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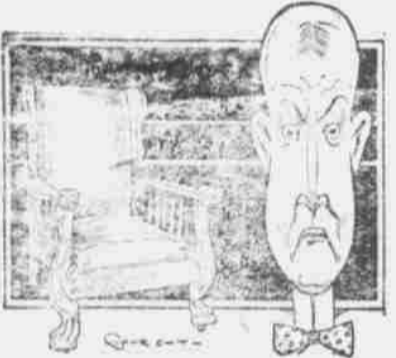


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RESOURCES:

Loans and Discounts,	\$132,769.05
Furniture and Fixtures,	3,383.27
Real Estate,	510.00
Expense,	164.08
CASH AND DUE FROM BANKS,	109,147.56
	\$245,973.96

LIABILITIES:

Capital Stock,	\$50,000.00
Undivided Profits,	8,918.30
Re-Discounts,	8,600.00
Accrued Interest due Depositors,	120.74
DEPOSITS,	178,934.83
	\$245,973.96

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT:

December 13th, 1904, Deposits,	\$108,126.94
December 13th, 1905, " "	143,958.99
December 13th, 1907, " "	178,934.83

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I wish to submit through the columns of The Observer some considerations with a view to the nomination of Mr. Locke Craig by the Democratic party to be Governor of North Carolina. I am for Mr. Craig not by reason of any obligation whatever or any peculiar relation to him. I am for him because of reasons which constrain me as a citizen and a Democrat; and, therefore, I venture to think that a plain statement of them may appeal in like manner to other citizens and Democrats.

First of all, let it be understood that the present political conditions are pausal. There have been periods when the Democratic party might choose its standard bearer indifferently from among many of its leaders with impunity. There never was a time when it could afford to choose men who were not leaders, but only because they wished the honor of being Governor. It is true that our majority in the State is large. But it is likewise true that a long period of national defeat has seriously diminished the party's prestige, even so that in the solid South there are tendencies which must gravely concern every Democrat who reckons with the future rather than the immediate present. It is the South's peculiar duty to maintain the party's spirit and the party's strength in these trying years, abiding the time when our whole country will sicken of the policies of the Republican party and look once more to the party which gave it the memorable glory of those great years when the nation was forming.

If we in North Carolina would perform this duty, we must be sure to commit the party's standard to men not only worthy of the party's name but such as will readily commend on their own account the glad acclaim of the people—young men, business men, farmers and professional classes. We must select men that will add to the party's ranks; not men who create unnecessary antagonisms, men who make for unity, not division; men who in themselves represent the party's and the people's ideals, and not their personal craving for honor or power; men whose records speak of aggressive measures for the public good rather than of private or public selfishness.

Moreover, within the State the aggressive policies of the Democratic party have produced an extraordinary degree of unrest. This was inevitable, and is not to be regretted. I do not depreciate the policies. If there have been blunders, they were blunders in the right direction; and we will not abandon our course. We will go on in our work of temperance; we will go on in our control of the public service corporations; we will go on with our war against the trusts. Nothing could be so fatal to the party as to hesitate here. But if we would go on successfully, if we would go on to victory, we must proceed by means of leaders who will act intelligently and not strike blindly; who will make the battle for the cause's sake and not for the fame of it; who will be moved by the highest motives, not by personal animus or any malice whatever—and certainly not by mere selfish ambitions of any sort.

In Mr. Craig we have such a man. He can be trusted to maintain the party's policy; and to maintain it intelligently and with noble purpose. In him we have a citizen who would come into office with no old scores to pay, but only a high duty to perform; who could be trusted, therefore, to act surely and with discretion. The current restlessness is not due to resentment of the party's policies so much as to the fear that its policies may fall into the

hands of men who, because of a mistaken conception of their duty or the facts, for the sake of a certain fame, or in pursuit of personal aims, may actually cause them to become injurious not only to the party and the State, but inimical to the very ends which these policies are designed to achieve.

