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WILL ROOSEVELT BOLT IF NOT NOMINATED?

WASHINGTON POLITICIANS ARE GREATLY STIRRED OVER SPEECH.

Many Interpret His Remarks Last Night at Chicago to Mean That He May Head Third Party Movement. What Pinchot Says. — Roosevelt Denies It.

Washington, March 28.—Not since the days of 1896, when the Democratic party was disrupted by the "Gold Democratic movement," have politicians been so stirred as they are today. Many leaders interpret Roosevelt's statements last night at Chicago to mean that Republicans are not bound to respect a "nomination secured by thugery" as meaning if he himself is not nominated at Chicago he may head a third party movement. This belief they claimed is borne out by the statement issued today by Gifford Pinchot, one of Roosevelt's field marshals. Answering the allegations that Roosevelt violated bonds of friendship, and proved ungrateful in launching his candidacy in opposition to President Taft, Pinchot assails that and declares: "Roosevelt believed Taft was to be trusted and that he would stand firm for the people, so he supported him in 1908. But the record shows that Roosevelt was mistaken. Taft couldn't be trusted to take up the burden of the Presidency to repair his mistake. It wouldn't be fair to the people for him to refuse the call and let them suffer another four years of special interest government under Taft."

St. Louis, March 28.—Roosevelt today denied the published stories that he had indicated his intention to bolt the ticket in case he is not nominated by the Chicago convention and Taft is nominated. "Any statement like that is a fake," said he. "Any time I have anything to say on such subject I'll say it myself, and anything purporting to come from me unless I say it myself is a fake."

Planning for Good Roads.

Spartanburg, S. C., March 28.—The large attendance at the opening here today of the convention of the Southern Appalachian Good Roads Association gave evidence of the general interest in the good roads movement manifested in this section of the country. The convention will be in session two days and will devote itself principally to the discussion of the following highways: Asheville-Spartanburg, Asheville-Greenville, Charlotte-Asheville, Columbia-Spartanburg-Asheville and Knoxville-Atlanta.

Wins One of Our Dinner Sets.

The first one to win one of our beautiful dinner sets was Mrs. H. C. M. Goodnight of No. 4 township, who secured ten new subscribers to The Times. Several others are working for a set, and no doubt many others will soon do so. All you have to do is to bring us new subscribers to the amount of \$15.00 to either The Times or Tribune or both, with the cash, and the 32-piece dinner set is given without the payment of a cent of money on your part.

Memorial to Wade Hampton.

Charleston, S. C., March 28.—An imposing monument in memory of General Wade Hampton, a gift to the city of Charleston by the local chapter of the Daughters of the Confederacy, was unveiled today, on the nine-fourth anniversary of the birth of the distinguished South Carolina soldier and statesman. The unveiling was accompanied with interesting but modest ceremonies. The oration of the day was delivered by Dr. S. C. Mitchell, president of the University of South Carolina.

Veteran of the Senate.

Washington, D. C., March 28.—Congratulations were in order today for Senator Jacob H. Gallinger of New Hampshire, on the occasion of his seventy-fifth birthday anniversary. Senator Gallinger is one of the veterans of the upper house. In years, he is surpassed only by two members, Cullom, of Illinois, and Stephenson, of Wisconsin, while in point of service Senator Cullom alone tops the record of the New Hampshire member.

Aubert's Capture Imminent.

El Paso, Tex., March 28.—Thirteen hundred Mexican federals, commanded by General Aubert are reported today to have engaged the combined forces under Orozco at Campa, near Villa Lopez. Dispatches from rebel sources assert that Aubert is surrounded and the capture of his command is imminent.

DEBATE AT WINECOFF SCHOOL

Large Crowd Attends Exercises Last Night.—Decision in Favor of Winecoff.

Winecoff school house was crowded with people last night, every available seat being taken and many stood in the aisles and doorways, the occasion being a debate between Winecoff and Rocky River high schools. A programme filled with interest and rendered in a manner that drew great praise from the audience and reflected enviable credit upon both institutions made the evening one of pleasure and profit to everyone.

