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WILL RESIGN IF NOT MADE THE LEADER

DECLARATION OF SENATOR SIMMONS IN CHARLOTTE SPEECH.

Proposition About Finance Committee Chairmanship His Answer To Adversaries—Crowd Overtakes Academy Of Music To Hear Opening Address.

(Special to News and Observer.)

CHARLOTTE, Sept. 12.—"If the next United States Senate is Democratic, and I am re-elected and I am not made chairman of the finance committee and thereby ex-officio leader of the Senate, by virtue of that fact, in accordance with a time immemorial precedent, I here and now agree to resign my position within twenty-four hours after that indignity is heaped upon me."

Thus dramatically declared Senator F. M. Simmons in the climax of the opening speech of the campaign for re-election to the United States Senate here tonight before an audience that overtaxed the capacity of the academy of music. The Senator spoke for two hours and forty minutes and his address was considered one of the most able and exhaustive efforts ever heard in a Democratic campaign in North Carolina.

DEFENDS RECORD IN SENATE.

He devoted himself in the main to a defense of his own record in Congress, upon which he proclaimed his readiness to stand and fall, and in conclusion appealed feelingly to the Democracy of North Carolina to be allowed to remain in the Senate, now that the door of opportunity was opening to him after twelve years of hard service, whereby he will be able to do more and greater things for the Democratic party, his State, the people of his State and for his country, and add to the good name which he hoped to leave behind him.

The proposition in regard to the chairmanship of the finance committee was made in reply to claims of his adversaries that, despite his being the ranking Democrat on the committee, he might not be made chairman in the event on Democratic success at the polls in November.

Mr. Simmons said that he felt so absolutely confident and supremely certain of his elevation to the chairmanship of the finance committee in case of a Democratic majority in the Senate and his re-election that he would make his proposition as hereinbefore stated and that he would stand by it.

"I do not claim that I have not made mistakes in my twelve years in the United States Senate," the senior Senator began, after acknowledging the tribute paid him in the introduction by Cameron Morrison, "but on my record as a whole I stand and I appeal to the Democracy of North Carolina on that record. I am not running from that record."

SAYS HE'S RUNNING ON RECORD.

"I am running on that record. I shall not defend it tonight. No apology is needed for it. I shall discuss that record so that it shall be understood and in order to protect it from misrepresentations."

Mr. Simmons then declared: "For once and for all, I will not enter into a joint debate with any Democrat."

The Senator said that there was only one discordant note in the campaign of 1908 and that was the attack on and arraignment of the Democracy of Hon. Locke Craig.

"The same cry raised against Craig is being raised against me, both as to my Democracy and my loyalty to North Carolina, and the Democrats of North Carolina have just unanimously nominated Locke Craig for Governor of the State."

"Pardon me, my friends," the speaker cried in a loud voice, "but I will not defend my Democracy before a North Carolina audience."

"After these attacks upon me have been answered by ballots the originators of these cruel slanders will be ashamed of them."

"But even when you have temporarily lost your character and for transient purposes you feel glad to get it back again, and I am going to feel mighty good in November."

"I am charged in this campaign with being a tool of the railroads, trusts and special interests. I have not fought these interests all day and then

slept with them at night." PROUD OF HIS WORK.

Mr. Simmons went into an exhaustive review of his work as conferee on the Panama canal bill and declared he had never done a better piece of work than when he reached an agreement with Senator Bristow, whereby the provision regulating railroad-owned ships was re-written so that railroads should not be permitted after 1914 to own vessels on any waterway where there is the slightest competition with its rail lines.

STANDS ON BALTIMORE PLATFORM.

The speaker referred to the Baltimore platform as the ablest speech to make in this campaign and challenged any one to point out one progressive measure that it declared for, and for which he had not already voted, and in many cases, accomplished.

"When I was put in charge of the tariff bills there was consternation in certain ranks in North Carolina. After weeks of incessant work as ever mortal man has done I accomplished an alliance with the insurgent Republicans whereby every bill except one went through, and this was one of the less important measures."

The nineteen votes for which Senator Simmons is being criticised by his competitors for the nomination were next gone into. He was assailed for his votes for the income tax on corporations, he said, for no other reason than Aldrich voted for for the same measure.

