

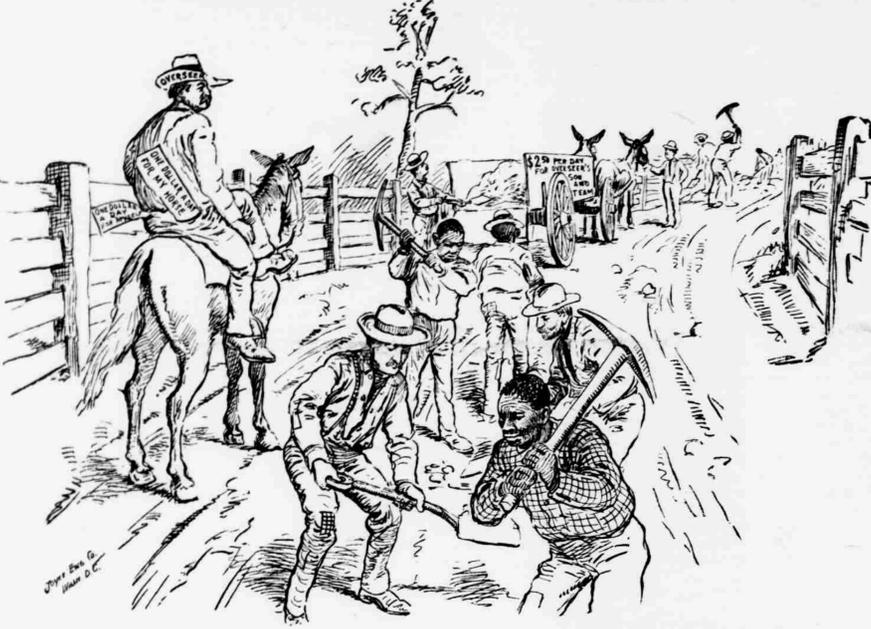
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THE DEMOCRATIC ROAD SYSTEM OF WARREN COUNTY.



White Men and Negroes Forced to Work the Roads Side by Side, and also to Pay Taxes to Pay Salaries of Democratic Overseers and Their Sons and their Teams

Hon. Chas. A. Cook, member of the Legislature from Warren county, in the General Assembly of 1897, secured the passage of an important road law. It freed the poor white man from the burdensome duty of working the public roads, and besides relieved them from being forced to work them side by side with negro road hands. The law provided for a small tax (most of which was paid by the wealthy who used the road most) which fund was to be used for hiring labor to make good roads. The Democratic Legislature of 1899 repealed part of this law. This did not repeal the part requiring the tax to be paid for working the roads, but they repealed the part which emancipated the people from the burdensome duty of working the roads themselves and forced them to go back to the old system. The Democratic law left the tax to be paid by the people and forced the same people to pay a part of the same tax to work the public roads, while a large part of the funds raised by taxation is given to overseers and their sons and their teams. The facts in full about this vicious legislation are given below:

Facts About Warren County Road Law.

The fusion legislature of 1895 and 1897 freed the poor people from working on the roads, and provided for the working of the same by taxation (Chap. 449, laws 1895, page 475, and laws 1897, ch. 93, page 146). Thus, no one was compelled to work the roads.

To the Voters of Warren County: Which system do you like best? If you don't like the Democratic system that works negroes and white men on the roadside by side and in addition force them to pay a tax to support

and they were worked by men who were hired and paid for labor and paid for their services.

The crazy legislature of 1899 repealed those statutes and forced the poor people to work upon the roads four days per annum without compensation. (Acts 1899, ch. 6-1) and they are also taxed the same rate, the taxes or tax money being paid to the overseers or superintendents who are making

money out of it, while the poor white men and colored men have to work together side by side upon the roads four days in the year, and the Democratic bosses call that white supremacy.

Not a cent of the taxes under Democratic management has ever been expended in working upon the roads, but it is all paid for overseering and superintending the poor white and colored freemen while at work; and

paying for the hire of the horses, wagons, sons, &c., of the overseers. The amount of money raised by taxation varies from \$4000 to \$5000.