Prof. C. E. Boger presided over the debate. The exercises were opened with prayer by Rev. W. T. Albright, at the close of which the children of Winecoff school sang "Carolina." Miss K. Lee Steele rendering the accompaniment. Two declaimers, Mr. Ralph Black, "Lincoln's Gettysburg Address," and John Barnhardt, "Character of Napoleon," and two recitations, "Polly's Surprise Party" by Miss Evelyn Winecoff and "Feeding the Children," by Miss Zula Bost, together with the debaters made the programme complete, and all acquitted themselves in a manner that won the praises of their hearers and reflected credit upon their schools. The musical part of the programme deserves special mention. The quartet, the song by five little boys and the songs by the school brought forth encore after encore.

The following question was debated: "Resolved, That North Carolina is the Best State in the Union in Which to Live?"

From historic Rocky River were: Mr. Henry Bost and Mr. Drayton Horton for the negative, and from progressive Winecoff, Mr. Richmond Stroud and Mr. Robert Litaker appeared for the affirmative. Ably and well did they do battle. For more than an hour the State of North Carolina was on trial at their hands. At times her future quivered in the balance. Time and time again when sent quivering into her side from the gentlemen from Rocky River her patriotic sons and daughters began to hope for a Vance and a Ransom to bring her back as the one shining star in the great galaxy of stars that compose this nation. But on each occasion the gentlemen from Winecoff fought nobly, bravely and well and when the great forensic fray had ended North Carolina emerged a victor, her brightness undimmed and her imperishable glories still preserved.

Each young man made a most excellent effort and to do them justice a complete account of their speeches would have to be given. Messrs. Stroud and Litaker speaking for North Carolina portrayed her great climate, her natural resources, commerce, manufacturing, agricultural and mining resources and what they termed above all her great and sturdy Anglo-Saxon race of men and women. Combining these with her rapid growth in education and industrial development they contended that North Carolina was by far the most desirable State in the Union in which to live.

On the negative Messrs. Bost and Horton asked that the judges and audience cast aside all prejudices and not let such pretty sentiments as "Here's to the Land of the Long Leaf Pine" effect their decision. They pointed out the desirable climate of Kentucky, the great industrial wealth of New England, the educational system of Kentucky, where a compulsory school law is in operation, the great manufacturing of the middle Atlantic States surpassed those of North Carolina. They admitted that North Carolina was the greatest State to be born in but not the greatest to live in. In proof of this they pointed to Andrew Jackson and Andrew Johnson, contending that neither would have reached the zenith of his fame if he had continued to reside in North Carolina. They contended that such was the case today and pointed to the ability and fitness of Governor Aycock as a man for a national post of honor but that his place of residence denied him such an honor.

At the conclusion of the debate the judges, Prof. A. S. Webb, Prof. J. W. B. Long and John M. Oglesby retired to decide upon a verdict. By a vote of 2 to 1 the judges decided in favor of the affirmative, the decision being announced by Mr. Oglesby.

To the faculty of both schools belongs great credit for the excellent entertainment. Every speaker showed careful and patient training and all deserve a large share in the success of the evening. Another fact, although a little away from the subject, was brought forcibly to light and that was the great advantages to be derived from special tax schools.

While Rocky River, lost in debate they had the pleasure of making Winecoff bite the dust in baseball, winning the game in the afternoon by the big score of 10 to 5. All in all there was glory enough for every one.

TO IMPROVE THE STREETS

Several Streets to be Macadamized.—Asphalt Street to Be Laid in Business Section.

At a meeting of the city finance and street committee it was decided to make extensive improvements on a number of streets. On account of the limited resources of the city's treasury a number of improvements that have been considered for some time will have to be postponed but they agreed to go the extreme limit at present.

The committee decided to macadamize Church street from Depot to Corbin, Means and Barbriek streets, Buffalo from Locke mill to the Kanapolis road. Cement sidewalks will also be put down on Buffalo street provided the property owners agree to pay half the cost.

The committee then took up the matter of putting asphalt on the business section of the city, from the St. Cloud Hotel to the St. James Lutheran church. It was agreed to do this work provided the merchants and property owners would contribute to the expense. The committee decided to use the Indian Refining Company's asphalt pavement, which is very similar to that now in use at the Corbin street corner, near the Lutheran church. Work will begin on these improvements at once.

Trinity's "Annual" a Thing of Beauty.

