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TAFTITES AND MEESE CLASH.

Republican Executive Committee Meets and Finds its Recently-Elected Chairman is a Bull Moose—"Windy Bill" Hits it Up in Bull Moose Style—Dove of Peace Seems to Have Flown and There'll Probably be a Warm Meeting Here October 1.

A meeting of the county Republican executive committee was held here in the court house yesterday afternoon—that is, a few of those that constitute this body assembled, about a dozen being present, but the number is no indication that there was nothing doing; for this was a lively meeting. The meeting was called to order at 2 o'clock by Mr. W. K. Culbreth, chairman of the committee, and something like two hours were spent wrangling over one thing and another, nothing of which amounted to much. In fact, all that was done as a result of the meeting was to authorize Mr. Culbreth to reconvene or recall the county convention, which recessed here some weeks ago subject to the call of the chairman. The time decided upon for the convening of the recessed convention is Tuesday, October 1st, and Chairman Culbreth was authorized to issue the call.

It developed at this meeting that the chairman, Mr. Culbreth, is a full-fledged "Bull Moose" and it also developed that he has a backing of quite a bunch of the "Meese". The Taftites were there and it was between these forces that the wrangling was carried on. Things waxed hot and "Windy Billy"—that's Mr. Culbreth—was like a whirlwind when he rose up and told the boys that he was elected by the people and that he was going to serve the people or quit; and he finally did offer his resignation, but those present didn't think they had authority to accept or reject it so no action was taken, but several speeches were made in the interest of harmony and peace. Dr. T. A. Norment made a strong and eloquent appeal for harmony. Things cooled down somewhat and the meeting adjourned, but it would hardly be any bad prophecy to predict that that convention October 1st will be a rouser—provided, however, the whole thing does not die.

At this meeting Mr. W. H. Kinlaw of Lumberton was elected secretary of the executive committee to serve for the next two years.

New Free Delivery Service to be Tried at Second and Third Class Postoffices.

Postmaster General Hitchcock is preparing to establish a limited free delivery service at postoffices of the second and third class. The experiments will effect deliveries to nearly 30,000,000 people now obliged to call at the local postoffices for their mail.

An appropriation of \$100,000 was made by Congress for experimental free delivery in small communities, the amount to be expended at any one office not to exceed \$1,800 a year. Delivery carrier is confined now to those having a population of ten thousand or more, or annual postal receipts of at least \$10,000.

In another dispatch it is stated that Lumberton is among the towns in which this limited free delivery service will be established. Lumberton is entitled to the delivery anyway by reason of receipts that have passed the 10,000-a-year mark.

Republican National Committee Dumps Roosevelt Men.

The Republican national committee today accepted the resignations of its members from Minnesota, Oklahoma and Ohio and declared vacant the seats held by members from New Jersey, Virginia and North Carolina who are Roosevelt supporters. Successors were named to retire members from Oklahoma, New Jersey and North Carolina.

C. Duncan was elected to succeed Richmond Pearson of North Carolina.

IN RE TAX COLLECTIONS.

Pretty Well Collected Considering Hindrances—Final Settlement Will be Made Soon—New Sheriff Will Land in Middle of Busy Time.

The county commissioners were in special session Monday checking up the tax books, but owing to the fact that some of the collectors have not returned their books final settlement could not be made with Sheriff E. C. McNeill. The taxes were found pretty well collected for the time of year, better than the commissioners expected to find them. The books were not put into the hands of Sheriff McNeill until the middle of last October, and then followed the drop in the price of cotton and later the order restraining the sheriff from collecting taxes in Lumberton township until certain questions could be settled, which order affected the collection of taxes all over the county, making it harder to do any collecting—all these things were hindrances, and the commissioners were well pleased with the showing made. Final settlement will be made as soon as all the books are returned. The insolvent list will not be as large as expected.

Heretofore, under the fee system, it has been the custom for the retiring sheriff to collect the taxes for the year beginning in October before the election of his successor in November, but under the salary system the sheriff is not paid a per cent of the taxes collected, as formerly, so Sheriff McNeill, at the expiration of his term on December 1, will turn the tax books over to the sheriff who will be elected in November, which will of course be Mr. R. E. Lewis, the Democratic nominee. That is about the time of year when most taxes are paid, so Mr. Lewis probably will step right into the middle of the busiest time any sheriff of Robeson ever landed in the midst of immediately upon entering upon the duties of the office.

President Venable Makes Detailed Statement of Death of Young Rand to Executive Committee of the University.

