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DEMOCRATS AT DENVER.

The Democratic National Convention convened at Denver Tuesday.

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Charlotte can pardonably feel a little "stuck up" over the many nice things said about her as to the splendid manner in which she handled the immense crowd at the Democratic State Convention.

The splendid \$6,000 silver service, the gift of the State, was presented to the cruiser North Carolina last Friday.

Colored Teachers' Institute. Dr. W. S. Long, Supt. of Schools, and Prof. J. M. Weatherly, a successful teacher of many years experience in this and other States, are conducting an institute for the colored teachers this week.

County Commissioners' Proceedings. The Board met Monday with the following members present: W. E. Vincent, chairman, T. B. Barker, B. S. Robertson, Geo. T. Williamson and T. F. McVey, and transacted business as follows:

The am't of \$35.00 donated for Gun Creek bridge was ordered turned over to County Treasurer to be credited to the road fund.

Lizzie Linnens was ordered admitted to the County Home.

Poll tax of \$2.40 was ordered refunded to Chin Jim, same having been erroneously listed.

W. J. Saipes was relieved of poll tax for 1908 on account of disability.

Reports of Dr. H. M. Montgomery, Supt. of Health, and of Simon Thompson, Supt. of County Home, were received and filed.

Paul E. Coble was awarded contract to build bridge over Rocky river in Patterson township—wood and rock work complete at a cost of \$75.00 and to furnish the cement and rock work at actual cost.

The list-takers in Burlington township were allowed till the first Monday in August to make their returns.

Mrs. Pennington was allowed \$1.50 per month for two months, to be furnished by A. J. Marshburn Co.

Jurors were drawn for the Court which convenes on the first Monday in September (the list will be published later).

The Board adjourned to meet on Monday, July 13th, as the Board of Equalization, when complaints as to valuation of property will be heard.

Next week Dr. W. S. Long, Supt. of Schools, will conduct an institute for white teachers. He will have able assistants and every teacher should attend, in truth, the law requires teachers to attend the institute.

The Pension Board in session Monday adjourned till Friday, July 17, when they will complete their work.

Democratic State Platform

Adopted at the State Convention in Charlotte.

The Democracy of North Carolina in convention assembled reaffirms its allegiance to the cardinal principles of true Democratic government, and congratulates the people upon the wise, the progressive and the economical conduct of public affairs since its restoration to power in this State.

In the inaugural address of Governor Aycock January, 1901, is this sentence: "This year we meet under extraordinary circumstances—one party goes out and another comes in, one policy ends and a new one begins."

The Democratic party again entered into power; Democratic policy became the controlling policy of our State. The achievements of those years are unmistakably great. To the trust imposed, the Democratic party has been wholly faithful. The administrations of Governor Charles B. Aycock and Governor R. B. Glenn have added prestige to our history, and given prosperity to our people. State affairs have been conducted with clean efficiency, and to the people have come peace.

Out of the very shadows of disorder the record begins. There is no more disorder and there is no more doubt. The people have come into their own. Responsible government is made sure. Conditions encourage the full development of our industries. To the child is given greater opportunity for knowledge and North Carolina is become a national leader in popular education. A stable government has inspired confidence. Local improvements are pushed with vigor. Good schools and good roads are no longer a dream, but are growing realities. State institutions have been managed with credit and without scandal. The record is unmarred by official misconduct. Appropriations have increased as our needs demand while taxes are reduced. Even the convict is now able to add his part to the support of the government.

The Confederate soldier has been remembered with gratitude and increased provision made against want in the days of his old age. The needs of the unfortunate are met, and the call of the afflicted is answered. To the blind and to the deaf the State now holds open the door of hope. For her unfortunate insane she provides a refuge of comfort. That the Legislature could dedicate one-half million dollars for the adequate care of all our unfortunates shows the growth of our ability, and the certainty of our care.

And the Democratic party pledges itself to maintain these policies which make for the development of every section of our State, and for the security of our people, and the stability of our institutions.

