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COUNTY REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.

Robeson Republicans Adopt a Platform, Nominate a Partial Ticket and Elect Mr. W. K. Culbreth Chairman—Taftites and Bull Meese Lie Down Together in Peace and Harmony.

The county Republican convention held here Saturday in the court house nominated a partial ticket, elected Mr. W. K. Culbreth, of Pembroke township, chairman, and adopted a platform. Lines were not drawn between Taftites and Bull Meese.

The convention was called to order at 12 o'clock by Mr. B. F. McLean of Maxton, who has been acting chairman of the county executive committee since the death of Col. S. A. Edmund, who was chairman. Mr. W. J. Currie of Maxton was asked to act as secretary. The temporary organization was then made permanent and the convention proceeded to business. The townships were called and 17 of the 23 constituting the county were represented. The following were appointed committee on platform and resolutions: Messrs. S. L. Parker, W. H. Kinlaw, H. M. Brown, W. K. Culbreth and J. C. Snoddy. Messrs. E. E. Johnson, N. T. Andrews, J. J. Shaw, C. M. D. Howard, H. F. Purvis, L. E. Tyner and H. F. Bizzell were appointed a committee on nominations. It was then one o'clock and the convention recessed until 2 o'clock.

At the opening of the meeting there was hardly more than 25 or 30 Republicans present, but before the close they numbered over 40.

At the afternoon session the committee on platform and resolutions submitted the following platform, which was adopted:

1. We are in favor of the enactment of a more progressive school law, one that will give to the public schools of the State an equal chance with our higher institutions. We therefore favor a more liberal appropriation to our public schools.

2. We favor changing our road law so as to make the township the unit, and also give the people of each township the right to elect its officers.

3. We favor a law giving each township the right to vote a bond issue for road purposes, said township to elect its own men to handle said funds.

4. We are in favor of a more economical administration of our county affairs. To that end we recommend the abolition of all unnecessary offices and the reduction of the salaries of the county officers.

"5th. We favor the reduction of our taxes.

"6th. We are in favor of recorder's courts, said courts to be located in the principal towns of the county.

"7th. We favor the election law that will prohibit the use of whiskey or money in primary elections in Robeson county, making it criminal offence for a candidate or his friends to directly or indirectly use either whiskey or money or any other thing of value to secure votes in any primary election in Robeson county."

The committee on nominations was then heard from. It endorsed the candidacy of Mr. J. W. Hall of Lumber Bridge for sheriff. The following were recommended for county commissioners: Messrs. Robert Inman of Fairmont, E. G. Johnson of St. Paul, L. E. Tyner of Raft Swamp, A. H. Perry of Parkton and W. G. McLean of Maxton. Rev. J. J. Scott, of Orrum, was recommended for the Senate and Messrs. H. F. Purvis, of Orrum, and W. J. Currie of Maxton, for the House. The committee did not think it wise to recommend the nomination of candidates for any other offices at this time, if it names them at all; and these recommendations are to be ratified by the convention at a meeting to be called later.

The following were named as delegates to the State Republican convention to be held Wednesday in Charlotte: Messrs. W. Currie, B. F. McLean, W. J. McDonald, J. C. Snoddy, Neill McRae, J. W. Hall, H. F. Purvis, E. E. Johnson, W. K. Culbreth and Drs. T. A. Norment, N. H. Andrews; alternates, J. G. Brown, J. B. Parish, H. M.

Brown, S. L. Parker, Giles Davis, W. H. Barnes, Alex. Parham, J. R. Lawson, J. L. Humphrey, A. B. Mercer and Rowland Davis.

Finally—for this was the last act among the doings of the county Republican host at this meet—Mr. W. K. Culbreth, well known as "Windy Billy," was elected chairman of the executive committee to serve for the next two years. This part of the game was a lively time for a while. Several men were placed in nomination for the chairmanship, but after several rousing speeches were made seconding the nomination of Mr. Culbreth the other names were withdrawn and Mr. Culbreth was unanimously elected.

