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PRESIDENT WILSON OPENS CAMPAIGN AT LONG BRANCH

Fully Eight Thousand People Heard His Acceptance Speech—Warmly Applauded by Crowd.

Long Branch, N. J., Sept. 2.—President Wilson today formally opened his campaign for re-election with a speech accepting the Democratic nomination in which he characterized the Republican party as "a practical and moral failure," defended his Mexican and European policies, recited the legislative achievements of his administration and declared for a "big America."

The President left Shadow Lawn at 11 o'clock tonight for Washington.

In his speech President Wilson was unsparing in his criticism of the Republican party as a party of "masterly inactivity and cunning resourcefulness in standing pat to resist change," and said that old leaders still select its candidate, but he did not mention Charles E. Hughes, the Republican candidate, by name.

The President spoke from the veranda of his summer home to a crowd which filled 8,000 chairs and overflowed the lawn.

Speaking in the open his voice could be heard by only a small part of the crowd, but those who did hear him constantly interrupted with applause. Once, when he said "I neither seek the favor nor fear the displeasure of that small alien element among us which puts loyalty to any foreign power before loyalty to the United States," the crowd stood and cheered.

The notification ceremonies were brought to a dramatic close when more than a score of American flags attached to parachutes were fired into the air by mortars and unfolded over the President's head as a band played "America." Afterward Mr. Wilson stood more than an hour on the veranda and shook hands with several thousand men, women and children.

Senator James, of Kentucky, chairman of the notification committee, introduced the president. When he declared that Mr. Wilson had kept America at peace the crowd responded instantly and applauded several minutes. He concluded by handing the president a copy of the St. Louis platform.

Reading slowly but distinctly from a printed copy of his speech and frequently looking up to emphasize particular points, Mr. Wilson spoke of the Democratic platform as a "definite pledge." Reviewing the achievements of the administration he said "alike in the domestic field and in the wide field of the commerce of the world, American business and life and industry have been set free to move as they never moved before."

He said: "We have provided for national defense upon a scale never before seriously proposed upon the responsibility of an entire political party."

Concluding his list of measures passed by Congress in the last three years, the president declared: "This extraordinary recital must sound like a platform, a list of sanguine promises, but it is not. It is a record of promises made four years ago and now actually redeemed in constructive legislation."

Further along, rebuking foreign born Americans who are not loyal to the United States, he said:

"I am a candidate of a party, but I am above all things else an American citizen."

J. RUFUS MORTON ACCIDENTALLY KILLED.

J. Rufus Morton, a son of the late Rev. W. G. Morton, of this county, was accidentally killed in New York City last Friday. He was engaged in work on a steel structure when the fatal accident happened. The foundation of the building for some reason gave way and a 3-ton steel girder as a result fell upon Mr. Morton, killing him instantly.

The deceased was about 44 years of age. He was an expert worker in steel and had reached the point where he could command good wages.

The body of Mr. Morton was brought to this county and interred at Kendall's church cemetery Monday afternoon.

Surviving the deceased are his wife, six brothers and two sisters. His wife, Miss Jennie Parker before marriage, is a sister of Messrs. A. C. and Dave Parker of this place.

—Mrs. S. T. Gaddy and children have returned to their home in Newton after visiting Mrs. H. Morris.

RALEIGH AND HENDERSON ARE FREE FROM TYPHOID

Reduction Due to Anti-Typhoid Vaccination Last Year and This.

Here at the height of typhoid fever season, Raleigh, Henderson and Vance county are enjoying an unusual freedom from typhoid fever. Not a death from this disease has occurred in the town of Henderson or in Vance county this summer whereas last summer there were 9 deaths and 75 or more cases and summer before last there were 16 deaths and over a hundred cases from typhoid fever alone in the town and county.

This splendid reduction is due to the interest that has been given for the past two years by the county and town to the control of typhoid fever through anti-typhoid vaccination. Dr. D. C. Absher, whole-time town and county health officer, has fought typhoid fever unrelentingly since his election to this office, with the result that now there's practically no typhoid in the county or town. He has just closed a second county-wide campaign against typhoid, having vaccinated a majority of the people against this disease.

According to a recent issue of the Raleigh Evening Times, Raleigh is now entirely free from typhoid. "Such an immunity," says the Times, "cannot be attributed merely to good water or to sanitary requirements and habits, contributing causes to public health that these things are. It is, on the other hand, directly due to the campaign of last year for vaccination against typhoid, in which ten thousand people were treated. The few hundreds of dollars spent in Wake county in that enterprise are already bearing dividends, beside which the profits of the most lusty 'war babies' are negligible."

STATE NEWS.

W. S. Lineberry, superintendent of the Soldiers' Home at Raleigh, has resigned.

A storm at Randleman, Randolph county, blew the top off the graded school building. Damage estimated at \$1,500 to \$3,000.

In Caldwell county Superior Court this week Ed. Shell was acquitted of the murder of Jim Helton at Granite Falls last May. The jury found that Shell killed Helton in self-defence.

The coroner's jury held Dr. A. C. Peacock criminally negligent as the result of the death of W. W. Jones of Charlotte, Jones being killed by Dr. Peacock's machine running over him.

