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## EDITORIAL BRIEFS

"Up, guards, and at them."

Speaking of insurgents, how about those Tennessee Democrats?

Mules command a high price, but the Democratic donkey sells 'way below par.

Senator Gore is living up to his name in regard to those charges he is making.

A man shot his big toe off in shooting at a burglar. He is not proud of his feat.

A standing committee of the Democratic organization is the "hominy" committee.

"The howl from the woods" certainly was heard in Wake County last Saturday.

That "red-headed" horse of the News and Observer arrived in Greensboro all right, all right.

Texas may go entirely dry. It has been thought that the average Texan is always in this condition.

The News and Observer seemed to think that the Morehead-Duncan fight was its private affair.

The meanest thing they said about it was that the Wake County Republicans acted like Democrats.

A new cock-tail has been invented by a bartender, who calls it "the Democrat." It must be badly mixed.

Mr. Jeffries, late of Reno, has clearly barred himself from pugilistic circles. He has "nothing more to say."

Perhaps those Sixth District Democrats want to elect both of them and give each half a vote. That's about their size.

The editor of The Caucasian humbly pleads guilty to having been a reader of the Greensboro News during the recent weeks.

If the Democrats do not like pie, what in the name of Sam Hill are all these long drawn-out and bitterly fought conventions held for?

The Raleigh voters will take a tip from those recent fires and will apply the direct pressure to the "refawm" administration next May.

We are now reliably informed as to who is the editor-manager-editor-in-chief-manager-of-every-department etc., etc., of the Greensboro News.

Mr. Settle says the Connor appointment was not an unmixed evil. It gave us a chance to learn what the Democrats thought of each other.

Dr. "Red Shirt" Faison will not be chairman of the committee on education, if elected. He favors the abolishing of the free school system.

Buncombe is trying to redeem herself. One of Aycock's "mocking-birds," with a record of our killings and acquittals, has finally been convicted.

We hope Mr. Steele, the Richmond County Democrat, who bought the nomination for Treasurer with \$700, will not live up to his name, if elected.

Both Mr. Godwin and Mr. Clark say they are satisfied with that committee. What one of them will say as to the committee's decision is another story.

A glance at the news columns shows that Aycock's mocking-birds are still singing lustily in North Carolina. One sings someone to death each day.

Anyhow, though we were lively at times, the Wake Republicans didn't smash chairs over heads, break arms or call in the police of neighboring cities to preserve order.

Young Mr. Lane, who accidentally got a nomination for Judge on the Democratic ticket, refutes the statement that he has been a lawyer for only "five years." He says he has been one for "several years."

## LEE COUNTY CONVENTION.

"Baby County" Republicans Hold Enthusiastic Convention—Instruct for Morehead—Name Strong Ticket.

Jonesboro, N. C., Aug. 6.—One of the most enthusiastic Republican conventions was held at Lee Court-House to-day ever witnessed by the Republicans of this county. The early afternoon was the scene of numerous farmers coming in long before the convention was called for business. At 2 o'clock sharp the convention was called to order by Chairman R. C. McNeill. A. W. Wicker was called to the chair to act as temporary chairman, after which he was elected permanent chairman of the convention. The business of the convention was gotten down to in earnest and in a business-like manner, with the utmost of harmony prevailing.

The first business to come before the convention was the nomination of a county ticket. The following were nominated:

D. A. Mann, Clerk of Superior Court.

W. I. Brooks, Register of Deeds.

H. W. Boyte, Sheriff.

R. E. Carrington, Treasurer.

J. M. T. Wicker, Surveyor.

Rover Kelley, Coroner.

Commissioners: Jno. M. Harrington, Isam Rosser, O. P. Makepeace, J. P. Gillam, and Richard Gross.

The next thing before the convention was the election of delegates to the State, Congressional, Senatorial and Judicial Conventions. The following were elected delegates: J. P. Gillam, J. F. Makepeace, R. C. McNeill, J. F. Bowers, D. A. Mann, and T. H. Lutherlough. Delegates were instructed for Hon. Jno. M. Morehead for State Chairman.

The last thing before the convention was the election of a county chairman, R. C. McNeill, was elected to succeed himself, also J. F. Makepeace to succeed himself as secretary of the executive committee.

