

# The Davie Record.

"HERE SHALL THE PRESS, THE PEOPLE'S RIGHTS MAINTAIN; UNAWED BY INFLUENCE AND UNBRIBED BY GAIN."

VOLUME XIV.

MOCKSVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21, 1912.

NUMBER 7

## NOT HARD LUCK.

### OFTEN A LACK OF EFFORT.

What Others Have Done—You Can Do The Same—The Lord Helps Those Who Help Themselves.

Farm and Fireside.

Plan to do things this year. Don't be content to raise just 25 bushels of corn to the acre because that is the United States record for the past ten years. Don't stop at 25 bushels, the average farm value of which for the past ten years has been but \$9.35. Why, look at fifteen-year-old Jerry H. Moore, the champion corn grower, who produced 228 bushels and three pecks on one acre, which netted him \$130.70. Don't be content to grow but 65 bushels of spuds to the acre because that is the ten year average of the country, with a farm value per acre of \$12.12. Why, bless your old soul, Mr. Sturgis, of Wyoming grew 974 bushels and 48 pounds of spuds on one acre, which netted him \$114 after paying expenses. Some difference, eh? Well, I guess. R. A. Chisholm and R. C. Nisbet, of Colorado, produced 847 bushels on one acre. One of the ranchers in my county, here in Colorado, produced 624 bushels last year. Don't stop at the average yield. Do you know that the countries of Europe beat us all to pieces in the average yield per acre? And they have land that has been cultivated for ages in comparison with ours. Trouble is, we spread ourselves out over too much land. Try to do too much. While we average 12 or 13 bushels of wheat to the acre, Germany has 28, France 21, the United Kingdom 33 and so on. Why Germany grows on an average as many spuds to an acre as we do on three. Our Dutch cousins pick up 200 bushels to the acre right along. And so it is in everything. The "slow" foreigner knows how to farm better than we do. We are too slow to catch a cold, too slow to even keep the immigrants from gobbling up our best land and growing rich, while we highly civilized Yankees howl about "worn out soil" and hustle off to the city to become dependents, mere parasites on the body sociological and economical, and help boost the cost of living by our very inability to meet Mother Nature half way and give her a square deal. Don't let the cold winds howl about an empty barn next fall after scraping around over the meadow to get a half ton of hay to the acre. Why, Mrs. Harris, of Michigan, grew 70 tons and 800 pounds of silage corn on one acre last year. No use to talk hard luck. Get out and plow up some scrumpy meadow. Do your part. Have you always done it?

### Cotton Conditions Below Normal.

The condition of the growing cotton crop of the United States on July 25 was 76.5 per cent. of a normal, compared with 80.4 per cent. on June 25 this year, 89.1 per cent. in 1910, 71.9 per cent. in 1909 and 89.6 per cent. the average normal condition on July 25 for the past 10 years, according to the third cotton condition report of the season, issued by the crop reporting board, bureau of statistics, Department of Agriculture, estimated from reports of its correspondents and agents and announced at noon Friday.

The area planted to cotton this year as previously reported by the Department of Agriculture in its preliminary estimate, is about 34,097,000 acres, or 93 per cent. of the acreage planted last year.

A woman's favorite topic of conversation is herself; after that it is usually some other woman.

## Roosevelt Should Not Have Run.

J. D. Lee, in Albemarle Chronicle.

We are all selfish and we know it—some of us more and some of us less. An honest man can be ambitious and selfish but he must put the success of his party above personal devotion to office if he represents good government. These are common facts. Everybody knows that it is an established custom that any man who reaches the high office of president of the United States should have the nomination for a second term and any man of good judgment knows that when a President has opposition in his party for the second term that it causes disorder and strife, and usually defeat for the party. Mr. Roosevelt had no opposition for the nomination for a second term and at the end of his second term, he said to the people of the United States:

I most heartily and sincerely recommend to you the warrior hero and statesman, Hon. W. H. Taft and bespeak for him your hearty support and co-operation as President of these United States.

Mr. Roosevelt at once went to the woods in Africa and not a single time did he offer to assist Mr. Taft in administering the affairs of government of the United States, but seemed to be laying in wait to take the reins of government in his own hands.

Mr. Roosevelt knows he is a brilliant man and a shrewd politician and his success caused him to overestimate his power and popularity as many other big men have done.

Roosevelt imagined that he could do things no other man had done, and with this in view he decided to take charge of Uncle Sam's business for the third time.

