

WASHINGTON LETTER.

Battleships Are Expensive—The Republican Platform—What Democracy Offers—Roosevelt and Taft—Other Matters.

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Washington, June 28.—"Why is it that the price of articles on which the tariff was not advanced, has increased since the passage of the Payne-Aldrich bill?" I put this question to United States Senator, Moses E. Clapp, of Minnesota, one of the genuine "progressive Republicans of Congress.

"I can answer that question," replied Senator Clapp, "in less than two minutes, and no one will successfully contradict my statement. "In the Payne-Aldrich revision of the tariff, the rates on scores upon scores of articles were advanced. Those increases have advanced the price of everything; yes, have increased the price of articles on which the tariff was not changed.

"You can't raise the cost of living to a man who is producing something to sell, without forcing that man to raise correspondingly the price of what he has to sell.

"Suppose both of us are in business, and that each has to use what the other produces. Suppose the tariff on the article I handle is increased, while the tariff on the article you handle is not increased. By virtue of my increased protection, I force you to pay increased prices. What are you going to do about it? What must you do about it? Answer: you must increase the price of what you have to sell! And that's just the way it works out all along the line, and in the end all of the increases fall upon the broad shoulders of the consumer.

"But you will hear it said constantly with reference to something on which the price has been advanced, 'Oh, that isn't in the tariff at all. That increase has nothing to do with the tariff.' But the fact is tariff revision upward on a few articles, reaches all along the line.

"The new tariff law has cost, and is costing the American people millions on millions of dollars, in increased cost of living. And if the Payne-Aldrich bill had been beaten, those millions would have been saved to the people."

Battleships Are Expensive. Congress has organized two more battleships. It is estimated each ship will cost \$12,000,000 to build, and 1,000,000 a year during its 20-year lifetime to maintain. The aggregate ultimate cost of each ship, as a matter of fact, is, therefore \$32,000,000.

The cost of each ship would by 8,000 farms at \$4,000 each; it would construct 1,670 churches throughout the country at \$20,000 each; it would furnish the means of education through a four-year course to 16,000 men or women at \$500 per annum; it would build and equip 50 manual training schools with necessary tools and appliances, giving a trade to 75,000 young people each year; it would build a macadam road between Chicago and New York, or build and equip 40 Y. M. C. A. buildings of magnificent proportions, each building accommodating the young men in a city of 200,000 people.

The Republican Platform.

The eve of the Congressional campaign is at hand. It looks as if the Republican party proper, will boldly attempt to bluff the American people on these propositions:

That Aldrichism is a good thing for the country.

That "Uncle Joe" belongs to the Abraham Lincoln type of statesmen.

That the Payne-Aldrich tariff bill was the "best tariff bill ever passed" and is a God-send to consumers.

That the expenditure of more than double the sum used by Cleveland to run the government is really necessary for "party solidarity."

What Democracy Offers. Here is the platform the average Democratic candidate for Congress will present to the people:

Lower duties on the necessities of life.

An income tax that a large part of the burden of the cost of government may fall upon those best able to bear it.

Notice of Convention to Nominate County Officers.

The Democratic Convention for Randolph county, to nominate candidates for the general assembly and for the various county offices, is called to meet in the court house in Asheboro on Saturday, August 6th, 1910, at 11 o'clock a. m.

The primaries are called to meet at the various voting precincts on Saturday, July 30th, 1910, at 3 o'clock p. m., and instruct for such nominees as they may desire, and to send delegates to the County Convention; and also to nominate justices of the peace and constables. Every Democrat is urged to attend the primary and vote for the men of his choice.

By order of the committee. W. J. Miller, Chairman, This May 4th, 1910.

North Carolina Doctors Meet.

One of the largest attended and most profitable annual sessions of the North Carolina Medical Association was held at Wrightsville Beach last week. Hookworm was discussed extensively and plans made for campaigns against the disease in different parts of the State. Officers for next year were elected as follows:

President—Dr. C. M. Poole, Salisbury.

First Vice President—Dr. J. V. McGoogan, Fayetteville.

