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THE BICKETT RALLY

Hundreds of Union County Democrats gathered at the Court House Saturday and Unanimously Endorsed Walter Bickett for Governor—Many Stirring Speeches Made.

Pursuant to a call of local Democrats, a large crowd of Union county admirers of General T. W. Bickett, a native of this county, gathered Saturday to endorse his candidacy for Governor. Music was rendered by the Icomorlee band, and stirring speeches were made by Messrs. J. N. Price, A. M. Stack, R. L. Stevens, R. W. Lemmond, R. B. Redwine and R. F. Beasley.

On the motion of Mr. J. C. Sikes, Mr. Frank Armfield was elected chairman, and on the motion of Mr. R. A. Morrow, Messrs. B. C. Ashcraft and John Beasley were elected secretaries. The chair then called for remarks from any present. The audience yelled for Mr. J. N. Price, and he advanced to the platform. He said:

"Walter Bickett is an old schoolmate of mine. As a student he showed marked ability and it is no surprise to me that he has made such wonderful progress in the political and business world of North Carolina. There is no better blood in Union county than that of Mr. Bickett's, and there is no one who can claim better ancestors. I say, gentlemen, let's all of the Democrats of Union county turn out and give him a solid vote."

After the keynote speech had been made, cries were heard for "Bob" Stevens. Mr. Stevens responded, and said:

"I am for a Union county candidate, first and last. I defy any man to show here I have ever failed to support a Union county man when he was in the race for any office. I am going to vote for Walter Bickett, not only because he is a native of this county, but because he has more ability than his opponent. As a business man, Walter Bickett has made good. And as a lawyer, he has also made good. If I may be permitted to use the phrase, Bickett has made good from the mountains to the sea. As a stump orator he has no superior. Frank Linney, the Republican candidate for Governor, is renowned far and wide for his oratorical ability, and it will take a man like Bickett to meet him on the stump. Mr. Daughtridge's admirers have sent the report over the State that he is a farmer. Perhaps he is. He is also a manufacturer, and a business man. Therefore, has he any right to call himself a farmer? Union must stand by her men."

Mr. R. B. Redwine was the next speaker called, and he said:

"Walter Bickett is a son of Union county, and the dearest spot to him is the county in which he was born. This county has a record of which she should be proud. In the dark days of civil strife, she furnished 2,500 of her sons to the Confederate cause. What we want to do is to arouse patriotism. We now have an opportunity to help elect a Union county man as Chief Executive. In point of ability, he ranks as the best, as a statesman, he is the equal of any, and as an orator, he has no superior. Let's cast every Union county Democratic vote for Bickett."

On the motion of Mr. John Sikes, the following committee of three were designated to retire and select the names of 24 men to compose a central committee for the furtherance of Union's candidate: Messrs. S. J. Richardson, J. M. Tomberlin and R. A. Morrow.

Mr. R. F. Beasley was then called to the platform, and he told of his school days with Mr. Bickett, and his knowledge of him while at Raleigh. He also told of an interesting circumstance that occurred at the Charlotte convention in 1908, in which Mr. Bickett had a leading part. He said that Mr. Bickett had dedicated himself to the cause of the people and that he was an honor to his native county.

Cries for Bickett's old partner, Mr. A. M. Stack, were heard, and he advanced to the platform. He said:

"Like Mr. Beasley, I have had the privilege of advising Mr. Bickett on many occasions, for I was his law partner for a year and a half at Danbury. As a lawyer, as my friend Stevens has said, Mr. Bickett is among the best. His oratorical ability is unquestioned, and he would make a formidable opponent on the stump for Linney, the Republican candidate."

Mr. Stack then told of some interesting occurrences concerning Bickett that had happened during the two years of his close association with him.

The last speaker of the day was Mr. R. W. Lemmond, a prominent farmer of Goose Creek township. He said:

"Gentlemen, I am glad to have the opportunity to support a Union county man for Governor. And not only I, but all Union county should be proud of the opportunity to support Mr. Bickett. These fellows that live in town and call themselves farmers, like Mr. Daughtridge, are 'butter-milking the citizenship of North Carolina.' (Applause.) I remember 35 years ago I used to see little Walter Bickett trotting around here, and I then wondered if he would ever be Governor of North Carolina. Now that my dream has the opportunity of becoming a reality, I am going to do all I can to make it true. And I call upon all you patriotic sons of Union to do the same. Let us support the man who was born and reared in our midst. Let us be, first and last, and all the time for Bickett."