## BOUSMAN KILLED HIMSELF.

Was Heavily in Debt—Had Accident Policy for \$6,000—Just Before Death Took Out More.

Ridgeway, W. Va., Aug. 5.—That Mayor Bousman himself lighted the fuse that caused the explosion that sent his soul into eternity seems to have been proven beyond the shadow of a doubt by detectives who have been at work on the case since the night the mayor was literally blown to pieces on his lawn.

The evidence seems very conclusive. The mayor was known to have been heavily in debt. He carried an accident policy for \$6,000, and a few days before he met his death he took out two life insurance policies, one for \$1,000 and one for \$2,000, giving notes in payment for them.

He had of late been experimenting with dynamite, and the two sacks that were found near the scene were identified positively as some that he had purchased a day or so previous.

The conclusion of the detectives is accepted by practically everybody in Ridgeway; even by members of the mayor's family, it is said.

## McKINLEY OPTIMISTIC.

Tells President Congress Will Be Republican.

Beverly, Mass., Aug. 6.—President Taft had a long talk this evening with William McKinley, chairman of the Republican Congressional Campaign Committee. Mr. McKinley told the President that he had absolutely no doubt but that the next House would be Republican, basing his belief on the fact that the Middle West will have bumper crops.

Congressman McKinley said this afternoon that the President would not know either insurgent or regular in the campaign. He would simply know Republicans and Democrats.

## Tragic Incidents Mar Gala Events.

Chicago, Ill., August 9.—One tragic death, one accident which physicians say will prove fatal and a dozen minor mishaps, due to the crowds, cast a shadow to-day over the parade of what Masons say was the greatest number of Knights Templar who ever formed in line in any city.

Except for a slight thunderstorm lasting but a short time, the weather during the long march was perfect. From 9 o'clock when the signal to start was given until after 1 p. m. when the last Knight had passed before the reviewing stand, the thermometer ranged from 71 to 79 degrees, while a cool breeze prevented any considerable discomfort from heat among the assembled thousands. More than 40,000 Knights were in line, while over half a million spectators sat in the huge reviewing stand occupying the entire east side of Michigan Boulevard as far south as Twelfth street or stood patiently along the line of march.

## MAYOR GAYNOR SHOT

Discharged City Employee Shoots and Wounds New York City's Mayor.

## WOUND IS NOT FATAL

Mayor Gaynor, Prominently Mentioned as a Candidate for President, Shot By Discharged City Employee—Was Just Starting on Vacation—Assassin is Not Insane and Boasts of His Deed—Shot Three Times.

Hoboken, N. J., Aug. 9.—Mayor William Gaynor, of New York, while standing on the deck of the Kaiser Wilhelm de Grosse, preparatory for month's tour abroad, was shot down by a man giving his name as James J. Gallagher, a discharged foreman in the Department of Docks and Ferries. Four bullets were fired, one striking Mayor Gaynor, who is critically, though not necessarily fatally, wounded.

The would-be assassin was overpowered by a policeman and Big Bill Edwards of the Street Cleaning Department. The bullet was fired from behind. Mayor Gaynor was first given medical attention on board the ship, then rushed in an ambulance to St. Mary's Hospital, where he was operated upon. Surgeons say Gaynor has a chance for recovery. Gallagher was rushed to the Hoboken police station and arraigned before Recorder McGevee and remanded to jail without bond, pending the result of the mayor's injuries.

The bullet entered back of the ear in region of the mastoid bone, where it buried itself.

Gallagher fired three shots, the first one striking the mayor. Big Bill Edwards made a flying tackle and hurled Gallagher to the deck with terrific force. Then Edwards, weighing 350 pounds, sat astride Gallagher's chest.

Former President Roosevelt, after he heard of the shooting, telegraphed the mayor's secretary, saying: "I am shocked and horrified beyond measure. Send me information concerning the mayor's condition."

The police elicited a statement from Gallagher in which he said he came over to Hoboken this morning and went on the pier where he had a clergyman point out the mayor to him. He said he knew the mayor was going to Europe to enjoy himself after depriving him of bread and butter and he was irritated to the point of committing the act.

