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MR. SIMMONS IS FOR PARTY

Does Not Want His Interests Considered By State Committee

"I have told my friends," said Senator Simmons today in reply to a question as to his attitude on the eligibility of voters in the senatorial primary, "that I wanted the state committee to settle all matters that come up before them without reference to my interests. I do not want them to consider me, if I have any friends on the committee, but to consider only the interests of the state and national democratic tickets."

The senator arrived in the city last night from New York, where he was called to confer with the democratic national leaders, and left early today for Charlotte, where he is due to make a speech tonight. No utterance in the present campaign will attract more attention than the words of the senior senator tonight. Senator Simmons has volunteered his services to the state committee and will speak at Morganton, Sept. 14; Newell, Sept. 15; Lexington, Sept. 18, and Asheboro, Sept. 21.

The state committee will meet here next Thursday night to determine who shall vote in the senatorial primary to be held in connection with the regular election in November.

NOT TO MAKE HIGHWAY TOUR

Inspection of Central Highway Postponed—Dr. Pratt Absent

Arrangements had been made for an automobile tour of inspection over the Central Highway from the Tennessee line, by way of Waynesville, Asheville, Salisbury, Greensboro, Raleigh, Goldsboro, New Bern, etc., to Morehead City, beginning next Monday. Members of this inspecting party are State Geologist Joseph Hyde Pratt, and H. B. Varner of Lexington, the Central Highway's president. Secretary Olds of the chamber of commerce had arranged to go on this tour, but today received a letter from Mr. Varner, saying that Dr. Pratt had been called to New York on important business in regard to the highways now being constructed in the high mountain region, known as the "Crest of the Blue Ridge," and that hence the tour of inspection has been temporarily called off, and that the new date will soon be decided upon. President Varner says that another reason for postponing the tour is that all of the Central Highway will not be fully opened by next week. Many men are at work on the line from Old Fort, in McDowell county (Continued on Page Seven.)



"THE WIDOW'S MITE"

WHITE WIFE A SUICIDE

Wife of Jack Johnson Takes Her Own Life—Pathetic Ending

Chicago, Sept. 12.—Mrs. Jack Johnson, the champion pugilist's wife, shot herself through the head and died at 3:30 this morning. After firing the shot she did not regain consciousness. She recently remarked to friends that every one shunned her because she had married a negro, and that she was unhappy. She decided to commit suicide as soon as her husband went down town. She called her two maids into the bedroom, asking them to join her in prayer; all knelt at the bedside and prayed together several minutes. As they arose, Mrs. Johnson, pressing her hands to her face, said: "God pity a poor woman who is lonely." After the maids were then sent out on errands, Mrs. Johnson fired the fatal bullet. She was 31 years old and the daughter of David Terry, of Brooklyn. When she married Johnson she was the divorced wife of Clarence Duryea, the New York turfman.

ACTIVE FIGHT TO BE URGED

Wake Democrats to Open Headquarters in Raleigh On October 14

At a meeting of the Wake county central committee and the various democratic candidates in the courthouse this afternoon it was decided to open headquarters in Raleigh October 1 and to prosecute a vigorous campaign in every section of the county. The campaign will be waged regardless of opposition or not and an effort will be made to increase the usual democratic majority. The legislative candidates, Messrs. J. C. Little, M. A. Griffin, Earnest Mills and J. W. Bunn, were present, as were also the other nominees of the primary. Chairman Percy J. Olive has not announced the secretary and treasurer of the committee.

The members of the committee present were Chairman Olive, W. E. Snow, Edward E. Britton, R. J. Bufalo, Bart M. Galling, H. D. Rand, H. G. Richardson, Dr. G. M. Bell and H. C. Alford.

The candidates and their friends are enthusiastic and propose doing some good work for the party.

GAME OF POKER INTERRUPTED

Durham Citizens Face Recorder on Gambling Charge.

(Special to The Times.)

Durham, Sept. 12.—Yesterday morning between one and two o'clock the police surprised a friendly game of draw poker in one of the rooms on the third floor of the Duke building, the result of which was that seven well known Durham citizens walked into the recorder's court yesterday and pleaded guilty to the charge of gambling, and were each assessed with a fine of \$25 and the costs. The officers got wind that there was a game in progress, and three policemen were detached to investigate. Two of them succeeded in getting on the roof of an adjoining building while the others took charge of their shoes. After a two-hour watch of the game during which time no coin of the realm was seen, only chips being used, the watchers began to have cricks in their necks. Along about 1 o'clock there was heard the familiar clink of coin and the long green put in its appearance, at which time the officers made an unceremonious entry to the room, gathering in the whole crowd. They put up bonds in the sum of fifty dollars each for their appearance at recorder's court yesterday. In the party were two drummers, two contractors, one merchant, one lumber dealer and an employe of a local business house. The unfortunate subjects of the raid were the objects of many witticisms by their friends yesterday.