Trinity College, March 28.—For the past few days the editorial staff of the "Chanticleer," Trinity's annual, which will be issued for the first time this year, has been busily engaged under the direction of the editor-in-chief, Claude Bennett, in preparing the copy for the final dispatch to the printers in Richmond, where it will be issued. The book will be bound in Levant grain cowhide leather of a dark blue color and stamped in gold with the name and the year of the issue. There will be 250 pages including advertising matter, of which there will be even more than was at first hoped for, by Manager Brower under the original computation. Two color plates will be inserted in the book, and, besides these, there will be numerous steel engravings and embossing work.

Father Slain by Young Son.

Richmond, Va., March 27.—James Currie, an engineer, was shot and instantly killed in his home here tonight by his son, Robert Currie, a lad of 15 years. Entering his house in the lower section of the city at the supper hour, the boy found his mother struggling to release herself from her husband, who was coking her. Seizing a Swiss army rifle, which was standing in a corner of the dining room, Robert Currie turned it toward his father and fired. The bullet entered the neck and severed the jugular vein. With his parent lying dead on the floor, the son remained nearby until the police arrived a few moments later and placed him under arrest. There are nine children in the family, most of whom witnessed the shooting.

Colonel Roosevelt in Fighting Speech Lashes Opponents.

Chicago, Ill., March 28.—Colonel Roosevelt's most stinging campaign speech thus far was delivered here last night. He lashed his opponents and charged some of them with using fraud and trickery to defeat him.

Colonel Roosevelt said it was a fighting speech. It was delivered before a throng which packed the auditorium and cheered him enthusiastically. The primaries in New York furnished the text for his speech and he cited a number of instances in which he said his opponents had resorted to improper practices to defeat him.

Camera and School Picture Smashed

While returning from Pinnacle last night, where he had gone to make some pictures, Mr. T. C. Newman had the misfortune to fall from his buggy. He sustained no injuries but his large camera was broken. Mr. Newman was holding the camera in the foot of the buggy when the wheel fell in a deep hole, turning the buggy almost over and spilling Mr. Newman and camera to the ground. Of course the pictures were ruined.

Suffragettes Held Without Bail.

London, March 28.—Mrs. Emmeline Parkhurst and Mr. and Mrs. Pethick Lawrence were held without bail today on a general conspiracy charge. The police allege that they are responsible for the recent window smashing.

The Woodrow Wilson headquarters issued Wednesday a statement declaring that press dispatches from Tampa, Fla., carried conclusive proof of the existence of a presidential candidate combine having for its object the prevention of Governor Wilson's nomination.

YOUNG MAN OF LANDIS RUN OVER BY TRAIN

HAS BOTH FEET CUT OFF BY FREIGHT TRAIN.

Mr. J. L. Bostian, of Landis, Fell Under Train This Morning in Trying to Board It.—Wanted to Go to Charlotte on Freight Train.

Landis, March 28.—J. Bostian, a young mill operator here, lost both his feet this morning in an attempt to catch a moving southbound freight train. Bostian wanted to go to Charlotte and when the freight passed he made a grab for it. He lost his balance and fell beneath the cars. Both feet were smashed off. Bystanders rushed to the aid of the young man. He was taken to Dr. Edwards' office where his wounds were bound up. Dr. Edwards later placed the young man in his automobile and took him to Whitehead-Stokes sanatorium at Salisbury. The accident occurred about 9:30 o'clock.

MT. PLEASANT DEFEATED BY LENOR COLLEGE TEAM.

Score 12 to 2.—Large Crowd Present at Extemporaneous Debate.

Mount Pleasant, N. C., March 28.—The baseball team of the Institute suffered defeat by the Lenor team yesterday evening by a score of 12 to 2. Monroe did some good twirling for the Cadets, but a little support was lacking. Some good slugging was done on each side. The following is the line up: Mt. Pleasant—Monroe, p; Murray, c; Lylerly, lf; Daley, 2b; Pool, rf; Welsh, ss; Broad, 3b; Moose, cf; Beaver, 1b. Lenor—Williams, D., ss; Rudisill, 2b; Mackie, c; Pool, p; Williams, L., 1b; Stuek, 3b; Sox, lf; Green, rf; Frye, cf.

R. H. E. Mt. Pleasant 2 1 3
Lenor 12 4 3

Monroe struck out two men; Pool struck out one man.

The extemporaneous debate was held last night. A large crowd was present. Everyone seemed to be well pleased with the programme. All the speakers did well. They discussed the query, "Resolved, That Intercollegiate Athletics Should be Encouraged." Eleven young men spoke, ten of which number choose the affirmative side. The prize was awarded to Mr. Jno. L. Yost.

