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## DEMOCRATIC RALLY AT FALLING CREEK

### THE OCCASION A BIG SUCCESS About Five Hundred Present—Speeches of a High Order.

The Democratic rally and speaking at Falling Creek yesterday was a great success. Not a single discordant note was sounded from the time that the crowd of 400 or 500 people began to assemble till the last of them had departed for their various homes. Perfect good humor was the order of the day, and not a hint of dissatisfaction was heard from any one. Every one spoke in highest praise of the manner in which the crowd conducted themselves, and of the management of the affair.

The greatest plenty of edibles was there, and to spare, and all enjoyed themselves to the fullest extent of that part of the program which was furnished for the satisfying of the inner man, and as for the speaking, a more attentive or a more perfectly satisfied audience never greeted public speakers since the days when Vance swept the people before him with the power of his eloquence. All expected something good and they were not disappointed.

Soon after the train going west arrived at the station, the county candidates assembled around the improvised platform, and in a few well chosen remarks, announced their candidacy for the various offices for which they are aspirants. Among these speeches, the utterances of Mr. Shade Wooten, candidate for the legislature, were especially timely, and smacked of true Democratic sentiment. All of the county candidates, however, acquitted themselves in a very creditable manner.

Mr. Plato Collins being last one of the county candidates to speak, introduced the speaker of the occasion, Hon. Claude Kitchin, in the happy manner which is peculiar to himself.

Mr. Kitchin referred in a few felicitous preliminary remarks, to the debt of gratitude that he would ever cherish for the good people of Lenoir county, who after making a valiant fight for their county's candidate two years ago, and falling in their efforts to nominate him for congress, cast their vote for him; (Kitchin) thereby turned the tide in his favor, and which act was largely instrumental in his nomination for congress in the Democratic congressional convention at Goldsboro at that time. He then launched into a vigorous discussion of national issues which he said were four in number.

Prosperity being the issue on which Republican claims were built, he devoted his first efforts to it, and proceeded in a manner both convincing and logical to show that the Republican party's claims were ridiculous, and not founded on facts or sound reasoning. He adduced facts and statistics to prove his position, and among them were some that everyone in this county were conversant with, for instance, in answer to Republican claims for high prices for farm products, he showed that cotton was lower in 1897-98-99 than it had been since 1876; also that tobacco was lower during the three years succeeding the election of McKinley than it had ever been.

The season of prosperity he said, was general, and beyond providential causes, was largely due to the fact that the circulating medium had increased from \$19 to \$25 by the unprecedented discoveries of gold in different parts of the world, which fact demonstrates clearly that the demand of the Democratic party for increased circulation of our basic money was well grounded, and that the Republican party falling us, God himself had come to our rescue, with an abundant supply of "sound" money to carry on the business of the country.

He then touched on the tariff, and with manuevering argument proved that the industries of this country did not need protection as they would go into the open markets of the world and compete there with European "pauper" labor, and that our home people had to pay more for an article produced in this country, to the extent of the duty imposed on the article, than the foreigner.

After proving that a protective tariff was not necessary to the business interests of the country, he showed that they did hinder trade, and that trusts were inimical to the people's interests.

His advice—namely, blame delivered as true—was transmitted to the ears of the audience and laid on inconvertible facts.

He devoted a short time to Populism, in which he said that the people in this section were not so much interested as in some other sections, only as it

touched the basic principles of our government. He stated that the Republican policy in this, as in every other policy, was prompted by an avaricious sense of greed, actuated by the spirit of commercialism, and not by a humanitarian or Christian spirit. His tale of the weeping mother, who looked in vain for the return of her soldier son, whose life had been sacrificed to further commercial greed, was touching and very pathetic.

Mr. Kitchin then paid his respects to the record of the Republican party in the State, which was anything but complimentary. He said that he knew no way to judge the Republican party than by its record in the past, which was one black line drawn across the history of the Old North State, and that he thanked God that a recurrence of the disgraceful spectacle was forever eliminated by the disfranchisement of the greater part of the Republican party—the negro. His denunciation of the ingratitude of the Republican party for kicking the negro out of their councils, when of no further political use, was scathing, and a rebuke for their disloyalty to the only material support they had ever had in the State.

Mr. Kitchin spoke for about an hour in one of what was considered by all who heard it, the most convincing argument that has been delivered in this section for a season. He has an air of honesty of purpose, and integrity of character, coupled with a great personal magnetism, which carries conviction with his every proposition.

