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NEWSPAPERS ASSERTS "BIG BUSINESS" BEHIND ROOSEVELT'S BOOM

Indianapolis News Asserts That Geo. W. Perkins is Directing Roosevelt's Boom. He is Urging Election of Uninstructed Delegates to Make Sure of Ex-President's Nomination

Indianapolis, Jan. 15.—The Indianapolis News today publishes a dispatch from the Washington correspondent which begins: "President Taft would cause a collapse of the Roosevelt boom for the Presidency in twenty-four hours if he would send word to the right persons that the proceedings against the U. S. Steel Trust are not to be pushed, and that criminal indictments against numerous captains of industry will in time be dismissed. But he will not do this. The men who are fighting him, and using the name of Mr. Roosevelt as the club with which to do the fighting, know he will not call a halt to the prosecutions that have been undertaken, and this is the reason they are so determined to prevent his renomination.

Perkins in Charge. "Men are now travelling over the country trying to persuade the Republicans of the various states to send uninstructed delegates to the Chicago convention. These men are reporting directly to Geo. W. Perkins of New York, formerly a member of the firm of J. P. Morgan & Co., and now identified with the Steel Trust. The field work has been entrusted to Ormsby Mclary, a New York lawyer, who was at one time Assistant Secretary of the Department of Commerce and Labor. The men in charge of the active campaign for uninstructed delegates are representing that an uninstructed convention means the nomination of Theodore Roosevelt. The campaign is well financed. It would be impossible to carry forward such a movement as has been undertaken without plenty of money."

The dispatch goes on to assert that not the Progressive Republicans but "big business" started this campaign, all of its many ramifications lead to a coteries of prominent business Republicans who have a grievance against President Taft. "Probably it would not have been inaugurated if the Taft Administration had kept hands off the Steel Trust, as Roosevelt did during his seven years in the White House. Hanna, Indicted a Leader. There had been conferences in New York between "men who had it in for President Taft because he would not stay the operations of the law." Dan E. Hanna of Cleveland, son of the late U. S. Senator Mark A. Hanna, and "one of the Steel Trust crowd," had been chosen to take charge of the Roosevelt campaign in the Central West. Caught in the general net of the Interstate Commerce Commission, Mr. Hanna was indicted for rebating last spring. To all the influential men who sought to have the indictment dismissed, President Taft replied that the case rested with the Department of Justice; it was impossible for him to interfere; his Administration was trying to enforce the laws without fear or favor. "In the meantime the New York captains of industry were busy making plans." George W. Perkins, long an intimate friend of former Senator Albert J. Beveridge, undertook to handle the Indiana situation, Mr. Hanna helping. Edwin M. Lee, Chairman of the Indiana Republican State Committee, agreed to go to Washington when the National Committee met and give out a statement that Taft could not carry Indiana. On Saturday before the meeting of the National Committee on Tuesday, one of the large stockholders in the Steel Trust in New York telephoned a friend here in Washington that Lee would attend the meeting of the National committee and would issue all anti-Taft statements. When they got to Washington the Roosevelt boomers could not keep their secret. Dan E. Hanna was super-elated. Two days before Mr. Lee gave out his statement Mr. Hanna "sald to more than one person that he had the Lee statement in his pocket. He indicated that it was the beginning of a movement against Mr. Taft that was to be nation-wide."

The next step was to organize the Ohio Progressive Republican League at Columbus. It was at that meeting that Senator La Follette was turned down and a boom for Roosevelt started under the direct leadership of James R. Garfield, ex-Secretary of the Interior, and Clifford Pinchot, ex-United States Forester. According to reliable information that meeting took the staff it did on the instant demand of Mr. Hanna and Charles Olin, editor of the Cleveland News. "The dispatch to the News says the La Follette people are stunned by the recent developments. But that the Wisconsin senator and his followers "now have this Ohio crowd located."

"There can be no possible doubt," the correspondent declares, "about the attempt of the steel trust people to utilize politically the grievances that now engaged in 'big business' have against the Taft administration. "They are using the name of Theodore Roosevelt, and as far as anybody can discover, the ex-President is making no objection."

Funeral of Mr. Morgan is Largely Attended. Many Friends of Deceased Officer Pay Last Sad Tribute to His Memory. At his late residence at 8 o'clock this afternoon many friends and acquaintances of Mr. George Morgan gathered to pay their last tribute to his memory. Rev. Robert V. Hope, of the Christian church read the scripture lesson and made a few brief remarks, appropriate to the occasion, after which the remains were borne to Oak Dale cemetery where his remains were interred. His former fellow officers and employees of the city acted as pallbearers, who were: Police Chief George Howard, Messrs. Richard Roberts, J. K. Hatton, J. F. Flynn, Martin Godley and James Sadler.

