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Who's Looney Now?

If you have any troubles, just hold a mass meeting.

That mass meeting idea seems to have taken deep root in the minds of some people in Wake. We hope it will not become epidemic.

The question is not whether you personally like some of the candidates or whether you are going to stand by the democratic party. Don't be a deserter after the fight has started.

Tomorrow is "Gift Day" at Rex Hospital. The occasion is the anniversary of the formal opening of the new hospital and of the first gift day. The hospital is in need of many things and the Raleigh people again have the opportunity of all joining together and helping, on the same day, this cause. We are all proud of the hospital. Let us show our pride and appreciation tomorrow by giving something to help it to carry on its work.

Why not erect a large sign in front of the capitol building at the end of Fayetteville street with the word "Welcome" on it. It would certainly be a nice thing for Home Coming Week. The two nice strings of lights on Fayetteville street give the street a fine appearance on Saturday night and on special occasions, but the break at the end of the street fronting the capitol makes it look as if our money had given out too quick. The word "Welcome" just at this point would certainly help the looks of the street.

B. F. DIXON.

The whole state sincerely mourns the death of Dr. B. F. Dixon. Personally he was one of the most lovable of men and in his public life he was efficient and faithful to every trust reposed in him. His activities have been most varied and in every position to which he was called, either public or private, he gave of his best.

He entered the war as a private, served through it, was wounded three times, and came out of that great conflict at the age of 20 years, with the rank of captain. After the war he taught school for two years. Then he entered the active ministry and preached for some time. A bronchial trouble made it necessary for him to give up active preaching, so he turned his attention to medicine and for 10 years practiced that profession. Later he was for some years president of the Greensboro Female College. He was also superintendent of the Oxford Orphan Asylum for a period of six years. He served in the state legislature and for nearly 10 years has been state auditor. Few men have had such a remarkable career and none have done their work better or more fully and goes to the other life with clean hands and heart.

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TO THE WAKE COUNTY DEMOCRACY.

The Evening Times feels that it should give some advice to the democrats of Wake county just at this time, in view of the apparent dissatisfaction on the part of certain people in the ranks. In the primary which was held in this county The Evening Times fought the men who are now the nominees of the party, and for that reason a little advice from us may not be out of place. We hope it will have the effect of making some democrats stop and think before they take some rash action and injure the democratic party, simply because they are a little mad. There certainly was not anyone in the fight who had more dirty things said about them than was said about this paper, but when the smoke cleared away after the fight we found that our friends were defeated, and like true democrats we unfurled the banner of the nominees at our masthead and have been supporting and will continue to support them until the day of election, and according to the democratic doctrine of the primary that the majority rules we do not see how any true democrat can do otherwise.

On last May 10th, in speaking of the primary system in use by the democrats we said:

"The primary has been the greatest protection the voter has ever had, in our entire political system, against boss rule and the dominating influence of unscrupulous men and demagogues. These men would use the will of the voters in the direct opposite to that intended, if it were not for this system of individual expression of the will of the voter which has become known as the primary system. The primary gives the voter his individuality and personality because it makes him absolutely free from the will of those who in former times and under crude conditions gathered men together and by storm swayed them for good or bad. The primary is one of the highest developments in our political liberty and furnishes the keystone of our free and untrammelled expressions. It is the First right of the voter, therefore its name.

"Under the primary plan of organization it has never been possible for a combine, leader or clique to come in unawares and steal or get control of a party organization and carry it off for selfish and personal interests. That is the reason the primary has become so popular with the masses and has been adopted by all parties except in remote and undeveloped sections. One of the democratic hobbies has been the primary and it has always been our idea that we should go into the primary and vote for our choice and then if we were true democrats we would abide by the result and vote for the nominees. In other words the majority rules in a primary and that is or has always been democratic doctrine and it is yet when democracy is considered by the leaders above personal power."

We are believers in the primary as the power of last resort for all democrats and we further believe that when the primary has decided a thing that a democrat is kicking out of the party if he refuses to abide by the decision of the majority in that primary. Before the primary was held we fought the idea of having a mass meeting. We have never seen the good of a mass meeting and if they do no more good in the future than they have done in the past we never expect to see any good come from one. The old ring crowd in Wake county fought and ridiculed the idea of a mass meeting as being undemocratic. That was before the primary, mind you, and if it was undemocratic then, pray tell us how much more undemocratic it is now, after the fight is all over and the nominees had a fair majority, to bolt the decision of the primary and hold a mass meeting to put out an independent ticket. If it was wrong in the first place, as we all held, to do things in a mass meeting way, then it certainly is a hundred times worse for those who lost in the fight to kick out of the democratic harness and bolt the ticket and raise trouble by another mass meeting.