Second Vice President—Dr. W. E. Warren, Williamston.

Third Vice President—Dr. L. N. Glenn, Gastonia.

Secretary for Two Years—Dr. D. A. Stanton, High Point. Dr. Stanton was elected last year for three years.

Treasurer—Dr. H. D. Walker, Elizabeth City.

Dr. S. A. Templeton, of Cary, was named as orator; Dr. S. A. Stevens, of Monroe, essayist; Dr. John McCampbell, Morganton, leader of debate.

As the result of a race riot near Harrisville, Miss., last Sunday one white man and a negro are known to be dead, and two other negroes are reported to have been lynched.

retaliation.

Election of senators by direct vote.

Old-time democratic economy in public expenditures.

Restoration of popular government in the House of Representatives.

Roosevelt and Taft.

Gilson Gardner, a newspaper correspondent who joined the Roosevelt party in Egypt and accompanied it to Washington, and who had almost daily interviews with the ex president, stakes his reputation on the prediction that the Taft administration has been so thoroughly bad that Roosevelt will not endorse it in any shape, form or manner. He declares Taft deserted the Roosevelt policies cold-bloodedly. In connection with Gardner's statement, it is significant that Roosevelt should have been this long on American soil following his long absence in Africa without having seen the man he made president or having mentioned him in any way. Roosevelt and Taft have not met since March 4, 1909.

Aldrich "Stands Pat."

Hear ye! Hear ye! Senate Boss Nelson Wilmuth Aldrich stands pat on his original statement that the government is wasting \$300,000,000 a year. Senator Beveridge, fretting under Aldrich's indolence of the Republican party on the charge of gross and wanton extravagance, sought to discredit Aldrich declared he knew what he was talking about, and that if he could run the government as a business man, "without let or hindrance from anyone," he could save the people \$300,000,000 a year. Query: Is Aldrich contemplating joining the ranks of the insurgents? It would be interesting to know what the "stand pat" Republican editors of the country think of Aldrich's statement on Republican wastefulness.

Removing the Sting.

The House passed a bill requiring the publication of campaign expenses before and after election. The Senate took the sting out of the measure by amending it so that it provides for the publication of expenses 30 days after election.

NEWS ITEMS.

The fruit crop in North Carolina is said to be the best it has been for ten years.

Ellen Timmons, colored, died recently in Anson county at the age of 95.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Humber, of Carthage, will celebrate their golden wedding on July first.

Mrs. Cornelia Coltrane died at her home at Coltrane's Mills on last Friday, aged 72 years.

Mrs. Susan Miller, aged 93 years, died at her home near Charlotte, N. C., last Saturday night.

On last Friday, Lineman Hanks, of Lexington, who was at work on the telephone wires at Spencer, was struck by lightning and severely injured.

The governor of California has forbidden the Jeffries-Johnson prize fight to come off within that state, and the scene of the fight will probably be Reno, Nevada.

Mrs. C. L. Stevener, who has been a prominent teacher for some years, has recently been elected superintendent of the Beaufort graded schools and is probably the first woman in the State to hold such a position.

For the second time in a month, lightning struck a residence in Siler City last week. The bolt struck Mrs. Vestala's residence, going into every room in the front part of the house and doing considerable damage.

On last Saturday afternoon the High Point car line was completed. Mr. J. J. Farris, editor of the Daily Enterprise, driving the last spike. The cars are now in operation from Mechanicsville to Stillman's store, a distance of two and a half miles.

The last session of Congress has set a new high water mark in the matter of appropriations, the total amounting to \$1,074,000,000, which is \$400,000 more than the previous record-breaking appropriation.

Mr. B. F. Beasley, editor of the Monroe Journal, was last Saturday chosen Chairman of the North Carolina Anti-saloon league, to succeed Mr. Clarence H. Poe, resigned.

On Tuesday morning, while repairing the fire alarm system at Raleigh, Vernon Bynum a lineman, accidentally struck a live wire and was killed almost instantly. 2,300 volts of electricity flashed through his body.

