

MEET TO SIFT FRAUD CHARGES

South Carolina Democratic Chairman to Take Drastic Action if Corruption is Proved.

20,000 ILLEGAL VOTES IN GOVERNOR'S RACE

Minors and Non-Residents Cast Ballots It is Claimed—Tillman Urges Rigid Inquiry.

Columbia, Aug. 30.—Charges of fraud by stuffing the ballot boxes with 20,000 illegal votes, the voting of minors and non-residents and the meeting of the state democratic executive committee here today served to turn searchlights into a seething cauldron of discontent.

After some routine matters had been disposed of the state executive committee decided to adjourn until Tuesday, when the gubernatorial contests will be decided and other contests heard.

The heavy vote for the governor has called forth much comment and there have been frequent charges of irregularities. So far three counties have recounted the ballots and in three more recounts are now going on and in others irregularities, of a minor nature, were allowed to pass.

Senator Benjamin Tillman last night set a telegram to Chairman Evans, directing attention to the new reports that 20,000 too many votes were cast in the primary.

Senator E. R. Tillman has been nominated for the fourth term having received 72,042 votes to 36,543 for W. J. Talbert and 27,879 for N. B. Dial.

WOMAN AND 6 CHILDREN INCINERATED IN HOUSE

Her Husband and One Son Escape from Firetrap by Leap.

Rutherford, N. J., Aug. 30.—Mrs. Emilie Debaré and six of her seven children, ranging from five months to 12 years of age, perished early today in a fire which destroyed their home.

TO GET RED HAT

Philadelphia Hears that Mgr. Kennedy is to be Advanced to the Cardinalate.

Philadelphia, Pa., Aug. 30.—Mgr. Thomas F. Kennedy, rector of the American college at Rome, is about to receive the red hat of a cardinal, according to private messages received here by a papal courtier who is supposed to be in close touch with the doings of the Vatican.

Senator Stephenson Has Cold. Escanaba, Mich., Aug. 30.—Reports received today from United States senator Isaac Stephenson's fishing camp in the woods state that the senator is suffering with a cold and that the condition is not as grave as at first reported.

MOREHEAD FAVORS SINGLE TICKETS

Agrees to Pearson's Suggestion for Separate Electoral, Joint Local Action.

The following letter and telegraphic reply are self-explanatory: "Hon. J. M. Morehead, Chairman, etc.,

"Dear Sir: "Seeing that the conflict of opinion between the supporters of Mr. Roosevelt and Mr. Taft is irreconcilable and that a separate electoral ticket for each in North Carolina is inevitable, allow me to ask if you are disposed to agree with the supporters of Mr. Roosevelt on a single state ticket and single county tickets in opposition to the democratic nominees for state and county offices?"

"Sincerely yours, "RICHMOND PEARSON." "Asheville, Aug. 27, 1912. "Hon. Richmond Pearson, "National Committeeman, "Asheville. "Your letter of the 27th received. Am heartily in accord with your suggestions as to state and county tickets and congratulate you upon inaugurating a program that if carried out will avert an otherwise inevitable rupture of the party. Am writing. (Signed) "JOHN M. MOREHEAD, "Spray, N. C., Aug. 28, 1912."

U.S. GOVERNMENT INDICTS STANDARD CORPORATION ALLEGED TO HAVE VIOLATED THE DECREE OF DISSOLUTION.

Dallas, Tex., Aug. 30.—The federal grand jury of the Northern district of Texas late yesterday returned an indictment against a number of prominent oil men as representatives of the Standard Oil company. The charge is restraint of trade and commerce and unlawful conspiracy and combination in violation of the anti-trust laws.

It is alleged the individual defendants, the Standard Oil company and the Magnolia Petroleum company conspired to destroy the business of the Pierce-Fordyce association of Texas. The specific offense is alleged to have occurred June 29, 1912. The names of the following persons appear in the indictment: Calvin N. Paine of Tusculum, Pa.; John D. Archbold of New York; Henry C. Folger, Jr. of New York; John Seashell of Galveston; A. C. Eble of Dallas; E. R. Teagle of Plainfield, N. J.; and the Standard Oil company of New York, and the Standard Oil company of New Jersey and the Magnolia Petroleum company of Texas.

ORGANIZE TO RAISE MONEY FOR CAMPAIGN

North Carolina Democratic Finance Committee Lays Plan to Gather Shekels.

Special to The Gazette-News. Raleigh, Aug. 30.—The finance committee of North Carolina of Governor Wilson's campaign met in democratic headquarters today and perfected an organization by selecting A. W. McLean of Lumberton as chairman and Hugh McRae of Wilmington as secretary-treasurer.