We may not like some of the nominees personally; we may doubt their democracy; but if the ring had been nominated the present nominees might have made the same complaint if they had been willing to bolt the ticket. Therefore, the question comes down to this: Are we, as democrats, willing to bolt the democratic party after going in the primary? Are we willing to see the party divided and possibly turned over to the republicans just because we do not believe in and like some of the nominees or leaders in the county, personally? Our duty is FIRST to the democratic party in Wake county.

The movement of certain people to have a mass meeting next Saturday and put out a ticket against the nominees of the primary is one filled with danger to the party in Wake county. There is not a ghost of a chance for such a ticket to win a single office in the county, because the backbone of the democratic party is not going off after such a nameless, senseless proposition but there is the chance that such a thing will create so much dissatisfaction that the party will split into two factions, and so many will stay at home that neither side will have a large vote and the republicans will carry the county. An independent ticket would not draw anything from the republicans, but it would divide the democrats and leave the field to the republicans and let them come into power in the county. That is the real danger of the whole thing.

We trust that this movement will receive no support whatever from the old county officers. They are men of the highest character and men whom the county has delighted to honor, and they are men who will be honored by their county again in the future, provided they do not take any interest in such a revolt against the primary as is threatened in this movement. These men have served their party well, and they, too, have been well rewarded by the party, and they should feel that in giving up these places they can come before the party in the future and ask for anything, and that their friends will support them to the last, but if they make the wrong step now it will tie the hands of their friends in the future.

We cannot see how the democrats of Wake who went into a primary can come out and organize an independent movement that can result in nothing but a help to the republicans. You went into the primary and took your chances. You fought a good fight, and if you did not fight hard you have no one to blame but yourselves. When the ballot was counted at the primary it was found that you were in the sad minority, and if you are good democrats you will be men and stand by the nominees, whether you like them or not. From what we know of the primary and the methods used by both sides we believe that as many republicans voted on one side as on the other, and the thing for us to do now is to stop fighting over how many republicans voted in the primary, and get to work to see how many of them we can convince that it is the right and only thing for them to do to vote the democratic ticket in November. If we split up like this pray tell us what argument will we have to induce republicans to vote the ticket in Wake county.

We expect to support and work for and vote for the nominees of the primary from Dr. Sikes down to constable, because we love the democratic party and we do not propose to let any man or men drive us out of the party and we do not propose to do a great wrong because we believe some man did a small wrong. We believe that it is the duty of every democrat in Wake county not only to support this ticket but to work for it.

If you bolt the ticket and the party loses the county you as democrats will be responsible. Shall we as democrats bolt the primary and cause a rupture in the party that will possibly turn the county over to the republicans and give us such men in control of the county as we had some years ago? First of all, gentlemen, you should be democrats.

IN THE MAIL BAG.

The Times will accept for publication in its Mail Bag columns, short, vigorous letters on questions of public interest. It cannot undertake to publish letters exceeding 250 words, and reserves the right rigidly to condense communications which are of greater length. Letters should be written on one side of the paper only, and must contain the name and address of the writer, but these will not be published if request to that effect is made.

Help! Help!

To The Times: The County Commissioners have adopted the blanket policy as far as road repair work is concerned on the Hillsboro road; for they have covered that portion of the road between St. Mary's School and the fair grounds with a blanket of dust about six inches deep. Nice and warm and dry it is, lighter than air it fills the surrounding atmosphere the houses and incidentally the nasal organs, lungs and eyes of the people who dwell along this thoroughfare, and hay fever, with its accompanying pleasantries of sneezes, coughs, melting eyes sore throats, headaches, etc., is now epidemic, and the landscape is covered with a coat of a natural red-gray tint, while our souls and bodies are hid beneath a smother of dust, hot, dry, miserable dust, to which we must return some day, but to which we object to having heaped upon our unoffending and defenseless heads thus prematurely, and before our time has come.

