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MR. MCINTYRE'S POSITION.

Because of Criticism of His Action in Congressional Affairs, Mr. McIntyre Publishes Letters to set Himself Right Before Public.

To the Editor of The Robesonian.

In order that it may be known why I (and some others in this county) did not give Mr. G. B. Patterson our active support for re-nomination before and at the recent convention held at Fayetteville, and favored in his stead Mr. Joseph A. Brown, of Columbus county, I desire to place the following facts before the public so that in passing upon the matter, they may know why I took the course that I did.

Four years ago at the convention at Fayetteville when Mr. Bellamy, Mr. Patterson and Mr. Brown were candidates for the nomination, and when the convention had been in session all night, and more than 300 ballots had been cast, and when there was a dead lock, and it was apparent to everyone that Mr. Brown held the balance of power between Mr. Bellamy and Mr. Patterson, and to which ever candidate Mr. Brown should throw his strength, that candidate would be nominated, myself and others, (and if I mistake not, A. J. McKinnon was one), went to Mr. Brown and begged him to throw his strength to Mr. Patterson and nominate him, and promised him that in the future whenever an opportunity offered itself, we would do all we could for him for Congress. Mr. Brown, in consequence of our earnest appeal, cast a majority of the votes of his county for Mr. Patterson and he was nominated for Congress. If Mr. Brown had not withdrawn and given Mr. Patterson his support at that time, Mr. Patterson could not have been nominated.

Two years ago Mr. Brown again entered the race for Congress. On the evening prior to the convention held at Maxton, when I reached Maxton, Mr. A. J. McKinnon, who was in active charge of Mr. Patterson's candidacy, met me near the hotel, which is now kept by Mrs. J. B. Weatherly, and asked me to go to Mr. Brown and ask him to withdraw and let Mr. Patterson have the nomination this time, by acclamation, that this would be the last time we would get it, and to tell Mr. Brown that "two years from that time we will all support him, (Mr. Brown) for Congress". I went to Mr. Brown and asked him to withdraw from the contest and to place Mr. Patterson in nomination, and told him what Mr. McKinnon had said.

Mr. Brown did withdraw, and placed Mr. Patterson in nomination as Mr. McKinnon had requested, and Mr. Patterson was nominated by acclamation.

Sometime before the recent convention I saw Mr. Patterson and told him that on account of the understanding I had with Mr. Brown at Fayetteville, and on account of the promises I had made Mr. Brown at Mr. McKinnon's instance at Maxton two years ago, that I could not give him any active support in this campaign, and detailed to him what Mr. McKinnon had said to me at Maxton two years ago. I did not enter into a fight against Mr. Patterson, nor did I take an active part for Mr. Brown. But at the recent convention held at Fayetteville I made no effort to influence votes for Mr. Brown, but I allowed my vote to be cast for Mr. Patterson more than 200 times. In order to corroborate my statements as to the promises that were made Mr. Brown, I addressed to him the following letter:

July 30th, 1906.

Hon. J. A. Brown,
Chadbourne, N. C.

Dear Joe:

Some of the friends of Mr. Patterson are charging me with disloyalty to him because I did not take an active part in his favor and against you in the recent convention. I have given my reason for my position, but in order that my position may be fully understood, I write to ask you to permit me to publish in our local paper copies of letters written you by A. J. McKinnon, Col N. A. McLean and Sheriff Geo. B. McLeod, which I now have in my possession. I did not ask this before the convention because neither you nor myself desired to do anything which might be construed as an effort to use these letters against Mr. Patterson's candidacy. But now as the convention is over, and no possible harm can come to Mr. Patterson on account of these matters being made public, I respectfully request to be per-

mitted to use them as justification to myself and some of your other friends in this county. Thanking you for an early reply, I am,

Very truly yours,
Stephen McIntyre.

To the above letter I have received a reply from Mr. Brown in which he said he had had several requests to allow these letters to be published before the convention. There was a possibility at that time that it might be used to Mr. Patterson's detriment, and none of us wished to take that position, but now since the convention is over, and no harm can come to anyone; that for the purpose only of preventing me from being put in a false position, I might have his permission to publish the same. Mr. Brown also stated that he has no unpleasant memories of the recent political fight, and that he has only the best of feeling towards Mr. Patterson, and would not do or say anything that would cause any change of feeling between him and Mr. Patterson. I give to the public the following letters in corroboration of what I have above stated.

May 6th, 1904.

Hon. J. A. Brown,
Chadbourne, N. C.