The committee of three then re-

turned and reported. They appointed the following on the central committee:

Monroe—John C. Sikes, Charles Iccaman, D. A. Houston. Vance, J. I. Orr, J. E. Broom, W. D. Hawfield. Sandy Ridge—J. N. Price, J. D. Hemby, C. C. Mellwaine. Jackson—W. H. Collins, J. L. Rodman, J. Harvey Staroos. Buford—V. T. Chears, W. G. Griffin, M. R. Pigg. Lanes Creek—S. E. Belk, B. F. Parker. Marshville—E. C. Griffin, E. E. Marsh, E. Barrett. New Salem—Ellis B. Pursner, L. A. Stator.

Goose Creek—G. A. Long, T. L. A. Helms, I. A. Clontz.

The Bickett Union County Campaign Committee was then made complete by the addition of the names of Messrs. R. A. Morrow, S. J. Richardson, and J. M. Tomberlin. The chairman and the secretaries of the mass meeting were also appointed to occupy the same positions with the central committee.

After the meeting was adjourned, the central committee met and passed the following resolutions:

"The township committees are requested to meet at such places as they may designate and select committeemen at each precinct to attend the polls and see that a unanimous vote is polled for Mr. Bickett."

"Every Democrat in Union county who knows of a native of Union county, or a descendant who lives in other counties, is requested to write such native or descendant asking him to go to the polls on the day of the primary and vote for Bickett."

After the adjournment of the central committee, Mr. R. A. Morrow sent the following telegram to Mr. Bickett at Charlotte, who was then addressing a similar Bickett rally:

"At a mass meeting of Union county Democrats today you were endorsed for Governor."

News From Weddington and Vicinity

Correspondence of The Journal.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Fincher visited friends in Charlotte Saturday.

Miss Ethel Price is spending some time with friends in Monroe and seeing the chautauqua.

Mrs. W. B. Neill of Selma, who has been spending some time with her mother, Mrs. S. D. Belk, returned to her home Monday.

Mr. Sidney Shannon of Union spent the week end with his friend Mr. Hight Helms.

Mrs. E. W. Thomas spent part of last week with her daughter, Mrs. Edwin Stevenson, at Marvin.

Miss Amanda Harrison who has been spending sometime with relatives at Black Mountain, Mooresville, and Mt. Ulla returned home Sunday.

Miss Mittle Green of Monroe is visiting Mrs. W. L. Hemby.

Mr. J. M. Harkey and daughter, Miss Annie, of Indian Trail, spent Sunday with relatives here.

Miss Lena DeLaney spent the week-end in Charlotte.

Prof. Frank Richardson, who has been teaching near Hamlet has returned home.

Miss Lila Matthews is right sick at this writing. We hope for her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Reid of the Price's Mill vicinity spent the week-end with Mrs. Reid's parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Helms.

Miss Jennie Price, who has been teaching at Linwood, has returned home for the summer.

Quite a number of the young people from here attended the closing exercises at the Marvin high school last week and reported a good time.

Death of Mr. J. F. Moore

Correspondence of The Journal.

Wingate, May 8. — The saddest news which we have to chronicle is that of the sudden and unexpected death of Esq. J. F. Moore of our town, which occurred about two o'clock Thursday afternoon. His sudden death was a great shock to his family and his wide circle of friends everywhere. Mr. Moore was a prominent and useful citizen, a consistent and active member of the Baptist church, a good neighbor, husband and father. He is survived by several children, a second wife and several step-children. His remains were buried Friday at Union church, beside that of his first wife. Pastor Black conducting the funeral services. The survivors of the deceased have the sincere and heartfelt sympathy of their friends in this dark and gloomy ordeal through which they must pass. Mr. Moore was a little over 59 years old at the time of his death. He will be sadly missed as a leader in every worthy cause.

O. P. TIMIST.

To the Voters of Union County.

Since there is to be a cotton weaver elected for Monroe the citizens of Buford township feel that they are entitled to present the name of one of their citizens for consideration in the coming primary. Mr. P. P. Ross is a man of character and worth, and who is recognized as a man worthy in every respect, has announced himself as a candidate, and we respectfully ask that his claims be considered by the democratic voters of Union county in the coming primary on the 3rd of June. We feel sure that Mr. Ross is worthy in every respect for the place.

Betterment Club Meeting.

There will be a meeting of the Woman's Betterment Club of the Bulah school, Lanes Creek township, on next Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Supt. Nisbet will be present and speak to the club.

Mrs. SADIE BELK, Pres.

