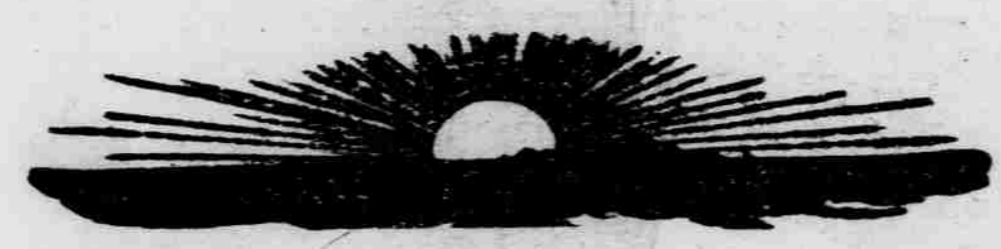


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WILSON WILL CALL AN EXTRA SESSION

WILL CONVENE CONGRESS NOT LATER THAN APRIL 15TH.

Wants To Redeem Party Pledges As Promptly As Possible—The President-Elect And Family Leave For Bermuda To Spend Their Vacation.

(By the Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, Nov. 15.—Governor Woodrow Wilson announced tonight that immediately after his inauguration as President of the United States, he would call an extraordinary session of Congress to convene, not later than April 15, for the purpose of revising the tariff.

The President-elect will sail for Bermuda at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon for a vacation and will return December 16. To set at rest in the meantime speculation as to what he would do with regard to the tariff revision, he issued the following statement:
"I shall call Congress together in an extraordinary session not later than April 15. I shall do this not only because I think that the pledges of the party ought to be redeemed as promptly as possible, but also because I know it to be in the interest of business that all uncertainty as to what the particular items of tariff revision are to be should be known as soon as possible."

MANY FAVOR EXTRA SESSION.

Beyond this brief announcement, the Governor said he had nothing further to say. Most of the opinions he had received from public men seemed to be in favor of an extra session, he declared.

The Governor did not intend to express himself about an extra session, so soon after his election. Although he has favored the idea of an extra session because the present arrangement would not bring the new Congress into session until 13 months after its election, he had expected to spend more time in ascertaining public opinion. With the time to be consumed in discussion the Governor felt that if an extra session were not called, the benefits of tariff revision would be postponed for practically two years.

Throughout the campaign he reiterated that he desired an immediate revision of the tariff and that the Democratic leaders know perfectly well how to proceed about it. The Governor was impressed by the argument also that with an early announcement as to an extra session Democratic leaders in Congress could begin to take counsel at an early date so that much of the preliminary detail could be worked out before Congress convened April 15. The Governor was prompted incidentally in making his early announcement by the fact that many members of Congress were desirous of arranging for accommodations in Washington for the extra session if there was to be one.

LOTS OF WORK AHEAD.

Though the President-elect means to rest while in Bermuda, he really expects to give a good deal of time to quiet thought about the political problems that face him. He will sketch his annual message to the New Jersey Legislature and will do some active reading on data of the tariff, monopolies, banking and currency reform, and other issues.

The Governor came to New York tonight to attend the dinner given in his honor by his classmates, Princeton '79. He expected to have no political conferences while in the metropolis and seemed fully confident that he would not be disturbed by any political callers while resting in Bermuda. All the prominent men in the campaign just closed, the Governor said, knew his intention of postponing the consideration of political subjects until his return.

PAYS ELECTION BET.

"I'll feel like dancing a jig when I get aboard that boat," said the President-elect, as he left Princeton today, accompanied by Mrs. Wilson and her three daughters. Oddly enough there was a special car on the same train, enroute from Philadelphia to New York, carrying 16 business men, one of whose number was paying a bet of \$5,000 which he wagered a year ago that a Democratic President would not

be elected this year. Charles B. Pretzman, a real estate man of Philadelphia, who won the bet, was, however, according to one of its conditions, to spend \$1,500 for a dinner in New York for a party of 16 business friends. The Governor smiled when he learned of the affair.

