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PROGRESSIVE DEMOCRACY

Meeting of Progressive Democrats Will Be Called Soon

Last week the Washington correspondent of the News and Observer sent out the news that progressive democrats are preparing to call a mass meeting in Raleigh for the purpose of outlining a plan of battle. The announcement has created no little interest in the state and has been the chief topic of conversation among politicians since the announcement was made. Commenting on this report, Mr. Clarence Poe, who was named as one of the leaders of the new movement, said that he wishes it distinctly understood that neither the State Farmers' Union nor the State Conference for Social Service as an organization, has anything whatever to do with the proposed meeting. He says that if certain men connected with either organization happened to be present at the informal meeting when it was resolved to call a larger meeting, they were there simply as individuals, just as men from the State University and the state's public health work and others also happened to be there.

Non-Partisan.
Mr. Poe says the Farmers' Union members may be depended on to support the measures it has officially endorsed, such as tax reform and the increase of the inheritance tax and income tax, local option, land segregation between the races, allowing white communities an opportunity to stay white, an industrialized system of education, the initiative and referendum. While the State Social Service Conference is in earnest about its demand for better child labor and other announced policies of state government, it is taking no official part in this movement. Both organizations, declare Mr. Poe, are non-partisan and essentially non-political. As organizations they will have nothing to do with any political movement.

Mr. Poe, J. W. Bailey and H. Q. Alexander, the latter president of the Farmers' Union, are mentioned as the special committee to issue the call for the progressive convention of democrats, and of this committee and its purpose Mr. Poe said:
"The call will be issued soon, probably within the next week, and of course I cannot anticipate its language. The idea has not yet been fully matured. There is a widespread feeling here in North Carolina, however, that the voters who really favor progressive measures have not made their influence felt strongly enough in selecting the candidates for the legislature, especially candidates for the senate, and in shaping county platforms, and a general forward movement is demanded right now together with legalized primaries for the future."

Picture Films Made at Greensboro.

A company has been organized at Greensboro to manufacture films for moving picture shows, and will be financed by local men. The company expects to furnish films for shows in Virginia, West Virginia and North and South Carolina.

Night Schools.
It is stated that night schools for illiterates, such as have been successfully operated in Kentucky, have been opened at two points in Harnett county and that they are patronized by women from 35 to 50 years old and by men up to 60, some of them grandfathers.

FIRST SPRING DAY.

Big Crowds Came Out Last Sunday.

The last ground hog day was on last Saturday and Sunday was one of the prettiest days of the year. Many people took advantage of the warm, balmy day and were out in the sunshine, either walking or riding.

Dissolution of "Coal Trust."
The dissolution of the soft "Coal Trust" was ordered Saturday by the Department of Justice.

Hurt in Runaway.

Mr. A. S. Coltrane, living six miles south of Greensboro, was severely hurt at Greensboro Saturday morning, when he was thrown from his wagon while he was attempting to stop the runaway horses drawing the vehicle.

H. B. VARNER WILL TRY FOR R. N. PAGE'S JOB

Lexington Man Sends Out Confidential Letters Asking for Support.

H. B. Varner of Lexington is sending out another series of "confidential" letters. The first letter was a "feeler," but the second says "I expect to be a candidate for Congress and want your support."

This means that Mr. Page will have opposition, as Mr. Varner's letter amounts to an announcement. Former Randolph Man Passes. Thomas E. Linden, who 76 years ago was born in Randolph County, and who for the last 24 years has been in the furniture business in High Point, died last week of paralysis at his home at High Point. He was a member of the Methodist Protestant Church, an ex-Confederate soldier, and belonged to the Junior Order. He leaves four children all living in High Point, Walter, Mary, Thomas and William, the two last-named being men of families. The mother died some 30 years ago.

ANNUAL SOCIAL.

Of M. E. Sunday School Given Friday Night.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Redding in east Asheboro, which section was at one time the chief center of the town's activity, and connected with much interesting history—was the scene on last Friday night of a brilliant reception, the annual social function of the large classes of the Methodist Episcopal Sunday school. The affair was well attended, something like 50 guests being present.

The evening program was well filled with several interesting contests and a series of brilliant tableaux, featuring many interesting subjects, both past and present. Among the best characters were "Mutt and Jeff" by Jesse Scarborough and Sulon Stedman.

