

THE REPUBLICAN PARTY GETS ON WHITE FOOTING

Negro Delegates Fired Out Bodily and Are Fighting Mad—Hill Endorsed for Chief Justice

By THOMAS J. FENCE

Greensboro, N. C., Aug. 28.—Special.—The Republican State convention adjourned at ten o'clock tonight after having elected the negro from its deliberations and nominated a skeleton ticket.

was his intention to speak as a cotton manufacturer in behalf of Senator Pritchard and his policy.

The platform adopted fails to refer to trusts, and for this reason will attract attention. The plank declares the suffrage amendment out of the realm of politics is possibly the most important declaration.

CONVENTION GONE POPULIST

Impressions Produced by a Bird's Eye View of the Delegates.

Greensboro, N. C., Aug. 28.—Special.—The convention looked as if it had gone Populist when one recalled the days of '94 and '96. Father Worth held down a front seat in the gallery.

Among the new recruits there was a big three that attracted attention. They sat on the platform and their names are Chas. Price, Chas. W. McNamee and W. D. Day.

Senator Pritchard's Triumph

It was a great day for Senator Pritchard. He triumphed at every turn. The convention showed clearly that he is the head of North Carolina Republicans.

Senator Pritchard Speaks

Senator Pritchard spoke with his address to the convention and he received a very attentive hearing. The Senator was in good trim and he was cordially congratulated when he concluded.

in the fight for the impeachment of the judges. I intend to meet him in Eastern North Carolina and demand of him that he make good the pledge of Senator Simmons, himself and others that the freedom of thought should prevail after the adoption of the amendment.

Probably the greatest enthusiasm of the convention was manifested when the senator declared that the amendment was out of politics and the race issue was in the past.

Wiley Shook Taken a Nap

When Senator Pritchard began his speech all was attention, but when he drifted back to 1892 and the tariff, it was noticeable that several delegates showed signs of carelessness.

First District: Ike Meekins; Second, R. H. Newfield; Third, J. B. Fowor; Fourth, W. S. Bailey; Fifth, W. B. Steele; Sixth, Thos. A. Sutton; Seventh, G. F. Long; Eighth, J. W. McNeill; Ninth, W. E. Logan; Tenth, M. A. Newlands.

With more than a dozen contests to pass upon it was at once decided that a recess should be taken. Ex-Lieut. Governor Reynolds of Forsyth wanted to adjourn until three o'clock, hold a caucus at that hour and resume the convention proceedings at five.

AFTER THE CAUCUS

The Convention Pitches the Negro Delegates Out Unceremoniously

Greensboro, N. C., Aug. 28.—Special.—It was nearly half-past five when the convention was called to order again, a vote having been made for the committee on credentials.

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has served in a like capacity in Democratic and Populist conventions within the past decade, heads the committee, which is as follows: First district, Harry Skinner; second, D. M. Stanton; third, D. H. Abbott; fourth, C. B. Lockett; fifth, C. A. Reynolds; sixth, T. H. Sutton; seventh, Z. V. Waiser; eighth, A. H. Price; ninth, L. L. Jenkins; tenth, J. J. Britt.

A motion was made to adjourn until 8:30, but Senator Pritchard asked for a few minutes' delay. The next business was the selection of a committee on permanent organization.

The delegates were already leaving the hall and there was no further objection. The chairman was under the impression that the convention had voted to adjourn at that hour.

JUDGE BILL ENDORSED

The Field Left Open for Conner and Walker

Greensboro, N. C., Aug. 28.—Special.—The convention reconvened at eight o'clock and H. F. Seawell of Moore introduced a resolution pledging the party to the reelection of Senator Pritchard and expressing confidence in his ability and integrity.

Resolved, that whereas the Republican party desires the elevation to the bench one of the best fitted lawyers of the state regardless of party affiliations the candidacy of the Hon. Thomas N. Hill of Halifax for chief justice of North Carolina is hereby endorsed and we the Republicans of the state in convention assembled do earnestly recommend him to the people of the state for this high office.

Resolved further, that it is the sense of this convention that no nominations for associate justices be made at this time but that the executive committee hereafter is empowered to take such action in relation to the same as shall seem best.

O'Brien of Durham seconded the nomination of Judge Hill. The endorsement went through with a whoop.

There were two or three noses led by Judge Bynum, who was on the stage.

Daniel A. Long of Alamance was nominated for superintendent of public instruction. He was placed in nomination by R. D. Gilmer.

Dr. D. H. Abbott was declared the nominee for corporation commissioner by a rising vote. He was placed in nomination by Judge Bynum, who paid a fine tribute to him as an official and a man.

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a characteristic speech that was humorous at times.

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Blackburn opposed the Pritchard resolution. He favored the nomination of at least one Republican for associate justice.

