

**A REPUBLICAN WANTS KITCHIN.**

**Says Kitchin Has Put Down the "Ring" and Routed the "Big Four." Therefore He Will Vote For Him.**

The following article recently appeared in the Charlotte Observer:

Mr. Editor:

I am a Republican because my father before me was, and because I have long thought the principles of the Republican party make for the upbuilding of the country in wealth and prosperity and the preservation of our liberties. My grandfather fought for seven years for the independence of the United States.

Notwithstanding I am and always have been a Republican, I am for Kitchin for Governor. I am for him because he has accomplished what I have been fighting for eight years to accomplish—he has put down the "ring." Now that this Moses has been found who has put an iron foot on the hard masters who have held the people of the State in bondage for more than eight years, it is to be hoped that he will lead us from the wilderness of our oppressions and troubles and safely deliver us in the promised land of political freedom. The "Big Four" are routed and put down—and they should be kept down.

I want to advise the Republicans to support and vote for Kitchin for Governor, and I will state a few of my reasons thereof. It was this same ring, this "Big Four," who undertook the impeachment of two of our Supreme Court justices, a political scheme which had for its aim and purpose, in my opinion, the elevation of certain Democrats to office. A good many of the demagogues in that unholy fight and persecution thereafter were placed in office. Some of them have been left by political events since the outrageous act of a few office-seekers.

Now, if we Republicans will not run candidates for the Legislature in those counties which favor Kitchin for the United States Senate, and place Bynum or Thompson up for Lieutenant Governor we will realize the biggest victory ever known in North Carolina. No man who votes this ticket would ever regret it. Just as soon as I get money enough I want the picture of Kitchin in a large frame to hang up in my house for my grandchildren and great-grandchildren to look at after I have gone from this world, and I hope our county commissioners will have his picture in a large frame suspended in our beautiful court house for the rising and distant generations to look at. If the South could name the President of the United States, I would be for the Hon. W. W. Kitchin, and if she ever has one it should be he.

I used to play poker a good many years ago. I could never beat four aces unless I held the eucher. W. W. Kitchin has got the eucher on the "Big Four."

I want the "Big Four" to read the 37th Psalm of David, and also everybody in the State to read it, and especially the widow of Judge Furches, and they all will learn how to stand persecution. I hope they will persecute me, for I have learned now to stand it as taught by the Psalm.

If the "Big Four" will put out their preacher and have him to read that Psalm and preach from it as earnestly as he preached prohibition, he will make many true believers.

I will tell you why I want a Kitchin Legislature to undo what the Aycock Legislature of 1900 did. Aycock said that during the fusion administration the sound of pistols and mocking-birds could be heard in the land. Now, if this Legislature will commence and relieve us of the burdens of the Aycock Legislature the people will rejoice. The Governor's salary should be reduced to \$1,000 and the others accordingly, and all laws made at said time should be released. If a good one is accidentally found on the statute books, it should be left. This eighty years under Glenn and Aycock has created greater sounds from mocking-birds and pistols than ever the fusion administration did. If the wrongs of the last eight years are corrected, I believe we will hear no more in the State the sounds of pistols and mocking-birds.

My Boss, Adams, says not to drink Kitchin tea, but I will put Kitchin Governor and Taft President of the United States, and then if we can have John Grant for Congress we will have the most glorious Union, and the grandest State therein will be our great State of North Carolina.

I hope that the Republican party will call its convention to meet at Charlotte for there recently the

Democrats had one of the grandest conventions recorded in history.

I would like to know every man who is in favor of W. W. Kitchin for the United States Senate and as it will cost only one penny I hope every one in favor of him will drop me a card to that effect to Rutherfordton. Taft will be elected, and I want all Republicans to favor Senator Overman and request of the President that he be placed in the Cabinet, as we are entitled to a Southern man, and Overman acted so honestly and nobly in the recent contest that there is no doubt of his ability and claims upon the place.

Excuse this article which has been dictated hurriedly by an unlearned man.

Now, I close by saying read the 37th Psalm of David.

Please every reform paper copy this. Victory will be ours.

HENRY HODGE.

Rutherfordton, N. C.

**Negro Boy Drowned In Dodd's Mill Pond.**

A negro boy about 20 years old, son of one-armed — Hughes, was drowned in Dodd's mill pond near Francisco last week. He was in swimming with several companions, when he stepped into water too deep for him to overcome, and sank before he could be rescued. The body was recovered a few hours later.

Ex-Congressman Spencer Blackburn, who was charged in police court with trespass and defacement of property, was bound over to the Superior Court on the charge of defacement of property while the charge of trespass was dismissed. Mayor Brandt, after reserving his decision from Friday, announced the judgment yesterday morning. Greensboro Record, 1st.

The annual meeting of the North Carolina Pharmaceutical Association will be held at Morehead City next week, July 8th to 11th. Mr. Charles R. Thomas, of Thomasville, is president of the Association and has been active the past year to make the coming meeting the most interesting and most largely attended ever held.

Southern railway employes over the great system, and the public generally, will be interested to know that the 10 per cent cut made last February on account of depressed conditions, will be restored after July 1st.