Dogs Guarded Woman's Corpse. Hines, N. Y., Jan. 16.—Guarded for four days by her two Italian grayhounds the dead body of Belle Arnold, 87, was found in her house at Tremansburg this morning. She had been dead at least four days and the evidence is that she perished of cold and exposure. Scratches on one of her legs showed where the dogs had tried to arouse her. Although there was not a scrap of food in the house the dogs had remained faithfully by the side of their dead mistress.

WHAT IS HAPPENING IN SOCIAL CIRCLES

Judge and Mrs. Oulton Entertain Miss Rodman in New Scene—Mrs. Fowle Will Entertain Friday Afternoon—Vaughan-Simmons Announcement.

Judge and Mrs. O. H. Oulton, of New Bern, gave a leap year dance last week, complimentary to Miss Rodman, of Norfolk, Va., who is also a social favorite here, of which the Daily Sun has this to say: "The most brilliant social event which New Bern has witnessed for some time was the Leap Year Dance given Monday night at the Armory by Judge and Mrs. Owan H. Oulton in honor of their niece, Miss Cammie Rodman of Norfolk, who is visiting them."

"The hall was most attractive in its festive attire of bamboo and evergreens, and the soft shaded lights lent beauty to an already beautiful scene. "Mrs. Oulton wore a handsome gown of white messaline, with chiffon over dress, and exquisite pearls, which are heirlooms. "Miss Rodman, who assisted her in receiving, was charming in pale blue crepe meteor with pearl fringe trimming, and wearing Parma violets."

Mrs. Sam Fowle to Entertain. The celebration of Lee and Jackson birthday on January 19th, will be held with Mrs. S. R. Fowle on Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. A pleasing program has been arranged and the Daughters of the Confederacy, the Veterans and the Ladies of the Memorial Association are especially invited to attend.

ANNOUNCEMENT. Mrs. Elizabeth Latham Simmons announces the marriage of her daughter Carrie to Mr. William Le Roy Vaughan on Wednesday the twentieth of December. One thousand nine hundred and eleven Norfolk Virginia. No cards in the city. At home after the first of January. Washington, North Carolina.

DURHAM VOTES BONDS. Durham, N. C., Jan. 16.—By a majority of 74 votes Durham today voted \$50,000 in bonds for the erection of new school buildings. The total registered vote was 651 and 326 votes were necessary to carry the election in favor of the bonds. The total cost for the bonds was 399. The school board has not yet decided whether new buildings will be erected or additions made to present buildings.

MUCH COTTON IN FIELDS IN SOUTH CAROLINA. Cold Weather Prevails and Everything is Under Snow Around Appletton. Special Correspondence. Appletton, S. C., Jan. 16.—Henry Hill, formerly of Chocowinity, N. C., now of Kingstons, S. C., passed through Augusta Ga., enroute to visit his wife, F. B. Hill, and his brother, Sam Nick Hill, of Bestner, Ala., one day last week. Sam Nick, though still in his teens, holds a lucrative position with the U. S. Steel corporation. For the first time in eight years Appletton is covered with snow. About 6 a. m. Saturday, snow began to fall and soon the house tops were covered. It continued to fall until 5 p. m., and measured 4 inches deep. The record of about ten years is broken and this part of the state is suffering with the coldest yet for many seasons. The temperature was around the 20 degree mark yesterday. This morning it settled at 15. The coldest yet recorded. Thousands of bales of cotton still remain in the fields unpicked and a farmer told us today he had 60 acres that had not been touched, which represents at least that many bales. The political pot has commenced to boil in this state. Our present governor will try to succeed himself and great interest may be expected before the next general election.

Harris Left \$15,000. Washington, Jan. 16.—The late Associate Justice John Marshall Harris of the Supreme Court of the U. S., left an estate of \$15,000. Of that \$7,200 was in life insurance. Letters of administration were granted to his son, Interstate Commerce Commissioner James S. Harris.

Meeting of D. A. R. Postponed. Owing to the unusually severe weather, the meeting of Major Road, of the American Revolution, which was to have taken place at the residence of Miss Jane Myers, Jan. 15th, will be postponed until further notice.

GUARDIAN OF ALASKA'S WILD GAME



Dr. Barton W. Everman has been put in charge of the newly created division of the bureau of fisheries, known as the Alaska fisheries survey, and from now on no fur-bearing animal may be killed in Alaska except under the rules laid down by him. The main work of the new division will be to take care of the fur seals, but the moose, the beaver and most varieties of bear also will be protected.

