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THE PEOPLE'S CHAMPION SPEAKS

Hon. R. D. Reid, of Rockingham County, Announces Himself a Candidate for Congress in the Fifth District.

To the Democrats of the Fifth Congressional District of North Carolina:

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination for Congress at the hands of the Democratic Party of this District.

All my life I have been a Democrat believing in the principles of Democracy and working for its success.

The people are demanding and Democracy advocating "Equal rights to all, special privileges to none," and I believe and trust that the cause of the people, through this, the people's party will, at an early day, prevail.

Having been a member of the Senate in the last General Assembly my position on most of the public questions is known. I was elected on the Democratic platform and did my utmost to redeem every pledge of my party. I stood for the rights of the people as I saw them, and as I understood my party to pledge itself, as against the oppression of trusts and unlawful combinations, which have sprung up and grown powerful by destroying competition and producing conditions which enable them to put their own price upon the producer's products, and buy on a market where they alone are the bidders, and where the produce must sell, if at all.

In some quarters I have been censured for this—for this I have no apology to offer, but am still standing by my Party's platform when in convention assembled it declared that it was opposed to, and denounced the policy of the Republican party for legislating in behalf of special interests, and declared restrictive laws against the growth of trusts and other inordinate and dangerous combinations of capital an imperative necessity.

I advocated and voted to keep my Party's pledge to reduce "materially and substantially" the passenger and freight rates of the Railway Companies. As a result of this declaration and consequent legislation the people have reaped a benefit and the railroads have sustained no injustice.

To-day, as in the year past, North Carolina is being discriminated against in the matter of freight rates to such an extent as that our merchants, consumers and many of the manufacturers are seeking redress in the Courts. I was and am thoroughly in accord with my Party's promise along this line, and am still ready to join my party in a renewal of its demand that the railroads shall not discriminate against North Carolina.

In short, I stood for my Party's promises as I understood them.

The State and National platforms of my party have always had my best support. I shall in the future, as in the past, stand by the platforms of the Democratic party and construe them to MEAN WHAT THEY SAY.

I most respectfully ask the support of the Democrats of the District for the nomination, promising if nominated and elected that I will strive to study and know the privileges and rights of the people, and do my utmost to aid Democracy in restoring them to the people and preserving them as guaranteed under the Constitution of our country.

Respectfully,
REUBEN D. REID.

Wentworth, N. C., March 30th, 1908.

INTERESTING PINE HALL ITEMS

Mr. J. Z. Dalton Desperately Ill—Miss Beulah Neal's School Closes—A Fine Sermon—Other News.

Pine Hall, March 30.—Mr. J. W. Hall, of Danbury, was here last week in the interest of his case as defendant for Hardin Moore.

The sermon preached here last Sunday by Rev. T. F. Marr, carries us back to the good old days of Dr. Reid and Babbitt, who preached with such wonderful power. We feel safe in saying that none of our young people ever heard such a sermon as Dr. Marr preached.

Dr. D. C. Dicks was here last week. We are always glad to see the doctor. We can't help but think of how he stood by us for prohibition in the campaign of 1881. He and I stood almost alone in that battle. But doctor, we have lots on our side this time. Line up, Dr. Dicks, and lead the battle for us.

The condition of Mr. J. Z. Dalton is still critical. His friends have no hope of his recovery.

Miss Mamie Leak, of Peter's Creek, Va., has been visiting friends here for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Flinn, of Leaksville, spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives here.

Miss Beulah Neal's school closed last Friday.

We heard part of the temperance program for Easter Sunday night rendered on last Sunday. It was very interesting and should be heard by every one in the community.

Mr. C. O. McMichael, of the Madison Herald, was here last week on professional business. We were discussing the prohibition question with him, and we are sorry to see such talent as his arrayed against these great moral questions. What a power for good such men might be if they were on the right side of this great moral issue.

