

State News.

A fire in West Durham destroyed several small stores, entailing a loss of \$6,000. The fire started in a near beer saloon.

The total tobacco sales at Wilson for the season so far are reported as nearly six million pounds. Other markets also report heavy sales.

Miss Bettie Cruise, of Spencer, 85 years of age, who was struck on the head by a windlass last week, died as a result of her injury.

At Wilkesboro, in the Federal court last week, seven men were sentenced to one year terms in the Atlanta penitentiary for blockading.

Maggie Barnes, a Wilson negress, was sent to court charged with slashing and badly wounding Bud Barnes, in a drunken row.

Henry A. Foote, editor of Moore County News, of Carthage, died at a sanatorium in Sanford, after undergoing an operation for appendicitis, on Saturday last.

James Lyda, a Henderson County farmer, was shot and killed by his son in a family fight last week. The son was captured and is awaiting trial.

An aeroplane manufacturing concern has been launched in Durham and two Charlotte men have about perfected a flying machine of a new type.

Col. D. F. Maddox, a wealthy and prominent citizen of High Point, accidentally shot and killed himself while trying to remove a cartridge from a rusty revolver.

Henry Fairley, of Monroe, was shot and slightly wounded by his room-mate, S. I. Parker, who mistook him for a burglar. Both young men are students at the University.

Dr. Chas. Brem, a well known physician of Charlotte, was found dead in his room. It is supposed that he died as a result of a severe fit of coughing. He was a veteran of the civil war.

D. T. Mayer, who had assisted in causing the arrest of some of the men accused of selling liquor, has appealed to the mayor of Wilmington, alleging that he has been threatened.

Objecting to the city spending any more money for street improvement, alleging that the city debt was already too large, Alderman Hill, of Durham, tendered his resignation as a protest.

W. H. Hughes, a cotton mill man of Danville, Va., was struck and instantly killed by a train near Greensboro. Eye witnesses state that the man was apparently under the influence of drink.

John Cashwell, the Cumberland County man who was so brutally beaten up last week that it was thought he would die, is out of danger, and his assailants have been admitted to bail.

The Democratic State Executive Committee will meet to-day, October 6th, to name a candidate for State Auditor to succeed the late Dr. Dixon. The latter's son is filling the interim appointment.

Hon. Iredell Meares, Republican candidate for Congress in the Sixth District, challenged Congressman Godwin for a joint debate, and after some delay, it has been accepted. Dates will be announced later.

In a wreck on the Murphy division of the Southern Railway, near Wilmington, on Friday last, eight persons were injured but none seriously. The cause of the wreck is unknown.

Mary Gaston, a Charlotte negress, who killed her husband's paramour, was sentenced to four years in the State prison. In sentencing her Judge Long stated that he regretted that he could not sentence the husband as well.

Mary Lanier, a colored woman of Asheville, deliberately shot at five times, and hit twice, Henry Wright, who died in an hour. The woman states that he promised to marry her and failed to keep his word. She was arrested and locked up.

Boy Fatally Injured.

Statesville, N. C., Oct. 4.—Henry, the eleven-year-old son of Mr. Conrad Foster, of Statesville, is to-night in a dying condition at the Billingsly Hospital here as the result of a terrible experience with a cow last evening. The boy went to the field after the cow and either looped the chain over his hand purposely, or in some manner it became fastened about his waist. The cow ran away with him and he was dragged across a rock field to the house. When assistance reached him, he was covered with dirt and blood and unconscious. The skull is badly injured. He is also badly injured about the face and body.

A GREAT RALLY.

McNinch and Butler Speak in Cleveland County—Audience Enthusiastic—The Former Senator Says the Democratic References to Him are Merely An Effort to Turn Public Gaze.

Shelby, N. C., Oct. 2.—This was held day for Republicanism in Cleveland County. Fully 1,000 heard Hon. S. S. McNinch speak at 11 o'clock and former Senator Butler at 1.30. It was the greatest Republican rally in the history of the county.

Mr. McNinch made a most favorable impression by his unanswerable argument and pleasant manner. Cleveland voters had never heard more convincing arguments in favor of protection Republican principles.

