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SENATE WILL LOSE IN G. O. P. BODY

North Carolina to Have Only 21 Votes in 1915 Convention Now.

North Carolina will lose three votes in the Republican National Convention next year if the plan is carried out as recently announced by the Republican National Committee according to which representations in that body of the various states will be determined. As previously stated there will be 986 delegates with voting power in the 1916 convention, which is 99 less than the convention of 1912, the entire loss being sustained by the Southern States with the exception of the territories of Alaska, Hawaii and the Philippines and 2 in New York, North Carolina had 24 votes in the 1912 convention whereas it will only have 21 in the convention next year, according to the best estimates that can be added at the present time.

The Ruling.

The fact will be recalled that under the resolution adopted by the Republican National Committee, each State will have four delegates at large in the next Republican National convention and "two additional delegates at large for each representative at large in Congress elected from any State entitled to one or more additional Representatives in Congress under the apportionment made in accordance with the last census" but in which State no new congressional districts have been provided by law. Under this provision 12 States are entitled to additional delegates at large because of having Congressmen elected at large. The resolution also provides that there shall be "one delegate for each congressional district," also that "an additional delegate for each congressional district in which the vote for any Republican elector in 1908 or for the Republican nominee for Congress in 1914 should have been not less than 7,500." This latter provision will give North Carolina two additional delegates, for the Third and Fourth districts which polled 8,597 and 9,817 respectively for electors in 1908.

Government Ought to Pay for Parcel Post.

"There is one thing connected with the parcel post that ought not to meet the approval of everybody, and that is that we have not given to the railroad appropriate compensation for the additional burden that they have to carry by reason of the parcel post, but after a time Congress will see its duty and make reparation in this regard, I hope," declares former President Wm. H. Taft in a letter to Frank E. Naves, publisher of the "Parcel Post News," at Marietta, Wis.

Pink Appeal to Be Heard February 23.

The United States Supreme court has advanced the Leo M. Frank habeas corpus appeal for oral argument to Feb. 23, in accordance with the joint request of Frank's counsel and attorney for the state of Georgia. Frank is under conviction for the murder of Mary Phagan, a factory girl.

Flag Raising at Bombay.

The J. O. U. A. M. of Bombay will on Feb. 20th at 11 a. m. present to Piedmont school, a flag and Bible. This school is about two miles east from Denton and is taught by Mr. Gallimore. Everybody is invited to be present. Mr. J. W. Sechrest, for High Point, is expected, and a grand, good time for all who come. The Junior Order believes in standing by the Bible and our flag.

Wants in.

Twenty-five square miles of Chatham county wants to join Durham. Durham is a small county, and to take her in might be worth while.

Women Win Victory in Arkansas.

Woman's Suffrage scored a victory in Arkansas when the senate, 23 to 12, adopted a resolution placing the question before the voters of the state at the next general election.

Addition to St. Leo's Hospital.

An addition costing \$10,000 is to be made to St. Leo's hospital at Greensboro.

Masons Growing.

Thirteen (lucky number) Masonic lodges were instituted the next year in this state.

TWO DREADNOUGHTS ARE PROVIDED FOR

Underwood Fails to Get Them Eliminated From Naval Appropriation Bill.

Washington, Feb. 5.—Over a strenuous protest from Majority Leader Underwood the House voted to retain in the naval appropriation bill the provision for construction of two new dreadnoughts and then passed the bill without roll call. Mr. Underwood declared the National Treasury was facing a probable deficit next year of \$35,000,000 and economy advocates, led by him, succeeded in striking out appropriations aggregating more than \$6,444,000 for five submarines, a transport and a hospital ship.

The bill as it goes to the Senate carries \$144,648,902, and authorizes the following construction program.

Two battleships of the largest and most powerful design, \$7,800,000 each, exclusive of armor and armament.

Six torpedo-boat destroyers \$925,000 each.

One sea-going submarine torpedo boat \$1,400,000.