The convention did not adjourn, but something after 4 o'clock it recessed subject to the call of the chairman of the executive committee. It is expected that the meeting will be held as early as possible after the State convention.

Very little was said in the convention in regard to Taft and Roosevelt, but it was very evident that quite a number of the "Bull Meese" were in the convention. In fact, the chairman, Mr. McLean, said all that was said on this point, and he stated that he realized that a great many of the Republicans wanted to and would vote for Mr. Roosevelt for President, but said that he thought that they would all be able to get together on the State and county ticket. The Progressives will hold their State convention tomorrow in Greensboro, and Mr. McLean suggested to the delegates that it might be well for as many of them as could do so to attend both conventions, going to Greensboro tomorrow and then back to Charlotte Wednesday.

PLANS FOR RAISING MONEY

State Democratic Finance Committee Map Out Plans for Raising Funds—Contributions Wanted.

Mr. A. W. McLean, who, as has been mentioned in The Robesonian, has been appointed by Chairman McCombs, of the rational Democratic committee, chairman of the finance committee for North Carolina, attended a meeting of his committee in Raleigh Friday. Mr. McLean notified all the members of the committee by wire and the attendance at the meeting was good. Mr. Hugh McRae of Wilmington was elected secretary-treasurer and a canvasser for each county in the State was appointed. It is the purpose of the committee to have the names of all contributors in each county published in the county newspapers and then sent to the secretary-treasurer, who will have them published in one of the State papers.

A letter was read before the committee from the national treasurer calling attention to the urgent need for funds for immediate use. As an illustration of the amount of money it takes for the legitimate expenses of a presidential campaign, it take \$250,000 to mail one piece of campaign literature to each of the 25,000,000 voters in the United States. Members of the finance committee will canvass each county, especially the larger towns, and the county canvassers are to canvass each township, soliciting contributions from \$1 to \$1,000. It is hoped to get several \$1,000 contributions in North Carolina. An idea has gotten abroad that only \$1 contributions are wanted. These of course will be gladly received but it is hoped that many will make much larger contributions.

National Committeeman Joseph Daniels, on account of having to be so constantly at National headquarters in New York, has resigned as a member of the North Carolina State Democratic advisory committee and ex-Judge J. Crawford Biggs has been appointed to succeed him.

Whiteville special, August 31, to Wilmington Star: In the second primary held in Columbus today, J. Thomas Best is nominated for sheriff over Richardson by more than 1,000 majority. Indications are that Barden is nominated for treasurer over Gore by more than 100 majority.

RAEFORD POLICEMAN KILLED

A Desperado Shoots Up Town—Kills Chief of Police and Wounds Eight Others.

Rae ford Special, Aug. 31, to Charlotte Observer.

Chief-of-Police P. C. Oakes was killed here tonight about 8 o'clock by John Cameron, a desperado from up in Quewhiffle township of Hoke county. T. F. Cole was wounded in the arm and body.

The chief-of-police was killed by three shots from a breech-loading shotgun, which took effect in the head and in the body. Five negro men and two negro women were shot and wounded, but not seriously. Cole will recover and probably the others.

Cameron went down Main street in his buggy with his double-barreled breech-loader and shot at anybody who attempted to stop him.

The people were running in every direction when Chief Oakes, being out in the edge of town, and hearing the shots, ran up and tried to stop Cameron, who shot him three times. Then Cameron left Rae ford in his buggy, going towards Laurinburg.

It is said that Cameron has held a grudge against the chief here for some time. He was arrested on one occasion on a charge of drunkenness, and ever since that time is alleged to have borne malice.

Cameron Arrested.

Rae ford Special, 1st, to Charlotte Observer.

