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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1904.

The mantle of Jefferson on Tom Watson's shoulders! Bosh!

There's a big stick waiting for the first "melancholy days have come" poet who dares to bob up.

Wonder if Mr. Platt has any choice between being run over by an automobile and Odell's dog cart.

St. Louis day at the great fair is said to have drawn a half million people. Better repeat it, by request.

Those trusts that have been put down as bad can now remove the odium—when the collection plate comes along.

The "big stick" is a load which is likely to retard the speed of the Republican party before the race is over in November.

The chestnut burr is painted brown, and the blush is on the "simmon." Is the unique way the Salisbury Sun ushers in the fall.

The Pensacola Journal suggests that as the Roosevelt administration contains so many first-class grafters it ought to go into the fruit culture business.

Commenting on the statement that the fashionable belt this season is to be "dippy" the Times-Union says the cake is at last taken. Let the bakery go with it.

The Washington Star, an administration organ, says that "if Judge Parker wins he is going to have a merry time trying to manage his team." Well, he'll be in position to enjoy the merriment.

We had overlooked the fact that Mr. Roosevelt has not claimed credit for settling the meat strike. Waiting for prices to fall, we presume, or may be the Atlanta Journal has it right when it says the Democrats have not got their campaign to the pressing close stage yet.

The esteemed Winston Sentinel of Monday says: "Now that Messrs. Finch and McBee are again trying to get possession of the Atlantic and North Carolina railroad it may be necessary for somebody to repeat the work of saving the state." In the name of Jupiter, what is Editor Kronheimer talking about? Doesn't he know that the state has been saved as safe as a good Democratic governor and the courts know how to save it, and that everybody is satisfied? The opportunity for grandstand and gallery performances is gone, and it is well. Looking backward over the turbulent scenes a sorry enough spectacle is presented and nobody wants it repeated.

LITIGATION VIRTUALLY ENDED

The beginning of what will prove to be the last chapter in the Atlantic and North Carolina railroad receivership litigation was recorded before Judge Purnell, sitting in chancery in this city yesterday. A full account of the proceedings, including Judge Purnell's oral statement from the bench, appears in our news columns this morning, and will prove interesting reading.

The oral order of Judge Purnell is, in effect, that the litigation will be ended upon the withdrawal of the appeal now pending in the circuit court of appeals, which action will most certainly be taken when the court meets early in November. The public, as well as all who have been directly and personally concerned, are to be congratulated that the end of a vexed, aggravated and complicated situation is in sight.

It is unnecessary to here review all the situations presented at the various stages of this litigation; but it is only just to say that to Judge Purnell, Ex-Judge Womack and Governor Aycock, largely belongs the credit for the present easy status of the case. The question has been a knotty and complex one. Judge Purnell has held the judicial position ably and firmly. Judge Womack has managed his side of the case with distinguished ability. Governor Aycock boldly took advantage of an opportunity—an opening, so to speak—in the litigation, that a man of less courage would have shirked, and leased the road. Other gentlemen of counsel for the various interests represented have maintained their positions ably, but of them all it is superfluous to speak in detail.

Of the nunc pro tunc order of Judge Purnell, Mr. C. M. Busbee, in discussing validity of the lease, said yesterday that Judge Purnell had "acted perfectly open and consistent in issuing his nunc pro tunc order, which was exactly similar to his honor's previous oral statement from the bench."

All that remains to be done now is for the appeal to be withdrawn, when the matter of allowance will be determined and the matter ended.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO PROTECTION

The compilers of the national textbook of the Democratic party have figured it out that the average American family pays a tribute of ninety-four dollars a year to protected trusts.

"That statement brings up the tariff question, which is simply a business proposition that concerns every man, woman and child, for it taxes the average home \$110 a year, or more than one-tenth of the average family's total income. There is an average of one and one-eighth tenths earners in the average home. These contribute thirty days' labor a year to the tariff-tax collectors.

Now, if this \$110 went as honest taxes to our government to meet necessary expenditures, no fault would be found, though the tax would be considered extremely high. But only a very small part of this \$110 can be classed as legitimate taxes. By far the greater part goes to million and billion dollar tariff trusts and monopolies, which are thriving as never before. These aggregations, according to the figures made at national Democratic headquarters, levy a tribute of \$94 a year upon the average home, while the government collects an average of about \$15 a year in tariff taxes. The collection last year amounted to \$3.49 per capita, or \$16.52 per family of 4.7 persons. Do the heads of these 17,000,000 families, the voters, knowingly and willingly donate \$94 a year to the hundreds of trusts? Do they love these trusts more than they love their wives and children? If not, why should they vote to give this annual item of \$94 to concerns that do not need it, rather than keep it for their own families, who do need it? An extra \$94 a year would mean much to the average family in the way of better food, clothing and education.