Senator Butler was at his best and spoke for about three hours with the same fire and vigor that stirred the people of North Carolina years ago. His audience was at times wild with enthusiasm and applauded vigorously. He convinced his hearers that the Democratic appeal of Butler and bonds was only an effort to detract the attention of the people from their own party record and broken promises.

It had been said that if Butler used the same language in Shelby that he used in his speech at Charlotte Saturday that he would be egged. This challenge stirred the speaker to vigorous language and he boldly challenged the Democrats to carry out their threats. He forcibly presented the platform of the Republican party with its clear and unmistakable language and marked the contrast with the Democratic platform with its vague and uncertain language.

He said, with telling effect: "The Democratic party always has one paramount issue in each campaign to be abandoned before the next, and that the paramount issue agreed upon for this campaign is 'The high cost of living;' that in presenting this argument they are assailing the farmers who are the beneficiaries of present high prices of food products."

He then pointed out that a 500-pound bale of cotton would buy about double the amount of the necessities of life which farmers need to buy, that a similar bale would have bought in 1896.—Greensboro Daily News.

TRAGIC SUICIDE OF A YOUNG MAN.

Young Physician, a Member of a Prominent Family of Western North Carolina, Suicides in New York.

New York, Oct. 2.—With his mother frantically endeavoring to restrain him, Dr. Hubert Gudger, a young physician from Asheville, N. C., committed suicide today by cutting his throat with a razor in a room at the Grand Union hotel. Dr. Gudger was graduated from the school of medicine of the University of Pennsylvania in June last and returning to his home, broke down from overwork. It has been intended to place him in a sanatorium tomorrow.

Both father and mother accompanied the young man to this city and watched him closely lest he carry out the purpose of self-destruction, with which he seemed to be possessed.

This afternoon Mrs. Gudger persuaded her husband to go for a walk, leaving her alone on guard. She must have dozed, for the next she knew she heard her son moving about in his room.

With a scream the mother rushed to her son's side, but he pushed her away, and though she still clung to his arm, he raised his hand to his throat and slashed himself with such force that the blade of the razor was snapped.

(Dr. Gudger was a son of Hon. J. M. Gudger, former member of Congress and present Democratic candidate for Congress in the Tenth North Carolina District. The bereaved family have the sympathy of the people of the State.—Editor.)

ARRANGE JOINT DEBATE

Meares and Godwin Will Tour District—Itinerary Arranged, Beginning October 24th.

Dunn, N. C., Oct. 3.—Representatives of Congressman H. L. Godwin and Hon. Iredell Meares met here today and arranged for a joint canvass of the Sixth District, to begin October 24th. Mr. Meares could not meet Mr. Godwin in Fayetteville Saturday night, but his representative came up there today and came on to Dunn, owing to the convenient schedule.

The itinerary of the speakers will be as follows: Lillington, October 24; Fayetteville, Tuesday, October 25, 11 a. m.; Maxton, Tuesday, October 25, 7.30 p. m.; Lumberton, Wednesday, October 26, 11 a. m.; Elizabeth, Thursday, October 27, 11 a. m.; Whiteville, October 28, 11 a. m.; Wilmington, Monday, October 31, 8 p. m.; Southport, Tuesday, November 1, 12 m.

Murder at Fish Fry.

Charlotte, N. C., Oct. 1.—As the result of too much liquor and a mistake on the part of one colored man, who mashed another's toes last night, three men were shot, one is dead and one is fatally wounded. About twenty-five shots in all were fired. The killing occurred at a negro fish fry, or social gathering, on the old W. E. Audrey place in lower Providence township.

General News.

Senator LaFollette, who was recently re-elected to the United Senate, is reported as being dangerously ill. It is feared that he has cancer of the stomach.

On account of a dispute regarding the discharge of one man, the cotton spinners of England declared a lock-out, which throws out of employment 130,000 persons.

Former District Attorney W. T. Jerome, who prosecuted the Thaw case, is threatened with disbarment for alleged irregularities in the conduct of a divorce case.

