

BELIEVED PROGRESSIVES ARE GOING TO NOMINATE ROOSEVELT BY MIDNIGHT AND LEAVE OLD LINERS DO WHAT THEY LIKE

Colonel Willing to Speak in Chicago if He's Wanted—Nothing Unusual Doing in G. O. P. Convention Except Selection of Harding to Be Permanent Chairman—Opening Delayed Again—Johnson Apt to Be On Ticket With Former President, Thought—Platforms Outlined—Preparedness Harped On By Moose and "Americanism" By Old Party—No Prohibition Plank in Republican Platform—Suffrage Unfinished

By H. L. RENNICK, United Press Staff Correspondent. Chicago, June 8.—The Progressive radicals believe Roosevelt will be nominated by the Moose convention before midnight. The conservatives believe not. This is the difference of opinion in the background of the fight now waging. Committee sessions were continued this afternoon when the convention reconvened at 2 o'clock. "I believe the convention will nominate Roosevelt by midnight, after which it will be squarely up to the Republicans to take or leave him," said William Allen White of Kansas. Governor Johnson will probably be the vice-presidential candidate. Reports of the credentials committee, the permanent organization committee, the rules and order of business committee, and the selection of the national committee will be on the program this afternoon.

Republicans Slow. By PERRY ARNOLD, United Press Staff Correspondent. Chicago, June 8.—The second day's sessions of the Republicans started when Temporary Chairman Harding called the convention to order at 11:23. The convention was delayed again. At the starting time only 400 of two thousand delegates and alternates were seated. Neither Chairman Hilles nor Harding was on the platform, and not more than 5,000 people in the hall. It was still raining and gloomy. The conventionists are livening up, however. Chairman Harding called for the report of the credentials committee on credentials and permanent organization. Harding was made permanent chairman. The first spontaneous outbreak in the convention occurred when the delegates cheered Harding for five minutes. Senator Harding briefly spoke, thanking the resolutions committee. The platform draft is expected to be reported this afternoon. The program today is mostly routine.

Colonel Is Willing to Go. Oyster Bay, June 8.—In Col. Roosevelt's reply to Committeeman Jackson he said that if the convention wanted him he would be glad to speak. He said he hopes the Republicans and Progressives will keep their minds on the gravity of "the crisis."

"Americanism" G. O. P.'s Hobby. By ROBERT J. BENDER, United Press Staff Correspondent. Chicago, June 8.—The Republican platform, to be adopted today, besides demanding Americanism, will favor a navy fearing no power and a standing army sufficient to form a nucleus of an effective mobile force war. The suffrage plank is unfinished. There will be no prohibition plank. The proposal to complete government control of transportation, supplanting State railway service commissions, perhaps will be adopted. The Republicans want a strong Mexican and foreign policy, a "reasonable" tariff, the literacy test for immigrants, a child labor law, ship subsidy, and military and industrial preparedness. No mention is made of compulsory service or federalization of the militia.

Preparedness Moose Platform Keynote. By KARL A. BICKETT, United Press Staff Correspondent. Chicago, June 8.—The Progressive platform, to be adopted today, makes preparedness the keynote, declares that the regular army should be a quarter million men, nationalized with a system of citizen military training, and that the Nation should have the second greatest navy.

Roosevelt Doesn't Mean to Go to Chicago. Oyster Bay, June 8.—"I have no present intention," Col. Roosevelt replied today to a question as to whether he was going to Chicago. He is preparing a reply to the invitation of National Committeeman William J. Jackson of Maryland to address the Republican convention.

Allies Conferring. By CARL D. GROAT, United Press Staff Correspondent. Chicago, June 8.—The liveliest Republican spot in Chicago is along the Favorite Sons' Row. It is believed a compromise candidate will be chosen. Roosevelt and Hughes have been killed. The field there is narrowed to airbanks, Sherman, Root, Weeks, Burton and Cummins. The allies are conferring, hoping that one of them will be named.

FRENCH ADMIT LOSS OF A FORT, GERMANS OF TWO MORE SHIPS

Vaux, Near Verdun, Occupied by the Crown Prince's Army

THE BIG LUTZOW SUNK

Giant Battle Cruiser and Small Rostock Went Down in Recent Battle—Russians Drive Austrians Back in the East

(By the United Press) Paris, June 8.—The French war office today admitted the occupation of Fort Vaux, on the east bank of the Meuse, by the Germans.