Under the heading "Everything is Tariff Taxed" the Democratic textbook says that the "price of nearly every article used in the home is higher because of the exorbitant protective tariff that the Republicans are 'standing pat' on. Every suit of clothes, every hat, every piece of underwear, every pair of socks, every pair of shoes, every collar and cuff, every tie is dearer because of the tariff; every dress, every piece of linen, silk or cotton for the household; every article of furniture in the house; every piece of cutlery, glassware, or pottery ware in the dining-room or kitchen; every piece of carpet or oil-cloth in the house; every pound of sugar, rice, soda, starch, soap, borax; nearly every article of food on the table—all of these are made dearer by the tariff and nearly all are made by tariff trusts that put prices as high as possible.

"Few people realize" that they are paying tariff taxes when they are trading at a store. They know, or at least the women, who are the pursers or commissaries of most families, know that prices have greatly increased dur-

ing the last five or six years, and that never before was it so hard to supply the household needs with the money at their disposal. They know that a dollar does not go as far as it used to go, though many do not suspect the cause. If they did there would be but little peace in the ordinary family until the voters stopped voting this annual contribution of \$94 a year to the protected trusts."

INFORMATION FOR HUNTERS

The editor of The Morning Post has received the following from a friend in Wake county:

"I see in the Post that there are a great many violations of the game laws of North Carolina being reported. The country people are not in every way familiar with the said laws. Will you please publish all the laws as they are, for the special benefit of the people at large?"

We are unable to comply fully with the request of our friend to publish "all the laws as they are" but such information as we have we gladly give.

The laws of North Carolina protect at all times: mocking birds, thrushes, woodpeckers, yellow hammers, wrens, native sparrows, red birds, orioles, chimney swifts, nighthawks of bull-bats, whip-poor-wills, swallows, martins, warblers, nut-hatches, chickadees, gulls of all species, terns or strikers, skimmers, shearwaters, herons and cranes, cormorants, pelicans, sea pigeons, vultures or buzzards, and all other wild non-game birds; also their nests and eggs.

The following are by statute declared game birds and may be killed during the open season and in such manner as is prescribed by law in the various counties: Loons, grebes, swans, geese, brant, ducks, rails or marsh hens, coots, gallinules, plovers, shore or beach birds, snipe, woodcock, sandpiper, yellowlegs, chewink, curlew, wild turkey, grouse, partridge, pheasant, Bob-white, dove, robin and meadow lark.

The following birds are not protected by law: English sparrows, owls, hawks, crows, blackbirds, jackdaws and rice birds.

A non-resident must secure a hunter's license from the county clerk of the superior court before hunting. It is illegal to ship from the state the Bob-white or partridge, grouse or pheasant, and the wild turkey. Any additional information regarding the bird and game laws may be had on application to the Audubon Society of North Carolina at Greensboro.

The open season for birds in Wake county begins November 1st. We believe that is the date for the majority of counties in the state, though some few are earlier and some are later. This information can be easily obtained by the hunters in the various counties.

A STOLEN PLANK

Trying to justify itself—ease its conscience—with a few timid utterances on the important question of reciprocity, and the sage conclusion that "the policy of reciprocity can be largely extended in the direction of tropical countries," the Republican campaign textbook closes its original discussion of the subject with the remarkable declaration that "on this question the Republican platform of 1904 says:

"We favor liberal trade arrangements with Canada and with peoples of other countries where they can be entered into with benefit to American agriculture, manufacture, mining or commerce."

Quoting that paragraph, the Democratic textbook says: "Useful as this plank might be to the party whose leading men just now are engaged in a solemn attempt to rough-ride upon both sides of the question, it must be stated, in the interest of truth and historical accuracy, that this declaration is not to be found in the platform adopted by the Republican party this year at Chicago. On the contrary, this explicit declaration, in favor of reciprocity with Canada is to be found only in the platform adopted by the Democratic party at St. Louis. It can readily be understood that the approval of a policy so generally endorsed by the business men of the country would have strengthened the Republican platform greatly and have commended it to thousands who now regard it with little favor because of its omission. The appropriation of this Democratic plank by the compilers of the Republican textbook gives greater evidence of good judgment than was shown by the platform builders at Chicago. The Republican platform, as a matter of fact, makes only incidental reference to the subject of reciprocity, which a majority of the voters of the country, without doubt, regard as one of the most important now before the American people.