GLENN ADMINISTRATION ENDORSED. We endorse the able and progressive administration of Gov. R. B. Glenn and the State officers, and we approve and commend to the people of North Carolina the record of our Senators and Representatives in the Congress of the United States.

GOOD ROADS. We regard with approval the increased interest in permanent road building, and recognizing that the advantages in the way of greatly increased land values in the quick and easy transportation over good roads, and the consequent saving of wear and tear on stock and vehicles is no longer an experiment, but a plain, practical fact, as seen in those sections of North Carolina and other States where such roads are in use, and believing that with a constantly improving school system, a system of good roads, linking the east with the Piedmont section, and the Piedmont with the mountain section, will be of great good to North Carolina, therefore, we recommend this spirit of internal improvement to the people of the State for their investigation, and suggest that the next General Assembly take such action on this matter as may seem best.

EDUCATION. We believe that education is one of the fundamental needs of all government. We believe that every prospective citizen has the right to receive, and it is the duty of the State to furnish, adequate preparation for such citizenship. We congratulate the people that a four-months' school in every district is no longer merely a promise but a realization. We recommend the administration of our educational affairs, and pledge the continuation of that policy which has accomplished so great good.

RAILROAD RATES. The Democratic party has kept its promise and materially reduced passenger and freight rates in the State and given to the people lower rates, while the reports of the railroad companies show that this reduction of rates have been accompanied by increased revenue on that class of business affected by

the laws of the State reducing the rates.

We declare that the best interest of the State demands that all of our people shall unite in earnest endeavor to secure employment at fair wages for all our fellow citizens who are now idle or who are working on short time, by no fault of theirs, but by reason of the panic caused by Republican policies.

CAPITAL WELCOMED. Every enterprise looking to the investment of capital and employment of skilled labor should be fostered and encouraged by the State.

All foreign corporations doing business in this State should be required to obtain license to do so, and the license of any such corporations should be revoked if watered stock or bonds be issued by it in violation of State statutes, or without the approval of properly constituted legal authorities.

Foreign corporations doing business in this State should be required to submit to the jurisdiction of the courts of the State under penalty of having their license to do business in this State revoked.

All contributions to political parties or for political purposes should be made public at once, and the charter of any domestic corporation doing business in this State, and the license of any foreign corporation, should be revoked, if any such corporation contributes to any political campaign fund, or to any fund for the purpose of aiding in or procuring the nomination of any candidate for public office.

PUBLIC SERVICE CORPORATIONS. All public service corporations and natural monopolies should be brought under strict control of the United States as in inter-State business, and of the State as to intra-State business, but a fair return on a fair valuation of property owned or operated by them should be allowed, after paying operating expenses, including just and ample wages to employees.

Private monopolies should be destroyed. Conspiracies by prospective purchasers to put down or keep down the prices of articles produced by the labor of others should be made criminal, and all persons or corporations entering into such conspiracies should be punished, and we condemn in every form, subsidies, gratuities, bonuses, trusts and monopolies and they should not be tolerated.

Congress should amend the inter-State commerce law so as to prevent discrimination and rebates in interstate traffic, and provide for the punishment by imprisonment of officers or railroads and other common carriers and public service corporations, violating such laws; and particularly to make unlawful such discriminations as are now or may in the future be practiced by railroad companies and other common carriers and public service corporations against all North Carolina points in favor of points out of the State having no greater natural advantage.

The party in power in the nation that has so long failed to correct such inequalities is equally guilty with the public service corporations for the disadvantages under which this State has labored.

No railroad company, telegraph company, telephone company, express company or other public service corporation, should be permitted to issue or grant to any person, except officers and employes, any free pass, frank, or other free service, privilege, benefit or favor, and any person accepting same should be made equally guilty with the corporation issuing or granting the same.

EQUAL PROTECTION TO ALL. We pledge not only to citizens of this State but to citizens of other States that all capital invested in legitimate enterprise in North Carolina, whether foreign or domestic, corporator private, shall have the equal protection of the laws and the equal friendly consideration of those who administer the laws and we further pledge that all such persons or corporations violating the provisions of the law shall be made to feel and suffer the full penalties for such violations.

