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OVERMAN ON TARIFF

Denounces the Incincerity of Framers of the Tariff Bill.

A MOST INIQUITOUS MEASURE.

Mr. Overman On the Tariff Bill--The North Carolinian Denounces It For the Burdens It Imposes on the Masses.

Declaring that he believed the Payne Aldrich tariff bill to be one of the most iniquitous tariff bills ever passed by Congress, if it passed, Mr. Overman, North Carolina, in his admirable speech in the Senate on June 11, attacked the sincerity of the framers of the tariff bill He announced himself in favor of Senator Bailey's income tax amendment and declared that he proposed to offer an amendment placing a head tax upon immigrants and another one giving the President the power to abrogate the collection of duties on articles similar to those manufactured by a corporation which controls fifty per cent. of American output and which offers its goods for sale in foreign countries at lower prices than in the Unite States. Mr. Overman also discussed the steel and lumber schedules.

Asserting that he would vote against the bill because he claimed it was unjust and full of inequalities, Mr. Overman charged that the measure was framed in the special interest of the privileged few, while the great mass of the consumers of the country would continue to groan under the heavy burdens of increased taxation. He said that the voters all during the campaign understood that there was to be a revision downward, and that he believed that the tariff plank of the Republican party was written with an honest and sincere purpose to give the people the relief they demanded. "The President of the United States is today, as he was in the last campaign, in favor of an honest revision of the tariff downward," added Mr. Overman.

"All during this extra session, and especially since the bill was reported from the House to the Senate--an army of men, representing the great interests and trusts, have been filling these halls and hotels with selfish greed, lobbying with Senators, asking for more protection," continued Mr. Overman. "They have dogged our footsteps in Congress and out of it. They have followed us to our offices and to our homes by day and by night, while the people at home are looking to and expecting us to carry out our promise to give them a genuine reform. It is charged upon this floor by some of our friends on the other side (and I have not heard it denied) that some of these schedules have actually been written, not by the finance committee, but by these representatives in their own interest.

"This high protective tariff is a part of the great scheme devised more than a century ago, whereby a moneyed aristocracy has been created in this country, and under its blighting system discontent and socialism have grown and strikes become frequent. It is a system by which tolls are taken from the vast majority of the people to enrich the few."

Discussing the tariff in its relation to the farmer, Mr. Overman said that the time had past when the farmer can be deceived by levying a duty on corn, wheat, tobacco, cotton and other things raised upon the farm. "They know they can sell abroad and feed and clothe the world," he said. "They have learned that they need no protection, and such a provision in a tariff bill in this day and time is a shame. Under the cover of this pretended protection, which affords little or no protection on that which the farmer has to sell, he is beginning to understand that he has to pay an average of 45 per cent. or more on his cotton bagging, tin plates, nails, pens, cooking utensils, furniture, window glass, his earthen and stone ware, his chains, wire fencing, axes, tools and farming utensils of every description which he has to purchase, and that much of this tax which he pays goes not into the treasury of his country to swell the revenue, but goes into the pockets of the beneficiaries of such a system."

Speaking to his amendment proposing a head tax of $10 for every alien entering the United States, Mr. Overman said that it had the hearty endorsement of State Legislatures and various national associations. "It has been held by the Supreme Court to be a constitutional tax," he said. It is a just tax. Such an amendment as this means not only revenue to the Treasury, but it means a more select class of immigrants and therefore the protection of American labor and everything American." He said it would probably raise a revenue of nine or ten million dollars. Mr. Overman said that there could no longer be any doubt about the constitutionality of of its provisions, and he quoted several Supreme Court decisions in support of his contention. His amendment provides that whenever the President of the United States shall be satisfied that any company is producing more than 50 per cent of any product consumed in the United States and that its products are exported and sold in a foreign market at a less price than in the home market he is authorized to suspend by proclamation to that effect, in whole or in part, the collection of custom duties on any products of a like character which may be imported into this country for any period he may designate.

Mr. Overman discussed the metal and steel schedules, saying that everybody expected greatly reduced rates to be provided in these schedules, but that he had been told by a government expert that the Senate bill, taken as a whole, made no substantial reductions from the duties imposed in the Dingley bill. In this connection, he took occasion to condemn the absorption of the Tennessee Coal & Iron Company by the United States Corporation and the Roosevelt administration. He also criticised the International Harvester Company, which, he said, was protected by the Senate bill. Mr. Overman also depicted the duties on lumber as being an instance wherein the farmer is made to pay a tax on what he buys.

In explanation of the differences existing between Democratic Senators, Mr. Overman said, "We have honestly differed as to whether some few articles should go on the free list or be dutiable. But, however we may have differed in this respect, the party has been united in the fundamental principles of a tariff for revenue."