A delicious course of refreshments was served and the evening was most enjoyable spent. Another White House Wedding. President and Mrs. Wilson last week announced the engagement of their youngest daughter, Eleanor, to William G. McAdoo, Secretary of the Treasury. Mr. McAdoo is 40 years old and has six children and one grandchild.

GOING FORWARD.

Road Will Now Be Pushed to Completion.

For the past two months the bad weather has hindered the progress of the road workers and no great amount of good has been accomplished and the newly graded road has been something terrible to travel over. However, the work will soon be well under way and with favorable weather many miles will be completed on both the roads toward the Davidson county line in a short time.

The Parcel Post Is a Money-Maker.

"The voluntary dissolution of the United States Express company proves beyond doubt that the parcel post has come to stay. The big express men of the country realize that a profit is being made by the government on this business," declared Senator Keynon.

15,000 PERSONS OUT OF WORK

Passing of Express Companies Hits Employes Hard.

New York, March 15.—The passing of the United States Express company, which its directors yesterday voted to dissolve will throw 15,000 persons out of employment. They received in salary and wages approximately \$6,000,000 a year.

Many of these employes, especially in the larger offices, have grown old in the service of the company and it was said today that few of them were financially able to retire from active employment of some sort.

When They Planted Corn in March.

The old gentleman who used to plant corn about the first of March is sure something has gone wrong with the weather. A farmer who did not get all his corn planted in March in the old days was considered a poor stick, Greensboro Record.

FRAZIER PARK.

Some Interest Is Being Aroused for Improvement.

The announcement in The Bulletin two weeks ago that money was wanted for the improvement of Frazier Park has created some interest and a committee from the Woman's Club is working to raise funds to improve the park property.

It is a worthy cause and it is to be hoped that something like \$500 can be raised by public subscription, and have the town donate \$500, thus giving \$1,000. This would meet all the needed improvements and make a most attractive spot.

We heartily sanction the move and trust that it will meet with the approval of every citizen of the town.

DEATH CLAIMS DR.

SAMUEL A. HENLEY

Aged Physician of Asheboro Passed Quietly Away Last Wednesday.

Dr. Samuel A. Henley passed quietly away last Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock after an illness of five weeks, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. L. D. Bulla. He has been almost an invalid for the past year, and about two months ago his home was burned and since that time he has resided with his daughter.

Dr. Henley was born in Back Creek township, Sept. 5, 1836. He was the son of Nixon and Mary Henley. He was educated at New Garden Boarding school, which afterwards emerged into Guilford College. Later he went to Jefferson Medical College, of Philadelphia, where he received his medical training. During the war Dr. Henley was at the Salt Works in Wilmington. He began the practice of his profession about the close of the war at Hill's Store in Concord township, this county. He was married to Miss Eunice Roxanna Rush, daughter of the late Nook Rush, in 1876; from this union four children were born, all of whom survive him. Dr. F. A. Henley and Mrs. L. D. Bulla, of Asheboro, Mrs. Sallie Michaux, of Atlanta, Ga., and Gurney Henley, of Philadelphia. Mrs. Henley died in 1885. Dr. Henley married his wife's sister, Mrs. Luella Rush Cranford in 1886; to this union three children were born, Earle who died several years ago; Sam, who is at Southern Pines in a Sanatorium; and Paul Henley, a pharmacist in High Point.

Dr. Henley moved to Asheboro in 1888. He has practiced medicine in this county more than fifty years, doing great service to humanity and giving relief to many who were unable to compensate him. Truly, a man who has served humanity has gone to receive his reward. Dr. Henley has been recognized as a man of superior ability in his profession.

He had a birthright in the Tucker church at Back Creek, having both parents Quakers. Deceased was 78 years of age.

The funeral and burial were conducted Thursday by Rev. Mr. McFarland, pastor of the High Point Friends church and Mrs. Ada Lee, pastor of the Asheboro Friends Church and Rev. J. E. Thompson of the M. E. church. The body was interred in the Asheboro cemetery.

CHANGE IN MANAGEMENT.

Mr. W. R. Julian Succeeds Mr. J. M. Allen.

At the meeting of the Randolph County Farmers' Union last Saturday week, Mr. W. R. Julian was chosen to succeed Mr. J. M. Allen, resigned, as manager of the Randolph Supply company. Under the efficient management of Mr. Allen this concern, which is owned and operated by the farmers, has made a good showing, and Mr. Allen goes back to his farm just south of Asheboro with the best wishes of everybody.

