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Appeal From Asheville Touches The Hearts of Many in The State

To the Editor:—You certainly did a wonderful kindness to publish our appeal on behalf of Fred Summerlin a week ago. We beg further space in order to thank the givers, and to lay on the hearts of still others the sad plight of this young man. The letters that come to us show a fine spirit. If you have space, here are some of the kind words:

From "a poor mother"—"What we friends send is a small amount but our sympathies are large for him and the mother and sister."

From many letters—"Only wish the amount were larger."

Other letters—"I hope many are giving."

Another—"Trusting this small amount may be added to dozens of others."

One letter—"Keep us posted. If we find that we can be of further assistance, we will be glad to aid in any way that we are able."

From another friend—"I enclose this little check to add my mite . . . Our prayers go out for his mother and sister . . . Please accept this little story: About one year ago, I had the honor of helping a man whose wife was very ill and who was out of money. But he had made no cry . . . Very few knew of his trouble . . . During this year she was taken . . . He has worked and paid his debts. Only last Saturday he came to me to pay me the amount I had given him. I protested that it was not a loan but a gift. Rather than to offend him, I took it. The first thing I saw in the paper this morning was your plea on page ten. I again start this check on its errand of kindness. God's blessing go with it."

Another writes—"Of late I have thought much of that saying, 'I was sick and you ministered not unto me.' I fear the church is falling (the average member, I mean) in going about doing good as Christ did."

Another—"Our oldest boy died of the same trouble . . . Wish we could make it more."

A business man—"I have seen your appeal and have interested a few of my friends. I enclose checks from the following:

Received for Fred Summerlin to noon Saturday, October 21, 1916: A. Friend, \$7; A. Friend, \$1; Dunn, N. C., Dr. and Mrs. Jas. R. Butler, \$2.50; Durham, B. W. Bernard, \$2; S. F. Mordecai, \$2; Fayetteville, Mrs. W. E. Brothers, \$3; Garner, N. C., S. H. Averett, \$1; Goldsboro, cash, \$50; Benj. Casey, Jr., \$1; P. McIntyre, \$2; S. L. Rose, \$1; Halifax, R. T. Johnson, \$3; Jonesboro, M. C. Kirkham, \$3; Middleburg, Mrs. J. H. Fleming, \$2; Moffitt, J. T. Lambert, \$1; Pollockville, A. Friend, \$2.50; Raleigh, A. Friend, \$2; George Marsh, \$10; Miss McKimmon, \$1; "A Poor Mother", \$1.50; C. D. Tucker, \$1; Ridgeway, W. C. Mabry, \$1; Rowland, Rev. and Mrs. A. J. Groves, \$1; St. Pauls, T. W. Maxwell, \$1; Warrenton, W. M. Baird, \$2.50; Washington, N. C., A. Friend, \$1; R. Bragan, \$3; R. Lee Stewart, \$2; Waynesville, J. E. Carraway, \$2; Alden Howell, Jr., \$3; Frank W. Miller, \$1; Jefferson Reeves, \$1; Rufus Siler, \$2; Thurman Williams, \$2; E. L. Withers, \$1; Wilson, A. Friend, \$1. Total, \$70.50.

We thank the kind donors, and may our Father bless every one of them. The fight with this young man may be long drawn out. Being ill is expensive at best. We pray and the kind donors pray that there may be sufficient funds for the winter or until the fight is over. Again, in His name.

C. M. Roek, pastor Biltmore Baptist Church; J. S. Williams, chaplain Good Samaritan Mission, P. O. Box 311, Asheville, N. C.

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fluencing votes for President Wilson in the Middle West.

"I guess something is done by the Republicans to break the tide now running so strongly in these States to President Wilson, he will carry Missouri, Indiana, Ohio, Wisconsin, Illinois, Minnesota and Kansas."

The Democratic committee sizes up the situation today as follows:

"President Wilson will carry New York, New Jersey, Connecticut and Delaware. He has an even chance of carrying Massachusetts, and he has become

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so popular in Pennsylvania that the normal Republican majority in that State is in grave danger.

Way Has Reached East.

The huge Wilson wave that has been sweeping through the country has reached the East, and so tremendous has it become that the breaking up of the once solid Republican New England now seems assured. So serious is the Republican outlook in Pennsylvania and Massachusetts that Senator Boies Penrose and ex-Senator Murray Crane, the Old Guard bosses in those States, have been begging for help from Republican Chairman Willcox.

"The Hughes campaign managers are badly scared as a result of the reports from the Eastern States. Like the reports from the West and the Middle West, they show so strong a trend toward President Wilson that some of Candidate Hughes' closest friends have practically given up the fight. Around Republican National Headquarters the gloom is thick. Candidates, bureau heads and workers are filled with it. Chairman Willcox is doing his best to keep up a show of courage, but with poor success. What is more, the men around Republican headquarters don't care who knows about their depression. They are sick and tired of the lifeless struggle, and only long for the agony to be over.

