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THE TRAITOR SKINNED.

HON. EDWARD W. POU LAID IT ON TO BUTLER.

In a Joint Discussion at Smithfield the Able Congressman Tells Him of His Meanness and Makes Him Swallow It.

Congressman Pou, of the Raleigh district, and Marion Butler had a joint political discussion in Smithfield last Saturday. Marion Butler, who like the gentleman of the same name, of Boston, who commanded the federal forces in New Orleans during the war between the states and because of his villainous conduct there was given the name of "Beast Butler," can boast that whatever may have been said of him, no one has ever called him a fool, slipped up in this debate by denouncing the white people of the state for causing certain disturbances in 1898, especially those which are known as the Wilmington revolution. From an exchange we take the following account of Mr. Pou's reply to this part of Butler's speeches:

Butler denounced the people of the state for the disturbance which took place in the campaigns of 1898 and 1900, and charged that Senator Simmons encouraged mob rule. Mr. Pou's reply was one of the most terrific the writer has ever listened to, and I wish every decent white man in the state could have heard it. "You charge Senator Simmons with encouraging mob violence," said Mr. Pou. "You know the charge is false, and you shall not slander a man who is better than you are, in his absence. I charge here and now Marion Butler, that you are responsible for every drop of blood that was shed in city of Wilmington. You betrayed the thousands of good men who had followed you into the populist party, and you formed alliance with the leaders of the negroes of our state in order that you might go to the senate. In the county of New Hanover you put forty negro magistrates in office. All the police of the city of Wilmington were negroes. Nearly all of the deputy sheriffs were negroes. The result of course was a carnival of crime. Such an era of lawlessness the people of that city had never seen. Highway robberies were committed in the open day time. Burglaries were committed night after night within the very shadow of the city hall. White women were knocked off the side walks by insolent, drunken negroes. You will not stand up here and deny that you were more responsible than any other one man for putting these venal and incompetent negroes in office. You accomplished that when you sold out the organization of the populist party. Do you expect white men to submit to such conditions? You are a white man yourself, and you ought to be conscious of the things that your race cannot and will not submit to. Now, I deplore every violation of law which has ever taken place in our state. I expect I deplore these things as much as you do, but I tell you here and now, in the presence of your own people, that it does not lie in your mouth to denounce the people of Wilmington, or any one else in North Carolina, for anything that was done in 1898 and 1900 to rid the state of your work. It was all largely the result of your work, and that is why you did not dare stand up in eastern North Carolina and attempt to defend your record in 1900 and 1902. That is the reason you have waited all these years before you return to face the people you have betrayed.

You think that they have forgotten, and that you can deceive them once more by your soft and hypocritical words?

Commenting on the above the Wilmington Messenger says:

"Butler did not resent the charge. He could not, for 'conscience does make cowards of us all' and Butler's conscience reminded him that every word of that denunciatory charge was true. Think of a white man of North Carolina, one who had been honored by her people by election to high office, being forced to stand before an audience of his fellow men and hear such a denunciation of his conduct and not to be able to deny a single one of those fearful and damnable charges, for the reason that he knew they were true and that the listening crowd also knew of their truth. A pitiable sight it must have been. There were honest, patriotic white men in that audience who, no doubt, blushed for him when they heard a native North Carolinian charged to his face with such conduct and who did not dare deny the charges or attempt to defend himself against them, because all knew there was no defence that could be made."

And yet you can hear a few white men who claim respectability praising this traitor to his state, and throwing up their hats and hurrahing for him when he is abusing some of the best and most patriotic citizens of North Carolina. The very idea of Butler and his cohorts endeavoring to saddle the Democrats with the various crimes and bloodshed that have occurred in the state as a result of their own misdoings in 1895 and 1896, in putting negroes over the white people of the state.

Hobb.-Britt.

The editor of the TIMES acknowledges the receipt of the following invitation: Mr. and Mrs. John Theodore Britt request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Charlotte Virginia, to Mr. George Washington Hobbs, on the morning of Thursday, the first of November at half after ten o'clock. Saint Stephen's Church, Oxford, North Carolina. Will be at home after the fifteenth of December, 37 East Passaic Avenue, Rutherford, New Jersey.

