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It might result in much good to the State if our members of the next legislature would study up on the new law recently passed in Oregon, governing the conduct of campaigns, expenses of candidates, etc.

Some of the correspondence in this issue was unavoidably left over from last week. As we would not have our correspondents believe we do not appreciate their work in this line, we publish this week all of their matter which is not out of date.

Most of us sincerely trust that the day is not far distant when candidates for State offices in North Carolina will not find it necessary to spend "thousands of dollars" in a campaign. It would be preposterous to even hint that delegates were bought, because no one would entertain such a belief for a moment, but what could all this money be spent for? A few hundred dollars ought to cover all the needed expenses of such a campaign.

W. W. Kitchen is the name of the man North Carolina Democrats will vote for for governor at the November election. Mr. Kitchen is a man of high ability and sterling character and he will no doubt make an excellent governor. Many citizens trust however, that he may see his way clear to modify some of his views on the question of corporations. His attitude on this matter is thought by some of his friends to be rather too antagonistic.

A dispatch from Cartersville, Ga., is to the effect that the Rev. Walter Holcombe, an evangelist, has been fined \$200 for using unwarranted and improper language in the course of one of his meetings. We have not had the pleasure of hearing Mr. Holcombe, but a number of Salisbury people heard him in Charlotte some time ago and were rather of the opinion that some of his language was hardly appropriate in the pulpit. The case has been appealed to a higher court.

Dr. J. S. Holland, the well known author, once remarked something to this effect: "When I see a lot of young men turned out of a medical college with their diplomas, and later see them set forth armed with intruments, pill cases, etc., I cannot but breathe a sigh for poor suffering humanity." Dr. Holland would have never made such a remark about the class of nurses which was graduated last week at the graded school building. The vocation of a woman is pre-eminently that of nursing the sick, tenderly caring for the suffering, and doing what she can to allay pain, whether it comes in a bodily or mental form. These young ladies have embarked upon a most noble mission, and one which but serves to develop and make lovelier the womanhood in them. We wish them lives of usefulness and prosperity.

People all over the country heard with sincere regret last Wednesday of the death of former president, Grover Cleveland. His condition was doubtless almost hopeless from the beginning of his illness, but the public was not informed of the real situation. The people of the South will sincerely mourn their former leader and friend, for Mr. Cleveland was certainly a friend to this section. It is true that he was maligned and slandered by many of those who should have been his most enthusiastic friends, but the grand old man stood firmly for what he believed to be right and for the best good of the whole people, and members of the Democratic party who joined in the hue and cry against him, have for the most part, seen the error of their way

and have gradually come around to where Mr. Cleveland has stood all the time. When the smoke and the noise of battle has passed away, when the future historian arrives and views the field he will estimate Mr. Cleveland at his real worth and will accord him a very high place among the truly great men of our country. Peace to his ashes.

It is rumored that an effort is to be made this fall to defeat J. H. McKenzie for sheriff of Rowan county. Just what form this effort will take, how it will manifest itself, or whether any such effort will be made at all, we do not know. But we do know that the Democratic party of the county must keep its eyes open and be on the alert to promptly squelch any attempt to lead it into the camp of the enemy. Mr. McKenzie is the man the people chose as their nominee, and in an honest primary, which choice was later ratified by a properly constituted convention. The people chose Mr. McKenzie because they wanted him, and we believe the members of the party in Rowan will see to it that he has a rousing majority. That he will have opposition, is almost a foregone conclusion, but there is not a man in the county who can touch him on election day if the Democrats do their duty as we feel sure they will. It is a little over four months yet until the election, and during that time we need not be idle. We can talk our candidate and boom him on all suitable occasions and thus arouse a "McKenzie" sentiment which cannot be overcome. There is no question about Mr. McKenzie's election, but we want to work during the next few months so that our labor will show a handsome majority on election day. Our candidate will soon be out in the field himself and will visit voters in different sections of the county. We have the State convention off our minds now, and as the matter of our sheriff and the rest of the county ticket is closer to us at this time than anything else in the political arena, we want to be up and doing. Let every Democrat work for McKenzie from now until election day.

KITCHEN THE WINNER.

He is Nominated for Governor on the 61st Ballot. A Long and Hard Struggle.

The recent State Convention, held in Charlotte, will pass into history as the occasion of one of the hardest fought political battles in the history of the State.

There were three candidates for governor, W. W. Kitchen, Locke Craig and Ashley Horne, all good men and good Democrats. The friends of each made a great fight for four days, and then the Horne forces seeing their was no chance for the nomination of their man, withdrew his name from the race. Then, on the 61st ballot, Mr. Kitchen secured enough votes to give him the nomination, which was promptly made unanimous.

After the nomination of Mr. Kitchen, which took place Saturday night the convention adjourned until Monday.

The question of the nomination of delegates to the national convention coming up, Senator Overman was placed in nomination and was elected in spite of his protests. Gov. Glenn, Senator Simmons and Maj. Hale, of Fayetteville were also chosen as delegates. The alternates are Julius S. Carr, John Bailey, E. F. Watson and W. L. Parsons.

J. Bryan Grimes, B. F. Dixon, J. Y. Joyner, Jas. R. Young and B. F. Lacy were re-nominated for the offices they now hold, respectively: Secretary of State, Auditor, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Insurance Commissioner and Treasurer.

