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ROYAL DEBATE BETWEEN CRAIG AND KITCHIN

Before an Intense Audience of 5000 People. The Candidates Put forth Their Claims For The Governorship.

The Pivot of The Discussion Was as to Position of Each Speaker on The Subject of Trusts, Corporations and Railroads.

Both candidates agreeing that they did not differ on basic Democratic principles...

Mr. Kitchin said that the American Tobacco company was so bitterly opposed to him that he could not find a hall in Durham to speak in and had to stand on a dry goods box in the open air.

Mr. Craig ridiculed the idea that the trusts were supporting him by showing that Mr. James S. Manning, of Durham, the man who had rendered harmless the bill in the last legislature aimed at the tobacco trust, was Mr. Kitchin's state manager, and that a large number of Southern Railway lawyers, who were actively in the campaign, were county managers for Mr. Kitchin.

Mr. Craig said that the American Tobacco company had a mighty poor way of showing its friendship for him (Craig). It looked as if Mr. Kitchin was getting what he wanted, if what Kitchin was charging was true. Amidst great laughter and applause, Mr. Craig said:

"He ate my bread and drinks my tea, then walks about town and talks about me!"

Facing a splendid audience of about 5000 people, these two able representatives of North Carolina Democracy fought through to a finish one of the most editorial contests ever witnessed in the North Carolina hustings.

The contest must ever be memorable in the history of Tar Heel politics. Before 8 o'clock the crowds began to surge in. No ushers were needed. Every man and woman pressed up to the front. The vast hive of the Auditorium, with its 1,500 seat-cells, was every minute filling up with the honey of humanity. When every chair was filled 500 men stood up in the rear of the gallery walks and at the rear of the platform stage.

The audience was in a rollicking mood. It was hardly less than rowdy—at least a part of it. It wanted something red hot. It was red hot itself—fresh and smoking from the seething cauldron of politics. There was some little unruly behavior on the part of a few. Both candidates were too often partly interrupted. Sometimes when Mr. Kitchin was speaking a man would cry, "Craig, Craig," and when Mr. Craig was on the floor, others would yell, "Kitchin, Kitchin."

Mr. Craig's name was also on the lips of a large number of men. The adherents of the Silent Candidate were out in force, and if he had been present he would doubtless have received as great an ovation as either of the other two.

Some of the Folks. "Hit him again." "Give it to him proper." "You're too late finding that out, Mr. Craig." "When were you last in Washington, Mr. Kitchin?" and so forth, were the interrogatories flung at the speakers from various parts of the audience.

Half way out in the audience, coat off, as if he were ready to fling a spear into ripening grain, was the face and form of Dr. J. T. Kell, of Providence, an ardent Kitchin man. When his candidate scored a point the fine old farmer's face would be wreathed in smiles and when Mr. Craig scored he looked, oh, so sorry about it.

er, of Greensboro, editor of Evening News, a Horne man, but who had been attracted to the debate by that magnetic impulse which makes a tip-top newspaper man like to see a "Gentle" passage of arms at Ashby." Not far from him was Hon. Walter Henry, a scrapper himself, many days gone by and a judge of forensic contests, who could not miss seeing the battle, though it was between two of opposite political faith from him. Mr. J. P. Cook, of Concord, was another keen observer of the fray, and there were more from out of town—men prominent in North Carolina politics.

On the Stage. Both candidates received tremendous ovations as they came into the hall, surrounded by throngs of their friends. On the stage Mr. Craig was seated between Mr. Cameron Morrison and Mr. Sevier, of Buncombe, and Mr. Kitchin between Mr. F. R. McNeill and Mr. James S. Manning, of Durham. This was the central bunch on the platform. There were dozens of the friends of both candidates on the stage.

Both men received tremendous ovations. As each appeared the applause was prolonged and genuinely hearty. The friends of each man are today claiming that he was victor. Whether many votes were changed is not possible to be prophesied. If the News were one of a committee of judges to pass upon the debate it would be compelled to give its part of the decision to Mr. Craig.

Mr. Craig Had the Best of It. Mr. Kitchin was confident and jaunty when he began to speak. He evidently felt that as a rough and tumble political debater he had the best of his opponent. He said in beginning that he knew he could never make such exquisite excursions into the fields of rhetoric as the mountain man and return laden with bouquets of roses; that he could never talk so prettily about the Count of Monte Cristo and draw such a beautiful contrast between the metropolitan lady and the simple mountain maid, as Mr. Craig, but he did believe that he had a well-founded reputation for going out into the grain-fields of fact and argument, and bringing in the sheaves. It was a pretty simile and seemed a sort of apology for the way he was going to do up his opponent.