My Dear Sir:

I am very sorry that I did not see you on your recent visit to our town. I did not know of it all until you had gone away. I heard it intimated that you thought of entering the list and being a candidate for Congress, and have also seen it stated in the newspapers whether this be true or not, I have no means of ascertaining, but permit me, in no spirit of obtrusiveness, to say that while you have many friends in the county, one of whom I am which, the uniform custom has been to give every member two terms, and in a spirit of fairness to Patterson the people will hardly depart from the rule. Permit me to suggest that your coming in just now might estrange some of your friends who in the near future would be your very warm friends. I trust that I am not intermeddling, but hope that you will receive this as intended, an act of disinterested friendship.

Very truly yours,
N. A. McLean.

Maxton, N. C., May 7th, 1904.

Hon. J. A. Brown,
Chadbourne, N. C.

Dear Sir:

I see in yesterday's Star that you are a candidate for Congress. The Star has found lots of candidates already, but when sifted most of them proved to be manufactured by the Star. I hope this is another case of the Star's manufacture. I am a great admirer of Joe Brown, and I think you are the logical candidate for Congress two years from now, and I want you to consider that if you go before the people this time you will ask your friends to help you do something that is wrong. If you win, all's well, but should you lose then you will have the ill will of Patterson's friends two years hence, besides their ill will you will have to bear the accusation that you tried to get the people of your district to support you in doing what we all know is not the proper thing to do. We all concede that Patterson is entitled to another term, it has always been the custom. He is guilty of no wrong while in Congress that would cause his district to be justified in slapping him in the face with this rebuke. I have sufficient confidence in the righteousness of the people of the 6th District to believe that they will be slow to do a thing like this unless Mr. Patterson had been guilty of some disgraceful act.

Now, if these contentions are true, don't you really think you would be in very much better position for the future to come on and let dissent and wait two more years, and then go into an even fight with chances and precedent in your favor.

I am no politician, but if I were these would be my conclusions. Such an unusual thing as this coupled with short time is certainly a considerable handicap, and if you can win or come near winning now with this disadvantage you would simply have a "walkover," if you waited two years and, to we older boys, years are short things. I haven't written a single letter before because I don't care anything about Mr. Meares, but I have said ever since Fayetteville convention that I was a Brown man four years

from then. I am now repeating it. I was a Bellamy man for second choice two years ago until he did what you and all the rest of us thought was wrong.

I have written this long, tiresome letter simply because I don't want you to do something that will force a number of both your and Patterson's friends to think wrong. Few people as you know will speak just what they believe to a man's face, and those with whom I have talked may talk to me different from what they feel but if they have spoken their convictions in my presence, the conclusions in this letter are positively true.

I hope you will take this letter in the spirit I mean it and look at it from the standpoint that I do for I have tried very hard to tell you what I believe is true and to tell it in a way that will not cause you to think any less of the writer for my fullness and frankness in it. With kindest regards, I remain,

Yours very truly,
A. J. McKinnon.

Lumberton, N. C., April 5th, 1904.

Friend Joe:

I want to say two things: If you want to be State Governor, I feel sure Robeson will support you.

But I do believe that you could go to Congress. I believe you could go this time and if not this time, surely next time. But I believe you could go this time. Suppose you drop over if only for a night. Let me know when. All well.

Your friend,
Geo. B. McLeod.

May 11th, 1904.

Geo. B. McLeod,
Sheriff of Robeson county,
Lumberton, N. C.

Friend Joe:

I will write you a word: Our friend P. is at home, he and his friends at Maxton are uneasy, they are pulling this kind of a string "Surely the district would not turn a man down that had only served one term and had committed no crime, etc." Now to you this is his only hope, to pull through on, but I do not believe this will carry him back. His Maxton friends are saying that you could go next time etc. But I am of the opinion you can go now if you will hustle, but if at any point you think best I do feel sure you can clinch it, (the nomination for 2 years later) you recall that is what I first wrote you. But understand I want you to go now. And I believe that you could carry 75 per cent. of Robeson's vote, and if dissenion can start here, then I believe your nomination sure. Now as I know this goes direct to you, I will say this, that if you would be willing to say at this point of the game that if the nomination came to you that you would appoint as your first secretary, D. P. Shaw, a young lawyer at this place, sober, upright and competent son of A. S. Shaw, Lumber Bridge township, Lock Shaw his uncle, St. Pauls township, and being the young man that P. had me to promise it to, if he should be nominated, you can see how this might and would put some good influence to work here, but now if you think best not, all right. I only suggest this. You know what is done must be done quickly.

I think it very doubtful whether I allow my name to go before our convention for re-nomination, the settlements are hard to make pan out, and I am always in dread. Well I have written very hurriedly this morning. You must not look at errors, etc. With best wishes for your success, I am your friend,
Geo. B. McLeod.