In the Governor's office in Raleigh Monday President Venable presented a detailed statement of the death of I. W. Rand of Smithfield on the 13th while he was being hazed by four sophomores at the university. The statement of Freshman Wellons, Rand's roommate, of the hazing and its result was to the effect that after he had been made to sing and dance on a barrel Rand was made to perform the same stunts and that the barrel toppled over with him, with the result as already stated. He did not indicate that the barrel was pushed over. The committee adopted resolutions expressing profound sympathy with the family of the dead boy and deploring the cause of his untimely end. For several years conviction of hazing has been cause for expulsion from the university. The four boys who were hazing Rand and Wellons when the former met his death—A. H. Styron and W. L. Merrimon of Wilmington, R. W. Oldham of Raleigh and A. C. Hatch of Mount Olive—have given bonds in the sum of \$5,000 each and will be tried for manslaughter. The bond of young Styron, who is a ministerial student, was made up at Wilmington Sunday night.

A Good Town and no Mistake.

Mr. Wm. S. Norton, of the comptroller's office of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., of New York, is spending today in Lumberton sizing up values here. His company has never made a loan in a town as small as Lumberton, but Mr. Norton had heard that this is a mighty good town and he stopped over to investigate. He is of the opinion that his information as to this being a good town is correct—and there's no mistake about that.

Four hundred students had registered at Trinity College at the close of last week for the coming year and many others are expected before the end of the month. Of this number 178 are new men.

EXHIBIT ROBESON'S PRODUCTS.

Col. E. F. McRae, President of N. C. Agricultural Society, Wants Some of the Wonderful Products of Robeson Exhibited at the State Fair.

As a citizen of Robeson I would like to see some of the wonderful products of the largest and best county in the State on exhibition at the State fair in October. Valuable premiums are offered by the society for all kinds of products known to man, ranging from a blue ribbon to \$300 in "coin of the realm". Now my dear reader, if you are interested get busy and write for "premium list" to the undersigned at Maxton or Col. Joseph E. Pogue, Secretary, Raleigh.

However, if you can't help with an exhibit, take a few days off and see what other sections of the State are doing. It will increase your pride for your State and be a week of pleasure besides.

Yours truly,
E. F. McRae
Pres. N. C. Agricultural Society.
Maxton, N. C.

"Martha Wilson" is the Name Messrs. White & Gough Give Their Enfield Jersey Cow.

Elsewhere in today's issue is told the story of how Messrs. White & Gough wired in seventy-five plunks as their bid for a Jersey cow that had been contributed to the Wilson campaign fund. Now look what else they have "gone and done", as told in yesterday's Raleigh News and Observer:

"Martha Wilson" is the name that Messrs. White & Gough of Lumberton have given to the Jersey cow presented to the Woodrow Wilson fund by S. Pope, of Enfield, sold last Saturday at auction at Enfield.

"The check for \$75.00 came yesterday from White & Gough, and it was marked for 'Martha Wilson'. And that is a good name for a good cow. It is a winner. Messrs. White & Gough declare that all their section is enthusiastic for Woodrow Wilson and that they were glad to pay \$75.00 for the Jersey cow to help elect the New Jersey Governor."

She Will be Sold Again for the Wilson Campaign Fund.

Miss Martha is on her way to Lumberton and is expected to arrive some time today. The dear lady will be received with open arms by the entire force of clerks at White & Gough's, led by Messrs. White and Gough.

And she will be sold again. As soon as she gets here safely and has had time to rest up and primp up a bit she will be advertised for sale again and the proceeds will go again to swell the Wilson-Marshall campaign fund.

Watch for further news about "Martha." She is destined to go down in song and story. She is already famous, and will be more so before she gets through with her experiences in Lumberton.

Death of Miss Blanch Phillips After Ten Months of Suffering.

Miss Blanch Phillips, about 17 years old, died yesterday morning at 8:30 o'clock at the home of her father, Mr. Eli Phillips, in the north-eastern part of town. She had been a sufferer for the past ten months from a growth in her throat. She had been carried to the Charlotte sanatorium 6 different times by her father and eight operations had been performed, but all that medical skill could do only afforded temporary relief. The last operation was performed three weeks ago. She had not been able to eat any solid food in six weeks.

The funeral took place this morning at 10:30 o'clock and the remains were interred in Meadow Brook cemetery.

The Men Who Succeed

As heads of large enterprises are men of great energy. Success today, demands health. To ail is to fail. It's utter folly for a man to endure a weak, run-down, half alive condition when Electric Bitters will put him right on his feet in short order. "Four bottles did me more real good than any other medicine I ever took," writes Chas. E. Allen, Sylvania, Ga. "After years of suffering with rheumatism, liver trouble, stomach disorders and deranged kidneys, I am again, thanks to Electric Bitters, sound and well." Try them. Only 50c at all druggists.

UNION MEETING.