Eleven submarines \$550,000 each.

One oil fuel ship, \$1,140,000.

The proposed hospital ship would have cost \$2,500,000 and the transport \$1,100,000.

SUFFRAGE AMENDMENT IS PUT ON COLD STORAGE

Equal Suffrage Loses Out in the North Carolina Legislature

The equal suffragists, advocating "votes for women" lost their minority protest on the floor of the House last Thursday when the members voted to indefinitely postpone of the suffrage amendment by a vote of 67 to 38.

New Republican Paper

The North Carolina Republican is the name of a new weekly paper, which comes to the desk from Goldsboro. George and M. E. Searles are the owners and publishers, the former being managing editor and the latter secretary and treasurer. It is of four-page eight-column size, excellently printed. There is no announcement of plans and purposes in the initial number, but the motto carried, "Protection and Prosperity Are Synonymous" is perhaps sufficient.—Greensboro Daily News.

Population of U. S. on April 2, 1915.

On April 2, at 4 p. m., the continental United States will have a population of exactly 100,000,000. That is the statement made by C. D. Sloane, geographer of the Census Bureau at Washington.

How can anybody know that? Well, the mathematicians work it out by the law of averages.

Airships Will Race Around the Globe From San Francisco.

Aeronauts from all the civilized nations of the globe will every standard type of air craft driven by motors will participate in an aerial race around the world, which will be a feature of the sporting events to be held during the Panama-Pacific International Exposition at San Francisco this year.

"NEAR FIRE"

Fire Truck Given a Try-Out Last Saturday Morning

A blaze was discovered upstairs over E. H. Bean's store last Saturday morning and the new fire truck, recently completed was given the first test of the season. The fire resulted in no serious damage.

Night School at Concord.

Concord opened on February 2, a night school for adults who may wish to study reading, writing and elementary arithmetic, etc. It will be open two nights a week and will be conducted by volunteer teachers who will receive no compensation for their work.

Price of Bread Goes to 6c

Chicago and bakers of other cities have announced that bread will be advanced to 6c the loaf due to the present high prices of wheat and flour.

Claude Kitchin Made Majority Leader in House

Hon. Claude Kitchin, of North Carolina was last week made Democratic majority leader of the House.

JAMES REID PASSES.

Died Saturday Morning at Montrose Sanatorium.

James Reid died at the Montrose Sanatorium Saturday morning and his remains were brought here Monday morning for interment in the local cemetery. "Jim" Reid was born in Asheboro 42 years ago, the son of the late George W. and Nannie Wood Reid. As a youth and young man he was an employe of the Southern Railway company. During the Spanish-American war he joined the Second North Carolina Regiment, saw no actual service, but came back to his old home with his health completely shattered.

Old Kentucky Writes.

Cadiz, Ky., Jan. 31, 1915. Editor of The Bulletin: Enclosed you will find \$1.00 to pay my subscription. I want to say the Bulletin is one of the most welcome visitors that comes to my home. As it is from my old county in which I was bred, born and reared.

POT BOILING.

Mayor and Commissioner Announce Candidacy. The municipal political pot is beginning to simmer in Greensboro. Mayor T. J. Murphy, Commissioner of Public Safety, R. M. Rees and Commissioner of Public Works, J. G. Foust, Jr., have announced their candidacy for re-election and will ask for the support of the voters on the four years record made by them as commissioners under the commission plan of government. That all of them will be opposed is practically certain. The chances are that all will be re-elected notwithstanding. The fact that they have given the city a reasonable satisfactory administration, and the added fact that a great deal of patronage gives them considerable power, will probably be the factors of their strength.

ENGLISH SHIP FLEW THE AMERICAN FLAG

Lusitania Wanted to Evade the German Submarines in Channel.