The Daughters of the Confederacy will give a dinner to the Durham Confederate veterans on Thursday of next week. Hon. J. Bryan Grimes, secretary of state, will deliver the principal address.

Trinity College began the session of 1912-13 yesterday, and the applications for admission to the freshman class numbered about two hundred, the largest in many years. The day opened with flag raising by the senior class, after which there were exercises at the chapel, in which Bishop Kilgo, President Few and the ministers of the city Methodist churches took part. There were a number of visitors to the opening exercises.

The attendance at the city schools, which opened Monday, has reached the 3,000 mark, and the work is as well under way at this time as though the schools had been open for weeks instead of three days.

The following wedding invitation has been received here:

Mrs. Alfred Edmiston Craven requests the honor of your presence at the marriage of her daughter Marie Louise

Mr. Patrick Henry Gorman on Wednesday the twenty-fifth of September

at twelve o'clock

at Saint John's Church

San Juan, Puerto Rico

Mr. Gorman has many friends in Raleigh where he lived for quite a while.

WOMEN SPEAK FOR WILSON

First Woman Speaker in Georgia for Wilson Was Miss Ella Powell.

Atlanta, Sept. 12.—Woman speakers are being sent into Georgia to campaign for Woodrow Wilson. The first woman to speak in Georgia for Wilson was Miss Ella Powell, of New York, who addressed the Daughters of the Confederacy last night, at Gainesville.

Wilson lived here and practiced law during his early life. His two oldest daughters were born here.

A woman can't feed a man so much taffy that it will spoil his appetite for it.

REBELS EXPECTED TO ATTACK AGUA PRIETA

Washington, Sept. 12.—Brigadier General Steever telegraphed the war department today that Mexican rebels under Rejam were planning a final attack on Agua Prieta, Arizona. The attack was planned to take place at ten o'clock this morning, mountain time. Mexican federalists entrained last night at El Paso, which include 450 Yaqui Indians, were being rushed to the defense.

TAFT PLAYED GOLF

Then Held Conferences With Several Officials.

Beverly, Sept. 12.—President Taft motored from Parametta to the golf links in the forenoon. Returning from the links the president conferred with Attorney General Wickham and Secretary MacVeagh and Counselor Anderson of the state department. Anderson's interest in the Mexican situation foreshadowed a discussion of Mexican conditions.

Tranquil in Coal Regions.

Charleston, W. Va., Sept. 12.—Tranquil conditions continue in the Kanawha coal region. Additional miners returned to work within the military zone under conditions prevailing before the strike was called. The commission investigating conditions began taking evidence today. The first witnesses were miners who protested against the mine guard system.

Receivers For Big Motor Company.

New York, Sept. 12.—Receivers were appointed for the United States Motor Company, a forty-two and a half million dollar concern, organized in 1908 to control ten automobile and gas engine manufacturing companies. Its directors number some of the best known capitalists in the country.

Earthquake at San Francisco.

San Francisco, Sept. 12.—A slight earthquake shock was felt at nine twenty-eight this morning. The movement occasioned no damage or excitement. Shocks were reported as far south as San Jose, fifty miles away.

Roosevelt Still in Oregon Today.

LaGrand, Oregon, Sept. 12.—Roosevelt stopped here two hours today on the way to Boise and addressed the county fair. He then went to Huntington. He spoke in Boise tonight.

Ryan to Build Art Gallery.

New York, Sept. 12.—Thomas Fortune Ryan, has arranged to build a hundred thousand dollar art gallery, adjoining his Fifth avenue residence. It will be stored his art treasures.

Battle Between Mexicans.

Marfa, Texas, Sept. 12.—The battle of Ojinaga is in progress according to reports received from border towns. The federals, defending the town have almost exhausted their ammunition supply.

Was Confined in an Ice Box.

Louisville, Sept. 12.—Alleging that he contracted St. Vitus dance as the result of being forcibly confined in an ice box, Morris Brown, 14 years old, sued Joseph Weisberger, for \$15,000.

WILL MAKE VISIT TO HENDERSON

Tomorrow Chairman W. A. Cooper of the committee on street and highway improvement and a number of other gentlemen from Raleigh both official and private citizens, will make an automobile trip from here to Henderson, this giving an opportunity to inspect the very fine highways in Franklin county and also in Vance and to make a study of the Henderson streets, which are being made admirable. A substance known as bitumas is being used on the streets and there is also in use an excellent new arrangement for putting a surface on old streets. These matters of roads and streets will be very carefully studied by Chairman Cooper, Chairman Mills and the others. There will be about twenty people in the party which will make this tour of inspection and it means a great deal for both Raleigh and Wake county.