John Cameron, who shot and killed Chief of Police P. C. Oakes, was arrested last night after being shot in the legs by Deputy Sheriff McMillan. He was attempting to run when shot. Three men were deputized by Sheriff Hall to make the arrest. They went to his home and waited until about 12 o'clock when he arrived in his buggy, when the arrest was made. Dr. Brown, county physician, dressed numerous wounds and reported that they were only flesh wounds.

Out of the Whole Cloth.

Charlotte Observer.

Some days ago Gibson Gardner, who is Washington correspondent of the Denver Express, sent to that paper a cock and bull story, to the effect that Senator Simmons had played in with Senator Penrose to aid in the passage of the Lippitt bill on wool and woolsens. The story was copied in The Winston-Salem Sentinel, and is now being broadcast over North Carolina by Governor Kitchin's campaign managers. The story is one of these whole cloth affairs. Senator LaFollette himself makes this statement:

"I am in a position to know that there is not a word of truth in the statement. Senator Simmons was the first man to put me on guard respecting the Lippitt bill a day or two before it was offered. He voted against the Lippitt bill as did every Democratic Senator. The Democratic Senators and Republican Progressive Senators together defeated the Lippitt bill and secured the passage of the LaFollette bill on schedule K, and later passed the conference report or bill which was vetoed by the President."

Senator LaFollette further says that "Senator Simmons with Senator Martin representing the Democrats co-operated with me representing the Progressive Republicans to secure action in the Senate on the wool and woolen schedule and other tariff bills. Without such co-operation, the splendid record made by the Senate on these tariff schedules would not have been possible."

In view of this plain statement of fact, Senator Simmons is not likely to be injured by the circulation of the Gardner story. The candidate whose friends stick to the truth will come out on top in the end.

T. L. Parks, Murrayville, Ga., Route 1, is in his 73rd year, and was recently cured of a bad kidney and bladder trouble. He says himself: "I have suffered with my kidneys. My back ached and I was annoyed with bladder irregularities. I can truthfully say one 50c bottle of Foley Kidney Pills cured me entirely." They contain no habit forming drugs. For sale by all dealers.

CONFEDERATE VETERANS REUNION.

Maxton Entertains Robeson County Veterans Royally at Annual Reunion.

Maxton Special, Aug. 29, to Charlotte Observer.

Robeson county's Confederate veterans held their annual reunion here today, and Maxton entertained them in a royal manner. More than one hundred and fifty of the veterans were present, several counties being represented. In all nearly two thousand visitors were in the town.

At 10:30 the veterans met on the Presbyterian church lawn and formed a line. Immediately ahead of them were about thirty mounted marshals, following these a brass band. Then came the floats, beautifully decorated with bunting, flags and the prettiest of pretty girls and with officers of Robeson county camp. In automobiles, also gayly dressed, were the speakers of the day, and following was a long line of visitors reaching several blocks.

At 11 o'clock Rev. D. M. Clarkson opened the exercises with a beautiful prayer for "those who were left" by himself, being a veteran. Mayor McKay McKinnon then delivered a fitting address of welcome. The response was made by J. A. McAllister of Lumberton.

The first speaker, Mr. T. W. Bickett, Attorney General, was introduced by Hon. Gilbert B. Patterson. Mr. Bickett's address was a tribute to those who fought for the "lost cause." The next speaker, Maj. Frank Robbins of Lexington, was introduced by Sylvester B. McLean. This address was especially interesting, for the reason that the speaker was one who had fought in many battles, and he was most pathetic when at the close of his speech he pointed to his comrades and hoped that he would meet all of them in the "Great Beyond," where peace would reign continuously.

General James I. Metts of Wilmington made a short talk and entertained the crowd with an old war song, "The Rebel Boy."

Miss Bessie McLean read a beautiful tribute to the old soldiers which left few dry eyes at the close.

The program was interspersed with familiar songs, such as "Tenting Tonight," "Star Spangled Banner" and others.

At the hour of 1:30 the exercises closed with the announcement that a committee of five be appointed to select a place to hold its next reunion. Several invitations were given, but it is thought best to leave this to a committee.

