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## DIDN'T APPROVE REYNOLDS' SPEECH

Outsider Comes In To Dictate To Stokes Republicans—Some Won't Stand For It, Says Mr. Kurfees.

Editors Danbury Reporter:

I am informed that our old friend Governor Reynolds, of Winston-Salem, laid down some hard and fast rules for us Republicans of Stokes in his speech at the court house in Danbury on Monday, Oct. 23rd.

I understand he gravely told his hearers to "vote 'em straight" and "never scratch a ballot," or words to that effect.

Since when did Charlie Reynolds become the guardian of the Republicans of Stokes county? Who asked him to come up and dictate to us whether we should vote a part or all of the ticket?

Two years ago the same plea was made, by the same crowd, that we must "vote it straight and stand by the party."

I am sorry to say, with reference to part of the ticket, that enough did stand by it two years ago to elect it. Is Governor Reynolds proud it succeeded? If so the better element of our party have no respect for his pride, for our county suffered untold disgrace from one end of North Carolina to the other, by the conduct in office of a part of that ticket.

We today, Republicans and Democrats alike, are standing shoulder to shoulder fighting, not the same person as to candidates, but the very same influences, in both parties that ruined us two years ago; and while we Republicans have always held Gov. Reynolds in high esteem, we beg to be excused from allowing him to dictate to us, when we are struggling over a principle upon which rests the very foundation of civilization, viz: law-enforcement.

I appeal to the sober judgment of both Democrats and Republicans to show Governor Reynolds on Nov. 7, that we do not live under a King, neither do we need such autocratic dictation from one outside of our county.

We have a Democracy and the most beautiful and sacred thing about a Democracy is that in elections the court of last resort, is vested in the individual citizen with ballot in hand on election day. Use that ballot ladies and gentlemen to uphold the program of law-enforcement now going on in our county.

In the letters to the Reporter no one has made the claim, as some seem to imagine, that "all the good people" of the county were for Turpin but one thing is sure to a dead moral certainty, and that is, all the liquor interests and law-violators are against him. Will "all the good people" of both political parties please bear that in mind?

We have put our hand to the plow, let us never turn back.

The ballot is yours, ladies and gentlemen, use it as you please. I you feel disposed to scratch off a name, and write in its stead the one to your liking, you are not a free man or a free woman unless you possess that independence.

We may go down in defeat, but remember we stand for the right.

Take dictation from no one, but on the morning of election let your mind dwell for a moment on what it cost Stokes county two and four years ago to follow those who are again trying to trail our banner in the dust.

Lift up that banner and let our war cry be "we stand at Armagedden and battle for the right."

JNO. W. KURFEES.  
Oct. 29, 1922.

## Deputy Sheriff Hole Captures Whiskey

Deputy Sheriff Hole captured almost five gallons of whiskey yesterday in Peter's Creek township. The fluid was brought here and placed in the county jail to await an order from Judge Harding as to its disposition.

Mr. Thurman Martin left Monday for Peter's Creek township where he will teach in the public school at Jute.

## STOKES WILL ENTER SPELLING CONTEST

Contest To Select Stokes Representatives Will Be Held In Court House Here Nov. 18—Letter of Instructions.

Supt. of Schools J. C. Carson is in receipt of the following letter in regard to the State spelling contest in which Stokes county schools will compete for honors:

Raleigh, Oct. 26, 1922.

J. C. Carson,  
Supt. of Schools, Stokes County.

Dear Sir:

The second State Spelling Contest will be held during the sessions of the North Carolina Teachers' Assembly, which will be held in Raleigh during Thanksgiving week.

This was a big occasion last year and we want to make it bigger this year. The children who came down for the contest had a great day. We had 96 children last year and we should have 150 this year. In fact every county in the State ought to be represented. This would mean 200 children in Raleigh for both profit and pleasure.

I am calling upon the Superintendents and teachers to encourage the children to enter the contest.

The important rules and regulations of the contest are as follows:

1. The contest will be held in Raleigh on Wednesday, November 29th, at an hour and place to be selected later.

2. Each county is entitled to two representatives. These two representatives should come, one from the purely rural or county schools, and the other from the town or city schools. The county Superintendent and the Superintendent of the city or town schools in the county should get together as early as possible and work out plans for selecting the two representatives.

3. The representatives must come from the seventh grade pupils, or from the eighth grade if this is truly a part of your grade school system.

4. Urge all of your seventh grade pupils to get into the preliminary contests. Get the patrons to come out and encourage the boys and girls.