GREAT CHAUTAUQUA FILLS ALL EXPECTATIONS

Every Number is a Treat—Intellectual and Inspirational Oasis in the Life of Monroe—Every Feature Tip Top—Committee Lost no Money—Public Highly Pleased.

The only thing that people differ about in regard to the Chautauqua is simply which feature of the program to date has been most enjoyable. And since that is a question of personal taste, it can never be decided. Every single feature has its advocates which shows that all are good.

Under a brand new tent the Chautauqua opened Saturday afternoon, with Mr. W. A. Tetley, a noted evangelist, as manager. The local committee had not sold quite all the tickets for which the members were responsible and the management very generously extended the time to them until after the evening program, though they were under no obligation to do this. At that time the committee had sold all the tickets, and everybody felt good. You folks who are enjoying about twenty-five dollars worth of high class entertainment and instruction for only two dollars and a half ought to give three cheers to the eighty citizens whose guarantee and hard work make this possible. Monroe is still some kind of an old town as long as she has such people in it.

The Killarney Girls opened the program with an entertainment that not only drew constant applause but which has been the talk of the town since. The six handsome young women brought the freshness, the beauty, the merriment and the sadness of old Ireland so vividly to their audience that it was easy to imagine that one were right in the heart of the green isle itself, with its best foot forward. In costume, in voice, in spirit, they were the very breath of Ireland. They sang all the Irish songs, both merry and sad, and they gave the sparkle of Irish wit with the best on.

After their concert, Miss Dunning, the children's worker, gave her first lecture, "American Birds in Story Land." Each morning from ten to eleven, this lady devotes her time to entertainment and instruction of the children. Monday morning she gave "The Why Stories," and this morning "Stories from the Classics."

Saturday night the Killarney Girls appeared again in a short but much appreciated program, followed by William Roney Bennett on "The Man Who Can." This lecture was full of wit, humor and inspiration to each individual to do the best that is in him.

Monday afternoon and evening the Weatherwax Brothers, general favorites in Monroe, gave a musical entertainment. Mr. William Weatherwax, the reciter, received encore after encore on his homely and humorous readings. Monday night Dr. Montraville Wood and his daughter gave a scientific demonstration of the discovery made by himself of what is known as the ultra violet ray of light by means of which he predicts that some time there will be a wall paper which will store enough light to light up rooms without the aid of any of the present means of lighting.

Following this highly interesting demonstration they gave an equally interesting demonstration of the wonders of the gyroscope, the instrument by which we are to have single track railroads, and which is already used as a ballast for aeroplanes. Mr. Wood has been an assistant of Thomas A. Edison and has made valuable discoveries.

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WILL NOT DISCUSS ATTITUDE OF GREAT BRITAIN

President Wilson Tells Germany That Its Reply is Satisfactory Provided It Is in Good Faith.

Washington Dispatch, May 8.

A note cabled by Secretary Lansing to Ambassador Gerard today for delivery to the Berlin Foreign Minister informs the Germans Government that the United States accepts its declaration of its abandonment of its former submarine policy and now relies upon a scrupulous execution of the altered policy to remove the principal danger of an interruption of the good relations existing between the two countries.

Can Not Discuss Other Features

With this acceptance is coupled formal notice to Germany that the United States can not for a moment entertain, much less discuss, a suggestion that respect for German naval authorities for the rights of citizens of the United States on the high seas should in the slightest degree be made contingent upon the conduct of any other government affecting the rights of neutrals and non-combatants.

The German Reservations

This is in reply to the concluding statement in the last German note, to the effect that while submarine commanders had been ordered to sink no peaceful freight or passenger carrying ships without warning or without safety for passengers and crew, the German Government would reserve to itself the complete liberty of decision unless the United States was successful in its efforts to break the British blockade.

No Quarrel With German If She Keeps Promise.

Secretary Lansing issued a statement tonight saying that the greater part of Germany's answer to the demand of the United States was devoted to matters which the American Government could not discuss with the Berlin Government but he considered Germany had "yielded to our representations" and that "we can have no reason to quarrel with her" so long as the altered policy is lived up to.

Text of the American Note

The following is the text of the note cabled today by Secretary Lansing to Ambassador Gerard with instructions to deliver it to the German Minister of Foreign Affairs:

"The note of the Imperial German Government under date of May 4, 1916, has received careful consideration by the Government of the United States. It is especially noted as indicating the purpose of the Imperial Government as to the future that it is 'prepared to do its utmost to confine the operation of the war for the rest of its duration to the fighting forces of the belligerents,' and that it is determined to impose upon all its commanders at sea the limitations of the recognized rules of international law upon which the Government of the United States has insisted."