In reply to a assertion made by Mr. Aldrich recently that the South was a wilderness 25 years ago, Mr Overman recalled the dark days of reconstruction, denied Mr. Aldrich's statement, and declared that the South today is far richer than the whole country was before the war. "It has more money in its banks, more miles of railroads, more iron and coal mines, more cotton mills than the entire country had prior to 1861. All the South asks is that she be given justice, be treated fairly and not discriminated against. She has no monopolies, no robber barons,' plutocrats or aristocratic bosses. They will not live in that climate."

Crumpler Goes Back.

Rev. A. B. Crumpler, who was once a methodist minister but several years ago left that church and became the leader of what is known as the Holiness sect, has publicly recanted his Holiness church to return to the church of his first love. He also urged those who followed him into his Holiness church return to the churches with which they formerly affiliated.—Greenville Reflector.

Minister's Wife Skips.

Rev. R. C. Bowman pastor of Centenary Methodist Church, Newberry, announced to his congregation Sunday that his wife had disappeared, and could not be located. Notes found indicate that she eloped with a Mr. Grant, who had been in town a few days.

R. D. Reid Paralyzed.

Reuben D. Reid, a son of the late Governor Reid, a prominent lawyer living at Wentworth was paralyzed last Saturday and is critically ill in this condition. He has not the use of his vocal organs.

Under Serious Charge.

John Davis has been bound over court to a Wadesboro charged with attempting criminal assault upon Hattie Jones, who bears a good reputation. Both are negroes.

Dixie and North State Merged.

The stockholders of the Dixie and North State Fire Insurance Companies met on July 16th, and merged the two companies into one company.

A. E. STALEY'S BIG DEAL.

Buy Big Staunch Factory At Decatur, Ill.

The Daily Review of Decatur, Ill. recently announced the sale of the Decatur Starch factory to the A. E. Staley Manufactureing Company, of Baltimore, Md.,

The plant is valued at nearly a half million dollars.

A. S. Staley, who heads the Baltimore concern (which is capitalized at $3,000,000) is well known in this section and formerly lived near Julian.

The A. E. Staley Company are refiners and sellers of starch and has decided to manufacture the product for itself. $150,000 will be spent on improving the plant.

Liberty Young People in the "Deestrick Skule".

The Deestrick Skule" was given in the town hall last Saturday night by the young people af Liberty, and it was thoroughly enjoyed by those present. The actors deserve credit for the clever rendition of the parts, the "school-master," Mr. J. Rom Smith, being especially good. Dr. J. D. Gregg, as the hungry boy, Mr. John Swain, as the four year old bubby, Miss Pickett, as the giggler, and Mr. Albion Fogleman, as stutterer, were very laughable; though it really is an injustice to single out them from the others—they all acquitted themselves so well. Two selections by a quartet were very much enjoyed. The play was for the benefit of the school auditorium at Liberty.—Siler City Grit.

McAuley--Reynolds.

One of the most beautiful and quiet home weddings was solemnized at Star June 16th, when Miss Belle Reynolds became the bride of Mr. John A. McAuley, of Mt. Gilead.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Harrison of Ellis in the presence of a few friends and relatives. The bride was beautifully attired in a travelling suit of sage green with hat and gloves to match, while the groom wore conventional black. The bride is the accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Reynolds of Okeewemee and is a most worthy young lady while the groom is a prosperous business man of Mt. Gilead. Immediately after the ceremony they left for Mt. Gilead, their future home.

Wheat Crop is Fine.

The wheat crop in Randolph this year is fine, the best in years. For many years Randolph has led the State in the yield of wheat. This year the crop is larger than ever. It is an ill wind that blows "nobody any good." In these hard times to keep bread and meat in the house, it is good to know that somebody will be benefited; the farmer will get good prices for his wheat, oats and barley, provided he can find anybody with enough money to buy. There is no calamity about the statement that people are living harder in this country as a rule than in many years, for business is almost at a standstill.

Law Building Started At Once.

The attorneys of Asheboro have completed arrangements for the new Law Building on their lot west of the Courthouse. The contract for the building will be let within the next 30 days. The building will be of pressed brick and of modern design of architecture. Cement walks will be laid along the front which will face the Courthouse and the appearance of the law building will be in keeping with the handsome new Courthouse which is nearing completion.

Liberal Contributions.

Rev. J. P. Rodgers, field agent for the Children' Home of Winston-Salem, writes as follows to The Courier:

Central Falls and Worthville subscribed $25.25 to the Children's Home. Among the liberal subscribers are Messrs. C. R. Brinkley $25.00, J. A. Withers $20.00 and J. E. Williamson $100.00.

Marion Parker, a successful young farmer of near Trinity died Tuesday morning. He was sick with typhoid pneumonia only a few days. The funeral was conducted Tuesday evening by Rev. B. F. Eleazer. He was a nephew of Dr. D. Reid Parker and Reuben Parker, of Trinity.

