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## RASH'S GREAT SPEECH

Calm, Courteous, Dispassionate But Intensely Earnest.

He Touches Upon the Judiciary and Takes Up the Legislative Branch of the Government—He Exposes thereckless Extravagance and Blunders of the Fusionists—He Shows that Another Fusion Body would be Helpless to Amend—White Men of North Carolina Should Be a Unit on One Thing, White Supremacy.

Mr. Wiley Rash, the Democratic nominee for solicitor in this, the eighth district, spoke in the court house Monday night. It is his first time to be in Cabarrus, and he is practically a new man. He makes a good impression. He has a strong, manly voice, his sentences are clear cut, his language chaste and forceful and his whole bearing is dignified and manly. He has fiery enthusiasm equal to the occasion while free from personal abuse and vituperation.

The speaker said that he had tried in vain to get a joint canvass with Mr. Holton and had even gone to him where he was holding court and plead for a joint discussion and then failed. He had refrained from making any charges until he notified Mr. Holton of them.

He told a story, the drift of which was for the benefit of those who object to lawyers, that Mr. Holton was at least not a lawyer to hurt. He believed in joint canvasses.

A man that will not join his opponent in a joint canvass either has a bad cause or is unable to defend a good one. He did not make the charge himself but had heard the charge in several counties that Mr. Holton had not prosed cases for political purposes.

The speaker said that while he could give a number of instances showing the utter unfitness of fusion nominations for the judiciary he would pass them over and dwell more upon the legislature, which was paramount to every feature in this campaign. He desired a Democratic legislature above all things and would gladly suffer defeat himself if such were a condition to success for the legislative ticket.

Honest voters were not to blame, he said, for sending what they thought were honest men to the fusion legislature but were to blame if they repeated the mistake. The fusionists have probably nominated not more than one man in the whole State that was in the last legislature but the same conditions and environments exist that produced the terrible results then and it will be impossible to rid the next of the same evils if it be a fusion legislature. It is a combination for office and it will be impossible to restrain it from office grabbing.

The fusionists clamored against Democratic extravagance and promised to lower taxes, salaries and offices. Instead they attempted to raise the taxes but failed to observe the proportion required by the constitution that the tax on the poll shall be equal to the tax on \$300

worth of property and the Supreme court had to annul the act and the Democratic rate stands, but to get money they taxed everything they could lay hands on, including boarding houses and dead men, for when a man dies a special tax is laid on the estate.

Getting taxes from all the sources they could, they spent more than \$200,000 above the income for the State, and in three years of fusion rule the State government cost \$283,000 more than any three years of Democratic rule ever cost in the history of the State.

The last two legislatures, said he, cost \$14,000 more than any two Democratic legislatures. Here are some of the ways it was done.

Fifty members of the senate had 70 attendants, all drawing salaries from the State treasury. He referred to the Swinson affair and the lock breaking in the enrolling clerk's office all to get unneeded negro clerks a place at the pie counter. At one time the expenses in this one department were \$70 per day for copying the bills passed by the legislature when doubtless there are young ladies in Concord who would gladly copy the whole batch of bills for \$100.

This fusion legislature, he said, reduced salaries by cutting a \$2,000 salary to \$1,500 and creating another at \$1,000. Such is the way salaries were reduced. He said that Dr. D Reid Parker, of his county, was made State lecturer on farming at \$1,000 per year and expenses, which made him cost the State about \$6.00 per day, when Dr. Parker knows nothing practically about his subject.

This fusion legislature, he said, had passed twenty to thirty bills that a Republican Supreme court found to be either unconstitutional or nonsensical and had to be annulled.

He said that every Populist speech would have it in it that they offered to fuse with the Democrats and were refused. He called attention to the exactness with which they demanded of Democrats to subscribe to certain principles laid down to them, but when we declined they fused with the Republicans without any such demands. The present is clearly a fusion for office without principle.

He said the fusionists were ridiculing the negro question but it is to draw attention away from their extravagance or rascality, and so absurd are their shiftings to avoid their own record that they even try to make it appear that the Democratic party is the negro party.

The lesson of reconstruction, he said, had staid with the Democrats a long time and he, the speaker, had advised some years ago that the talk of negro rule be laid aside, but he found that just as soon as the fusionists got into power the negro got into office over the whites. In every land, said the speaker, where the Anglo-Saxon carries freedom, civilization, intelligence and Christianity, he is the acknowledged subject for ruling, save in North Carolina.

The speaker avowed that he believed it not only better for society in general but even for the colored race themselves that the white race should rule. He would have them

enjoy all the privileges of complete citizenship but not to rule over their superiors, the white race.

The cry of disfranchising negroes and poor white men if the Democrats get into power was heard in 1876. The Democrats were in power 20 years and there was no disfranchisement of anybody.

The white men of North Carolina, said the speaker, may differ on many subjects but there should be perfect unity for white supremacy.

### PERSONAL POINTERS.

—Mr. Robt. Sappenfield came over from Charlotte last night.

—Mr. A M Brown is spending today in Salisbury.

—Postmaster Patterson returned from Washington this morning, after spending about two weeks.

—Mr. M L Ritch, of Salisbury, came down last night to visit relatives.

—Mr. Chas. Craven went up to High Point this morning on business.

—Master Bennett Miller, son of Rev. C B Miller, came home this morning from Sumner, where he has been visiting his grandparents.

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