"If you want a man in the Senate who will vote against a measure simply because Aldrich or a dozen Republicans vote for it, then I ask you to send some other man up there. I vote for or against proposed laws because I either think they will be in the interest or against my constituents."

The other "wrong" votes were on the reciprocity bill, all of which the Senator declared to be in favor of amendments designed to benefit the farmer, and on which the great majority of the Democratic senators voted as he did.

"THESE HANDS ARE CLEAN."

The story that the lumber trust is financing his campaign was denounced as the "Biggest Lie of the Campaign." The Senator declared that he and he alone was financing his campaign and that he had to borrow some money to aid in doing it. "My friends, these hands are clean," he cried as he held his arms above his head.

He dwelt at some length upon his work for the inland waterway and vigorously denied having dickered with Republicans to get any appropriations.

Mr. Simmons answered the attacks on him for his lumber vote with the explanation that he voted for the seven per cent duty on lumber for the reason that he would not permit the South's raw material to go on the free list while New England's manufactured products were protected by the high duties of the Payne-Aldrich law.

NO LUMBER PLANK THERE.

"If this 7 per cent duty was protection," said the senior Senator, "what was the 22 per cent on iron and steel, that the Democratic House and Democrats in the Senate voted for?" He further justified his position on lumber by declaring that in the platform adopted by the recent Democratic convention there is not a dot as big as a scientific bacilli about lumber.

The Simmons strength in Mecklenburg was well attested by the large crowd and his cordial reception. He was applauded frequently and enthusiastically and although he spoke for nearly three hours in a hot spiky house there were few vacant seats and when he had concluded.

He failed to mention the name of either Governor Kitchin or Judge Clark.

Henrietta School Opens.

(Special to The Sun.)

HENRIETTA, Sept.—The school at this place opened today. The attendance was the largest in the history of the school. There is an able corps of teachers. Prof. J. W. McCall, of Old Fort, is superintendent and has charge of the high school work; Miss Anna Morris, of Union Mills, the primary department; Miss Willie Mae Hampton, of Union Mills, the intermediate department and Miss Cecelia Kirksey, of Thermal City, the music department. The teachers all come well recommended and we feel that this is to be a year which will go down on the pages of this school's history as the best year.

Mr. Walter Fanning spent Sunday here.

Mr. Roy Lovelace visited homefolks Sunday.

Miss Jennie Baber, after an extended visit near Bostic, returned Saturday.

THE DESPERADOES RUN DOWN IN IOWA

GIRL UNWITTINGLY LED DETECTIVES TO THEIR QUARY.

Sidney Allen and Wesley Edwards, Leaders Of The Carroll County Gang Which Shot Up Court, Captured In Des Moines, Iowa, Last Saturday.

(By the Associated Press.)

DES MOINES, IOWA, Sept. 14.—With Sidna Allen, leader of the Virginia Allen clan lodged in the city jail, and with Wesley Edwards, another member of the clan, captured after a long chase, the last chapter in the great Hillville tragedy was today written in Des Moines.

The arrests were made by Detectives Baldwin, Lucas and Muncey, of Roanoke, Va.

Sidna Allen will not only go back to Virginia to face the charges against him there without extradition papers but he feels that he will be set free if he can get a trail before a fair jury.

ALLEN'S STORY.

Locked in a cell in the city jail, Sidna Allen told the story of everything that has transpired in the tragedy in which he was a central figure. He told how he had once been within fifteen feet of the posses that were searching for him. He denied that he had ever sent threats against the officers. He told how he decided to run away rather than face a trail which he thought would be unfair. He also made public the method in which his hiding place and the hiding place of his nephew, Wesley Edwards, had become public. In telling his story he used the best of English.

"There never was a feud. I do not know what that is. I have never been in one," he said.

TROUBLE UNEXPECTED.

"The trouble in the court house came as unexpectedly as anything in my life. Floyd Allen was charged with releasing prisoners from the sheriff. The evidence was overwhelmingly in his favor, yet they convicted him.

"We were standing there when they, people near and around the officials, began to shoot. The sheriff, I have heard, not long before that had secured loaded cartridges and said that he would show the Allens when they were in court. They tried to get the judge to carry a gun before he went upon the bench.