The poor white people are forced to work side by side with the colored people, or pay \$2.00 in lieu of work; or will be guilty of a misdemeanor and fine, or imprisonment. See Section 5 of chapter 581, page 778, Laws of 1899

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PREFER NEGROES TO WHITES.

Cumberland County Democrats Squall Negro Domination and Then Practice It. For the Caucasian.

Democrats from the mountains to the sea howl "nigger! nigger! nigger!" in an infamous way cartoon Senator Butler and Dr. Thompson, as though they were advocating negro rule over whites. Here in Cumberland county the Democratic county Board of Elections refused to honor the petition of Populists and put on in their stead, negroes as judges of elections. They put the blackest and meanest negroes on as judges for white men to vote under.

They delight to show the cartoon around about Sen. Butler putting that mulatto boy on the stand at Morganton. We have a few who howl negro, and yet some of the negroes could call them father. The idea of men voting to disfranchise their own flesh and blood!

Cedar Creek, N. C.

DR CROWELL IS AGAINST IT

The Newton Enterprise Misrepresents Him, as it Does Others

The Newton Enterprise reported that Aycock, in his speech in Lincoln county, convinced Dr. Crowell, a prominent physician of that county, that the amendment was constitutional and that he (Crowell) would now vote for it.

Dr. Crowell was in Lincoln county Monday to hear Dr. Thompson, and Dr. Crowell said that the report was untrue and that he had written the editor of the Enterprise to correct it. Dr. Crowell will vote against it.

It is strange that the Democrats have to misrepresent men in order to make it appear that they are fooling some people to trust their fair promises and sworn affidavits. But it will fool no one, and shows the weakness of their cause.

DR. THOMPSON SPEAKS.

The Populists and Republicans Nominate a Good Ticket in Lincoln-A Large Representative Audience Present.

It was our privilege to be at Lincoln Monday, July 9th. There was a large representative body of farmers and voters present—more than was expected for Monday and in so busy a season. They were there for business and not for pleasure, and their way was not paid either.

The Populists and Republicans held their county conventions. They held them separately. The result was a good strong ticket as follows: For Representative, J. M. Hoyle; Register of Deeds, W. C. Mullen; Coroner, S. Baxter Beal; Sheriff, J. E. Hoover; Treasurer, J. L. Yount; County Commissioners, H. O. Proctor, Melvin Hoivis, J. L. Shrum, Andrew Sain and P. A. Reep.

The above ticket is composed of good representative gentlemen and unless the people are prevented voting their honest sentiments, they will be elected.

After the convention, Dr. Thompson, People's Party candidate for Governor, addressed a court house full of voters, there being but few boys and only one woman, and they all listened with great attention. The Doctor made a fine speech, and dealt out some unsavory logic and facts, and his speech did great good.

J. F. C.

ONLY ELEVEN

To Hear R. D. Gilmer Speak in Duplin County.

On last Saturday, R. D. Gilmer spoke in Magnolia township in Duplin county. After advertising far and near, he had out to hear him the whole number of ELEVEN and two of these were Pops. This shows the situation in this county. We are white men and don't have to wear a red button to let people know it.

J. C. B.

WHAT LOUISIANA DEMOCRATIC SENATORS SAY.

SENATOR McENERY'S OPINION.

Washington, D. C., March 17, 1898. To the Times-Democrat.

In answer, I say that section 5 is GROSSLY UNCONSTITUTIONAL. I have submitted the same to some of the ablest Democrats of the Senate, who are able constitutional lawyers. They all concur in my opinion, that if adopted, the effect will be to lose our representation in Congress and the electoral vote of the State.

S. D. McENERY.

SENATOR CAFFERY'S OPINION.

Washington, D. C., March 17, 1898. To the Times-Democrat.

Section 5 of the amended suffrage amendment is unconstitutional, in my opinion, because it establishes a privileged class of voters for three generations without qualifications, while it imposes qualifications on all other citizens, and because, in fact, it discriminates against the colored people of Louisiana.

D. CAFFERY.

CHAINED TO A NEGRO.

