

WILL REDISTRIBUTE STATE.

Generally Credited Rumor Afloat Among Democrats to This Effect—A Slate Suggested by a Leading Politician.

Charlotte Observer.

It is said to be practically certain that the Democrats will re-district the State after the census is complete. Effort will be made to arrange the counties in such fashion as to leave the Republicans out in the cold. In fact there is considerable talk to this effect. Several clever Democrats are working with might and main on this redistricting proposition now. A well-known politician, whose name is familiar from Murphy to Manteo, declared several days ago that the Democrats should rearrange things so that all the district would return Democrats. He said that this could be done, leaving fairly equal population in the several districts.

"I would divide the State into districts as follows:

"First district: Currituck, Camden, Pasquotank, Perquimons, Gates, Hertford, Chowan, Bertie, Northampton, Dare, Tyrrell, Washington, Hyde and Beaufort counties, which, by the last vote for Governor, would give a Democratic majority of 7,366.

"Second: Pitt, Martin, Edgecomb, Nash, Wilson, Greene, Johnston and Harnet; majority, 7,030.

"Third: Pamlico, Carteret, Craven, Jones, Onslow, Pender, Duplin, Lenoir, Wayne and Sampson; majority, 3,962.

"Fourth: Franklin, Wake, Chatham, Durham, Orange and Alamance; majority, 3,813.

"Fifth: Halifax, Warren, Vance, Person, Caswell, Rockingham, Stokes and Surry; majority, 3,997.

"Sixth: Bladen, Cumberland, Moore, Lee, Randolph, Guilford and Forsyth; majority, 2,990.

"Seventh: New Hanover, Brunswick, Columbus, Robeson, Scotland, Richmond, Montgomery, Davidson, Davie, Yadkin and Wilkes; majority, 2,629.

"Eighth: Anson, Stanly, Cabarrus, Rowan, Iredell, Alexander, Caldwell, Watauga, Ashe and Alleghany; majority, 2,092.

"Ninth: Union, Mecklenburg, Gaston, Lincoln, Catawba, Burke, Mitchell, Yancy and Madison; majority, 2,819.

"Tenth: Cleveland, Rutherford, McDowell, Polk, Henderson, Buncombe, Haywood, Transylvania, Jackson, Swain, Macon, Clay, Graham and Cherokee; majority, 633.

"This would work like a top," continued the politician. "The districts would be within the requirements of the constitution, and would look well. There would be one or two long ones, but that would not hurt.

Let us see how it would shape up: Down in the first, Pitt and Martin would be replaced by Bertie and Northampton. The second would be made up of portions of the present first, second, fourth and sixth. The third would fall heir to Lenoir. The fourth would be composed of three counties of the old district and three of the old fifth. The fifth would have counties of the fourth and fifth; the sixth of the fifth, sixth and seventh, and the seventh of the sixth, seventh and eighth. The only change in the eighth would be the exchange of Wilkes for Anson. Cleveland would be taken from the ninth and added to the tenth, and Union given to the ninth.

"After the shake up it would be found that Pou and Godwin, Kitchin and Morehead, Page and Cowles, and Grant and Webb resided in the same districts. The new fourth, sixth, eighth and ninth would have no Congressmen.

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ALMOST A NEW COURT.

Mr. Taft May Determine The Complexion Of The Supreme Tribunal.

Washington Dispatch, 17th.

The changes in the Supreme Court seem likely to make it almost a new body in the near future. Justice Lurton has just been placed on the bench, and the president is considering his choice of a successor to the late Justice Brewer. Rumors that Justice Moody may resign on account of ill health are insistent, although vigorously denied. Two members of the court, Chief Justice Fuller and Justice Harlan, are near their seventy-seventh birthday. Should these three resign, retire or the hand of death be laid upon them in the next three years, President Taft would equal the record for appointing justices since the organization of the court. That record was made by Jackson and equaled by Lincoln and Grant, each naming five members.

Chief Justice Marshall set the record for service at 34 years. This was equaled by Justice Story, of Massachusetts, and Justice Field, of California. The shortest period ever served was by Justice Harrison, of Maryland, who was a member of the court for only a year.