"Throughout the months which have elapsed since the Imperial Government announced on February 4, 1915, its submarine policy, now happily abandoned, the Government of the United States has been constantly guided and restrained by motives of friendship in its patient efforts to bring to an amicable settlement the critical questions arising from that policy. Accepting the Imperial Government's declaration of its abandonment of the policy which has so seriously menaced the good relations between the two countries, the Government of the United States will re-

ly upon a scrupulous execution henceforth of the now altered policy of the Imperial Government such as will remove the principal danger to an interruption of the good relations existing between the United States and Germany.

Must Not Be Contingent

"The Government of the United States feels it necessary to state that it takes it for granted that the Imperial German Government does not intend to imply that the maintenance of its newly-announced policy is in any way contingent upon the course or result of diplomatic negotiations between the Government of the United States and any other belligerent Government, notwithstanding the fact that certain passages in the Imperial Government's note of the fourth instant might appear to be susceptible of that construction. In order, however, to avoid any possible misunderstanding the Government of the United States notifies the Imperial Government that it can not for a moment entertain, much less discuss, a suggestion that respect for German naval authorities for the rights of citizens of the United States upon the high seas should in any way or in the slightest degree be made contingent upon the conduct of any other Government affecting the rights of neutrals and non-combatants. Responsibility in such matters is single, not joint; absolute, not relative."

The Questions Children are Always Asking.

"What is a roost, dad?" asked Tommy.

"A roost, my son, is a pole upon which chickens sit at night," replied his father.

"And what is a perch, dad?"

"A perch is what chickens perch on."

"Then I suppose, dad, a chicken could roost on a perch?" came the further inquiry.

"Of course," was the smiling reply.

"And the could perch on a roost?"

"Why, y-yes," answered dad.

"But if chickens perched on a roost, that would make the roost a perch, wouldn't it? But if, just after some chickens had perched on a roost and made it a perch, some more chickens came along and roosted on the perch and made it a roost, then the roost would be a perch and the perch would be a roost, and some of the chickens would be perchers and the others would be roosters, and—"

If you have no children of your own and think that the above story is even exaggerated, suggest such suspicions to some of your friends who have little fairies in their homes! You may be surprised to learn that the daily questions put up to parents by the majority of good, healthy, eager, enquiring children are even more complicated and complex than the chicken-rooster-perch data of Tommy's.

It hasn't been so very many years ago that the mother of an over-inquisitive youngster completely lost patience with her son's wild and woolly questions. From morning until early evening he had plied her with "where, what, and why and 'how" until her poor nerves were quivering and on tenter hooks. Just before suppertime she could stand it no longer and when the boy, disregarding her repeated admonitions not to dare to ask any more questions, set for one that would have puzzled Solomon himself, the mother threw up her hands and her temper at the same time and ordered the young man to his room and to bed.

A little later the mother heart melted and she told herself how unjust and impatient she had been—that it was entirely natural the child should seek information, even on subjects far beyond his age or powers of comprehension. So she toiled upstairs and stole into the bedroom. There lay the boy oblivious to his surroundings, lost in thought and with an air of retrospection that was wucanny.

"Darling," said the fond parent, "I am afraid I acted harshly and unjustly to you. Your dear little mind is so active. Hereafter I will try to be more patient. And I can now see that you have a great, wonderful question to ask me! What has my son been trying to puzzle out? What big proposition is the dear little brain at work on? You may ask me the question, son, and I will answer it to the best of my ability." Drawing himself up in bed and clasping his knees longingly the boy put the "great question." "Ma," he said, "Ma, how far can a cat spit?"

But however far-fetched, how absurd or vagrant are the questions they ask, parents usually consider it wisest—as well as most expedient—to give intelligent answer. Children, as a rule, are not to be put off with, "Well, son, I really don't know," or "Now, daughter, you ask something that you would not understand if I answered it."

Childhood is made up of exclamation points and question marks; there are seldom any colons, semi-colons or periods. (It is only as we grow old that we come to the time or full stops of life.) It is hard, it is exasperating, to be questioned until our very spines curve in revulsion. It is difficult to always give satisfying answer and elucidations to the "why," "how" and "where" of our progeny. It is one of the penalties we pay for parenthood. And after all it keeps our minds jumping, our brains alert, as we strive to intelligently dove-tail together cause and effect for the questions they ask.

YOUNG MAN DIES IN WEST

Union County Boy Succumbs to Pneumonia—Lots of Personal and Local Items from Waxhaw Section. Correspondence of The Journal.

