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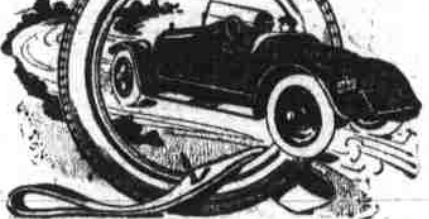
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THE CITIZEN AND W. N. C. PROGRESS.

Editor of The Citizen:

It has been my privilege this Summer to enjoy not only the climate of Asheville but to observe each day the able efforts The Citizen is making for the further development of Western North Carolina. And as an office newspaper man, those efforts have won an admiration that I here take the liberty of expressing. I trust the people not only of Asheville but of the dozen towns and resorts in this quarter of the State, are appreciative of the constant enthusiastic and intelligent work for the general prosperity of the whole mountain section that The Citizen is doing. I have observed with pleasure the unselfishness with which the communities are reaching whatever the prospects of Hendersonville, Waynesville, Marion, Black Mountain, Rutherford or the Sapphire County may be they are freely reaching out and encouraged by The Citizen.

It is cheerfully conceded by me that in speaking for the scenery and the climate of this part of the Old North State you have a subject worthy of enthusiasm. They were appreciated by many North Carolina gentlemen of this coast region about a half century before the railroad engineers successfully tackled the difficulties of the ascent at Saluda Gap. Those gentlemen built summer homes here, the most noted settlement being that at Flat Rock; and each Summer—or those Summers they did not spend in Newport, Saratoga or Paris—they drove in their carriages 300 miles to their mountain Summer homes.

I did not know these mountains until the railroad was built through from Spartanburg in 1880; but how deeply must have been their call to the "low country man" of South Carolina, of three-quarters of a century ago when he took his way with his family across 300 miles of roads as they then existed in order to spend the Summer months in this climate. And so we must smile with an indulgence for human frailties when we hear the Summer visitor from Florida, Georgia or South Carolina say after returning around Park Square at midday: "It is just as hot as at home."

There have been tremendous improvements in this section in the last 10 years, more perhaps than the people living here all the time realize. But the turn in the tide for Asheville happened. I think far back as the coming here of the late George W. Vanderbilt. When I go over these fine roads now, Mr. Editor, I frequently think of the early March of the year Biltmore House was completed. That month the road coming into Asheville from the present Biltmore Station, was for some hundreds of yards on the Asheville side, impassable for horsemen and there were abandoned wagons, axle deep in the mud.

These are not "grand" mountains but they have qualities much better for those seeking a Summer home in a cool climate they are useful and they are beautiful. This fact is pleasantly reminded on me 15 years ago when coming directly here after some time spent among the rugged red crags of the Rockies. And recall the treacherous Andes, whose heights would abash three Mount Michells, piled one atop the other, my opinion of the section as the climate for restfulness and beauty is unchanged.

Some day the people from these hot cities of the Middle West will discover this mountain section as the best and most convenient refuge in Summer; and just as soon as you have the houses for them and let them know it, the wealthy Cubans who now flock to the Green and White Mountains, will come to Western North Carolina.

Meanwhile, I congratulate The Citizen on its able efforts for the political and material benefit of this section and hope that its rewards may be commensurate with the worthiness of its efforts.

WILLIAM E. GONZALES, Howland Road, Asheville, Sept. 8, 1922.

THE SCHOOLS OF NURSING.

Editor of The Citizen:— In justice to the Schools of Nursing connected with our hospitals and to the Nursing profession at large, the article "More Money, More Nurses," which appeared in your issue of the sixth should not go unchallenged.

Your statement, "It is upon the graduates of the Hospital Training School that the Army of Public Health service depend to recruit their staffs," is perfectly true. In the same source the ranks of the Red Cross, the Institutional Nurses, Instructors, Child Welfare, Social Service, Industrial Rural and City Public Health Nurses, Sanitary Inspectors and Private Duty Nurses are recruited. Is it remarkable that the supply is not equal to the demand?

A recent inspection of the accredited Schools of Nursing in North Carolina shows that the classes have their full quota of students. Many of the schools have a number of applicants on their waiting lists in spite of, or perhaps because of, the higher educational and other requirements for admission.

Reports from other states, given at the National Convention in June, are equally gratifying. Though the Nursing profession is less than 50 years old the records of 1921

show 120,000 registered for license) nurses in the United States. About 20,000 graduated last year. Many of the larger schools are requiring tuition fees. Some having University affiliation are giving four year courses.

As every ambitious young woman can understand, to acquire her profession at such expense the advantages offered in the hospitals maintaining accredited Schools of Nursing are invaluable. With the student receiving her professional education she is provided with a comfortable home and all expense incident to her education is borne by the institution. No salary is received by the student. The nurse is not a financial asset, but an educational responsibility. Good nursing means more than taking a temperature, giving a dose of medicine or a bath. Nurses are not "born" and there are no "short cuts" to the profession. It is acquired and developed only through carefully planned and carefully executed routine care of the sick. Nursing procedures require a definiteness, skill and precision comparable to that of any profession. "Nursing is an Art, and if it is to be made an Art it requires, as hard a preparation as the painter's or sculptor's work." It is an art to do with dead canvas or cold marble compared with having to do with the living body.