His speech was well received by the crowd, and that he advanced the cause of Democracy in this section, there isn't a doubt, and that he will be re-elected to his seat in congress by a largely increased majority also is beyond dispute. He is fast making a place for himself close to the hearts of the people in this, the second district.

Following close upon the end of Mr. Kitchin's speech was the announcement that dinner was ready, and all repaired to the temporary table, and enjoyed themselves in true old-time Democratic style.

After every one had eaten all they wanted and chatted socially for awhile, it was announced that Larry Moore, Esq., would speak. Mr. Moore was a stranger to most of the people when he commenced his short speech, but it did not take them long to find out that a new power was among them. Mr. Moore hailed from Greenville, and is solicitor in his judicial district, and judging by the specimen of argument produced by him in his speech Friday, his district has a brilliant promise of a great man. We would be glad to give a synopsis of his speech, but space won't admit of it, but it completely stormed the castles by the forcefulness of his logic.

Mr. H. E. Shaw and Dr. J. M. Parrott made short speeches, which were good and well received by the crowd.

Every one expressed themselves as having enjoyed the occasion to the fullest extent.

Mr. Kitchin meets with the county candidates today at Tall's mill, in Trent township.

## OLD NORTH STATE NEWS AND GOSSIP

### ODD AND INTERESTING HAPPENINGS.

Raleigh Correspondence Charlotte Observer.—The State Commissioner of Labor is rapidly receiving reports from different classes of people, and has made up those from farmers. He says that 82 per cent of these declare in favor of compulsory education. They report that there was more profit in crops this year than in many years past. Crops were made far more cheaply than usual. This was largely due to the fact that owing to the failure of crops last year the farmers worked last spring harder than ever and economized in all possible ways. Reports by representative farmers in every county to the State Labor Commissioner show an increase of value of land in 65 counties, a decrease in two and no change in 30. Sixty-nine counties report a tendency to smaller farms, nine to larger ones. Seventy-two report labor scarce, 22 plentiful, 8 abundant and 93 out of 107 report negro labor unreliable, 2 reliable and 2 no negro laborers, 65 report employment regular, 41 irregular. The cost of living increased in 95 counties. The highest average wages of men is \$15.40, lowest \$9.72; women, highest \$10.08, lowest \$6.61; children average \$5.97. Fifty-seven counties report increase in wages. Sixty-eight counties produced cotton at a cost of 5 1/2 cents per pound; 75 produced wheat at 66 cents per bushel; 96 produced corn at 46 cents per bushel; 92 produced oats at 33 cents per bushel; 58 produced tobacco at 8 1/2 cents per pound. The educational conditions are reported as good in six counties, fair in 89, poor in 52. Eighty-five report improvement in morals; 5 report financial condition good; 46 fair, 64 poor, and 64 report it as improving. Eighty per cent of the answers favor compulsory education and 30 per cent oppose it.

Raleigh, Oct. 23.—The cotton merger committee, under the Fries plan of organization of the spinning mills of the south, handling brown and dyed goods, met here tonight and was in session till nearly midnight. Some handwork was made, but the committee will give out no detailed information, as the matter it is discussing is the valuation of the various plants and which of them will be taken into the merger. John Fries, who is the active mover in the plan, says that about 135 mills have applied for admission, but that the adaptability and needs of each of these will be carefully scrutinized before any are accepted. That there will be over 70 mills in the merger appears certain, and the capitalization will go beyond \$30,000,000. There were present in addition to the committee, a number of mill men from Fayetteville and Wilmington, and it is believed that the mills at these places will be in the merger. Mr. Fries says the meeting here probably will continue through Saturday and that even then another meeting of the committee may be necessary to complete details. The committee which met tonight is composed of T. W. Pratt, of Huntsville, Ala.; S. B. Tanned, of Henrietta, N. C.; G. G. Latt, of Raleigh, and A. W. Haywood, of Haw River, N. C., all representatives of large cotton mill interests.

Asheville Citizen: An electrocuting machine is being constructed for the dogs at the city pound whose five days of grace have expired. There are about 35 dogs to meet their fate. A number of these dogs will be allowed to go to "the country" upon promise of their takers that they will never again be allowed in town. The electrocuting machine will be located at the dog pound. It will be charged with not less than 500 volts of electricity. The repairs on the pound have been finished and the dog-eaters are again busily engaged in their work. A wagon will probably be put into service next week.