Deputy Marshals G. A. Carroll of Greensboro and R. L. Blaylock took thirteen prisoners, sentenced at the recent term of Federal Court, to the Atlanta prison last week.

Rev. N. R. Richardson, is here on a visit to his daughter, Mrs. H. B. Slack, Lyndon street. Mr. Richardson is a former pastor of Spring Garden Street Methodist church—Greensboro Telegram.

Porter Charlton, an American youth of only 21 was arrested in New York last week, charged with the murder of his wife a woman 12 or 15 years his senior, while on their honeymoon tour in Italy.

On June 22, fire of unknown origin, destroyed the old plant of Swift and Co., occupied by Thompson and Co., and Geo. R. Martin for storage, in Salisbury with a loss of from \$10,000 to \$12,000.

Harper Rayle, who was recently arrested in Indiana charged with the murder of Miss Lydia Newman in Guilford County has been discharged in Greensboro for lack of evidence.

James M. Wadsworth, a wealthy citizen of Charlotte, committed suicide by shooting himself last Monday. Mr. Wadsworth had been drinking excessively and it is thought this was the cause of the act. He was highly esteemed by many friends.

Miss Josephine, daughter of the late John W. Mauney, of Salisbury, was married on Wednesday, June the 22nd, to James Earnest Alexander. Mr. Alexander is of Salisbury, and is one of the leading photographers of the State. Many relatives and friends of the bride in the state will be interested in the event.

Dr. Joseph Hyde Pratt says he has raised about \$2,500 in private donations toward a fund for the survey and other preliminary work on the highway over the Blue Ridge which is to connect Asheville, Oregy Mountain, Altapas and Linville.

Congregational Meeting.

A correspondent from Star tells of a revival meeting at Bailey's Grove church, conducted by Revs. A. Lamonda, of Star; T. F. Sechrest, of Randleman; C. O. Oakes, of Gonzales, Texas; and M. M. Bussey, of Atlanta, Ga. The meeting began June 18th, and lasted eight days.

A Congregational Church was organized, and steps are being taken toward erecting a church building.

Rev. A. Lamonda, and Rev. J. O. Oakes went to Star, N. C. Tuesday, and Rev. M. M. Bussey will remain in Randolph county for some time, preaching at different points.

High School, State, and other Examinations.

Examinations for the High School certificate and the Five-year certificate will be held in my office on the 14th, and 15, of July. This will be the only examination that will be held for these certificates in Randolph this year.

Those who wish to take the examination for county certificate may have the privilege of doing so on the above dates, although at the close of the institute work which will be announced in these columns next week; I will hold the regular examination for those who wish to teach in the schools of the county.

S. T. LASSITER, Co. Supt. of Schools.

Examinations for the A. & M. College.

Applicants for admission to the Agricultural and Mechanical College at Raleigh will be examined by the County Superintendent of Schools in his office at Asheboro on Thursday, July 14th, at nine o'clock. By standing these examinations young men may save the expense of a trip to Raleigh. The A. & M. College offers 120 Scholarships to bright, needy boys desiring industrial education. There are courses of instruction in Agriculture, Textile and Engineering (Civil, Electrical, Mechanical, Chemical and Mining).

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Sunday School Convention.

The Sunday School Convention for New Hope Township will be held at New Hope the 2nd Sunday in July. Every Sunday School worker is invited to come and take part in the discussion.

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Married.

Mr. Charles Heath and Miss Viola Davis were happily married at the home of Mr. Winfield Farlow, in Randleman, June 23. J. A. Russell performed the ceremony. Immediately after the ceremony the company proceeded to the home of the groom's mother, Mrs. Tom Farlow, where a bountiful wedding supper was served. Among the guests were Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Park and others. Their many friends wish for this young couple a long and happy life.

A Severe Storm.

Last Saturday a violent electrical storm did much damage at Hoskins a suburb three miles from Charlotte. The rain poured in the Chadwick-Hoskins cotton mill No. 1 and the machinery was seriously damaged. Fences were blown down, houses damaged, and the residents were terribly frightened. The storm caused two wash outs on the street car line in that vicinity.

