The Chatham Record

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15, 1908.

H. A. LONDON, Editor.

DEMOCRATIC NOMINEES.

For President,
WILLIAM J. BRYAN,
of Nebraska.

For Vice-President,
JOHN W. KERN,
of Indiana.

For Governor,
W. W. KITCHIN,
of Person.

For Lieutenant-Governor,
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of Caldwell.

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For Commissioner of Agriculture,
W. A. GRAHAM,
of Lincoln.

For Commissioner of Labor & Printing,
M. L. SHIPMAN,
of Henderson.

For Corporation Commissioner,
B. F. AYCOCK,
of Wayne.

THE expected has happened, and Hon. W. J. Bryan was nominated by the Democratic national convention, last week, for President. While his nomination had been very generally conceded for some time past, yet the unanimity with which the nomination was made was greater than had been expected. Instead of receiving only the two-thirds majority (which was required) he received nearly nine-tenths of the votes cast.

Rarely has any political convention ever been more unanimous and harmonious in its acts. Not only was Mr. Bryan nominated by an almost unanimous vote, but the candidate for Vice-President was nominated by acclamation, and the platform was adopted by a unanimous vote. With such harmony and unanimity of sentiment in the convention it is to be hoped that the convention's acts will be ratified with the same harmony and unanimity by all the Democrats throughout the United States..

The platform adopted seems to give satisfaction to all kinds and conditions of Democrats, and is acceptable to many who objected to previous platforms of our national conventions. While of course the platform is entirely satisfactory to Mr. Bryan (who almost dictated it) it was approved by Judge Alton B. Parker, who who was our nominee for President in 1904 and who was one of the most conspicuous members of the committee which framed the platform. It is also satisfactory to the leaders of the Labor Unions.

With candidates nominated with such unanimity, and with such a platform so satisfactory, the Democrats enter upon this campaign with a much better chance of success than in any campaign since Cleveland's last election. Many Democrats will vote for our nominees this year who did not vote for Mr. Bryan in 1896 or 1900 or Judge Parker in 1904.

THE immense sum of money appropriated at the last session of Congress for the next fiscal year amounts to over one billion dollars. This is nearly one hundred million more than the expenditures for the last fiscal year. Few persons are aware of what an immense amount of money this is. If it was all in silver dollars it would require over thirty thousand wagons to haul it, each wagon hauling two thousand pounds!

Our people watch very closely the expenditures made by their local governments, such as their city and county expenses, and yet these are insignificant when compared with the expenses of the federal government, which seem to be scarcely noticed. The former are nearer home and are more generally known, while the latter are seldom thought of, and indeed are not known to many persons.

IT is wonderful how crazed with enthusiasm men will become at political conventions. All who attended our recent State convention at Charlotte will bear witness to this, and yet as wild and unrestrained as was the enthusiasm on that occasion it was not to be compared to the enthusiasm at the national convention last week at Denver.

At the Republican national convention, held last month at Chicago, there was intense enthusiasm and at one time the cheers and applause lasted for three-quarters of an hour continuously. This long continued applause was unprecedented in any previous convention and broke all records, but the Democratic convention at Denver surpassed this, for at one time the applause there continued without interruption for one hour and twenty-seven minutes.

Such a scene is almost indescribable and seems incredible. The idea of thousands of grown men, many of them of national reputation, yelling and shouting as loud as they could and parading up and down the aisles, waiving their hats and handkerchiefs, and acting like so many crazy men, for nearly an hour and a half!

THE socialist labor party at New York has nominated as its candidate for President a man, named M. R. Preston, who is now serving a sentence of twenty-five years in the penitentiary of Nevada for murder. This is the most remarkable nomination that we ever heard of. The idea of a convict in a penitentiary being a candidate for the high office of President of the United States!

Fatal Explosion on Launch

Marion, Mass., July 12.—Four prominent summer residents of this town and Falmouth, met death through an explosion on a 45-foot launch off here last night. Two survivors were picked up today after having been in the water for 12 hours

Tucker, who was clinging to an oar and Tarbell, who was supported by a life preserver, were able to swim and they remained together until picked up by a lobster fisherman going out in the early morning to haul his pots. His boat was seen by the two struggling men in the water long before the fisherman himself could make them out. Finally he spied the nearly exhausted swimmers and rescued them.

A Girl's Swim in the Mississippi.

St. Louis, July 12.—Miss Lottie Mayer, a courageous young woman with well developed biceps and a robust physique, swam twenty-six miles from Alton to St. Louis yesterday, without missing a stroke to rest, in five hours and eighteen minutes. This swim, it is said, never has been made before except once, nine years ago, when John C. Meyers, floating much of the way on his back, covered the distance in seven hours. Miss Mayer's feat is declared to break the world's record.

Destructive Forest Fires.

