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"SO!" TO COLORED VOTERS.

The Ohio republican State Convention, which recently endorsed Mr. Taft for president, put a plank in its platform demanding suffrage rights to every illiterate negro in the South, under pain of reduced representation in congress for any and all states restricting the voting privilege. This commits Secretary Taft to the policy of prosecuting and persecuting southern white men for the part they have taken in the effort to protect this section from the curse of negro domination and means a reign of terror in states, like North Carolina, which have passed restrictive suffrage laws. Of course the republicans do not expect the electoral vote of a single southern state and they have no regard for the interests of any people who are unwilling to "bow to the mandate of their dictum." The radical idea now is to catch the negro vote of doubtful states, viz: Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, New York, New Jersey, and a number of other northern and western states, regardless of consequences.

Reasons for the Ohio republican declaration are traceable to a meeting of negro bishops some months ago who issued this warning to their race: "We do hereby raise our voices in stern and solemn warning to the coming republican national convention not to put in nomination for the presidency either President Roosevelt or Secretary Taft on pain of having arrayed against either of those gentlemen at the polls next November the almost solid colored vote of the North." This warning from "their brothers in black" frightened the President and his big War Secretary to the point of promising a return of negro suffrage in the South in the event of Taft's election. It is even charged and not denied that Mr. Roosevelt himself wrote this obnoxious plank of the Ohio platform. If true, it is the crowning piece of infamy of his administration, next to the incident of dining with Booker Washington in the White House. It is an everlasting shame,—this proposition to re-open the race problem in the South,—and no decent white man can afford to stand for any such thing. Hon. John Sharp Williams calls the Ohio declaration "a startling piece of political petifoggery," and adds:

"If the republican party wishes the fourteenth amendment to be enforced it should repeal the fifteenth amendment. After the passage of the fifteenth amendment, whereby the South was forbidden to disfranchise anybody on account of race, color or previous condition of servitude, it lies in no man's mouth to say that any Southern State does disfranchise anyone without proving his statement. The statement can not be proved because it is absolutely false. The fourteenth amendment left the Southern states with the option for each state to let the negroes vote or not vote, as it chose, but if it did not allow them to vote, it would be subjected to a reduction of representation."

But they will not repeal the fifteenth amendment. On the other hand their acts of hypocrisy are going to continue and the white people of North Carolina and elsewhere in the South may as well make up their minds to stand together in preventing this latest proposed intrusion upon their rights. Here is the negro plank of Secretary Taft's Ohio platform: "The civil and political rights of the American negro in every State, believ-

ing, as we do, that his marvelous progress in intelligence, industry and good citizenship has earned the respect and encouragement of the nation, and that those legislative enactments that have for their real aim his disfranchisement for reasons of color alone, are unfair, un-American and repugnant to the supreme law of the land; we favor the reduction of representation in Congress and the electoral college in all States of this Union where white and colored citizens are disfranchised to the end that the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States may be enforced according to its letter and spirit."

This means that the republican party considers the blackest and most ignorant negro in the country the equal of the Anglo-Saxon socially and politically. White men of Henderson county how do you like it? Is it not enough to bring the blush of shame to the face of every true North Carolinian? Have we not had enough of the negro in politics in this good state?

The temperance forces are organizing in many counties for the approaching contest for state prohibition. It is well to be fully prepared to meet the opposition squarely upon every field of action from Cherokee to Currituck. A large majority at the May election is very essential to the permanent settlement of this perplexing question. The opposition is on the alert and no effort will be spared to prevent the ratification of the prohibition bill. But if all temperance advocates interest themselves without delay and do their full duty the result will be decisive. The burden of the campaign in rural communities rests largely with the ministers, teachers and good women. Of course, every consistent member of the various churches is expected to go on record for prohibition at the polls and it is important to get all of these to deposit their ballots on election day. And there is no time to lose. Let the good work begin now.

Republicans realize that they must have the negro vote to stand a ghost of a chance to elect their nominee for the presidency and this accounts for the remarkable utterance upon the suffrage question at the South in the Ohio platform. If they succeed in making good their promise to the negroes it means another reign of terror in Dixie Land. And when the worst does come southern white men will be found standing shoulder to shoulder in opposing a return of former conditions. They would prefer no representation at Washington at all to the reappearance of negroes at the ballot box. In view of the open threats against our people, recited in Mr. Taft's Ohio platform, it seems that the opportune moment for southern whites to get together has arrived. They should begin now by supporting the democracy as one man. It is the only hope.

The Attorney General of South Carolina goes after Judge Pritchard with gloves off for assuming to intrude upon the rights of that commonwealth, in the dispensary case. It is now in order for the Asheville Bar Association to meet in call session, at once, and again express renewed confidence in the Judge's ability and integrity.

Read the timely article entitled: "Heart to heart talk." It is the proper explanation of a very important matter at this particular time.

Looks like the democrats of Minnesota are going to bring out Governor Johnson as a candidate for president whether or no. Well, he is a good man, but the indications now are that no earthly influence can prevent the nomination of William Jennings Bryan.