STATE MUST ACT OR LOSE MONEY

Postoffice Department Gives Governor Craig Ten Days Time.

North Carolina is about to lose the \$40,000 allotted to it from the Federal Government for good roads. The postoffice Department claims that H. B. Varner of Lexington has confused the situation.

Governor Craig has been told that unless something is done the funds promised will be turned elsewhere.

IMPORTANT CHANGE IN POSTAL RATES

Local Postal Authorities Announce Important Ruling of the Department.

Two important changes in the postal rates have recently been made of the Postoffice Department, that is of interest to the general public. The first change is already effective and the second becomes effective March 16, and in each instance it means a substantial reduction in the rates.

The first change is that "third class mail" consisting of printed matter, photographs and blue prints, which formerly took a rate of one cent for each two ounces, with a weight limit of four pounds, continue to take a flat rate as above for any distance when the package does not weigh more than four pounds, but now takes the parcel post zone rate for packages weighing more than four pounds, up to fifty pounds for the first and second zones and twenty pounds beyond the second zone.

The second change is that books weighing eight ounces or less continue to take the old flat rate of one cent for each two ounces, but packages of books weighing more than eight ounces now take the parcel post zone rates.

VISITOR LEFT WITH HORSE AND BUGGY

Slick Article Visits Stokesdale and Tells Marvelous Stories.

According to several residents of the town of Stokesdale, the well-known swindler of fiction, Get-Rich-Quick Wallingford, in his palmy days was a poor bungler compared with a neatly dressed, smooth mannered stranger and describing himself as "Charles Harrison, a real estate dealer from the West," who visited Stokesdale several days ago, and who after taking options on several farms, borrowed a horse and buggy, drove out of the neighborhood, and has not been seen since. There is a reward of \$25 for the man's arrest and conviction.

WARREN CHAIRMAN.

Democratic Convention on June 17 at Raleigh.

During a two hours' session of the state Democratic executive committee at Raleigh last Tuesday night, Thomas D. Warren, of New Bern, was elected chairman to succeed Chas. A. Webb, of Asheville, resigned. June 17 was chosen as the date for the state convention and Raleigh as the place and other business of importance to the party transacted. The roll call of the committee membership showed 53 members present in person or by proxy.

Chairman Webb announced the death of J. R. Blair, member of the committee from Montgomery county. W. L. Parsons, of Richmond county, was chosen in his stead. Also the resignation of W. A. Devin, of Granville, was accepted, and D. G. Brummitt, of Granville, was chosen in his stead. Devin resigns on account of being appointed to a Superior court judgeship.

Then came the matter of time and place of the state convention. Mr. Abell, of Johnston county, offered the resolution naming Raleigh as the place and June 10 as the date. It developed that this is the date for the unveiling of the Home monument to the North Carolina women of the Confederacy in Raleigh and after discussion June 17 was substituted as the convention date.

The resolution also provides that Saturday, May 16, as the common day on which shall be held all precinct meetings or primary elections for ascertaining the choice of Democratic delegates to county conventions, and May 23 as the day for holding county conventions in each county declaring for the result of precinct meetings of primary elections or for ascertaining the choice of all electors in mass convention and appointing delegates to the state, congressional, judicial and state senatorial conventions.

Another Aviator Killed.

Lieutenant Dressler, a Prussian army aviator was killed at Berlin Saturday by an aeroplane fall.

SUPERIOR COURT

Convened Here Monday for Three Weeks Term.

Randolph County Superior Court convened here Monday for a three-weeks term. The first two weeks will be taken up with the trial of civil cases, and beginning on Monday, March 30, there will be a week's term for the trial of criminal cases.

Judge M. H. Justice is the presiding judge. Under the law the March term of court consists of a court for civil cases only, commencing on the 3rd Monday in March and will continue for two weeks of until all business is transacted. Then on the 4th Monday after the 1st Monday in March (which this year is the 5th Monday in March, same being the 30th of March) another term of court will convene for the purpose of trying criminal cases. Witnesses in criminal cases need not come until the 30th of March, as no witness fees will be allowed before this time in criminal cases.

SHOOTING AT FAIRVIEW.