The President-elect will sail on the steamship Bermudian, one of the regular boats plying between New York and Hamilton, Bermuda. Besides the Wilson family, a stenographer and three servants there will be 10 newspaper correspondents along. The party will arrive in Bermuda Monday. The President-elect has leased a cottage on a remote part of one of the islands, where many a season heretofore he has spent his vacation. Immediately upon his arrival in Bermuda, he will call upon the Governor of the Island and request him to consider his presence in Bermuda entirely informal and unofficial.

CRAWFORD'S STATEMENT.

The Ex-Congressman Had Nothing To Do With Circular Letter.

A circular letter was issued and put in circulation by the Kitchin campaign committee, containing an editorial from Bryan's Commoner, and also a letter from Mr. Crawford endorsing Governor Kitchin for the Senate. The letters is in such form as to convince the unsuspecting that it was issued and circulated by Mr. Crawford in the interest of the Governor, when in fact he had nothing whatever to do with it, as will appear from the following statement taken from the Asheville Citizen of November 2nd:

Ex-Congressman W. T. Crawford arrived in Asheville last night from a speaking tour through Henderson, Polk and Transylvania counties, under the auspices of the congressional committee. Mr. Crawford speaks hopefully of the outlook for Democracy in the district, State and nation, and says he feels confident of sweeping Democratic victory everywhere next Tuesday.

Upon being informed by some friends that they had received from him typewritten circulars, with tickets enclosed for one of the senatorial candidates, the ex-congressman said that he had nothing whatever to do with the circulation of the letter or tickets: that he had written the letter in question to The Reidsville Review soon after Governor Aycock's death. In reply to an inquiry as to his position in the senatorial contest, Mr. Crawford made it plain that he had been giving his time strictly to the general interests of the Democratic party and had not mixed up in the senatorial contest by distributing tickets, campaign literature or otherwise; that he does not believe in a speech-making campaign for a nomination during an election, or any of her time; that the policy is a dangerous one and if not abandoned, it is only a question of time till the party will be disrupted.

GREEN HILL ITEMS.

Mrs. Nettie King Teaching The Partrium School—Personals.

(Special to The Sun.)
GREEN HILL, Nov. 19.—Rev. G. G. O'Neal, of Rutherfordton, filled his regular appointment at Mount Creek Baptist church Sunday and preached a very interesting sermon on the death of Christ, after which communion was held.

Mr. Brisco Rucker, who has been quite sick, is somewhat improved at this writing.
Mrs. Nettie King reopened her school at the Partrium school house Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Forest Cobb, of Thermal City, spent Saturday and Sunday at the home of Mr. J. P. Jones.

Miss Ocie Biegerstaff left Sunday for Polk county where she will teach the Double Springs school.
Mr. Mack McDaniel, of Rutherfordton, visited at the home of Mr. J. P. Jones Sunday.
Mr. Cal Williams, of Rutherfordton, spent Sunday with his parents near here.

Mr. Morgan Rucker opened his school at Pleasant Hill Monday.
Mr. Claud Metcalf spent the week end at Dysartsville visiting relatives.
Mr. Lee Jones, of Rutherfordton, made a flying trip to Green Hill Sunday.
Corn shuckings are the social events of this section and are very numerous.
Mrs. — Lovelace, of Ellenboro, has been visiting at the home of Mr. J. R. Lewis for the past week.
There will be Thanksgiving services at Mount Creek church at 11 o'clock on Thanksgiving day.

FROM KNOXVILLE TO RUTHERFORDTON

EARLY CONSTRUCTION OF RAILROAD MAY BE LOOKED FOR.

Important Conference Of Men Interested In South Atlantic & Western Held At Greensboro Monday—It Is Stated Sufficient Capital Has Been Secured.

(Special to Charlotte Observer.)
GREENSBORO, Nov. 17.—An interesting conference of men interested in the construction of the old Transcontinental railroad, now the South Atlantic & Western, from Knoxville to Rutherfordton for a connection with the Seaboard Air Line, was held at the Guilford Hotel here today. Those in conference included Col. Sam Tate of Asheville, Mr. W. E. Breese, Jr., of Brevard, and Mr. Stayton of New York. The gentlemen were in close conference for more than two hours and while it is stated that the conference had to do with the perfecting of an organization for a construction company for the early building of the proposed road details of the meeting were not made public.