Old Mother Earth will issue her summons for us in her own good time, and until that time Oh! dear, good County Commissioners spare an inoffensive, suffering people. Send us the water wagon, send us any kind of a wagon, just so it contains wetness enough to lay the dust, its awful.

Send a cart load of dust brushes to get the dust out of our clothes. Send us a car load of Hay Fever medicine, do something for us. Help us; if you don't believe we need help, just pay us a visit and give us a chance to roll you in this dust, and I pledge you by word that you will readily agree with us that this dusty proposition is more than we should be called upon to continue with, and you will do your best to help us.

Send us the water wagon, and fill our road with mud, for it at least can't fly about, it can only soil our soles, while this — — — dust is affecting soul, spirit, life and all that goes to make life worth living. In the language now in vogue in our part of the moral vineyard, goodbye ad beye beye sood had a good rald, ker-choo-snoort-sniffle-whoee-ald id wofod? A. H. Y.

Dr. B. F. Dixon Passed Away Last Night

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three children, B. F. Dixon, Jr., and Wright T. Dixon, of Raleigh, and Mrs. W. L. Balthis, of Gastonia; also three step-sons, Mr. S. J. Durham, a lawyer of Bessemer City; Mr. R. L. Durham, of Cleveland, Tenn., and Rev. Plato Durham, of Concord. Mrs. Balthis, Rev. Plato Durham, and Mr. P. J. Durham arrived here this afternoon at 12:30 o'clock.

Body At Home.

The body of Dr. Dixon was taken to his home at 127 North McDowell street early this morning, where it will stay until the funeral arrangements are completed.

Messages of Condolence.

The news of Dr. Dixon's death spread all over the state, and early this morning messages of sympathy to the bereaved family began to arrive from every section of North Carolina, showing how great an affection the people had for the deceased.

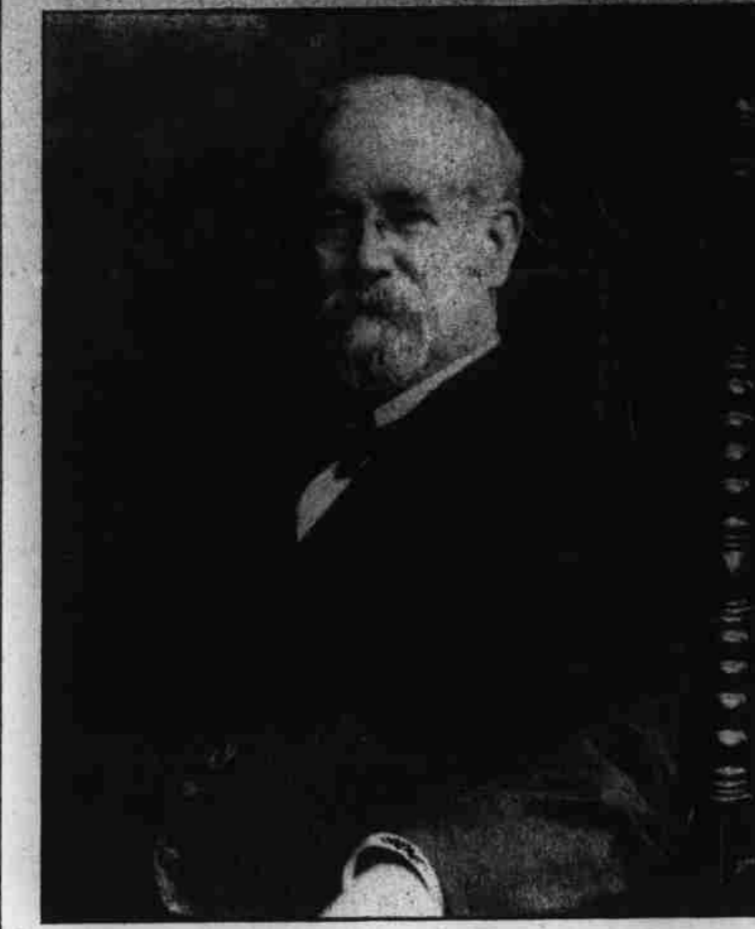
State In Mourning.

The flags on the capitol are flying at half mast and the state departments are closed today. The auditor's office and the capitol building are draped in mourning.