Yet in his rejoinder Mr. Craig had succeeded in putting Mr. Kitchin furiously on the defensive, inasmuch that he complained of the fact that the 20 minutes of the rejoinder was not as much time as he would like to have and he said he felt that because Mr. Craig had had the last speech at Wadesboro, he (Mr. Kitchin) ought to have had the last speech here. Mr. Craig at the wind-up was thrashing wheat, too.

However, it is not saying that the debate was not close. One advantage of Mr. Craig over his splendid opponent, lay in the fact that the debate had been forced upon him. He found the gauntlet flung down before him and he hesitated not to pick it up. His whole spirit and attitude was that of the Knight of Snowdon, James Fitz James, who drew his good sword against the Rhodri, and against his heather-hidden followers, and cried:

"Come one, come all, this rock shall fly From its firm base as soon as I."

Mr. McNeill Introduces Mr. Kitchin. Hon. F. R. McNeill, in introducing Mr. Kitchin, said:

"This memorable campaign will be brought to a close by one of the greatest debates that it has ever been our privilege to hear. In introducing Mr. Kitchin to you, I present a man, first in debate, first in votes, and first in the hearts of his countrymen, and he is tonight fifty convention votes ahead of his competitor. This young man has made more of the fact of the state. Like a pyramid of stone he has stood unhurt and, Jove-like, he has stood untrifled and unafraid. He is trusted by the people, and has always answered their call. In private life he is as spotless as a pure woman; an orator of eloquence; a statesman of ability—a finer gentleman nature never made. I introduce the Honorable W. W. Kitchin."

Mr. Kitchin arose with a smile and a confident look in his face, and began his speech by asking his supporters to be quiet, as he did not want their applause, but wanted a chance to talk. His speech, in the main, was about the same as delivered here in the auditorium. Mr. Kitchin said:

"I am glad to see so many Horne men here; but I am glad to see so many more Kitchin men here. My western competitor and I are here to engage in a debate, and we must have your attention for every moment. "This is a great campaign, and the questions involved are greater than the question of whether a man named Horne, a man named Craig, or a man named Kitchin shall be governor of North Carolina. The question involved is whether that element, lead by your great paper, the Charlotte Observer, which represents the railroads, the trusts and the machine of the party, shall dominate. The question is not one of personalities, but is a question of which policies this state shall or shall not pursue. In the past it was enough for a man to be called a Democrat, but today the term "Radical" and "Conservative" have been coined by this element.

"My competitor and I are not divided on the great questions of pensions, education, and other questions of that kind, but we are divided on the question of trust and railroad regulation.

Radicals and Conservatives. "That element of the party which sees wrongs, and goes to correct these wrongs, is called radical and dangerous; and that element which, with folded arms, does nothing, are termed conservatives.

"I here and now challenge Mr. Craig to name one solitary thing that the

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Prayer by Bishop P. J. Muldoon, of the Roman Catholic diocese of Chicago. Presentation of gavel to the national chairman, Harry S. New. Call of National convention read by Secretary Elmer S. Dwyer. Introduction of the temporary chairman, Senator Julius C. Burrows, of Michigan. Address by temporary chairman. Presentation of gavel to temporary chairman. Election of the temporary officers. Selection of committees on temporary organization, rules and order of business, credentials and resolutions.

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Cummins Boom Launched. Following sharp upon yesterday's announcement from Washington that the President and Secretary Taft were inclined to insist that the vice-presidential candidate must come from Iowa, and that they would be satisfied with either Dolliver or Cummins, boom was today formally launched for Gov. Cummins. It was fanned by Senator Borah of Idaho.

The move is significant in view of the fact that Borah was among the most ardent of Senator Dolliver's supporters. He now says he is convinced that of the two men Cummins is more available.

Republican Conventions and Nominations. 1856—Philadelphia: Fremont and Dayton. 1860—Chicago: Lincoln and Hamlin. 1864—Baltimore: Lincoln and Johnson. 1868—Chicago: Grant and Colfax. 1872—Philadelphia: Grant and Wilson. 1876—Cincinnati: Hayes and Wheeler. 1880—Chicago: Garfield and Arthur. 1884—Chicago: Blaine and Logan. 1892—Chicago: Harrison and Morton. 1896—St. Louis: McKinley and Hobart. 1900—Philadelphia: McKinley and Roosevelt. 1904—Chicago: Roosevelt and Fairbanks.

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Gov. Glenn For State Primary

He Feels That Contests Such as Now Rage Between Partisans of gubernatorial Candidates Should be Prevented.