## President Taft Greatly Shocked.

Beverly, Mass., Aug. 9.—President Taft learned of the attempted assassination of Mayor Gaynor while playing golf at Myopia to-day.

He was greatly shocked and expressed the hope that the mayor might recover. Until further details of Gaynor's condition are received he asked to be excused from a formal statement.

## Wanted to Leave Quietly.

New York, Aug. 9.—Mayor Gaynor had expressed a desire that there be absolutely no "fuss" about his departure on his vacation trip abroad. Yesterday when those who wanted to bid him farewell called at the City Hall he asked particularly that there be no ceremony or demonstration when he boarded his ship to-day.

The mayor's projected solitary vacation was in keeping with his peculiar character. Those who know him well respect his desire for solitude, that is evidenced in his daily life. He had planned to be all alone during his month's vacation.

New York State will probably claim the right to try Mayor Gaynor's assailant. Immediately after the news of the shooting was received at the office of the District Attorney, Acting District Attorney Frank Moss and Assistant District Attorney Perkins went into consultation. After the conference it was announced that they had discovered, under an ancient law, that the New York State courts had legal "jurisdiction over the high-water marks on the New Jersey shore."

Under this law, if it is still available, as the District Attorney's office believes, Gallagher would have to be tried in the New York courts for his crime committed on the Hudson river and well inside the water-mark of the New York jurisdiction. As soon as this law was discovered Moss sent Assistant District Attorney Turnbull and Hamill to Hoboken to investigate the crime as well as to tender to Mrs. Gaynor the condolences of the District Attorney's office.

It was practically decided that New York would make official demand for the custody of the prisoner and the right to place him on trial.

## Gallagher Perfectly Sane.

Gallagher showed some reluctance

about talking, and the impression first created that he was a crank was later dissipated. He appeared rational and did not show the least excitement, talking calmly and naturally. He was very bitter against the mayor and indulged in some rough sarcasm.

After he had made his statement he was taken to the police photograph gallery and his picture was taken. Later his Bertillon measurements were entered. He will be sent to the Hudson County jail later in the day.

Gallagher is a widower with no children, and lived at 440 Third Avenue, New York City. He was discharged on June 1st from the Department of Docks and Ferry on charges of intoxication. At that time he had been in the employ of the city four years and four days.

## Aviator Falls and Slightly Hurt.

Nancy, France, Aug. 9.—Lindpainter, a Belgian aviator, was slightly hurt early to-day in the fall of his aeroplane at Frolois, seven miles from Nancy. He was taking part in the big cross-country flight and had started with six others to fly from Troyes to this city.

Racing nip and tuck over the 100-mile aerial course, Aviators Le Blanc and Aubrun led the field on the second leg of the 488-mile contest for Le Matin's \$20,000 prize and other prizes of \$27,000.

## Racing Wing to Wing.

The race between the vanguard pair was probably the most thrilling event in the history of aviation in France. Le Blanc beat out Aubrun on the turf track, but had never before been witnessed in the air. He drove his machine to the last ounce of its power and finished at a speed reckoned greater than a mile a minute.

Aubrun left Troyes at 5.33.27 and Le Blanc at 5.40. The latter finished at 7.57 and Aubrun at 8.00. Le Blanc therefore covered the 100 miles in 2 hours and 17 minutes. Much of this time, however, was spent in "jockeying" with Aubrun and the greater part of the course was traversed in comparative brief bursts of speed. First one aviator led and then the other, Le Blanc finishing first by cutting loose eight miles from the city. Both men used Bleriot monoplanes. The 100 miles were covered without a stop.

## Attack on Supreme Court.

Washington, Aug. 9.—Armed with fiery resolutions adopted at an excited massmeeting, a committee of prominent negroes of this city to-day began work on a plan to induce all the negroes of the United States to join in a protest against lynching and race riots and to demand protection and equal rights in all parts of the country.

Texas was denounced, the whole South was arraigned, the Supreme Court of the United States was inveighed against and the newspapers of the country were attacked, amid scenes that at times bordered on a riot.

The race war at Palestine, Texas, was the chief cause of the protest, recent lynchings in Florida and the attitude of the white people and the press following the victory of Jack Johnson at Reno was among the matters most prominently mentioned.