The weather man says it was a local affair and that he had no forecast of it whatever.

Died.

Mr. Jeremiah McDowell, died at his home in Cedar Grove Township, near Gray's X Roads last Sunday and was buried Monday. Mr. McDowell was more than seventy years of age.

Board of Education Meets.

The County Board of Education will meet the second Monday in July instead of the first. The first Monday being a holiday, it is thought wise to postpone the meeting until the second Monday, July 11.

State Bar Association.

The North Carolina Bar Association is holding its twelfth annual session at Wrightsville Beach this week. Col. John W. Hinesdale, of Raleigh, is president of the Association. Many leading lawyers and jurists of the State are in attendance.

Asheboro Democratic Precinct Meeting

The Democratic primary for Asheboro Township for selecting delegates to the County Democratic Convention, and to vote for the nominations for candidates on the judicial and congressional tickets, and for corporation commissioners, met in the court house on the afternoon of Saturday the 25th of June, 1910, upon the call of Chairman Arthur Ross.

H. C. Moffitt was called to the chair, and Hal M. Worth and Ferree Ross were appointed as Secretaries. Upon motion the temporary organization was made permanent.

Walter Clark for Chief Justice and Platt D. Walker for Associate Justice, were nominated by acclamation. Upon ballot W. R. Allen received sixty five (65) votes and J. S. Manning received nineteen (19) votes for Associate Justice of the Supreme Court.

Upon ballot B. F. Long received fifty two (52) votes and R. Lee Wright received seventeen (17) votes for Judge of Superior Court.

Upon ballot W. T. Lee received forty six (46) votes and A. W. Graham received six (6) votes for Corporation Commissioner.

The following resolution was adopted unanimously: "Resolved, that we, the Democrats of Asheboro Township in convention assembled do unanimously approve the official conduct of Hon. W. C. Hammer as Solicitor of this district, and do endorse him for re-nomination; and the delegates from this Township are hereby instructed to cast the full vote of the Township in his favor at the county convention.

The following resolution was adopted unanimously: "Resolved, that we, the Democrats of Asheboro Township in convention assembled, do unanimously endorse the official acts and conduct of the Hon. R. N. Page, our representative in Congress, and do hereby instruct the delegates from this Township for his re-nomination.

The following persons were elected as delegates to the County Convention:

W. P. Wood, Elijah Moffitt, J. T. Brittain, W. J. Moore, S. E. Lowdermilk, Arthur Ross, A. C. McAllister, H. E. Moffitt, Hal M. Worth, Roscoe Miller, W. H. Glasgow, R. E. Ross, J. A. Holder, N. M. Lowe, Nathan Burrow, W. A. Bunch, W. L. Foust, R. I. Dickens, W. J. Armfield, Jr., W. A. Underwood, For Corporation Commissioner, Henry C. Brown was unanimously nominated.

There being no further business the convention adjourned.

H. C. Moffitt, Chairman, Hal M. Worth, Secretary, Ferree Ross, Ass't. Secretary. Asheboro, N. C., June 25, 1910.

Praise For Mr. Mordecai.

Secretary W. A. Hunt, of State Banker's Association in his report to the recent meeting of the State Bankers Association referred in terms of praise to Mr. S. F. Mordecai, head of the legal department of the Association. We quote from the report: In submitting my report, I cannot overlook the legal department, which is so ably conducted by Hon. S. F. Mordecai, dean of the law school at Trinity College. His service and advice are at the members command, and they should take advantage of it. This department has been and is now a great success.

Base Ball Thursday.

Next Thursday, July 7th, the Asheboro Ball team will play the "Greensboro Amateurs" on the local grounds. The game will be called promptly at 4:30 p. m.

Since this season began, the "Amateurs" have won a good percentage of their games played, and they will come to Asheboro with confidence and determination of adding one more game to their list of victories. On the contrary, Asheboro is just as determined to call a bolt to Greensboro's forward march, and they will put forth every effort to win the game. The home team will have its very strongest available line-up in the field against Greensboro, and a close, hard fought game is expected.