Governor Kitchin called a special meeting of the council of state this morning at 10 o'clock, for the purpose of making the official arrangements for the funeral.

Grief-stricken Veterans.

The news of the death of Dr. Dixon came as a terrible shock to the Confederate veterans and today these grizzled heroes of the Civil War are mourning the loss of their great friend and comrade. It is touching to see these old fellows, as with bowed heads and with tears streaming down their cheeks they discuss the loss of their beloved friend. It is doubtful if any event in the last decade has caused the old soldiers so much sorrow as this loss. The inmates at the Soldiers' Home were almost overcome with grief when the news was carried to them. For ten years Dr. Dixon has been secretary of the trustees of the Home and had the institution directly under his care. He considered it his greatest and most pleasant duty to aid and comfort the heroes of the Lost Cause, and his words of cheer or sympathy have lightened the load of many. When a veteran was sick, Dr. Dixon was at his bedside; when there were days of rejoicing, Dr. Dixon rejoiced with them; in sunshine and in sorrow, it was always Dr. Dixon who was there. His efforts in behalf of the veterans were untiring, and often he would make daily trips to the Home to look after the welfare of



DR. B. F. DIXON.

the inmates. His place is vacant and can never, never be filled.

Sketch of His Life.

Benjamin Franklin Dixon was born in Cleveland county, March 27, 1846. He was a son of Thomas Dixon and was of English ancestry, with just a touch of Irish. He secured his education at White Plains Academy in Cleveland county.

Soldier At Fifteen.

When the War Between the States broke out, though only fifteen years of age, he entered the service of his state, enlisting in Company D, Fourth Volunteers, afterwards known as the Fourteenth North Carolina regiment. Despite his youth, by his bravery and good conduct young Dixon received the appointment of second lieutenant of Company G, Forty-ninth North Carolina, and when it's captain was killed at Petersburg Benjamin F. Dixon was promoted to fill the vacancy, though still a minor.

Among the battles Capt. Dixon participated in were: Yorktown, Seven Pines, Malvern Hill, Gaines' Mill, Frazier's Farm, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, Drury's Bluff and nine months siege at Petersburg. He was wounded three times; in his right arm at Drury's Bluff, his left arm at Malvern Hill and in the side at Petersburg. He was captured at Five Forks, April 1, 1865.

Though a tried and true veteran of four years service in the war in which he participated in some of the bloodiest battles in history, Capt. Dixon returned to his home in Cleveland county at the age of twenty years.

After the War.

At the end of the war Captain Dixon took up teaching, which he followed for two years, when he decided to enter the ministry and successfully passed the examination before the theological board of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and connected himself with the South Carolina conference, his first charge being at Sumter. He was transferred to North Carolina, first to Monroe and later to Shelby, which charge was made stationary on account of his health.

He decided to take up the study of medicine and graduated from the Charleston Medical College in 1874 and located at Kings Mountain, where he practiced for about ten years.

In 1883 he was chosen superintendent of the Oxford Orphan Asylum, succeeding Superintendent Mills, where for six years he discharged the difficult duties attending this responsible position.

In 1890 he was unanimously elected president of the Greensboro Female College by the trustees. Owing to the death of the superintendent of the Oxford Orphan Asylum, he was chosen superintendent until a permanent one could be secured, and for a time looked after, both the college and the orphanage.

In 1896 he resigned and returned to Cleveland county and that fall was elected to the house of representatives, where he won considerable recognition on account of his ability.

Again a Volunteer.

When the Spanish-American war broke out in 1898, Dr. Dixon, though over fifty years of age, tendered his services to the government and was commissioned major of the Second North Carolina Volunteers. Like many others, he was unable to get to the front on account of the short duration of hostilities and was mustered out in this city, November 25, 1898. His two sons, Ben. F., Jr., and Wright T. Dixon, who were students at Trinity College, were also volunteers for this war.

Married Mrs. Durham.

Dr. Dixon was married to Mrs. Nora Catherine Durham, widow of Honorable Plato Durham and daughter

of Dr. James W. Tracey, of Kings Mountain.

Elected State Auditor.

In 1900 Dr. Dixon was nominated by the democrats and elected to the office of auditor for the State of North Carolina. He was elected again in 1904 and in 1908, and was serving his third term when he died.