## Shot from Ambush.

Nashville, Tenn., Aug. 9.—Near Sardie, in Henderson County, Tenn., yesterday afternoon, Mart Green, a white man, was assassinated from ambush. He was riding horseback on his way home when some one emptied the contents of a double-barreled shotgun into his body, death resulting in a short while.

In his dying words he is alleged to have mentioned a neighbor, Abe Martin, and Martin was arrested, but his friends claim he will prove an alibi. Green leaves a widow and thirteen children.

## Elopes With Step-Daughter.

Monroe, N. C., Aug. 9.—John W. Rollins, of Mecklenburg County, near the Union line, ran away last night with his step-daughter, a young married woman. When he left he was driving a light sorrel mare mule, about seven years old, attached to a top buggy. The mule and buggy belonged to the Sikes Company, of Monroe, and they want them. The Sikes Company is also anxious to get Rollins. Rollins is about forty-five years of age, dark complexioned, with black hair and moustache, and has a blue scar on his left eye. He weighs about 175 pounds.

## Alabama Cotton Crop.

Montgomery, Ala., Aug. 9.—Commissioner of Agriculture Wilkerson, in an interview to-day, asserts that the Alabama cotton crop is at best not over 70 to 72 per cent of normal and the prospect is not good for as good an output as last year.

## MOREHEAD WINS.

Fifth District Congressman Named to Lead Republican Hosts to Victory.

## A BIG CONVENTION.

Duncan and Alexander Withdraw—Hicks Named for Chief Justice—Convention Was Largely Attended and Enthusiastic to the Highest Degree—President Taft Endorsed—Local Self Government the State Issue.

The Republican Convention assembled at Greensboro, elected Hon. John M. Morehead as State Chairman by a unanimous vote, all other candidates withdrawing. Mr. Morehead was called upon and made a strong speech.

Hon. T. T. Hicks was named for Chief Justice and former Judge E. W. Timberlake and Hon. Harry Skinner were named as Associate Justices. J. M. White, of Madison, and G. M. Hoover, of Davidson, were named as corporation commissioners.

The platform highly endorsed President Taft and praised the work of the recent Republican Congress and declared for local self-government.

The convention was the largest in point of attendance ever held by the Republican party and was enthusiastic to the highest degree.

## Boston Has a Big Fire.

Boston, Mass., Aug. 9.—A loss of upwards of \$1,000,000 was caused to-night by a fire in the wholesale lumber district. Starting from an unknown cause in the lumber yards of Blacker & Shepard at the corner of Dover and Albany Streets, the blaze assumed early proportions of such magnitude that a general alarm—the first sounded in this city since 1872—followed within ten minutes of the first alarm.

It was estimated that the Blacker & Shepard Company's losses would be upwards of \$300,000. The Boston fire department's damage on the repair shot and its contents was estimated to be about \$150,000.

## Sultan of Sulu on Trip.

Colombo, Ceylon, Aug. 9.—The Sultan of Sulu has arrived here on his way to Europe. He is carrying with him a huge stock of pearls which he expects to sell in Paris and London. After a visit to Europe he will go to the United States, where he hopes to see President Taft.

He is particularly anxious to meet the Longworths again. He came to know them when they visited the Philippines with the Taft party before their marriage.

He said to-day that he had heard before leaving home that the New York Customs officials have a way of ignoring the rights even of Sultans, and for that reason is eager to turn his pearls into cash and thus avoid the payment of duties to Uncle Sam.

## A Cutting Affair.

Lillington, N. C., Aug. 8.—An affray occurred here late this afternoon in one of the "near-beer" saloons in which Henry Norris received a knife wound that is thought to be fatal. The parties to the affray were Clem Harrington, Alton and Charlie Clark. Harrington was arrested and placed in jail here; the Clark boys made their escape, catching a train for Raleigh shortly afterwards, but will probably be arrested on their arrival.

## Used a Butcher Knife.

Durham, N. C., Aug. 6.—Ex-Police-man Many Klapp was viciously stabbed late to-night at a carnival on the suburbs of Durham and was taken to Watts Hospital with his left arm ripped open and his side punctured to the abdominal cavity. Klapp is uncertain who his assailant was, but declares that he was a negro whom he had formerly arrested as an officer.