It is reported that sufficient capital has been interested in the project to insure the building of the road and that early construction work may be looked for. The road will extend from Knoxville to Rutherfordton for a connection with the Seaboard Air Line for a direct outlet from Tennessee to the Atlantic coast. It is also stated that since the South Atlantic & Western acquired the holdings of the Transcontinental, the company is negotiating with Messrs. Oliver, Patterson and Chandler of the Greenville & Knoxville Railroad with a view to acquiring their respective properties. Mr. H. R. Nickerson is president of the South Atlantic & Western Railroad and Mr. J. L. Council is secretary with the main offices Asheville.

"TOO FULL FOR UTTERANCE"

Mr. W. J. Bryan Speaks At Raleigh On "The Making Of Man."

(Special to Charlotte Observer.)
RALEIGH, Nov. 18.—In his address here tonight William Jennings Bryan made only slight reference to matters political. He was introduced by Josephus Daniels. Mr. Bryan said, while explaining his selection of theme, "The Making of Man," that he had preferred to discuss politics in any of its phases, the fact was that he is just now altogether "too full for utterance" in the great pleasure he feels over the sweeping Democratic victory.

His lecture was greatly enjoyed by an audience that well-filled the Auditorium. He and Mrs. Bryan spent the day here, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Josephus Daniels, who gave a luncheon in their honor, for which the other special guests were Chief Justice Walter Clark and Associate Justices Platt D. Walker, George H. Brown, W. A. Hoke and W. R. Allen and Albert Cox, of the Chamber of Commerce, J. W. Bailey, ex-Judge J. Crawford Biggs, E. J. Justice, of Greensboro, and Francis D. Winston, of Bertie.

STOP TO CABINET GOSSIP.

President-Elect Wilson Says Speculation is Fruitless.

President-elect Woodrow Wilson has not decided on the personnel of his cabinet and he intends to keep his mind open on the subject for a long time before he takes office. His is manifestly concerned about certain speculations emanating from Princeton with respect to the probable make-up of his cabinet. To put an end, if possible, to all gossip about cabinet appointments, he recently issued the following statement:

"Such speculations are perfectly fruitless. I mean to keep my mind open with regard to appointments of the first consequence until final announcement is possible. It will be perfectly useless to resort to me for corroboration of any report because I have absolutely nothing to announce. No announcement will have the least authority that is not made over my own signature. These are matters which must be determined by very deliberate counsel and not by gossip."

METHODISTS MEET IN FURNITURE CITY

ANNUAL CONFERENCE IN SESSION AT HIGH POINT.

Important Changes Will Be Made This Year On Account Of The Expiration Of Terms Of Pastors And Presiding Elders—Bishop Collins Denny Presiding

(Special to Charlotte Chronicle.)
HIGH POINT, Nov. 16.—The session of the Western North Carolina Conference, to be held in High Point next week, is anticipated with special interest by the members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, throughout the piedmont section and the western part of the State.

This conference is rapidly becoming one of the largest of the conferences in the Church, notwithstanding the fact it was organized only 22 years ago and the session to be held next week being only the twenty-third annual session. This conference was organized in 1890, from a part of the North Carolina and a part of the Holston Conferences. The membership of all the churches in the Conference now reaches almost 100,000.

Last year this Conference contributed to the following named causes of the Church the amounts here named: Foreign missions, \$19,063.36; domestic missions, \$16,744.45; church extension, \$7,483.08; American Bible Society, \$531.13; for the support of presiding elders, \$19,592.85; for the support of preachers in charge, \$161,580.44; to the support of bishops, \$2,926.29; to Conference claimants, \$9,038.20.

The Conference will meet in Washington Street church, High Point, on next Wednesday morning, November 20, and will continue in session until Monday of the week following.

A class of 10 young men will be present as candidates for admission on trial in the Conference, and should they pass the committees on examination satisfactorily, the clerical membership of the Conference will then number 287.

During the past year three members of the Conference have died, and a special service in their memory will be held during the session of the Conference.

Bishop Collins Denny, of Richmond, will preside over this session of the Conference, for the first time, and his presidency is anticipated with interest. He is a man who possesses marked executive ability, in addition to great intellectual strength and gift as a preacher.