Sin, suffering and sorrow have always followed in the wake of the use of strong drink. Vote it out on the 26th of May.

PAY YOUR POLL TAX.

The Voters Urged to Attend to This Very Important Question Before May 1.

To the Voters of Stokes County: In order to vote this year in the Prohibition election on the 26th of May, and in the November election for President, Governor and other State officers, Congressman, Legislature and county officers, those who are subject to pay a poll tax must pay the same, \$2.75, on or before the first day of May.

This is very important. Our form of government is one by the people through the ballot box, and very important questions will be submitted this fall for the people to pass upon through the ballot box, and you should be qualified to vote and take a part in these public questions. If not prepared now to pay all your taxes, you have a right to pay your poll tax and demand a receipt for that. You will have to pay at some time this year and it is better to pay before the first of May and be qualified to vote.

This the 30th day of March, 1908.

Yours respectfully,
J. H. ELLINGTON,
Chm. Dem. Ex. Com. for Stokes County.

Verana Items.

Verana, March 25.—Farmers are very busy plowing preparing for corn and tobacco.

The health of the community is very good.

Mr. Lem Morefield went to Roanoke last week to see his best girl.

Mrs. S. D. Griggs is visiting relatives at Verana.

Mr. L. A. Amos, of Sandy Ridge, was in our village Sunday.

Mr. J. H. Brown spent the latter part of last week at Critz, Va.

Mr. C. C. Hutcherson is giving general satisfaction as R. F. D. carrier through our section, especially with the young ladies.

Miss Mary Martin, of Verana, is attending school at Sandy Ridge. Think she is aiming to teach next winter.

A HAPPY GIRL.

JIM SMITH CALLS ON THE REPORTER.

The Celebrated Smithtown Character, For Whom the Government Offered a Reward of \$1,000, Visits Danbury—Mr. Smith Out on \$10,000 Bond.

Mr. James P. Smith, the celebrated Jim Smith, of Smithtown, was a visitor at the Reporter office Monday, being in town on business. Mr. Smith rode into town on a white horse and was a very interesting sight to many of our citizens who had heard so much talk of him. Mr. Smith is a well known character here. He is out on a bond of \$10,000, under the charge of shooting Revenue officer Hendrix, and of illicit stilling of liquor. The Reporter knows nothing of the truth of the charges against Mr. Smith, but it does know that he is one of the Reporter's best paying subscribers. He has long been a subscriber of this paper, and always pays his dues promptly. While here he paid us his subscription in advance. He bears the general reputation of being strictly honest. Mr. Smith told the Reporter that the government had summoned a large crowd of witnesses to testify against him at the Federal court in April, but that he did not care if they summoned the whole State, as they could not prove anything against him.

Mr. Smith was accompanied by Mr. J. M. Smith, of Campbell Route 2, who also paid his subscription to the Reporter in advance.

Apron Party at Mrs. L. L. Lowe's—Mr. Wm. Owens Loses a Fine Horse.

Westfield, March 23.—All the people are about done burning plant land, and some have plants up.

Wheat is looking well since the weather has turned warm.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Lowe gave an apron party last Thursday night, which was enjoyed by all who were present.

Mr. Wm. Owens lost a fine horse last week, which he had recently purchased.

Mrs. Annie and Eldora Jessup went to Mt. Airy last week shopping.

Mr. Numa Christian called on Miss Claudie Smith last Sunday.

Mr. G. R. Simmons went to Pilot Mountain last week shopping. He dressed himself up, so Miss—you may look out, G. R. is coming.

A FRIEND.

Voices From the South.

Last Friday evening suddenly the Quickstep rang, and on going to the phone the Reporter was called up by a bevy of beautiful young ladies, as follows: Misses Beulah Pulliam, Bettie Gordon, Lezora Neal, May Gordon, Dora and Bertha Tillotson, Sadie Carroll, Lula Southern, Myrtle and Fannie Hall, Mary Ellen Holland, Addie White, Della Brown, Della Southern, Nannie Tuttle, and others. We know that they were beautiful, for two reasons: First, their voices, over the whispering wires, ah, they came o'er my soul like the sweet south wind, breathing upon a bank of violets, and second: Because we have seen them with our eyes.