T. W. Bickett, of Louisburg, received the nomination for attorney general, Hayden Clement withdrawing from the race after the seventh ballot. The young man made a very neat speech in withdrawing his name and made a most favorable impression upon the Convention.

The other officers nominated were, for Commissioner of Agriculture, W. A. Graham; for Commissioner of Labor and Printing, M. L. Shipman; for Corporation Commissioner, B. F. Aycock.

The administration of Gov. Glenn was endorsed, simultaneous primaries recommended, and instructed the delegates to the National Convention to vote for Bryan.

DURUM WHEAT.

A Grain That is Steadily Increasing in Popularity.
There is a steadily increasing production of durum wheat in northern Minnesota and North Dakota and in the arid or semiarid sections of other states.

The big flouring mills have not as yet adapted their machinery to the proper grinding of durum wheat, says an expert. They find the grain too rich in gluten and too hard for their present installment of rollers. The elevator men don't handle it freely because it necessitates special bins. But the exporters take it eagerly.

Durum is sometimes called macaroni wheat because its main use up to this time has been for the manufacture of macaroni. The French, however, who are accounted the best cooks in the world, have employed it quite extensively in breadmaking, and it is asserted that the bread made from it is most nutritious as well as light and appetizing. There is no reason why it should not be.

Gluten is a muscle former. In 100 ounces of lean beefsteak there are eighteen parts of muscle formers. In 100 ounces of ordinary bread there are seven to eight ounces of muscle formers. In 100 ounces of potatoes two ounces, in 100 ounces of milk four, but in 100 ounces of macaroni or bread made from durum wheat there are said to be from sixteen to twenty ounces of muscle forming material.

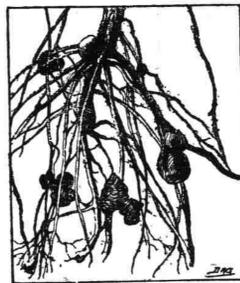
Admitting the food value of this variety of wheat, the temptation to the farmer to whose land it is adapted is almost irresistible when a wheat plant is chosen. It is a plant that stands drought much better than other wheat. It is so hardy and thrifty that it is usually exempt from rust and smut and bugs.

The average yield is high, often from 50 to 100 per cent greater than that of the old varieties of wheat grown in the same district. It seems certain that durum is destined to prove a blessing to the farmers.

NITROGEN FERTILIZING.

Cowpeas a Good Medium For Enriching the Soil.

Besides growing on most any soil, cowpeas are valuable from the fact that they are legumes and have the power of fixing through the agency of bacteria the free nitrogen of the air.



NITROGEN NODULES ON COWPEA ROOTS.

making it available as plant food. In this respect they rank close to clover and alfalfa and have the additional advantage of being able to grow on land where no one would even think of sowing alfalfa.

Like the other legumes, they may need to have the soil inoculated with bacteria, and this may be done either by scattering dirt from a good cowpea field over the patch to be sown or probably by scattering the manure of animals fed on cowpea hay. When inoculated they will fix as much nitrogen in the soil in 90 to 110 days as clover will in eighteen months.

The nodules on the roots of a cowpea, the top of which was thirteen inches high and bore ten pods, are shown in the accompanying picture. On stronger land the yield of peas was less per plant and there were fewer nodules on the roots, owing to the fact that the richer soil went more to the development of big vines, some of them being four feet long. From this it is easily seen that the fertilizing value of the root decreases as the soil increases in richness, while the contrary is true of the fertilizing value of the top.

The picture shows more plainly than can be told in words the benefit to be derived by leaving the cowpea roots in the ground when the crop is harvested. In order to prevent as much as possible the waste of nitrogen by evaporation and the washing of soil by storms the field can be seeded to rye immediately after harvest. The rye will absorb the fertilizing properties as they become free and keep them in storage till spring, when it can be plowed under, giving the soil not only the fertility gathered by cowpeas, but also that gathered by the rye, with the addition of humus, of which our poorer fields are greatly in need.

Cowpeas will not grow in a cold soil, but will lie there and soon rot. For this reason they should not be planted until two or three weeks after corn planting time. Stir up a good seed bed and double the rows with a corn planter, put in shallow and sow five to eight quarts per acre. These will have to be cultivated two or three times, but you should not plow them while they are wet either from rain or dew or the dirt will stick to them and they will rot. If you use the drill, sow three to five pecks per acre, putting them about one and one-half inches deep. They will need no further cultivation unless there comes a rain before they get through the ground. In case of rain harrow lightly to break the crust or most of them will fall to get through.

Rowan Man to Wed.

Cards have been received here by friends, which read as follows: "Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Bowman request your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Eunice, to William Edgar Gaither, Tuesday evening, the 8th of June, 1908, at 6 o'clock, at their residence in Mooresville, Texas. At home at Rockdale, Texas." Mr. Gaither is a son of Dr. John B. Gaither, of China Grove, and was a resident of this city for some time.

Get a Rowan County Map.

Owing to loss by fire several years ago of my home and all my Rowan County Maps, a large part of the County has never been supplied with these excellent maps. Mr. C. C. Hatley has been employed to take orders and if he can secure sufficient orders to justify it, another edition of this map will be published.

This map was authorized by the Boards of Education and County Chairman, and this is the last chance you will ever have to get a copy. The Rowan map is famous all over the State and my assistants have got out a number of similar maps for other counties and are now making surveys for a map of Guilford County.

C. M. MILLER,
county surveyor.

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