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COLOR SHALL BE NO BAR, SAYS THE PRESIDENT.

Negroes of Good Character Eligible for Appointment to Office.

THIS ROOSEVELT'S POLICY

So he Declares in a Letter to a Citizen of Charleston in Answer to a Communication Protesting Against the Appointment of Dr. Crum.

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, Nov. 27.—The President has sent the following communication to a prominent citizen of Charleston, S. C.: Personal.

White House, Washington, D. C., November 25, 1902.

My Dear Sir:—I am in receipt of your letter of November 10th, and one from Mr. —, under date of November 11, in reference to the appointment of Dr. Crum as collector of the port of Charleston.

In your letter you make certain specific charges against Mr. Crum, tending to show his unfitness in several respects for the office sought. These charges are entitled to the utmost consideration from me and I shall go over them carefully before taking any action. After making these charges you add, as a further reason for opposition to him, that he is a colored man, and reciting the misdeeds that followed carpet-bag rule and negro domination in South Carolina, you say that "we have sworn never again to submit to the rule of the African, and such an appointment as that of Dr. Crum to any such office forces us to protest unanimously against this insult to the white blood." and you add that you understood me to say that I would never force a negro on such a community as yours.

Mr. — puts the objection of color first, saying: "First, he is a colored man and that of itself ought to bar him from the office." In view of these last statements I think I ought to make clear to you why I am concerned and pained by your making them, and what my attitude is as regards all such appointments. How any one could have gained the idea that I had said I would not appoint reputable and upright colored men to office, when objection was made to them solely on account of their color, I confess I am wholly unable to understand. At the time of my visit to Charleston last spring I had made, and since that time I have made, a number of such appointments from several States in which there is a considerable colored population. For example, I made one such appointment in Mississippi and another in Alabama, shortly before my visit to Charleston. I had at that time appointed two colored men as judicial magistrates in the District of Columbia. I have recently announced another such appointment for New Orleans, and have just made one from Pennsylvania. The great majority of my appointments in every State have been of white men. North and South alike it has been my sedulous endeavor to appoint only men of high character and good capacity, whether white or black. But it has been my consistent policy in every State where their numbers warranted it, to recognize colored men of good repute and standing in making appointments to office. These appointments of colored men have in no State made more than a small proportion of the total number of appointments. I am unable to see how I can legitimately be asked to make an exception for South Carolina. In South Carolina to the four most important positions in the State I have appointed three men and continued in office a fourth, all of them white men—three of them originally Gold Democrats—two of them, as I am informed, the sons of Confederate soldiers. I have been informed by the citizens of Charleston, whom I have met that these four men represent a high grade of public service.

I do not intend to appoint any unfit men to office. So far as I legitimately can, I shall always endeavor to pay regard to the wishes and feelings of the people of each locality, but I cannot consent to take the position that the door of hope—the door of opportunity—is to be shut upon any man, no matter how worthy, purely upon the grounds of race or color. Such an attitude would, according to my convictions, be fundamentally wrong. If, as you hold, the great bulk of the colored people are not yet fit in point of character and influence to hold such positions, it seems to me that it is worth while putting a premium upon the effort among them to achieve the character and standing which will fit them.

The question of "negro domination" does not enter into the matter at all. It might as well be asserted that when I was Governor of New York I sought to bring about negro domination in that State because, I appointed two colored men of good standing and character to responsible positions—one of them to a position paying a salary twice as large as that paid in the office now under consideration—one of them a director of the Buffalo Exposition. The question raised by you and Mr. — in the statements to which I refer, is simply whether it is to be declared that under no circumstances

shall any man of color, no matter how upright and honest, no matter how good a citizen, no matter how fair in his dealings with all his fellows, be permitted to hold office under our government. I certainly cannot assume such an attitude, and you must permit me to say that in my view it is an attitude no man should assume, whether he looks at it from the standpoint of the true interest of the white man of the South or of the colored man of the South—not to speak of any other section of the Union. It seems to me that it is a good thing from every standpoint to let the colored man know that if he shows in marked degree the qualities of good citizenship—the qualities which in a white man we feel are entitled to reward—then he will not be cut off from all hope of similar reward.