Waxhaw, May 8.—Mr. John W. McCain Jr. spent Saturday in Monroe.

Mrs. Edwin L. Niven spent last week visiting friends in Red Springs.

Mr. Cy Tillman visited in Monroe Saturday.

Mrs. Dr. Guion visited in Monroe Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Carlisle Cunningham of Roxboro is visiting his parents here.

Mr. Carl Wolfe spent Sunday in Charlotte.

Miss Faye Cunningham of Rockingham is here visiting her brother, Mr. Oscar Cunningham, who is very sick.

Mr. Pratt Simpson bought a Ford Saturday.

Mr. Roy Walkup and Miss Allie Rodman visited Mr. Walkup's sister in Lancaster community Sunday.

Messrs. Charlie Inscore, W. S. Rone, Mrs. W. H. Howie and Miss Laura McCain spent Thursday in Charlotte.

Messrs. William Massey, Jack Wingate, Mrs. C. S. Massey, Misses May Wingate and Georgia Broome visited in Charlotte Friday.

Mr. Charlie Inscore, Dr. L. E. Guion and family spent Friday at Unionville.

Several of our people attended the Marvin commencement Friday night.

Messrs. Keith, Hazel and Harry Davis spent the week end visiting at Monroe.

Miss Cleone and little Miss Kempie Davis are attending the Chautauqua this week.

A large crowd attended the Osceola school breaking, going down on the noon train and returning on the five o'clock limited.

Prof. R. N. Nisbet visited in town Friday.

Messrs. Clyde Gamble and Fred Plyler spent Friday afternoon in Concord.

Messrs. R. T. Niven and D. H. Helms attended the Sunday school convention at Charleston last week.

Mr. Arthur Weir, an employe of the Southern Power Co., is spending some time with his people at Hermon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Wolfe of Mineral Springs spent Sunday with relatives at Osceola.

Miss Bessie Weir of Hermon was the delighted hostess to a large number of the young people at her home Saturday night.

A protracted meeting will be conducted at New Hope church, two miles west of town, next week. Several good preachers are expected to assist the pastor.

Mr. Henry Eason, oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Eason, died in a hospital in Fort Smith, Ark., last Thursday, after a brief illness of pneumonia. He was thirty-three years old and had been in the west a number of years.

Sprius, your invitation is one that is hard to resist, especially so coming from such a good community as Prospect and such a nice girl as our poet laureate described you to be.

Who would have thought a poplar blossom could look sweeter than a rose? At a church in the country last night the organist was wearing one of those waxen blossoms, and she came to me after the service and said she was glad to see me, and she rode home with us an—she ginned that poplar blossom and told me to be a good boy.

Pad, when I like the girls so much it is real mean of you to suggest a debate on the suffragette question for being openly against it is likely to get me in bad with some of the girls; but I'll see my principles through. Now you just fire off all your points in favor of woman's suffrage, and pick your assistants. I must know all the girls will rally to your side, so I won't pick any one for mine. They will have to volunteer. Who'll be the judges?

"Hot stuff," grinned Postmaster John Walker McCain through the general delivery window the other morning as we passed along returning from the rural delivery room where the boys were sorting out their mail. Perhaps it was.

A rather mixed aggregation of ball players from New Hope, Marvin, Bond's Grove and Flint Ridge on one side and Waxhaw, and Rehoboth on the other, played a game on the Waxhaw diamond Saturday evening. The first mentioned boys won with a score of 23 to 9.

Mr. Miles Secret of Osceola tells us that he went fishing the other night and had poor luck, but he finally caught a small fish and cut its head off and threw the hook back into the creek with the head on it and pretty soon he caught a fish much larger than the first. "Mike" says we can tell this story for all it is worth.

SCAPEGOAT.

Memorial Day at Old Waxhaw.

Correspondence of The Journal.

Memorial day exercises will be observed at the Old Waxhaw Baptist church next Sunday morning, the 14th at 10 o'clock. All those having friends or relatives buried there are asked to bring flowers and also to be present to place flowers on their graves. There will be preaching at 11 o'clock by the pastor, Rev. H. W. Hogan, intermission, dinner on the grounds, special singing at 1:30 o'clock, then Rev. L. M. White of Monroe will preach for us at 2:30. A welcome invitation extended to everybody.

A man is sometimes his own worst enemy, but he is more likely to be his own best friend.



Photo by Moffett, Chicago. FERN HOBART DOUBLEDAY WHO HEADS THE PARISH PLAYERS AT CHAUTAUQUA TONIGHT.