Berlin Admits Loss Two Men-of-War.

London, June 8.—A German official statement received at Amsterdam admits the sinking of the big battle cruiser Lutzow, of 28,000 tons, and the small cruiser Rostock, of 4,822 tons. Austrians Lose Ground.

London, June 8.—An Austrian statement admits the Teutons have retreated three miles in northeast Bukovina. It says the Russian artillery is tremendous.

The bridge across Neuse river at Maple Cypress, in bad condition for some time, is to be repaired.

LETTERS OF ORPET AND MISS LAMBERT ARE READ IN COURT

Reveal in Succession Infatuation, Love, Cooling Ardor and Dread of Results of Illicit Relations—The State's Claim

(By the United Press) Waukegan, Ill., June 8.—Love letters which Will Orpet wrote Marion Lambert, his sweetheart, for whose murder he is on trial, were today read in court. The State introduced as its strongest contention the allegation that Orpet murdered the girl to prevent the disclosure of illicit love. The letters ran through a gamut of infatuation, love, cooling passions and calculation of consequences.

KILLED AT ELECTRIC STATION IN HENDERSON

Henderson, June 7.—J. W. Adams was killed at the Carolina Power and Light Co.'s substation here. At least 60,000 volts of electricity passed through his body. Adams was fifty-six years of age. He is survived by a wife and three sons.

MAN ELECTROCUTED IN THE GALE AT DUNN

(Special to The Free Press) Dunn, June 8.—Bruce Coats was electrocuted by a fallen wire in the storm here. The gale, which swept nearly the entire State Wednesday, caused injury to several other persons in this vicinity and did property damage estimated at from \$15,000 to \$25,000.

DANIELS SPEAKS AT NEGRO UNIVERSITY

(Special to The Free Press) Washington, June 8.—Secretary of the Navy Daniels made the commencement address at Howard University, the famous negro institution here, late yesterday. There are 1,500 students and 133 graduates.

HUGHES VIOLATING HIGH PRINCIPLE BY RUNNING, HE THINKS

Rep. Murray Says Justice Will Bring Court into Disrepute

ATTACK BY OKLAHOMAN

Such a Precedent Tends to Make It Training School For Candidates, Declares. Ought to Be Free From Politics

(By the United Press) Washington, June 8.—Representative Murray of Oklahoma today slashingly attacked Justice Hughes' candidacy in the House as violative of the American rule that the courts must be kept free from politics.

He declared the precedent that Hughes has set is bound to bring the Supreme Court into disrepute, and make it a training ground for candidates. He said Hughes' speech in the National Cathedral School was hailed as a keynote speech indicating his candidacy. He stated that the reactionary press would be aroused instantly if an attempt was made to boom Brandeis while he is on the bench.

CRAVEN TO IMPROVE ROAD TO JONES CO.

The Trent road from New Bern to the Jones county line is to be paved with Lillington gravel. "The people of Jones county prefer doing their trading in New Bern, and since Trenton, the county-seat of Jones, is about as near to Kinston as it is to New Bern, the county (Craven) must offer to the people of that county good roads in order to get them to come to this city," says the New Bern Sun-Journal.

PORTRAIT OF RAMSEUR PRESENTED TO STATE

(Special to The Free Press) Raleigh, June 8.—A portrait of the late Maj.-General Stephen Ramseur, Confederate States Army, was presented to the State yesterday. The exercises were held in the Supreme Court room. Chief Justice Clark made the address. Secretary of State Grimes accepted the picture. It was the gift of Miss Mary D. Ramseur, a daughter of the subject.

NEGRO ACCUSED OF MURDER IS SET FREE

Henry Jones, colored, who plead self-defense when arraigned at New Bern Wednesday on the charge of murdering William Crawford, another negro, was freed by the jury late Wednesday. He shot and killed Crawford.

KILLED WHEN THROWN OUT OF VEHICLE

(Special to The Free Press) Henderson, June 8.—Stephen Curran, 24, thrown against a tree in a runaway, is dead. Eugene Wortham, also thrown out of the buggy in which the two were riding, is in serious condition.