Boston, Mass., July 14.—The worst forest and brush fires that ever devastated this part of the country are today sweeping through every state in New England. In Maine, New Hampshire and Massachusetts they have caused tremendous damage, and probably loss of life. Villages are threatened with destruction, railroads are tied up, cattle have been stampeded, and thousands of men are working night and day to stop the work of devastation.

Gastonia Gazette: Lovers of fruit—and that includes about all of us—are now in clover. Apples and peaches are cheap, especially the former. Only this week some first-class apples were sold on the local market for ten cents a bushel and in one case, the owner being unable to sell at any price, a wagon load of apples were dumped in the road. Tomatoes have gotten down to five cents a dozen and they are good ones at that.

Lenoir News: Lightning struck Joe Lingle's barn at Hudson last Monday, killing a horse, burning the barn and about 60 bushels of wheat and 75 bushels of oats, besides a lot of forage. Two children were playing in the barn at the time and were near the horse, but were not hurt, except a right severe shock.

At his farm in Lincoln, Neb., Mr. Bryan listened over the telephone to the speech putting him in nomination at the convention at Denver. At a distance of several hundred miles he could hear the proceedings almost as distinctly as if they were in the Lincoln Town Hall.

Hon. John W. Kern, the Democratic candidate for Vice-President, will make several speeches in this State next month.

The Democratic Platform.

From the News and Observer.

The Democratic platform as adopted at Denver is a document that is clear cut in its utterances. It is a party chart of guidance in which there are no cross lines to confuse, a declaration of principles that is outspoken, a direct presentation of purposes with no attempt at straddling.

The platform speaks for itself and it is one upon which the Democracy can go to the country with confidence, as in every plank it is one which is for a better governed country. It is progressive and yet conservative. It is one upon which an undivided Democratic party can stand, its promises and pledges being such as to give assurance to all the people that with the Democracy in power this country will go forward in every line of the world's progress.

The platform declares for an immediate revision of the tariff, and it rings clear and true in doing this; declares for an income tax, for the election of United States Senators by the direct vote of the people, which is certain to come ultimately, for a navy that will give protection to the Atlantic and Pacific seacoast, for a change in the law governing issuing of injunctions by the courts, which are recognized as the bulwark of liberty, whose dignity should be maintained, for economy in governmental expenditures, as against the needless extravagance of the last Congress, for a liberal pension policy, for the observance of the rights of the States, for publicity in campaign expenses demanded because of the gift of stolen corporation funds to the Republicans.

In the plank which concerns the railroads it asserts the right of Congress to exercise control over interstate commerce, demands that powers of the interstate commerce commission be enlarged, making as a recommendation the valuation of railroads by the commission, taking into consideration the physical value of the property, the original cost and all elements of value that will render the valuation fair and just, in order to fairly pass upon the question of rates It condemns the use of Federal patronage for political ends, the increase in the office-holding class as unnecessary and wasteful and showing clearly a purpose to keep the Republicans in power, condemning in plain terms the use of patronage by the President to secure the nomination of one of his cabinet officers as his desired successor in office.

The platform takes up other questions which affect the interests of the country and the positions it takes are those that stand for the best interests of the country. The platform in its entirety is worthy of the closest perusal, and it is so clear and plain that it needs no explanation. It is a platform that is a strong presentation of the position of the Democracy, one that sharply calls attention to Republican delinquencies and presents the needs of remedies for these that the country may be properly governed and irregularities removed, and in place of these there may be substituted the plans of government formulated and endorsed by the Democracy.

Peaceful Election in Panama.

Panama, July 22.—The presidential elections throughout the Isthmus of Panama passed off today without disturbance, Senor Don Jose Domingo de Obaldia, formerly minister to the United States, and acting President during the absence of Dr. Amador, was elected President. The supporters of Ricardo Arias, who recently withdrew his candidacy, decided not to vote, and as a consequence, no opposition, Senor Obaldia was placed in nomination. Notwithstanding this, a large number of voters registered their choice, and demonstrated the overwhelming majority of Senor Obaldia's supporters. From all parts of the republic news has been received here that the elections were carried on in an orderly manner, and that Senor Obaldia received all the votes cast. At the conclusion of the balloting, enthusiastic crowds, headed by a band of music, paraded the streets of Panama, cheering continuously for the newly-elected President. There appeared to be an absolute absence of ill feeling between the former supporters of Senor Arias and the adherents of Senor Obaldia. Never before has such a friendly spirit been seen so quickly after an election.

Shot Wife for a Burglar.

Philadelphia, Pa., July 12.—Mistaking his bride of less than a year for a burglar, William A. Thomas, aged 23 years, today shot and probably fatally wounded her at their home in the upper section of the city. Hearing a noise in the bathroom of the dwelling, Thomas seized a revolver and began an investigation. As he reached the second story of the house Mrs. Thomas emerged from the bathroom and her husband discharged the revolver, the bullets striking her in the abdomen. Thomas says he believed his wife to have been in another part of the house.