Personal ambition without considering what a split it would cause in his party—now listen voters! Any well informed business man knows that this United States is in a prosperous condition, banks flourishing, railroads doing an enormous business, cotton mills and all other enterprises in a prosperous business condition. The reports sent out from the Department of Agriculture at Washington, show that the farming interest of the country is in the best shape it has been since 1860. Now will some gentleman please come forward and prove that we need a third party. I am from Missouri. The Democrats at their Baltimore Convention charged that the Republican party was responsible for the high cost of living when the truth is that extravagance is the cause. A few rich people set the styles and fashions and poor people and well-to-do people strain themselves by trying to wear and spend as much as any one else, wearing dresses and hats to suit every season and men and boys ploughing and hauling in patent-leather shoes is all out of reason. People who use common sense and judgment, and are industrious and economical are loaning money as a rule.

This country has made progress in every material way in the last four years. Then why should Mr. Roosevelt quit the Republican party and try to ruin us with a third party. I voted for Mr. Roosevelt every time he ran but it was a pretty heavy dose, after he took nourishment with Booker T. and put Dr. Crum, the negro collector, for four years on the people of Charleston, and then put Democrats in his Cabinet and others in office all over the South. He gave Hon. M. G. Gudger, of Asheville, Democrat, office of paymaster General of the Navy. Then if Mr. Taft is a humbug, Roosevelt is the man who put him on us. "If you fool me once it is your fault, but if you fool me twice it is mine." Mr. Taft has made us a good sound and sober president. It is true that North Carolina Republicans don't like his Conner appointment but if the leaders of the party in North Carolina would have agreed either on Herbert Seawell or Harry Skinner, Mr. Taft said he would have made the appointment.

I don't blame Taft for appointing Conner. The Republicans in 1896 endorsed Conner for Supreme Court Judge and Conner was as good a friend as the Republican Judges had when the North Carolina Legislature tried to impeach them. Taft said in the beginning, that he was going to take Federal Judgeships out of politics. Isn't that right? I don't take it as an insult when a Republican gives an office to a Democrat.

Democrats were appointed in Center and Tyson townships as Census Enumerators when there were Republicans who were just as capable and wanted the place, or was that a reflection on the Republicans in these townships?

If Conner's appointment to a non-partisan Judgeship was a reflection then the appointments of these Census Enumerators was also a reflection.

Now I don't believe that thirty-eight Republicans holding the high and honorable office of National Committeemen, will look each other in the face and steal 78 different times when there is nothing more at stake than a change of a man in office when the other fellow perhaps

could hold the office just as well. Boys we had just as well come down to facts—one class of men are the equal in honesty of another class—Roosevelt men are no better than Taft men and vice versa all thinking they are in the right—Taft has been nominated and will be elected in November. The Republican party has been in charge of this government for 50 years and we are looked upon as the greatest and most progressive people on the globe and we must not through selfishness let go the reins of this Government. We can't afford it. Roosevelt is not too old to wait four years if we find we need him.

"Come, let us reason together."

## REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION SEPTEMBER 4TH.

The Republican State Executive Committee met at Greensboro last Wednesday and passed the following resolutions:

"Resolved, That a Republican State convention is hereby called to meet in the city of Charlotte on the 4th day of September, 1912, at 12 o'clock, m., for the purpose of nominating presidential electors for the State at large, Governor and other State officers, two corporation commissioners, and nominate candidates to fill any other office that may be, or become vacant for which nominations should be made or ratified by the State convention, electing a Republican State executive committee and a State chairman, and to transact any other business that may properly come before the convention.

We endorse the nomination of William H. Taft for President and James S. Sherman for Vice President, and pledge our loyal support to their re-election, and declare our abiding faith and belief in the principles of the Republican party as enunciated in the national platform adopted at the Chicago convention held June 18, 1912.

Resolved, Further, that in view of existing political conditions the committee deems it proper to announce to the Republicans of the State that in holding their county and township conventions, none but those who endorse the national Republican candidate for President, and the Republican platform adopted at the Republican convention held in Chicago June 18, 1912 are in any capacity entitled to participate in or represent the party, and that in organizing all township, county, senatorial, congressional and State conventions, none but Republicans supporting the national ticket, and the platform of our party nominated and adopted at the convention held in Chicago, June 18, 1912, be allowed to participate in the election of delegates or committeemen, or in nominating candidates or in any way participating in said conventions.

We deplore the tendency of some who have heretofore belonged to our party to follow the third party which has been so recently organized, whose policy as enunciated by its leaders is to destroy the Republican party in the nation and whose declared tenets and principles are antagonistic to the principles and traditions of the Republican party, and we ask them to take a second solemn thought and remember that the Republican party is the only party that has vouchsafed constitutional government.