MONROE HAS A WOMAN OFFICER AND TROUBLE

Monroe, June 8.—Mrs. H. R. Loney has been appointed a sanitary policeman here, for a term of one month "on trial." The Woman's Club is backing her. A majority of the aldermen favor her appointment. The mayor, Griffith, and others opposed her election. "It's the biggest fool thing I ever heard of," declares Mayor Griffith.

KINSTON TO HAVE A RACE MEET ON JUNE 29—MANY ENTRIES

Knox, Mitchell, Webb, Martin and Fields Promoting Event for Lovers of Horse Flesh—Purses Aggregating \$500

Kinstonians and lovers of horse flesh throughout this section will be treated to the "sport" on the afternoon of June 29, when three fast races will be pulled off at the Kinston fair grounds.

The aggregate purses will be \$500—two races for a purse of \$200 and one for \$100. W. C. Knox, W. A. Mitchell, W. C. Fields, E. V. Webb and T. H. Martin are the promoters and guarantors. The program is now in preparation and advertising matter is being gotten ready to be sent throughout the district. Probably thirty-five or forty horses will be sent here to compete for the money. Assurances already have been had that a score would be entered.

This will be the second racing event, aside from the Fair races, to be staged in Kinston's new Fair grounds. The first venture was highly successful and served to "initiate" the new grounds most satisfactorily. The promoters of the meet to be held June 29 are confident that their efforts will be equally as well received.

SAWMILLS OF THIS COUNTRY WASTE LOT OF WOOD, DECLARED

Sawdust, Shavings, Slabs, Etc., Total 36,000,000 Cords Per Annum—Forestry Service Working on the Problem

(Special to The Free Press) Washington, May 8.—There are more than 48,000 sawmills in the United States, and their output of waste in the form of sawdust, shavings, slabs, and other wood refuse is estimated at 36 million cords per year. This is equal to over 41-2 billion cubic feet of waste, which is the capacity of a bin one-half mile high with a base covering a forty-acre lot. Or, considering each cord to contain eighty cubic feet of solid wood with all the cracks and air spaces taken out, these 36 million cords would make a block of wood more than a quarter of a mile on each edge.

Perhaps one-half of this so-called waste product is not, strictly speaking, wasted, but serves a useful purpose as fuel under the boilers. Much of the remaining 18 million cords not only serves no useful purpose, but in most cases is a source of inconvenience and danger, and costs the mill time and money. No Solution Yet. No well-managed mill would produce waste if it could be avoided. This, however, is not possible, so the next best thing is to seek out some method of utilization of the waste so it will pay for its disposition. The Forest Service is working on this problem, but has not yet found a satisfactory solution.

HENRY A. PAGE WANTS TO BE SPEAKER HOUSE

Aberdeen, June 7.—Henry A. Page of Aberdeen has announced his candidacy for the Speakership of the House of Representatives. Mr. Page was nominated to represent Moore county in the recent primary by a big majority. Smithfield Boy Scouts are camping at Havelock.

TO PUT CHAUTAUQUA TICKETS ON MARKET IN KINSTON FRIDAY

Will Be Possible to Secure Season Admissions Up to Night Before Opening—Summer Festival Opens Next Wednesday

Tickets for the coming Chautauqua will go on sale Friday. The following, who will make a canvass for subscribers for season cardboards, comprise the ticket committee: E. Y. Speed, chairman; W. Ed. Parrott, T. V. Moseley, R. E. Mewborn, J. C. Hood, W. D. Hood, Misses Leah Oettinger, Susie Perry, Margaret Goodson and Ann Hyman Harvey.

Season tickets will be available until the night of the 13th. Chautauqua starts on the 14th—next Wednesday. The public is asked to cooperate with the guarantors and be liberal in ticket purchases. The persons who affixed their signatures to the guarantee were prompted by public-spiritedness; they stand to lose if the public does not co-operate; therefore the public should help its share.

Dr. Lincoln Wirt, Arctic explorer, and the Choir Boys, youthful singers, will be on the first day's program. Greenville, New Bern, Washington and other neighboring cities will be holding chautauqua simultaneously with Kinston.