The fierce contest among the three candidates for the governorship this year has led Governor Glenn to make up his mind to use his influence with the legislature in his message to remedy a state-wide primary. The governor so stated to a News man this morning. "These intense contests within the party will not do it any good," said the governor. "Is there any danger of their some day breaking the solid South by making North Carolina Republican?" he was asked. "The governor did not answer this question. He merely went on to say that he intended to advise the next legislature in his message to remedy the evil by providing for a state primary in which all the candidates should be voted for at the same time. Governor Glenn is here to speak at the opening of the Teachers' Assembly tonight. Governor Glenn will make the first speech seconding Mr. Bryan at the Denver convention. This is at Mr. Bryan's special invitation.

Paper Manufacturers Indicted by Grand Jury

By Associated Press. New York, June 16.—Several indictments were handed up this morning by the federal grand jury which has been investigating the New York Cotton Exchange and the Manila Paper and Fibre Manufacturing Association. None of these indictments were made public. One of them, however, was placed under seal by order of the court on request of the assistant United States district attorney who has charge of the investigation of the paper manufacturers' case. He asked to have the indictment placed under the seal of the court for several days, or until all those mentioned in the indictment had been apprehended. Judge Hough in granting the request issued bench warrants for the arrest of those named in the indictment.

FLORIDA PRIMARY Fight for U. S. Senator and Governor Very Close.

By Associated Press. Jacksonville, Fla., June 16.—Following a bitter campaign the second Democratic state primary was held today. Governorship, United States Senatorship and many minor offices are at stake. The campaign for the Governorship is between A. W. Gilchrist, local optionist, and John N. C. Stockton, prohibitionist and has been especially spirited. For the United States Senate, Gov. Broward was vigorously fought by Duncan U. Fletcher. The state question of chief interest in the primary is whether state prohibition or local option shall prevail.

Georgia Breaks Coaling Record. By Associated Press. Washington, June 16.—A report received at navy department this morning states that the battleship Georgia has made the world's coaling record, taking on board 1,770 tons of coal in five hours and twelve minutes.

Representative Wiley Slightly Improved. By Associated Press. Hot Springs, Va., June 16.—Representative Wiley, of Alabama, showed very slight improvement today.

Jarvis Temporary Chairman. Ex-Senator T. J. Jarvis will be temporary chairman of the state Democratic convention here on the 24th. This, The News learns, has been agreed upon by friends of all the candidates and no better choice could be made.

The Voting Is Now Going On

The Primary is Passing Off Quietly, And In a Very Few Hours The Suspense Will Be Over.

The county primary opened at 2 o'clock this afternoon and a big vote is being got out. It is impossible, as this paper goes to press at 3:30 p. m., to get any definite line on the results. In the county the polls close at 6 o'clock; in the city at 8 o'clock. The News will receive and bulletin reports from all over the county tonight. The people had been asked to vote early, and it seemed that they were just as anxious to do this as the leaders. The friends of the gubernatorial candidates were not doing all the work today. Mingling in these little crowds of men were the county candidates, and these were putting in good work for themselves.