POSSES WITHIN FIFTEEN FEET.

"I started away from there the night of the trouble. The posses were only within fifteen feet of me, but they did not know it. I never sent word back that I would shoot any of the officials. I thought for a while of going back I did not think that I could get a fair trial. When I heard that there were orders to shoot me on sight I changed my mind about going back. I had gone to Alaska about 12 or 13 years ago. I thought that if we stopped here they would search for me in Alaska.

"Here I have been doing some carpenter work. I had not been working and was doing some writing yesterday morning when they came in. I had heard that Wesley and this girl, Maude Iroler, were to be married and that she was coming here.

EDWARDS WAS IN MT. AIRY.

"Wesley went back to Mount Airy, N. C., her home, about four or five weeks ago and remained there for some time. He dropped a letter showing his connection with the girl while there and the detectives watched her. I do not know the girl, but her mother, Mrs. Frank Iroler, was once my sweetheart.

"I am 46 years old and have a wife and two of the finest girls you ever saw. I have been a merchant and farmer and am worth from \$40,000 to \$50,000. I have a home worth about \$20,000 or \$25,000."

DETECTIVES FOLLOWED MISS IROLER.

The Des Moines police had no information from the Roanoke officials they were coming here or that the arrests were likely to be made. The arrests were made about 11 o'clock at the Cameron home when Miss Iroler, whom the detectives had followed, walked into the house. Miss Iroler had asked for Wesley Edwards, who had been going under the name of Jackson and when told that he was not there, she asked if he had a companion. When told that he had she asked for Allen. She was standing at the

bottom of the stairs when Detective Lucas ran up the stairs into the room occupied by Sidna Allen and, drawing a revolver, placed him under arrest. At first Allen denied his identity but later admitted it. It was 6 o'clock before Edwards was taken into custody.

MISS IROLER'S STATEMENT.

Miss Iroler, who was the innocent cause of the arrest of her lover and his uncle, took the matter calmly and declared her belief that her fiancé would get a short sentence at the worst.

"I live in Mount Airy, N. C.," she said. "I have known Wesley Edwards a long time. He came home some time ago and gave me the money to come here where we were to be married. I had no idea that any one was following me here or when I came to this house. Wesley Edwards was really not in the trouble."

Sidna Allen and Wesley Edwards came to the Cameron home about the first of May.

GIRL TO GET REWARD.

Des Moines, Iowa, Sept. 14.—A sensational turn in the arrest of Sidna Allen and Wesley Edwards, Virginia outlaws, came just before the party boarded a 7 o'clock Burlington train for the east when Miss Maude Iroler, sweetheart of Edwards, who was to have married him tonight, said that she had been promised the reward offered by the governor of the state for the arrest of Allen and Edwards. The confession was made to Chief of Police Jeney.

It had been supposed that she innocently had led the officers to the place where her sweetheart and Allen were staying.

"I have been promised the rewards for the arrest of these two men," she told Chief Jeney just before leaving for the train. I am going back tonight to claim my share of it."

FACTS ABOUT TRAGEDY.

On March 14 last the Allen clan of Hillville, Va., in trying to free Floyd Allen, on trial for assault, opened fire on the court room and killed Judge Thornton L. Massie, Commonwealth Attorney William M. Foster, Sheriff Lee F. Webb, Juror Fowler and Miss Elizabeth Ayers.

The Allens, seven or eight in number, shot their way out of the court room, mounted their horses and fled to the mountains on the border between Virginia and North Carolina.

Posses, heavily armed and accompanied by bloodhounds, started in pursuit. Time after time it was said the outlaws were surrounded and capture was near, but each time they escaped. At last after weeks of hunting, one by one they were caught or surrounded, until only Sidna Allen, leader of the clan, and his nephew, Wesley Edwards, were at large.

Of those caught, Floyd Allen and Claud Allen were sentenced to death, Friel Allen and Sidna Edward to long terms in prison, and Victor Allen was acquitted last Friday. The capture of Sidna Allen and Wesley Edwards, through the unwitting instrumentality of the latter's sweetheart, Maude Iroler, completes the roll of those who took part in the shooting.