The occasion was a quilting party at Mr. Hardie Southern's. It was a lively, vivacious, and bewitching, romping crowd of pretty girls, and we'll bet they had a time over there. Always glad to hear from you, girls. You are the salt of the earth.

Death of Dr. H. L. Sullivan.

Dr. H. L. Sullivan died at his home at Fairview, near Winston, last week. Dr. Sullivan, who was quite well known in this county, was aged about 52 years. His death was due to something like blood poisoning. He is survived by a wife and one son, Mr. Beverly Sullivan.

Fine Lot Of Stock Coming.

Smoak & McCreary, of Winston, will be in Danbury next Monday, April 6th, with a big lot of extra good mules and horses, and if you are needing a good mule or two or a horse this will be a good opportunity for you to get what you want. They will either swap or sell, and will treat you right.

FOR THE PROHIBITION ELECTION

Judges and Registrars Appointed Last Saturday.

The Board of Elections of the County met here last Saturday and appointed the judges and registrars of the county to act in the Prohibition election of May 26th, as follows:

Danbury Precinct: J. T. Smith, Registrar; R. H. R. Blair, T. J. Davis, Judges.

Wilson's Store Precinct: I. G. Ross, Registrar; J. P. Lewis, J. W. Fowler, Judges.

Germantown Precinct: L. M. McKenzie, Registrar; G. T. Baker, R. T. Beck, Judges.

King Precinct: C. A. White, Registrar; Samuel Kiser, S. R. Fulk, Judges.

Boyles Precinct: J. T. Johnson, Registrar; W. G. Slate, J. H. Ham, Judges.

Pinnacle Precinct: J. R. Stone, Registrar; W. A. Sullivan, V. G. Watson, Judges.

Brown Mt. Precinct: J. D. George, Registrar; J. M. Mitchell, Robt. Covington, Judges.

Francisco Precinct: R. E. Smith, Registrar; J. H. Jessup, J. W. Dunman, Judges.

Lawsonville Precinct: R. L. Lawson, Registrar; J. S. Whitten, O. M. Bennett, Judges.

Sandy Ridge Precinct: G. L. Ziegler, Registrar; T. H. Priddy, R. A. Deshazo, Judges.

Pine Hall Precinct: J. C. Flinn, Registrar; G. F. Daniel, G. T. Reynolds, Judges.

Dillard Precinct: E. L. Mitchell, Registrar; J. A. Akins, W. M. Peebles, Judges.

Freeman's Precinct: P. H. Linville, Registrar; E. S. Withers, S. W. Neal, Judges.

Walnut Cove Precinct: W. B. Vaughn, Registrar; H. G. Tuttle, W. L. Vaughn, Judges.

AN APPEAL TO S. S. WORKERS.

Chairman Hutchison of the County Association Thinks It Time to Reorganize the Sunday Schools.

Meadows, March 30.

Mr. Editor:

Will you allow me a little space in the Reporter to speak a word to the Sunday School workers of Stokes county. As chairman of the county Sunday School Convention, I would say that it is high time that we were reorganizing our schools and revising our rolls for the summer work. Let each superintendent and teacher go forth to the work with renewed effort to do a better work this year if possible than even before, for there is a great need for Sunday School work to be done in our county. Let us not go forth in our strength alone, but in the strength of Him who, if we ask Him right, is able to make us strong enough to do His work here on earth, and let all of us come up to the convention this summer with good reports.

The convention will be held at Bethany, some time in August I suppose.

Yours respectfully,
C. R. HUTCHISON.

Gann News.