SPEAKS OUT IN MEETING.

Hon. Thos. Settle, one of the most prominent republicans in the state, has written a letter to the Charlotte Observer reciting reasons for his conclusion that the republican party has no show in North Carolina. He takes the position that the republican party has always been handicapped by the actions of its leaders. "Admittedly great," continues Mr. Settle, "is the evil of having our conventions dominated by Federal-office-holders, is small and insignificant in comparison with the evil of having them dominated by negroes. The negro can participate in conventions if he is a qualified voter and can get himself elected as a delegate. To insist that he shall dominate the situation when he is not a qualified voter, and not a delegate, is revolution, as well as maudlin sentimentality."

It will be remembered that Mr. Settle supported the Constitutional Amendment in 1900 and to this good day stands four square for white supremacy. Is it any wonder he has felt called upon to give vent to his feelings with reference to present conditions in the republican party of North Carolina? Dominated, as it is, by negroes and Federal office-holders, as indicated in precinct primaries recently held in many counties, who can blame him for "speaking out in the meeting." Mr. Settle has long since contended that the leaders of his party in the State were only after the "loaves and fishes" and cared little for its success. He realizes more forcibly this year the utter impossibility of building up a respectable party under the present management of the pie-brigade. Other fair-minded republicans are reaching a similar conclusion.

The republican primaries in Raleigh last week were dominated by negroes, only two fellows having white skins participated at one of the meetings, both being Federal office-holders. The chairman and secretary were negroes and the delegates to the county convention received instructions to support Adams for chairman and Taft for president. So it appears that the negroes and pie-eaters are about to take charge of the radical organization in the state. Thus it behoves the "average" white citizen to co-operate with the democrats in their efforts to maintain decent government in North Carolina and white supremacy throughout the South. This is a white man's country.

The democratic state convention of Nebraska, held in Omaha last week, enthusiastically and unanimously endorsed their favorite son, Hon. William Jennings Bryan, for president, instructing its delegates to the national convention to employ all honorable means in bringing about his nomination. The platform adopted thoroughly accords with the distinguished Nebraskan's ideas upon the great public questions now demanding attention and every utterance rings in good democratic doctrine. The convention idolized Mr. Bryan and predicted his election as the next president of the United States.

Speaker E. J. Justice announces through his friend and former law partner, J. W. Pless, Esq., that he is not a candidate for Attorney General. There is little doubt that Mr. Justice would have been nominated if he had asked for the honor and no man in North Carolina is more fitted for the place. To accept the place would incur financial loss upon him and he takes the wise course from a personal point of view.

If the republicans nominate Taft for president they certainly ought to name Booker T. Washington as his running mate. "Birds of a feather," politically speaking.

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MR. BAILEY STRONG LETTER.

Former Editor of Biblical Recorder Presents Reasons Why Mr. Shipman Should be Nominated.

(News & Observer & Charlotte Observer)
To the Editor: The public service is the highest service. Into the selecting of a public officer the citizen should put his best self, his best motives and best thought. And political parties must do this or learn by defeat the lesson that the people, though patient and apparently indifferent, will not be trifled with. Political parties are wrecked mainly by men who ride them to ruin; men who choose themselves for office, thrust themselves upon their parties, being able in popular agitation and weak in character and efficiency.

At the present hour the Democratic party in North Carolina must be more than ever jealous of those who would rise to service and power in its name. The old slogans have lost their appeal; the old shibboleth has lost its power. Politics for party's sake is a dying policy wherever men are learning to think. And it is not to be regretted that ministers, newspapers and schools are adding thousands of thinking men to the ranks of our voters at every election. Least of all needs the Democratic party to regret this. It stands for intelligence; it must live by intelligence.

These remarks are as much to the purpose with regard to other offices as they are to that of Commissioner of Labor and Printing. But I have written them with a view to saying a word or two in behalf of the candidacy of Mr. M. L. Shipman for that position. He



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He is moreover a man of high character—standing well among his fellows; such a man as a State does well to stand by in the selecting of high places. These are the commanding qualifications. But seeing that Mr. Shipman has the others in such rare degree it will not be amiss for me to mention them briefly.

There is the qualification of party service—and, while of late it is becoming popular not to undertake by public outcry to foreclose political mortgages, party service is a qualification for party advancement never to be despised. The advancement never to be despised. The advancement never to be despised. The advancement never to be despised.

Very truly yours,
J. W. BAILEY,
Raleigh N. C., Feb. 28, 1908.

Legal Notices.

Notice Of Land Sale For Partition.