Without any regard as to what my decision may be on the merits of this particular applicant for this particular place, I feel that I ought to let you know clearly my attitude on the far broader question raised by you and Mr. —: an attitude from which I have not varied during my term of office.

Faithfully yours,
THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

To Hon. —, Charleston, S. C.

THEY GOT \$5,000

Burglars Blew Safe in Jonesboro Yesterday Morning.

The Crime Was Not Discovered Until the Robbers Had Safely Made Their Escape.

(Special to the News and Observer.)

Jonesboro, N. C., Nov. 27.—The most high-handed and successful piece of robbery in the history of Moore county was perpetrated here this morning about one o'clock when two professional safe-crackers dynamited the safe of Watson and Godfrey, stole \$3,000 in money and \$2,000 in North Carolina bonds and made their escape.

For a day or two two strangers have been in Jonesboro. Nobody knew their business. They were observed, but no watch was set upon their movements. This morning about one o'clock the people heard a noise that sounded like the explosion of a big pop-cracker. It woke up some people. Ordinarily it would have called for investigation, but on the previous night, as the people were going to bed, there was more than the usual noise caused by some young men and boys celebrating Thanksgiving. When the explosion was heard, the folks who heard it said to themselves, "The boys are making more fuss than usual," turned over and went to sleep again. And they did not know that this town was the scene of a great robbery until six o'clock this morning.

The first discovery was made by a young man, Mr. McKoy, of Harnett county, who had spent the night at the home of Mr. W. E. Murchison. He rose early and went down to the stables. As he passed the store of Watson & Godfrey he saw that something unusual had happened. Upon investigation he ascertained that the safe had been dynamited. The proprietors of the store were notified and soon many people were on the scene. The robbers, who evidently are experts, had used dynamite to blow open the safe. The doors were blown off. Part of the fuse was found near the front door 75 feet away. The papers were scattered all about. All the money, amounting to about \$3,000, and \$2,000 worth of North Carolina State bonds, were stolen.

Steps were at once taken to find the men who had dynamited the safe and stolen the money. They were trailed to their camp in the direction of Sanford and up to the railroad tracks at Sanford, where they boarded the Seaboard Air Line train going south. They had reached Hamlet before the robbery was discovered. It is surmised that they went further, but that is not known. Telegrams have been sent and every effort is being made to capture them.

It is evident that they are trained safe-dynamiters. How did they know that Watson & Godfrey had so much money in their safe? This firm does a large business in general merchandising, besides being large cotton buyers. The safe dynamited was a large and substantial one.

Mr. W. E. Murchison, of Jonesboro, was in Raleigh yesterday. He came to see Mr. Joseph G. Brown, president of the Citizen's National Bank, to secure a description of the \$2,000 worth of North Carolina State bonds, which were stolen. These bonds had been purchased through Mr. Brown about two years ago.

Mr. Murchison said that the people would recognize the two men who have been at Jonesboro for two days and would know them if they could see them again.

VIRGINIA WINS THE DEBATE CUP

American Honor Demands Philippine Independence.

A MOST BRILLIANT DEBATE

Wake Forest's Representatives Made a Gallant Fight but Decision for Richmond College Was Unanimous.

"The committee, in considering delivery, argument and composition of the debate in rendering its verdict unanimously awards the victory to the able representatives of Richmond College."

These were the words with which Judge H. G. Connor, of Wilson, told the vast audience assembled in the Academy of Music last night that Virginia had won in debate over North Carolina and that Richmond College took from Wake Forest the loving cup, the symbol of victory.