White Prisoner Handcuffed With a Negro and Led a Negro Overseer Through the Streets in the Democratic City of Charlotte.

The Charlotte News of Friday, June 29, reports that on that day Charles Crowder, a white man from Mooresville, was chained to a negro and driven by a negro overseer through the streets of Charlotte. The News says: "A white prisoner chained to a negro."

"It was this sight that made the blood of Charlotte white men boil this morning. "On East Trade street a negro 'trusty' was driving a chain gang wagon and in this wagon in his charge were two prisoners, a white man and a negro, chained together. "Probably fifty people saw them as the wagon moved down Trade street. White men were indignant at the sight and asked hotly who was responsible for the outrage. Mr. John P. Morris saw it and resolved at once to get the white man's release. He asked the prisoner what he was sent to the chain gang for, and when told the amount of the fine proceeded to raise it in short order.

"The white man said his name was Charles Crowder, and he was from Mooresville. "I was arrested for a plain drunk," he said. "I didn't harm anybody but myself, I might have somehow raised the amount of the present fine \$2.50, but the police added to the bill the balance due on an old fine for drunkenness that I owed last February, and made the amount \$5.10, so I had to serve time on the road."

"Robert Phifer, a negro, was in charge of the two prisoners. He is what is known as a 'trusty,' i. e., a convict, who by good conduct has won the confidence of the boss of the camp, and who is allowed a large measure of liberty. He said he was sent in by Mr. Stancill for the convicts, he found a white man and a negro to carry out, and chained them together as a matter of course. Deputy Sheriff Johnson refused to handcuff them together, he said, and so he (the trusty) chained them himself."

This is a sample of Democratic "white supremacy." Charlotte is a Democratic city under the control of Democratic officials. Democrats alone are responsible for this outrage.

SENATORIAL CONVENTION.

Notice to People's Party Men of the 3rd Senatorial District.

Notice is hereby given that the People's Party Convention of the 3rd Senatorial District will meet at Roxboro in Bertie county, on the 29th day of this month, being Friday, and the delegates to the said convention will take notice, and be at Roxboro on that day at twelve o'clock m.

By order of the Executive Committee.

M. J. RAZNER, Ch'm. Ex. Com. 3d Sen. Dis. N. C. Pownville, N. C.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY POPULISTS

Met in Convention—Nominate a Strong Ticket—Kattly and Lloyd Make Telling Speeches.

GODWIN, N. C., July 12. The People's Party Convention was held in the court house in Fayetteville, Saturday July 7th. A full house of all political creeds, and as is usually reported by Democratic propagandists, we did not have even one negro wench in attendance. A more harmonious Convention has not been held since General Lafayette was there.

First on the programme was the speeches of Capt. J. B. Lloyd and Hon. John E. Kelly, of South Dakota, the speeches were very interesting and did much good; cannot tell what the Democratic gentlemen present thought of them, but think the all-absorbing topic in their campaign was well handled—the negro. The following ticket was nominated:

State Senate—John B. Downing. House of Representatives—L. J. Tew and J. A. McFarland. Sheriff—McDuffie-Geddie. Register of Deeds—A. J. Hall. Treasurer—J. R. Smith. County Commissioners—S. H. Coston, J. E. Garrett, and Alex Leslie. Surveyor—W. S. Hair. Coroner—M. Bill. All the nominations were made unanimous and plenary Powers given to the Executive Com.

D. G. McLELLAN, Sec. N. WILLIAMS, Ass't Sec. J. B. DOWNING, Chm'n.

APPEALS TO THE LADIES.

Ladies in Politics Not Enough Levent to Save the Lump.

In Franklin county, on June 30th F. S. Spruiell, of Louisburg, made a very nice speech on the constitutional amendment, in which he made an earnest appeal to the ladies, married and single, to use their influence to carry the amendment and help them out this time. He insisted that they go to work and use every means to change votes. Since then we see a great deal from the ladies. But when the ladies do their work there will be many who will not violate their oath by voting for the amendment. It seems the Democrats have turned (?) Western Populists since they have put their ladies in politics. They used to abuse and even terrorize egg Weaver when he would encourage ladies to use their influence in politics. If the ladies are dragged into Democratic politics and endorse red shirtism and rotten egg throwing, I fear there will not be enough religious leaven left to purify and save the rotten lump.