The two minute questions to be called and answered during every session of an annual Conference which are anticipated with the greatest interest are Question 22, "Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?" and Question 49, "Where are the preachers stationed this year?" No preacher can be appointed to a pastoral charge until question 22 has been answered in the affirmative. Usually this question is called first with reference to the presiding elders, and after their characters have been passed and their reports have been submitted, they answer this question with reference to all of the other preachers in the Conference.

Surmise as to the appointments of the preachers, which constitute the answer to Question 49, begins far in advance of the annual session, and in many instances the guess work thus indulged proves to be more than surmise. Regarding the appointments it was an oft-repeated remark with the late Rev. Sam P. Jones that the places of the preachers in the "high steeple" churches were fixed six months before Conference.

No preacher in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, receives an appointment for a longer period than one year at a time and no preacher can be appointed to the same charge for more than four years consecutively. The fact that four presiding elders in the Conference will have completed four years on their present districts with the close of this year is another fact that adds interests to the appointments.

The appointments of this Conference will be made by Bishop Denny and the presiding elders of the districts included in the Conference. Formerly a bishop could if he so desired, make appointments and withhold them even from the knowledge of his cabinet,

but in keeping with the ruling of the General Conference of 1910, held in Asheville, every appointment now must be read to the cabinet before announced to the Conference.

There are 48 lay delegates who are members of this Conference, four from each of the districts.

THE OFFICAL CANVASS.

Simmons Declared The Nominee Of The Senatorial Primary.

(Special to Charlotte Observer.)
RALEIGH, Nov. 14.—With 47 members present in person and by proxy the State Democratic Executive Committee tonight canvassed the vote in the recent senatorial primary and formally declared Senator F. M. Simmons the nominee of the party to succeed himself. The Avery county vote is still out and the Stokes is unofficial. With Avery figures omitted entirely, and unofficial figures from Stokes used, the vote declared by the committee is Clark 16,418; Kitchin 47,017, and Simmons 84,687.

The canvass of the vote was made by a special committee consisting of Chairman Charles A. Webb, Secretary W. E. Brock, A. D. Watts, E. L. Travis and W. A. Devin. E. L. Travis reported for the committee, and the resolution approving the report and declaring Senator Simmons the nominee was made by ex-Judge J. Crawford Biggs.

The committee adopted unanimously a resolution offered by J. R. Blair, of Montgomery county, urging upon President-elect Woodrow Wilson the selection of National Committeeman Josephus Daniels as a member of his cabinet. On motion of Mr. Watts it was ordered that copies of this resolution be furnished to the North Carolina delegation in Congress to be presented through the proper channels at the opportune time.

Votes of thanks were tendered state Chairman Webb and Secretary Brock for their effective service during the campaign and high tribute paid for great victory won with the shortest means and fewest available campaigners in the history of the party in the State, including biggest vote for President, for Congressmen and for Governor in the history of the party in the State and largest majority in the Legislature on record, 104 in the House and 47 in the Senate.

By Congressional districts the senatorial primary vote was as follows: First, Clark 2,092; Kitchin 4,442; Simmons 5,889; second, Clark 1,154; Kitchin 6,029; Simmons 5,589; third, Clark 706; Kitchin 2,612; Simmons 8,594; fourth, Clark 2,018; Kitchin 4,946; Simmons 7,019; fifth, (with Stokes unofficial), Clark 2,135; Kitchin 11,524; Simmons 6,792; sixth, Clark 1,253; Kitchin 3,055; Simmons 8,499; seventh, Clark 2,614; Kitchin 4,046; Simmons 10,865; eighth, Clark 894; Kitchin 3,546; Simmons 9,833; ninth, (with Avery omitted), Clark 1,554; Kitchin 3,635; Simmons 10,434; tenth, Clark 2,009; Kitchin 2,224; Simmons 11,239.

AVERY IN SIMMONS' FAVOR.

(Special to The Sun.)
ASHEVILLE, Nov. 18.—State Chairman Charles A. Webb today received a written report on the senatorial primary from Avery county, the only county not officially recorded in the tabulation of the returns from the State. The vote only served to increase Senator Simmons' majority over both opponents by 98 votes, making his total majority in the State 21,357 instead of 21,259 as was at first reported.