And then the supporters and friends of Virginia went to pieces in their enthusiasm. Some cheered and shouted applause, while a dozen or more rushed to the stage and lifted in their arms the representatives of Richmond College to whom the victory belonged. There had clasped hands in congratulation and had defeated Wake Forest debaters had crossed the stage and congratulated the victors.

It was a scene that baffles description. Flags and ribbons were swinging in the air, the audience was on its feet, cheers and college cries echoed and re-echoed everywhere there was noise and clamor, for strangers had come into the State and in its capital had won a prized trophy from an institution native to the soil.

It was the Inter-Collegiate debate between Wake Forest and Richmond College, of Richmond, Va., which had drawn a vast and cultured audience together to hear the debate on the question: "Resolved, That American Honor Demands that We Grant Independence to the Philippine Islands." In this debate the Virginians held the affirmative, while the North Carolinians urged the negative.

As its representatives Richmond College sent two able young men, Messrs. J. W. Kincheloe and Lane Lacy, while from Wake Forest came Messrs. James Royall and Edwin J. Sherwood. Mr. Lacy, a native of Richmond, son of the late Judge B. W. Lacy, of the Supreme Court, represented the Mu Sigma Rho Literary Society of his college, and Mr. Kincheloe, of Richmond, represented the Philologist Literary Society. From Wake Forest Mr. Sherwood represented the Phi Society and Mr. James Royall represented the Sigma.

The committee of Judges was composed of Judge H. G. Connor, of Wilson, lately elected Associate Justice of North Carolina, Dr. Charles F. Meserve, of Raleigh, president of Shaw University, and Mr. Joseph G. Brown, of Raleigh, president of the Raleigh National Bank. The debate was presided over by Mr. Carey Hunter, representing the Raleigh Chamber of Commerce, by whom the silver loving cup was made the trophy, and this was presented to the victors by Judge T. B. Womack on behalf of that body. The secretaries were Mr. H. E. Craven, of Wake Forest, and Mr. M. Lankford, of Richmond College, these latter gentlemen acting as time keepers.

The debaters were each allowed twenty minutes in their opening speeches, while five minutes was allotted to each for a rejoinder. In the debate each speaker finished in his allotted time and in the rejoinder the replies were spirited. Each orator was rewarded with frequent applause during his speech, and as each closed there was a great burst of this for each. Mr. Sherwood was the only debater to whom flowers were sent.

It was a splendid debate, splendid in oratory, in argument and in delivery. The colleges which these young men represent have cause to be proud of them. The question had been studied with diligence and the argument was in every case strongly presented. That Richmond College won is a high tribute, for the Judge Connor's statement that he wished there were two loving cups to be awarded, as each side had debated in such splendid shape.

THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS GONE.

Burglars Dynamite a Safe at Enoree—Bloodhounds on the Trail.

(Special to the News and Observer.)

Charlotte, N. C., Nov. 27.—News has been received here of the dynamiting of the safe in the office of the Enoree Manufacturing Company, at Enoree, twenty-five miles southeast of Spartanburg, S. C., at an early hour this morning, the robbers securing \$3,000 in cash. The safe in the postoffice in the same building was opened and \$300 in stamps and money secured. A reward of \$500 for the arrest of the men is offered by the mill officials. Bloodhounds were telegraphed for this morning and are on the trail. Sheriff Vernon, of Spartanburg, is now on the scene. At four o'clock this afternoon no capture had been made. A large number of valuable papers were taken from the mill company's safe.

There is nothing that makes a woman brag about her husband more than to have him always right; and there is nothing which makes her madder with him.

PLAY EACH OTHER TO A STAND STILL

Twelve to Twelve the Score at Richmond.

'TIS A SUPERB STRUGGLE

The North Carolinians Regard the Game as a Virtual Victory for Their Team—Virginia's Confidence Receives an Amazing Jar.

(By the Associated Press.)

Richmond, Va., Nov. 27.—The football teams of the Universities of Virginia and North Carolina played a drawn game here today, before eight thousand spectators, the score at the end of two thirty-minute halves being 12 to 12. Both teams played Yale methods, their coaches being De Saullés and Chauncey Olcott.

