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The Reins of Our Government Are Now in New Hands

Nearly Half a Million to See The Inauguration

Blinding Snowstorm and Slush Interfere Seriously with Program of the Ceremonies of the Inauguration of the New President—The Sixtieth Congress Ends and the Inaugural Ceremonies Take Place in the Senate Chamber.

It is now President William Howard Taft. It is no longer President-elect Taft or President Roosevelt. It is Ex-President Roosevelt.

Nearly half a million patriotic Americans braved a blinding snow storm last Thursday in Washington to witness the inauguration of the new President of the United States and the incoming of a new administration. The blizzard, the worst in 10 years at the national capital, seriously broke into the fixed program, and for the first time since Andrew Jackson's inaugural the oath of office was administered in the Senate chamber.

The Sixtieth Congress came to an end at noon and it glided into the Sixty-first so imperceptibly that the change was scarcely noticeable. The final act, though unofficial insofar as the House was concerned, took place in the Senate chamber, where both houses witnessed the incoming of the new administration.

Roosevelt accompanied the President-elect down the aisle of the chamber amid enthusiastic cheers from the vast audience. Chief Justice Fuller administered the oath to Mr. Taft, and the new President at once began his inaugural address. Senators and Representatives joined with the galleries in applauding the remarks of the President, and a wild outburst of cheers greeted his reference to the South, in which he said:

"I look forward with hope to increasing the already good feeling between the South and the other sections of the country. My chief purpose is not to effect a change in the electoral vote of the Southern States. That is a secondary consideration. What I look forward to is an increase in the tolerance of political views of all kinds and their advocacy throughout the South and the existence of a respectable political opposition in every State; even more than this, to an increased feeling on the part of all the people in the South that this government is their government, and its officers in their States are their officers."

The consideration of this question cannot, however, be complete and full without reference to the negro race. The thirteenth amendment secured them freedom; the fourteenth amendment, due process of law, protection of property and the pursuit of happiness; and the fifteenth amendment attempted to secure the negro against any deprivation of the privilege to vote, because he was a negro. The thirteenth and fourteenth amendments have been generally enforced and have secured the objects for which they were intended.

While the fifteenth amendment has not been generally observed in the past, it ought to be observed, and the tendency of Southern legislation to-day is toward the enactment of electoral qualifications which shall square with that amendment.

Of course the mere adoption of a constitutional law is only one step in the right direction. It must be fairly and justly enforced as well. In time both will come. Hence it is clear to all that the domination of an ignorant, irresponsible element can be prevented by constitutional laws which shall exclude from voting both negroes and whites not having education or other

qualifications thought to be necessary for a proper electorate.

Despite the cold weather the parade was a notable event, and thousands stood in the slush to get a view of the presidential party.

A brilliant ball and fireworks were the features with which the memorable day was closed.

Roosevelt and family left Thursday afternoon for Oyster Bay, where a home-coming reception awaited them. The Ex-President will leave at once for Africa to spend a year hunting and traveling in the Dark Continent.

CEDAR CREEK

News Notes and Personal Paragraphs from the Village by the Cape Fear.

Cedar Creek, Nov. 8. The road force is now working on the Wilmington road. It will be quite a relief to the people traveling that road when they come to the old Nelson McNeill lane on that road to find a good hard road instead of the deep sand that has been there from time immemorial.

The people are pleased with the idea that the new river bridge is to have two sidewalks.

Wednesday was a very windy day, and we had quite a storm about the middle of the day. Many trees in some sections were blown down, and much damage was done to fences and telephone lines.

Mr. James F. Vinson, who has been very popular as a school teacher in the neighboring districts, was married to Miss Lillie Harin on the 2d ult.

Mr. C. H. Cogdell, of Elasee, was in the village for a short while Friday. He speaks well of the Index and thinks it will be a success.

Amos Burns, a very good colored citizen, lost a barn containing about 75 bushels of corn on the night of the 4th.

Miss Kate Shaw spent the day visiting in the village Saturday.

Mr. Joe McAlpine, of Stedman, was a visitor at Mr. J. H. Faircloth's Sunday.

