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REP'BLICAN CONVENTION

ONLY EIGHT TOWNSHIPS REPRESENTED.

Quite a Hot Time Over Endorsing Chairman Adams—Postmaster Hatch Blows Both Hot and Cold.

To a disinterested on-looker the Republican County Convention which was held in the Opera House on last Saturday, was a very amusing affair. John Williamson in his "palmy days" could not furnish a greater "farce" than that pulled off on this occasion. Even ex-Judge Timberlake, of Wake Forest, who was a very much interested spectator, turned to the TIMES man, at one stage of the proceedings, and remarked, "ain't this a mess?"

The convention, if it could be dignified by calling it such, was called to order by Chairman R. R. Harris, postmaster at Louisburg, and Dr. P. R. Hatch, postmaster at Youngsville, was elected permanent Chairman, E. F. Yarborough, assistant postmaster at Louisburg, was elected Secretary.

Upon a roll call it developed that all of the townships except Gold Mine and Cedar Rock were represented as follows: Dunns by Ranson Dadd, Harris by Tom Jackson, Youngsville by Dr. Hatch and J. E. Mitchell, Franklinton by J. J. Edwards and H. L. Strickland, Hayesville by W. W. Green, Sandy Creek by Bob Carr, Cypress Creek by Calvin Benton, Louisburg by E. H. Hight. In addition to the delegates there were fifteen others, who claim to be Republicans, apparently taking interest in the proceedings. A few Democrats had seats in rear of the hall merely as spectators. About a half dozen negroes came in and took seats on the right side of the hall, but they took no part in the proceedings.

Upon taking the Chair Dr. Hatch stated that he was not up on "parliamentary rules;" and as the proceedings progressed he fully exhibited his ignorance along this line, as he fell down on the first "move."

J. F. Mitchell was on his feet, as soon as Chairman Hatch announced that the Convention was ready for business, and said that he desired to introduce some resolutions, and coupled with this desire a motion that they be adopted. (This before they had been read.) Whereupon County Chairman Harris arose and said that he had some resolutions he wished to be read before any others were adopted, but W. W. Green, (who with the assistance of J. F. Mitchell and Postmaster Hatch, seemed to be running the whole business) jumped to his feet and demanded that a vote be taken upon the first resolutions introduced, and insisted that no other business could be transacted until this was done. About this time some one demanded that the resolutions be read. This was done by the Secretary. It then dawned upon the spectators why Green was so anxious that the resolutions go through at once. Of course they contained endorsements of the President, Taft & Co., but they failed to say anything regarding State Chairman Adams, and also contained a clause instructing the delegates to the Congressional Convention to vote for ex-Judge Timberlake, as a delegate from this district to the National Republican Convention. This didn't suit County Chairman Harris, and he made an effort to get his resolutions as a substitute, but Chairman Hatch who had "handed up" with the Timberlake forces, ruled him out of order and upon a viva voce vote declared the original resolutions adopted.

Something was said about "gog," and J. J. Wilder arose and said that he would like to know who were allowed to vote. He thought that only the delegates should be allowed to vote, but it sounded to him like

Boys Wanted!

100 Boys For New Customers.

Most of Our Old Customers are Rapidly Dropping Out.

- 10 committed suicide last week.
- 20 are in jail—8 are on the chain-gang.
- 15 were sent to the poorhouse—one was hanged.
- 3 were sent to the insane asylum.
- Most of the balance ain't worth fooling with—they've got no money.
- We are just obliged to have new customers—fresh young blood.
- Or we will have to shut up shop.
- Don't make any difference whose boy you are—we need you. You will be welcome.
- If you once get started with us we guarantee to hold you. Our goods are sure.
- Come early—stay late.

Apply to the Nearest Saloon or Dispensary.

If You Want Your Boy to Answer the Above Call Be Sure to Vote For Liquor on May 26th.

everybody in the house was voting. He was asked, "Are you a delegate?" Answering that he was not he was told by "floor manager" Green to take his seat.