London, Feb. 6, 11:20 a. m.—The British steamer Lusitania of the Cunard line, which sailed from New York January 30 and arrived at Liverpool this afternoon flew the American flag from the time she passed Queenstown until she entered the Mersey. This is vouched for by American passengers who crossed on her. The Lusitania received a wireless from the Baltic of the White Star line, that two submarines had been sighted from that vessel. The captain, in reply to a question of one of the passengers, declared that he had a right to fly the flag of a neutral country for protection of neutral passengers and mails which the ship was carrying.

TWELVE THOUSAND TURKS DEFEATED

Tried to Cross Canal On Rafts But Were Met by Hot Fire by British.

The Turks at last have made a definite attack on the Suez canal, but after a sharp fight they were driven off with heavy losses.

Therefore the Bill Aimed as a Blow at the Road Won't Be Pressed.

The Atlantic Coast Line has given assurance that no more suits against a corporation in this state will be moved to the Federal courts on the plea that the corporation is a non-resident and therefore Allen bill in the House for the repeal and Gilliam bill in Senate act 1899 authorizing the consolidation of the Wilmington and Weldon railroad formation of the Atlantic Coast Line will not be pressed further.

Farm Demonstration Work Reinstated in Chatham.

Farm demonstration work was reinstated in Chatham at the commissioners' meeting Monday. A demonstrator has not yet been selected. The county appropriated \$300 for this work.

Sawmill Injury Fatal.

Falling across the carriage at a saw mill near Tuckertown, Rowan county, Saturday, Burnie Taylor had a leg sawed off, the injury being sufficient to cause death. He leaves a widow and three children.

BILL PASSES THE HOUSE

One Needless Office May be Clipped From Randolph Payroll

Representative Foster last week, according to the popular demands of the citizenship of the county, introduced a bill in the Legislature for the abolition of the County Treasurer's office, substituting therefor a bank or trust company in the county, and clipping from the payroll of the county a needless expense of \$1,400 a year.

This was one of the most important planks in the Republican county platform in the last campaign and if the bill manages to get through the Senate and is enacted into a law, it will be a matter of gratification to every Republican in the county, and hundreds of independent Democrats.

Dr. Foster will introduce some time this week a bill placing the county officers on a salary basis, and another measure or two, the nature of which will be made known later.

The salary plank, too, was an important paragraph in the Republican platform of the last two years.

Both these measures come as a surprise to the local camp of Democracy and already moves are on foot by the local "ringsters" to defeat each of these measures. Dr. Foster, however, is on to the game of this crowd and will use every effort to have these measures made into laws, according to his statement to the editor of the Bulletin last week.

WORKINGMEN IN SPAIN IN GREAT DISTRESS.

Workingmen and their families throughout Spain are suffering much distress because of the increasing lack of employment.

Early Easter This Year.

Easter comes this year on April 4th. Last year it came after the 20th.

Bonds For Guilford's New Court House

A bill has been presented to the legislature to allow Guilford county to issue \$250,000 in bonds to build a new court house.

BILL WOULD BAR LIQUOR APRIL 1ST

Legislature Called Upon to Enact a Stringent Liquor Law.

Much interest in Asheboro and throughout this section centers in the text of the bill drafted by the committee of the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League, which is to be offered for ratification by the two houses of the present General Assembly. If this bill is ratified unchanged no more shipments of spirituous, vinous, fermented or malt or intoxicating bitters except wines intended for sacramental purposes and grain alcohol for medicinal purposes will be made into the State after April 1.

ARKANSAS ADDED TO THE DRY STATES

Statewide Prohibition Bill Is Signed By Governor Hays.

Governor Hays of Arkansas Saturday signed the state wide prohibition bill which prohibits the granting of further saloon licenses for 1915, but does not disturb those already granted.

Buckwald Bros. Held for Federal Court.

United States Commissioner Collins Saturday afternoon held L. and L. Buckwald, of High Point, for the June term of the United States court at Greensboro in a bond of \$500 each on a charge of violating the bankruptcy laws in withholding certain assets.

DISTRICT MEETING.

Teachers Meeting Held at Trinity Saturday.