By virtue of a decree of the Superior Court in the case of Mary Elizabeth Young et al, vs. Virginia Grayson et al rendered the 8th day of February 1908 ordering a sale for partition of the lands described in the petition in said case and appointing me a commissioner to make sale of the same, I will sell at the court house door in Hendersonville at auction to the highest bidder, on the 6th day of April 1908, at 12 o'clock noon, one fourth of purchase money to be paid at date of sale and the balance in one or two years time in equal amounts to be properly secured as provided by law, the following described lands lying and being in the Township of Hendersonville, County of Henderson and State of North Carolina, lying on both sides of the Edneyville road and on both sides of a branch running into Clear creek, adjoining lands of Jack Johnson, James Wright, John Collins and others, and bounded as follows: Beginning on a stake at James Wright's corner in Collins' line and runs east with Collins' line and the old D. C. Allen line 105 poles to a stake at the grave yard; thence south to a rock corner of the same; thence east, poles to a red oak; corner of school house lot; thence S. 33 degrees E. With the line of the school house lot 29 poles to a water oak near the Edneyville road; thence crossing said road S. 33 degrees E. 3 poles to a rock, corner of the Methodist church lot; thence east with the line of the said lot 20 poles to a stake, corner of the same, 74 feet S. 58 degrees E. from a post oak pointers on the Howard Gap road; thence with said road S. 40 degrees E. 28 poles to a stake, corner of the Jack Johnson land in front of the J. H. Fletcher house; thence N. 87 de-

grees W. 17 poles to a stake, Johnson's corner, thence with his line S. 8 degrees W. 60 poles to a stake and pointers, his corner in Ellen Maxwell's line; thence west with the old line 154 poles to James Wright's corner or line; thence north with Wright's line to the beginning—containing 97 acres. MCD. RAY, Commissioner.
March 2, 1908.

Notice of Sale of Land by Trustee

By virtue of the power vested in me as trustee in a deed in trust executed by Jno. F. Rowland on the 25th day of September 1906 conveying the land hereinafter described to me to be sold by me in order to the payment of two certain notes of even date with said deed in trust, one for five hundred dollars and the other for three hundred and fifty dollars, made by said Jno. F. Rowland to A. C. Peacock, in case of default in the payment of said note by said Jno. F. Rowland and default having been made in the payment of said note by said Jno. F. Rowland after due notice and demand for the payment thereof will offer for sale under the provisions of said deed in trust, at public auction at the court house door in Hendersonville North Carolina on the 6th day of April 1908 within the legal hours of sale to satisfy said indebtedness the following described piece or parcel of land lying and being in the town of Hendersonville County of Henderson and State of North Carolina and bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at a stake on the south side of Chestnut street and the west side of Justice street and runs with Chestnut street south 78 deg. W. 174 poles to a stake on the East bank of a branch; thence S. 18 deg. E. 26 poles to a stake on the margin of Ewart street; thence with Ewart street North 17 poles and 21 links to a stake on Justice street; thence with Justice street N. 22 deg. W. 25 poles to the beginning, containing 2 1/4-160 acres (Due notice having been given by said A. C. Peacock, to said Jno. F. Rowland of his intention to declare the entire indebtedness secured by said deed in trust due and payable on account of said Rowland's failure to pay the first note of five hundred dollars when due and more than five days having elapsed since said notice was given, the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable immediately and the trustee has been requested to sell the aforesaid tract or lot of land in order to secure the payment of said notes and interest thereon.)
This March 3rd, 1908.
MCD RAY, Trustee

State of North Carolina, County of Henderson.

In the Superior Court, Before the Clerk.

V. C. Stepp vs. D. W. Brown, G. C. Brown, W. S. Brown, Sims and wife, Mary E. Sims, I. Mooney and wife, Emily Mooney, heirs at law of L. E. Hollis, heirs at law Jane Norton, heirs at law of Sophia Owenby Brown; Richard Hudgins, Frank Hudgins, Alexander Hudgins, Chas. Bailey and wife — Bailey, E. J. Dalton and wife — Dalton, heirs at law of Sukeey Owenby Hudgins; Drew Clarke, Robert Clarke, John Corn and wife — Corn, and others, heirs at law of Caroline Owenby Clarke; Ellen Clarke, Mandy Clarke, Thomas Clarke and others, heirs at law of Alzey Owenby Clarke.
Proceeding to sell Land.

Order of service by publication The defendants above named, as well as all other parties interested, will take notice that a special proceeding entitled as above set forth has been brought against them by the plaintiff above named in the Superior Court of Henderson County, North Carolina, before the Clerk, for the purpose of obtaining an order to sell the land described in the petition now on file in said proceeding in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of said county, for partition. And the defendants above named, as well as all other parties interested, will further take notice that they are required to appear before the undersigned Clerk of the Superior Court of Henderson county in his office in the court house of said county, on the 16th day of March, A. D. 1908, and answer or demur to the plaintiff's petition on file in said proceeding, or the relief prayed for in said petition will be granted.
This, the 15th day of February, A. D. 1908.
C. M. PACE,
Clerk Superior Court Henderson County

Train Schedule.

	Due
No. 14 for Spartanburg	8:20 a. m.
No. 8 for Toxaway	4:30 p. m.
No. 10 for Spartanburg	5:40 p. m.
No. 7 for Asheville	10:15 a. m.
No. 9 for Asheville	1:25 p. m.
No. 13 for Asheville	7:45 p. m.

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