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## Congressional Campaign

### Mountain Scenery—Swollen Streams—Narrow Escapes—Debates in which Crawford Bests His Opponent Britt.

Special correspondence.

Messrs Britt and Crawford after speaking at Franklin took two carriages and went through the mountains on their campaign to the lofty Highlands, the highest town this side of the Rockies, not even excepting Boone. Enroute to Highlands we saw magnificent falls, cascades amid the lofty mountains and racing, deep, wide and swift rivers.

Fording in the rain the swollen Buck creek, we had a narrow escape. As Mr. Crawford had to speak in two hours at Highlands, we had to ford to reach the appointment and rush into the swollen streams whose waters reached above the seats of the carriage and we three were wet men. I told Mr. Crawford he had two seats—a wet seat and a seat in congress in the future.

At Highlands, a beautiful summer resort, perched 3,828 feet on the mountain top and with a summer population of 1,100 and 350 in the cold winter, the building was crowded with voters, tourists, male and female in charming contrast. Would like to describe some of the grand water-falls in the narrow defiles, the scenery, lofty columnar rocks where eagles cry in this peerless, wondrous mountain land which frames its beauty in rocks, cascades, fir and balsam but my mission, which is political, forbids.

The mountain roads were sometimes good along the swiftly racing rivers and streams up to the gap where lovely clouds, like islands, gather amid the crags. Other roads were rough and perilous climbing, three miles an hour. The people of the mountains, noted for their proud independence of character and individuality were kind and hospitable; some of their homes isolated in the mountain fastnesses were stylish, costly and large, interspersed with mountain cabins beside the spring cool as ice, surrounded by ferns and mountain flowers.

Then we climbed following the streams, superb surveys for roads and railroads, up the mountains of Cullowhee, viewed the grand Tuckaseegee river, then down the mountain to Glensville. At Cullowhee are five \$11,500 buildings built by the state and a normal and industrial school of about 100 pupils, under the presidency of J. A. Monroe, a great grand nephew of President Monroe. At Cullowhee the house was crowded by voters and students, cheers and the incense of flowers from fair hands animated Messrs Britt and Crawford.

Crawford is an aggressive and able campaigner and is an adept in the use of ridicule and sarcasm, two formidable weapons in debate. He is one of the people, a tall, broad-shouldered, athletic mountaineer and stands six feet high, weighing 190 pounds. His age is 50 years, has a wife and four children. He is a better and more incisive talker than his more scholastic opponent, Britt, who is very respectful to Crawford, and seeks by his soft words to catch democratic votes in this race, for he knows there is no chance for him without democratic aid. Mr. Britt is a pleasant speaker, lacking in magnetism and often fails to enthuse his crowd like Crawford, but democrats must remember that he is no man of straw and think that demo-

cratic work is unnecessary. He is 44 years of age, has a wife and seven children. He looks like a preacher in his clerical black suit, standing collar and gold spectacles.

Mr. Britt was born in Tennessee and moved to North Carolina 22 years ago, where he has taught school about a dozen years, and has been in the internal revenue department hunting blockaders for 5 years and then disbursing officer for 3 more years at Asheville.

Neither uses tobacco in any form or intoxicants and are honored members of the Baptist church. Each "wears without reproach the grand old name of gentleman."

The campaign has been able and aggressive yet innocent of mud-slinging and personal abuse. They fight nobly under their respective banners, yet after debate they remain good friends, while striving for supremacy. Each is a superb representative of his party and bravely holds aloft their party's achievements for the voters approval.

The Webster court house was crowded to hear the speeches of the opposing candidates who ably discuss the issues of the day in a debate free from strife. The debate began at Robbinsville two weeks ago and terminated for the present at Webster in Jackson county and no quarrel marred the amity of two friends, while the crowds were respectful and generally orderly. In this county there is a local issue injected by the republicans to catch democratic votes. The question is not now the removal of the court house from Webster to more progressive Sylva on the railroad—that is now impossible, but to discuss and allow the right of the people of Jackson to vote on the removal, provided the majority of voters so petition the legislature. This is a local issue and cuts no ice in the congressional race. Crawford will carry Jackson by the usual majority—about 100.