OPENING AT UNIVERSITY

Registration Already 600 and They Are Still Arriving.

(Special to The Times.)

Chapel Hill, Sept. 12.—The registration books of the university were opened on Monday morning, and with two days of the period over the registration number has reached the 600 mark. The crowds are still coming in on every train, and when the books are closed fully 850 students are expected to be registered. The campus now presents a seething mass of students and when the classes are started the professors will have sufficient cause to be kept busy.

The freshman class this year is unusually large, and the university expects this to be one of its banner years. The medical and law classes are also unusually large this year.

Captain Tillet has started the football practice, and a large number of good prospects are now coming out every afternoon. As yet nothing definite can be said about the new men, but that there is a lot of new, good material and, these under the coaching of Nat Cartmel and Martin, of Pennsylvania, Carolina is on fair road for a good team this year. A good many of last year's men are back, among them being Captain Tillet, Blaine Applewhite, Robert Strange and "Big" Abernathy.

SHOOS OFF DEER BY MUSIC

Shotgun Failing, Orchard Owner Blows His Cornet.

Winsted, Conn., Sept. 12.—At dawn when deer invade his orchard of 400 young apple trees on the Old Colebrook road, George A. Howe, who has slept in the orchard all the summer to protect the fruit trees from the ravages of the animals, plays a cornet and the deer bound away.

Howe says he has counted twenty deer in his orchard at one time eating the tender sprouts on the trees. They became so accustomed to the reports of a shotgun which was discharged high in the air by Howe to frighten them, that they refused to budge. Then Howe hit upon the idea of stampeding them with blarney from his cornet.

The deer are protected at this season under the Connecticut game laws.

Stage Hands' Strike Settled.

Norfolk, Va., Sept. 12.—The strike of theatrical stage hands at Norfolk and Portsmouth was settled today. The men get an advance in wages effective January 1.

It's Never too Late to Break Your Husband of a Bad Habit.

Thaddeus Graves Dead.

Hatfield, Mass., Sept. 12.—Thaddeus Graves, president of the New England Tobacco Growers' Association, died today, aged 77.

ASK CITIZENS NOT TO SIGN PETITION

The board of aldermen met in called meeting this afternoon at 3:45 for the purpose of requesting city officials and citizens generally not to sign any petition circulated either by the city or the Wake Wake Company in behalf of any individual for permanent receiver. The appointment will be at Smithfield, September 17. The action was not taken as antagonistic, but merely to safeguard any rights the city might have. City Attorney Pace saying that as both the city and water company are litigants the court should be left free to select a receiver.

IMPOSSIBLE TO BE GOOD AND DRUNK AT SAME TIME.

Argument Made by Defendant's Attorney Is Not Upheld.

Kansas City, Sept. 12.—The "Dutch" lunch which was participated in by several persons at a house on Harrison street recently was strictly an informal affair, according to testimony taken in Justice Charles Clark's court.

"And after we had been drinking several hours," the plaintiff testified, "I was knocked down with a jardiniere and was kicked in the left ear when I was down."

Here Phil D. Clear, attorney for the defendants, interposed a question: "I will ask you if you were not drunk and drunk when this happened," said he.

"I object to the form of the question," exclaimed Mord M. Bogle, assistant county prosecutor, rising hastily to his feet. "It is quite impossible, Your Honor, for a person to be good and be drunk at the same time."

"Sustained," agreed the court solemnly.

Both defendants were bound over to the criminal court for felonious assault.

STOLE GIRL FROM SEMINARY

Father Shot-Up Automobile, But Girl Was Not in It.

Bristol, Va., Sept. 12.—Lochinvar could not have won a bride in a more sensational fashion than Arthur Hagey did late yesterday. Instead of a charger, Hagey used an automobile, pistol and party of friends.

Sixteen-year-old Myrtle Moore's father objected to her marriage with Hagey and after frustrating an elopement Monday, sent Myrtle to school. Yesterday a party of Hagey's friends drove up to the seminary and sped the girl away to the cross-road, where they transferred her to a buggy and sent her to Johnson City, Tenn., while the motor car continued to Abingdon. At Abingdon the irate father, after being warned by an officer, shot the tires practically off the automobile before he discovered his daughter was not in it. Meanwhile, Arthur and Myrtle were married in Johnson City.

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CRAIG TO ADDRESS TRAVELING MEN

Hon. Locke Craig, the democratic candidate for governor, has been highly honored by the United Commercial Travelers of America, in being requested to make an address to them at a public meeting to be held in Asheville, on the night of October 10. The western North Carolina fair is to be held in Asheville beginning on October 8, and during that week the Asheville council will provide entertainment for all of the merchants of western North Carolina, culminating in a social meeting to be held on the night of the 10th. Mr. Craig has accepted the invitation and will speak on the occasion mentioned.