Although there have been 63 members of the bench in the 120 years of its existence, represented by favorite sons in this list

New York and Ohio head the roll with seven members each. Massachusetts comes next with six. Maryland, Pennsylvania and Virginia have furnished five each, while Tennessee and Kentucky follow with three each. South Carolina, New Jersey, Georgia, Alabama, Illinois and California, two each, and Connecticut, New Hampshire, Maine, Iowa, Mississippi, Kansas, Michigan and Louisiana one each. At present Massachusetts has two members and Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, California, Ohio and Tennessee one each.

The youngest justice ever appointed was Justice Story, of Massachusetts, who was 32 when selected; the oldest appointee was Justice Lurton, of Tennessee, 66. The ages of the present members are: Chief Justice Fuller and Justice Harlan, 77; Justice White, 65; Justice McKenna, 67; Justice Holmes, 69; Justice Day, 61; Justice Moody, 57, and Justice Lurton, 66.

At present there are three Democrats on the bench, Chief Justice Fuller and Justices White and Lurton, while Justices Harlan, McKenna, Holmes, Day and Moody are Republicans. Justices White and McKenna are Catholics, while the others are of Protestant profession or inclination.

FOREST FIRES.

Severe Punishment in a Few Cases Might Help.

Charlotte Observer.

Immense damage by forest fires, says The Lumberton Robesonian, has been done in Robeson and adjoining counties during the last few weeks. It is said that these fires are the result chiefly of carelessness; but in some instances they are started purposely. The amount of damage resulting has been very great. A great deal of it may be termed almost permanent as it will take a very long time for the trees destroyed to be succeeded by another growth of sufficient size for lumber. Persons starting these forest fires, through carelessness even, are indictable under the law of the State. But the owners of the destroyed timber seldom resort to the criminal courts. It is difficult to detect the guilty ones, and, besides, if they are prosecuted the instigators of the

Advertised Letters.

Following is a list of letters remaining in the postoffice at Lumberton, N. C., for the week ending April 18th, 1910:

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(Mention this paper)

Prosecutions are liable to suffer additional loss in the same manner at their hands. The authors of forest fires, for these reasons, have the timber owners almost at their mercy. The latter submit to loss without appeal to the law in order not to invite additional destruction of property. It strikes us that this is a state of affairs which could be stopped by a few prosecutions in clear cases of guilt followed by severe punishment.

It is not in the Robeson section alone that much damage has been done of late by forest fires which could have been avoided. From several other points comes news of the same nature. Large tracts in the heavily timbered mountain section have suffered. It is strange that men who know what vast damage is done by these fires should deliberately or carelessly start them.

Saved From the Grave.