FARMER'S ASSAILANT CRAZY.

Negro Claims the Lord Directed Him to Kill J. C. Everhart of Thomasville.

Albert Moore, colord, who took two shots at the back of fleeing J. C. Everhart recently in Thomasville township, has been adjudged insane and will be carried to Goldsboro this week. The two fell out over a calf trade and Moore, saying the Lord had directed him to fill Everhart full of bird shot, went to town, bought a box of shells and tried his best to carry out the alleged divine injunction.

The Davidson wheat crop, good this year, has been damaged already by rain, and unless it is dry from now on, there is no telling what will happen. It rains daily. Only a fourth of the big, principal crop of the county has been cut, and the remainder stands dead ripe in the sodden fields. Another week and it will sprout if the wet weather continues.

The unusual idea of selling a horse to pay its board bill was carried out at Lexington last week when "White", a handsome German coach stallion was sold for $175 at public outcry, to Mr. W. E. Holt, Jr. The horse was sold to a local company for $3,400, and the company is out what money it is paid over and still faces outstanding notes. Whether it is legal to sell a horse this way is doubted. Mr. Holt hasn't claimed his purchase yet, fearing a law suit. The feed bill is about $100, and grows daily.

WORTHVILLE TO CELEBRATE.

July 4th Will be Observed by Citizens on Saturday the 3rd.

The citizens of Worthville are preparing for a big Patriotic celebration to be held on Saturday, July 3rd. Arrangements are being made for the entertainment of a large crowd.

Prof. Swift, Superintendent of the Graded Schools of Greensboro, will deliver the address.

Other features of the day's program are base ball, basket picnics, rowing contests on the river, vocal music and music by brass and string bands.

A new gasoline launch has recently been put in operation on the river in charge of a competent motorman, and this will be placed at the service of the public.

The exercises will be held in the Worthville Park.

Southern Bell Wants Higher Rates.

The corporation commission is asked by the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company to approve advanced rates on residence service in Wilmington and Asheville that will bring the rates in these cities up to the schedule in force in Charlotte, Winston-Salem and other principal towns in the State. The commission sets June 25 for a hearing.

The Bell Company now charges more than twice what it should charge instead of raising the rate in Wilmington and Asheville, it should lower the rate there and elsewhere.

Greensboro Law Library.

Greensboro is to have a Law Library wherein will be found all of the State and Federal Reports, Digests, Modern Text Books, Law Journals, etc. E. B. Brookhart, W. P. Bynum, R. C. Strudwick and others are the incorporators.

Mosseatter.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Carter, of Asheboro, announce the engagement of their daughter, Emma, to Mr. Beverly Moss, of Washington, N. C. Cards as above have been issued.

Married.

Fred Springs, son of A. A. Springs, now the proprietor of the Lenoir Hotel, at Washington, N. C., and Miss Frances Gentry, of Washington, N. C., were married in Greensboro on June 19th.

Killed Near Taylorsville.

Richard Chatham, aged 60 years, who was walking on the track of the road near Taylorsville in this state and failed to hear the approaching locomotive, was killed last Friday.

Senator Reid Dead.

Reuben D. Reid a prominent attorney and politician of Wentworth died Monday, the result of a stroke of paralysis received Saturday.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

A house belonging to J. Shute and Son, at Monroe, N. C., was burned last Friday.

The residence of James Tarlton, of Anson County, was destroyed by fire on June 19.

Miss Annie Kaiser, one of Salisbury's well known and popular young ladies, will be married to Thomas Bost, the local editor of the Durham Herald, on July 28.

The L. B. Womble Printing Co., of Winston-Salem, has been delared bankrupt by the U. S. Court at Greensboro.

Miss Rule Rice, daughter of R. F. Rice and little Margaret Broadnox, while wading at Mr. Rice's pond last week got into deep water and came near losing their lives. They were secured however.—Patriot.

D. F. Causey policeman of Greensboro has been acquitted of charges affecting his moral character. The Aldermen made an investigation.

E. P. Denson, son of J. E. Denson, of High Point, graduated at the U. S. Military Academy at West Point last week.

The barns and stables of A. McNeil, Jr., in Robeson county were blown down by a storm last Thursday. Much timber was blown down.

W. D. Brooks, and Miss Lena Best, of High Point, were married last week. The marriage was a complete surprise to their friends.

Work has started the new Locke Cotton Mills, at Concord last week. R. L. McAlister is in charge of the work.

John R. Ross, business manager of the Charlotte Observer, was elected First Vice President of the Southern Publishers' Association at Birmingham last week.

Sheriff W. T. Fletcher, of Yadkin county, raided a blockade distillery near Yadkinville Sunday morning. It was in full operation and Frank Matthews, who was in charge, was arrested.