Bob Gray Arrested for Shooting Negro Girl.

Bob Gray, a negro man, 40 years old, shot a ten-year old girl in Trinity township Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. He claims that the shooting was accidental. Several negroes were at the home when the affair occurred. Several children were among the number, and while playing with the latter that the shooting occurred. Bob Gray had a pistol in his hand and was running the children about the yard, telling them it was time for them to go home, and the pistol was discharged into the back of the girl coming out through her left lung.

Sheriff Birkhead was called to the scene Tuesday night and took Bob Gray into custody. Bob Gray is a harmless negro and a hard working man. He has never been into any trouble before. He submitted and says that the shooting was accidental. He was placed in jail here Wednesday morning to await trial.

SERVICE FOR CONVICTS.

Rev. J. E. Thompson Spoke on Last Sunday Afternoon.

Rev. J. E. Thompson, pastor of the M. E. Church, conducted a service for the convicts at the camp on last Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The service was interesting, and seemingly enjoyed by the unfortunates.

WILL PAY \$100,000 TO STATE TREASURY

Vanderbilt Estate in North Carolina Subject to Inheritance Tax.

It is estimated in the office of the Corporation Commissioner that the North Carolina estate of the late George W. Vanderbilt will pay into the State Treasury in inheritance tax about \$100,000. The property in this State consists of the Biltmore property and Pisgah forest.

Prior to the revenue act of 1913 now in force there would have been no inheritance tax on the part of the estate that goes to the widow. Under the present act, however, the widow's portion, as well as that of the other heirs, is taxed as an inheritance.

Piedmont Chair Co. Gets Charter.

A charter has been granted the Piedmont Chair Company, of Asheboro, capital \$26,000 authorized and \$5,000 paid in by C. C. Cranford, W. C. Page and others, for the manufacture of chairs and other furniture.

Some Doubting Thomases.

Old Aunt Clara Deberry, colored, who was a slave of Hon. Edmund Deberry, died last Friday night at Amstead Parker's who had been caring for her for a number of years. Some say she was 130 years old, but others do not believe she was this old.—Troy Montgomerian.

Keith Resigns.

Mr. B. F. Keith, who has been collector of customs for the Port of Wilmington, has resigned. He says that certain persons "have persistently tried to throw every obstacle in his way in order that he might be handicapped, and have continued to hound his heels every since Wilson was elected." His term of office does not expire until next February.

Bulletin's Contest Opens With Several Nominations

BOYS' CORN CONTEST HAS FINE PROSPECT

Farm Demonstrator of Davidson Says It Will Be Biggest in Country's History.

A Lexington special says: T. A. Cole, the new farm demonstration agent, announces that the boys' corn contest this year is to be the biggest in point of number entering in the history of the county, and he hopes to make it the biggest in results. He has induced the county commissioners to appropriate \$15 for each township, to be divided into prizes of \$7.50, \$5 and \$2.50 for the first, second and third yields in each township, the offer being conditioned on as many as six boys entering the contest in each township. H. B. Varner has offered a free trip to Washington city, along with the state corn champion next fall, to the boy who grows the most corn on one acre of land.

The hookworm campaign is doing great good in Davidson, Dr. G. F. Leonard, a native of Davidson, who is in charge of the work, states that up to this week he has made 4,000 examinations. As 2,500 to 3,000 examinations are considered fine work in the average county, this record is a good one. The county commissioners have decided to extend the campaign two weeks. It was to have closed next Saturday. Dr. Leonard believes that the number of examinations will run over 6,000 cases. He has found and treated 500 cases of hookworm infection.

The board of aldermen at their regular monthly meeting last night put a tax of \$100 per year on cider dealers. "Cider joints" have been causing the police much trouble of late.

The board also took a shot at the Southern railway for allowing the station here to remain in bad condition. Chief of police Thomason was called in and instructed to take immediate steps to force a clean up. There is much dissatisfaction here over the present station and a movement for the a new station worthy of the town, is being considered.

Varner and His Picture

To see Varner's picture going through the Laurinburg Exchange marked advertisement is another of the grim pleasures of life. We like Old Man Varner. We will do anything for him we can do, professionally, or in a neighborly way. But for him to spend his good money with the newspapers, printing his picture, and running for Congress—well, it is his own money, and we take it maybe he can spend it as he sees proper.—Everything.