County Chairman Harris again made an effort to get in his resolution endorsing Chairman Adams but before he could get Hatch to recognize him, "floor manager" Green got in a motion through Calvin Benton, (who, it was discovered after it was too late, was not a delegate) to proceed to the election of delegates to the State and Congressional Conventions. The name of W. W. Green appeared on both lists. R. R. Harris sent forward a list and W. W. Green was also on this list, but on a roll call the Benton-Green lists were elected, nearly every delegation being prompted by Green and told how to vote.

County Chairman Harris then got in his resolution endorsing State Chairman Adams. J. F. Mitchell arose and said that he came to Louisburg with the intention of voting for such a resolution, but since coming on the ground and consulting with other delegates he discovered that an edict had come down from headquarters that certain things must be done, and that he was opposed to such a resolution, and did not think Adams a fit man for the place.

Chairman Hatch got red in the face, and knowing that if such a resolution as this was voted down, it probably meant his undoing as Postmaster at Youngsville, he left the Chair and spoke feelingly for the passage of the resolution. He took the chair again and put the motion and declared it carried, although it was very apparent that the noes were the strongest. Floor Manager Green called for a division but Hatch reminded him that he decided with him in the first instance in a similar manner and would therefore "stand pat." Green appealed from the decision of the chair, and a roll of townships was called for. The secretary announced that the vote stood 8-1-4 to sustain the chair and 4-3-4 against, and after "chewing the rag" a while Green let it go at that, and the

large (?) assemblage, (which was denominated as the greatest "farce" that has taken place here in a great while,) came to a close.

NOTES.

The bone of contention between the delegates seemed to be, first, whether ex-Judge Timberlake or Willis Briggs should be endorsed as a delegate to Chicago; second, whether State Chairman Adams should be endorsed, and third whether W. W. Green should be sent as a delegate to the State Convention.

Willis Briggs was here, but did not make his appearance in the Opera House. We understand that he said that the kick here against the organization didn't amount to a "hill of beans."

The delegates elected were as follows: State—P. R. Hatch, W. W. Green, L. S. Alford, Congressional—J. F. Mitchell, P. R. Hatch, W. W. Green.

Mrs. Winston Entertains.

Mrs. J. P. Winston entertained at her home on Main Street on last Monday evening complimentary to her guest Miss Ethel Winston, of Selma. Quite a number were present. Refreshments were served by Dughi and various games were indulged in to the great amusement of the guests.

Jean's Sentence Changed.

Judge Lyon yesterday had Maurice Jeans brought before him and changed his sentence to 4 months on the roads. The original sentence of 10 years in the penitentiary was ordered stricken out and the above jail sentence substituted. Judge Lyon remarked that in his opinion young Jeans had told about all he knew as to the robbery and the balance of the money was probably taken by others. He said he did not feel willing to let young Jeans suffer for the crime of another. This ends the sensational case, at least for the present as no other arrests have been made.

HALL OF TRIBULATION.

LATEST RETURNS FROM MAYOR YARBOROUGH'S COURT.

Various Offenses Against Unfortunate Law-Breakers—All made to Answer with Good Fines to Aid School Fund.

Since our last report the Hall of Tribulation, presided over by Mayor J. B. Yarborough, the following are some of the law-breakers who have been required to answer the charges preferred against them:

Bob Neal, for disorderly conduct, was assessed \$5.25, which he paid and went his way, promising to do better.

Tom Williams, of "Crap Shooting," notoriety was arraigned, but the evidence not being sufficient to bind over, he submitted to a charge of disorderly conduct and forked over \$2.25.

Cas Hayes and Watt Davis were charged with "scrapping" and both submitted. Cas being the aggressor was assessed \$8.75, and Davis \$3.70.

James Alston and Joel Sils had a "scrap" on the "Bowery" and no damage being done they were allowed to go on payment of costs—\$2.60 each.