NINETY THREE MEN PASS THE STATE MEDICAL BOARD

Winston, Salem, N. C., June 16.—Of the 122 applicants for license to practice medicine in North Carolina 93 passed the examination before the state board, while 29 failed to make the required average. The following named tied for the highest honor the average of each being 93.17. A. J. Terrell of Old Port; John Wilson McConnell of McConnellsville, S. C.; Thurman D. Kitchin, Scotland Neck. The next highest was Charles Solomon, Lawrence of Mt. Airy who got 93. Those granted license are as follows: White List—David E. Baird, Sago; Walter P. Wilson, Pine Hill; H. T. Frazier, Asheville; Phillip Morris, Rutherfordton; L. Manly Duncan, Whitney, Monroe; Jesse A. Powell, Harrellville; John C. Pepper, Kernersville; H. A. Wakefield, Charlotte; Frank L. Mock, Winston-Salem; Arthur Ogburn Spoon, Haw River; David Watson Harris, Fayetteville; C. F. Winslow, Hobbesville; Slocum R. Leeds, Siler City; Thomas Malcolm Bizzell, Goldsboro; Robert Gray McPherson, Snow Camp; Allen McLean, Laurinburg; Julian Deacatur Maynard, Chapel Hill; Evander McNeil McIver, Jonesboro; James E. Mann, Lake Landing; August Flynt Nichols, Roseboro; S. Scofield, Wainwright, Rapids; E. J. Carson Irwin, Old Port; Hammond A. J. Terrell, Raleigh; Platt Walker Covington, Wadesboro; William Tilson Woodward, Democrat; Samplet Edgar Webb; Browns Summit; Cecil Garrenton, Coin Jock; George Floyd Ross, Philadelphia; William Walker Stafford, Elizabeth; Adam Lysle R. Young, Angier; Adam Rucher; Rutherfordton; William Royall Bizzell, Burlington; John Blair Watson, Raleigh; William Nelson Mebane, Hillsboro; Charles Solomon Lawrence, Mt. Airy; Wilburn Robertson, Burnsville; Robert M. Potts, Fort Mill, S. C.; Thomas Morris Chaney, Old Port; Robert Theo. Upchurch, Apex; James Thomas Taylor, Raleigh; James Thomas Pate, Gibson; Edgar W. Lassiter, Rich Square; John D. Kerr Jr., Clinton; Thomas H. Royster, Oxford; Paul P. Lane, Wilson; Charles P. Bolles Jr., Wilmington; John Calvin Rich, Belwood; John McConnell, McConnellsville, S. C.; Lewis Hector Shubert, Enfield; Irene Thornton, Fayetteville; John S. McKee, Raleigh; John Berry, Chapel Hill; Penley Brisco Ledbetter, Pisgah Forest; James Wilson Reid, Lowell; Thomas Harlee Smith, Liberty; S. A. Dodds, Salisbury; John McNeill Smith, Lenoir; Verno Albert Ward, Wilson; William R. Welborn, Cold Ridge; Henry E. McFarry, Sharon; Fred J. Dewey Gardner, Iredell; William Joseph Hunnicutt, Asheville; Charles Edgar Wilkerson, Greensboro; William D. James, Laurinburg; William Willis Green, Franklinton; Thurman D. Kitchin, Scotland Neck; Wingate Memory Johnson, Raleigh; Richard E. Timberlake, Youngsville; Robert Herman Freeman, Wake Forest; George Monroe Monly, Mount Airy; P. T. Smith, Anna, B. O. Shoate, Sparta; W. C. Mudgett, Southern Pines; S. G. Jett, Reidsville; John M. Baird, Mars Hill. Successful colored applicants—Frank Thomas Page, Durham; Edgar Stegall, Portis, Lenoir; Frank Johnson Thornton Jr., Raleigh; Alexander Hamilton Ray, Raleigh; John Robert Henry, Beaufort; William Arthur Mitchener, Raleigh; Frank Avenel Newberry; Ed Randolph Carter, Winston; Nathan Henry Styron Jr., New Bern; George Lee Winston, Rocky Mount; M. N. L. Perry, Fayetteville; Wm. G. Torrence, Asheville; Herbert Jones Erwin Morganston; Chas S. Fisher, Raleigh; Lawrence Saunders Mitchell, Aheokel. The following named entered under the reciprocity clause: J. T. Smith, Salisbury; Arthur B. Burns; Statesville; Marion J. Watkins, McIver; F. A. Sheppard, Liberty; St. Albans McCotter, Mayboro; V. J. Brown, Oden; John Orville Hooper, Fletcher; Edwin H. Harrison, Wake Forest; Ransom Lee Carr, Wallace; Helen W. Bissell, Alleghany.

Convention Bulletins

Convention Hall, Chicago, June 16.—The convention doors were opened at 10:30 o'clock, but the hall slowly filled until at 11:30, when the seats were only partially filled.

Fifteen minutes before the hour at which the convention was to be called to order not more than half of the delegates were in their seats, but arrivals were beginning to crowd into the hall.

At 12:14 p. m. Chairman New rapped the convention to order. At 12:34 p. m., Senator Burrows was elected temporary chairman and began his speech amid cheers and applause. At 12:41 p. m. There was considerable cheering for Roosevelt, which lasted for about a minute and a half.

New Members of National Committee. Among members of the new National Republican committee are the following: Alabama, P. D. Barker, Florida; James N. Coombs, Georgia; North Carolina, Edward C. Duncan; South Carolina, John G. Capers; Virginia, Alvah H. Martin.

Want "Good Roads" Plank In Platforms. Chicago, Ill., The gospel of good roads will be preached to both the republican and democratic national conventions. At the meeting of the National Good Roads Congress yesterday, a program decided upon was to bring every influence to bear to have a "Good Roads" plank inserted in the platform of each party.

Price of Beef Advanced. Chicago, Ill., June 16.—The prices of dressed beef, lamb, and pork linds, advanced about half a cent, a cent and two cents a pound, respectively. Prevailing high quotations on stock on hoof and broadening of outside demand for manufactured products were held responsible for the upturn in the price of artificial ice also increased from 35 to 40 cents a hundred pounds.

The deadly automobile is one thing in which to take a sly ride.



DOINGS OF THE DAY!