The state will be organized into districts with a strong man in each county, and contributions will be solicited. An active canvass will be made for subscriptions. Col. Roosevelt at St. Albans, Vt.

St. Albans, Vt., Aug. 30.—Col. Roosevelt arrived from Burlington this morning and made the first address of the day before a crowd in a public square. A large part of the crowd were farmers, some of whom rode many miles to hear him. Roosevelt continued his attack on Archbold and Penrose. After his address the colonel started by automobile over the hills for Morrisville.

Briefs to Manganua. San Juan del Sur, Aug. 30.—A force of 500 American bluejackets and marines left Cortina today to re-establish railroad and telegraphic communication with Manganua, practically cut off from communication with the outside world. Food is becoming scarcer daily here and in the cities held by the rebels. Granada and Manganua, which are in the hands of rebels are almost deprived of provisions. A courier succeeded today in finding the only outlying telegraph that had not been destroyed.

Episcopal Bishop Dead. Rio de Janeiro, Aug. 30.—Bishop Charles C. Griffin of Rio de Janeiro, Episcopal diocese died here this morning.

T. R. GOES AFTER FARMER VOTE

Makes Especial Plea for Rural Support in Opening His Campaign in Vermont.

INSISTS ON REPEAL OF RECIPROCITY ACT

Declares Democratic Tariff Proposals Would Ruin Agricultural Interests Without Aiding Consumer.

Burlington, Vermont, Aug. 30.—For 150 miles former President Roosevelt raced over Vermont roads in automobiles yesterday, proclaiming the doctrines of the progressive party. He made eight speeches and his day's work lasted from 9 a. m. until nearly midnight. When he arrived in Burlington, where he spent the night, he was covered with dust but said he was in fine trim and had had a "bully" day.

In his speeches Colonel Roosevelt attacked Senator Penrose, of Pennsylvania and John D. Archbold, president of the Standard Oil company. He denounced them as representatives of the "combination between crooked business and crooked politics," and said they had condemned themselves by their testimony before the senate committee which has been investigating campaign contributions. The ex-president also assailed both the republican and democratic parties and urged the voters of this staunch republican state not to be reluctant in leaving the republican party which no longer represented them.

Last night the colonel demanded immediate repeal of Canadian reciprocity enacted by congress, saying that while it is on statute books the Canadian parliament might adopt the measure and put it into effect. "Colonel Roosevelt spoke in part as follows: "Here in Vermont I feel that we have a peculiar right to appeal on behalf of the progressive party. You men and women of Vermont represent the very type of American citizen to whom we must trust when we strive to make this government really a government by the people themselves in the interest of all the people and not of any one class of the people. From the days of Ethan Allen to the present time the people of Vermont have sustained the same character for rugged independence and for the possession of a strong individual initiative combined with the ability to co-operate one with another. These are the very qualities that we are endeavoring to make more widespread in this republic of ours and to develop as basis in our government. The national progressive platform, like your own progressive platform here in Vermont, represents a radically new departure when compared with any of the political platforms of the last forty years. But the principles that our platform contains are not new. They are fundamentally the principles of Lincoln, the principles of Washington. What is new is that we progressives are trying in good faith to apply these principles to the actual and vital needs of the present day instead of confining ourselves to praising our forefathers for having applied them to the needs of their days. In 1860 it was of no use merely to profess allegiance to the principles of 1776; what was necessary then was to apply these principles to the current year. So we in our turn must not confine ourselves to praising the men of Lincoln (Continued on Page Two.)

RECALL AGAIN SCORED

American Bar Association Having a Spell of Nerves over "Attack on Judiciary."

Milwaukee, Aug. 30.—"One-eyed leaders of the blind" was the term used before the American Bar association at its closing session yesterday to describe those who seek judicial reforms through the recall of judges. The association after going on record as opposed to the recall of judges and to judicial decisions, declared that other methods must be used to prevent delays in lawsuits. Various committees were appointed to report on plans for expediting court procedure.

Charles A. Boston, New York, asserted that one means of lessening a criticism of the bench would be to provide for judges a written code of ethics such as has been put into effect by various state bar associations for lawyers. Henry D. Estabrook, New York, after asserting that judicial recall was being urged by "one-eyed leaders of the blind," said: "It is proposed to recall a judge from his high office to obscurity or disgrace whenever he decides a case, not necessarily contrary to law, but contrary to what a number of people in his vicinity regard as law. It is proposed that a clique of voters may set in motion the vast and expensive machinery of an election for this purpose whenever and as often as they see fit. It is proposed that the issue shall be determined not by a majority vote of all eligible electors, who are perhaps indifferent to the proceeding but by a majority of those actually voting on the particular issue, and who are passionately alive to it."