The first half ended 6 to 6, in Carolina's favor. In the second half, Virginia twice hammered the Carolinians back for touchdowns, from which goals were kicked. Carolina rallied and pushed the ball down the field for the tying touchdown and goal.

It was straight, hard football of the cleanest kind, and two more evenly-matched teams in weight, skill and endurance never met on a Southern gridiron. The Carolinians regard the game as a victory for themselves.

The line up follows:

Daniel.....Left End.....Endicott	Johnson.....Left Tackle.....Foust
Houston.....Left Guard.....Albright	Bachman.....Center.....Stewart
Spates.....Right Guard.....Farlow	Council.....Right Tackle.....Jones
Bronson.....Right End.....Cox	Wall.....Left Half Back.....Jacocks
Head.....Right Half Back.....Mann	Pollard.....Quarter Back.....Graves
Harris.....Full Back.....Holt	Summaries—Score, 12 to 12.
Touchdowns—North Carolina, Foust and Endicott; Virginia, Heald and Harris.	Empire—Mike Murphy, of Yale.
Referee—Mr. Robinson, of Randolph-Macon.	Time-keepers—Julian Hill, Virginia; Mr. Morehead, North Carolina.
Linesmen—Virginia, Winston; North Carolina, Ramsey.	

A VIRTUAL CAROLINA VICTORY.

Virginia's Confidence Staggered by Tar Heel Strength That Made Her Stare.

(Special to News and Observer.)

Richmond, Va., Nov. 27.—The result of the game is a virtual Carolina victory. Virginia was confident of a score of 20 or 30 to 0, and bets of 5 to 1 and 3 to 1 were made that Virginia would win, and bets of 2 to 1 and even money that Carolina would not score a touch down. After ten minutes of play, Virginia's surprise at Carolina's strength was amusing. Carolina's line held well and took the ball from Virginia on downs whenever their goal became endangered, while Carolina's backs could make consistent gains through Virginia's line especially Virginia's center, which finally resulted in a touch down after 25 minutes of play.

In the second half Virginia took a wonderful brace, and hammered Carolina's line to pieces with their heavy backs and tackles scoring two touchdowns on tackles back and mass plays on tackle. Carolina then took a brace and hammered Virginia's line out of shape, scoring its second touch down four minutes before time was called.

Outside of the first twenty minutes of the second half Carolina outplayed Virginia at every point. During these twenty minutes Virginia outplayed Carolina at every point. It was straight football all the time of the same style of play by both sides, the modern Yale game, Olcott coaching Carolina and De Saullés coaching Virginia. The teams were as evenly matched as it was possible for them to be, and they played each other to a standstill.

Council, tackle on Carolina last year, played at least half of Virginia's game, and he and Harris did most of head ground gaining. The Carolina team was an all star combination. The game itself is probably the best that will be played by any of the colleges, large or small, this season.

PERRIN BUSBEE.

Five to Nothing.

(Special to News and Observer.)

New Bern, N. C., Nov. 27.—The St. Paul's school team of Beaufort met defeat by the home team in to-day's game by a score of 5 to 0. The game was fast and furiously played, both teams doing exceedingly nice work. Pennix Tolson, Roberts, Prettyman, Patterson and Pigford and Lane were great gainers for New Bern, and Willis and Darling were very strong players for St. Paul. Dr. J. F. Rhem, of the University of Virginia, umpired and W. J. McSorley, University of North Carolina, was referee.

Georgia Downes Auburn.

(By the Associated Press.)

Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 27.—The University of Georgia today defeated Alabama Polytechnic Institute, of Auburn, by a score of 12 to 5. The game was the best seen in Atlanta this season. Auburn was clearly outclassed, Georgia making her

first touchdown after four minutes play and another after twenty-five minutes. Ridley kicked goals both times. The first half was played altogether in Auburn's territory. In the second half Auburn made her five points on a goal from field, made by Webb on a drop kick from the 35-yard line. Throughout the game the Alabama team played on the defensive.