Mr. Green Declines.

The editor of the TIMES is authorized by Mr. W. H. Green, who was nominated by the Republicans of this county at their recent convention for county commissioner to say that he will not accept the same, and further more that he is not a candidate for this or any other office. With Mr. Green and Mr. Shearin off the ticket only three names, nominated by the recent Republican Convention remain, viz: J. J. Wilder, Peter Stainback and Grif Gay. Under the circumstances it would be a good idea for them to pull out and make it unanimous for the ticket named by the Democrats. Our columns are open boys, send in your withdrawals.

Mr. Shearin Declines.

As will be seen below Mr. Shearin, who was recently nominated by the Republicans of this county for the House of Representatives declines the empty honor. His letter speaks for itself. EDITOR FRANKLIN TIMES: I saw in your paper of October 5th, 1906, my name mentioned as having been nominated by the Republican Convention as a candidate for the lower house. I wish to say that I cannot accept the nomination. Respectfully J. R. SHEARIN. Ingleside, Oct 15, 1906.

CRAIG AT LOUISBURG.

HE EXPOUNDS TRUE DEMOCRATIC PRINCIPLES.

He Pleads for Higher Ideals, and With His Party Agrees that These Cannot Come Entirely Through Money-Getting

The gift of oratory is rarely bestowed by the gods upon mortals. It is not simply the power of fluent speech, or the conception of poetic fancies. It is these, and something more. It is the attainment of the chords of the speaker's nature in sympathy with the natures of the audience. It is the power to render into speech the thoughts, and passions, and feelings, and impulses of those who dumbly listen. No man can be a great orator who is not an acute judge of human nature. The art of speaking well is similar to the art of listening well. Oliver Wendell Holmes says that good speaking is much like artistic playing upon an organ—there is as much skill in the use of the stops as in that of the keys.

The people of this county were treated Monday afternoon, October 15, to the speech of an orator. Mr. Craig is one of the few, who is the recipient of the rare gift of oratory. Easy and graceful in manner, fluent in speech, chaste in diction and poetic in fancy, he fills the highest conception of platform speaking. The facility with which he can pass from logical arguments to passionate appeal, or pathetic recital, is remarkable.

When he faced his large and sympathetic audience Monday afternoon, after a graceful introduction by Mr. F. S. Spruill, there was a suggestion in his manner and method of speech, of reserve power of a fund in store to be drawn on when needed. He began by laying down, in broad lines, the underlying principles of democracy. He declared that it was not the party for the selfish man, or the man whose life was given over to money getting. He asserted that it was the party whose teachings are all altruistic, and whose doctrines 'inculcate higher and cleaner and better ideals. Briefly he dwelt upon the record of graft and greed that the national Republican party had made, and then, coming down to details, he took up the present iniquitous tariff law.

The difficulty with most discussions of the tariff is that they are too abstract, and statisticians, and involved to be interesting. The listener loses interest while the speaker tells of "per cents," and "duties" etc. With Mr. Craig this is not so. Simply and with wealth of illustration, he explains the workings of this law, that, were it but once understood by all the people, would be wiped off our statute books within thirty days after the sitting of our next Congress. Through the whole discussion of the subject, like a golden thread, runs the appeal to his listeners for a spirit of loftier patriotism and more unselfish living. "The full dinner pail" declared the speaker, "is not the end and aim of life. Life is more than meat, and the body than raiment."

For an hour and a half Mr. Craig held his large audience deeply, sympathetically interested, and when his rich mellow voice ceased, the crowd was sorry he was done. It was the speech of an orator, and of a man passionately in earnest.

As a whole the meeting was a great success, and the Executive Committee is acting wisely in sending Mr. Craig out to preach the gospel of pure Democracy in the state.

Dr. Geo. T. Winston, who had a seat on the platform while Mr. Craig spoke, was called for when the latter had finished and he gave the audience a few minutes of right

sound and sensible talk upon what the A & M College was doing for the farmer boys of the state.