5. The final spelling contest in Raleigh will be written. You can, however, select your representatives by any method you choose.

6. The first hundred words for the State Contest will be selected from the New World Speller, book 2, grade 7. If other words are necessary, they will be selected from this speller without regard to grade. If the first list of 100 words does not produce the winners, the second list will consist of 50 words. Third and subsequent lists will consist of 25 words each.

7. A complete list of contestants should be in the hands of Jule B. Warren, Secretary, Raleigh, on or before Nov. 20th.

8. Three medals and three banners will be awarded to successful contestants and the schools they represent.

9. Each contestant entered must pay a fee of fifty cents on or before the day of the final contest in Raleigh.

For further information write the undersigned at Winston-Salem, N. C.

R. H. LATHAM.

Stokes county will enter the spelling contest and Supt. of Schools J. C. Carson states that a contest will be held in the court house at Danbury on November 18th for the purpose of selecting two representatives to go to Raleigh and compete for the State honors on Nov. 29.

Pastor J. J. Eads, who has been transferred from the Danbury circuit to Jonesville, left today for that place to enter on his new work. He was accompanied by Mrs. Eads. The people of Danbury regret very much to see Mr. Eads and family leave and they carry the best wishes of the people with them to their new home. Mr. Eads expects to return here in a few days to attend to some business matters.

Messrs. H. McGee, J. F. Dunlap and J. R. Bowen, three of the candidates on the Republican county ticket spent some time here this week.

## REPLY FROM HAMP TURPIN

Says Chilton-Jones Circular Is Untrue, and that He Will Be In the Running 'Till Sundown Of the Seventh of November.

Editors Reporter:

A circular letter is being mailed out to the Republicans of the county by M. T. Chilton and M. O. Jones, in which an attack is being made on me for the purpose of filling the minds of Republican voters with prejudice against me in my candidacy for Sheriff. It is only a few days now until the election and I will not have time to get around and see my friends all over the county, to answer the untrue and damaging statements made in the circular, and so I respectfully ask space in your paper to defend myself. Chilton and Jones charge me in effect with being a traitor to the party, and say the plan is that I am to come down just before the election in the interest of Mr. Fry, and that a large sum of money is being raised by the Democrats to elect Fry.

If I am a traitor, what are the large number of Republicans in the county who are supporting me, and who will vote for me, notwithstanding Chilton and Jones call on them to vote against me?

Chilton and Jones say "it is reported." They don't have the courage to come out and say this falsehood on their own responsibility, but they try to injure and damage me by inference. Reported by whom? I hereby brand their circular letter as absolutely false, and a frame up by them and their little bunch of bosses who caused my defeat in the convention when I had twice as many votes as any other candidate.

I am running for Sheriff at the request of hundreds of Republicans in Stokes county, who hold law and order in our county higher than politics, and who will not stand any longer for steam-roller methods in our county government. When you say that I will come down before the election in favor of Fry, you make a statement which you only wish were true, and which you know is not true. I will be running until the votes are counted, until sundown on November 7th, and then I will obey the voice of the people. If they don't want me to be Sheriff I will gladly step down and out.

I want my friends to be on the lookout for false reports about me. My enemies will use every underhand method to poison your minds against me, but they are not able to substantiate a single false statement.

From reports from my friends in all parts of the county, I will be elected by a safe majority, if only my friends and supporters will stand firm.

Yours for law and order,  
H. D. TURPIN.

## Final Word To Voters From Mr. J. F. Spruill

TO THE VOTERS OF STOKES COUNTY:

I wish to thank you for the splendid vote you gave me in the primary June 3rd. I am deeply grateful for that and I want to ask you for another record-breaking vote Tuesday, November 7. I have conducted a clean campaign, free from abuse and rancor and if elected Solicitor, I shall conduct the office on the same high plane.

I am depending on you to see that I get a square deal at the polls on election day. Knowing you as I do I feel confident that I can leave matters in your hands.

Assuring you that I am looking to the voters of Stokes county with the utmost confidence, I am  
Very sincerely yours,  
J. F. SPRUILL.

Danbury, Walnut Cove and probably some other points in the county are to have moving pictures beginning next week. Messrs. Voigt & English, of New York, will put on the shows. One show each week will be given at first and later they will likely show each night. The day and hour at each point will be announced next week. The highest class pictures will be used.

## DR. H. BERNARD HAS RESIGNED

As Member Republican Executive Committee—Don't Approve Of Circular Letter.

Pinnacle, Oct. 29.