CONFERENCE OF THE EPWORTH LEAGUERS IN FULL SWING NOW

Opening Session in Centenary Methodist Church at New Bern Wednesday Night—Rev. Mr. Love Conducts Session—Gilbert Speaker

(Special to The Free Press) New Bern, June 8.—Three or four hundred delegates from all parts of the State are attending the ninth annual conference of the Epworth League in North Carolina here. The opening session was held last night. The conference is meeting in Centenary Methodist church.

The following program was observed last night: Devotional exercises, conducted by President W. A. Graham; addresses of welcome by R. A. Nunn for the city, Rec. Euclid McWhorter for the church and W. C. Chadwick for the local Leaguers; response by H. S. McGirt of Wilmington; reception by the officers.

This morning from 6:30 to 7 a prayer service was held, conducted by Rev. W. W. Peele. At 9 devotional exercises, at 9:15 a business session, at 9:45 an institute for the third department, conducted by Miss Gertrude Royster, at 10:15 a session for the hearing of reports and at 11:45 a model missionary meeting, conducted by Rev. F. S. Love, were held. Mr. Love was for several years pastor of Queen Street Methodist church at Kinston. At 10:45 Prof. John Wesley Gilbert made an address. He is one of the Methodists' strongest men in Epworth League work. League problems were discussed from 11:15 to 11:45.

Tonight devotional exercises and an address by Rev. Fred. E. Chenault of Richmond will comprise the program.

ANTI-AMERICAN RIOT.

Chihuahua City, Mex., June 7.—An anti-American riot, fanned by a mass meeting, was put down here tonight by the military. Subscribe to The Free Press.

NEW SUPERINTENDENT LOCAL SCHOOLS IS A NORTH CAROLINIAN

K. R. Curtis Comes From Portsmouth, Va., to Head Kinston System

WELL PREPARED FOR JOB

Recommended by Such Educators as Joyner, Walker, Brooks, and Others—Was Reared in Bertie County—Young Man

K. R. Curtis, supervising principal of a section of the Portsmouth, Va., public schools, will be the new superintendent here, it was announced on Wednesday evening. The local trustees had agreed on Mr. Curtis several days previously, but had withheld the announcement pending his acceptance. Mr. Curtis succeeds Barron Caldwell, who resigned a few weeks ago to engage in a manufacturing business in the western part of the State.

Is a Tarheel. Superintendent Curtis was born in North Carolina. He was reared in Bertie county, not far from Kinston, and was educated in the State. He graduated from Wake Forest College. He took a postgraduate course in Columbia University to prepare himself further for the teaching profession, which, his friends here say, he intends to make his life work. He is married and has a youngster of his own. He is about 35 years of age. He is known to quite a few persons here.

Started at the Bottom. Mr. Curtis began teaching in rural schools, gradually advancing until he was called to Portsmouth two, three, or four years ago. His position here will be a promotion, since he was not the superintendent, but an assistant to the superintendent at Portsmouth. He has recently spent six weeks in Washington, D. C., studying the model system of the Capital. He was made a vice-president of the Virginia Teachers' Assembly some time ago. He was recommended to the Kinston trustees by such prominent educators as Supt. J. Y. Joyner of North Carolina, Professor Walker of the University of North Carolina and Prof. Brooks of Trinity College and many others.

It is expected that Mr. Curtis and family will come here during the next month or two to take up their residence. The Portsmouth man was chosen out of fully half a hundred applicants. The Board of Trustees had been kept busy for several weeks examining the merits of the various candidates.

WHEDBEE PUTS BLACK AWAY BECAUSE MIGHT GET HIMSELF LYNCHED

If allowed to remain at large he would commit a crime that would cause him to be "butchered like a hog," said Judge Harry Whedbee in sentencing Will Cherry, colored, convicted of a serious crime, in Craven County Court at New Bern Wednesday. He sent Cherry up for seven years.

Judge Whedbee intimated belief that the defendant was of unsound mind.

FOLK COMMENCEMENT ORATOR AT TRINITY

(Special to The Free Press) Durham, June 8.—Former Governor of Missouri Joseph W. Folk delivered the commencement address at Trinity College yesterday. He dwelt upon "the American spirit," declaring the Nation is as ideal now as in the days of its infancy. He advocated preparedness and predicted a peace court.