Robeson Baptist Association Holds Union Meeting at Ten Mile Church September 27-29.

The union meeting of the Robeson Baptist Association will be held at Ten Mile church September 27-29. The following program is given:

Friday.
10:30 a. m. Prayer and praise service, conducted by J. M. Heater.

11:00 a. m. Sermon—D. P. Bridges.
2:00 p. m. Granting church letters. Some defects in our present plan—J. W. Rowell, Frank Gough.

2:30 p. m. The duties of a minister: (1) As a preacher; (2) As a pastor; (3) As a citizen—J. J. Scott, R. L. Byrd, L. E. Tynes.
3:00 p. m. The call that comes from the harvest fields in our own State—L. P. Hedgepeth, E. L. Weston.

3:30 p. m. Open conference.

Saturday
10:00 a. m. Devotional exercises—conducted by D. B. Humphrey.

10:30 a. m. Baptism as a confession of faith—C. H. Durham.
11:00 a. m. Sermon—A. A. McClelland.

2:00 p. m. Can a missionary society be maintained in every church in our Association? W. O. Johnson, J. M. Fleming.

2:30 p. m. Is there danger of having too many small churches in the territory of our Association?—T. B. Justice, W. S. Johnson.

3:00 p. m. The influence of our educational institutions on our denominational work—S. McIntyre, R. A. Hedgepeth.

3:30 p. m. Open conference.

Sunday
10:00 a. m. Song service and brief report from the Sunday schools represented.

11:00 a. m. Sermon—R. E. Sentelle.
Committee.

Count Nogi and Wife Kill Themselves as Final Tribute to Departed Emperor of Japan, Following Ancient Custom.

Tokio Dispatch, 13th.

Count Nogi, supreme military councillor of the Empire and his wife Countess Nogi committed suicide tonight in accordance with the ancient Japanese custom as a final tribute to their departed Emperor and friend, Mutsuhito.

The death by their own hands of the famous general and his wife was as dramatic as it was sad. The general cut his throat with a short sword and the countess committed hari-kari.

Following the Samurai custom the couple had carefully prepared their plans for killing themselves and timed them so that they would be co-incident with the departure forever from Tokio of the dead Emperor.

General Count Nogi was a national hero in Japan. It was he who captured Port Arthur from the Russians in 1904 and assured the success of his country in the battle of Mukden.

Republican Congressional Convention Meets in Wilmington September 28.

Mr. Irvin B. Tucker of Whiteville, chairman of the sixth district Republican congressional executive committee, has issued a call for the sixth district Republican congressional convention to meet in the court house in Wilmington at 2 o'clock p. m., Saturday, September 28, for the purpose of nominating a Republican elector and candidate for Congress and transacting such other business as may come before the convention.

John D. Archbald, Geo. W. Perkins and Colonel Roosevelt are to be asked by the Senate committee investigating campaign contributions to produce any correspondence they may have pertaining to "financial transactions" between the first two men and members of Congress, or between them and Mr. Roosevelt when he was President.

Feel languid, weak, run down? Head-ache? Stomach "off"? A good remedy is Burdock Blood Bitters. Ask your druggist. Price \$1.00.

Intemperance.

To the Editor of The Robesonian.

This subject can never be over-drawn. I have been a lifelong advocate of temperance. I wore out the friends that I affiliated with it as long as a lodge could be kept up here in the country. I saw its rise and progress and was one of its members, McKenzie's No. 144. I was a charter member. It did not do the good we would have liked to see but some of its members are still true to their obligations and on the whole it was a great benefit to the community. But since its dissolution there have been blockade stills set up in this section and many of the young men have been demoralized and not only this but the mail order houses in Virginia and elsewhere have been doing a vast deal of harm. Why, I was at a R. R. station a short while since and all along for 1-2 to a mile from the station I could see the cartoons by the road side. Shame on any nation when we pass prohibition laws that the people most still have the vile stuff shipped from other States to debauch and destroy the youth of our land. Many a man orders whiskey who is in great need of the necessities of life and causes his family to suffer thereby. It's time, yes, high time, for the people to rise up and say we will not have king alcohol to blight the homes of the poor women and children of our land and country.

The free use of liquor in our campaigns is being criticised and rightfully too. If a candidate is not popular enough to be elected by the people without the aid of liquor, then I say he ought to stand aside and let one who is have the field. This doctrine may not suit some one, but I can only say, as Rev. Mr. Fairly did in a recent letter published in the Fayetteville Index, "If the cap fits, wear it." I heard a man say that those beer men in Fayetteville were as honorable as any in town. The past month of their dealings has shown to the country that this was not true. Let all the judges and solicitors do their duty and some of the violators of our laws will have to pull up their vile tents and move on. Let's have an honest and honorable country and law-abiding citizens and when strangers come to our stores they can write back to their countrymen that North Carolina is the place to live and we will have a flow of immigrants of the right type into our good State, who will help build up the waste places in our fair Southland and old North Carolina will blossom as the rose, peace and prosperity will be seen on every hand. So mote it be.