TARIFF REVISION THEME OF CLARK

House Speaker Presents Democratic Theories to Maine Audience.

Rockland, Me., Aug. 30.—Speaker Champ Clark made his opening speech in the Maine campaign here last night, confining his address to the tariff. He said in part: "History demonstrates beyond all question the fact that in a country whose institutions are based on suffrage the government will be a government by parties, or as Mr. Speaker Cannon is fond of putting it, by majorities. It does not make a particle of difference whether we want it that way or not; that is the way it is and the way it always will be. "At the present time at least five parties are in the field with candidates for the presidency. Each of these parties has formulated and published a platform of principles which it proposes to enact into law if it gets the platform anyway? It ought to be a plain and honest statement of what those who make it intend to do if they are given the power to legislate. It ought to be, not merely a contrivance to get in on, but a thing to stand on after the victory is won. It ought to be not merely a device to use during the campaign for the purpose of catching votes, but should set forth the serious intentions of its framers. "Pledges made to win an election should be religiously carried out after the election. That is the only rule of political conduct that will do to live by or to die by. There is no reason why a man should be dishonest and a double dealer in politics any more than in the other relations of life. "While the platforms discuss and refer to a multitude of things, some of great importance, all of more or less importance, the American public is formed on such a plan that it will not seriously consider more than one or two issues simultaneously. Both Governor Wilson and President Taft in their speeches of acceptance have made the tariff their chief topic of thought in the minds of the voters of the land. Colonel Roosevelt in his speeches also attach great importance to the subject, and has a plan of his own for handling it. All men are agreed that the question of great importance to every human being living under the flag. "The Parties and the Tariff. "Barring for the present Colonel Roosevelt's scheme of settlement, the position of the two great parties may be succinctly stated in this way: The democrats are in favor of a tariff for revenue only; the republicans are in favor of a tariff for protection. Upon this question the platforms are explicit. In the tariff plank of all the democratic platforms the idea of revenue only has been found, not always expressing the same idea. Likewise, the republican platforms all declare for a protective tariff. "It will be observed that both platforms declare that the present tariff rates are too high, and ought to be reduced, but if the tax-payers really want the tariff reduced, they had better remember what happened in very recent times. In 1908 the republicans promised to revise the tariff downward. On that promise they won. Without that promise they could not have won. But having won, instead of reducing the tariff rates they had promised to do, they proceeded to increase them, and because they increased them contrary to their promise, at the election in 1910 the people elected a democratic house of representatives. "The democratic house proceeded with much expedition as possible under the circumstances to pass certain tariff bills, which would have reduced the amount of money extracted from the people's pockets by the tariff laws by something approximating \$500,000,000 yearly, and at the same time would have provided ample revenue to run the government; for it should never be forgotten that where Uncle Sam gets one dollar out of the tariff system, the taxpayers get at least five. By doing so the democrats kept the faith of the people. "In this contest, remembering these things, which one of the two parties will the taxpayer believe intends to carry out its promise made in its platform this year to reduce the tariff? Will the tax payers believe the party which violated its promise on this subject or will they believe the party which performed its promise? "Would Not Injure Industry. "The democrats declare in favor of reducing the tariff gradually, so as not to disturb the legitimate business of the country, for it is a thing incredible that any sane man should desire to injure—even in the estimation of a hair—any legitimate business of the country. The charge so often made by the standard republicans that democrats desire to injure the legitimate industries of the country is so preposterous as to be proof conclusive that even those who make the charge most vociferously do not believe a word of it. "Democratic prospects have not been so bright since 1892. As a matter of fact they are brighter now than they were at this time in the year 1892. The reason they are brighter is that the democrats have almost a certainty of winning in November—is on account of the magnificent record made by the democrats of the house in the 61st congress and the magnificent record of the democrats in the house and senate of the 62nd congress. "The house was elected on six principal promises: To pass a bill compelling the publication of campaign contributions; to pass a bill compelling the publication of campaign contributions; to pass a bill compelling the publication of campaign contributions. (Continued on page four.)

LIBEL CHARGE IS SUSTAINED

Capt. J. McNeil, Senatorial Nominee in the Thirteenth District, Faces a Criminal Indictment.