Health includes spiritual, mental and moral as well as physical welfare, and no preparation for such responsibility can be unnecessary or too long.

Very truly,
MARY LANTON, R. N., Peace, N. C. State League of Nursing Education, Biltmore, Sept. 9, 1922.

GREAT IMPETUS TO PROGRESS.

Editor of The Citizen:

Asheville is now engaged in an undertaking which will give greater impetus and development in the raising of larger funds for advertising and other Chamber of Commerce activities than any event since the famous Board of Commerce campaign in 1912. When \$30,000 was raised for three years Chamber of Commerce activities. The 1912 campaign required a solid week of until 10:30 o'clock on Saturday night before the entire \$30,000 was raised.

The present campaign for investment memberships in the Asheville Chamber of Commerce and adequate finances, contemplates five times the amount raised in 1912 or \$50,000 a year with a total of \$150,000 for three years. I give this amount is far too small to advertise the great city of Asheville with its sixty million dollars of resources.

I have the utmost faith in the business interests and citizens of Asheville that the amount of \$50,000 a year will be exceeded when the progressive citizens of Asheville who are giving time and money, call on them for their investment, which has heretofore yielded more than double the population in Asheville and suburbs since 1910, and over the time the total property values in Asheville since 1910.

For over a year it has been my dream to see this campaign put on. Even this amount is far too small to advertise the great city of Asheville with its sixty million dollars of resources. I have the utmost faith in the business interests and citizens of Asheville that the amount of \$50,000 a year will be exceeded when the progressive citizens of Asheville who are giving time and money, call on them for their investment, which has heretofore yielded more than double the population in Asheville and suburbs since 1910, and over the time the total property values in Asheville since 1910.

During the 12 years from July, 1910, to July, 1916, the sum of \$22,988 has been expended by the Chamber of Commerce in advertising and all other activities in which it has been engaged, or an average of \$18,985.00 a year—not a bad showing in view of the fact that the population of Asheville at the Board of Trade in 1910 and for two years after, was \$6,000 a year, 50 cents a month or less than a cent and three-quarters a day.

My immediate predecessors had only \$1,842.00 a year to expend for all purposes.

It may interest the public to know that the first year of my incumbency, or for the year ending June 30, 1921, the amount expended was \$4,255.00, while for the year ending June 30, 1921, the total amount raised for all purposes was \$41,854.

My deepest gratitude goes out to the citizens of Asheville for their splendid support of the organization for these past 12 years, but my earnest and sincerest thanks are those that give even greater support and greater co-operation to the newer and larger Chamber of Commerce which is now being built.

Yours very truly,
N. BUCKNER, Secretary, Asheville, September 9, 1922.

LETTER OF THANKS

Editor of The Citizen:— We, the patients of Ward E-2, Oteen, wish to express our appreciation and thanks to the dear ladies of the Chestnut Street Methodist Church, who have been coming out to see us, and doing so many nice things for us. Their visits have been a great help, and pleasure to us, and we look forward to their visits each week, and are equally gratified that the ladies for the piano and all other kindnesses.

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Again, and for about the twentieth time, that political idealism known as Wilsonism has been "killed" in the perpetual conflict between truth and error on the field of political strife. It reminds me of how they used to kill Clevelandism, every year and then, some thirty odd years ago. When he was Governor of New York, New York a demagogue and unprincipled legislature enacted a measure fixing the fares at five cents on the elevated railroads of New York City. It was a splendid popular scheme. Mr. Cleveland, however, saw in it a violation of a solemn contract between the State and the elevated rail companies. An old fashioned, stubborn honest man, Mr. Cleveland could never be made to see how anything good could come from a violation of pledged faith and he vetoed the fare cuts with a veto that put an end to the thing till a new contract could be negotiated between the State and the railroads.

Then it was that tidings, which were spread to all quarters of our glorious Union that Governor Cleveland had destroyed himself as a factor of the great American political equation. It looked like it. Not since Major General Andy Jackson had gone to Heaven had the American public seen any such moral courage as this Mr. Cleveland had given exhibition of. It spoke in trumpet tone, not in words, but in action. "I'd rather be right than President!"—that political fortitude and all the political integrity between the two oceans sat up and took notice and came to the conclusion: "This is a man!"