Mr. Craig's peculiar merit lies in the fact that he can be trusted on this critical point. He can be trusted to advance these policies; to advance them for their own sake; to advance them intelligently; and to advance them surely. How singularly he stands out! In him we would have a standard bearer who would command the full Democratic support. Nominating him, the Democratic party would reaffirm all its best intentions; and in such a way as to strengthen the hopes of those who sincerely desire aggressive measures and to reassure all those who now threaten, because of a well defined distrust of certain tendencies, to abandon it. In all the State there is no one who so worthily represents just now the intelligent, aggressive spirit of the Democratic party or of the democratic people—embracing all who believe that the people should rule—as Mr. Locke Craig.

I have submitted the moving consideration in my support of Mr. Craig. But I will add a minor, yet very important consideration. I refer to Mr. Craig's service to the party and the Commonwealth. Of course men who have never rendered any such service and others, who have rendered such service only as candidates, have some grounds for making light of a consideration of this sort. They can afford it. It is their only recourse. But the Democratic party cannot afford it; and the Democratic people understand. Any party's success depends upon the recognition that it gives those who keep it alive. Parties that ignore their warriors are as the nations that have done likewise—they are not known in the annals of men because men do not hold them worthy to be known.

Mr. Craig has been at the forefront of the Democratic party's battle-line in all the great campaigns of recent years. And not only in his western counties, but throughout the Commonwealth he has not spared himself. We have no campaigner that can surpass him, either in personal ability or in actual service. It seems to me, therefore, in view of his peculiar fitness for the office of Governor, and his singular fitness for standard bearer of the Democratic party at the present time, and in view, moreover, of his magnificent sacrifices for the party, that it would be almost unpardonable not to nominate him. To say the least it would prove a blunder of most serious proportions.

I would not forget, moreover, that in nominating Mr. Craig we will honor a section worthy to be honored—richly worthy. Our mountain country is a great region of the State—great in numbers, in extent and in power; and yet greater in promise. It has been patient; but we cannot ignore it because of its faithfulness. Instead it becomes us, now that we have so perfect an opportunity, to recognize it by making its beloved son our favorite son, its beloved our beloved leader, its victorious standard bearer, and so call him to the highest honor in the gift of his party and the people.

J. W. BAILEY.
Raleigh, March 20th, 1908.

Mrs. Florence Edwards, wife of the station master at Putman, Madison county, committed suicide on the 17th, shooting herself through the head. It is said that no cause can be assigned for the rash act, that just prior to the act of self-destruction Mrs. Edwards was with her husband and children and apparently in the best of spirits.

Good for Everybody. Mr. Norman R. Coulter, a prominent architect in the Delbert Building, San Francisco, says: "I fully endorse all that has been said of Electric Bitters as a tonic medicine. It is good for everybody. It corrects stomach, liver and kidney disorders in a prompt and efficient manner and builds up the system." Electric Bitters is the best spring medicine ever sold over a druggist's counter; as a blood purifier it is unequalled. 50c. at all drug stores.

A MODERN ENOCH ARDEN.

Augusta, Ga., Citizen Returns After an Absence of 18 Years to Find His Wife Married to Another—Woman Has Second Marriage Annulled and Court Holds Both Blameless.

Returning after an absence of 18 years to find his wife married in good faith to another man of prominence and influence in the city was the fate of Frederick Pfaff to-day. In 1855, Pfaff was married to Miss Carrie L. Parr. Five years later Pfaff suddenly disappeared, leaving no clue to his whereabouts and no reason for his absence. In 1895, his family read widely published reports of his death in a railroad accident and for many months were mourning.

Fully believing that her husband was dead, Mrs. Pfaff after several years of supposed widowhood was married a second time to Alford B. Connor. Some days ago Mrs. Connor was greatly shocked to receive positive proof that her first husband was still alive.