Mr Crawford opened the ball at Webster in his usual able, aggressive and incisive manner and held his crowd which frequently cheered him. With sledge hammer blows he dealt in arguments and answers to his opponents fallacies and his speech was interlarded with anecdotes that pleased and amused republicans and democrats. He began with the three oft repeated charges against Britt and his republican party in North Carolina. He told about Britt's resignation of his office at Asheville, which office he may again hold after his defeat in Nov. He read from the ponderous Secretary Taft's speech at the republican convention at Greensboro, where he said in thunderous tones, "It is best for the republican party in North Carolina that all federal offices should be held by the democrats of the state." Then he read Judge Bynum's republican and caustic criticism of his own party when he said, "George Washington was first in war, first in peace and first in the hearts of his countrymen, the republican party are always in war, never in peace, and always in the pockets of their countrymen."

"Remember republicans this is what your own men have said of your own party, not my words. The republican convention at Greensboro, where rows and police were present,

was also exposed, for it was a struggle between Judge Adams and Congressman Blackburn for control of party machinery and to determine which faction should control the distribution of "pie" to hungry office seekers.

Mr. Britt says he favors the Adams faction; he has been an internal revenue officer for five years; then he was a faithful disbursing officer for three years. Although a young lawyer of less than one year's practice, he admits he was appointed assistant district attorney to help prosecute Congressman Blackburn, the only republican congressman in North Carolina, and the last one for the next ten years, yet Blackburn was acquitted, notwithstanding Britt's efforts and speech. Britt tried to send the only republican congressman to jail for high crimes and misdemeanors.

Thus I have shown without malice the misdeeds of this party that Britt defends, and ask you to vote for honest, good government. The republican party is in favor of protection that protects the rich manufacturer, upholds trusts and monopolies and robs the masses to enrich the classes; the democratic party is the friend of the masses, helps the agricultural south and fights against unjust taxation, monopolies and the hydra-headed trusts."

Then the tedious, abstruse and generally uninteresting Dingley tariff on 4,200 articles of trade, was discussed at length—too long for this paper to give all his arguments against protection that protects the manufacturer and robs the southern farmer whose products are not helped by protection, but the farmer has to pay a high tax on what he buys.

"This Dingley tariff is a tax, a heavy burden, and no tax can make a nation rich and prosperous, yet this is what Britt claims. The idea of a tax making a nation prosperous is ridiculous. Here is the Dingley law that I hold in my hand, and this little pamphlet of about six pages made you rich and brought you all your prosperity, so Britt claims. Why Britt, are you not ashamed to attempt to fool intelligent voters this way?"

"Prosperity is world-wide, and nations in Europe and Asia are prosperous, tariff or no tariff. A hundred things, as varied as the intonations of our southern mocking bird, natural causes, the blessings of Providence, the wealth of our mines and forests, our agricultural resources, increase of gold output and increase of money in circulation, our exports of \$1,400,000,000 to foreign markets, the toil and sweat of millions of laborers—all these have combined to make this grand country rich and prosperous in spite of tariff.

The cotton crop exports from the South, besides what was used by our own mills in this country amounted to \$400,000,000 total, or more than a million dollars for every day in this year.

"The toil of the laboring man, upon whose grave no costly marble shaft is ever raised, helped to make us rich—yet Britt puts a stain on the brow of toil when he says protection did it all."

Mr. Britt was introduced by Zeb Vance Watson and replied in an able and forceful manner that evoked applause from his side. He had no apologies to offer for his eight years service in the internal revenue department, that he did his duty "fearlessly and faithfully and disbursed \$13,000,000 at Asheville and the balance was correctly kept, and of the record I am proud. I also admit that I, as a lawyer, with scarcely one year's practice, helped to prosecute

my friend, Congressman Blackburn, who was acquitted. He and I are still good friends."

Then he claimed that Mr. C's charges and indictment against the republican party in this state were generally not specific—dealt in glittering generalities without specifications. "A lawyer, as you all know—and I see some lawyers here today—must present in court charges and specifications in his indictment.

"Tom Taggart, once a democratic chairman, was indicted and evicted for keeping a gambling saloon at his hotel at French Lick Springs." Then from a different viewpoint he discussed protection that under republican rule had added wealth and brought prosperity to this country. Then he dwelt at length on the panic under democratic policy of "free trade" that has brought ruin to this land. Protection and republican rule are synonymous; panic and democracy are in unison and go together.

The prices of farm products from the government report of Secretary Cortelyou was read differently from Mr. Crawford's statistics, as Mr. C. had read these prices to show that under some periods of democratic rule corn, wheat, oats and cotton were higher than under republican rule. "Under the high prices of these farm products I ask you to vote for the republican party and prosperity."

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