H. P. D.

BATHER HARD ON THE LOUZE EARS.

We are pleased to record the fact that L. C. Caldwell, of Statesville, and M. H. H. Caldwell, of Concord, have left the Populist party. We dislike to see fair-minded, conscientious men desert their ranks; but political jackasses can easily be spared.—Exchange.

NEGRO JUDGES OF ELECTION.

THE ARROGANT FRAUD AND DETESTABLE HYPOCRISY OF THE "NIGGER" HOWLING HORDE.

THE "WHITE SUPREMACY" GANG PROCEEDS TO INAUGURATE "NEGRO DOMINATION."

Appointment of Negroes Over the Pleas and Protests of Intelligent and Substantial White Men—The Facts and the Names.

Nothing is now wanting to illustrate and emphasize the glaring inconsistency and bald face hypocrisy of the organization which assumes the name of the Democratic party in this State, and which some time ago inaugurated and has conducted what it calls a political campaign, basing this campaign on the assumption that the people of North Carolina are fools and idiots. It is a fact that in more than one instance when members of this so-called "Democratic" organization have been talked with on the supreme questions of the day, and though confronted with the strongest arguments, they have actually waved away the parties who were talking to them, with the remark, "We have one reply to every point you can put forth, and to every argument you can make, and that reply is 'NIGGER!'"

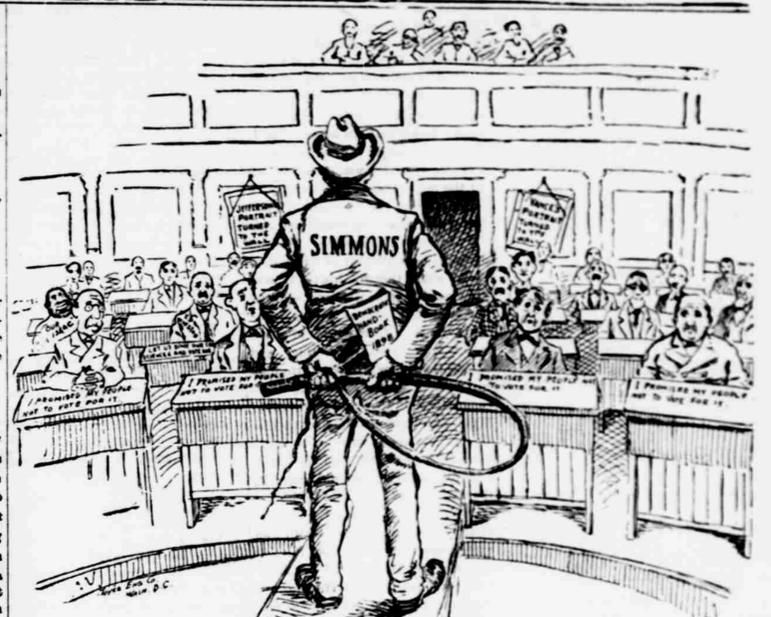
With this assertion the Democratic boss, or machine healer, as the case might be, would smile a serene smile, or utter a loud guffaw, under the conviction that his grand argument "NIGGER" was amply sufficient to meet and refute anything that might be said on the question which the people are now studying, and which involves the most momentous results that have been presented by any question for more than a generation.

Nothing could more forcibly indicate and prove that these Democratic bosses and machine-healers are proceeding on THEIR assumption that the great people of the State are a lot of contemptible fools and idiots, than the assertion made by them to the effect that they can say "NIGGER," and by yelling this word rattle and demoralize the entire grand old Commonwealth. As to whether or not there will be such results as are hoped for by this organization, in consequence of their slogan, "NIGGER," the near future must tell. We believe that the respectable, intelligent and honest citizenship is leading, and will emphatically effect a revolution against this organized, so-called "white supremacy," "negro yelling" clique that will forever crush its ability and power to arouse a mobish feeling among any part of the people in the future, and this revolution will be effected on account of the blatant demagogues and arrant hypocrisy of this "NIGGER yelling" organization.