Mayor Gaynor, of New York City, went to his office for the first time since he was shot early in August. Beyond a slight hoarseness, he shows no signs of his wounds.

There is a bitter struggle between the Governor of Maryland and the Police Commission of Baltimore. The latter refuse to recognize the Governor's authority tooust them.

John R. Huyler, the millionaire candy manufacturer of New York, died suddenly last week. He was widely known for his many charities, annually giving away large sums for charity.

Prince Suun, uncle of the baby emperor of China, is in this country giving large orders for battleships and war material. He laughs at the reports of alleged Boxer rebellions in his native country.

By the sinking of a tender of the battleship New Hampshire, in the river at New York, at least twelve sailors were drowned. The men had been on shore leave and were returning to the ship.

C. Edward Gibson, a wealthy oil man of Indiana, was shot and instantly killed by Menlo E. Moore, a theatre owner, at Vincennes. Gibson's attentions to Menlo's wife was the cause of the trouble.

Wynemalen, the French aviator, made the world's record for altitude, ascending to a height of 9,121 feet. He was nearly frozen, and by reason of his fuel giving out, was able to make the descent with great difficulty.

Leon Sing, the Chinese murderer of Elsie Stegel, of New York, which created a sensation at the time, is reported under arrest at Laredo, Texas. The Chinaman murdered the girl and packed the body in a trunk.

Infantile paralysis is spreading, according to doctors and is assuming a national peril. Kansas, in the West, and Pennsylvania in the East, appear to be the worst sufferers, but it is epidemic all over the nation.

There has been unearthed a widespread movement to defeat Hoke Smith, "regular" Democratic nominee for Governor of Georgia, by spreading broadcast a ballot headed by Jos. M. Brown, present Governor and defeated opponent of Smith.

John A. Dix has been nominated by the Democrats for Governor of New York State. He was the selection of the corrupt Tammany machine of New York City and his nomination has widened the breach between Gaynor and Hearst, the latter opposing Dix.

Ex-Governor N. B. Broward, who had just been elected to the Senate to succeed Senator Taliferro, died at his home in Jacksonville, Fla., on Sunday last. He was noted as an energetic filibuster and was of great aid to the Cuban rebels before the United States Government took charge.

Edgecombe Republicans Nominate County Ticket.

Tarboro, N. C., Oct. 30.—The Republican convention of Edgecombe County was held in the courthouse today. There was a large attendance and much enthusiasm. The following ticket was nominated:

- Senate, W. L. Stallings. House of Representatives, M. L. Pittman, W. A. Thigpen. Sheriff, Cicero Denton. Register of Deeds, B. B. Howell. Commissioners, W. G. W. Leigh, Frank Denton, L. H. Edmondson, J. D. Fly, C. C. Wallace. W. L. Stallings was elected chairman of the county executive committee and the following were elected members of the committee: Raiford Liles, B. B. Howell, G. W. Robbins, J. D. Fly, S. R. Jenkins, Cicero Denton, J. W. Dupree, James R. Gaskill.

"Mocking Birds" on Rampage.

High Point, N. C., Oct. 2.—In 24 hours, at this place, the following has occurred: Lucilla Bass, colored, shot her husband and put out his eyes. She says he was beating her. Jim Jackson, colored, shot John Archer and seriously wounded him. Some white men, partaking too freely of "ni-beer," pulled guns and began shooting. No damage.

DURHAM COUNTY POLITICS.

The Caucasian Popular in "Bull" County—County Committee Plan a Systematic Campaign—Butler's Charlotte Speech Praised.

(Special to The Caucasian.)

Durham, N. C., Oct. 3.—Over five hundred copies of The Caucasian were circulated in this county last week, in addition to the copies going to the regular subscribers, and this issue attracted more than the ordinary degree of attention. One of the members of the Republican Executive Committee, through whose influence the extra copies were distributed, said that this number had done more to effect a change of political sentiment among the voters than any other campaign material thus far sent out and that it would do a world of good in the direction indicated.

Active Campaign Planned.

