt's nomination was seconded by a negro. But the denial is in line with the campaign of misrepresentation which they are making. Of course no respectable Republican will deny that the President's nomination was seconded by the peanut grade. "Without Theodore Roosevelt as President of the United States," declared the negro orator at a banquet in Washington, "that dark cloud which threatens desolation to the colored race will be without a silver lining." President Roosevelt is the charm for every woe, as far as the colored man is concerned today. "Fortunate indeed are our colored fellowcitizens that in Mr. Roosevelt they find a charm for every woe. No such blessing is vouchsafed to the white race. Mr. Roosevelt a charm, a charm for every woe," so far as the colored man is concerned. Let our Republican friends cease their denials. He is simply a candidate of the negro-whiskey party in North Carolina. Judge Parker stands for white supremacy and temperance. Reader, which will you support?—Smithfield Herald.

Mr. Dooginshield on the Situation.

Mike Dooginshield Writes his Political Brother Another Letter.

Billingsgate, N. C., Oct. 29, 1904.

Dear Pat—I'm a hustin' out of this crowd into now. Whoosh, its'nted! Niggers, licker, doodles, bongsomblers, stillers—gawdlikin, I never see' the like! Parjurers, falsifiers, back-biters, hypocrites, the Sodenites wood a been ornaments, peshus jacks, compared with em! Pat, if the good onest Republicans used they'd quit votin the ticket if they had to stay away from the election to do it. I thought that I was makin' smthin by changin my pol'ytics, but I woodent associate with this crowd of revenue doodles that a bossin the party for all the pol'ytics Roosevelt wood give me. Wily Tally may change his pol'ytics just as often as he wants to do it, but when I get back into the old Democratic party I'm a goin to stay till Old Father Time cum along with his mowin scythe. I use to have confidence in Wily. When he was a fannin at the mouth for prohibition, I thought he ment it; but now sence he's a rumin for the Stait Senit in the interest of the Licker Dealers' Assosiashe I've lost all confidence in his prohibishan talk.

I'm not a denyin that theree lots of good men that dont no this crowd that a rumin the Republican party, and vote for em; but if they jist used that BIG BOSS JEEEMES MILLIKIN was a gettin his money from the Stait Licker Dealers' Assosiashe to run this campaign with they'd not vote it. If they jist used that little boss HEDDICK had to do everything BIG BOSS MILLIKIN tells him to do there'd be war in the Republican camp. Nobody but revenue doodles and licker dealers has anything to say about the way things is managed in the Republican party this year. I asked one of em the other day if the Republicans that didnt make and sell licker and didnt have any revenue offis had anything to do with it. He said that they didnt have anything to do but to keep their mouths shut and vote for the men that the revenue doodles and the licker dealers tell em to vote for. They dont think that a men's got wence cum to have anything to say to pol'ytics unless he's a revenue officer or a bungameller or a licker dealer.

Them old revenue doodles is a goin around and tellin the temperance Republicans that the Democrats will repeal all the temperance laws if they're elected. Who ever heard tell of old licker soakers a tryin to instruct temperance people about what they should do to promote temperance? When they do that the temperance Republicans ought to say, "Get behind me, Satan." They'll tell anything to get a vote. They'll get plenty of money from the Licker Dealers' Assosiashe to

dollars in det. Two years ago they said \$8 thousand dollars, and if you'll wait two more years they'll have it up to forty-ate thousand nine hundred and ninety-one dollars and sixty-three cents and two and a-seventh mills. If the county didnt owe a cent and had \$100 thousand dollars in the bank Roe wood say it was in det, because the revenue doodles tell him so. I'll bet ten shillins that Roe cant take the books and figger out how much the county has received and how much it has spent, in ten years. When he gets the answer he'd haft to ask a revenue doodle if he was rite. If Roe wood look at things as he ought to do he'd see that follerin them revenue doodles is a makin his ears look nitty long and his voice is a gettin nitty coarse.