Arthur Ruffin, colored, who was brought from Durham last week, by Chief High, charged with larceny, was scheduled for "Tribulation" but the Superior Court nabbed him first, and he is now aiding Superintendent Williams in improving the Roads of Louisburg township.

Several other trivial cases were heard, but in these judgment was suspended on payment of costs.

The Act of Vandals.

On Saturday night last, some person or persons unknown, visited the College Campus overturned the summer house, cut down the basket ball posts, cut up and trampled every flower in the plot, and actually tied a bottle of whiskey to the door knob. It had the appearance of a bottle of whiskey, though hard to believe whiskey itself as such fiends as these no doubt had all the whiskey in sight inside of them. For downright vicious meanness such acts are without parallel and the guilty parties if discovered deserve to wear the stripes.

Mr. Pou Commended By John Sharp Williams.

It is startling sometimes to note the methods used by certain men when they want office. Instead of trying to convince of their own fitness for the office sought, they try to show that the one they are trying to displace is utterly unworthy. There is a man now seeking to displace Congressman E. W. Pou and put himself in the position so ably filled by Mr. Pou. That Mr. Pou is worthy of the place and has filled it acceptably no thinking or unprejudiced man will deny. Col. E. J. Holt having heard of these charges that Mr. Pou had done nothing while in Congress wrote to Hon. John Sharp Williams, the leader of the Minority in the House, and asked about these things. Here is his reply:

Washington, D. C.,
April 13, 1908.

Mr. E. J. Holt,
Smithfield, N. C.

My dear Sir:—

Yours of April 11th at hand. In it you say: "The charges being made against Mr. E. W. Pou, who represents the Fourth North Carolina District in Congress, are that he has done nothing during his service. Exactly what the charge means I do not know. It may be a great deal or nothing." You add further along: "Now, while I am Mr. Pou's countyman I would not feel like supporting him in convention if it is true that

during his seven years service in Congress he has been neglectful of his duties or has failed to do his full duty as a member of the Minority in the House."

You appeal to me as Democratic Floor leader for information. It is solely upon this ground that I reply. I do not want to be understood as interfering in Democratic contests in North Carolina or elsewhere, but having summoned me as a witness I suppose it is right that I should reply.

The charge is absolutely uncalled for. Mr. Pou has done everything that a Democratic minority member could do. He has been at his post of duty far beyond the measure that most representatives consider necessary. He is, in fact, one of the men who hardly ever misses roll call, is always present when his Committee meet and it is in these Committees that most legislation is perfected—and has always worked in harness on the floor in accord with Democratic policies and Democratic programs. He has been just the contrary of neglectful.

In a certain sense it might be said of him, as it might be said of me, or of any other Democratic member, that he had accomplished very little, to wit: in the sense of defeating Republican partisan legislation. Evidently, from the manner in which you write, however, you are a man of too much intelligence to expect that either he or I or anybody else, or all the Democrats in Congress together, could do that. But Mr. Pou has borne his full share of the burden and accomplished his full share of possible results.

I am, with every expression of regard,

Very truly yours,
JOHN SHARP WILLIAMS.

Superior Court.

Court met promptly at 10 o'clock on Monday, Judge Lyon presiding. The Civil Docket was taken up and the following cases were disposed of while others were continued.

Cannady vs Cannady, divorce, granted.

Ballard vs W. U. Telegraph Co., judgment, 40 cents and costs.

First National Bank vs W. W. Boddie et als, judgment.

Hight vs Hight, divorce, granted.

Milburn Wagon Co. vs Hill, Judgment.

Ballard vs S. A. L. Railway, several counts for detention of freight. Total judgment \$382.50, appeal taken.

W. P. Neal vs S. A. L. Railway, judgment in favor of plaintiff for \$55.00.

Smithwick vs S. A. L. Railway judgment in favor of plaintiff for \$7.000.