Although living in contentment and happiness with her second husband she at once began proceedings to have the marriage annulled.

To-day a decree of annulment was handed down by Judge Hammond, of the Superior Court, which further declared that the second marriage had been entered into innocently and in good faith by all parties concerned as the result of a lamentable mistake, and adjudges the parties entirely blameless.

When the Suffrage Amendment Takes Effect.

Chatham Record.

There is a very general erroneous idea as to the time when a voter cannot take advantage of the "grandfather" clause of our suffrage amendment. Nearly everybody thinks that a white youth who wishes to register and vote at the next election, must be able "to read and write any section of the constitution in the English language," and that the "grandfather" clause will not enable him to register, as heretofore. This is a mistake. The suffrage amendment provides that anybody can vote although he may not be able to read or write, if he registers under the "grandfather" clause prior to December 1st, 1908. So that anybody who heretofore could register under the "grandfather" clause can still do so until the first day of December, which of course is after the November election. The common idea is that the provision as to the "grandfather" clause expires in 1908, and so it does, but not until December 1st.

Therefore everybody can register for the elections this year, before next December, just exactly as could be done ever since the adoption of our suffrage amendment. And nobody can register for the elections this year who could not heretofore register. It is well enough for our people to understand this and act accordingly.

And by the way, although the suffrage amendment was adopted nearly eight years ago, yet nobody in this State has ever attempted to attack its constitutionality. And yet all our readers will remember the frequent assertions by Republican speakers and papers, in the campaign of 1900, that the amendment was clearly unconstitutional and that it would soon be so declared by the Supreme Court. Every Republican stump speaker was a profound constitutional expounder and confidently pronounced the amendment unconstitutional, and really made some timid persons believe them.

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SENATOR OVERMAN.

The People of the State Will Not be so Blind to Their Own Interests as to Fail to Re-elect Him.

Wilmington Messenger.

Not long ago the Concord Tribune offered to pay five dollars for every good reason offered why Senator Overman should not be re-elected. That offer is still standing, but we have not heard of that paper having to pay out a single five dollar bill on its offer or that any one had attempted to secure the prize. Why this is so is perfectly patent. No one can advance any reason for the Senator's retirement. There is one man in the State who thinks he should have the place, but he does not even dare to openly contend for the place or claim that the State would be benefited by substituting him for the present Senator. We believe that he would admit, if he gave a sincere opinion and would put ambition and selfishness aside, that the State would be doing a very foolish thing were it to put Senator Overman aside to be replaced by any other man in the State, himself included. We cannot see how any man in the State can favor the supplanting at this time of Senator Overman by any other man. Has any one got a fault to find with Mr. Overman since he has been Senator? Can any one point to a single act of his which has made him unworthy of the high office to which he has been called by the people of his State? Can any one give a good reason why he should be supplanted at this time by some one else? Can any man who may ask the next Legislature to choose himself in Mr. Overman's place give any other reason for its doing, so than the one that he wants the honor and the salary of the office? We have heard of no matter yet mentioned for the place which would have taken the high position in his first term that Mr. Overman has and most certainly not one of them could go to the Senate and at the beginning of his term take the stand that Senator Overman would after six years' service in the Senate. We do not believe the people of North Carolina are going to be so foolish as to go to the polls and elect a man to the Senate and in other words to gratify the personal vanity or political ambition of any man, no matter how popular the latter may be or how acceptably he may have filled some other office. The people know Mr. Overman and they recognize the prominence he has given his State in national affairs and we feel sure that they will demand his re-election. Some papers in the State say that in order to secure his re-election the friends of Senator Overman have work before them. We cannot believe it. We do not believe our people are so blind to their own interests and to the enviable reputation the State has established through the high position Senator Overman has taken in the Senate and in the council of statesmen of the union. His friends must see to it that in the choice of candidates for the Legislature men representing the will of the people are chosen instead of the strikers of some opposing candidate. That is all that is necessary.

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