This will be the first real game of Base Ball played on the local diamond this season, and a large crowd should be out to help the home team fight its first real battle.

Mrs. W. J. Armfield and children visited relatives in High Point two or three days this week.

MARRIAGE AT LIBERTY.

Mr. Herbert N. Steed to Miss Vallie Trogdon—A Beautiful Wedding.

Liberty, N. C. June 23rd.

The quiet little village of Liberty was the scene of an unusually pretty marriage today when at 3 o'clock in the afternoon Miss Vallie Trogdon, of Liberty became the bride of Mr. Herbert N. Steed, of Raleigh. The ceremony was impressively performed by Dr. W. S. Long, of Graham, in the Christian Church which was beautifully decorated with evergreens, ferns and jasmine. The groom was attended by his best man, Dr. Williams, of the A. & M. faculty of Raleigh. The bride, beautifully attired in a going-away gown of tan silk serge came in on the arm of her brother, Mr. T. W. Trogdon, carrying a bouquet of bride's roses and lilies of the valley. The bride's sister, Miss Etta Trogdon, as maid of honor was becomingly dressed in white silk poplin and carried pink carnations. Little Miss Margaret Smith carried out very prettily the part of ring bearer. Immediately before the ceremony Miss Clara Moffit, of Asheboro, rendered beautifully the song so appropriate, O Perfect Love. Miss Sallie Patterson accompanied her on the organ and also played the wedding march. The other attendants were Misses Nell Causey of Greensboro, and Nellie Patterson and Affie Griffin of Liberty, and Messrs. Clyde Causey, of Greenville, S. C., Geo. Hannah, of Siler City, and M. Robins, of Greensboro.

Immediately after the ceremony the bride and groom boarded the train for a brief honeymoon in the mountains of North Carolina. A beautiful display of wedding presents attested the popularity of the bride and groom. Miss Trogdon, by her charming personality, has made many friends who will miss her sorely from her old home. The groom, Mr. Steed, is a member of the faculty of the A. & M. College, of Raleigh, and in the early fall the young couple will take up their residence at Raleigh. In the meantime after a brief honeymoon they will be at home at Steeds N. C.

Prof. Rheinhardt Dead.

Prof. H. W. Rheinhardt, of Thomasville, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. E. W. Lyon, in Greensboro, June 22, and was laid to rest in that city on the following day.

Prof. Rheinhardt was born in Albemarle County Va., but spent 25 years of his life as President of Thomasville Female College. He was a very able man. Many of his former students feel a distinct personal loss in the death of their friend and teacher.

Prof. Rheinhardt was 77 years of age. He is survived by his wife and two children, Mrs. Lyon, of Greensboro, and Dr. Dabney B. Rheinhardt, of Merrill, Wisconsin, all of whom were present when the end came.

Before going to Thomasville, he was a member of the faculty of Richmond College, of the Albemarle Institute at Fredericksburg; of the Baptist College at Raleigh; and had been President of Roanoke College, Danville. He served in the Confederate army as Captain of Company C, third. N. C. Cavalry, twice declining promotion. He was a graduate of the University of Virginia.

Prof. Reinhardt was a prominent Mason, and was buried with Masonic honors. The funeral services were conducted at the First Baptist Church, Greensboro, of which the deceased was a member, by the pastor, Rev. Edmund Harrison, D. D. His father, E. W. Reinhardt, was a prominent editor and commissioner of public lands under President, Andrew Jackson.

Eastern Star at Franklinville.

The Franklinville lodge of the Eastern Star installed the following officers last Thursday night:

Mrs. D. M. Weatherly, W. M.; L. F. Fentress, W. P.; A. J. Hayes, Associate M.; Berta Ellison, Conductor; Mattie Julian, Treasurer; C. H. Julian, Secretary; Mrs. J. C. Maner, Organist; Carolina Craven, Chaplain; Pattie Lutterloh, Adm and Bessie Cox, Ruth and Lula Hayes, Esther, Martitia, Martha and Addie Fentress and Florence Tippet, Associate Conductors; Ethel Barrow, Warden; J. C. Maner, Sentinel.