A Good Catch.

Messrs. Gus May, Fred May, and Smith Alford of near Youngsville went hunting the other night and succeeded in bagging four opossums weighing as follows: 12 1-4, 8 1-2, 5 and 3 1-2 pounds.

To Tobacco Raisers.

Mr. E. J. Ragdale, who is well known here, requests the TIMES to state that he will address the farmers in the Court House to-morrow, (Saturday) at 2 o'clock. He wants them all, especially tobacco raisers, to be present as he has something to tell them that may prove of great benefit to them.

House-Webb.

The editor acknowledges the receipt of the following invitation:

Mrs. Fannie Uzzell Webb requests the honor of your presence at the marriage of her daughter Elma Ethel

to Mr. Henry Charles House on the morning of Wednesday, the thirty first of October at nine o'clock Baptist Church Mapleville, North Carolina.

U. D. C.

A called meeting of the Joe J. Davis Chapter will be held in the Masonic Hall on Monday afternoon, Oct. 22nd, at 1 o'clock sharp. It is asked that all of those truly interested in the work of raising money for our Monument will be present, to aid in the entertainment to be given on Oct. 31st.

Mrs. F. S. SPRUILL, Pres. Mrs. R. H. DAVIS, Sec'y.

Death of Mike Burrows.

After a lingering illness of nearly two years, Mike Burrows, a highly respected citizen of Louisburg, passed away on Monday morning last. He was stricken with paralysis which was the beginning of his illness, something like two years ago, and has been an invalid ever since. A second stroke a few days ago gave notice to his family that the end was near. He leaves a wife (his second) and one child. She was Miss Rosa Nash. His first wife was Miss Mary Edwards who left three children, and they are still living.

Mr. Burrows was quite a genius and being a skilled workman could manufacture almost anything out of wood. He was also a musician, and many of our people will remember the "Italian harp" he made some years ago.

His remains were interred Tuesday evening at Trinity church by the side of his first wife.

County Teachers' Association.

The monthly meeting of the County Teachers' Association was held last Saturday in the court house. Forty-five teachers were present. The session was both interesting and profitable. Among the subjects discussed were "The grading and classifying pupils," "A schedule for recitations," "The preparation of the teacher before school opens."

Seventy dollars was pledged for the establishment of a permanent Teachers' Library and Septa. Mills and Sams were appointed a committee to select the books.

The next session will be held Saturday, November 10th. It is expected to have Mrs. Hollowell, of Goldsboro, to speak on "Betterment of Schoolhouses." Papers will be read by several teachers on assigned topics.

No movement in educational matters of recent years promise more benefit than the enthusiastic interest taken by the teachers in the Association.

THE MOVING PEOPLE.

THEIR MOVEMENTS IN AND OUT OF TOWN.

And Those Who Come and Go, Some for Pleasure, Some for Business and a Large Number Because They Like It.

Dr. C. H. Banks is home again, from a visit to Washington.

Mrs. Annie Clayton, of Laurel, was a guest of Mrs. Willis Hodde the past week.

Mr. S. T. A'ston and sister, Miss Annie Belle, spent last Sunday with Mrs. Mattie Williams.

Mrs. Geo. Davis, of Arcola, is among the visitors to Louisburg this week, being a guest at Dr. S. P. Bert's.

After spending several months at the "Mecklenburg" in Chase City, Va., Mrs. W. T. Hays and children have returned home.

Dr. Geo. T. Winston came over from Raleigh and spent a few days the past week with his sister Mrs. F. S. Spruill. The Doctor is proud of the A & M, and reports it in a flourishing condition.

Mrs. M. H. Reava and daughter, Miss Lucy, after spending some time with Mr. F. A. Reava, left for their home in Cary this week. Mrs. P. A. Reava who accompanied them home returned yesterday.

His best of friends were delighted to see Mr. J. J. Barrow, Clerk of the Superior Court, back at his post this week, looking well and hearty. The eruption sore upon his face for which he went to the hospital for treatment, is rapidly healing up.