We hear that the wedding bells are soon to ring and that our efficient road superintendent, Mr. Wise is to take unto himself a wife. We hope the report is true and wish for him much success and happiness.

The young men are to have a public debate at the school house next Saturday night. We hope the public will honor them with a good attendance that night.

Rev. P. T. Britt preached at Cumberland Union church Sunday evening.

Mrs. Mary Melvin, an aged lady, is very sick at her granddaughter's, Mrs. Mac Smith. We hope she will soon recover and live to see several years yet.

The farmers are busy now getting ready to plant, and we notice, as usual, that they are preparing to plant a large cotton crop. It would be well for them to pause and reflect before deciding to plant too much. A reduction of 25 per cent. in the acreage would do more than anything else to increase the price.

JUVENUS.

Karl Jansen in Fayetteville

Karl Jansen, the humorist and entertainer from "The Land of the Midnight Sun," appeared before a large audience in the auditorium of the Graded School Friday night. To say that the audience was delighted but barely describes the degree of appreciation with which the Swede was heard. His program was varied and spicy, without a dull minute in the entire two hours. He comes as near being a button "buster" as any entertainer we have heard of. To hear him is a genuine pleasure of the wholesome and elevating kind. Many a dollar show affords less pleasure to an audience.

Important News Briefly Told

Events of General Interest Reported for the Convenience of Readers Who Are in a Hurry.

A. L. Saintsing, a moulder, of Raleigh, committed suicide early Saturday morning in his bed by putting a bullet in his brain.

President Taft has issued a call for a special session of the sixty-first congress to convene March 15. The call does not mention the object for which the special session is convened.

The saloons of Lynchburg closed Friday night at ten o'clock in conformity with the result of the local option election held in December. The closing was quiet and without unusual incident.

Four unsuccessful attempts have been made during the past few days to burn up the Jackson county jail, at Webster. The attempts have been unsuccessful because of the prisoners and Sheriff Worley.

The State Fair dates have been determined upon and announcement has been made that these are October 18-23. The time selected for the State Fair this year is such that there will be no conflict with other fairs.

No specific opposition was made to the confirmation of any member of the cabinet when the President sent that body his list of nominations Friday. The nominations followed the formal notification of the President by a Senate committee that the Senate was organized.

United States District Attorney Kealing, at Indianapolis, has resigned rather than participate in the efforts in the Department of Justice to bring Delevan Smith and Jos. Pulitzer to Washington to stand trial for criminal libel in connection with publications concerning the Panama canal and railroad.

A decision was handed down in an Ohio county court by Judge W. W. Hole, ruling that liquor can be sold on the Ohio river without violating the law. This will greatly handicap the work of the dry forces, as nearly all the towns along the Ohio river have voted to prohibit the sale of liquor.

The worst storm in years swept the middle Atlantic seaboard from Norfolk to New York Thursday. Thousands of the inaugural visitors were tied up in snowbound trains and telephone and telegraph lines were completely destroyed at many places. Three lives were lost off Staten Island.

The trial of Col. Cooper and his son and ex-Sheriff Sharp, for the murder of U. S. Senator Catmack is nearing its end. The trial has been in progress six weeks, nearly five weeks having been spent in selecting the jury and fourteen days having been consumed in the taking of testimony. Both sides closed their testimony last Saturday.

Senator Simmons has been appointed a member of the waterways commission consisting of five members of the Senate and seven members of the House. This body is one of the most important ever authorized by Congress. It is empowered to travel in all the countries of the world and investigate the study of navigable streams, to inspect the waterway projects of the United States, and is directed to make a report to Congress, following this study of national and world-wide projects with a view of a comprehensive scheme for the improvement of water-ways and cheapening water transportation.

Rev. Father Price, of Raleigh, will begin next Wednesday evening in the Catholic church a series of lectures on the Catholic faith and the reasons therefor. The lectures will continue a week.

Public Debate at Salemburg

Delightful and Inspiring School Event—News Notes and Personal.

