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A LAWYER OF THE RIGHT STAND-ARD.

Recently, Mr. Lawrence Maxwell, of the Cincinnati bar, one of the ablest lawyers in the United States, declined to serve on the Government Postal Commission, giving as his reason that he was the attorney for an express company, and that his duties as a member of the Government Postal Commission would no doubt conflict with his duties as attorney for the express company.

Mr. Maxwell served as Solicitor-General of the United States under the Cleveland administration, a place that was later held by President Taft before he was made a Federal Judge. President Taft, knowing the great ability and high sense of honor of Mr. Maxwell, desired him to serve as the Democratic member of the Postal Commission.

Mr. Maxwell knew that the express companies were to-day competing with the Government and hauling second-class mails over the short routes where there was a big profit, while refusing to compete for carrying the mails over the long routes where the Government was forced to conduct the business at a loss. Mr. Maxwell knew that it was the duty of the Government to force the express companies to stay out of competition with the Government in the postal business, and besides, he knew that the railroads were charging the Government about ten times as much to carry the mails as they charged the express companies to carry express on the same train. Knowing these things, he saw the impossibility of performing his duty on the Commission in the interest of the Government and the people without doing so in a way detrimental to the present enormous profits made by the express companies. So he would not try to serve two masters.

This example set by Mr. Maxwell should be observed by all of the Democratic legislators and other Democratic public officials in North Carolina who act as attorneys for railroads and public service corporations while at the same time holding positions as public officials where the duties of the public and the interests of the corporations will conflict. We trust that the next Legislature will pass a law prohibiting what some Democratic officials are now doing, and which, already amounts to a public scandal.

ALABAMA REPUBLICANS MUST "FIGHT-IT-OUT" AS WE DID IN NORTH CAROLINA.

There has for some time been a sharp contest between the two factions of the Republican party in Alabama for recognition in Washington.

Mr. Thompson, who is State Chairman, has insisted that he shall be recognized as the head of the State organization in all questions affecting the party in the State. On the other hand, Mr. Barker, the National Committeeman, has been insisting that he should be recognized as to the control of the patronage in at least one-half of the State.

It is understood that Mr. Hitchcock, the Postmaster-General, has been letting Mr. Barker, the National Committeeman, control all the post-offices in the State, and has been backing him as far as he could in the other departments.

This situation was brought to an issue a few days ago by both factions going to Washington to present their claims to the President. It is understood that Mr. Hilles, the President's private secretary, looked with favor upon the contentions of Mr. Thompson, the State Chairman. When the delegations reached Washington, it is understood that Mr. Hitchcock urged that the patronage of the State be divided between the National Committeeman and the State Chairman. This was not acceptable to Mr. Thompson as State Chairman, who insisted that the majority of the people in the State were behind him and his organization.

Therefore, he proposed that an early State Convention of the party in the State should be called, and that whichever faction controlled that

convention should be fully recognized by the President in all matters. This was agreed to by President Taft, and the convention has been called for an early date in August.

The Washington Evening Star, commenting upon this situation, says:

"The fight-it-out-now convention plan was acceptable to President Taft, being in line with the method adopted by the North Carolina Republicans last fall in settling their factional differences. There were two factions in that State and President Taft would not recognize either. He suggested that a State Convention be held, at which recognized leaders should be elected. This was done and there have been no further factional troubles in North Carolina."

What the Washington Star says about the situation in North Carolina shows that the great fight which the Republicans of this State made last year to wipe out the old referee machine and put the people in charge of the party is well understood in Washington.

ADD "ALABAMA REPUBLICAN MU

P. S.—Since the above was written, the Raleigh News and Observer has published a letter from its Washington correspondent which purports to give the news about the Alabama Republican row and how it was settled, etc. All that there is in that letter about it is the following:

"The President has hit on a new plan for settling party rows in the Southern States. When the factions cannot agree he sends them back home to hold a State Convention and the winner get White House recognition which means the distribution of local patronage.

"The National Committeeman and State Chairman in Alabama fell out and so Mr. Taft has made them both resign and has referred the dispute to a State Convention."

The News and Observer's correspondent got his information, unquestionably, from the Washington newspapers, which papers carried nearly a column story, including a statement given out from the White House on the settlement of the Alabama matter. That statement not only said that the Alabama factions were sent home and told to submit their contentions to the people at a State Convention, with the assurance that the organization elected by this convention would be fully recognized, but it also went further and stated that this action would be following the precedent set by North Carolina last year in settling a similar factional fight, and that the people of North Carolina had settled their fight by electing an organization in the way it was desired that Alabama should now do.