I have taken the trouble of going into this matter fully because it has come to my knowledge that some of Mr. Patterson's friends are criticising me because I did not take an active part for him in the recent convention. I want to remind Mr. Patterson's friends in conclusion that they ought not to forget the services I performed for him in his contest four years ago, both in the county convention and in the congressional convention, and in the time when most and this too at a time when most are now apparently willing to criticise others for failure to support Mr. Patterson were doing all in their power to prevent his nomination, and to give it to a man from another county.

I have done no more in this last contest than my duty requires.

ed in remaining true to promises I had made, not that any benefit might come to me but wholly in the interest of Mr. Patterson. If in the light of the above fact I deserve criticism for the course I have taken I will willingly bear it.

Very respectfully,
Stephen McIntyre.

Major Edwin B. Anderson.

Those of Lumberton who know Major Anderson, printer, and we think all know him, will find the following from the Monroe Journal of the 24th ult. of interest.

Major Edwin B. Anderson, of everywhere, has again hung up his coat in The Journal office, not for the purpose of going to work, but merely to pay a social call to his friends, cool off, and catch wind for the next trip that he will make. Major Anderson admits that he is the first "tramp printer" that ever came to Monroe. As a young man, thirty years ago, he struck this hamlet for the first time, since when he has been a more or less regular visitor. When he first came here he became at once popular with the young men of the town, most of whom are now dead or otherwise departed. Among his friends of that time was the late T. D. McCauley, who was a great admirer of a bright and unconventional fellow wherever to be found, especially if to the other qualities were added the genuine elements of manhood, as in the case of the young printer who then fell into the little printing office of W. J. Boylin, coming and going as the wind goeth, whither ever it will. Since then, Anderson, by grace of long years on the road now Major Anderson, has come to and gone out of Monroe at intervals that suited his pleasure. Now old and feeble, he yet retains a remarkable memory, and till this good day calls by name the friends of that time, and would know their faces could they appear suddenly from their long journey.

Born in Indiana of North Carolina parentage, this man left home before reaching his majority and landing in a Chicago printing office. Since then he has landed in many another office, but none is good enough to hold him long. He came to North Carolina and for the past thirty years has circled close about this and adjoining States. He loves the Southern people; says they are the best on earth and will live and die among them. He is a blue blooded bohemian, and for years has worked little. The offices of his circle entertain him till he chooses to move, for he is a little old bundle of nervous energy and can't be still now for five minutes. Ten years ago he came to The Journal office when this sheet whirled itself off on a Washington hand press at night, and did yeoman service in the office. Three weeks ago he came here on his way to his native place of Logansport, Ind., where he had been left some property, and the boys in the office said, "We will see Anderson no more." But lo! he is back. There was no earthly reason why he should have come all the way back to Monroe except that this was the point where he left off his regular trip, and unconsciously came back to take it up again. How true it is that men prefer to continue to do in their old age the things that they have done through youth and manhood. Hundreds of roving printers have come and the men paid no attention to them. While few now, they came a few years ago in swarms. But every man who saw Anderson remembered him, and it is not now uncommon to hear an old man say, "Why, there is the old printer who first came here thirty years ago!" They remember him because his is a peculiar personality because, despite his knocking about the world in an irregular way, he has retained the characteristics that were born in him—love and loyalty to his friends; honesty and generosity of heart; because he quotes ream of Shakespeare and the Psalms most entertainingly when in his cups. He is of the men who, had they millions, would give their friends a good time while it lasted.

How long will he stay? When will he return? When will the wind come and go? When he went to Logansport last week to take charge of his new affairs, he remained long enough, as he reported back here, "to knock a lawyer down."

Miss Annie McIntyre, of McColl, S. C., is visiting Mrs. D. W. Crump.

PRIMARY BEING TALKED.

Petitions May be Presented For Primary to Nominate County Officers.

We understand that petitions are being circulated for a primary to nominate the county officers and that they will be presented at the next meeting of the county executive committee. In discussing the matter, a prominent Democrat says:

"The question of a primary is one fraught with importance so far as the Democratic party is concerned. Much can be said on both sides of the matter. We believe our only experience with the primary was in the Summons-Carr contest in 1900. Many of our people were dissatisfied with this primary and hoped that it would never again be invoked in this county. There are, however, as we said before, strong reasons which can be adduced in its favor and while some of our neighbors have not found it altogether satisfactory, yet in this county, as it is much larger, conditions are somewhat different and results may be also.