Gann's, March 24.—Mr. J. M. Pergerson purchased a fine mule a few days since, paying about \$200.00 for it. On last Friday night he lost a fine Jersey cow, that Mrs. Pergerson said a short time ago that she would not take one hundred dollars for.

It is a fine time to farm this year, judging from the price of farm products. Corn 80 cents, fodder 40 cents per dozen, beans \$3.00 per bushel, peas \$2.00 to \$3.00 per bushel, chickens and eggs alright, and tobacco selling remarkably well. We think that if each farmer would try his hand on one acre, that there would be an improvement all round. Let Mr. A do his best on an acre of corn and Mr. B do his best, etc.

WINSTON MARKET HOLDING UP THE PRICES FOR TOBACCO.

Winston, April 1.—The Winston market is still holding up prices of tobacco to the highest level. Farmers are receiving handsome prices for their leaf. Piedmont Warehouse is leading the market with splendid averages. The Norfolk boys are hard pullers for the interest of the Stokes farmers who sell with them and if you want the very highest price, carry the rest of your tobacco to the best Warehouse in the best market in North Carolina.

PHONE LINE REACHES LAWSONVILLE.

The Slate System Extended to a Very Important Section of the County.

Dr. W. C. Slate was in town Tuesday on his way to Lawsonville to which point the Slate phone line is being extended from Fagg's store. The good people of the Lawsonville section are to be congratulated upon thus getting in connection with the county seat, and the people of the county are like fortunate in establishing communication with the Lawsonville section. The terminus at Lawsonville will be in the store of Mr. E. C. Sheppard.

Now the Reporter would be glad if the Smith or Campbell neighborhood would connect with Lawsonville. The distance is only about three or four miles and it certainly ought to be built.

It is learned that the Quickstep people are very anxious to extend their line from Danbury east by way of C. H. Sheppard's mill, J. Wesley Morefield's store, and on to Sandy Ridge. This would be a good route, and the Reporter hopes to see some of the people of the neighborhood of Sheppard's mill and Morefield's store take the matter up, and see what they can do. By all the people along route taking a phone, the cost would be very small, and the conveniences and benefits as a result would be incalculable.

Let some one make the move. All lacking is a leader.

SCHOOL CLOSED AT PALMETTO.

Mr. Dick Brown Gave the Boys and Girls a Dance and They Danced All Night—Campbell Items.

Campbell, March 30.—We are glad to say that Mr. Martin has recovered so he can play his phonograph.

Misses Ethel and Nealie Hill visited at Mrs. D. M. Martin's Saturday evening.

The school at Palmetto closed last Friday with a spelling match and that night Mr. Dick Brown gave the young boys and girls a dance. They all seemed to enjoy it fine as they danced most all night.

Mr. and Mrs. Add Craddock, Mr. and Mrs. Martin, and Mr. and Mrs. Abe Smith visited Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Martin Sunday evening.

Messrs. Wesley Priddy, Sam Brown, Banner Hill, Hugh Dillon, Grover Craddock, Edward Corns, Will and Miss Minnie Nelson all called to see Miss Lillie Brown Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Moore and family visited their daughter, Mrs. Fannie Allen Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Matt Smith gave the young people a dance Saturday night. Guess they enjoyed it fine.

Mr. Harry Nelson was in our little village Friday evening.

TWO BLUE EYES.

Interesting Letter From Mr. H. D. Mickey, of Pinnacle Route 2.

Pinnacle Route 2, March 25.—The people are behind with their plowing this time.

Mr. Carroll Hicks died on the 23rd inst., and was buried on the 24th. He was only sick a short while.

Old Mr. Jack Boyles, who is probably the oldest man in Surry county, has been right sick, but is some better. His wife also, known as aunt Polly, has been sick. They are probably the oldest couple in Surry county. "Uncle Jack," as he is called, is 94 and his wife is 92. They have been married close on to 75 years. He has been a renter all his life and has only lived at three or four places during the time. He has been a remarkable man for strength and health. He is one of the old-time rail splitters and cradlers and mowers, and loves to talk about his work yet. Just in sight of him lives old Mr. Wm. Whit, who is 90 years old, in Surry county.