M. T. Chilton,  
Chairman Rep. Ex. Committee,  
Walnut Cove, N. C.

Dear Sir:

As a member of the Stokes County Republican Executive Committee I feel constrained to tender you my resignation as a member of that committee.

I cannot and will not be party to the political and personal assassination of a man's character.

I knew of no meeting of the committee in which this circular was issued or the authority for the use of it as a pure political document.

I am ever zealous of the interests of the Republican party but my loyalty to my State and my own character make some political expedients improper.

While I deplored Mr. Turpin's circular, I do not believe that this circular is a proper way to fight political infidelity.  
H. BERNARD.

## Misses Taylor Entertain At Hallowe'en Party

Miss Luna Taylor, who is a student at Guilford College, spent the past week end at home here, accompanied by Miss Floyd Merrimon, of Oak Ridge, and Misses Mary Ragsdale and Margaret Armfield, of Jamestown.

On Saturday evening Miss Taylor entertained at quite a delightful Hallowe'en party in honor of her attractive guests.

The Taylor home was appropriately decorated for the occasion with pumpkins, black cats, witches and vari-colored autumn leaves.

Two ghostly figures greeted the guests at the entrance, being surrounded with jack-o'-lanterns, altogether presenting a real Hallowe'en setting.

A musical program was much enjoyed by all present, the following numbers being rendered:

"The Witch," by Nevin—Miss Luna Taylor.

Vocal solo—Mrs. N. E. Pepper.

"The Hall of Mtn. King," Grieg—Miss Floyd Merrimon.

Rhapsody, "Little Orphan Annie,"—Margaret Armfield.

"Witches Dance," Grieg—Miss Irma Kurfees.

"Tamoshanter"—Miss Mary Taylor.

The music by Miss Mary Taylor, pianist, Mr. Benbow Merrimon, violinist, and Mr. Lauriston Powers, drummer, gave especial pleasure to all who heard it, all of these musicians being talented.

Another very entertaining feature was the ghost stories told by Judge Harding and "A Dream" by Spot Taylor, Jr.

Then papers were passed to each guest and they were asked to tear out a witch without the aid of scissors, knife or any instrument. In this Mrs. E. P. Pepper won the prize, lovely handkerchief.

Everyone tried their skill at pinning the tail on the black cat white blindfolded. Miss Bertha Neal proved to be the winner in this and was given a Hallowe'en box filled with candy.

Toasting marshmallows and telling fortunes played an important part, all being anxious to know if they were to be rich or poor, get married or go abroad.

Eskimo pies and cake were served by Misses Taylor and Agnes Martin. Black cats were given as favors.

Each of the honorees were presented Hallowe'en boxes of candy.

Out-of-town guests present on this evening of pleasure were: Misses Thelma and Carrie Moore Neal, Bertha Neal, Dollie and Sadie Fulton and Nellie Chilton, Mr. Ralph Chilton, of Walnut Cove, Misses Irma Kurfees, Mary Preston Bynum, Judge W. F. Harding, Messrs. Goldon Riddle and Lauriston Powers, of Germantown; Shelley Beard, of Winston-Salem; Misses Mattie Doughton and Grace Taylor, of Salem College; Messrs. Clyde Sheets, Baily Beard, Glenn Brandon, Clarence Connelly and Mr. Edwards, of Winston-Salem; Benbow Merrimon, of Oak Ridge.

## SAW NO FRAUD 'PERPETRATED'

R. J. Petree Thinks Convention Was Conducted In Fair Manner.

Germantown, Oct. 31.

Editors Danbury Reporter:

I have never been in much sympathy with carrying on political discussions through the press, however, as I have heard quite a little said about the manner in which the last Republican convention was conducted. I am constrained to ask you to kindly give me space in your paper for the following statement:

Some have charged that there was fraud perpetrated in said convention. I see a communication from Germantown in the last issue of the Reporter in which it is stated that Mr. Turpin was not fairly treated in that convention.

I feel that such remarks or statements are gross reflections upon the delegates, also myself, as I was chairman of that convention, and I resent it with all the force I am able to command. I was for Mr. Turpin in our precinct primary and made a public statement to that effect. I went to the convention for Mr. Turpin and was for him until he was defeated for the nomination for Sheriff by the convention. Then I felt it my duty to stand by the regular nominee of the convention. This I have always done and expect to do in the coming election.