Some of Mr. Craig's strongest friends and supporters are members of this organization, and they express great pleasure at his ability to address them.

WILL VOTE ON BONDS

Greensboro Wants New Railroad—Progressive Politics.

(Special to The Times.)

Greensboro, Sept. 12.—Supporters of the proposed Greensboro, Northern and Atlantic railroad for which Greensboro is asked to vote \$200,000 in bonds next Tuesday held a rally meeting last night, speakers declaring that the issue should be decided by the voters and that allies of the Southern Railway and that allies of that corporation were leading the fight of the opposition. The proposed road is to run into Alamance county, it being expected to tap a proposed extension of the C. and O. at that place. The registration for the election is small, only about 1,000 voters qualifying, but at the present time it is believed the majority of these are against the measure.

Tredell Meares, the nominee of the allied bull moose progressives and bull moose republicans for governor, left for his home at Wilmington yesterday, expecting to stop off at Burlington for a conference with James N. Williamson, Jr., who kicked out of the traces when Marion Butler and Richmond Pearson sought to dictate the revision of the progressive platform. Mr. Meares declares that Mr. Williamson will come back to the progressives and that he will give support to the state and national progressive tickets.

Friends of Mr. Williamson are declaring that he resented the domineering attitude of Butler, who came uninvited and without right so far as anybody can learn, though it was reported that he held the proxy of his brother George. Butler has apparently formed an alignment with Richmond Pearson, expecting thereby to remain in state politics.

Before leaving the city the Butler-Pearson-Cowles-Walser-Greene committee from the Roosevelt republicans gave out a statement denouncing the so-called Morehead-Duncan convention held at Charlotte, charging that non-residents were seated as delegates in some instances and that in others illegal delegates were seated in the place of regular elected ones. They characterize the "Charlotte steal" as more atrocious than that at Chicago, saying that in their effort to thwart the will of the people the Morehead-Duncan republicans out Herodred Herod.

National Baptist Convention.

Houston, Texas, Sept. 12.—Five thousands negroes were here attending the thirty-second annual meeting of the National Baptist Convention. The convention lasts three days.

IN INTEREST OF TRINITY ENDOWMENT

Rev. Dr. F. N. Parker, of the Biblical department of Trinity College, will speak at the 11 o'clock service at Edenton Street church next Sunday morning. There is a movement on foot in the state to add to the endowment fund of Trinity College one million dollars. Eight hundred thousand of this is to come from Messrs. B. N. and J. B. Duke and from the general board of education. The Dukes giving six hundred and fifty thousand and the general board a hundred and fifty thousand on condition that the friends of the institution give two hundred thousand. Dr. Parker will speak on this movement next Sunday morning. It is hoped that a matter of such great gain to the educational resources of the state will draw a great crowd to hear him. There will be no offering for this cause asked for on Sunday, but friends of the movement will be asked to contribute next week.

WILSON AT SYRACUSE

Met New York State Leaders There For Conference.

Syracuse, Sept. 12.—Governor Wilson met the democratic state leaders, assembled here to attend the democratic state committee and conference of democratic county chairmen. Many conferences were held concerning the make-up of a ticket to be named by the state convention, which meets here October 1. Governor Dix seeks renomination. He says he expects to be renominated and elected.

The democratic leaders said their chief mission here was to greet Wilson, and they were not hasty in fixing up a "slate" three weeks before the convention. Some of the leaders oppose Dix's renomination.

NOW PENNSYLVANIA

In Trying to Get Into the Democratic Column.

New York, Sept. 12.—Pennsylvania, while always a strong republican state, is showing every indication of swinging into the democratic columns in November.

Reports from practically every county and district show democratic gains. As an indication Williamson, Pa., shows a typical example of the trend towards democratic success. The first day of registration there were 128 voters; 60 of them were for Governor Wilson, while the remainder was divided between the two factions of the republican party, the socialists and the prohibitionists.

The Colorado Primary.

Denver, Col., Sept. 12.—Returns from the state-wide primary indicate that Philip Stewart, progressive republican, has a thousand majority over Clifford Parks, regular republican for the gubernatorial nomination. Elias M. Ammons won the democratic gubernatorial race over Tom Tynan, by five hundred.

Mail Train Jumps Track.

Rochester, N. Y., Sept. 12.—The Washash mail on the New York Central, running 60 miles an hour, jumped the track at Morton. The engineer, fireman and two passengers were seriously injured. A score of passengers were slightly hurt.

The child who is afraid of the dark will become a politician when he grows up and fears the light.