"As it is something new with our people they should have the opportunity to give to the full their most careful and both its supporters and opponents should be carefully heard by our executive committee before deciding the matter. It seems to us that they should come to the meeting of the committee to sit in judicial deliberation upon the question, as it were, and to make their decision after all the evidence is in and not before, giving to the question that serious and careful consideration which the situation demands as their decision may carry with it the destiny of the party in the coming election."

RAFT SWAMP NOTES.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

The protracted meeting is in progress here this week. Pastor Flemming is being assisted by Rev. J. B. Bridges, of Lumber Bridge.

Mrs. J. A. Carlyle, of Fayetteville, is spending some time here with relatives.

A good many of our people attended the Union meeting at Centerville Saturday and Sunday.

Messrs. J. E. Carlyle and W. C. Powell attended the convention at Fayetteville last week.

Mr. W. C. Carlyle, of Cleveland, Ohio is spending some time in the county with a view to buying a farm here and settle. He is a fine man and we hope he will be successful in finding a suitable farm and we will welcome him to our grand old county.

Miss Lena Leitch, of Rowland, visited friends here last week.

Miss Edna Tyner returned home a few days ago from Bennettsville, where she spent some time with relatives.

Lowe, N. C., Aug. 1st.

HIS OWN FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS.

Middleton, N. Y., Special 27th, to Washington Post.

The most remarkable funeral services ever held in this section will occur in a public park in this city tomorrow over the remains of Rev. Charles M. Winchester. Rev. Mr. Winchester died Thursday, and after his death it was found he had written obituary notices for the newspapers and made arrangements for a most peculiar funeral.

A line of march is laid out through the principal streets. The dead man designated, who were to be in the parade, as follows: Gen. Lyon Post, G. A. R.; Phoenix Engine Company; Hoffman Lodge and all Masons; Phoenix Fire Patrol, carrying casket, and any who care to follow. The services will be held in Thrall Park. Only the Grand Army of the Republic ritual is to be used. The remains will be taken to Fresh Pond crematory, where the full Masonic service will be performed. While the cremation is in progress, Countess Von Bos, of Sweden, will give musical selections and Charles H. George, of Providence, R. I., will make an address.

The dead man in his last directions invited representatives of newspapers to attend the cremation.

After Mr. Winchester's death almost everything in his home was found tagged with the name and address of the person whom he wished to have the article. In his will, Mr. Winchester asked that his ashes be placed in an urn and presented to two ladies whom he highly esteemed.

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LOCAL BRIEFS.

The McAllister Hardware Co. has moved into its new building.

The Anglo-Saxon, Rockingham: Mr. R. L. McLeod has moved his family to his farm and large lumber plant near Maxton.

There will be services at the Baptist church Sunday morning and evening and everybody is cordially invited to attend.

Mr. A. E. Spivey left Tuesday for his new home at Elizabeth town. His family, who are now with relatives in the county, will join him later.

The tract of land about a mile from town, which was bought by the town a year ago, will be beautified and fixed up suitable for a cemetery. A landscape gardener will be employed for the purpose.

Sanford Express: Rev. W. T. Walker, of Rowland, an evangelist for Fayetteville Presbytery, who was here last week prospecting with a view to locating, has purchased a house and lot from Major Scott on Summit Ave., and will move his family here in the fall where they will make their home.

Mr. O. J. Peterson and family leave this afternoon for Carnersville, Ga., where they will live. Mr. Peterson has been elected principal of Tupelo Institute, a school with 300 pupils. Mr. Peterson and family have been residents of Lumberton for about five years and their departure from our town will be a source of regret to many.

A game of ball between Marion, S. C., and Lumberton was scheduled for Tuesday afternoon but was called off on account of rain. The following from Marion were her for the game: Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Strahley, Misses Louise Oakes, Ida McLaurin, Edna Carmichael, Janie Colvin and Lucile Lever; Messrs. D. A. Carmichael, Wm. Oakes, L. G. Bass, L. Bethea, W. C. Renfrow, W. G. Jarvis.

A few of the young people of Lumberton, chaperoned by Mr. and Mrs. Will Neaves, enjoyed a hay-ride Tuesday evening out to McNeil's bridge, where they had a watermelon feast. Those who enjoyed the moonlight ride were Misses Jean Hutchinson, Cammie McNeill, Ada Howell, Leslie Proctor, Lillian Proctor and Virginia Whitfield; Messrs. Charlie McAllister, Richard Norman, John Fuller, Elwood Whaley and Simeon Caldwell.

Call for Democratic Executive Committee.

The members of the Democratic Executive Committee of Robeson county are hereby notified that there will be a meeting of the county executive committee at the court house at Lumberton, N. C., on Monday, August the 6th, 1906, at 11 o'clock a. m.