GET READY FOR THE ANNUAL SPRING CLEANING.

Monday a Week Has Been Officially Designated Clean-Up Day for Concord City.—Begin to Get Up Your Trash Now.

Those who have premises to clean prepare to clean them now. Monday, April 8, has been officially designated as "Clean Up Day." On that day every citizen is supposed to have his yard in the best order. Put all your cans, trash and rubbish in a pile and the city will haul it away for you. After clean up day the sanitary inspector will inspect every premise in Concord and if a citizen has failed to remove all the rubbish from his yard he will be required to do so and haul it away at his own expense. No one thing will make a place as desirable to live in as to have it clean. Join with your neighbor in this clean up campaign. Do it now.

Spencer Citizen About to Thrash Man Who Defamed Ministers.

Spencer, March 27.—In asserting that all Christian ministers are "fakes preaching for money," a foreigner traveling under the name of Rev. Smith, was hushed in short order by a leading citizen of Spencer while preaching on the streets here late this afternoon. Surrounded by a crowd of railroad men on the street corner he was promptly called down when he made the statement reflecting on the ministry. This aroused animosity on the part of his hearers and the rebuke was administered by the chief of the fire department who deliberately informed the so-called preacher that he would mash his face if he continued to reflect upon the ministers of the community and that he would whip him if he did not leave Spencer at once. He also tendered the stranger street car fare with which to make his way from town. Instead of waiting for the arrival of a car the "preacher" promptly made his way out of Spencer taking a course towards Greensboro.

Teachers' Meeting Postponed.

Charleston, S. C., March 28.—The meeting of the South Carolina State Teachers' Association which was scheduled to open here today, has been postponed until April 25 to 27. An unusually interesting programme has been prepared for that gathering.

K. OF P. RALLY

To Take Place Tomorrow Night.—Prominent Pythians to Speak.

The local Pythians are on for an occasion of unusual interest this week, as evidenced by the following letter sent out yesterday:

Dear Sir and Brother: Please post this notice in a conspicuous place and read it every thirty-five minutes. Talk about it to every Pythian in sight, and 'phone to all the others in the city that Concord Lodge, No. 51, will have the time of its life Friday night, the 29th. Grand Chancellor McLean will preside and exemplify the correct secret work. Past Grand Chancellor Geo. L. Hackney will be there to tell about our Pythian Home, and Rev. Dr. Frank J. Mallett will deliver his celebrated lecture, "Romance of Pythiasism."

These are some of the most distinguished Pythians of the State and it will be a feast rich and rare for Concord Pythians. We trust every Knight in the city will attend.

The committee and others will hold "open house" at the Castle Hall from 4 to 5 o'clock Friday evening, and the refreshment committee will spread their offering after the secret session.

Yours fraternally,
A. F. HARTSELL,
F. C. NIBLOCK,
JAS. C. FINK,
Committee.

The visiting speakers are gentlemen of the highest reputation and prominence in Pythian circles of the State and the management of the program desires it understood that every Knight in reach of this meeting is cordially invited, whether he is a member of the local lodge or not.

A. F. HARTSELL, C. C.

Crossed Southern Tracks During Night.

For some time the work of extending the car line has been held up, waiting for permission from the Southern Railway to cross its tracks near the Gibson mill. The street car company exhausted its patience and decided to lay the track despite the fact that they had not received permission from the railroad. They secured a number of laborers and in the stillness of the night went there and put the track across. As yet no objection to this action has been made by the railroad. In the mean time work on the car line is still in progress.

National Woolen Mills Open Store Here.

The National Woolen Mills will open a store in Concord on next Saturday, March 30, in the room formerly occupied by the postoffice next to People's Drug Company. They will have on display fine spring woolsens, and all suits will be made to order for \$15.00, no more, no less. You will find a half page ad of this firm in The Times today. Watch for one also in The Tribune tomorrow.

Exercises at Kannapolis School.

Kannapolis, N. C., March 28.—One of the largest crowds ever assembled in the Y. M. C. A. Hall witnessed an exercise, last night, of the Kannapolis school. Tonight at 7:30 p. m., the higher grades will contest in declamation for a gold medal. Tomorrow evening at 7:30 p. m. members of the seventh and eighth grades will give a play, "The Deacon." All are invited.