What could more emphatically prove its hypocrisy than the course taken by it during the last two weeks? In the face of its frantic and paralytic "white supremacy" squall, it deliberately pursues a course that subjects the greatest heritage and the highest right of white citizens to the judgment and domination of the very race which it declares there is so much to fear from, and from which it professes to recoil with indignation and horror.

Some facts which prove its hypocrisy can be stated in this wise: Under the existing election law there is a County Board of Elections for each county. These boards, without exception almost, are composed of democrats. These boards are required by law to appoint judges of the election to be held in August, and that these judges shall be of different political parties. When the time for the appointment of these judges came, the People's Party through its members and representatives in nearly every precinct in North Carolina, petitioned the County Boards of Election to give them representation in the matter of Election Judges, and recommended as such Judges, to represent them, the most intelligent and most reliable white men of their communities. In some few instances the men so recommended by the People's Party, were appointed as Election Judges, by the County Boards; but in numerous instances the positions of the People's Party were utterly ignored by the County Board, and in the face of these petitions, and over the pleas and protests of the best white people of the State, the Democratic County Election Boards APPOINTED NEGROES WHO ARE INCOMPETENT, or who are vicious, and in some places who are practically blind.

There need not be any elaboration of this fact. No word-painting could add to its power or force as an evil. (Continued on 3rd page.)



THE PARTY BOSS AND HIS POLITICAL SLAVES.

SIMMONS TO LEGISLATURE: (June 12, 1900) I call you back now to correct the mistakes you made last year. I will call you back again next month (July 24th) to correct the mistakes you make this time. It seems we cannot help from making them, and this fusion gang is smart enough to discover this.

In addition, I command you to amend the Election Law by putting in a new section (83). Under the law as it now stands, when a Registrar refuses to register Republicans and Populists, as we will instruct them to do, they can go to a Judge and get a writ of mandamus, ordering the Registrar to do his duty. This new section (83) which I now offer to you is intended to close the door of justice and tie the hands of the Judges so they cannot issue this writ. Thus we will steal their votes and they will have no remedy.

What do we care for party pledges. We are in and we must fix it so that we can stay in in spite of the people.

SIMMONS: You notice, I have turned Vance's portrait to the wall. He is the man who denounced me in the U. S. Senate and would not let me be confirmed as chief red-legged grasshopper in eastern North Carolina. Besides, he was against us in what we have got to do to build up our oligarchy anyhow. I have also turned Jefferson's Portrait To The Wall because he was a loud-mouthed demagogue who was in favor of manhood suffrage and the Liberty of The Masses.

BOYD SUCCEEDS EWART.

His Appointment as Judge Announced From Canton Yesterday.

Washington, July 12.—Col. James E. Boyd, Assistant Attorney General in the Department of Justice, has been appointed Judge of the United States District Court for the Western District of North Carolina. He received his commission from the President at Canton this morning, and will qualify about the 16th of the month. This appointment is to fill the vacancy occasioned by the rejection by the Senate of the nomination of Judge Ewart.

Judge Boyd is a native of North Carolina, and was educated at the preparatory school at Graham, N. C., and at Davidson College; was a private soldier in the Confederate army for three years and was present at the surrender at Appomattox. He read law in the office of the late Hon. Thomas Ruffin at Graham, N. C., commencing in the year 1866, and was licensed in June, 1868, to practice in all the courts. In April, 1883, he removed to Greensboro, where he has since resided. In June, 1890, he was appointed by President Hayes United States attorney for the western district of North Carolina, which position he held until June, 1895.

Col. Boyd has taken a prominent part in North Carolina politics in North Carolina, and is now the member of the Republican national committee from that State.