Resolved, That all electors who believe in the principles of the Republican party as enunciated in the National Republican platform adopted at Chicago, on June 18, 1912, and who will pledge themselves to abide by the action of the national convention, be invited to participate in the primaries and conventions.

Sometimes when lawyers fall out and fight, honest men get their dues—Nut Shell.

"Were all medicines as meritorious as Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy the world would be much better off and the percentage of suffering greatly decreased," writes Lindsay Scott, of Temple, Ind. For sale by all dealers.

## Stockings or Socks.

If the St. Louis newspapers are well informed the girls of that city are buying and wearing men's socks. The reason given for this eccentricity, however makes us fear that our contemporaries are not well posted, and really are not certain what they are talking about. It is pretended that socks are cooler in hot weather than the usual feminine stockings of opera lengths or other lengths. This can hardly be. The feminine stocking of current fashion is a filmy affair, a cobwebby creation, around and through which cooling zephyrs have as free right of way as through the whiskers of a Populist statesman. There must be some other reason, and doubtless, if found, it will prove to be an entirely good one. Our St. Louis contemporaries should post up on this striking innovation.—Philadelphia Press.

Should the ladies substitute socks for stockings conditions could not be more glaring. Some of the "foot veils" worn now are next to no stockings at all, so filmy and "peek-a-boo" is their texture. At least so it is said—men are not supposed to know.—Union Republican.

[Give us a Democratic president and the thick ten cent hose will again predominate. The filmy, gauzy, silky things that are now worn, which makes one think that the dresser forgot to put on all her wearing apparel, will be relegated to the rear. ED. RECORD.]

## Political Blindness.

Union Republican.

A Democrat told us the other day that he believed Wilson would be the next President and if he was, hard times would doubtless follow and that he was beginning to get ready for it, as it was always prudent to be on the safe side. Yet blinded by political heredity or choice, he will vote for Wilson with due preparation for the inevitable, instead of avoiding all doubt and uncertainty and cast his vote for President Taft, the representative of the Republican party and its policies. This may begood politics, voting one way and praying another, but it looks like rank foolishness. And many will vote for Wilson and ignore the preparation and then repeat the refrain "The saddest of all it might have been"—otherwise. The best way and the safest and surest way is to take no chances and vote the Republican ticket.

## Insect Pest on Cotton.

Mr. Julius Pierce, a farmer of Mt. Ulla community, tells the Mooresville Enterprise that a small insect, a little larger than a house fly and shaped like a grasshopper, is ruining the cotton shapes as they form on the stalk. These little insects do not destroy the leaves but seem to light upon the young shapes and suck the sap from the shape. The shapes, when touched or a strong wind blows, fall off. The insect is green in color and can fly as well as hop. The pest is doing considerable damage to the cotton in Rowan and Iredell counties in the vicinity of Mt. Ulla; and much complaint has been made of its ravages in other localities.

Tell me not in mournful numbers, That I cannot eat green fruit, What is like without cucumbers, Vinegar and salt to suit?

A talking dog has arrived in New York from Germany. A hound dawg recently arrived in Missouri that is believed to be speechless.

Mr. W. S. Gunsalus, a farmer living near Fleming, Pa., says he has used Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy in his family for fourteen years, and that he has found it to be an excellent remedy, and takes pleasure in recommending it. For sale by all dealers.

## Give Us Men Rather.

Lenoir News.

The esteemed Charlotte Chronicle in speaking of the annual convention of the North Carolina Good Roads Association in that city last week, exclaims, "Give us Good Roads." We say give us men that know the value of Good Roads, and who knowing it will go down in their pockets and procure them. If we sit still until the state of the General Government, "gives" us good roads we will never have them. When the people who use the roads and pay the burden caused by bad roads, are content to go along in the same old rut and never think what they are doing, wearing out their teams and themselves and their time, it is practically useless to try to get the state or the Government to help them. It is all very nice to meet and talk and "Resolute" as the Good Roads Association did last week, but it is one thing to pass a resolution and quite another to put it into effect. State aid and Federal aid for the construction of good roads is alright and we should have them, but the people who own and use the roads must take the initiative and show by their progress that they are willing to help themselves. Wide-awake, progressive county commissioners in every county, who will make a few miles of good roads for their counties as samples, can do more to educate the people to the value of good roads than dozens of meetings and hundreds of resolutions.

In Suffrageville. Walt Mason.

