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THURSDAY, AUG. 30, 1906.

A Washington dispatch states that the Republicans will gain in North Carolina at the next election. Why certainly. They will gain a fresh lot of experience; but the trouble is that they never profit by it.

It is said that among the Republicans a strong sentiment favoring the speaker of House of Representatives for President, has developed recently. Well, what else do you expect from a cannon but a boom?

THE Industrious News speaking of the Republican Chairman's address at Greensboro says that Adams "sounded the key note." Judging by the rows that took place in the county executive committee, it must have been a discord.

MARION Butler recently addressed the Chatham County Convention. While the Republicans doubtless have no hope of carrying that county, still it is a little surprising that they should make public admission that their cause is hopeless.

Republican Party invites the people of North Carolina to turn the Democrats out and let the Adams outfit control the State. "Get rid of your dogs," said the wolves to the shepherd. "They are dangerous. We wolves will attend to your sheep."

NORTH Carolina Republicans are harmonious at last," announces an exchange. Judging by the latest reports, the Republican situation in this state is much like that prevailing when two cats are tied together by the tail and slung over a clothes line. You get a good deal of noise but very little HARMONY.

Mr. Britt who resigned the position of deputy collector to run for Congress against Crawford will soon be able to appreciate the fable of the Dog and Brook. This particular canine, with a piece of meat in his mouth, was crossing the stream on a plank, when, seeing his own image in the water, he dropped his meat and snatched at the one which he thought the other dog was carrying. Thus he lost his dinner and got a ducking besides.

We note that the old time ass is once more uttering his festive bray about the "lawyers running for office." This is the day of enlightenment and education. The people have grown too intelligent to pay any attention to such miserable demagogical talk. The man who tries to array one class or profession against another is the enemy of all. Besides, anybody with brain enough to contain an idea, would have remembered that the men who control the State Republican organization, from Butler and Adams down to the county heelers, are lawyers.

Republican Harmony in Guilford and Gaston.

As an evidence of the regard which the Republican organization feels for Blackburn and his followers the recent performance of Republican County Chairman Douglass of Guilford affords a shining example.

Roosevelt nominated Douglass

for postmaster of Greensboro on the eve of the Republican State Convention. Thus Blackburn was dealt a treacherous blow in the dark; for Roosevelt had not only promised to name Frazier a Blackburn Republican but actually had nominated him. Yet when Marion Butler's serpentine wiles had prevented Frazier's Confirmation by the Senate, Roosevelt instead of making a recess appointment for Frazier made Douglass postmaster at the very time when his action was sure to be hurtful if not ruinous to Blackburn. Douglass was also chairman of the Republican Executive Committee for Guilford. If the Republicans paid any attention to the laws on Civil Service, Roosevelt would of course have made Douglass resign as chairman before taking up his office as postmaster.

It is an outrage on decency to say nothing about its being a violation of law, for a man presumably serving the people as their postmaster to be scheming in politics and turning his official position into a partisan machine. But the most unseemly feature of the whole affair is that Douglass holds the post office and chairmanship against the wishes of the majority of his own party in Guilford county. The Republican Executive Committee met in Greensboro Saturday and passed a resolution expressing their want of confidence in Douglass and demanding his resignation. Of course Douglass refused to resign. Such a thing as a sense of propriety is not to be expected in a Republican organization politician. The significance of this incident lies in the plain fact that the Republican machine cares nothing about the wishes or opinions of the rank and file. Knowing that they have not the ghost of a show in the coming election, the Adams outfit is bent upon holding the offices in sight.

In Gaston the Republican masses are up in arms over the appointment to the Gastonia post office of a man who has not been a resident of the State long enough to become a voter. They have thus far refused to nominate a ticket. These are examples of machine politics in its rottenest and most tyrannical form. Yet some people congratulate themselves that the "organization" has become "respectable."

Seven Springs News.

Seven Springs, Aug. 27, Well as this is my first letter to the good Hickory Democrat, I will stick in a few dots from this part of the moral vineyard. The health of this section is good so far as I know. Crops look fine in this section. The upland corn is fine, but too wet for bottom corn.

Cotton is very good, and is beginning to open. Fodder pulling is on hand.

Most of the people went to the Campmeeting Sunday, but the writer did not. I have been informed that there was plenty of "Tangle foot" on the Camp Grounds. I hope the ones who were drunk will have to answer for it at the Court House in Newton. A Campmeeting is no place to drink whiskey.

I think the Democrats will carry this county by a large majority. Mr. Dan Boyed will be the next sheriff of Catawba County. I am a Boyed man. Of course Mr. Shuford is a good man, but he is on the wrong side of the fence.

Well, I guess the readers of the Democrat would like to know something about the Seven Springs. The Springs are two and a half miles south of Catawba, N. C., on the public road leading from Catawba to Sherrill's Ford. I have the nicest place in the State all kinds of mineral water, a good place for health, and a nice place for picnics. I want the editor of the Democrat to visit my place of business.

I am going to get me a merry-go-round as soon as I can and then

we will have all the fun you are looking for. I saw the editor of the Democrat at the Newton Reunion, Mr. Holbrook is a fine looking man.

M. J. R. McKinis and Mr. Evert Martin and two of Pinkney Wood's daughters were at the Springs Sunday drinking the good water. Mr. Lee Lofton and his better girl were at the Springs Sunday having a nice time.