Jesse F. Moore, a member of Chatham Camp, U. C. V. and a veteran of the Confederate Army and a member of the Greensboro Fire department, died at Greensboro Sunday. He was 66 years old.

In order to prove that there is no danger of "race suicide" in this county we would cite the case of one of our county women, who is only thirty-six years old and is the mother of nine children and also has two grand-children.—Chatham Record.

A fine mule, the property of Mr. John Walker of Lelaville township, ran against a snag Saturday, driving it through its right shoulder. Dr. Watt Ashcraft of Monroe was called to see it and thinks it will get well. The Doctor says that Mr. Walker has 22 of the best mules he has ever seen, worth not less than $200 each.—Wadesboro Ansonian.

Mr. William M. Bradford, of Hickory Mountain township, was stricken with apoplexy on last Saturday night and died in a few hours afterwards, aged about 67 years. He was one of the most prominent farmers of this county and was well known throughout the state. He was a Confederate veteran and a member of Company K, 23rd North Carolina Regiment.—Chatham Record.

Mr. L. G. Cox is laid up with a broken arm at the Tomlinson chair factory in High Point. He was turning a large wheel in the factory when it broke and struck him on the arm. Mr. A. P. Cox of Harris Grove, a member and musician of Company K of the 23rd regiment, Mr. Cox's uncle, was wounded in his drug business at the same time.—Wadesboro Ansonian.

Knight-Knight.

Miss Lillie Lee Knight, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Knight, of Asheboro, and [illegible] Knight, of Atlanta, N. C., B. N. Cavenaugh officiating. After a honeymoon Mr. and Mrs. Knight left for a tour of Washington and other points. After spending some time at Mount Airy they will reside at Winston-Salem, where Mr. Knight is in the employ of the Southern Railway company.

LIST YOUR TAXES

You Have Only a Few More Days in Which to Do It.

AFTER JULY 1ST. DOUBLE TAX ALLOWED.

Persons Failing to List Their Taxes During the Month of June Are Liable to Indictment--Act at Once.

Only a few days more remain for listing taxes. After July 1st a double taxation is allowed by law for the delinquents who have not listed. This year's taxes will not be due before September 1st, but the returns must be made. It has been the law for fifty years or more that persons who failed to list their taxes during the month of June are liable to indictment. This law has not been enforced rigidly in the past, but persons who do not list their taxes need not be surprised if the grandjury acts.

There are those in the county who have not paid their taxes for last year, and it is said the sheriff expects to begin to enforcing the collection of all delinquent taxes during this month. The county needs the money that is due on taxes, and while times are hard, harder than we have ever known them, in this glorious administration of William Taft and the Republican party at Washington, yet the taxes must be paid, and unless they are paid the sheriff of course will have to levy, and he has waited now longer than he should have waited.

In the past there have been some who would not list their taxes before the tax lister, but would wait and list before the county commissioners. Some of these list before the county commissioners because they wanted to escape answering questions required by the list takers to ask; some of them through negligence have failed to list to the list taker, but many of them who fail to list to the list taker do so because they want to escape paying taxes which they are justly due the State, and hope through their influence with the Register of Deeds to file their list with him and get the county commissioners at their regular meeting to permit the list without questions being asked and in many instances without the list being sworn to. The last legislature passed a stringent law on this point and leaves the county commissioners entire discretion in this matter except to follow the law.

The entire month of June is given to listing, and that is long enough. Every person who has not listed his taxes should do so at once.

Relisting Taxes

Some people have an incorrect idea as to the authority of the county commissioners as to relisting taxes.

Chapter 555 Sec. 31 Laws of 1901 which is brought forward and made Sec. 2804 of the Revisal of 1905 is as follows:

"No board of County Commissioners, or council, or board of aldermen or commissioners of any city or town shall have power to release, discharge, remit or remunerate any taxpayer for taxes assessed against any person or property within their respective jurisdictions for any year or years and any tax so discharged, remitted or compensated may be recovered back from the members of any such board by any taxpayer of any township of the county."

Death of Mrs. Peters.

Mrs. Martha Jane Tate Peters died at her home in Greensboro last Saturday morning.

She was married to Rufus Peters in Randolph county 62 years ago. Her husband died 15 years ago. She was the mother of eight children, five of whom survive, namely, R. B. Peters, of Greensboro, Mrs. Sidney Tolson and Mrs. D. F. Hodgin of Greensboro and Mrs. J. P. Phillips of Newbern, and Mrs. J. H. Hunter of Springfield, Tenn. She was also survived by a sister, Mrs. Mary Tate, of Ellis.

The deceased was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Tate, of Liberty.

Bullet Destroys Over Six Months.

Scott Wilson an orphan boy, working on the farm of D. M. Pomeroy near Spencer, accidentally shot himself in the thigh of a small pistol on Saturday morning. The case occupied this town