The hour was late; the light was low, the weary husband walked the floor, and listened, to and fro, to hear his wife's step at the door. In vain that husband strained his ears; then he surrendered to the blues, and from his eyes the briny tears rolled down his whiskers to his shoes. "All day I swept and washed and baked," he murmured in resentful tones; "darned stockings till my innards ached, and scrubbed, upon my marrow bones. I rocked the children all to sleep; it seems to me a low down dodge that I must here my vigil keep while Jane's cavorting at the lodge. If wives but knew how much their hubs rebel at all their griefs and woes, they'd not so often seek the clubs and caucuses and things like those. If Jane would spend an evening here, say once a week, grief would depart; this home would seem a place of cheer, the housework wouldn't break my heart. But no, when evening comes she takes her hat and overcoat and cane, and leaves me to a world of aches and tears and loneliness and pain. Alas, the tyranny of wives! It puts our home life on the blink; it desolates their husbands' lives, and drives those heartsick slaves to drink!"

## It Pays.

Every reader should be getting ready to exhibit his finest farm products next fall at the nearest fair. Don't decide that it is not worth while to do it, or that it will not pay, for it will pay—if not in dollars and cents, certainly in the satisfaction you will get from it, and in the good it will do. The local fair can be made a great educational factor as well as a yearly means of enjoyment, and it is every farmer's duty to help make his fair a success.—Progressive Farmer

## Flying Men Fall

victims to stomach, liver and kidney troubles just like other people, with like results in loss of appetite, backache, nervousness, headache, and tired listless, run-down feeling. But there's no need to feel like that as T. D. Peebles, Henry, Tenn., proved. "Six bottles of Electric Bitters," he writes, "did more to give me new strength and good appetite than all other stomach remedies I used." So they help everybody. Its folly to suffer when this great remedy will help you from the first dose. Try it. Only 50 cents at all druggists.

## Mere Speculation.

A good deal of speculation is indulged in, in regard to the result of the approaching Presidential election, if all three of the candidates continue in the race. It is argued that Taft and Roosevelt will divide the republican vote so that neither of them can get a majority in the electoral college, and that Wilson cannot be elected even if he polls the entire democratic strength without considerable help from republican sources. This he is not at all likely to get, many persons think, as the Taft and Roosevelt men will wage such a strenuous fight that no republican will be overlooked and all will vote either a stand-pat or a progressive republican ticket. In such a case there would be no election by the regular electoral college and the matter would be referred to the House of Representatives in Congress, where each state would have one vote. In a line up of this kind the republicans seem to have 23 of the 25 necessary to elect while the democrats have 21 with four doubtful. The question is one for good deal of speculation and a person can suggest any kind of a contingency that might happen in the present unprecedented campaign.—Lenoir News.

## Why He Suffers.

Greensboro News.

In his campaign speeches for the senatorial nomination, Chief Justice Walter Clark explains that two particularly evil influences are actively engaged to defeat him. It seems that the Chief Justice is considered the "dangerous" man this time. He says the Southern Railway and the American Tobacco Company are doing all they can to prevent his nomination.

Familiar old nag, isn't it! The same old silly Governor Kitchin rode into the executive mansion four years ago—then turned his moult out to die. But Judge Clark was watching, and with a perfectly judicial swing of the rope he lassoed the "critter" and is now trying to spur the animal into a trot. Governor Kitchin has not, so far, attempted to recover the abandoned nag, as he was probably in earnest when he left her out to die.

But, a little more seriously, if Governor Kitchin had kept the campaign promises he made four years ago, the Southern Railway and the American Tobacco Company would not now be living and cavorting around the state to pester Judge Clark. It was gross negligence on the part of the governor, and if Judge Clark is defeated he will have a just cause of action for damage against the governor.

## Are Ever at War.

There are two things everlastingly at war, joy and piles. But Bucklen's Arnica Salve will banish piles in any form. It soon subdues the itching, irritation, inflammation, or swelling. It gives comfort, invites joy. Greatest healer of burns, boils, ulcers, cuts, bruises, eczema, scalds, pimples, skin eruptions. Only 25 cents at all druggists.

## A REMINISANCE OF 1864.

BY W. C. P. ETCHISON.

One morning, one morning, one morning in May,

I heard a poor fellow lamenting and say, I heard a poor fellow lamenting and mourn I am a Rebel soldier and far away from home.

Oh, Mollie, oh, Mollie, it's for your sake alone.

That I left my dear country, my father and my home;

That I left my dear mother to weep and to mourn.

I am a Rebel soldier and far away from home.

You must not be weeping while I'm gone away.

For I hope some bright morning will bring a better day.

For I hope some bright morning will drive our troubles away.

For I am a Rebel soldier, and far away from home.