Goldsboro, Oct. 25.—John Williams, the negro, who yesterday attempted to assault Mrs. Johnson, wife of Mr. Harnrick Johnson, jr., at her home, a mile from Princeton, has thus far eluded the officers of the law, as well as the clutches of a posse, which went last night, accompanied by bloodhounds, in pursuit of the negro, with the evident intention of lynching him. Dogs both from this city and from Dunn reached the home of Mrs. Johnson about midnight, and soon struck a trail, which they followed for five miles to a swampy place, where all trace of the negro was lost. The searching party returned to their homes about daylight.

Mr. H. M. McDonald, of LaGrange, N. C., says Dr. Boykin's "Warm Kilo" brought over 100 worms from one child in his neighborhood, and that it gives universal satisfaction. He sells more of it than any other worm medicine. For sale by Harry Dunn, Kinston, N. C.



REAR ADMIRAL SILAS CASEY.  
The blue-jackets under the command of this officer are maintaining order on the isthmus of Panama and keeping the trains of the Panama railroad running. Rear Admiral Casey is in command of the battleship Wisconsin.

Fayetteville, Oct. 22.—Yesterday Isaac Bain the colored sexton of St. John's Episcopal church, while driving one of his milk cows from the stable lot on Green street, was attacked by a vicious bull. The animal seemed to be frantic with rage, and his rush on the unfortunate man was terrible. Bain being dreadfully torn in the abdomen and injured in other parts of his body. He was carried to the Marsh-Highsmith Sanitorium, where his serious wounds received treatment.

RELIGIOUS THOUGHT.  
Gems Gleaned From the Teachings of All Denominations.  
A radiant countenance comes from communion with God.—Rev. S. E. Young, Presbyterian, Pittsburg.  
Man's Days as Grass.  
It needs but a sickness to teach us that man's days are but as grass.—Rev. Dr. Smyth, Swedenborgian, New York.  
The Age of Missions.  
This is the greatest missionary age, and America is the greatest missionary land of all the ages.—Rev. Polemus H. Swift, Methodist, Chicago.  
Rank Measured by Influence.  
A man's rank in life is measured by his influence. Possessions are external, and deeds are only transitory.—Rev. Dr. Van Dyke, Presbyterian, Princeton, N. J.  
Emphasis on God.  
History places its emphasis upon God; also it emphasizes a moral plan of God that men reap what they sow.—E. M. W. Greenwood, Congregationalist, Brooklyn.  
Character and Reputation.  
While character lives in a man, reputation is outside of him. Character is what God thinks of a man, the diploma God gives him.—Rev. Dr. Lewis, Worcester, Mass.  
Tendency of Our Times.  
This modern world of ours is teeming with energy. This is the most conspicuous characteristic of our times, overshadowing all other features.—Rev. Dr. O'Hare, Catholic, Brooklyn.  
Established by Conflict.  
Nothing but conflict has revealed and established each new principle of righteousness. Especially do we see this truth in the story of redemption.—Rev. Dr. Raymond, Schenectady, N. Y.  
The Question of Questions.  
The question of questions of all life is to know what is best, the destiny that is highest, to attain that which will leave personal assets that death cannot take away.—Rev. J. Grant, Baptist, Watertown, Mass.  
Breathes One Spirit.  
We are living in troublous times, and many are entertaining criticisms on the Bible. But the whole New Testament breathes one spirit, and there is no room left in the New Testament for the exaltation of one class above another.—Bishop Andrews, Methodist, Pittsburg.  
Reward of Obedience.  
We know that if we live the life of obedience we will come into the rich reward of a place in the celestial city. The blessings and rewards of the future we cannot know, but if we obey a sure reward awaits the life of obedience.—Rev. J. E. Holmes, Methodist, Brooklyn.  
Gathering the Harvest.  
The most precious sheaf garnered by the Christian sower and reaper is the joyful realization that all the harvests which result from all the different Christian plantings shall be gathered at last into the granaries of heaven.—Rev. Dr. Frank De Witt Talmage, Presbyterian, Chicago.  
The Man and the Temple.  
A man is greater than any form of ritual. The temple itself was not the link between God and man, but only the symbol of the link. Sometimes we think that it consecrates the man. It is not so. It is the worshiper that gives value to the temple.—Rev. G. Campbell Morgan, Presbyterian, New York.  
The Church's Greatest Need.  
Spiritual power is what the whole church needs, and she can get this power only by returning to her first love. The machinery of the church may be complete and the organization well nigh perfect, but if devoid of love all the work will come to naught.—Rev. Dr. A. R. Holbert, Presbyterian, Atlanta, Ga.