So far as Mr. Turpin's record is concerned since he has been Sheriff, in upholding and executing the law, I have no criticism to make but commend him for what he has done. And had I the slightest idea that Mr. Turpin did not get a square deal at the convention I would yet be for him and give him my hearty support, but I knew of no fraud, and know of none yet, and if the parties making the charges knew that there was it was their duty as delegates to bring the matter before the convention and right the wrong. The writer of the article from Germantown, above referred to, was not only a Turpin delegate, but was also a member of the credentials committee, and if he saw juggling or fraud being perpetrated in the convention room, it seems to me it would have been as little as he could have done to have brought the matter before the convention or submitted a minority report that the convention as a whole might have dealt with it. It is also further stated by Mr. Turpin and some of his friends that all the good people in Stokes county are for Mr. Turpin, and will support him in the election. Now, I contend that this is a reflection upon a vast number of the people in the county, for I believe that there are just as good and honorable men and women in the Republican and Democratic parties that will not support Mr. Turpin as there are who will. If there are not, then God pity the county.

Respectfully,  
R. J. PETREE.

## HAUSER FOR FREE SCHOOL BOOKS

Democratic Candidate For the Legislature Gives Some More Of His Platform.

The Reporter is requested by C. M. Hauser, the Democratic candidate for the Legislature, to state that if he is sent to the Legislature he will advocate that the State furnish and put on distribution in every county, school books for the school children, free of charge. Mr. Hauser says that the books should be provided at convenient points in the county, as early as the first of August, so that the poorer children may be able to get them in plenty of time, without money and without price.

At the present time, books required in the public schools seem to be difficult to obtain at all, and are almost prohibitive in price to some pupils.

Dr. W. H. Bynum, of Germantown, was a visitor here yesterday. Dr. Bynum reports that Mr. S. O. Watts, of the Germantown section, is dangerously ill.

## ANSWERS CHILTON-JONES CIRCULAR

E. O. Creakman, Ex-Chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee, Who Is Supporting Turpin, Denounces Circular In Unmistakable Terms.

Editors Danbury Reporter:

My attention has been called to a circular letter being handed around signed by M. T. Chilton and M. O. Jones in which a cowardly attack is made on Sheriff Turpin, and which also contains a false and slanderous misrepresentation of the attitude of the Democrats who are supporting Turpin for Sheriff. The statement is made that "it is reported that a large campaign fund is being raised by the Democrats with which to elect Fry, and that Turpin is to come down right before the election in the interest of Fry."

Being one of the large number of Democrats of the county who are supporting Turpin, I wish to denounce the Chilton-Jones circular letter as absolutely false and without any foundation in fact. The Democrats who are supporting Turpin are sincere and honest and will vote for Turpin, and will work for his election at the polls. The insinuation that there is collusion between the Turpin Democratic followers and the Fry managers, using Turpin as a decoy, is only a feverish delusion born in the excited brains of those two politicians. If this is not so, it is a malicious and slanderous falsehood which they know to be a falsehood.

Turpin is gaining ground in the county at speed which is alarming to his enemies, and this lick they are hitting below the belt, when he has never had even an unkind word to say against those who are opposed to him, will react in the minds and hearts of the people of Stokes county—mark you that. The people love a square deal, and will not stand for wrong if they know it.

If Hamp Turpin is gaining all over Stokes county as he has gained in Walnut Cove and Sauratown township since the Chilton-Jones circular was issued, he will be elected by a big majority.  
E. O. CREAKMAN.

## WALNUT COVE STRONG FOR TURPIN

Correspondent Suggests A Slogan For the Opponents Of the Independent Candidate For Sheriff On Election Day.

Walnut Cove, Nov. 1.  
Mr. Editor:  
A great change has taken place here during the last week or two for Turpin for Sheriff. Now that the election is almost at hand, many people who have been opposed to Turpin, are doing some thinking and are seriously contemplating what it means to turn out this man who has done so much for the good of our county. There seems to be no particular fight on either one of the other candidates, but the people are saying, why shall we put out Turpin? What has he done? Shall we turn him out because he has enforced the law? If not for this, then what for? I have not heard any other charges.

Can the good people of Stokes county, both Republicans and Democrats, afford to put out an officer who has done nothing more than enforced the law? Can we who have boys to raise afford to risk the change? I ask this question honestly and prayerfully. The time is here now when we must lay down our politics and vote for what we think is right.

If the people who are going to fight Turpin at the polls next Tuesday, want a battle slogan, I will suggest one. It is this:

PUT TURPIN OUT!  
WHAT HAS HE DONE?  
ENFORCED THE LAW.

Let them have this slogan printed on red cloth and pin it to their coat and then at night, when the battle is over, and Turpin is beaten and ruined, let them reflect: Turpin is beaten. What did he do? Enforced the law.

INDEPENDENT VOTER.