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The Confederate Soldier and Pensions.

Col. Wood "Interviewed"—Gives Explanation Which Fails to Explain. "Something Rotten in Denmark."

No sooner had the Bulletin of September 22d been circulated than a great wave of sympathy for Confederate pensioners ran high throughout this and adjacent counties. The people were aroused as never before when they read the affidavits of old soldiers whose pensions were discontinued or held up as it appeared, for political reasons. Realizing their serious predicament the ringsters sought some one to champion their cause and if possible discredit and nullify the sworn statements of the three Confederate veterans. The case was a desperate one and something had to be done and done quickly. So a representative of the "Courier" chased down Col. W. P. Wood, chairman of the pension board, and "interviewed" him and the alleged "interview" was published in that paper last week. Col. Wood having been in public life for nearly half a century, and a candidate for lieutenant governor some ten years ago and has been in both branches of the legislature (not at the same time) and is chairman of the pension board, his word should have great weight, and the old soldier would naturally look to him for protection against wrong. But in his alleged interview he hands out rather cold comfort. He states that neither J. M. Fields or W. B. Yates were lawfully entitled to pensions but does not attempt to deny that W. B. Yates was told by W. C. Hammond, "we cannot afford to work you up a pension and you vote square against us." In the case of Mr. Fields the Col. says:

"Mr. James Fields drew a pension at one time and no formal charges were never made against him, yet in purging the list it was found," etc. Why was the list not purged and why was Mr. Field's name not stricken from the pension roll BEFORE he voted the republican ticket? It seems that the list was purged soon afterwards. As to Mr. Modlin, Col. Wood says he was not entitled to a pension because his wife owns a farm worth \$800. or more. If that be true as perhaps it is, then why did the board pass favorably upon his application. To prove that the board acted favorably, read the following letter from the State Auditor:

Department of the State Auditor,

Raleigh, N. C.
Dec. 22d, 1908.

Mr. B. N. Modlin,
Randleman, N. C.

Dear Sir:—

There were some charges preferred against you, and I am holding your pension warrant until they can be thoroughly investigated. You will please see the Clerk of the Court of your county relative to this matter.

Very Respectfully,

(Signed) B. F. Dixon, Auditor.
And as further evidence read Col. W. P. Wood's letter to Mr. Modlin.

Asheboro, N. C. 1-7 1909.
Mr. B. N. Modlin,
My Dear Sir:—

I am unable to tell you anything about WHY your pension has not come. There has been

NO charges made against you before the board. You must have failed to pass the State Board if you failed to get it. You will have to make another application in July.

I am sincerely
(Signed) W. P. Wood.

If the Colonel has forgotten writing the above letter we will gladly show him the original in his own hand writing if he will call at the Bulletin office during business hours. Colonel Wood's letter and Colonel Wood's alleged interview as to Mr. Modlin's pension do not correspond.

After reading the above letters the public will readily see that Mr. Modlin's application was passed on favorably but charges were afterward made causing the State Auditor to hold up his pension. If the pension board made no charges, then who did?

After discussing specifically the pension claims of the three veterans in question, the Colonel's "interview" rambles over a large number of side issues, often using language found in the democratic campaign hand book. He even rings in the "nigger", and says, that it is conceded that the Federal Pension list of the United States is made up and used for political purposes, all of which the Colonel uses doubtless, more to awaken prejudice than to prove the Clerk of the Court as well as others not guilty of tampering with old soldiers' pensions. It is clearly evident to all who carefully read the affidavits and letters in the Bulletin of Sept., 22, and then read Col. Wood's interview in the Courier of Sept. 29th that the Colonel failed utterly to make case. There is still something "rotten in Denmark."

THE PREVENTABLE DISEASE.

Many human lives are needlessly sacrificed in our State, every year because of carelessness towards certain elementary principles of public hygiene and sanitation. Hookworm disease, probably the most prevalent of all diseases in this State, could be eradicated within a few years if proper sanitary measures were enforced by all people. When we consider the prevalence of this disease (more than a third of the population in many sections) and the amount of suffering, poor health, incapacitation for mental and physical work, and often bodily detractions caused by it, we are forced to consider the disease of vast economic importance. In a series of more than 500 cases of hookworm disease tested, the quality of the blood was found to range from 9 to 65 per cent of normal, the average being less than 50 per cent. In this condition the blood is too thin to collect oxygen from the lungs and food from the digestive system only in proportion to its percentage. As a result the bony, muscular and nervous tissues are not properly nourished. Starvation usually results when the blood is reduced below 10 per cent of normal. In its weakened state the system is unable to ward off intercurrent diseases and the number who succumb is large.

B. W. Page, M. D.

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DEMOCRATIC CAMPAIGN METHODS.