Teachers' Meeting.

The next regular teachers' meeting will be held at the graded school Saturday, the 30th.

Prof. J. A. Bivens of the State Department of Education will lecture on the "Merchant of Venice." A good attendance is expected as Prof. Bivens always has something worth listening to. The meeting will begin at 11 o'clock. This meeting is not restricted to teachers.

C. E. BOGER, Supt.

Senator Taylor Operated On.

Washington, March 28.—Senator Robert L. Taylor, of Tennessee, was operated upon today for gall stones. He withstood the operation fairly well, but his condition is critical owing to his weakened health.

Archie Butt Received by King

Rome, March 28.—The King received Archibald Butt, Taft's personal aide, at the palace today. The King discussed world affairs, and displayed familiarity with events in America.

Man, Wife and Three Children Burned to Death.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., March 28.—Chas. Melick, aged 30, and his wife, aged 28, and three children were all burned to death today in a fire that destroyed their home.

Mr. H. G. Gibson spent yesterday afternoon in Charlotte on business.

SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Damages to the Bridges and Roads by Recent Floods Will Amount to About \$10,000.—Board Purchases Three New Bridges.

The board of county commissioners held a special meeting yesterday for the purpose of making plans for repairing the damage to the county roads and bridges for repairing the damage to the county roads and bridges by the recent rains. The board spent a busy session going over the various reports of the damage reported from every section of the county. Chairman Flowe stated last night that the damage was immense and would probably aggregate \$10,000 or more.

Many of the bridges were washed away but the board found that a number could be brought back to the crossing places and rebuilt. It was necessary however to purchase three new bridges, one at the Gibson mill, one at Bradford's mill and one at the Smith place in No. 11 township. Several representatives of bridge construction firms were present and the bidding on the three bridges was exceedingly sharp. Each representative seemed determined to land the contract and bid after bid was made. While this was going on the on the board played a waiting game. Finally the price struck the bottom and the three bridges were purchased for \$1,300. They will be erected at the above named places. The board also instructed that work be started at once for replacing the other bridges washed away.

ROBBERY NEAR CHINA GROVE TUESDAY NIGHT.

Man Who Was Stranger Was Given Employment And Robbed the Home.—Arrested Next Morning Near Landis.—Missing Jewelry Found on His Person.

The home of Mr. W. L. Wilhelm, two miles north of China Grove, was entered and robbed at an early hour this morning. A foreigner, who hired to work for Mr. Wilhelm yesterday was arrested about a mile and a half this side of Landis this morning about 9 o'clock, charged with the crime. The arrest was made by two citizens from China Grove, who were deputized to arrest the man by Mayor Deal, who received a 'phone message stating that he was en route toward Landis.

The stranger came to Mr. Wilhelm's house yesterday and asked for employment. He was hired to do farm work. Before daylight this morning Mr. Wilhelm went to Salisbury and when the ladies at the house arose they found a number of articles missing. A search for the stranger revealed that he had gone. They suspected him of the robbery and 'phoned to a number of people in that section. The man answering the description they gave was seen to pass Landis and Mayor Deal deputized two citizens to make the arrest. The man was found in an old field and when searched a locket chain and other jewelry was found. He was taken to China Grove and will be held there for trial.

Our China Famine Fund.

Previously acknowledged \$212.39
McKinnon church 8.16
Epworth church 22.00
Total to date \$242.55

Roosevelt in St. Louis.

St. Louis, March 28.—Ex-President Roosevelt arrived here today. Gov. Hadley headed the delegation which met the colonel at the station and escorted him to Planters' Hotel for breakfast.

Situation Quiet at Rock Island.

Rock Island, March 28.—The situation is quiet here today. Six hundred soldiers patrol the streets and six arrests were made for refusal to keep moving.

Senator Stephenson, of Wisconsin, octogenarian millionaire banker and lumberman, retains his seat in the United States Senate. By a vote of 40 to 34 the senate Wednesday declared his election valid and rejected the charge that \$107,793, which the senator admitted spending in the Wisconsin primaries, had been used corruptly.

The Daily Tribune is now a regular subscriber to the telegraphic news service of the United Press of New York. This is one of the oldest and best news gatherers for afternoon papers in the country. We expect to make this a permanent feature.