All were quite ready for the large dinner which the ladies had spread on the tables in the park, and the veterans were taken inside the ropes and served first. Barbecue in plenty, and everything else good to eat, is about the best descriptive of the menu.

In the Mayor's Court.

In Mayor A. P. Caldwell's court this morning the following cases were disposed of: W. D. Johnson, drunk, judgment suspended on payment of cost, \$1.95; Chas. West, drunk on the 17th ult., continued under \$10 cash bond; Jno. Hunter, arrested in front of the moving picture show Saturday afternoon by Deputy Sheriff T. C. Barnes and placed in jail, where he remained until this morning, submitted and taxed \$10 and costs, a total of \$15.45; Woody Wade, simple assault on Wade Bell, colored, on the 14th ult., judgment suspended on payment or costs, \$3.55.

Getting Ready for Graded School Opening.

The graded school will open Tuesday of next week and Supt. Sentelle is having the grounds cleaned off, the building dusted out and everything is being made ready for the beginning. A big opening is expected. Mr. Sentelle says that he will be in his office at the school building this week for the benefit of any pupils or patrons of the school who may desire to see him.

—Miss Dovie Prevatt left Saturday for Birdville, Columbus county, where she will teach school. Her school opens today.

WANTED IN MISSISSIPPI

Hinds County, Miss., Sheriff, Comes After Campbell, Robber Captured at Proctorville—Mississippi Sheriff Son of a Robesonian

Sheriff D. A. McNeill of Hinds county, Mississippi, arrived here yesterday morning and left on the afternoon Seaboard train with C. C. Campbell, mention of whose capture at Proctorville Monday night in Mr. Haynes Barnes' store was made in Thursday's Robesonian. Sheriff McNeill paid the reward of \$50 for Campbell's arrest, which goes to Mr. Haynes Barnes, and also paid all expenses incurred by the county in taking care of Campbell. Campbell escaped last October from the State penitentiary of Mississippi. He had served eight months on a 5-year sentence for robbery. Campbell says that he had traveled about some bit since his escape but had spent most of the time in Columbus county. A woman who says she is Campbell's wife came to Lumberton this morning from Rosindale. She says they were married last December. It is said that Campbell has two or three other wives scattered over the country. Sheriff McNeill says that from information he had obtained about Campbell he is of the opinion that he is one of the "crookedest" kind of crooks. Sheriff McNeill is a son of the late John McNeill, who was born and reared at Red Banks, this county, and moved to Mississippi in early life. He has many relatives in the county and says he was at Maxton on a visit 28 years ago. He was then 20 years old. He was greatly impressed with the progress the county has made. He says that North Carolina is several years ahead of Mississippi in development.

IN SOCIAL CIRCLES.

Miss Daisy Snead of Union Fork, Va., and Prof. W. S. Whitaker of Newberry, S. C., Will be Married at First Baptist Church Wednesday.

At the First Baptist church Wednesday afternoon at 5 o'clock an event of considerable interest will take place when Miss Daisy Holman Snead of Union Fork, Va., who has been visiting here for some time at the home of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Varser, will be united in marriage to Prof. Walker Slight Whitaker of Newberry, S. C. The ceremony will be performed by Rev. C. H. Durham, pastor of the church. The best man will be Mr. Wightman Whitaker of Newberry, a brother of the groom. The only other attendants will be Misses Mildred McIntyre and Amanda McDiarmid. The ushers will be Messrs. Rexford Stephens and Lawrence Parker. Miss Ethel Williams will preside at the organ. Mr. Woodberry Lennon will play violin and Mrs. Varser will sing a solo. The bride will be given away by Mr. Varser. Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Whitaker will leave for Lake Toxaway. They will be at home at McColl, S. C., after the 15th inst.

Mr. and Mrs. Varser will give a reception to the bridal party tomorrow evening at their home, Sixth and Walnut streets.

Some Weather, This.