Purely Personal  
Items About People  
Who Come and Go

Mr. E. D. Turnage went to Dover this morning.  
Rev. S. H. Isler came this morning from Goldsboro.  
Mr. Randolph Mead spent today in Goldsboro.  
Miss Sue Wilson returned from Dover this morning.  
Mr. J. B. Stallings went to Danville, Va., last night.  
Col. W. D. Pollock returned last night from New Bern.  
Mrs. C. Felix Harvey went to Goldsboro this morning.  
Mrs. Cicero Williams, of Dover, spent yesterday in Kinston.  
Prof. L. L. Hargrave and wife came from Dover this morning.  
Dr. and Mrs. H. D. Harper jr., returned from Goldsboro this morning.  
Mr. H. W. Taylor, of Wilson, came this morning to visit here a few days.  
Messrs. F. M. LaRoque and J. J. Gilbert returned this morning from Goldsboro.  
Prof. A. J. Barwick, of the Goldsboro graded school, spent last night in the city.  
Mrs. Joe Graham, of Hillsboro, who had been visiting her sister, Mrs. C. Felix Harvey, returned home this morning.  
Mr. E. W. Moys, who is attending Rhodes school here, went to his home near LaGrange, last night, to spend Sunday.  
Miss Ora Blinn, of near LaGrange, who had been visiting Mr. H. E. Shaw for a few days, returned to her home this morning.  
Mrs. W. A. Thompson, of Aurora, who had been visiting her mother, Mrs. Carr, at this place, went to LaGrange this morning to visit friends.  
Mr. J. J. Rogers returned yesterday afternoon from Falling Creek, Wayne county, where he had been attending the Baptist association, which has been in session at that place this week.  
Mrs. C. G. Hardy, of Greene county, and her son, Jesse, took the cars this morning for Goldsboro, where they will visit Mrs. Hardy's uncle, Mr. I. F. Orin, today.  
Mr. A. E. Sumrell, of near Kinston, went to Goldsboro this morning to meet his sister, Mrs. Estelle, who is attending school at Wilson, and will come this afternoon to spend a few days with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Sumrell.  
Mrs. May Ellsberry and her daughter, Catherine, of Demopolis, Ala., who had been visiting at Mr. E. F. Cox's, returned to her home this morning. She was accompanied as far as Goldsboro by Miss Sannie Cox and Master Frank Marston, who will return on the afternoon train.

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North Carolina Board of Pharmacy. The next meeting of the Board of Pharmacy for the examination of applicants for license to practice pharmacy and for general business will be held in Raleigh Nov. 11th, 1902, at 9 o'clock a. m. At this meeting it will be the duty of the Board to investigate all complaints of disregard, non-compliance or violation of the pharmacy law. The Board has recently sent its Secretary into some portions of the State to investigate and correct certain irregularities that have existed. It expects soon to have him make a complete inspection throughout the entire State to see that all the requirements of the law are complied with and all violations brought to the attention of the proper prosecuting officers. The Board desires to be apprised of all violations that it may have its Secretary and attorney take such action as may be necessary in the premises. It is earnestly hoped that, before the Secretary shall make this tour, all violations of the law will have ceased. If not, coercive steps will be taken, if necessary, for the enforcement of the laws, the Board being determined that the public shall have the fullest protection. By order of the Board: F. W. HANCOCK, Sec. Oxford, N. C., Oct. 15, 1902.

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The CHURCHES  
Subjects for Sermons  
Announcement of Special and Regular Services

Services will be held in the following churches tomorrow, to which everybody is invited:

Episcopal Church.  
No services tomorrow except Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.

Missionary Baptist Church.  
Preaching both morning and evening by the pastor.  
Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.  
B. Y. F. U. will not meet on account of preaching in the afternoon.  
Members of the church are requested to bring their October offering for State missions.

Methodist Church.  
Preaching both morning and evening by the pastor.  
Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.  
Epworth League at 4 p. m. Sunday.

Free Will Baptist Church.  
Preaching both morning and evening.  
Sunday school at 9 p. m.

Presbyterian Church.  
Preaching both morning and evening.  
Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.

Christian Church.  
Preaching both morning and evening by the pastor at the usual hour.  
Rev. W. G. Johnson will preach his farewell sermon at the evening service.  
Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.

Christian Science.  
Services both morning and evening.

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