The Teachers' Meeting was well attended at Trinity last Saturday by both teachers and patrons. The following teachers were present: Mrs. Kate Newment, Emma Hunter, Lula B. Reidville, D. C. Plunson, T. T. Farlow, Clara Davis, Virginia Redding, Silas Lindley, Geo. W. Spencer, Maggie Albertson.

An address was made by Dr. Balcomb of the State Normal.

Miss Emma Hunter gave a lesson in U. S. History.

Each teacher present told what is being done in his school to develop and provide greater school interests.

Short talks were made by Prof. E. Julian White and others.

Information Bureau.

For the benefit of the readers of the Bulletin and many others we will say that we are making this office a sort of bureau of information for the general public. If you want to know where some one lives, or who has a house or room to rent, or who will take one or more boarders, come to the Bulletin office. If you have anything for sale come to this office, and we will tell you how and where to dispose of it.

We can probably tell you where you can buy an automobile, horse, cow, chickens or eggs. All information will be given freely and free. Of course we will take care of our advertisers first of all. Aside from the direct results usually obtained from an ad in this paper, we make a personal effort to look out for our advertisers.

"Smatter" With the Farmers Mutual?

The financial report of the Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Company, Jan. 31, 1914, don't seem to be full and complete as promised in the January meeting. Under "miscellaneous" the one dollar allowances has been entirely left off, additional office help added. It cost \$133.33 to collect and pay out \$1530. About five investigations have been made. Farmers, how do you like this? An explanation would be agreeable.

A MEMBER.

Said He Expected Arrest.

He was arrested at the Southern station by Chief Moore, who touched him upon the shoulder and said, "Mr. Blackwelder, I am the chief of police I want you."

Blackwelder, so the Concord officers declare, was once an exporter, hence the shift of his name and the tacking on of the "Rev." before it.

Early Spring Bad Fruit ear.

According to the old saying, we are going to have an early spring despite the ground hog. Also that we will have a sorry fruit year.

For Small Cotton Crop.

The legislature has passed a resolution urging cotton growers to curtail their crop 50 per cent this year. The measure received 64 votes against 28.

BIGAMIST WOULD POSE AS MINISTER

Concord R. F. D. Carrier Leaves Family of Six and Weds Winston Girl.

The arrest of W. R. Blackwelder of Concord, alias Edward Black, alias "Rev. Edward Black, field evangelist, Methodist Chur." at the Southern station at Charlotte Friday on the charge of bigamy nipped in the bud a brazen attempt to fleece the good people of several North Carolina cities and also brought to light one of the strangest affairs that has occurred in the State in a long while.

Blackwelder, who, under the name of Black, was wedded Monday night before to a Miss Sadie Sink of Winston-Salem, after having courted her under that name de plume for 18 months, came to Charlotte Wednesday where his name became Rev. Edward Black, field evangelist, Methodist Church; went to Rock Hill and Yorkville, S. C., Thursday and returned to Charlotte Friday where he was promptly nabbed by the police. He has a wife and five children in Concord, his wife being now critically ill.

Blackwelder has had personal cards printed which read as follows:

REV. EDWARD BLACK Field Evangelist Methodist Church

Of these cards, he had several hundred in his possession when arrested. In Yorkville he wrote a letter to the postmaster at Concord saying that he had bought a ticket through to Kansas and that his friends should not worry or grieve over "spilt milk." He also had written cards in the form of notices to the public indicating that he intended starting out begging, claiming that he was deaf and dumb.

Claims to be Deaf and Dumb.

"Edward Black is my name. I am deaf and dumb and can't get any work. I want to go to Winston-Salem, N. C. I have no money. Please help me, my people live there.

Notice No. 2 was evidently planned for use after Winston-Salem was reached. It read as follows:

"My name is Edward Black I am deaf and dumb. I can't get any work here. I want to get to Durham. My people live near there. I have never begged before. If I can get money enough to get to Greensboro, I can get home. Please help me if you can. My wife is here with me."