He was secretary of the board of trustees of the Soldiers' Home, a member of the commission that is preparing a complete roster of the Civil War for the United States government. He was the author of the supplementary history of the Forty-ninth North Carolina regiment, U. S. A.

Dr. Dixon was a Mason, being a past master, an Odd Fellow, a member of the Knights of Pythias and the Junior Order of the United American Mechanics.

A Noted Speaker.

Dr. Dixon has been in great demand to speak at various occasions, and has doubtless addressed people at as many different places in the state as any living man. His versatile mind, natural ability as an orator and his humor made him one of the state's leading speakers. Whether at reunions, religious gatherings, educational meetings or political speaking, Dr. Dixon was always in demand. He had an abiding faith in his fellow man and his thorough knowledge of people and conditions enabled him to touch a responsible chord in his auditors such as few people could.

Funeral Tomorrow.

It was announced this afternoon that the funeral of Dr. Dixon would take place from the Edenton street Methodist church tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. The interment will be in Oakwood Cemetery and the burial will be conducted by the Masons.

Will Lie In State.

The body will be brought to the capitol this afternoon where it will lie in state until time for the burial tomorrow afternoon.

A squad of Confederate veterans from Soldier's Home under command of Capt. W. S. Lineberry will constitute a guard of honor and will take turns in standing at the catafalque which has been erected in the rotunda.

Veterans of the Spanish-American war will also act as guards, as will representatives of the L. O. B. Branch camp of Confederate veterans of which Dr. Dixon was commander. The representatives of the L. O. B. Branch Camp selected for duty are Messrs. George Johnson, W. E. Royster, James Wedden and James J. Lewis. Messrs. Lewis and Royster will also represent the famous Confederate Drum Corps.

The body will be escorted from the residence to the capitol by representatives of the Masons, and will be placed on the catafalque where it will be viewed by the public from five o'clock this afternoon until 3 tomorrow afternoon.

The interior of the capitol building is draped in black and white, and the rotunda is draped from floor to dome. The catafalque is banked with masses

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The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreadful disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

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of flowers sent by friends and organizations from all over the state.

Resolutions by Council of State.

The council of state adopted the following resolutions today:

"In the death of Benjamin Franklin Dixon, state auditor on Monday night, September 26th, 1910, the State of North Carolina has lost one of her ablest and most loyal sons; a gallant soldier and a patriotic statesman.

He was a man of varied talents, and rendered eminent service to his people as soldier, minister, physician, teacher and statesman.

We, his associates in the Executive Department, who knew his worth, felt most keenly his taking away. We realize the state's inestimable loss, and experience a deep personal bereavement in the departure of one whose genial nature, lovable disposition and true friendship endeared him to all who came in contact with him, and marked him the highest type of North Carolina manhood.

To his family, in their affliction, we tender our heartfelt sympathy, and request them to permit his remains to lie in state in the rotunda of the capitol, that those who knew and loved him may pay a last tribute to his memory.

It is ordered, as a mark of respect, that the state flag be half masted until after the interment, and that the capitol be draped in mourning for thirty days.

A copy of these resolutions will be sent to Dr. Dixon's family."

ILL FROM FEVER.

Three Members of Senator Paynter's Family Have Typhoid.

Chicago, Sept. 27.—The senatorial investigation of the election of William Lorimer to the United States senate may be temporarily adjourned, or at least retarded, owing to a startling situation confronting Senator Paynter of Kentucky, one of the members of the committee.

Mrs. Paynter and three other members of the senator's family are critically ill with typhoid fever. Senator Paynter received a disquieting telegram this morning and immediately wired Frazier to come to Chicago as soon as possible to take his place, so he may go home to his family. The senator appears to be ill from worry.

Saved a Soldier's Life.

Facing death from shot and shell in the Civil War was more agreeable to J. A. Stone, of Kemp, Tex., than facing it from what doctors said was consumption. "I contracted a stubborn cold," he writes, "that developed a cough that stuck to me in spite of all remedies for years. My weight ran down to 130 pounds. Then I began to use Dr. King's New Discovery, which completely cured me. I now weigh 178 pounds." For Coughs, Colds, LaGrippe, Asthma, Hemorrhage, Hoarseness, Croup, Whooping Cough and lung trouble, its supreme. 50c., \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by all druggists.

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