This is the part of the White House statement that is of peculiar interest to the people of North Carolina, and it is the part that the News and Observer's special correspondent should, as a matter of news, have sent for publication, even if nothing else was sent. Those who have watched the course of that paper, however, have had no trouble in understanding why the important part of the news connected with this affair was suppressed.

It is the policy of the News and Observer not to publish any news or facts that would be fair or just toward Mr. Morehead and the Republican State organization, but, on the other hand, to publish any and everything possible to try to boost the remnants of the old rotten referee Republican machine.

In this connection, we call attention to the fact that only a few days before the Washington correspondent of this paper sent down in his Washington letter an interview from a Republican who was antagonistic to Mr. Morehead and the Republican State organization, and who wound up his interview by declaring that he was in favor of the re-election of Mr. Duncan for National Committeeman or for any one else he wanted, etc.

The Washington correspondent of that paper takes pains never to interview any Republican who is a supporter of Mr. Morehead and the State organization, or who wants to see the Republican party grow. This may be good tactics from the standpoint of a Democratic machine organ, and we have no complaint to make. We are simply calling the attention of our readers and the public to the fact that the Democratic machine and the organs of that machine fear Mr. Morehead and his organization, but that they show constantly that they have nothing to fear from the old rotten Republican referee patronage machine.

"THE POLITICAL MISSION OF THE SOUTH"—NORTH CAROLINA SHOULD LEAD.

We publish in another column a report of an address delivered by Chas. W. Dabney, President of the University of Cincinnati, before the Summer School of the South at Knoxville, Tennessee, over which there presides Prof. P. P. Claxton, who has just been appointed United States Commissioner of Education.

Dr. Dabney took for his subject, "The Political Mission of the South." It was a most interesting and forceful address. The closing paragraph of Dr. Dabney's speech, as reported by the Associated Press, is as follows:

"As in the past, so in the future, the political mission of the South should be to stand for the right of local self-government. To maintain this faith of the fathers, this testimony of the Anglo-Saxon race since the beginning of its history to the freedom of the individual to govern himself, his family, his town, and his State—this is the mission of the South in the nation."

Every well informed person knows, and every frank honest person will admit, that Dr. Dabney expressed a great and literal truth in the above statement. Local self-government is the very corner-stone and foundation of all free government. Dr. Dabney points out that it is the chief mission of the South to uphold and preserve that great fundamental principle that underlies the liberty of the people.

We desire to say to say, in addition, that of all the States in the South, North Carolina, by the record of her ancestors, deserves the distinction, and should claim and exercise the honor, of being the leading State in the South in upholding and defending this great fundamental doctrine; but that cannot be done as long as North Carolina is dominated by a political machine, which has deserted, spat upon, and trampled in the dust that great principle for selfish ends.

The Democratic party in North Carolina no longer even claims to stand for the principle of local self-government. The people of North Carolina are worthy descendants of most worthy ancestors. Therefore, the duty devolves upon them to overthrow that political machine, which has so basely betrayed the very essence of free government.

TWO SIMMONS' ORGANS VERY ACTIVE.

The Greensboro Daily News and the Asheville Gazette News appear to be Mr. Simmons' two most persistent and active organs. On last Saturday the Greensboro Daily News contained two specials from Washington boosting Mr. Simmons. The same paper contained also a half column editorial puff for Mr. Simmons.

On the same date the Asheville Gazette News has a laudatory article on a speech, which it says Mr. Simmons had recently made in the Senate, covering over a column and a quarter. The editor, in reviewing that speech, praises it extravagantly and says that one must read it in full in the Congressional Record to appreciate its force and power, etc. The editorial is headed "Full of Meat."

The Greensboro Daily News, in its issue of the next day (Sunday), has another Washington special nearly a column long stating in big headlines that Senator Simmons has made "another hit," and that some remarks which he has made in the Senate have created "general interests," etc.

It is noticeable that these two papers are boosting Mr. Simmons for re-election more strongly than any Democratic paper in the State. Those who are backing these papers are clearly very strongly in favor of the re-election of Mr. Simmons, but as to their wisdom in using this method of boosting Mr. Simmons for re-election, that is another matter.

A PECULIAR BRAND OF EGOISM.