We condemn the practice of professional lobbying.

NATIONAL ISSUES. We denounce the vacillating and do nothing policy of the last session of the Republican Congress. We declare that most of the Legislation enacted by that body is cheap, law-dry, hypocritical makeshifts.

We denounce the Cannon-Vreeland-Aldrich currency bill which was passed by the last session of Congress in the interest and at the dictation of a handful of great bankers and speculators who occupy offices on Wall Street. This iniquitous measure, which further centralizes in the hands of a few the issue of American money for the American people, was shamelessly rushed through both houses of Congress, in its dying hour, under the lash of the Cretaceous methods of the

Speaker and through the trickery of the Republican dictator of the Senate. No more shameful spectacle has ever been presented to the American people than the method by which this hybrid and iniquitous measure was railroaded through Congress. This bill turns over the Treasury of the United States to the gamblers of the New York stock exchange for a period of six years. It means a gift to the enemies of the Republic of the power to issue or retire one-half billion dollars, exciting speculation or compelling disaster, according to which ever best suits their pocket-book.

We condemn the Republican party whose policies and conduct produced in 1907 the most acute and disastrous panic in the history of the United States. The effect of its policy has precipitated panic, blighted industry and trade with prolonged depression, closed factories, reduced work and wages, halted enterprise, and crippled American production. Under this Republican panic suffering has been universal; soup houses have been established and strikes have been of almost daily occurrence. The Republican party has been in control of the national government in all of its branches for the past 11 years, and now in the midst of abundant crops and boundless national resources it has brought about the most destructive panic in our history. We point to the fact that every panic which has occurred since the formation of the Republican party was precipitated while that party was in power.

REPUBLICAN PARTY SCORED. We condemn the Republican party for its efforts in the national Congress to revive the bitterness of the civil war and renew again the bloody-shirt issue, by tacking to the campaign publicity bill Crumpacker's Southern representation reduction measure. The passage of this bill through the lower House of Congress was an act of cheap, hypocritical politics, designed to corral the negro vote in the doubtful States for their presidential nominees.

We denounce the Republican party for its failure to enact during the last session of Congress a campaign publicity bill; but the people of the country need not expect such a measure to come from a party that thrives on corruption money and which could not carry on a campaign or win a national election without corruption funds from favored interests.

We denounce the present iniquitous and trust-breeding tariff imposed upon the people by the Republican party and renew our demand for its immediate revision, to the end that all unfair burdens shall be removed, and especially those that enable the trusts to extort from the people unreasonable profits and to sell their products to consumers at home at higher prices than is charged for the same goods to foreign consumers.

WILD EXTRAVAGANCE. We denounce the Republican party for its wild extravagance dur-

ing the last session of Congress. In the last five months the Republican Congress spent \$1,200,000,000 of the people's money, levying a tax of \$13 per annum on every burdened tax payer. We do not wonder, therefore, at the present deficit of \$60,000,000 in the treasury, and the expected deficit of \$180,000,000 at the end of the next fiscal year. The Republican billion dollar Congress of 1890 produced a Democratic victory in 1892; the Republican billion dollar session of the present Congress means the triumphant election of a Democratic President in the coming election.

We condemn the Republican administration for turning over millions of dollars of the public money to its pet banks in New York City, which thereby depleted the public treasury to such an extent that it became necessary for the Republican administration to issue bonds and borrow money to meet the daily obligations of the Federal government.

We condemn the Republican party for its failure in the last Congress to enact a law forbidding one inferior judge to suspend the operation of a State law without notice or hearing.

We declare our inflexible opposition to the methods of expanding Federal power at the expense of the just powers of the State, and we especially denounce the bold and revolutionary threat that the omission of the States to pass laws upon subjects within their constitutional powers, may be treated as a surrender of these powers into the hands of the Federal government, which may then lawfully proceed as if such powers were possessed by it under the Constitution.