BRIEF NOTES OF INTEREST GATHERED HERE AND THERE. The banks of the city will be closed on Friday, 19th, Lee's birthday being a legal holiday. Skating is good along the shore just below Moss' plaining mill and many enjoyed the sport there yesterday. The channel of the Pamlico was frozen over this morning—the first time in nineteen years we are informed by old residents. The mid-week prayer service at the First M. E. church this afternoon will be held in the Baraca room, and all who attend will find it comfortably heated. It turned so cold Monday night that the town clock refused to swing hands around at 7:30, but she did refuse to go on a strike until some time yesterday, when she ceased to sound taps. The many friends of Rev. J. A. Sullivan will learn with regret that he is having much sickness in his family in Wilmington. He was expected to be in the city today but was detained on account of illness in his family. The J. K. Hoyt Drug Co. have installed an auto-carbonator in their drug store, which is quite an invention. When the tank needs filling she fills automatically in position, and a small motor does the rest, and as soon as it is filled an automatic cut-off returns it to its proper position. The same firm have added some neat and novel fixtures in their reception window. Several more applicants for wood sheds, and it seems that those who are really needy, are pretty well supplied with everything else. We should be on the look out for supplying ourselves with ample quantity to tide over the cold spell. This much can be said of the city—there are those with ample means to buy it who have been unable to get it, while those who haven't the necessary funds are being supplied without cost. As yet not a single applicant has been refused. If we only had a few "trusses" doing service for infractions of the law who could be used to cut it up for those unable to do so, we could be doing a double service.

COURT TAKES ACTION ON DEATH OF MR. MORGAN. Mr. Clay Carter and Judge Grimes Pay Tribute to the Memory of Dead Officer. The Municipal building was draped this morning in memory of Police Officer George Morgan, who died at his home on Third street yesterday. On opening court this morning Judge Grimes stated that it was his desire that the court take cognizance of the death of Mr. Morgan and asked from the few present to bear. Mr. Clay Carter, arose and stated that his acquaintance with the officer led him to realize that his death was a severe blow to the city, to society and to law and order. He spoke of his faithfulness and his fearlessness and loyalty to duty, expressing the belief that it would be difficult to find another to so acceptably fill the position made vacant by his death. Judge Grimes, from the bench, stated that he keenly felt the loss of Mr. Morgan, not only as an officer, but upon personal grounds. He had found him capable, and brave to a fault. He instructed the clerk to set apart a page in the minutes of the records as a memorial to the memory of Mr. Morgan, upon which he would have resolutions spread, and upon motion of Mr. Carter, a copy be furnished the widow. As a mark of respect the court adjourned without the transaction of other business until tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

LEAP YEAR PROPOSAL FOR CABINET MEMBER. Washington, Jan. 16.—Leap year already has brought to the only bachelor of the cabinet, Postmaster General Hitchcock, a proposal of marriage. The one who is "willing" writes from Houston, Texas. "As we have now reached the year 1912," she says, "and hearing from newspaper accounts you are a bachelor and have always been too busy to get married, thought probably you might find time to take up a short correspondence with one who will be very much interested. "Now even if you have always been too busy, I trust you will find time and pleasure enough in answering this note when you realize that you are giving pleasure to some one else. Trusting to hear from you at your earliest convenience, I remain very truly."

Welcomes Her 23rd Baby. St. Louis, Jan. 15.—Mrs. Fred Walkenhorst, wife of a farmer living about two miles from St. Charles, St. Louis suburb, said today she believes that all the more good fortune will be visited upon her home with 23 children than with 22. This morning she presented her husband with a baby girl, their 23rd child, all of whom are living and at home.

WORKER'S ARE FIGHTING FAST FOR THE PRIZES

The Goal is Just Ahead and It's up to You Mr. Reader to Help

Since the announcement of the closing date, most of the Contestants have begun life anew in the contest and are already scuffling for the \$5,000 bonus votes. That's the way to go after them—keep trying every day. Don't take no for an answer, but when you can keep after those who promised to help you. Mr. Reader, do you realize how much you could help the workers if you would only try? Are you trying to help the Contestant in your territory to win? If not you are only one of the few who do not, and who belong to the "Grouchy never-do-nothing tribe." Why don't you help someone, and especially the ones who are striving in your district? Its as little as you can do to help one of your town or country girls in winning a prize. The prizes are sure to go and its yet impossible to predict who the winners will be, for the workers are running close together. Be a helper—subscribe for the paper of today and the coming paper of the future. For each twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) remitted for Subscriptions between the 15th and 30th of January, a Bonus of thirty-five thousand votes will be given.

MR. LATHAM WRITES ATTORNEY MACLEAN. Asks Him to Take Up With the A. C. L. the Subject of Appropriation for Agricultural Improvements in This County.

Jessama, N. C., Jan. 10. Mr. A. D. MacLean, Washington, N. C. My Dear Sir: Our county is very largely an agricultural county; there is no other interest in it upon which so much depends as upon our agriculture and yet it receives perhaps the least intelligent attention. I tell you now there is great need today for intelligent, thoughtful consideration of the great questions that crowd themselves upon us for our attention and solution. One of the great questions now upon us demanding our attention is rural uplift and before we can have substantial rural uplift we must have an intelligent up-to-date agricultural people.