Democratic Hope Waning—Some Facts About The Court House—The Political Solomon Corrected.

By A. NEWMAN.

Democratic hope is now below par in Randolph County. There is no better evidence of this than the way they try to get around the fact that there is now a much greater amount of tax collected than formerly. Some time ago we had our little say about this matter and the way the Demmies parried and tried to get around the facts showed very plainly that we had touched a sore spot.

And now comes another letter in the last issue of the Courier written by someone whom we will name "Dutchman" from the fact that he hobbles around on almost every issue, with the possible exception of the truth. He claims that I have made the statement that "rate" of tax has been increased. Those who have read my former letters to the Bulletin know that I never made any such statement.

I have made the statement before, and stand ready to make it again that there has been an enormous increase in the total amount of taxes collected for the last few years owing to the assessors raising the valuation of land, and I have shown conclusively that my statement was absolutely correct, a fact that the Demmies have not so far been able to get around. I have not claimed that "rate" has been raised for it is the same old sixty six and two-third cents, but the fact that the total amount has increased at the rate of very near a thousand dollars a year, is a fact that the Demmies cannot gainsay. If anyone doubts the truthfulness of my former letter which "Dutchy" sees fit to correct, let him look the matter up for himself, as the facts and figures can be found in the columns of the Courier just as I directed.

And "Dutchy" says that I admit that the Democratic party should not be smitten for what it has done, but for what it has promised and not done. Here is my exact words: Mr. voter you would do well to look to your own interest and smite Democracy a telling blow, not SO MUCH for what they have done, as for what they PROMISED and NOT done. The reason that I say smite them not so much for what they have done, as for what they have promised and not done, is because they have promised so much, while they have accomplished so little. "Dutchy" says that I know the whole business of the County has been well and thoroughly done. Ye gods and little fishes! "Dutchy" Dutchy, you mean that the whole PEOPLE of the County have been well and thoroughly done!

When a Demmie's mouth is open
And his tongue begins to wag,
Only one word is spoken
And that is "Carpetbag".

The writer of that article seems to be afraid of an invasion of Carpetbaggers, a word that he probably does not know the meaning of but which is handed down from one generation of office hunters to another for fear that they will not have anything to speak about when they go on the campaign. Many moons have waned since re-construction days which the Demmies so profusely portray before the mind's eye, but it is nevertheless one of the pet hobbies of the Democratic office seekers. The issues of the

day are discarded for the older and more familiar ones that have come down the ages.

If you do not believe that statement just go to one of the various Democratic speakings and they will verify it.

One of the reasons of this old-timeness about the Democratic party is that the party itself is out of date. In fact it belongs to the dead part. It reminds one very much of the old song "The ship that never returned", for it has been out of power for fifty years with the exception of eight years, and those eight years sealed its doom forever.

Why "Dutchy" no one claims that the statement referred to does not appear upon the minute book of the Commissioners, for did I not tell the voters to look the matter up for themselves?

That the report was white-washed is plainly evident, and with no other intention than to deceive the people but they refuse to be deceived thereby. The writer of that article says that there has been money borrowed SOME of which has not been paid. Yes, and he could likewise say, the SUM of which has not been paid. Look in Exhibit "G" and you will see that the SOME to which he has reference, is according to that statement the SUM of \$22,575.00.

Also look in Exhibit "B" as there are some disbursements that will no doubt challenge your attention, the miscellaneous for instance reaches the sum of over fourteen thousand dollars, while according to the statement there has been the sum of \$1,651.80 spent for interest, while there has been only about three times that amount paid on the debt. At that rate how long will it take to pay for the Court House, and how much will it cost? I will leave that for "Dutchy" to figure out. I did that financial statement an injustice when I said that the increase had been about a thousand dollars each year. Look in Exhibit "A" and you will see that the amount collected from tax and all other sources between the years of 1904 and 1906 was \$22,493.58, then look in Exhibit "B" and you will see that the amount collected between 1907 and 1909 was \$33,681.77. Now "Dutchy" figure a little for yourself and you will see that the increase in three years was \$11,188.19. Oh, "Dutchy", it is a bitter dose but take it! Take it. It will do you good. Give your ring boss some too. It will reduce his swelled head.

If you Democrats cannot stomach it how in the dickens do you expect the voters to? Instead of being an increase of six thousand dollars in six years, it is an increase of ELEVEN THOUSAND DOLLARS IN THREE YEARS. Now "Dutchy" if the above figures are not correct don't blame me, but blame the Democratic board of Commissioners who allowed it to be spread upon the minutes. Now if you can't digest this, chase yourself around the house three times before breakfast, for I can distinguish from your vile lingo that you are a confirmed dyspeptic. Ta! Ta!

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Page And Parker Meet In Joint Discussion.