These two notices had been carefully arranged and indicated along with the printed cards, the general plan of operations which Blackwelder planned to pursue.

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There was no denial of identity, but only the curt reply "I'll go with you. I have been sorter expecting you."

Mrs. Blackwelder, No. 2, was with him and appeared not to be surprised. It is said that she had been informed of the facts by Blackwelder shortly before the officer arrived on the scene.

As soon as Chief Moore arrested him, he notified Chief J. M. Mabrey of the Concord department who came over and carried him back on No. 12. Wife No. 2 went along as a witness. The charge against Blackwelder is that of bigamy.

The amazing part of the story is that Blackwelder managed to carry on his courtship for a year and a half under the name of Black and never once was he detected. It is true that his sweetest heart heard whispers of the fact that he was married and wrote him about it but he denied so effectively that she was satisfied.

He even gave the names of 25 of the leading business and professional men of Concord, who he said would testify that he was single. Miss Sink was so satisfied that she never pushed her inquiry further.

Blackwelder was a R. F. D. carrier living in Concord. To make the situation all the more distressing, his wife, who has been ill for some time, is said to be in a very serious condition. One son is almost grown.

REPUBLICANS CLAIM THEY WON'T YIELD

If Appropriation Bills Are to Pass Then Ship Must Be Withdrawn.

With 19 working days ahead of the 63rd Congress the fate of the government ship purchase bill still remains uncertain. Whether it will be held before the senate to the exclusion of an appropriation bill until passed or until the gavel ends the session March 4, must be determined by the President and administration leaders. Some definite understanding on this point probably will be reached within a few days.

Suggestions that Republican Senators eventually might yield their opposition in order to take up appropriation bills and let the measure come to a vote are denied by the leaders. They insist the bill cannot get a vote.

Democratic senators championing the bill admit the situation is desperate. They realize their insistence on keeping the bill before the senate will mean failure of the great appropriation bills. This would make an extra session inevitable.

If it is determined that an effort should be made to pass the appropriation bills to avoid an extra session, the ship purchase bill, in the opinion of some of its staunchest friends, must be withdrawn. Even then there may not be time to pass all the great supply measures. There are fights ahead on the naval and military bills, and the rivers and harbors bill is certain to provoke attack.

INSPECTOR VISITED SITE OF ROBBERY

Mr. R. W. Hodgins Returns From Danbury After Investigating Theft.

Postoffice Inspector R. W. Hodgins has returned to Greensboro after attending to the investigation of the robbery of a mail package containing \$3,000 which was enroute to the Stokes County Bank. A rural carrier, G. A. Hill, is charged with having committed the robbery. He has not been found, but a portion of the money has been recovered. This money has been turned over to the sheriff by a broker-in-law of the missing carrier, who is said to have given it to him to pay the alleged robber's debts.

The following story is told of the recovery of the money: "The Stokes County Bank at Danbury has recovered \$1,435 of the \$3,000 stolen by General A. Hill, the mail carrier between Danbury and Walnut Cove. "The money was returned to the bank by Sheriff W. C. Slate Thursday afternoon. It was turned over to the sheriff by Mr. J. H. Keaton, of Vade Mecum, brother-in-law of Hill. According to the story related to Sheriff Slate by Mr. Keaton, Hill came to Vade Mecum Tuesday night, the robbery having been committed that day. Hill asked his brother-in-law to turn over one thousand dollars of the cash to his (Hill's) wife and use the remaining \$435 in paying his (Hill's) debts in the neighborhood.

"It appears that at the time Hill turned the money over to Mr. Keaton the latter had no idea that the money was stolen funds.

"A long distance telephone message from Danbury says that if Hill revealed to his brother-in-law what he proposed doing or where he was going it had not been learned.

"Sheriff Slate had no information regarding the whereabouts of Hill. He has sent out a description of the man to many counties in North Carolina and Virginia. It is generally believed that Hill will be captured sooner or later.—Greensboro Record.

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