You are further notified that a petition in writing, signed by at least one hundred known Democratic voters of Robeson county, asking that said meeting be held for the purpose of considering the advisability of nominating the county candidates by primary election, has been filed with me.

You are further notified that this meeting is called to act upon said petition.

Each and every member of the said committee is earnestly requested to attend so that said matter may be given proper consideration.

This 2nd day of August, 1906
J. G. McCOLEMAN,
Chm. Dem. Ex. Com.

Institutes Saturday.

A farmers' institute will be held in the court house here Saturday and a women's institute will be held at the same time in the Robeson Institute.

The programme of the men's institute will be talks on different subjects of interest to farmers. H. H. Hume, State horticulturist, will speak on "How to Improve of Cotton and Corn by Seed Selections"; J. C. Kendall, "Farm Dairying"; H. H. Hume, "Some Trucking Problems".

At the women's institute, Miss Viola Boddie, "Literature for the Farm Home"; J. C. Kendall, "Farm Dairying"; Miss Mae Card, "Homemaking"; Miss Roddie, "Educating the Farmers' Daughters".

The morning session will open at 10 o'clock and the afternoon session at 1:30 o'clock. A similar programme is being given at Maxton today.

CHAING GANG ORDERED BACK.

The County Commissioners Have Made Order for Return of Convicts to Work on Roads.

The county commissioners were in special session Tuesday. Messrs. J. W. Carter, A. R. McEachern, C. A. Oliver, R. B. Barnes and J. A. Hodgkin were present.

The L. T. Cottingham Lumber Co., through its attorneys, Messrs. McLean, McLean and McCormick, of Lumberton, and Leon T. Cook, of Maxton, demanded that the board make an order directing the proper authorities to turn over to the L. T. Cottingham Lumber Co. all prisoners convicted and sentenced at the July term of superior court to work on the county roads under the terms and provision of a certain contract entered into on the 14th day of April between the county commissioners and the L. T. Cottingham Lumber Co. On motion the above request was not granted.

On motion the commissioners ordered that the county chain gang, now in the service of the L. T. Cottingham Lumber Co., be returned to work on the county roads, and it was further ordered that the said L. T. Cottingham Lumber Co. be notified to return said chain gang to the proper authorities on or by the first Monday in September.

In regards to the prisoners in jail, sentenced the past week to work on the roads, the commissioners instructed that they be put to work in Howellsville township yesterday and that a guard be employed for the month of August.

Ashpole News Letter.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Former friends were very glad to have Rev. O. P. Meeks preach for them last Sunday. A large crowd greeted him at the Bay list church.

Messrs. Walter and Joe Hocutt visited their sister, Mrs. John Fisher, last week.

Ashpole now has two first class work working establishments. Messrs. F. C. and Joe Jones have one on Ionia street which has been at work for some time and now C. T. Cashwell and Son have opened one on Main street. Both have all the work they can do.

Mrs. Rose Pitman and Mrs. Fannie Brown returned Monday from a visit to relatives at Marietta.

Master Dock Brown, of Charleston, S. C., visited Mr. A. L. Jones' family last week.

Misses Agnes Ashley and Hattie McLeod visited relatives at Boardman this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Straughan and Master Clyde returned last Saturday from a delightful visit to their old home in Chatham county.

Ashpole, N. C., Aug. 1st.

Revival Meeting.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Every day finds us busy at the post of duty and subject to our Captain who always gives the correct orders. Last week was spent with the beloved of Great Marsh church in the good community of St. Pauls, and the revival was glorious. Rev. T. J. Barker, of Parkton, is the efficient and much loved pastor of this noble flock of faithful disciples.

This week we are with the saints at Raft Swamp, and the prospects are bright for a great meeting. Rev. D. P. Bridges, of Lumber Bridge, is doing the preaching. He is perfectly at home in the pulpit and each message is one of love and tenderness such as fills the hungry soul and causes it to cry out for the living God.

The people are responsive and prayerful and the sermons are being well received. We are looking forward to still greater things and are trusting the God of Salvation to give the desire of our hearts.

We very much regret to have missed the Union meeting with the blessed church at Center. However, we are highly pleased to hear such good things from it. Such meetings mean much in the way of progress in the Master's great Kingdom on earth and for Heaven.

Let the Lord's people not forget to pray for the Gospel's success. Our revival at Pleasant Hope church will begin with next Sunday. Rev. T. J. Barker will be present to do the preaching, the Lord willing.

Heaven's smiles upon the work every where. Let everybody attend.

J. M. Fleming.
July 31st.