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Luke Lightening.

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF The First Building & Loan Association, Hickory, N. C.

TO THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER RALEIGH, N. C.

For the year ending December 31, 1905.

ASSETS.

Loans on Mortgages and Stock \$57,335.51
Delinquent dues, fines and interest 365.85
Total \$57,701.36

LIABILITIES.

Due Shareholders, instalments paid \$48,807.50
Due Shareholders, earnings credited 6,084.64
Surplus 65.56
Due Register of Deeds 16.35
Due Attorney Fees 14.75
Bank Order draft 67.99
Advanced payments 117.03
Undivided Profit, less expenses and taxes paid 2,467.54
Total \$57,701.36

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand December 31, 1904, as per last report \$ 274.05
Instalments paid 21,132.68
Mortgages paid in whole or in part 4,067.00
Interest received 1,900.46
Fines received 134.05
Entrance fees 482.00
Transfer fees 17.75
Real estate 12.00
Insurance premiums repaid 1,100.00
Money borrowed 167.50
Attorney fees 106.35
Registration 106.35
Over draft Bank, Dec. 31, 1905 67.99
Total \$29,461.83

DISBURSEMENTS

Loans on Mortgages, white, \$21,085.00
Loans on Mortgages, col., 945.00
Loans on Shares 2,219.50
Paid on Matured Shares, 2,533.00
Salaries, 385.10
Advertising and Printing, 19.39
Interest 50.37
Rent 30.00
Insurance premiums advanced, 12.00
Taxes, 107.02
Postage, 1.75
Attorney fees paid, 172.75
Registration fees, paid, 100.95
Loan repaid (borrowed money) 1,800.00
Total \$29,461.83

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA } ss
COUNTY OF CATAWBA }

G. H. Geitner, President; C. M. Sherrill, Secretary.

Treasurer of The First Building and Loan Association of Hickory, State of N. C., being duly sworn, each for himself deposes and says that they are the above-described officers of the said Association, and that on the 31st day of December last all the above described assets were the absolute property of the said Association, free and clear from any liens or claims thereon except as above stated; and that the foregoing statement, with the schedules and explanations therein contained, assumed or referred to, are a full and correct exhibit of all the assets, liabilities, income and disbursements, and of the condition and affairs of the said Association on the said 31st day of December last, and for the year ending on that date, according to the best of their information, knowledge and belief, respectively.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 24th day of February, A. D. 1906
(Signed) J. L. CILLEY,

Notary Public.

(Signed) G. H. GEITNER,
C. M. SHERRILL.

Struck by Train.

Bill Morrow who lives in East Hickory was struck by a train some time last night and knocked off the track. He was found about five o'clock this a. m. in a very bad condition, his entire left side badly bruised. The physicians say there is very little hope for his recovery. It is said he was drinking and has been for some days. He has a nice family for whom we sympathize.

Church of the Ascension.

Bishop Horner will visit the above-named parish next Sunday evening, and administer the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation. Special music and an impressive service will help to make the occasion most impressive and uplifting.

In the morning Bishop Horner consecrates the chapel at Granite Falls, erected largely through the efforts of the late Rev. James A. Weston.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Phifer went to Statesville Wednesday for a few days.

Mrs. Z. B. Buchanan and son Rondo, who have been visiting in Asheville and through Tenn. returned Thursday.

Mrs. R. B. Baker, Mrs. Earl Baker, Mrs. B. R. Anderson returned to Hickory Wednesday after spending a few days in Lenoir.

J. E. Setzer, the the Democratic nominee for Register of Deed Was here Tuesday and Wednesday, looking after his political interest.

Have sold lots of it, can't I sell you a home farm or business property is the heading of the big advertisement of Halthcock the Real Estate man in the issue it contains long list and description of Real Estate with prices read it.

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R. L. FRITZ, President.

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Second tract, a joining the first, beginning at a black oak on Whisenant's line and runs thence with said line E. 13 poles to a pine; thence S. 44 poles to a rock on the river bank; on the beginning corner between G. M. White, et al and D. H. Whisenant; thence with a line of said Whitener and Whisenant to the beginning N. 15 degrees, W. 48 poles containing two acres more or less. Up on the latter tract there is a large dwelling house.

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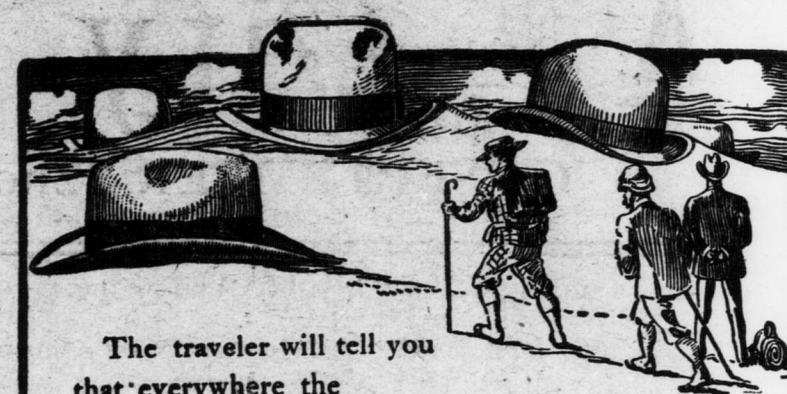
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