Wake Forest's Opening Record.

(Special to The Sun.)

WAKE FOREST, Sept. 14.—Wake Forest college opened with about 400 students, perhaps its best record. The trustees have ordered the immediate erection of an up-to-date dormitory, which will accommodate 150 boys.

The football prospects for the college are very promising. Rutherford county is represented in the college by Messrs. R. B. Green, Bobo Scruggs, W. W. Walker, R. C. Campbell and A. C. Lovelace.

Hazing has been almost eliminated here and we hope the time may soon come when it shall be stopped altogether for we certainly do not want such a tragedy hanging over this college as is over the University.

Death Of A Forest City Citizen.

(Special to The Sun.)

FOREST CITY, Sept. 17.—Mr. Jess Hardin, an aged and respected citizen, died suddenly at his home here Monday morning at 1 o'clock. His wife hearing him struggling for breath made a light to investigate, but he was dead before she could render any assistance. He was nearing 80 years of age and had lived in this county most all his life. He leaves a wife and eight children. One child, Mrs. Tillie Morrow, preceded him to the grave two weeks ago. He was buried Tuesday at Mount Vernon.

Rev. H. H. Jordan, of Morganton, is assisting Rev. J. F. Moser in a series of meetings at the M. E. church this week.

REPUBLICANS FOR WOODROW WILSON

THOUSANDS OF PROGRESSIVES WILL SUPPORT HIM.

Further Evidence Of How The Multi-Millionaire Woolen Trust Magnates "Protect" Their Employees—Other Political Gossip From Washington.

BY CLYDE H. TAVENNER.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16.—Further evidence of how the multi-millionaire woolen trust magnates "protect" their employees in return for sufficient protection to allow them to overcharge 90,000,000 American consumers on every article of clothing they buy, is revealed in the arrest at Lawrence, Mass., of Wilson M. Wood, head of the woolen trust. Mr. Wood is charged with placing dynamite in the home of his \$5,000,000, and \$7 a week foreign mill-workers in an attempt to discredit their cause while they were on a strike last winter as a protest against a reduction of wages.

Mr. Wood's arrest is worthy of the attention of every man, and child in the country who wears woollens. Because of the fact that Mr. Wood and his fellow woolen trust magnates contribute heavily to Republican campaign funds. Congress has been in the habit of placing the tariff on woollens high enough to keep out all competition, so that the woolen trust could be free to charge any price desired, up to the limit of the ability of the people to pay. The result is that Americans are paying from thirty to one hundred per cent more for woolen clothing and blankets than the resident of Great Britain pays.

The story of the career of Mr. Wood provides a curious paradox. He is oppressor of 150,000 miserable New England textile workers; a few years ago he was one of them. In his youth he felt the sting of hunger himself, but now he is pitiless in his thought of his employees. He has grown enormously rich, but declares that from \$4 to \$9 a week is enough for those who labor in his mills.

It is said of many captains of industry that are ignorant of the conditions of the workmen who earn their fortunes for them; that if they knew the distress of their employees they would seek to remedy it. Not so with Wood. Their distress he sees. Their cries he hears.

Wood's father was a Portuguese-Jew emigrant. He labored in a cotton mill and died of tuberculosis, a disease common to cotton and wool spinners. The father's name is believed to have been Alphonse LeFair, or LeVair.

When the woolen mill employees, which are composed of 42 different nationalities, most of whom cannot speak in English, went on a strike the fathers and mothers decided to send their babes and little children away to friends in other cities in order that they might not suffer from hunger during the strike. Mr. Wood's agents beat the women, and tore the little ones from their mothers' arms when the children were about to be placed on trains. Thus did Mr. Wood "protect" his employees.

Are the American people willing to continue to contribute to Mr. Wood by paying more for shoddy than good woolen clothing sells for in England? Or do they want the tariff on woollens reduced? There is only one day every two years when the consumers have an opportunity to express themselves on this subject. That day comes on November 5th.

REPUBLICANS FOR WILSON.

Thousands of progressive Republicans will vote for the Democratic nominee for the presidency, in the opinion of Rudolph Spreckels, of San Francisco, close friend of Senator LaFollette and long prominent in the Republican party of California.