Salemburg, N. C., March 8. The Public Debate given by the Athenian and Philotechnic Literary Societies Friday evening, March 5th, was quite an interesting occasion and highly enjoyed by the large crowd present. The question: "Resolved, that men of action have done more for the world than men of thought." Those on the affirmative were Miss Susie Brooks, Mr. Lloyd Gilbert, Miss Mattie Royal and Mr. Henry Carr, on the negative Miss Fannie Vann, Mr. Stewart Howard, Miss Johnnie Howard and Mr. M. White. The decision committee, Dr. G. L. Sykes, Prof. E. H. Fisher, Mr. McKing, Mrs. S. A. Howard and Miss Florence Luman, found quite a task in rendering a decision, as each one did so well in delivery, oratory and argument, that it was difficult to give it to one to the exclusion of the other, but after due deliberation and careful study they rendered the decision in favor of the negative, with flattering compliments to both sides.

The program was extended by music: Opening chorus by the school—Snow Flakes. Piano Solo, Gongs—by Miss Ethel Howard. Piano Solo, Lullaburline—by Miss Clyda Howard. Piano Solo, Fifth Valse—by Miss Hazel Cooper. Recitation: The Curtain—by Miss Maggie Cooper. Chorus by School. Oth In the Silly Night, and That Fairy Like Missie.

Mr. Wiley Gilbert, who has children in school here, came to attend the Debate, as did Mr. W. L. Brooks, of Jonesboro, and Mrs. P. Fisher, of Roseboro.

Miss Lula Fatch, of Rosehill, who is teaching near Clinton, and Miss Katie Dell Crumpler took in the Debate, remaining over till Sunday visiting friends.

Mr. P. L. Brigman, of Coffee Springs, Va., is visiting at Dr. G. L. Sykes, where he joined his wife who on an extended visit to her brother.

Mr. J. E. Howard and Mrs. Ann White spent several days at Orange, Robeson county, with Mr. Howard's daughter, Miss Bonnie Howard, who has charge of the music department in the school there.

Miss Fannie Vann and brother Henry, who are in school, were called home Thursday evening on account of the death of their aunt at Bates Creek. Mr. Joe Weeks also went home to the funeral of Mrs. McPhail, his grandmother. We sympathize with them.

Mr. McKinney, who has been on an extended visit to relatives in Washington, D. C., has returned home much to the delight of her many friends.

The public school here closed last Thursday but Miss Florence Butler will continue a private school.

Rev. W. J. Jones went to the closing exercises of Straw Pond school Friday, March 5th, where he delivered the address.

Miss Mary Cole, a popular young lady of Carabonton, is spending several days with her cousin, Mrs. W. J. Jones, at the dormitory.

Miss Alice Godwin, of near Fayetteville, is spending a while with her sister, Mrs. Jim Cooper.

Miss Remeta and Henna Cooper entertained a few friends Saturday evening complimentary to these young ladies.

Misses Ethel Herring and Lucie Cooper each entertained, Saturday, in honor of visiting girls.

There will be a musical concert given in the Academy Hall Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock. The selections will be popular and classical. There will be moving pictures and illustrated songs. Admission 25 and 10c.

F. M. P.

They Are Voting in Bunches Now in the Index Prize Contest

WEEKLY COTTON REVIEW

Prices Advanced Mainly Owing to Texas Drought and Better Spot Markets.

Prices advanced during the past week mainly owing to the Texas drought and better spot markets. There were large sales at some of the big centres of spot trade in this country, including New York, and Liverpool's spot business also increased. Prices for actual cotton advanced on both sides of the water. It is believed that the March commitments for export are very large and the stock in New York is steadily decreasing. The south has been buying there from time to time, and Liverpool, if it has sold December and January, has bought the near months presumably in liquidating straddles.

The disposition among the great mass of operators is to wait to see whether Texas is to get rain soon. They are awaiting also action on the tariff and signs of a revival of business when the tariff is out of the way.

Severe Storm.

Fayetteville was visited by quite a severe storm last Wednesday. The top of a chimney of the residence of Mrs. Moore on Green street was blown down and a large hole made through the roof, the damage being estimated at \$50. A tenement house belonging to Mr. Jno. A. Oates, near the cemetery, had the roof blown off.

The storm seems to have been general throughout central and eastern Carolina. At Rocky Mount it became so dark that the trains were lighted up and ran with lighted headlights, while darkness in a similar degree prevailed for a few minutes in many other places. Much damage resulted from the storm.

