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MARION, N. C., FEB. 1, 1912.

Solicitor Robert R. Reynolds, of Asheville, who is a candidate for Congress from this district, was in Marion last week, seeing old friends and making new ones. If "Our Bob" becomes as popular in the entire Tenth District as he is in Buncombe county, as shown by his vote in the last election, he will not only beat the field in the race for nomination for Congress, but will win in a walk in the November election.

Senatorial Candidates Agree on a Primary.

The four Democratic candidates for the United States senate to succeed Senator F. M. Simmons, ex-governor Chas. B. Aycock, Chief Justice Walter Clark, Gov. W. W. Kitchin, and Senator Simmons met in Raleigh Saturday and announce an agreement to ask the state Democratic executive committee to recommend to the state convention that it order a senatorial primary to be held at the general election in November on rules to be prepared by the executive committee and with statements of all amounts expended by each for campaign purposes to be published ten days before and ten days after the nomination, the same as is required to be made by a senatorial candidate to the secretary of the United States senate.

General News.

Senator Gore, of Oklahoma, will advocate an annual appropriation of \$10,000,000 to 12,000,000 for the next ten years to be expended on roads. To derive benefit from such funds the States must appropriate double triple the amount received from the government.

Speaker Champ Clark announces that he is a candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination, "standing on my own feet, without leaning on any other candidate," and he is appealing for a Missouri delegation that will vote for him as long as there is a chance for his nomination.

The Republicans and Democratic national conventions are each to have 1,074 delegates. A Republican candidate is nominated by a majority of the delegates, therefore President Taft needs only 538 votes for renomination. The Democratic national convention nominates a President by a two-thirds vote, therefore the winner in that convention must secure 716 votes.

With a view to encouraging farmers in Forsyth county to beautify and improve their homes, prizes aggregating \$300 are offered by the Winston-Salem board of trade. Among the prizes are those for the home which shows the greatest improvement in repeating and general bettering of conditions outside the dwelling; for improvements in sanitation; for the best kept lawn; for the home which shows greatest in interior improvements, and so on.

Short prayers often last longest.

Anti-Saloon League Officers.

At the meeting of the State Anti-Saloon League, held in Raleigh Friday and Saturday, Mr. J. A. Hartness, of Statesville, was elected president of the organization to succeed Mr. Herbert Clarkson, of Charlotte. Vice-presidents by congressional districts are: T. J. Jarvis, A. D. Ward, T. T. Hicks, R. O. Everett, Dr. J. W. McNeill, John Blue, T. H. Vanderford, W. C. Dowd and V. S. Lusk; secretary, J. T. Bennett, of Brevard; treasurer, I. C. Blair, of Raleigh.

Resolutions were adopted calling on Congress to pass the bill preventing the shipment of liquor into prohibition territory and asking the Legislature to break up the liquor club evil.

It is proposed to establish headquarters of the League in Raleigh to secure an assistant to Mr. Davis, the superintendent, the assistant to live in the western part of the state, and it is recommended that \$10,000 be raised to assist in carrying on the work.

The purpose of the League is of course to keep alive the sentiment and secure the enforcement of the law. Many prominent speakers were heard at the meeting, including Dr. Baker and Mr. Woolley, of the National League; Judge Pritchard, Attorney General Bickett, Mr. J. F. Spainhour, Congressman Webb and others.

State News.

Work was suspended in the Spencer railroad shops a few days ago but it is announced that operations will be resumed February 1.

Fire at King's Mountain Friday destroyed Mauney Bros' store, entailing a loss of about \$25,000, with about \$8,000 insurance. The office of the Postal Telegraph Company was also destroyed.

A charter has been issued to the Burke Lumber Company of Morganton; authorized capital, \$100,000, with \$10,200 paid in by N. O. Pitts and J. H. Giles, Glen Alpine; H. M. McElrath and R. F. Goodson, Morganton.

Fire, which originated from a rat nest, burned the roof from the Southern railway roundhouse in Spencer Friday night, entailing a loss estimated at \$5,000. A portion of the office and part of the walls of the building were also burned.

It is an interesting fact emphasized by officials of the state department of agriculture that the creamery interests of Catawba county are shipping an average of 30 gallons of sweet milk and 60 gallons of cream every day to Palm Beach, Fla. The creameries are also shipping to various points about one thousand pounds of butter each day. The dairy interests in Catawba are coming to be something immense and quite profitable for the farmers who now find demand for their milk right at their doors and secure a cash revenue there from.

Bad Fire at Waynesville.

Fire, which was first discovered as it burst through the roof of the machinery room at 2 o'clock Wednesday morning, caused a \$10,000 loss at the Waynesville Wood Manufacturing company at Waynesville. The planing mill, furniture factory, dry kilns and two box cars on the siding were consumed.

No Public Building Bill.

The Democratic caucus in Washington Monday night decided to pass no public building bill at this session of congress and an appropriation of \$24,000,000 for battle-ships was also cut out.

Violent Deaths in 1910.

About six persons in every 100,000 in the United States were murdered in 1910. This estimate is made by Dr. Cressy L. Wilburn, chief of the census bureau. He attributes to homicide 3,190 of the 48,696 deaths from violence in that year. This is at the rate of 5.9 per 100,000, as against 5.6 in 1909; 6.4 in 1908 and 6.3 in 1907.

Violent deaths resulted to 90.3 persons out of every 100,000 in 1910 and 1909 only 85.8 in the same number met death in the same manner.

Railroads killed the greatest number and 7,877 deaths are reported from injuries from that source. This is an increase to 14.6 in every 100,000 population over 13.1 in 1909. Accidental drowning took the next largest number, 4,818 having met in the waters of the United States. Flames brought death to 4,182 and 2,494 were sacrificed in the mines and quarries during the year. The street car systems claimed 1,949 victims and deleterious gases 1,379, the smallest rate since 1906.

Automobiles killed 980 persons, just 1.8 to every 100,000 inhabitants. This is an increase in rate over 1.2 in 1909.

Fortune in Stamp Collection.

A lady living in Sydney for many years has hoarded a collection of postal stamps left by her father, who had pursued his hobby of collecting for 50 years. The daughter was ignorant of any knowledge of philately and threw the stamps into an old trunk. Last week she visited a stamp exhibition, and for the first time awoke to the value of the stamps in her possession. She secured the assistance of experts, who estimate the value of the collection at \$100,000.

Not for Her.

The verger of a large church, seeing an old woman in one of the seats reserved for some important persons, beckoned her to come out. But just at that moment the organ started playing. The old woman, never having been in a church containing an organ, startled him and the congregation by calling: "Ha, man, get somebody younger; my dancing days are past."

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