"I have given many years of my time and support to the progressive Republican cause and to honest effort to eliminate political bosses and bring about the establishment of a just and truly representative government, and shall continue to make that fight with in my party; but I feel it my duty to support Gov. Wilson at the coming election, believing it to be the only proper course left open for one who is sincerely interested in the establishment of progressive legislation in our nation at the earliest moment.

"Today I held a conference with Dr.

Harvey W. Wiley, who stands out as the foremost figure in this nation as a protector of the lives and health of our children, and he informs me that he is opposed to the election of either President Taft or Theodore Roosevelt, because both failed during their administrations to properly support the fight against the rich manufacturers, of harmful foods and drugs."

ROOSEVELT OVERLOOKS HIMSELF.

Mr. Roosevelt declares that Barnes, Penrose and Guggenheim work hand in hand with the big interests. This is all true. How about Mr. Roosevelt himself? It was not at the solicitation of Barnes and Penrose and Guggenheim that Edward H. Harriman raised a political corruption fund of \$260,000. It was at the solicitation of Theodore Roosevelt. It was not Barnes and Guggenheim who, according to Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, bucked the pure food law. That was done by Theodore Roosevelt. It was not Barnes and Penrose and Guggenheim who failed to bring the machinery of the law into play to send George W. Perkins to the penitentiary for violating the Sherman law in organizing the illegal harvester trust, and who then accepted Perkins' millions to run for a third term for President. That was Theodore Roosevelt.

SPEAKING OF REMARK.

After all, the real significance of the vote in Vermont recently was not the size of the Bull Moose vote or the heavy inroads it made into the regular Republican vote, but the splendid showing made by the Democrats, who, in round figures, increased their strength from 16,000 in 1908 to 20,350 in 1912. This means that the party not only stood solid as a rock, absolutely united, but it drew to itself a large Republican vote.

FRESHMAN KILLED.

Death Puts An End To Hazing At University.

(By the Associated Press.)

RALEIGH, Sept. 13.—Governor Kitchin tonight called upon President Venable of the State University to make the investigation of the four sophomores held in \$5,000 bonds for the killing of Isaac William Rand this morning, complete.

The coroner's inquest at Chapel Hill this afternoon, resulted in holding A. R. Styron, of Wilmington; W. C. Merriman, Wilmington; A. C. Hatch, Mount Olive, and R. W. Oldham, of Raleigh. Evidence brought out was that Rand was forced by the sophomores to sing and dance on a barrel and that while performing the ludicrous part he was either thrown by the barrel being kicked from under him or he fell. A piece of broken bottle pierced his neck, severing the jugular vein and carotid artery. Two freshmen fled, but others and Rand's roommate, also the victim of the prank, remained and called for help. Rand died in ten minutes.

President Venable had the four boys arrested and an inquest was held this afternoon. Gen. Julian S. Carr, millionaire of Durham, announces tonight he will raise the bonds and allow the boys to return to their parents.

WALL'S NEWS NOTES.

Farmers Busy Pulling Fodder—Locals.

(Special to The Sun.)

WALL'S Sept. 16.—We had some rain last week which was greatly appreciated. Fodder pulling is the order of the day with the farmers and cotton is opening very fast.

Our school committee has secured the services of Mr. Preston Stockton, of Hollis, for principal teacher, and Miss Lizzie Byers, of Ellenboro, for assistant. Mr. Cale Bridges recently painted the school building which adds greatly to its appearance.

Mr. R. J. Jones is improving his house by painting it.

The Sunday school has changed song books again. We are now using "Joyful Praises."

Mr. Elbert Tower, of First Broad, will sing at Wall's next Sunday.

The following young people enjoyed a singing at Mr. Smith Bridge's Sunday afternoon: Misses Fannie Tate, Edna Green, Verta Jones, Pearl, Dolcia and Lois Bridges, Ellen Tate and Etta Green, Messrs. Arthur Long, Oscar Jones, Walter Bostic, Jones, Edney Green, L. C. and George Bridges, W. J. Davis, Crawford Bostic, David Early and Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Walker.

Mr. Clyde Jones left Sunday afternoon for Raleigh. He was accompanied by Mr. Sam Allen.