Uncle Sandy.
Fayetteville, R. F. D. 8.

Notices of New Advertisements.

That big excursion to Richmond runs Monday, September 23.

W. I. Linkhaw has just received another load of mules and horses.

A barber shop that is trying to give the best service possible.

Mr. Engle Nye announces his candidacy for road commissioner, district No. 2.

"A firm bargain and a right reckoning"—White & Gough.

Auction sale of residence and business lots in Maxton September 25.

Farm at Tolarsville offered for lease.

Dr. F. S. Packard, who visits Lumberton once each month, will be at the Waverly hotel Thursday, September 26.

"Profitable employment"—Victors Mfg. Co., Fayetteville.

Useful articles on display in R. D. Caldwell & Son's hardware department.

Good Roads Meeting at Tar Heel Saturday, September 21.

Mr. Z. V. Tolar, vice president of the Good Roads Association of Bladen county, asks The Robesonian to state that there will be a good roads meeting at Tar Heel Saturday afternoon, September 21. A good crowd is expected and there will be good speaking. Everybody is invited.

Five hundred Chinese soldiers were burned to death Tuesday, according to a dispatch from Peking, in a forest fire started by a large force of Mongols retreating from the Chinese.

BRIEF LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

—Cotton today, 11½ cents.

—Mr. H. C. Boylin has greatly changed the appearance of the interior of his jewelry store on Elm street by putting in new show cases.

—"Forty five Minutes from Broadway", a musical comedy, will be the opening attraction of the season at the Lumberton opera house Wednesday, October 2nd.

—Mr. Woodberry Lennon, one of Lumberton's young attorneys, has taken the agency for the Equitable Bonding Co., which does an exclusive bonding business.

—Miss Lula Jackson, of Littleton, arrived last week and is at the home of Mrs. Mollie R. Norment, where she has accepted a position as teacher of Mrs. Norment's three children.

—Miss Amelia Linkhaw, who has charge of R. D. Caldwell & Son's millinery department, with her trimmers, Misses Beck and Frye, are making ready for a big opening Thursday and Friday of next week.

—A Woodmen of the World monument will be unveiled Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the Boone cemetery on the Carthage road, about 4 miles from town, at the grave of the late Samuel Boone, who died nearly a year ago. All camps within reach are cordially invited to be present.

—Mr. Archie Davis, who lives near old Kingsdale, had his left leg amputated just below the knee at the Thompson hospital this morning. He had tuberculosis of the foot of long standing. The operation was performed by Dr. N. A. Thompson and was very successful.

—Mr. A. W. McLean is in Raleigh today attending a meeting, called by himself as chairman of the North Carolina finance committee of the Democratic national committee, of the members of the North Carolina advisory, press and finance committees of the national committee to be held at State Democratic headquarters this afternoon.

—A dispatch of the 17th from Maxton states that several nights ago while playing leapfrog with friends Mr. Wayne Williams, teller of the Bank of Maxton, fell on the pavement and fractured his right arm. Mr. Williams was carried to Charlotte to have his arm dressed and while he is out now it is stated that he will not be able to return to his duties in some time.

—Mr. H. W. Boring, who resigned recently as cashier of the Bank of Lumberton to accept a similar position with the Fourth National Bank of Fayetteville, as has been mentioned in The Robesonian, left the first of the week for his home at Gibsonville, where he will spend a few days before entering upon his work at Fayetteville. There has been as yet no addition to the force in the Bank of Lumberton.

Miss Blanch Bryant Becomes the Bride of Mr. Wilbur C. Boone.

There was a beautiful home wedding yesterday at 11 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charley M. Bryant, who live two miles from town on the Elizabeth road, when their daughter Miss Blanch became the bride of Mr. Wilbur Chestnut Boone. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. W. Bradley, pastor of Chestnut Street Methodist church, and was witnessed by only a few relatives and friends of the contracting parties.

The bride was given away by her father and the groom entered the parlor, where the solemn vows were made, with his brother, Mr. Chafin Boone, playing the part of best man. Immediately after the ceremony a sumptuous dinner was served, and in the afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Boone left for Mr. Boone's home, about four miles from town on the Carthage road. The happy couple have a host of friends who wish for them a long and happy life.

Cheapest accident insurance—Dr. Thomas' Eclectic Oil. For burns, scalds, cuts and emergencies. All drug stores sell it. 25 and 50 cents.