And so it came about that Grover Cleveland was nominated for President the United States by the Democratic Party that elected him "for the enemies he had made." He was elected over them most devotedly loved and the most brilliant leader the Republican Party ever produced. When Grover Cleveland came to Washington to be President he fettered that entire store of Clevelandism of which he possessed and set it up in the White House. He was President in fact as well as in name. Whenever and wherever he saw a sham he smote it, regardless of consequences. He was the only President seen anything like it since Major General Andy Jackson's day the country was dazed, unprepared as the country was for the reception of so bonafide store of civic virtue. There was a revolt in the Democratic ranks. Tammany made a bid for the G. O. P., that is what it agreed to elect David Hill Governor over temperance fanatic Warner Miller, who was nominated "to fall outside the great work," yet this revolt would not have succeeded if down Cleveland had not John Wannamaker raised a hoodie fund of \$200,000 to aid in the campaign of the Republican campaign. The money was spent, the books were burned, an act that always is equivalent to plea of insanity and Harrison carried New York by less than 13,000 votes in a total vote of the State numbering 1,317,617. Even this amount of money is the popular vote of the entire Union than Harrison won.

And now it was again repeated to all points of the compass that Clevelandism was certainly dead and buried and resurrected by Cleveland Democrats, such as German, Tammany Hall and others of like ilk, together with the victorials Republicans. A lot of fear is the G. O. P. was in complete charge of the government at Washington and instantly set about making a monopoly tariff. It also set about the repeal of the gold question by enacting the Sherman silver law that put every body and everything in the Union, on the silver basis except the United States Treasury.

Then it was that business, real business, honest business, set up and hoped for resurrected the great act of the Sherman silver law ninety per cent. of the tariff revenue was paid in gold. After that law went into effect the customs house got not a cent of gold. Tariff taxes were paid in silver certificates. Business knew that meant a devaluation of our financial system. We were plunging right into the silver standard. Honest business and honest money needed a man. Grover Cleveland was the man.

The country awakened to the danger. The Democratic Party of Cleveland's own State was the personal property of Tammany and David Hill, who were viciously anti-Cleveland. In 1890 the Democrats gained the most signal victory any party has ever gained in a national election when they carried Congress. As a result, greater than the subsequent Republican victory of 1920. In fact, for in 1890 the Republicans carried but three States east of the Mississippi, Rhode Island, Vermont and Pennsylvania, and Pennsylvania was a slight close. The entire Republican membership of the House of Representatives was only eighty-eight. Everybody said it was a tremendous Democratic victory. In fact it was a tremendous Grover Cleveland victory.

And then his enemies proceeded to kill Clevelandism some more. Roger K. Mills was the Cleveland candidate for Speaker, and Chas. F. Crisp the anti-Cleveland candidate. Tammany was never so active and practical politics never so brilliant. Suffice it to say now that Mills absolutely refused to promise any position on any committee. Every place on every committee was promised by Crisp. That made him Speaker, and that alone made him Speaker. The office was sought, not with money, but with the food that vainly feeds not but city Springfield, or Illinois, who was made Chairman of Ways and Means. There are scores of others.

Then again the vain went forth. "Clevelandism is dead." A snap convention was held in New York and the delegation to the national convention was instructed for Dave Hill and the news was sent out that Clevelandism was again killed. The convention assembled in Chicago. There was but one ballot for Grover Cleveland and that ballot got more than two-thirds of the total vote of the convention. He was elected President, carrying the solid South, Connecticut, California, Illinois, Indiana, New Jersey, New York and Wisconsin.

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for what they would fetch in gold. That drained the country of gold. The issue changed from the tariff to courage. Cleveland determined to sustain the gold standard. Both parties in Congress snarled at him and barked at him. He grimly said: "Carlisle knows all I ought to know I can bear all we have to bear." And so he did. He forced the repeal of the Sherman silver law. He sold bonds for gold and thus continued gold payments. He examined the gold standard down the throats of both parties in Congress. He maintained the public faith and established the public credit on the firm foundation it has ever since rested on.

Grover Cleveland's second term was the most triumphant administration of our history judged by results. Suppose a little man had been in power? Our financial system would have been completely Mexicanized.

The folly of the Democratic Party gave power to the Republican Party from 1897 till 1912. Now only the enactment of the William L. Wilson tariff, following the repeal of the Sherman silver law, the country started to work. Go back to the newspaper files immediately after the passage of the Democratic tariff and you will read copious reports of business revival. Factories re-opened everywhere and the boom would have come then had not Isham G. Harris of Tennessee and George W. Ethlman, of Illinois, called the Democrats Party to call in counsel on the silver question at Memphis.

Right then business shut up shop and went to bed with the resolve, "Very well, when you politicians settle the coinage question, I'll wake up and go to work." That intensified the panic and we had the delicious campaign of 1896. William McKinley became President. In 1902 he wrote this in the Republican platform of that year: "We denounce Grover Cleveland for his hostility to silver." But in 1887, when Cleveland was second term Clevelandism was powerful enough to force the gold standard down his reluctant throat and down the reluctant throat of his party.

In 1922 Woodrow Wilsonism is no more dead than Grover Clevelandism was in 1892—not a bit. What a resounding sigh of relief would greet all over our land from ocean to ocean if a man of the calibre of Grover Cleveland or Woodrow Wilson were right now President of the United States!

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