The New York Sun, in an editorial commenting on some of the many probable causes for the extreme heat and discomfort, says:

"Vardaman is belching fire every day. La Follette is finishing the longest speech made since speech began. Josephus Daniels is boiling up to the extent of five columns and a half a day. No wonder there is no cold left in the world."

The editor of the Raleigh News and Observer was so tickled to find his name coupled along with Vardaman and others as heat and discomfort producers that he clipped the above article and put it at the head of his editorial column.

There is no accounting for tastes and the many peculiar brands of egoism.

MORE OFFICES AND MORE SALARIES, THE DEMOCRATIC REMEDY.

President Taft has for some time been urging certain reforms in judicial proceedings in the United States Chief among the evils to be remedied which the President has pointed out is the delay of the law in reaching final judgment through the courts. The position taken by President Taft has attracted the attention of lawyers all over the country, and has led to much discussion and many remedial suggestions.

The North Carolina Bar Association, at its recent meeting, considered the same matter. There were many speeches made containing many suggestions of reform, but the net result of all of the discussion was the recommendation to increase the number of judges and solicitors in North Carolina. It has not been long since the Democratic party increased the number of judges in this State from twelve to sixteen, and now the only remedy proposed for judicial reform is more offices and more salaries.

Inasmuch as the Democratic Legislature of North Carolina is controlled by a club of Democratic lawyers, every one of whom would be a candidate for these new positions, we take it that the next Legislature (if Democratic) will promptly respond to the proposed remedy, which will be a relief to the Democratic office-seekers if to nobody else.

The Davie Record says that Governor Harmon is buying space in the Democratic papers to boost him for President. Woodrow Wilson is also offering nice bouquets about his candidacy, in plate matter, already to print, free of cost, carriage charges prepaid. These Democratic candidates either have plenty of money or some moneyed interests are backing their candidacy.

The Western Carolina Enterprise says about the most dire and brimstone it ever heard in one speech was by the present Attorney-General of this State when he was roasting the trusts on the stump. Evidently the Attorney-General spent all his fire and brimstone on the political stump as he has not seen fit to prosecute a single trust during his term of office.

One of our subscribers says Butler's Raleigh speech contains "the truths of man." Remember, if you want to be sure of a copy of this speech when it is printed in pamphlet form, you should send in your order now before the speech is printed. We have received a number of orders since the date of our last issue.

WITH THE EDITORS.

Prohibition should at least prohibit all those who believe in prohibition.—Durham Herald.

Near-beer has passed away, but the blind tiger seems to have come to stay.—Burlington State Dispatch.

New York's policemen are described as men who ought to have fairly good manners. An aristocracy of graft should acquire polish after so long a time.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Things must be getting in a bad way over in Virginia, politically speaking. The charge is made that existing conditions are as bad there as they are in Illinois. This, of course, is only in the ranks of the Democratic party in that State.—Burlington State Dispatch.

It has been demonstrated that Nebraska can ever develop enough politics to keep W. J. Bryan busy.—Washington Star.

What is a joke? It is when a Lincoln County Democratic officeholder announces publicly that he will not stand for re-election.—Lincoln Times.

We are going to be stubborn and refuse persistently to get excited about the appointment of a negro to be a New York policeman.—Knoxville Sentinel.

The Democratic lease on North Carolina is fast slipping and it won't be long before they will have to move out of the Capitol at Raleigh and hunt for tall timbers.—Clinton News-Dispatch.

Champ Clark has written to the Democratic editors in his district that he is not running away from a Presidential nomination. How can he, if one is not pursuing him?—Union Republican.

The Democrats in North Carolina have doubled and tripled the taxes on all the property the farmers own, the Democrats in Congress are doing all in their power to reduce the price on everything the farmers raise to sell. We can't understand why they want to rub it in on the farmers so hard.—Clinton News-Dispatch.

PROF. J. B. CARLYLE DEAD.

Member of Faculty at Wake Forest Dies From Tuberculosis—Had Been in Failing Health for Some Time.

Prof. J. B. Carlyle died early Monday morning, at his home in Wake Forest, from tuberculosis. He had been in failing health for a year or longer, and for six months was in the Black Mountain section of the State in the hope of getting benefit from the mountain air. Professor Carlyle was brought home to die two weeks ago. He leaves a wife and two sons. Professor Carlyle was for twenty years Professor of Latin at Wake Forest College. For two years he was President of the Baptist State Convention.