Yesterday was the hottest day of the year here so far, the thermometer registering 101 yesterday afternoon about 3 o'clock. The highest point reached by the mercury here before this summer was 99, some two weeks ago. Mr. W. H. Graham of Rowland, who is in town today, says that at his house yesterday the thermometer registered 103.

Charlotte Chronicle, August 30: It is a certain fact now that Senator Simmons will open his campaign for renomination in Charlotte. The Senator is in Raleigh today at his headquarters and he will stay on the field of battle until the primaries on the first Monday in November. The date of his opening speech in the State, which will be delivered here will be announced within the next few days.

BRIEF LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

—The school at Barker's will open next Monday, 9th. Miss Florence Jackson of Lumberton has been elected principal.

—Dr. W. L. Grantham left Saturday for New York, where he will spend some time attending lectures. He will probably be away about 10 days.

—There will be a regular meeting of St. Alban's Lodge No. 114, A. F. and A. M., tomorrow evening at 7:45 o'clock. This is an important meeting and a full attendance is desired.

—Mr. J. C. Stansel, of Allenton, has accepted a position as agent at Rowland for the new railroad running from Alma to Rowland. Mr. and Mrs. Stansel will go to Rowland tomorrow.

—Miss Mary Smith, who has been sick with fever at the home of her father, Mr. Jno. W. Smith, on route No. 5 from Lumberton, for six weeks, is improving and is able to sit up and be about the house now.

—Mr. C. M. Fuller returned Friday from St. Louis, Mo., where he spent several days buying horses for his sales stables. Two car loads of his horses have arrived and he is now ready for the fall trade.

—Mr. J. A. Boone, who lives near town, returned Friday from Raleigh, where he attended the State farmers' institute last week. He says that it was a most profitable and interesting institute.

—Miss Podie Todd, of Bellamy, has accepted a position as saleslady in the department store of Messrs. R. D. Caldwell & Son, and Mr. Furman Prevatt, of Back Swamp, is a new clerk in this store. They began work this morning.

—Mr. O. M. Britt went Saturday to Wilmington, where he will spend some time in a hospital undergoing treatment. His right leg, which was hurt at the Kingsdale plant some few years ago, has been troubling him recently.

—Plumbing and wiring work was begun last week on the new Chestnut Street Methodist church. Mr. A. E. White, chairman of the building committee, will probably go to Charlotte one day this week to make contract for the heating plant.

—Messrs. A. E. White and Frank Gough returned Friday night from a business trip to Northern cities purchasing goods for their department store. They were away two weeks and visited New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Atlantic City and other places.

—Mr. A. Weinstein returned Saturday from a trip to Baltimore and New York, where he spent several days purchasing goods for his department store, Fourth and Elm streets. Mr. Isador Hartz, of Baltimore, returned with Mr. Weinstein and has accepted a position in the store as salesman. Mr. Weinstein is opening up a ladies' dress and cloak department in his store and this department will be in charge of Mrs. E. B. Weis, of Baltimore, who will arrive in about two weeks.

—It was stated in Thursday's Robesonian that Mayor A. P. Caldwell had written to Supt. Gore, of the Hamlet-Wilmington division of the Seaboard, in regard to excessive blowing of freight-engine whistles within the corporate limits of town at night and that it had been noted that this had been practically stopped. Friday Mayor Caldwell received a letter from Supt. Gore stating that the engineer mostly responsible for this unnecessary whistle-blowing had been reprimanded and that it would be stopped. Mayor Caldwell deserves the thanks of the town for taking action about this matter. Unnecessary blowing of whistles at night is a nuisance and is exceedingly annoying to well folks, and to the sick it is often torture.

Mrs. J. N. Hill, Homer, Ga., has used Foley's Honey and Tar Compound for years, and she always recommends it to her friends. "It never fails to cure our coughs and colds and prevent croup. We have five children and always give them Foley's Honey and Tar Compound for a cold, and they are all soon well. We would not be without it in our house." For sale by all dealers.