HENNESSEE AND PITTS FINED BY JUDGE LONG

Each Must Pay a Fine of \$100 and Give \$2,000 Bond to Keep the Peace.

After hearing both factions tell their stories of the Glen Alpine fight, Judge B. F. Long, of the State Superior court, Tuesday sentenced A. E. Hennessee and W. D. Pitts to pay a fine of \$100, court costs of \$50, and to give \$2,000 surety that they will keep the peace between each other and all citizens of North Carolina for a period of five years.

The other feudist received nominal fines with the exception of Robert and Valley Hennessee, young sons of E. A. Hennessee, who were discharged. M. N. Hennessee and Abel Pitts were fined \$25 each and put under \$2,000 bond to keep the peace for three years.

Railway Mail Clerks Appointed.

The following railway mail clerks were appointed by the Department last Saturday:

C. L. Harrell, Wing; J. G. Lewis, Ellenboro; J. F. Gardner, Charlotte; H. W. Carter, Asheville; George Bagley, Lexington; B. R. Williams, Salisbury; H. A. Ellis, Sanford; Herbert Howard, Mechanics; S. C. Phillip's, White's Store; G. C. Bailey, Eagle Springs; R. S. Blake, Charlotte; W. H. Duke, Winston-Salem; C. H. Abernathy, Hazelwood; M. A. Boykin, Raleigh; T. J. Uiman, White's Store; S. J. Smith, Lexington; A. O. Miller, Charlotte; H. S. Ellison, Lincoln; J. R. Tomlinson, Greensboro.

More Prizes and Nominations Will be Announced in Next Week's Paper

The Bulletin's Popular Voting Contest, announcement of which was made in this column last week is creating considerable interest—in fact more interest than we had imagined for so short a time and there is every indication that the contest is going to be a "go" from the very beginning. Nominations of contestants are being sent to this office and soon there will be many who would be willing recipients of the big five-passenger Maxwell Automobile or the beautiful Carlisle piano, and the other valuable prizes that are to be distributed.

Watch the Paper.

We would advise all contestants to watch the paper every week and keep in close touch with the work of the contest. We will probably next week announce the date of the first count and announce several additions to the already valuable list of prizes. The prizes which we will add to the list will range in value from 50.00 downward, but will be well worthy some good work, and in this way will be the recipient of a good prize and amply repaid for their work.

We want the contest to be conducted with the greatest possible fairness, with no occasion or opportunity for anybody to criticize. The ballot box is now at our office, ready to receive votes. The box will not be opened until the first count is made. The judges will be absolutely disinterested people, in whom everybody will have confidence. There will be no favorites and no chance for favoritism. The lady who secures the largest number of votes will win the automobile and so on down for the rest of the prizes.

Voting can commence at any time in a ballot box which is placed in this office and the key to the box will be given to the awarding committee whose name will be announced in another issue of this paper. Use the free vote coupon in this issue. If you know of any lady who has not been nominated and whom you think would make a good race use the nomination blank below and send her name to this paper or bring it in person and her name will be entered. It matters not if she be married or single.

Read the rules in the large ad in this issue or we will mail them upon request. Those who do not understand the rules and regulations of this contest can call at this office or write us and we will be pleased to go over the proposition with them.

We want new subscribers and a lot of them, and these girls will get them for us by seeing their friends and inducing them to subscribe or renew for this paper. We guarantee to make the paper well worth the money of every subscriber, and we expect to hold all these new subscribers for many years to come. That is the only way we can make this contest make money for us.

Nominations will be printed next week. Let every contestant who has entered the race call or send to this office for a receipt book and some sample copies and the work should be commenced at once in earnest. An early start will mean much in the end.

In this week's issue the coupon is dated March 11, and this is an error, the coupon should be dated March 18, and for this reason all 25-vote coupons bearing the date March 11, will be accepted up to and including March 26th.

A Trifle Delayed.

Because of snow and delayed freight the Daily News last Thursday couldn't finish printing its morning edition until afternoon. White paper had exhausted and there was nothing to do but to wait. The News is chewing up lots of white paper these days and a car load doesn't last long. When we used to live in the west, and trains were delayed and the stage coach could not travel we printed on wall paper. But a bolt of wall paper wouldn't last very long on the four deck perfecting press of the Daily News.—Everything.