DEFEATED OPPONENT SEEKS OTHER SCALPS

C. K. Nimmoocks Will Press New Charges—McNeil Is Held on \$1,000 Bond.

Special to The Gazette-News. Fayetteville, Aug. 30.—As the result of charges against the political and personal ability of C. K. Nimmoocks, his opponent for the democratic senatorial nomination for the thirteenth senatorial district, Capt. James McNeil was yesterday indicted for criminal libel by the grand jury of the Superior court now sitting here. The charges by Captain McNeil were contained in a circular letter distributed in Hoke and Cumberland counties and published by the Raeford (Hoke county) Journal immediately prior to the democratic primary in Hoke last Saturday, which Captain McNeil carried.

The political charges allege that Mr. Nimmoocks by "treacherous methods" defeated Captain McNeil's kinsman, Charles G. Rose, for the senatorial nomination in 1908. In answer to this charge the "Nimmoocks committee," which is headed by W. M. Walker, is issuing in circular form a letter from Mr. Rose disclaiming any knowledge of treacherous methods being used against him by Nimmoocks.

On top of this Capt. McNeil repeats his statement in the Observer, alleging that Nimmoocks during the 1908 campaign used the argument in the rural districts that "if Rose, who was a railroad lawyer, was sent to the senate he would legislate in favor of the railroads and against the people." Capt. McNeil says that he informed Mr. Rose of these alleged efforts against him and that his kinsman admitted their existence in addition to denying knowledge of them. Rose in his letter to Nimmoocks declares that the only "treacherous methods" of which he knew in 1908 were those of Capt. McNeil in organizing an opposition ticket which he ran against the democratic county nominee.

The other charges used by McNeil concerns the settlement of an insurance partnership between Nimmoocks and A. J. Cook. Nimmoocks answers this charge by the publication in the Observer of a receipt in full settlement and satisfaction from Mr. Cook, which he claims disposes of the charge altogether. Capt. McNeil was halted into court on the criminal libel indictment of which there are two counts and placed under \$500 bond on each count. Nimmoocks, in a statement says he will criminally prosecute all other persons "known to me as aiding and abetting in the circulation of McNeil's false and malicious slander."

WILSON LIKES FIRST TASTE OF CAMPAIGNING

His Novel and Interesting Experience in Pennsylvania Greatly Impresses Him.

Sea Girt, Aug. 30.—Tired wrists and aching fingers reminded Governor Wilson today that he had spent the most strenuous day of his life on his trip through Pennsylvania yesterday. The governor estimated that he had spoken in his impromptu tour of 210 miles to nearly 40,000 persons and that he had shaken hands with about 3000.

The most interesting revelation to the governor was that found himself making seven speeches instead of the one planned, that he was just as busy on the back platform of his train as presidential candidates always have been and that he was almost converted to the old-fashioned idea of campaigning which he had thought of abandoning in favor of a few scheduled addresses. "I would enjoy it all in fact I like it if it were not for the speechmaking. It is difficult to talk with switch engines around and the noise of railroad yards is distracting. If I could just shake hands I would not mind it at all because the people seem so straightforward, so hearty and so sincere. "The governor plainly was pleased by the thousands who greeted him along his journey and liked it so well that he may make other speeches in Pennsylvania. He had more handshaking in view today, as he intends to visit the mammoth county fair at Newark, N. J.

RAILROAD MEN UNDER ARREST

Roosevelt Folks in Easy Control

Had Good Majority in Guilford Convention—News Notes From the Piedmont.

Gazette-News Bureau, Daily News Building, Greensboro, Aug. 30. The Guilford county republican convention, held here yesterday afternoon for the purpose of selecting delegates to the state convention at Charlotte and the Fifth district convention in Greensboro next month, was a harmonious affair. In fact it was a bit tame. There was no scrapping. The Roosevelt sentiment dominated the gathering, 26 of the 28 delegates to the state convention being Roosevelt men, it is said. Chairman Hiram Worth, a Roosevelt supporter, presided over the meeting and after the transaction of business he resigned as chairman of the executive committee and M. C. Shaw was elected to succeed him. The republicans will later put out a full county and legislative ticket in Guilford. During the convention J. M. Hedgecock of High Point and Cicero Holton made enthusiastic speeches predicting republican success in county, district, state and nation. The only contest before the convention was from High Point, the credentials committee sending the Roosevelt delegates. The delegates to the state convention are, S. B. Adams, W. A. Walker, E. E. Mendenhall, J. A. Groome, C. D. Hendricks, J. A. Hoskins, Joseph Worth, W. P. Bynum, Jr., G. S. Bradshaw, E. S. Wilson, John Shultz, W. C. Shaw, R. C. Chandler, H. S. Worth, Martin Douglas, C. P. Stone, E. D. Stafford, A. A. Holton, C. W. Curry, C. N. Stillman, W. E. Snow, P. P. Foster, Dudley Carroll, S. L. Trogdon, M. C. Holton and Henry Gordon.