Case of Mr. Foster Brown who sustained damages while in the employ of the S. A. L. Railway and who had sued for \$1000 was compromised. The company offered him \$250 and the costs which he accepted.

The divorce suit of Stone vs Stone was compromised and did not come to trial. A large crowd of witnesses from Raleigh and Franklinton were present.

Prohibition Appointments.

Rev. T. B. Justice, pastor of the Baptist church at Franklinton will speak on the subject of Prohibition at Sandy Creek church at 11 o'clock next Sunday and at 3.30 o'clock of the same day at Cedar Rock church. Mr. T. W. Bicketts will speak on Prohibition at Mount Zion the first Sunday in May, Dickens schoolhouse Saturday evening before, the second Sunday in May at 3.30 o'clock, at Red Bud church, the morning of the second Sunday at 11 o'clock, and at Cedar Rock on the same day at 3.30 o'clock.

THE MOVING PEOPLE.

THEIR MOVEMENTS IN AND OUT OF TOWN.

Those Who Have Visited Louisburg the Past Week—Those Who Have Gone Elsewhere for Business or Pleasure.

Mr. R. P. Taylor left Tuesday on a visit to Kittrell.

Mrs. A. H. Fleming is visiting friends in Greensboro.

Miss Nena Ballard, of Franklinton, is spending several days with friends here.

Prof. Carlysle, of Wake Forest College, spent Wednesday in Louisburg.

Mrs. Brewer, of Wake Forest, is the guest of her brother Mr. T. W. Bicketts.

Miss Annie Pegram, of Henderson, spent Easter with her people here.

Mrs. L. L. Joyner and children and Mrs. B. B. Perry visited Raleigh on Tuesday.

Mrs. Kate Orenshaw and Miss Helen left Tuesday for a visit to Denmark S. C.

Mayor J. R. Johnson, of Youngsville, was among the visitors to Louisburg this week.

Mr. J. A. Thomas and daughter, Miss Lucy are attending the Prohibition Association at Charlotte this week.

Dr. W. S. Rankin, of Wake Forest and N. F. Pendleton, of Henderson, were here this week in attendance upon court.

Dr. F. K. Cooke was taken to Johns Hopkins hospital at Baltimore Wednesday for treatment. An operation will be avoided if possible. Mr. P. H. Cooke accompanied him.

Among the visiting attorneys in attendance at Court here this week were Messrs. A. C. Zollicoff, T. T. Hicks and J. C. Kittrell, of Henderson, R. B. White, of Franklinton, W. H. Day and R. N. Simms, of Raleigh, David Bell, of Enfield, F. S. Spruill, of Rocky Mount.

Will It Be Allowed?

The following item taken from the Richmond Times-Dispatch was handed us for publication: "Although, as can be readily imagined, the two extremes are not actuated by the same principle and desires, wholesale liquor dealers in Richmond and other Virginia points are uniting with the temperance leaders of North Carolina in the hope that the State will adopt prohibition in the election to be held on May 26th. Reports from various Carolina towns indicate that the prohibition wave is not as strong as it was a month or six weeks ago. One reason for this is the fact that though many places are dry, large sums are still being sent to Virginia for the product that fires and delights, the result being that liquor is consumed as usual, with none of the financial benefits being left at home.

Not only will the Richmond wholesalers control the North Carolina trade, but they will reach as far as South Carolina, that State being now supplied mainly from Salisbury, N. C. Down in Georgia it was claimed that soft drink people were the most ardent advocates of prohibition, assisting ably in bringing it about. If the matter was left, therefore, to Virginia dealers, they would hardly be expected to fight prohibition in North Carolina when it would increase their bank accounts and give them a monopoly in a territory which they have touched heretofore only in spots.

Men who claim to know say that the city of Raleigh alone will spend \$200,000 a year for its liquor, nearly all of which will be shipped in from Richmond and Norfolk. Should the principle apply to other towns in Carolina, the profit to local shippers would be greater in proportion to the thirst.