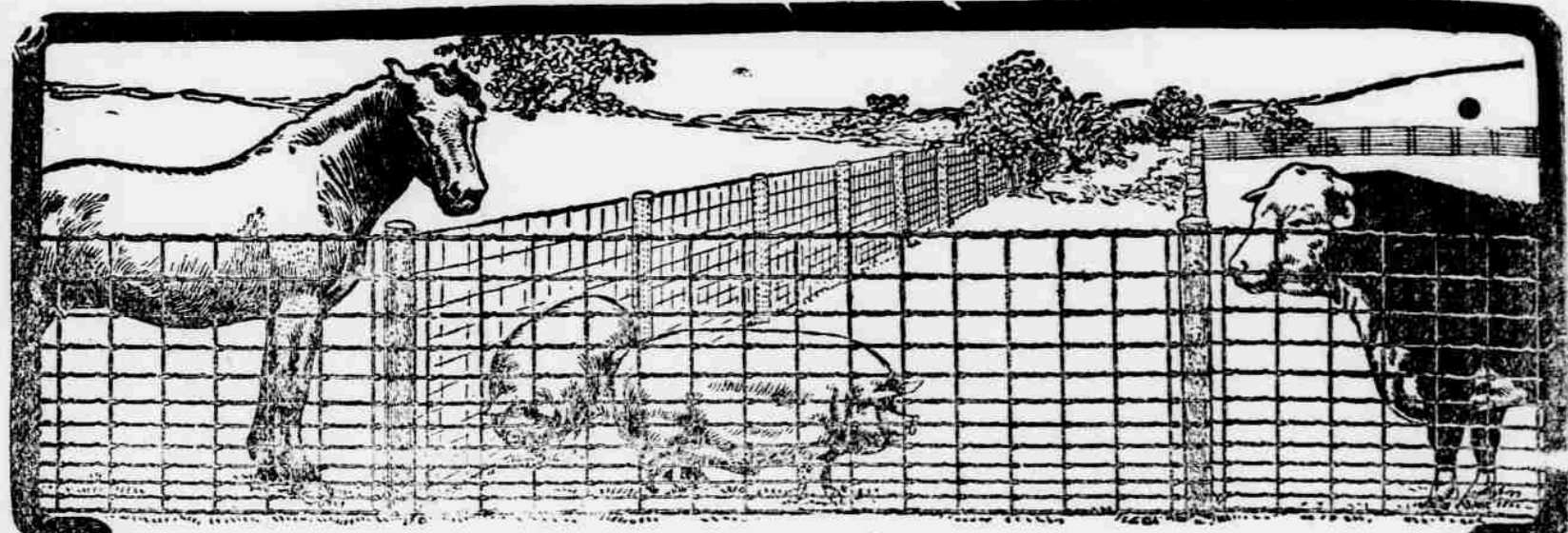
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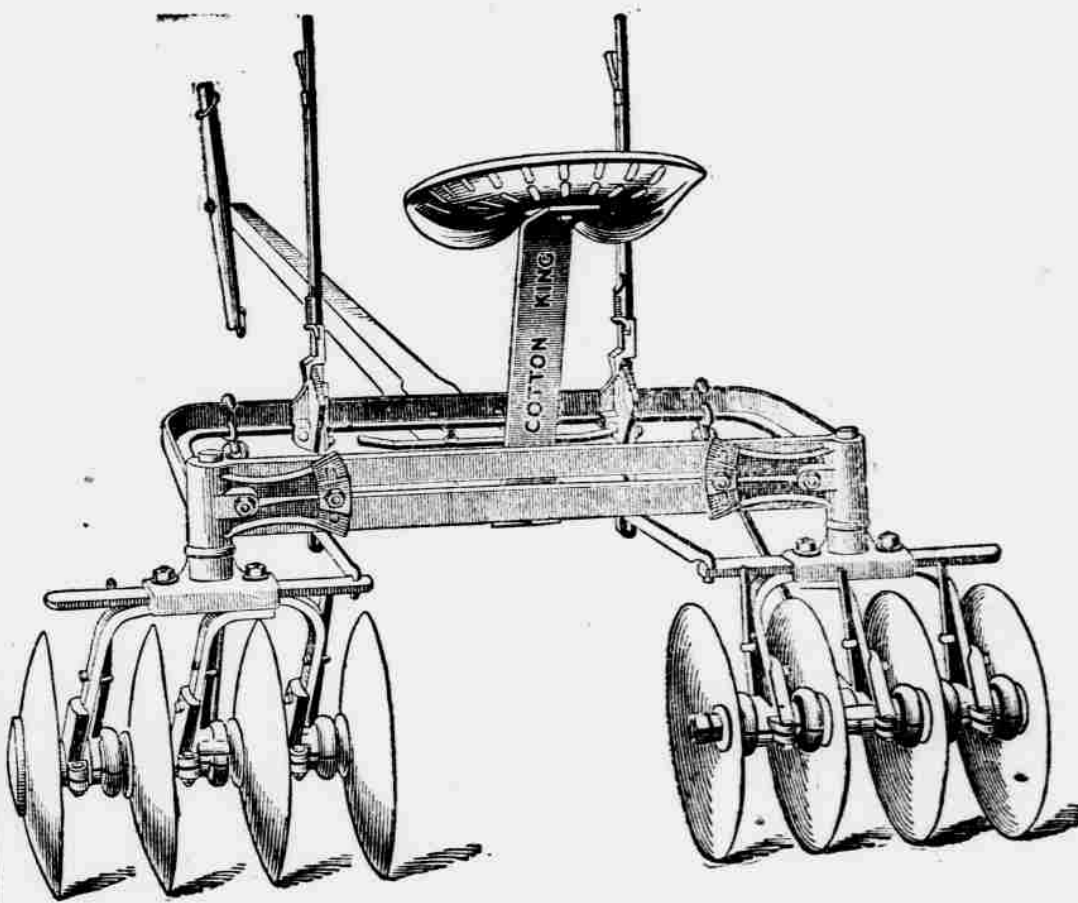
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