Special to The Gazette-News. Raleigh, Aug. 30.—Summons is issued on the Wake Water company for relief against the present water conditions, the city seeking to have revoked the franchise of the company. The papers will not be signed for several days because of the absence from the city of the clerk of the court. In the meantime Walnut Creek is becoming clearer and the situation is improving. Owners of deep wells, especially the ice manufacturers, have extended the public an invitation to use as much of their water as desired.

What was pronounced the best meeting in the history of the State Farmers' convention came to a close yesterday afternoon. Most of the 500 farmers departed by noon. Addresses were made on the Torrens land system, banking with relation to the farmer and kindred subjects. Senator F. M. Simmons arrived in the city last night and will spend a few days here. This is the first time the senator has had an opportunity of visiting the state in several months, his duties as leader of the democrats in his tariff fight keeping him busy in Washington. He is expected to make some speeches in his own behalf, although his friends say he will do some campaigning for the whole party.

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INDICTMENTS QUASHED

Government Drops Case Against Elliott, Morehouse and Others in Agricultural Department.

Washington, Aug. 30.—Indictments against Charles G. Elliott, former chief drainage engineer of the department of agriculture, A. M. Moorehouse, his assistant; F. E. Singleton, chief accountant, and R. P. Teele, former accountant, charging them with having approved and presented false vouchers against the government and for which they were dismissed from service were quashed today by request of the government. The indictment grew out of the Florida overgrazed land inquiry and pertained especially to payments for drainage in North Carolina and Oklahoma. The government stated there was no intent to defraud the government.

FOR PRIVATE HEARING

Public May Be Denied Admission to the John Doe Graft Inquiry.

New York, Aug. 30.—The public may be denied the privilege of listening to the revelations of the John Doe investigation into police graft, as Supreme Court Justice Goff is of the opinion that the investigation should be held behind closed doors in the belief that in this way evidence can best be elicited for use before the grand jury. When the police trial of former Police Inspector Hayes was called today, his counsel moved that the trial be heard before another commissioner deputy, who was praising McKay, the first than Commissioner McKay, who declined to rule and adjourned the case until Friday, when a decision will be made. Seidel's Letter of Acceptance.

Milwaukee, Aug. 30.—Emile Seidel of Milwaukee, who is the nominee for vice president on the national socialist ticket today made public a formal letter of acceptance of the nomination. There was no ceremony in connection with Seidel's acceptance of the honor, as the candidate is said to be somewhere in one of the New England states making campaign speeches.

Eleven Southern Railway Ticket Sellers and Takers Accuser of Frauds Aggregating \$25,000.

NINE IN CUSTODY; THE OTHERS LOCATED

For 10 Years Worked Scheme Which Fooled Auditors and Netted Them Considerable Cash.

Mobile, Aug. 30.—After a round-up in four states of indicted former employees of the Southern railway, Detective Edward McQueen, of the railroad's secret reached Mobile today. His search, beginning August 6, was for the purpose of arresting 11 ticket sellers and takers of the Southern charged with swindling the company out of more than \$25,000. Nine are under arrest, and the others' arrest is a matter of time. All the depredations were committed on the Mobile & Selma branch of the Southern. They extended over 10 years, but the indictments cover only the last three years. The alleged plan was for the ticket seller to sell an unstamped, unpunched ticket. The ticket taker returned the ticket unpunched to the seller who resold it, the ticket rack consequently checking with the cash when the auditors came. The seller and the taker split the money. The scheme worked a number of years until somebody slipped.

DEMAND RELIEF OF WATER COMPANY

Raleigh People Become Desperate and Seek to Revoke Water Co. Charter.

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BETTING FIVE TO ONE ON ANDREWS' BUNCH

That They Will Be Seated at Charlotte in Preference to Bull Moose Men.

Gazette-News Bureau, The Hotel Raleigh, Raleigh, Aug. 30. Betting was five to one today that the W. J. Andrews delegates to the republican convention in Charlotte would be seated over those sent hither by Lester F. Butler and his bitter mouse crowd. The Andrews convention pledged its allegiance to President Taft, whereas the Butler crowd steered clear of the presidential question. Nobody is fooled here as to how the factions stand, and it is a good wager that Mr. Andrews and his delegates will be given pieces of bronze in Charlotte, provided that the Taft forces control.