As previously arranged, J. J. Parker and R. N. Page, candidates for Congress in the 7th, congressional district met in joint discussion and addressed a large gathering of Randolph County citizens in Asheboro Sept. 28th. The discussion was on a high plane and free from personalities and fiends of both sides went away well satisfied that their favorites had held their ground, although it was the general opinion of both democrats and republicans that as an orator and debator, Mr. Parker completely out-classed his opponent. Mr. Page led off with an hours speech and to repeat any of his argument would be useless for it was the same old calamity howl spiced with robber tariff etc. Although he failed to explain satisfactory why he voted for a tariff on lumber and other articles, contradictory to the platform on which he was elected, neither did he tell why he voted for William McKinley for president, nor answer many questions of vital importance to the masses of the people. He declared himself a prohibitionist but when asked by Mr. Parker why he voted for a bill in congress favoring the brewers and against the grain producer, he was silent.

Mr. Parker followed with an hour's speech. The Audience which up to this time had been very quiet, now turned itself loose and greeted his remarks with great applause, showing plainly that the majority of the audience was with the speaker. He raked Mr. Page fore and aft, completely demolishing his argument against the Payne-Aldrich tariff, showing conclusively that the republican party had fulfilled every promise made to the people in regard to a downward revision. He explained to his hearers that the Local Self Government plank in the republican platform was one of the fundamental principles embodied in the beginning of our government and that it was not a question of local option as interpreted by his honorable opponent as that was a matter already settled by the people and not an issue, but that the republican party ask the people be allowed to govern themselves and be allowed to elect the many officers of the counties and state now appointed by the legislature.

He propounded question after question to Mr. Page regarding the inconsistency of his performances in congress and his failure to live up to the democratic campaign promises, all of which were left unanswered in Mr. Page's rejoinder. He offered much arguments why this district should be represented by a republican congressman instead of democrat, mentioning the fact that Representative Morehead has accomplished more for his district in one year than Mr. Page had in his eight years in congress.

In his rejoinder Mr. Parker was scarcely able to conclude his remarks owing to the great applause of the audience in his favor. Of the audience present more than half were republicans. Altogether it was a great day for republicanism in Randolph County, and will bear fruit unto a great majority Nov. 8.

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An Appeal From A Woman to North Carolina Manhood.

Last week the secretary of the State Board of Health received a letter in which the following facts were set forth: The writer was an orphan girl, and judging from neatness, arrangement, and the general tone of the letter, she is a lady of refinement and culture. She is a daughter by birth and residence of North Carolina. A little over a year ago a relative with whom she was living fell a victim of consumption. The young lady, then forced to earn her own living, moved to another State. She is now, herself, in the early or curable stage of the disease, which she undoubtedly contracted while nursing her relative.

Why does she write? What does she want? Simply to live. She has not the dollar a day which it is necessary for her to pay in order to enter the State Sanatorium for the Treatment of Tuberculosis.

But why write the secretary of the State Board of Health for this vitally necessary help? Because that official is commanded to discharge the public-health obligations of something like 200,000 able-bodied men. In this capacity, be the personal representative of each one of them, and this orphan girl's appeal is, therefore, to every North Carolina man. Then it is to you, able-bodied man, that this North Carolina woman comes for help.

Woman appealing to man to save her life! A man, too, who claims the inspiration of noble parentage, a man who considers himself a pure-blooded patriot, ready to die, if necessary, for North Carolina womanhood. All that asked is a mere pittance in the form of health appropriation. Five or ten cents from the average man would be enough. But oh, the horror of that word tax! Is it more horrible than the unnecessary death of a helpless woman?

So far, North Carolina manhood, speaking through their representatives, has seen fit to make so small a public-health appropriation that our State, which is fourteenth in population, stands about thirty in her public-health appropriation. At present we are spending only six mills per capita, which means a tax of only one-fourth of a cent on every one hundred dollars worth of the State's property. Our appropriation to the State Sanatorium for the Treatment of Tuberculosis is so small that it is necessary for the few who enter to pay a dollar a day for treatment. The appeal of this woman is only one of many such appeals; she simply represents a class. It is hoped that the State press will bring this vital matter to the attention of those whom it concerns. It is really every man's business whose heart is warmed with a real sympathy for suffering helpless humanity.

What will you have your State do? If it is your duty to help save these lives, tell your representative in the next Legislature to assist in making adequate provisions for the public health.

Meeting of Sunday School Association.

The Executive and Central Executive Committees of Randolph County Sunday School Association are called to meet in the Graded School Building in Asheboro, October the 15th, 10 o'clock a. m. Matters of importance claim the attention of every member of these committees and please try to be present. Hugh Parks, Jr. Chm. Central Executive Com.