At five o'clock a viva voce vote was taken and Pritchard's resolution was adopted by a big majority so far as noise was concerned.

NEGROES BOUNCED OUT

The Brother in Black Unceremoniously Sent to the Back Yard

Greensboro, N. C., Aug. 28.—Special.—The Republican party drew the color line today and banished the negro from party politics. It required heroic action, but the deed was done and tonight the dozen or more negroes who were kicked out of the convention are as mad as people generally get.

Wake was an exception, having a negro delegate against whom there was no contest, but he too was placed under the ban, and failed to show up in the convention.

Ex-Congressman O'Hara of Craven was bitter and outspoken in his denunciation of the convention for unseating the colored delegates.

Another negro said that two thousand negroes had paid poll tax in Warren, Halifax and Franklin and that they would vote in a body against the Republican nominees.

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The Republican Platform

Absolutely Silent on the All Absorbing Question of Trusts

Greensboro, N. C., Aug. 28.—Special.—The platform was presented by Zeb Vance Waiser, a unanimous report being made by the committee. Only a few changes were made in the original draft.

The platform is notable for what it does not say. It is absolutely silent with respect to the trusts, the one great issue in this campaign. The convention cheered wildly the reference to the constitutional amendment.

"1. We deplore and deeply mourn the death of President McKinley. His Christian character, noble impulses and patriotic spirit have done more to strengthen Republican institutions than any other agency which has been employed in modern times; and his life and work will prove a tower of strength to the Christian religion and to official integrity and fidelity for all time to come."

"2. While we deeply mourn the loss of our beloved president, at the same time we appreciate the fact that in President Roosevelt we have a president whose honesty of purpose and patriotism is such as to assure us that the affairs of the American people are in safe keeping and his faith in the principles of Republicanism is such as to guarantee a faithful adherence to those things which have made for this republic the splendid reputation which it now has as a world power."

"3. We endorse the national platform of the Republican party, adopted at Philadelphia, and point with pride to the unexampled prosperity which a Republican administration has brought to this state and the country at large."

"4. Intelligence being the cornerstone of the state and the education of the masses being dependent solely upon our public schools we favor support by public taxation of at least a four-months' school in every school district in the state, and we condemn the Democratic party for its failure to provide proper educational facilities for the education of the poor children of the state during its lease of power from 1870 to 1895, and we point with pride to the fact that the Republican party wrote in the constitution of 1868 a provision to this effect and we condemn the Democratic party for its failure to carry out this plain provision of the organic law."

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"5. We favor generous public aid to all charitable institutions of the state and the enactment of such pension laws as will give the ex-Confederates a most generous and equitable distribution of this fund than is provided for by the present pension laws."

"6. We favor such state legislation as will encourage the investment of capital, both foreign and domestic, and we respectfully invite capitalists from abroad to come among us and assist in the development of our wonderful resources."

"7. We invite the attention of the people of the state to the clean, able and economic administration of our state government by the Republican and Populist parties from 1897 to 1901, and challenge a comparison of it with the present reckless management of our affairs by the Democratic party."

"8. We arraign the leaders of the Democratic party as false to every pledge made in the last campaign. They promised to reduce expenses and instead of doing so they have increased expenditures in almost every department of our state government."

"9. They promised to curtail rather than increase the number of offices and instead of doing so they have increased the number of judges and solicitors from twelve to sixteen and have made other increases by providing for the employment of clerical help that has not heretofore been deemed necessary under similar circumstances."

"10. They promised to reduce taxation and instead of doing so they have legislated so that our taxes have increased within three years in the sum of \$880,419.97."

"11. They promised to reduce expenditures and instead of doing so in three years they have increased expenditures in the sum of \$1,688,543."

"12. They promised by affidavit and otherwise that no white man would be disfranchised under the amendment to our constitution, but instead of observing their pledge with respect to this matter the Democratic state chairman is now forced to admit that 18,000 white men will be denied the right to vote at the approaching election."

"13. We condemn them for their unwarranted effort to impeach two of our supreme court justices for purely partisan purposes."

"14. We declare that when the constitutional amendment was adopted by the people of North Carolina two years ago, it passed out of politics, and if Governor Aycock, Senator Simmons and others keep faith with the people in the pledges then made there can be no such thing as a race issue in North Carolina."

Gallinger Loses Passes

Manchester, Aug. 28.—The secret service men who accompany the president through New England have so far saved him and his entourage from assassination, but were unable to prevent one of the committee who welcomed him today from being one of the victims of many pickpockets who swarmed with the crowd.

Senator Jacob F. Gallinger found, on reaching Concord this afternoon, that his wallet had been removed. It contained but a small sum of money, but there were railroad passes and other things which the senator admits he will miss.