Mayor J. R. Thomas, of Spencer, and his 10-year-old son, William, were severely injured in Salisbury last week. The horse they were driving took fright at an automobile and dashed down an embankment with the buggy. The animal fell with great force on Mr. Thomas, who had landed in a ravine about ten feet deep, injuring him internally.

**WHO WILL THE REPUBLICANS NOMINATE.**

**Messrs. H. E. Fries, Thos. Settle, Z. V. Walsler and Others Mentioned As Possible Candidates For Governor On the Republican Ticket.**

Greensboro, July 3.—The presence of the Republicans attracted to Greensboro to-day by the meeting of the State executive committee of that party is the occasion of a revival of talk as to the identity of the gentleman who is to oppose Mr. Kitchin for Governor. Among the visiting statesmen are supporters of every man whose name has been mentioned in connection with the nomination but if there is a favorite, the fact is not apparent to the onlooker.

Dr. Cyrus Thompson, one of the shrewdest and most astute politicians in the State, has a strong following with a certain element of the party, a few Republicans even professing to believe it possible to carry the election with the Onslow county man at the head of the ticket. He is held up as the peer of any man in North Carolina as a debater—and the Republicans appear particularly anxious to run a good debater this year. There seems to be but one serious objection to Dr. Thompson as a candidate for Governor, and that is his long-standing friendship with and for Marion Butler. This fact, in the opinion of quite a few people, eliminates the former Secretary of State from the race.

MR. R. E. FRIES MENTIONED.

The opposite of Dr. Thompson in every respect is Mr. Henry E. Fries, the well-known manufacturer and capitalist of Winston-Salem, who is being put forward as a "business man's candidate." Mr. Fries is without experience in practical politics, as the game is played, but his friends say that what he lacks is this particular is more than counterbalanced by recognized ability as a successful business man—a man who has done something for his State, a man whose ideas are sound, who is conservative in thought and progressive in action. The Observer's correspondent has it straight from a Republican who ought to know what he is talking about that Mr. Fries is willing to accept the nomination and make the race.

EX-JUDGE BYNUM ALSO.

Then there is ex-Judge W. P. Bynum, Jr., of this city, who says he is too busy practicing law to bother with politics. Nevertheless, he has been asked repeatedly to permit the use of his name as a candidate for the gubernatorial nomination. Without disparaging Judge Bynum's splendid qualities and exception-

ally fine ability, it is not amiss to say he does not enter seriously into the equation for two reasons: First, because he doesn't want to, and second, because he is a free-lance when it comes to giving expression to views of party policy and practice. Judge Bynum may side with the "ins" today, but that is no guarantee that he may not espouse the cause of the "outs" to-morrow, or before to-day is gone, if his judgement and conscience should dictate such a course.

MR. Z. V. WALSER WANTS IT.

Mr. Zeb Vance Walsler, of Lexington, once Attorney General of North Carolina, and later Supreme Court reporter, wants the nomination, and it is expected that he will make a fight for it. Certainly everything points in that direction. His neighbors and friends have brought him out and are pushing his candidacy with energy. There is one stumbling block in Mr. Walsler's way, however, and it is a stumbling block not easily overcome. To be plain, the organization is not for Mr. Walsler for Governor.

Many Republicans say it would be good politics to nominate a western man for Governor, especially in view of the result of the recent fight over the gubernatorial nomination in the Democratic party and these men insist that the nomination should go to Mr. J. J. Britt, of Asheville. Mr. Britt, it may be remarked in passing, will be entirely acceptable to the organization. He is a man of parts—a Republican to the manner born, and no mean foe to meet in forensic combat. It was said here to-day that Mr. Britt is a receptive candidate for the nomination, and the prediction was made that the fight will be between him and Mr. Walsler.

MAY HEAR FROM SETTLE.

The brilliant, dashing Settle, who has been pronounced a political corpse by one high in authority, may figure in the gubernatorial contest before it is over, although he has no intention of becoming a candidate for the nomination. Mr. Settle has never felt that he was treated exactly right by the State convention in April, which refused to consider a resolution he presented censuring the Democrats for the manner in which the prohibition question was submitted to the people and declaring for the principle of local self-government, and it is altogether probable that he will be heard from again when the next convention meets. It will be recalled that the April convention was adjourned while Mr. Settle was on the floor endeavoring to get a hearing on his resolution.


The Republicans with whom The Observer correspondent has talked do not place any credence in the report that Judge Pritchard may resign his seat on the Circuit Court bench to make the race for Governor. In fact, his friends do not think that Judge Pritchard's party loyalty calls for any such sacrifice as this.

James Cantillon, of Marionette, Wis., who was totally blind, regained his sight at Bellevue Hospital, in New York City, during a fit of hysterics which followed the surgeon's announcement to him that his case was considered hopeless, and that he probably would remain blind for life.

While temporarily insane, Mrs. Augusta P. Johnson drowned her four little children in the cistern farm-house near Ida Grove, Ia. Her husband was in the field at the time. After drowning her children she tried to drown herself, but neighbors and people from town came running in and rescued her.

Morris Grass, who with Mrs. Grass was spending a few days in Asheville, last week enroute to San Francisco, reported to the authorities last Friday morning that he had been robbed of \$450 in cash, and a letter of credit for two thousand pounds sterling. There is no clue to the robbery.

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