Ex-Mayor John Underwood of Fayetteville, who has been traveling "up north," has come home and put out the word that Woodrow Wilson will carry Pennsylvania. Almost too good to be true.

A jury in Buncombe Superior Court gave Mrs. Louise Orr a verdict of \$10,000 against John Rumbough and others for the death of her husband, Bart Orr. Orr was killed in Rumbough's garage in Asheville about two years ago when a gas tank exploded.

Ira Trexler, a farmer living seven miles south of Salisbury, was instantly killed Tuesday afternoon. He was riding in a buggy when some part of the harness broke and the horse jerked him forward and out of the vehicle. Mr. Trexler was about 45 years old and leaves a wife and several children.

A compromise has been effected in a suit brought against the Southern railway by P. R. Carroll of Wenden, Va., for injuries sustained in the disastrous passenger train wreck at Jamestown several months ago. Carroll, who had an arm and a leg broken, in addition to other injuries, instituted suit for \$25,000. He compromised for \$5,000.

Mr. C. Edgar Graham of Greenville, S. C., has sold his home at Montreat to the North Carolina Presbyterian Synod. It is announced that \$12,000 will be expended in enlarging and improving the property, which will be used for a home for ministers, evangelists and other Christian workers during the summer assemblies at Montreat.

James H. Johnson, a member of the Cumberland county bar, who was pardoned by Governor Craig in May, after being convicted for selling wine in unlawful quantities and sentenced to three months on the roads, was found guilty of the same offense in Cumberland Superior Court this week. Prayer for judgment was continued to next term.

VICE-PRESIDENT MARSHALL FROM LATEST PHOTOGRAPH



MOB BEAT THE SHERIFF.

Failing to Get Prisoner, Ohio Mob Tortured Sheriff.

Enraged at the success of Sheriff Sherman Eley in spiriting away Chas. Daniels, a negro, accused of attacking the young wife of a prominent farmer at Limo, O., early Wednesday of last week, a mob captured the sheriff, seriously wounded him, placed a noose around his neck and forced him to direct a cortege of 100 automobiles into the rough country north of the city, where it is supposed the negro prisoner had been hidden.

The mob formed around the Lima jail before dusk and leaders demanded admittance. Chief of Police Kinney called out his entire force but the officers were overpowered in a hand-to-hand fight. It was announced that the negro had been taken by Sheriff Eley to the Ohio State Hospital for the Criminal Insane. Refusing to accept the announcement the mob forced Mrs. Eley to open the cells.

Sheriff Eley returned at 9:40 o'clock and was met by the mob at the city limits. They demanded that he deliver the prisoner or tell where he was hidden. The sheriff reached his residence and refused to give up the negro. The mob then broke in the front door as Eley escaped through a rear entrance. He was caught when entering the Elks' Home and attacked. His clothes were stripped from his body and he was battered — kicked from the trolley street car and the noose placed about his neck.

After half an hour of torture and insults the half unconscious man surrendered. He was taken to a waiting motor truck which formed the head of the procession of automobiles into which the mob climbed. The procession then left the city at high speed.

Lax-Fos, A Mild, Effective Laxative & Liver Tonic Does Not Grip or Disturb the Stomach. In addition to other properties, Lax-Fos contains Cascara in acceptable form, a stimulating Laxative and Tonic. Lax-Fos acts effectively and does not grip nor disturb stomach. At the same time, it aids digestion, arouses the liver and secretions and restores the healthy functions. 50c.

ALBEMARLE IS RAISING \$10,000 COLLEGE FUND

For Additions to Normal and Industrial Institute—One Man Donates Two Acres of Land.

Great enthusiasm is being exhibited here over the new proposed addition to the Albemarle Normal and Industrial Institute, plans for which are on foot. A large new dormitory is one of the new proposed improvements. S. H. Hearne has agreed to donate about two acres additional land to the institution and the citizens of the town are responding liberally with cash subscriptions. There is a possibility of obtaining the services of Rev. A. B. Shive, of Davidson, to come here and take charge of the institution. Mr. Shive has agreed that if the citizens of the town subscribe \$10,000 that he will see that a like amount is raised, making \$20,000 to be used for improvements. This is one of the best girls' institutions in the State as it gives especial advantages to girls of limited means. Rev. Shive has just completed securing the balance of a \$100,000 endowment for Davidson College, and a large subscription for Clinton College in South Carolina, and Albemarle will be fortunate to secure him for the local college. The subscription was started last week with a \$500 cash donation by one citizen and the canvassing committee is out now and report that subscriptions are increasing rapidly and it is thought that before long the \$10,000 will be subscribed. It is thought that if the proposed amount is subscribed for by local citizens that the Mecklenburg Presbytery which meets next week will come strongly to the assistance of this worthy institution. This institution has the reputation of being the only girls' school in the South that furnishes tuition, board and room to its students for the sum of \$100 for the entire session. Men of means throughout the State have been donating a number of scholarships to students in this school.

CHURCH NOTICES.

First Baptist.