Now, theres Tige again! He went up in Davie county the other day and told em he had royal blud in his veins. Dont that beat the dickens! Tige a tryin to let on like he's King of Beasts! People woodent have objected to his claim to be the Royal Ben Gall Tiger, but they want him to understand that one stroke from the paw of the old lion of Montgomery wood make him houl like a houn puppy. What'll he do next? I need that he thought he owned Randimim, but I wassent expectin him to proclaim himself a king. After the election he'll want everybody that sees him a walkin along the streets of Randlemian to bawl out, "Hale to King Tige! Hale to King Tige! Sun boys did hale on Tige is one of the strongest Republican townships in this county ones, but it was with eggs almost an old as Tige.

Pat, I jist wish that I wood tell you what kind of a crowd this is that I have been led off by. You've heard about the old blind nigger a buntin a black cat in a dark cellar at mid-nite when the moon didnt shine, haunt you? Well thats dark, but its nowhere to be compared with em of the things them revenue doodles and licker dealers that a rumin this campaign for the Republicans is a doin to get people to vote for the Republicans for the lejislacher. Oh, sich dark desad! Its enuff to make old Lnsifer hide face in shame to see em a beatin him so bad. If these Republican pol'yshens is in favor of temperance what do they want to bring back the stills and saloons for? Why do they fite the Watts law? Pat, I've thought a good deal about the future, but it makes no difference what I do I'll never be sent off with a worse crowd than doodles and licker dealers. How do you reckon I feel sence I got out from among em? I feel jist like I'd wollerid in a mud-hole because I had sent other hogs at it. I wonder why all the good, onest Republicans dont levee the party. They dont do what these revenue doodles is a doin or they wood never vote for their crowd as long as Roosevelt eats with niggers.

Did you ever reel about the time when it was as dark as pitch all over Ejipt, and the frogs crawled up in the beds with foaks? Well that was paradiise compared with a Ananias club, and I'd ruther sleep with frogs than revenue doodles. I'm glad that I've got out from among em. I heard a old nigger preacher the other day explainin what a turribul place it was in the pittoomless hot, and I told him if he wanted to scare foaks to tell em about them Ananias clubs. He said that one time they was a makin three men out of mud. They had em all stood up against the fence to dry. When the man that put in the brains cum around he put a hole lot in the first man's head, and that man made a farmer, and sum of his boys was smart boys. When he cum to the second man he didnt put much brains in his head because it woodnt hold em, and him and his children always believed everything anybody told em, whether its the truth or not. Jist before he got to the other feller with he branes he run away without any. That man and his children all made revenue doodles. So you see theres three classes of people to deal with in this campaign, and I jist told you this to show you how it happened.

Them revenue doodles and licker dealers has got no pol'ytics. You take away their business and their pie and they'll go against the side that took it away. They're jist like a Democrat knat, and then go and swaller a hole caravan of Republican camels. They're swollerid camels till the pore old beast is almost extincted. I wish, by golly, they'd swallow Tige.

Roe Allen says that when the fussions cum into power in this county the county was \$11 thousand

hippopotimms than to be a takin sides with politishens that are bought out lock, stock and barrel by the Stait Licker Dealers' Association. Everything is afraid of these revenue doodles and licker dealers. When I run away I thought I was all the thing about there that was afraid of em, but when I looked around I seed sum sheep-killin dogs and sum panthers and hyenas and gorillas a rumin for deer life. I never thought about gettin scared at these animals I was so scared at revenue doodles and licker soakers, and the animals was so scared that they never offered to bother me. Its awful comphy that makes a man glad to get away from it, even if he has to run away with panthers and hyenas and gorillas. But let me tell you one thing. If the next lejislacher is controlled by the revenue doodles there will be so many stills in this country that all the rattin snakes will get scared and levee it. If those licker dealers wood wait a little while Old Father Time wood give em all a free pass to a country where theres no laws against makin licker.

Pat, tell every onest man in yore neighborhood how these fellers is a doin in this campaign, and tell em to vote for the Democrats and the Watts Law and the Constitutional Amendment, yes and good schools. I'm a goin to vote that way.

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