The official vote in Avery county in the senatorial primary was Simmons 180, Kitchin 79, Clark 3.

BABY SHOT BEFORE BIRTH.

Born With Bullet In Side, Little Fellow Will Live.

(By the Associated Press.)
HONOLULU, Nov. 16.—To come into the world with a .38 calibre bullet in his side, is what baby Cavalho did yesterday, and two hours after birth the little fellow was successfully operated upon by surgeons who now say that he will live.

Two days ago Mrs. Juan Cavalho, a Porto Rican woman, had a row with her brother-in-law and was shot in the abdomen. Within 20 hours the child was born and physicians found that the bullet had imbedded itself in the little body.

The brother-in-law, whose name is Riccas, has been placed under arrest and will face a charge of attempted murder, though lawyers say this will be changed to murder in the first degree if the child should die. The doctors say, however, that as the mother is in good condition and the baby an unusually strong one, neither of them are in immediate danger.

SIDNA ALLEN TAKES THE WITNESS STAND

DENIES THAT HE SHOT AT JUDGE THOTNRON L. MASSIE.

Floyd Allen And His Son Claude Must Die In The Electric Chair Friday—Virginia Supreme Court Refuses New Trial—Governor Will Not Interfere.

(By the Associated Press.)
WYTHEVILLE, Va., Nov. 18.—Sidna Allen, on trial here for the murder of Judge Thornton L. Massie, today took the witness stand in his own defense, outlining his movements from the time of the tragedy until he was captured in Des Moines. He spoke clearly and without embarrassment until he was asked if he had intended leaving his wife and children. Then the rugged mountainer broke down and wept. He denied that such was his intention and stated that they were after him with bloodhounds and with instructions to shoot on sight and that he intended keeping out of the way until things quieted down, when he would have returned and given himself up.

The prisoner denied that he fired at Judge Massie, stating that he was standing talking to John Moore, a stone mason, about some work, when the firing began, and that he did not fire until he saw Clerk Dexter Goad shoot at him. Then he emptied his revolver at the clerk, reloaded it and kept up shooting after he had left the building.

During the morning Mrs. Sidna Allen was examined and stated that Floyd Allen came home with her husband the night before the shooting and that they all sat by the fire talking until bed time. Nothing bearing on the next day's tragedy was mentioned, she declared.

C. C. Westmoreland, chairman of the board of supervisors of Carroll county, testified that a few days after the tragedy he had a conversation with Clerk Goad and that the latter said he thought the shooting was the greatest thing that could have happened because it would rid Carroll county of the Allens.

The defense also introduced the evidence of two traveling salesmen as to bills of goods they had sold Sidna Allen just prior to the tragedy, this being intended to disprove the state's contention of conspiracy.

(By the Associated Press.)
RICHMOND, Va., Nov. 18.—A new trial today was refused for Floyd Allen and his son, Claude Allen, by the Supreme Court of Virginia. The men are condemned to die in the electric chair next Friday for the murder of officials of the Carroll county court at Hillsville, March 14.

Floyd Allen was convicted May 17, specifically for the killing of Commonwealth's Attorney William M. Foster. Allen's son, tried on the charge of killing Judge Thornton L. Massie, was convicted and sentenced to 15 years in the penitentiary. A second trial on an indictment for the killing of Attorney Foster resulted in a conviction for murder in the first degree.

It is believed Governor Mann will not interfere with the execution of the sentence by the courts. The appeal to the Supreme Court for new trials, decided adversely today, had been pending for some time, but the officials have been proceeding with the arrangements for the execution.

The shooting occurred in March when the Allen clan resented the conviction of Floyd Allen or a minor charge, and resulted in the death of five men.

Thanksgiving Proclamation.

Governor Kitchin has issued his proclamation designating Thursday, November 28, as Thanksgiving Day, declaring that "during the year which is closed the people of this State have enjoyed generous harvests and great progress and prosperity. On the day above designated, let them cease from their labors and have the opportunity to gather in their accustomed places of worship to return thanks to Almighty God for His manifold blessings. Let them charitably remember the poor and the needy."