In speaking of this editorially, the Charlotte Observer says: "The appointment is a good one. Col. Boyd is a capital lawyer and is possessed of all sorts of amiable and attractive personal traits. As United States attorney for this district he became known to the people of the west. As Assistant Attorney General of the United States in this administration, he has done the greater part of the work of the Department of Justice and has done it well, commending himself to the country. He will make a just judge and the Observer feels disposed to congratulate him upon his appointment. There is no handsomer Federal appointive office, carrying with it light duties, a salary of \$5000 a year for life, with the privilege of retirement on full pay at seventy years of age after having served ten years."

BUTLER IN THE WEST.

Has Much Larger Crowds Than the Opposition—The People Proud of his Record in the Senate.

Senator Butler's campaign in the western counties has been one of the most successful he has ever made. In the busiest time of the year, his appointments poorly advertised and no effort made to get out a crowd, he has had large audiences wherever he has spoken. In Alexander and Caldwell counties his crowds were much larger than those of the opposition, and at Statesville the large new court house was packed. Senator Butler is a man of the people, his public record in the Senate is clean and consistent; he has been true to the people's best interests. In every contest he has sided with the people. These are some of the reasons why he is so popular with the independent farmers and working men of North Carolina.

CATAWBA POPULIST CONVENTION.

Dr. Thompson Addresses a Large Crowd of Voters—Strong Ticket Nominated.

Catawba County Populists met in Convention in Newton on Saturday, July 7th. The large court house was crowded with farmers and voters, estimated at from 800 to 1,200. A more intelligent body of honest, determined farmers and good citizens never met anywhere to hold a convention and to hear political speaking.

The Populists and Republicans have agreed to run a joint ticket in Catawba. The Republicans had already nominated their part of the ticket. The Democrats nominated men for the following offices: Representative, Sheriff, Coroner and two Commissioners. The ticket named by both parties is a good, strong one. Capt. James H. Sherrill was nominated for the Legislature. There is no better man in the State. He is a farmer and one of the most prominent men in the county. He is also a Christian gentleman and has the confidence of everybody, and if there is a fair election, the ticket will win. That is one of the white counties, yet it is said the Chairman of the County Board of Election says they are going to carry the county, if they have to count out 300 voters. If this is not disfranchisement, what is it?

After the Convention, Dr. Thompson made a champion speech in behalf of political liberty in this country. His arguments were unanswerable, and did great good. His logic cut to the quick. One little Democratic lawyer, who had on too much tea, got his foot into it, by asking a few silly questions and by getting up on the platform. His friends felt sorry for him. The Doctor diagnosed the lawyer's case and made a post-mortem demonstration of it before the people, and it's said the lawyer had not recovered from it five days afterwards. Those who think Thompson can't tell the difference between cramp colic and a common, every day drunk, by the drippings from the tongue, is badly mistaken.

The Doctor's speech was a vote-maker, and all who heard it, do not blame Aycock from running from a joint canvass with Thompson.

TO TEST ELECTION LAW.

Cherokee Indians Refused Registration and One of Them Brags Suit.

Bryson City, N. C., July 2.—The registrars in Swain county have temporarily refused to register any of the Cherokee Indians, even those who can read and write. Lloyd Owl, a Democratic Indian, has instituted proceedings to secure a writ of mandamus to compel John Enloe, the registrar at Mingus, to comply with the law and decision of the Supreme Court of the United States which made the Indians qualified voters without dispute for twenty-two years past. The case will test the new election law.—Asheville Gazette.

Gets Into His Own P.I.

It seems that Jas. H. Pou, in his canvass in Stanley county, is having a hard time trying to define Senator Butler's position on the amendment. He finally narrowed it down to the conclusion that in as much as Senator Butler was not for it outspoken at first, but is so now, therefore, he is not sincere and cannot be trusted.

If Pou could have found in the remotest that Senator Butler had made an affidavit that he and his party would not submit to such a mean proposition, and then had done so, Pou could and would have truthfully said Butler had perjured himself, and therefore, could not be trusted. Mr. Pou, who swore the Democrats would not submit the present suffrage amendment, can make the application and let the people say—as they will on August 2nd—who has been consistent and can be trusted. Pou ought to be put under the care of a vigilance committee, to keep him out of his own pit-falls.

Don't fail to register. If you have not registered, do so at once. Save your liberties.

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