So the Republican national managers have followed the lead of the North Carolina platform manipulators and changed the structure after the convention—representatives of the people—got through with it. And not only changed it, but actually stole, appropriated and inserted a plank from the Democratic platform, regularly and honestly adopted by the party's representatives in convention assembled at St. Louis. Further comment or argument is unnecessary. Let the jury of American citizens take the case and render their verdict in November.

The Wilmington Star neatly and accurately sums up the whole controversy when it says: "Booker T. Washington is committing a crime against his race by allowing himself to be wooed and won by social equality."

Benevolent assimilation was not so high, after all in the case of the Thibet. Only cost two and a half millions in cash and a good licking. Compared with some other performances the world has seen that's cheap.

PRESS OPINION AND COMMENT

A Useful Movement (Winston Sentinel.)

We heartily agree with the suggestion of a contemporary to the effect that the next legislature should pay considerable attention to the furtherance of the good roads movement in North Carolina.

There is nothing which promises better for the future progress of the state than the prospect of a good system of public roads in every county. Mecklenburg, Wake, Forsyth and a few other counties have been the pioneers in this work and have built up a system of good roads second to those of no state in this section of the country. It is certainly to be hoped that the good work thus begun will be extended to every part of the state and that the coming general assembly may take some steps to the end that valuable assistance may be rendered in this work.

"Meanest Man in the World"

(Statesville Landmark.)

This is from the Sanford Express: "A man who recently moved to this place to put his children in the cotton mill, was asked the other day if he wouldn't send his children to school. 'No,' said he, 'I took care of my children when they were small; now they must support me.' When Governor Aycock spoke before the school here last spring a year ago, he paid his respects to the father who refuses to send his children to school because he wished to live off their labor, by saying 'he is the meanest man in the world.' The governor hardly put it to rest. This man should be put in the strait jacket. He is an enemy to his own children. It is for such as he we need a compulsory school law."

Hardly any punishment is too severe for a man who deliberately works his children in a mill or elsewhere and deprives them of educational advantages in order that he may live in idleness, and often in vice, off the proceeds of their labor. These are the vampires that are a disgrace to the race. While we disapprove of lawlessness we think sometimes that a well regulated band of whitecaps is the only agency through which such people could be reached effectively.

CALLED MEETING OF SPINNERS

Trade Conditions to Be Discussed and an Advance in Prices Sought (Charlotte Observer.)

An important meeting of hard yarn spinners has been called to take place in Charlotte next Tuesday, the 27th inst., to discuss generally the status of the affairs of the trade. The call is the outgrowth of an informal meeting of spinners held yesterday in the office of Mr. George B. Hiss, between 200,000 and 300,000 spindles being represented at the meeting. Mr. Hiss was chairman and Mr. A. C. Hutchinson was secretary and treasurer. The following were appointed members of a committee to draft the formal call for a meeting to be held next week: Messrs. W. C. Heath, of Monroe; George B. Hiss, of Charlotte, and W. A. Mauney, of King's Mountain.

Following were the resolutions prepared and sent to the hard yarn spinners of the south: "As the result of an informal conference held in this city today, by the undersigned, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

"Whereas, a deplorable condition of affairs now prevails among those manufacturers engaged in the manufacture of weaving or hard cotton yarns, caused largely by the disparity now existing between the price of yarn and the cost of the raw material, and whereas the only apparent possible way to bring about a change of existing conditions is for a general conference of all spinners interested to be called to council together; therefore, be it resolved:

"That we, the undersigned, hereby issue a call for a general meeting of hard yarn spinners, to be held in this city, at the county court house, at 11 o'clock, Tuesday, the 27th inst., and we recommend, in the meantime, that all interested in the characters of yarns mentioned, absolutely refrain from making quotations.

"In view of the conditions existing as outlined above, you will doubtless appreciate that your interests demand that you make necessary sacrifice to enable you to attend this meeting, it being believed that a more opportune time to improve your conditions has never existed.

Yours very truly,

"B. D. Heath, D. A. Rudisill, L. A. Carpenter, J. C. Smith, S. A. Mauney, C. E. Neiser, J. L. Mauney, Geo. B. Hiss, R. S. Reinhardt, A. P. Rhyne, W. A. Mauney, W. C. Heath, J. P. Wilson, A. C. Hutchinson, Philip S. Baker, Fresno Dilling, R. B. Ray, D. M. Carpenter."

It was said by some of the spinners that the conditions in the trade are now intolerable and an advance in their prices must be made, unless cotton is to decline and that is what few men desire to have come about.

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