New York Democratic.

"The situation in New York State couldn't be better. With a militant, loyal and united Democratic organization back of the President, there is every indication that he will carry the Empire State by a plurality of at least 100,000. In New York City the workers of Tammany Hall are doing their level best to give the President a record plurality. In all of the Democratic districts of the city the registration shows a big increase, while in the Republican strongholds there is a big falling-off. Charles F. Murphy has sent out word that every Tammany orator must urge the re-election of President Wilson, and there is a corps of them in automobiles nightly combing the city.

"Up-state the reports show that many thousands of Republican farmers are going to vote for President Wilson's re-election because they are happy and prosperous and because the country is at peace. They are enthusiastic for the President because he has kept the country out of the European war, and they are afraid that the election of Hughes would mean that this country would be drawn into the conflict.

"President Wilson will carry New York by more than 100,000 votes," says Edwin S. Harris, chairman of the New York Democratic State Committee. "The President has a militant Democratic organization behind him, together with the support of a large number of Republicans who believe that his re-election is necessary for the safety and well-being of the country. No less than fifty thousand Republicans have declared their intention to vote for the re-election of the President, and many of them say that other Republicans have told them that they are going to do the same thing."

"Thomas F. Smith, secretary of Tammany Hall, says that this is a Wilson year.

Millions But No Issue.

"Despite the millions of dollars that Mr. Hughes is backed with, he is making the poorest campaign any Republican Presidential candidate has conducted within my memory," said Mr. Smith. "President Wilson will be re-elected by a surprisingly large majority. Tammany Hall is doing its part."

"The trend toward President Wilson in New Jersey is so pronounced that Edward E. Grosseop, chairman of the Democratic State Committee, is confident of a plurality of not less than 35,000.

"Reports from Connecticut are that not only will President Wilson carry the State, but also that a Democratic United States Senator will be elected. Homer E. Cummins, vice-chairman of the Democratic National Committee, is the Democratic candidate for Senator. The workmen of Connecticut are for President Wilson's re-election practically by unanimity.

"So strong has the President become in Massachusetts that hurry calls for help have been sent out by W. Murray Crane and the Republican managers. The popularity of President Wilson among the thousands of mill workers in Massachusetts has the Hughes managers badly scared. Matthew Hale, the Progressive leader, declares that the President will carry the state by a large plurality.

"The President will hold the normal Democratic vote," he says, "and will have the support of a huge number of Progressives and Independents."

FIVE LETTERS FAVORING CONSTITUTION CHANGES

Prominent North Carolinians Write Endorsing Proposed Amendments To Organic Law.

Legislative Reference Librarian W. S. Wilson has secured letters from five more prominent North Carolinians who favor the four constitutional amendments to be voted on on election day. They are Senator Overman, U. S. Circuit Judge J. C. Pritchard, former Governor W. W. Kitchin, Frank A. Linney and Congressman Robert N. Page. These letters follow:

I beg to say that I am heartily in favor of the four amendments which have been submitted to the people and

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will be voted upon at the ensuing election. I shall give them my cordial support and vote for them. This is one of the reforms that should have been adopted years ago. It will save money and time and enable the General Assembly to do its work in a more satisfactory way and give more time for deliberation. I have not yet seen any reason given why they should not be adopted.

LEE S. OVERMAN.

Replying to yours of recent date in which you request a statement from me as respects the four proposed constitutional amendments which are to be voted on in November, I beg to say that I am heartily in favor of these amendments and trust that they will meet with the approval of our voters.

J. C. PRITCHARD

I heartily favor each of the four constitutional amendments to be voted on at the coming election. If the people are well informed, in my judgment, they should and will give each one a large majority.

W. W. KITCHIN.

I am in favor of each and every one of the amendments to the Constitution to be voted on at the coming election. The restriction of local, private and special legislation is possibly the most urgent one. The provision for emergency judges is most essential, and would decrease the cost of courts if the legislative enactment following this amendment is wisely drawn. The other two are very essential, both in preventing special privileges to corporations, and in preventing the work of lobbyists in such legislation. All these amendments, of course, would be beneficial only if followed by wise enactments of the General Assembly, and only a perverted body of legislators could fail to do the right thing in carrying them out.

F. A. LINNEY.

Replying to your letter of the 20th instant asking an expression of opinion from me as to the four amendments to the constitution to be voted on at this election, I have very carefully examined each of the four, and have no hesitancy in saying that numbers 1, 3

and 4, it seems to me, are absolutely essential, while number 2 is desirable.

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