Unique Negro Preacher Dead.

Special to Charlotte Observer.

Durham, July 11.—Rev. Moses Hester, "Uncle Mose" as he was generally known, is dead. He died almost suddenly at his home in the western part of the city. The burial will be tomorrow. He was born in Greenville county but had lived here for a number of years. He was 78 years of age. Uncle Mose belonged to the old regime of colored people and was often referred to as the "John Jasper of Durham." He was probably the only man in the State who was a minister and owned his own church, lock, stock and barrel. His was Berea church and he preached when he pleased and did not have to deal with any person or persons as to when his term as pastor was out. He was the whole official board. In connection with his church was his residence and there he lived with some of his daughters. About the church is a little garden spot and here he worked when he was not preaching.

Uncle Mose deserves more than a passing notice. He was more than an ordinary man. Belonging to the old slave regime he was polite and honest almost to a fault and he delighted more in preaching to his former masters and sons and daughters of former masters than he did to those of his own race. He talked Scripture at all times and showed a wonderful knowledge of the Good Book for a man of his advantages. A few years ago he went to New York on a visit and he never tired of telling the sights he saw on that trip and of the kind and courteous manner in which he was treated by the "white folks." He was one of the characters who always insisted that the negro's best friend was the white folks and that the "upstart niggers," as he called them, were causing more trouble for the race than all other things combined.

Revolution in Honduras.

Puerto Cortez, Honduras, July 8, via New Orleans, July 12.—The fighting which has occurred about Gracia and Cholutrea bears the earmarks of organized revolution. The reports say the attacks on these towns were begun by small bodies of armed men, who were at first repulsed by government troops, but who returned the attacks and finally won. Although the captors of these towns were said to be men from Salvador, a significant fact is that just preceding their appearance in Honduras officials of this government claim to have received notice of a preconcerted plan for uprisings throughout Honduras. To nip the uprisings in the bud several arrests were made here and at San Pedro before the Honduras frontier was invaded from Salvadore. Apparently the Honduras officials believe these arrests have effectually squelched the revolutionary movement among the residents of this country, but they fear that the appearance of fresh bodies of invaders from any of the other republics may revive an armed opposition in Honduras. President Davilla has declared the republic in a state of war and has begun to concentrate Honduran troops as rapidly as possible in order to beat off the invaders.

Plucky Lad Saves Himself.

Special to Charlotte Observer.

Gaffney, S. C., July 13.—Yesterday afternoon little Walter Sarratt and his brother who is younger than he were playing over an old disused well several hundred yards away from his father's house, when the boards which covered the mouth of the well gave way precipitating Walter to the bottom, a distance of seventy-five feet, and at the bottom of which was seven feet of water. The younger child at once ran to the house to inform his father, Mr. Boyd Sarratt, of the accident to his brother. The father, almost frightened out of wits, started for the scene of the accident expecting to find his son at the bottom of the well, but judge of his surprise and relief when he met the boy coming to the house. The little fellow had crawled to the top after having gone to the bottom. The only injury which he sustained was an abrasion on the back of his head. The well was walled with stones and the child who was in his bare feet had climbed the wall and gotten out without assistance.

Intense Heat at Chicago.

Chicago, Ill., July 11.—The highest temperature in seven years was recorded in Chicago today, two deaths and numerous prostrations resulting. Only the fact that the humidity was normal kept the death list from mounting, for what breeze there was came with the heat, and even in the shady places, little relief was found.

The hottest day Chicago has ever had was July 21st, 1901, when 103 was registered at the government observatory. Today the government observatory thermometer registered 96, but on the street level thermometers registered 4 to 6 degrees higher. In the tenement quarters the heat was unbearable and all persons who could went to the parks to escape the torrid air.

Collapse of Bridge Kills Many.

Cologne, July 9.—The bridge under construction over the Rhine at Cologne fell in today and many of the workmen engaged on the structure lost their lives. Up to noon fourteen bodies had been recovered and nine men have been taken from the water seriously injured.

The scaffolding supporting the powerful crane used in the erection of the central span of the bridge collapsed and the crashing down of this section carried with it several other spans. Several other workmen were thrown into the river. Some of them are still underneath the scaffolding and there is no hope whatever for their rescue. Immediately after the accident boats pulled out for the scene and began the work of rescue. About a score of struggling men were quickly picked up.

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1.12	5.50	Lv Barclays-ville Lv	9.28	10.15
1.32	6.02	Lv Coats Lv	9.17	9.55
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6.42	2.05	.....McCullers.....	8.40	3.56
7.00	2.20	...Willow Springs....	8.20	3.40
7.13	2.33	.....Varina.....	8.05	3.30
7.23	2.43	..Fuquay Springs...	8.00	3.20
7.45	3.02	.....Kipling.....	7.35	3.02
8.08	3.21	.....Lillington.....	7.15	2.41
8.32	3.43	....Linden.....	6.50	2.16
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