Down in Stokes the oldest near Pinnacle is Mr. Robert Darnell, Mr. Jake Lambert, Mr. Noel Eaton and Rev. Mr. Long. Those people have many relatives in Stokes county. Perhaps some of them would like to hear from me, especially Mr. Boyles and Mr. Darnell.

The weather is fine today and I must stop writing and go to work. With best wishes to all.

H. D. MICKEY.

A "SENSES" PARTY.

A Very Unique and Entertaining Progressive Party Given Thursday Night By Mrs. J. S. Taylor.

A "Senses Party" given by Mrs. J. Spot Taylor Friday night, was quite the most unique and interesting social gathering of the season. A large number of the people of Danbury, both married and unmarried, had the pleasure to be present.

Miss Jessie Pepper, assisted by Grace Taylor, received. The guests were met at the entrance, and after having been furnished with a card of direction were conducted below. The spacious dining room, which had been cleared for the game, was well lighted with candelabra and lamps, while potted flowers furnished the room with an exquisite fragrance. There were seven tables on the floor, each seated for four persons. Directed by the card, your escort led you to the proper place, for instance: "Table C, Couple 1."

Seated at the table, the guest was given another large blank card, on which were heads printed as follows: "Hearing," "Sight," "Touch," "Smell," "Taste." Thus designating the five senses.

When all the company had arrived and been seated, a waiter was brought in containing a large number of articles, which you were allowed to look at just two minutes, then it was removed, and you were instructed to write down on your card from memory the names of the articles. Those whose memories served them best, and who wrote correctly the greatest number of the articles seen on the waiter, had holes punched in their cards, and were permitted to give place at their table to some one else, and so progressed to another table. So on, the game went through each of the "senses," being highly interesting, as well as instructive.

The "Taste" demonstration was the funniest. Each player was blindfold, and given different articles of food in a spoon, as one feeds an infant. The contortions of countenance and surprised features of those who were given a larger mouthful than was expected, never failed to convulse the audience with laughter.

Miss Sadie Petree won the ladies' prize for having "progressed" the most, while E. P. Pepper was awarded the gentleman's prize.

After the game was over, the guests were served with refreshments, consisting of ice cream, cake, coffee, etc.

It was eleven o'clock when the guests began leaving, and all expressed their intense enjoyment of the evening, and sincere thanks to the hostess for such a delightful time.

A HIGH SCHOOL FOR DILLARD.

The Citizens Beginning to Realize Its Need—June Yates Hurt By Falling From a Scaffold—Embroidery Club Meets.

Dillard, March 31.—Miss Callie Dillon, who has been visiting her sister here, Mrs. J. Ham Mitchell, returned to her home in Henry county, Va., Sunday.

Misses Minnie and Lessie Duncan and Helen Willis visited Miss Della Alcorn Sunday. They report a pleasant time.

Mr. June Yates fell from a scaffold while at work on a chimney for Mr. Edgar Mitchell, receiving very painful injuries, but think now they will not prove serious.

The Embroidery Club met with Mrs. C. A. Mitchell Saturday and spent a pleasant afternoon. The next meeting is to be with Mrs. Will Young next Saturday.

Mr. Watson, who is salesman for Liipfert-Scales, Winston, spent last night in our hamlet.

There have been some rumors that some of our people are coming to realize the great need of a high school here. It is to be sincerely hoped that these thoughts on this important subject will not come to naught. It certainly does seem that with the help that can be gotten from the State, if the people will do their part, that no community of bright, healthy growing children ought to be without a good high school. If the people will only put forth a little effort they can always accomplish more than they think, and we believe any effort along this important line will be amply rewarded.

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