A HEART-PARALYZER.

Pennsylvania Beats Cornell by a Score of Twelve to Eleven.

(By the Associated Press.)

Philadelphia, Nov. 27.—The University of Pennsylvania football eleven today defeated the Cornell team by a score of 12 to 11. The Ithacans kicked a goal from placement and scored a touchdown from which a goal resulted in the first half, while Pennsylvania scored two touchdowns and kicked two goals in the second half. Never has a more intensely exciting and uncertain contest been witnessed on Franklin Field. Until the final blast of the referee's whistle announced the cessation of hostilities there was a painful uncertainty in the hearts of the Pennsylvania supporters. Cornell had

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A SWEEPING ORDER

Quarantining Diseased Cattle of New England.

Secretary Wilson Takes Steps to Avert Spread of Disease Which Would Prove a National Calamity.

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, Nov. 27.—Secretary of Agriculture Wilson today issued a sweeping order directed to the managers and agents of railroads and transportation companies of the United States, stockmen and others, notifying them of the establishment of a quarantine of cattle, sheep and other ruminants and swine in the New England States, and prohibiting the exportation of such animals from the port of Boston until further orders.

Recent investigations by the Department of Agriculture disclosed the fact that what is known as foot and mouth disease exists to an alarming extent in Connecticut, Rhode Island, Massachusetts and Vermont. The expert of the Department, Dr. Mohler; Dr. Leonard Pearson of the University of Pennsylvania, and Dr. James Law, of Cornell, visited the infected districts and united in a recommendation that in order to prevent the spread of the disease a quarantine should immediately be established.

Secretary Wilson said today that this is the most serious matter the Department has had to handle for some time, but that all the resources of the Department would be employed in stamping out the disease. He declared that if it should spread west of the Hudson River, it would be nothing short of a national calamity.

THE ABBOTIAL BENEDICTION.

Of Rev Charles Mohr, Newly Elected Abbot of St. Leo's Monastery.

(By the Associated Press.)

Charlotte, N. C., Nov. 27.—The abbatial benediction of the Right Rev. Charles Mohr, O. S. B., the newly elected abbot of St. Leo's Benedictine Monastery, in Florida, today at St. Mary's College, Belmont, N. C., was the most elaborate ecclesiastical ceremony ever witnessed in this State. Bishop Haid, of St. Mary's, was the celebrant, assisted by Rev. Julius Pohl, O. S. B., of Manassas, Va., a deacon of the mass; Rev. Aloysius O. Hanton, O. S. B., of Savannah, Ga., sub-deacon of the mass; Rev. F. Rabanus, O. S. B., of Covington, Ky., deacon of honor; Rev. F. Eger, of Newcastle, Pa., sub-deacon of honor, and V. Rev. William Mayer, O. S. B., of Richmond, Va., presbyter assistant.

Battered Schooner Puts in at Ferrol.

(By the Associated Press.)

Ferrol, Spain, Nov. 27.—The British steamer Chiklode, Captain Sanderson, bound to Hamburg from Ferdinandia, Fla., via Norfolk, and nineteen days out from the latter port, put in at this place today in a badly damaged condition, having encountered terrific weather on the passage. The vessel had her bridge and boats carried away and all movables on deck were swept off by the heavy seas.

Naval Reserves Elect Officers.

(Special to News and Observer.)

New Bern, N. C., Nov. 27.—The monthly inspection of the Naval Reserves and election of officers were held today as follows: C. D. Bradham, Lieutenant Commander; C. J. McSorley, Lieutenant Junior Grade; J. H. Wedell, Ensign.

First Snowfall at Asheville.

(Special to News and Observer.)

Asheville, N. C., Nov. 27.—The first real snow of the season came today, lasted several hours, but melted as rapidly as it fell. The temperature is falling. Asheville Savings Institution and Wachovia Loan and Trust Company have consolidated. Both are of this city.