BOARDS OF EDUCATION

Named by the Legislature for Two, Four and Six Years.

The first of the County Boards of Education to be named under the new law will have only one member until the end of each two years from the first Monday in July of the year have been selected by the county Assembly.

The new terms of the members of the various boards are set out in the law as follows:

Section 1. That the following named persons are hereby appointed members of the County Boards of Education in and for their respective counties, the first named person for each county for the term of two years from the first Monday of July, 1909, the second named person for the term of four years from the first Monday of July, 1909, and the last named person for each county for the term of six years from the first Monday of July, 1909:

Cumberland—Jno. N. Hall, A. D. McGill, J. A. Oates. Robeson—E. O. Nye, J. R. Hamer, Lucius McLean. Sampson—W. A. Buzzell, E. C. Davis, A. F. Johnson. Bladen—A. M. Kelly, A. McA. Cougan, N. M. Beatty. Harnett—O. Bradley, D. M. Ogle, J. K. Bono.

(The bill names the boards for all the counties but we print only those in our territory.)

Rev. L. L. Nash Improving.

The following from the News and Observer is of special interest to Fayetteville, where Mr. Nash served several years as pastor:

Writing to a friend last week Rev. L. L. Nash, of Greensboro, states in charge of the Methodist church at that place, says that his sickness is only a temporary one and that he hopes to be again preaching the gospel in a short time. He is now at St. Leo's hospital in Greensboro, where he is being treated for a nervous trouble and expects to be out in about two weeks and to go back to his work having no organic trouble.

Many New Ones Are Entering the Lively Race

Many of Those in the Race Last Week Have Multiplied Their Votes and Others Have Come in with Good Bundles of Votes to Begin—Let Others Join the Ranks Now New Ones Yet Have a Chance to Win If Only Takes Hustling—Subscriptions Come for the Asking.

They've been voting with a rush this week. The contest man is kept busy as a bee checking up and crediting the bunches of subscriptions and votes that are coming into THE INDEX office. Every day now the contest for the seven gold watches and the splendid writing desk that we are going to give away is getting warmer. In some districts they're just simply hustling, and that's what it will take to get one of the prizes. And they're worth it. If you come to Fayetteville or if you live in Fayetteville, go to the Fayetteville Furniture Company's store and see that handsome desk. It's a beauty. Remember the lady getting the largest number of votes in the entire contest gets the desk. Miss Nettie Leslie, of District No. 4, is nearest to it now, and she is going to get it unless some one else hustles. But others are hustling and multiplying their votes. Then there are seven watches going making a total of eight grand prizes. Four of the eight are going to four ladies in Cumberland, one to a lady in Robeson, one to Sampson, one to Bladen and one to Harnett. It's not too late for new ones to enter the race. Get busy.

Read how it's done and then read the names of those who are doing it:

I. For the purposes of this contest we have arranged the territory into eight districts, as follows:

1. Cross Creek Township, Cumberland county.
2. All of Cumberland county east of the Cape Fear River.
3. Pearce's Mill, Gray's Creek and Rockfish Townships, Cumberland county.
4. All of Cumberland county west of the Cape Fear River except the townships named in the first and third districts.
5. Sampson county.
6. Bladen county.
7. Robeson county.
8. Harnett county.

II. Every dollar paid on subscription entitles the payer to cast 1,000 votes for any lady in the district in which the subscriber resides. Fifty cents entitles the payer to cast 500 votes and 25 cents to cast 250 votes.

III. Any reputable white lady may be voted for in this contest.

IV. Subscribers living outside of any of the districts named may vote in any district they choose. Persons who have already paid for the paper may vote now by sending in their ballots to THE INDEX. Those who have subscribed and did not pay can pay and vote as new subscribers.

V. Each district will stand by itself in this contest, and the lady in each district receiving the highest number of votes in that district will receive the prize—a gold watch.

VI. The lady receiving the highest number of votes in the entire territory, and thus a winner over all districts, will receive a handsome quarter-sawed, highly polished Lady's Desk. It is a beautiful and costly piece of furniture.

VII. Renewals will count just as new subscriptions.

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