Egerton-Macon.

We acknowledge the receipt of the following:

Mr. and Mrs. William Jefferson Macon invite you to be present at the marriage of their daughter Mary Elizabeth

to Mr. George Elbert Egerton on Wednesday evening, October the thirty-first nineteen hundred and six at half after eight o'clock Trinity Church Ingleside, North Carolina.

Pou at Youngsville.

Hon. E. W. Pou filled his appointment at Youngsville on Friday last, and made an able, and very patriotic speech. The busy time with the farmers and merchants, prevented a very large crowd being present, but there was a respectable number, including a number of ladies and out to hear our able Congressman expound pure Democratic doctrine. Mr. Pou always makes a favorable impression wherever he speaks and this occasion was no exception. The Democrats of Youngsville township, as well as those of every other township in the county, will give Mr. Pou a good vote.

DECEIVING THE PEOPLE.

Tariff Posers for Speaker Cannon.

Speaker Cannon is deceiving the Republican voters by declaring in his stump speeches that the agricultural prosperity is due entirely to the protective tariff. This leads the Kansas City Star to declare that what the people of Missouri cannot understand is why the blessings of the Republican stand-pat doctrine have worked so unequally in the several counties. What the Missouri farmers would like to know is why the protective tariff has brought beautiful harvests to the rich alluvial counties along the Missouri river and to those of the midland prairies, while it has done little or nothing for the rocky, hilly counties of the Ozarks. A

point which adds to the confusion is that the rich counties of good crops are almost all democratic, while the poor counties that cannot raise anything better than Ben Davis apples are almost without exception Republican. If there had to be discrimination, it would seem that the Republicans would be the beneficiaries.

Of course, before Mr. Cannon made his speech in Kansas City it would have been argued that the rich alluvial farms produced good crops just because they were fertile, and the mountainous counties were distinguished for nothing in particular—not even, in many instances, for Ben Davis—for the very reason that they were hilly and rocky. But "Uncle Joe" says that the tariff makes the farmers prosperous, and so, since soil and rain and sun and climate have nothing to do with it, the problem must remain forever unsolved—unless it is explained as being another instance of the way the protective policy confers benefits on some and imposes burdens on others.

Religious Notice.

Rev. T. N. Ivey, editor of the Christian Advocate, will preach in the Methodist church next Sunday, morning and evening. He is one of the most able and eloquent preachers in State.

A few Words to the Better Class.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE FRANKLIN TIMES:

I have heard and read so much of the black crimes committed by my people in the South, I feel it my duty to let the Southern white man know what side the better class of the negroes are on. We feel that the time has come when the line must be drawn between the brute and the better class of negroes. It is the duty of the preacher and the teacher to speak out now or forever hold their peace.

I must confess that I believe down in my heart that the Southern white man is our best friend. He gives us thousands for our education. He has made it possible for every child in North Carolina to have at least four months schooling in each year. He has supported the missionary to preach to our people the pure word of God. He has sold us land and given us time to pay for it. Then if we as a race expect to live in peace with the better class of people in the South we must unite and where-ever these black crimes are committed assist in bringing the guilty to justice. I for one stand ready at any hour to do my full duty. If we do not the work of fate will be put upon the heads of that class of negroes whose aims are to do those things that will lift up all the people. The leaders must be driven out of the towns and "be who will not work must not be allowed to eat." The white man is giving us every dollar we earn. We should save it, buy us homes, pay our taxes, and "train our children in the way they should go."

I am sure there is no where on the globe better for us to live than in the South. I thank Mr. Blackwell, of Kittrell, North Carolina, for what he said in last Sunday's News and Observer. I hope all the people will read his words carefully. In disfranchising the negro we lost nothing. I care not who runs the mill if I am allowed to get coal. The government of the South will remain as it is for all times and the Federal appointments will be given to those who claim to be Republicans. The colored man is in the agricultural world; what need I care who is president when cotton is 12 cents. Respectfully ISAAC W. HOLMES. Youngsville, Oct. 16th, 1906.