## Fifth District Republicans.

Greensboro, Aug. 9.—The convention to nominate a Republican candidate for Congress in the Fifth District was called to order here tonight by Chairman Hall, but after the chairman's speech, adjournment was taken until immediately after the State convention, which meets to-morrow at 12 o'clock in the big auditorium here.

Later: At the adjourned meeting, the convention was postponed until Saturday.

## NEGROES DIES FROM WOUND.

Colored Woman Must Stand Trial for Murder—Victim Was Stabbed With a Rusty Nail.

New Bern, N. C., Aug. 8.—Several days ago Crawford Roper, a colored employe of the Roper Lumber Company, in this city, was stabbed over the heart with a rusty nail, which was wielded by Francis Boyds, a colored woman of ill-repute. Roper was taken to the hospital and everything possible done to save his life, but yesterday afternoon he succumbed to his injuries.

Immediately after the affray had taken place the Boyd woman was placed in jail to await the outcome of his injuries.

## Train Hit Auto and Killed Five.

Cape May, N. J., Aug. 9.—Five persons were crushed to death to-night when an express train on the Pennsylvania Railroad dashed into an automobile at Mill Lane Crossing on the West Jersey and Seashore Railroad.

The dead are: Frederick W. Feldner and wife, and Fritz Mergenthaler and wife and their chauffeur, M. O. Jones, all of Baltimore. Mergenthaler was the son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Feldner.

The party had been spending a few days in Atlantic City and this afternoon left for a trip to Cape May. As they approached the tracks, the fast running express was hidden from view by a corn field and it was impossible for the chauffeur to see the train until he was within a few feet of the tracks.

## A Fight With Knives.

Monroe, N. C., Aug. 8.—Saturday evening Wilcox Curran and Henry Thomas, white, of Union County, engaged in a fight with knives. As a result of the fight, Thomas was killed and Curran mortally wounded. The details of the fight are very meager, the trouble having occurred in a remote section of the county, down near the Anson County line. It is said that the fight was caused by Thomas having accused Curran of making improper proposals to his, Thomas's, daughter.

## Fatal Negro Affray.

Lexington, N. C., Aug. 8.—Bud Harrell, a Southbound railroad negro, fatally shot his companion, Clarence Craven, at Fairmont yesterday afternoon, and was captured near Linwood and placed in jail here this morning. Shortly afterwards a wagon came in with his victim, who died on the way to town. He was shot in the abdomen with a 32-calibre gun. The row was over a woman, and both were drinking. Craven drew a razor on Harrell.

Dr. J. J. Mott had a most admirable letter of good words for Marion Butler in the Charlotte Observer the other day. The fact is, the Senator is the most aggressive and progressive Republican in our State to-day and more dreaded than Adams, Duncan, all their kin, and ten thousand more like them piled on top of them, and it will be a most auspicious day for North Carolina Republicanism when we can have a State Chairman who can and will enlist Senator Butler, Holton & Company in our State canvass again and not run them out as the narrow-minded, mutton-headed chairman we now have done. We verily believe that the great Republican gains which were made in spite of Duncan and Adams almost ran them crazy. They have not only acted the fool ever since, but they look foolish.—Bessemer City Messenger.

A political sensation is on down in Richmond County, because a Mr. Steele who is the Democratic candidate for county treasurer, has bought his opponent off, having paid him \$700 to retire from the contest in the primary. In some counties they steal the offices, and in those where they can't steal, they buy outright, and when you confront them with their grave misdoings they coolly inform you that it is a part of the political game. Great is Democratic politics.—State Dispatch.

Jim Jeffries is quoted in an interview as saying that he is through with fight game for all time and no amount of money can tempt him. The big fellow is quoted as saying that he was dragged before the fight with Johnson, as he could not have broken down the way he did unless he was doped.

The Democratic slogan has been announced. Now, all they need is a paramount issue to be entirely ready for the customary defeat.—Albany Journal.

A Greensboro man has developed a new variety of fruit and will name it after the successful candidate at the big conyogation. Hence, he is bound to be a "peach."