Snow at Winston.

(Special to News and Observer.)

Winston-Salem, N. C., Nov. 27.—The first wintry weather appeared here this afternoon. A cold rain began falling at three o'clock, and shortly thereafter it developed into snow.

BOOKER NO BOOSTER OF ANY CANDIDATE

As Educator he Confers With Roosevelt.

AND NOT AS POLITICIAN

On Questions Affecting my Race so Far Reaching as to Transcend the Domain of Politics I Make my Position Known.

(By the Associated Press.)

Birmingham, Ala., Nov. 27.—The following letter has been received by the Age-Herald, from Booker T. Washington: "To the Editor of the Age-Herald:

"I notice that several newspapers have recently connected my name with political matters in such a manner as to show that my position is not understood. I desire, therefore, to make the following statement:

"My life work is the promotion of the education of my race. It is well known that I always have advised my people that it is of supreme importance at this period of their development, that they should concentrate their thought and energy on the securing of homes, the cultivation of habits of thrift, economy, skill, intelligence, high moral character and the gaining of the respect and confidence of their neighbors, white and black, both in the South and North. From such teaching and counsel, no influence can ever divert me.

"What conferences I have had with the President or with any public official have grown out of my position, not as a politician, but as an educator. It should be borne in mind that there are about nine millions of negroes in the United States who are liable under the law for taxes and military service, and who are punishable for infraction of the law. These people, at present, have no member of their race in the National law-making body, and it is right that those charged with making and executing the laws of the land should at times seek information directly from the members of the negro race, when their interests and relations with the whites among whom they live, are concerned. "Under no circumstances could I seek to promote political candidates or volunteer information regarding men or measures, nor have I done so in the past, but because of the importance I have always sought to place upon education and industry among my people as the bases for friendly relations between the races there may be occasions in the future as there have been in the past, when, if I am so requested, I can give information about men and measures which would tend to promote such friendly relations between the races. Such information it is my duty to give when it is asked for.

"At every proper opportunity, I say to the youth of our people that they will make a mistake if they seek to succeed in life by mere political activity or the hope of holding political office. Now and then, however, public questions affecting our interests arise which are so fundamental and far-reaching that they transcend the domain of politics. When such questions present themselves in justice to my race, I make my position known and stand for what I see to be the right.

"We cannot elevate and make useful a race of people until there is held out to them the hope of reward for right living. Every revised constitution throughout the Southern States has put a premium on intelligence, ownership of property, thrift, and character.

"As an educator, and not as a politician, I strive in every honorable and rational way to encourage the wise and enduring progress of any people; for if all inspiration and hope of reward is to be denied them, they will be deprived of one of the greatest incentives to intelligence, industry, and righteousness. On the other hand, if they are encouraged in sensible and conservative directions they will grow year by year into contentedness and added usefulness.

(Signed)

"BOOKER T. WASHINGTON."

Deboe Wins the Inaugural.

(By the Associated Press.)

New Orleans, Nov. 27.—The attendance at the opening of the Crescent City Jockey Club's winter meeting broke all local records. The principal event, the Inaugural handicap, went to W. J. Deboe, an outsider who was 30 to 1 in the betting. Golden Rule, who, with St. Cuthbert, represented the racing firm of Durnell & Herz, was a favorite, at two's. Golden Rule showed in front in the first few strides and turned into the stretch two lengths in the lead, but W. J. Deboe wore the Golden Garter gelding down, winning by half a length. The race was worth \$2,050 to the winner. Cambrian and McChesney were the only winning favorites at today's races.

Offerings for the Orphans.

(Special to the News and Observer.)

High Point, N. C., Nov. 27.—Thanksgiving was generally observed here today. The factories were closed down and the other places of business observed the day. There were services in the morning at the various churches, collections being taken up for the orphan asylums of the different churches.