We are now living in an age of great co-operative movements. The government is, through its demonstration work, co-operating with the farmers of the South, trying to make a "New South" and us a great agricultural people. The demonstration work for the men and the corn club for the boys means more to this county and our state than the casual man has yet observed. We are now only at the beginning of great results in corn growing. If we can but get the aid and co-operation needed. We want and must have here in Beaufort county the world's record for growing corn. We have as good soil for corn growing as can be found in thirteen states. The government is co-operating with us in that it is furnishing the method and instruction for cultivation. Beaufort county is co-operating in that it is giving \$100 in cash for premiums to the boys corn club work. The State of North Carolina through its agricultural department is co-operating in this great work by giving \$500 in cash premiums for the boys corn club in the state. The Norfolk Southern Railroad company is co-operating in this great movement for rural uplift by giving \$125 in cash premiums for corn growing in its territory and the end is not yet. There is room for more co-operation and I am writing you asking through you the Atlantic Coast Line R. R. Co., for its aid, assistance and co-operation in this great movement. The Coast Line as you already know, runs through the western part of our county to Vandemere in Pamlico county, and I feel that the farmer on the south side of the Pamlico river along its trackage should have encouragement and a chance at winning a cash premium offered by your company for corn growing during the year of our Lord 1912. Will you kindly take this matter up with your company and advise me of their decision. Yours very truly, JOHN F. LATHAM, Collaborator, Jessama, N. C.

HOW PROHIBITION WORKS IN WINSTON-SALEM

Nineteen More Persons Convicted of Retailing Than for Drunkenness. The Town Makes Good Showing. "Frequently inquiries are received by city officials from people and organizations in other states as to the success of the prohibition law in North Carolina as shown by convictions in Winston-Salem. In order to answer these inquiries accurately, Chief of Police J. A. Thomas and Mr. W. T. Perry, clerk of the municipal court, went over the court records. Upon the review of the records it is learned that during 1911, 128 defendants were convicted of retailing in the city court, while 110 defendants were convicted of drunkenness, thus showing that 19 more defendants were convicted of retailing than for drunkenness. "During 1908, the last year under the open saloon regime, there were 34 defendants convicted of retailing and 440 were convicted of drunkenness. "A comparison shows an increase of 55 convictions for retailing during 1911 as against 1908 and a decrease of 330 cases for drunkenness. "During 1908, said Chief Thomas, people were not arrested for drunkenness unless they were badly under the influence of liquor. Had the saloon been open at that time we would have had under the influence of whiskey, just a number would have been far greater. During 1911, I will venture to say that not more than 20 of the men arrested for drunkenness were down, the law being much more strictly enforced in 1911."

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

List of letters remaining uncalled for in the post office at Washington, N. C., for the week ending Jan. 13, 1912: Gentlemen:—C. C. Archbell, Capt. But, Jerre Bowens, J. M. Gardner, Earl P. Hopkins, Capt. John Hanning, P. M. Jones, J. Tipp Moore, Rev. J. C. Person, G. B. Peble, C. M. Stedman, Orlando A. Somers, Charles Smith. Ladies:—Heads Bright, Mrs. Flor-Maggie Mathew, Mrs. George Arnerence Jones, Miss Helen Kenly, Mrs. Moore, Miss Ruth Oden, Miss Cathie Perget, Miss Mary L. Whitins, Miss Lottie Williams. These letters will be sent to the dead letter office January 29th, 1912, if not delivered before. In calling for the above, please say, "Advertised," giving date of list. HUGH PAUL, P. M.

RIGID EXAMINATION OF NATIONAL BANKS ORDERED.

Washington, Jan. 16.—Every national bank in the country must be examined regularly at stated periods, according to stringent instructions issued by Comptroller of the Currency Murray today. He has abolished the "list of banks overdue for examination" previously kept in the office of the comptroller. In order that the investigation of no national bank may be delayed, Mr. Murray directed the examiners to call for help when overwhelmed with work. The Comptroller also decided that whenever the officers and directors of a national bank appeal to the comptroller for a review of the criticisms or instructions of a national bank examiner, based upon his investigation of the bank, the examiner will be given the right to attend the hearings.

MORSE MAY NOT ACCEPT. Washington, Jan. 13.—Charles W. Morse, who convicted New York banker, may not accept the privilege of treatment at Hot Springs, Ark., as a prisoner-patient, in accordance with the authority granted by President Taft yesterday. It is understood that Morse has declined to leave the army hospital at Fort McPherson, Ga., at this time, possibly because he believed himself physically unequal to the trip to Arkansas.