He was an enthusiastic Mason and was orator for the North Carolina Grand Lodge of Masons three years ago.

Prof. Carlyle was born in Robeson County fifty-three years ago.

BIG SUIT NEARS END.

Lawyers Finished Argument in Ware-Kramer Case Yesterday Afternoon Now With the Jury.

The million dollar damage suit of the Ware-Kramer Company against the American Tobacco Company is now in the hands of the jury. The lawyers have argued the case for a week, ex-Governor Aycock finishing his speech for the defendant yesterday afternoon. After a short recess Judge Connor charged the jury and placed the case in their hands.

Ambrose Smith, of Chatham, Severely Stabbed by H. M. Hancock.

One of our subscribers in Chatham County informs us that H. M. Hancock, of that county, assaulted Ambrose Smith, of that county, a few days ago and cut him severely, besides stamping and terribly bruising his victim. Doctors were called in to dress Smith's wounds. While he is dangerously wounded, he may recover. Hancock made his escape. It is understood that Hancock became infuriated with Smith because he reported that Hancock was operating a blockade distillery in the vicinity. The distillery which it was claimed was operated by Hancock, was destroyed a few days ago by Deputy Collectors Merritt and Soon.

Mobile, Ala., Votes Wet by Large Majority.

Mobile, Ala., July 6.—By a majority of 2,289 votes Mobile city to-day decided in favor of licensed saloons as against prohibition. The county goes wet by a still larger majority.

President of Railway Order in Trouble.

Boston, Mass., July 4.—Robert E. Neil, President of the International Brotherhood of Railroad Employees, was arrested to-night on a charge of scheme to defraud. It is alleged that Neil on December 1, 1911, issued circulars soliciting advertising for a magazine, the proceeds of which were to be used for death and sick benefits for railroad men and that the funds received were directed to Neil's own use. Members of Neil's family furnished bail in \$1,000, and he was released.

Ohio Farmer Will Run Large Stock Farm Near Washington, N. C.

Washington, N. C., July 2.—Mr. Car Skaden, of Mooresville, Ohio, has recently purchased the Brown farm, a few miles below the city of Pamlico River, and will run a high-class stock farm there during the next several years. He expects to raise fine horses and has already shipped a car-load of fine horses here. It is also understood that he will open up a race track during the coming fall.

South Carolina Has Trouble in Getting Water.

Spartanburg, S. C., July 10.—Wells in all sections of this county have gone dry during the long drought and farmers are greatly agitated over the water question. Old springs have been traced up and often it is necessary for men who live on farms to carry their water for hundreds of yards. Wells are being dug deeper, but there are not enough well-diggers to go round.

Trouble in Venezuela.

Willemstad, Curacao, July 8.—The Venezuelan Government has positive news that Cipriano Castro, the exiled President of Venezuela, effected a landing on the western part of Venezuela and to-day has a following of 1,000 men.

Governor Wilson Kicked Because His Pay Check Was Docked.

Trenton, N. J., July 7.—When Governor Wilson received his June salary check to-day he found it docked three days' pay for time he had spent outside the State. It is understood that the Governor has taken the matter up with the State Comptroller.

Charles Noell and Wife Bound Over to Court.

Lexington, N. C., July 12.—The so-called "white slave" case was given a preliminary hearing before Mayor John H. Moyer Monday afternoon and it resulted in a victory for the prosecution. The defendants, Charles Noell and his wife, Jamie Noell, were bound over to court under bonds of \$200 each.

Eleven Men Stabbed in a Dispute Over One Girl.

Muscookee, Okla., July 6.—A quarrel over a girl at a country dance and picnic nine miles south of this city to-day resulted in a general fight, in which eleven men were stabbed. It is believed that one of the injured, who is unidentified, will die. The wounds of several are serious.

Don't you want a Modern Atlas of the world free of cost. See large announcement elsewhere in the paper.

CHANGE OF HEART.

Sevierville, Tenn.—"I never did believe in patent medicines," writes Mrs. Martha Hawn, of this place, "until I took Cardui, and it cured me. For six months, I could not do anything. Now I do all my housework, and it don't tire me. Doctors failed, but Cardui saved my life." The benefit from taking Cardui is not confined to one part of the body. Cardui improves the whole womanly system. It helps headache, backache, falling feelings, and female weakness. Try it. It will help you. Price \$1.

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