Robert P. Walker, Pastor. Sunday school meets at 10 A. M., A. P. Harris, Supt.

Organized classes for both old and young people.

Preaching at 11 A. M., and 7:30 P. M., by the pastor.

Morning subject, "The Anointed One."

Evening subject, "Confession." The evening services are evangelistic always.

No prayer meetings on Wednesday evening during the Presbyterian tent-meeting.

All members of the Sunday school are urged to be present next Sunday morning.

Visitors, strangers, traveling men, and students sojourning in our town will find a hearty welcome to all of these services.

Bring your friends with you.

Lutheran Church.

Rev. V. C. Ridenhour, Pastor. Sunday school at 10 A. M., Prof. O. D. Ritchie, Supt.

Men's Bible Class, for men, taught by the pastor.

Services at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Morning subject, "Christian Nurturance."

Evening subject, "Secret Discipleship."

The public is cordially invited to attend these services.

The members of the church are urged to be present.

Central Methodist.

R. G. Tuttle, Pastor.

Sunday school, 9:45 A. M.

Preaching by the pastor at 11 A. M. Theme: "The Use of Our Talents Under a Gospel of Grace."

The evening service will be called in that the congregation may join in the service at the gospel tent.

Bion H. Butler, of Southern Pines, was the guest and speaker at a recent business rally and barbecue of the Durham Chamber of Commerce. The undeveloped tourist-trade possibilities of Durham and North Carolina were discussed by the speaker and his remarks were well received. He pictured North Carolina as "the greatest winter playground on earth."

—Miss Carey Morris is visiting relatives in Troy.

THREATENED STRIKE OF RAILROAD MEN AVERTED

Congress Acts Promptly on the Ad-Amazon Bill Limiting Day's Work to Eight Hours.

The threat of a general railroad strike which has been hanging like a pall over the country for a month was lifted Saturday night.

Three hours after the senate had passed without amendment the Ad-Amazon eight-hour day bill, passed by the house Friday, the heads of the four great railroad employees' brotherhoods telegraphed 600-odd code messages to their general chairmen in all parts of the country cancelling the strike order issued a week ago to take effect Monday morning at 7 o'clock.

The legislative expedient to avert the strike was passed in the senate by a vote of 43 to 28—almost a strict party vote—amid stirring scenes, after many Senators—Democrats and Republicans—had fought desperately to amend the measure by provisions designed to prevent industrial disasters in the future. Some Senators, thoroughly aroused, declared Congress was being coerced into enactment of legislation that it did not desire, and that it knew would return to plague it in the future.

In both houses the measure was signed within a few minutes after the final vote in the senate and it was sent at once to the President, who signed it at the union station in his private car at Washington, where he stopped on his way from Shadow Lawn, N. J., to Hodgenville, Ky. That there may be no question as to the legality of the measure as a result of it having been signed on Sunday the president will affix his signature again upon his return to Washington.

Officials of the brotherhoods who witnessed the final passage of the bill had announced early in the night that cancellation of the strike would not be ordered until the bill had been signed by the president and actually had become law. But later they conferred, changed their minds and flashed the come messages signalling to the waiting trainmen of the country through their chairmen the message that a satisfactory settlement had been secured.

The bill that stopped the strike provides that after January 1, 1917, eight hours shall be regarded as a basis of reckoning for a day's pay of men engaged in the operation of railroad trains in interstate commerce (excepting roads less than 100 miles long and electric lines), that they shall receive pro rata pay for work in excess of eight hours, and that their rate of compensation shall not be changed pending an investigation from six to nine months of the effect of the eight-hour day upon the railroads by a commission to be appointed by the president.

Efforts to amend the bill in the senate were futile, the supreme effort to alter it having been led by Senator Underwood, who sought to provide that interstate commerce commission should have power to fix railroad wages and hours of service in the future. This amendment was defeated by a vote of 57 to 14.

NEW KNITTING MILL WILL BE BUILT.

Preparations are under way for the construction of a large two-story brick knitting mill by the Wiscasset Mills Company. The mill is 100x300 feet and is to be situated near "Bungalow Town," just to the north of the city.

The new mill will manufacture hosiery exclusively.

The first venture in hosiery manufacture for Albemarle, was made about sixteen years ago. The first knitting mill constructed was "The Windemere," now one of the Wiscasset Mill divisions. The Windemere was successful from the start. Later the Lillian Knitting Mill was constructed. The new mill will be the third of its kind to be built in Albemarle and will also prove to be the third textile plant to be constructed in 1916.

The situation of the mill, surrounded as it will be by a large number of handsome bungalows, will prove ideal. A spur-track will probably be built out from the Yadin railroad.

Whenever You Need a General Tonic Take Grove's

The Old Standard Grove's Tasteless Chilli Tonic is equally valuable as a General Tonic because it contains the well known tonic properties of QUININE and IRON. It acts on the Liver, Drives out Malaria, Enriches the Blood and Builds up the Whole System. 50 cents.

BICKETT SATURDAY.

Don't fail to hear Thomas Walter Bickett, candidate for governor, at this place, Saturday, at 2 o'clock.