The interest in the campaign is taking on a larger hold than before and the committee is working hard and along systematic lines toward bringing out the full Republican vote and winning over the opposition. Of course, it is yet, too early in the campaign to tell exactly what the vote will be, but it is a safe conclusion that this will be heavier than at any previous election excepting that for the presidency. In fact, there are some probabilities that the vote of two years ago may be exceeded, while it is believed that a large proportion of the gain will be made by the Republicans.

The speech of former Senator Butler at Charlotte before the Republican convention of Mecklenburg county, last Saturday, was read by a great many voters here and very favorably commented upon. The report in the Charlotte Observer is credited with being a very fair one, and that paper has won many high opinions for its journalistic fairness in its reports of the proceedings at the various Republican conventions and where other matters of political interest are considered. Senator Butler has many warm friends and admirers in this county and they, as well as the general public, are very anxious to have him speak here early in the campaign.

Preparations are being made, in fact, to arrange for such speaking, if the Senator's other engagements will permit. A committee goes from here to-night to Greensboro and will try to complete such arrangement, while Thomas Settle and other prominent speakers will also be asked to contribute of their time and oratorical ability to the cause of the Republican party of Durham. The work so far accomplished by the committee has been quietly done, but has been especially effective and promises to produce the very best of results.

Editor's Threshing Commended.

This morning a communication was sent by one of the best known business men of Durham to State Senator Jones, of Wake, who is condemned for a certain part of the affair between himself and the editor of the morning sheet in Raleigh. "It is really too bad that you allowed yourself to mix up with the individual in question and I'm sorry for it. But what I'm sorry for more than anything else, is that you didn't knock the stuffings out of him so that he would not be able to print any more of his villainies, which are a disgrace to the State and all of the people in it."

PITT COUNTY REPUBLICANS.

A Body of Pitt County Yeomanry—A Strong Ticket Nominated—Ringing Resolutions Adopted.

Special to The Caucasian.

Greenville, N. C., Oct. 3.—Seldom has there been a more representative body of the people of Pitt County, than that assembled here Saturday to nominate candidates for the various offices, for the Republicans to vote for on November 8th. Harmony and good-will prevailed and the determination to win was in the air. Prospects for the election of at least a part of the ticket are very good and would be welcomed by many of the best Democrats in the county. There is a crying demand for a change, and if there is the manhood in old Pitt that distinguished its men in days of old then as to-day, their interests and welfare were at stake, there will be a change. The Republicans enter the campaign full of hope and courage, and are aggressive.

The ticket is as follows: Senator—Job Moore, of Swift Creek.

Representative—J. M. Parker, of Farmville, and D. N. Nobles, of Carolina.

Clerk of Court—A. J. Mays, of Farmville.

Register of Deeds—Erum Dail, of Contentnea.

Treasurer—J. A. Lang, of Greenville.

Sheriff—Marcellus Smith, of Falkland.

Coroner—Dr. T. G. Basnight, of Carolina.

Commissioners—W. M. King, of Greenville, J. L. G. Manning and T. A. Carson, of Bethel, Gray Moore, of Swift Creek, and L. C. Fletcher, of Contentnea.

After the nominations Col. Skinner introduced the resolutions, which endorsed the National and State

platforms, especially local self-government and free school books.

He followed the resolution with a strong, stirring and able speech of near two hours, holding the crowd with the force and application of his words. He was especially strong on local self-government and made telling effects with his argument.

After the adoption of the resolutions, Henry T. King, candidate for Congress against John E. Small, made a short speech, briefly telling something of his opponent's record and position as a Congressman and a trust-corporation lawyer and representative.

A meeting will be held in a few days to map out the campaign. Then work will begin. Look out for good reports from Pitt on November 8th.

Negro Burglar Shot as He Attempted Entrance.

Wilmington, N. C., Oct. 3.—John Williams, a negro, while attempting to burglarize the residence of Capt. W. L. Miller, at Carolina Heights, at an early hour this morning, was shot, but not seriously wounded. Before he could escape he was caught by Capt. Miller and his son and the police notified.

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