PROMISED REFORMS NOT GIVEN. Though promising reform demanded by the people, the Republicans in their national convention, at the behest of favored interests, voted down every plank looking to the reforms and relief of the people, or for curbing the powers of the trusts. That convention, controlled by Federal officeholders, after nominating for President a life-long office-holder who was never elected by the people to any office, adopted a platform that on every important measure, straddles, or gives promise to the ear only to break it to the hope, and completed its work by nominating to the tune of "Marching through Georgia," a candidate for Vice-President who has led in throttling every reform measure offered in the last session of Congress including a bill to meet the pressing need of the preservation of our national resources, opening waterways and preventing the destruction of our forests.

A FLIP FOR UNITY. We have faith in the patriotism of our people, and in the ultimate development of the natural resources of the State, and we call upon all North Carolinians to unite in a common effort to restore prosperity, to re-establish confidence, to forget factional differences and to cultivate peace and good will among men.

Second Annual Session S. S. Convention of Graham Township

Will Meet at the M. E. Church in Graham, July 12, 1908, at 10:30 a. m.

PROGRAM

Morning Session.

- 10:30—Ten Minutes Song Service.....By all the Sunday Schools.
10:40—Devotional Exercises.....By Rev. J. F. Sandford.
Address of Welcome.....Rev. W. B. Green.
Response.....McBride Holt.
Song.....
11:00—Report of Schools.....
11:15—Song.....By All the Schools.
11:20—How to Conduct the Recitation.....Rev. W. S. Long.
11:45—Song.....By Ten Little Children.
11:50—The Organized Class Movement.....E. S. W. Damaran.
12:15—Intermission.....

Afternoon Session.

- 3:00—Song.....By the Schools.
3:10—Pastor's Relation to Sunday School.....Rev. David Sampson.
3:30—Round Table.....Conducted by Rev. C. H. Whitaker.
Questions—
1. Should children be rewarded for attendance?
2. Can pupils in the primary grades be taught to give systematically?
3. How may the spirit of reverence be cultivated?
4. How can habits of church attendance, home study and daily bible reading be cultivated.
3:50—The Sunday School's Relation to the Church.....Rev. E. C. Murray.
4:10—The Organized S. S. Work in the County and State.....Rev. C. B. Cox.
Song.....By All the Schools.
Election of Officers and Announcements.
Song—"Blest be the Tie That Binds."
Adjournment.
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On The Good Roads Bond Issue

- Morton Township, J. M. Kernodle's residence, Saturday, July 11, at one o'clock p. m.
The Hub, Saturday, July 11, at 7:30 p. m.
Boon Station Tp., Highland School House, Monday, July 13, at 1. p. m.
Alamance Factory, Monday, July 13, at 7:30 p. m.
Coble Tp., Friendship School House, Tues., July 14, 1 p. m.
Belmont Cotton Mills, Tuesday, July 14, at 7:30 p. m.
Patterson Tp., O. N. Hornaday's Store, Wed., July 15, at 1 p. m.
Newlin Top., Snow Camp, Thursday, July 16, at 1 p. m.
Sutphin's Mill, Friday, July 17, at 1 p. m.
Thompson Tp., Saxapahaw Cotton Mills, Friday, July 17, at 7:30 p. m.
Melville Tp., Hawfields Graded School, Sat., July 18, 1 p. m.
Sweptonville, Saturday, July 18, at 7:30 p. m.
Pleasant Grove Tp., Dailey's Store, Mon., July 20, at 1 p. m.
Haw River, Monday, July 20, at 7:30 p. m.
Mebane, Tuesday, July 21, at 1 p. m.
Burlington, Tuesday, July 21, at 7:30 p. m.
Faucette Tp., E. Long's Store, Wed., July 22, 1 p. m.
Midway School House, near Carolina Factory, Wednesday, July 22, at 7:30 p. m.
Albright Township, Clendenin's Shop, July 23, 1 p. m.
Graham, in the Court House, Thurs., July 23, at 7:30 p. m.

At these meetings there will be music by a Brass Band and there will be served free, cakes and ice-cold lemonade to refresh the people. Come, everybody, who wants to hear and discuss how to improve our roads.

R. L. HOLT, President Alamance G. R. Club. E. S. PARKER, JR., Sec'y.

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