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DEMOCRATS BECAUSE THEY WANT TO BE.

To read and believe certain newspapers one would come to the conclusion that a large majority of the Democrats of the State were kept in the party by force, and that the party leaders, notably Chairman Simmons and Governor Aycock, were men-drivers with long whips in their hands absolutely driving the free people of North Carolina to the polls and forcing them to vote the Democratic ticket. These papers bewail this evil state of affairs, and with the spirit of prophecy seemingly full upon them proclaim the day of deliverance to be at hand—the day when the down-trodden, boss-ridden Democrats of North Carolina are free to vote the Republican ticket—the day of the "respectable white" Republican party in the South, "of which we have heard so much and seen so little.

Fatal First Fight in New Orleans.

L. L. Bailey a prominent young man of this city, is in jail here, charged with the murder of Walter Selph, the 20 year old son of Col. Selph, the famous rifle shot who was well known throughout the South. Young Selph was killed in a duel fought with bare fists in the woods of Audubon Park yesterday. Both young men were prominent in local social circles. The trouble between Bailey and Selph began at the ball given by the Washington artillery on the night of May 10th last. Col. Selph is leader of the artillery and his son was prominent in the affair. Mr. Bailey who is a business man in this city, was at the ball. Both of the young men, who were about the same age, paid marked attention to a certain young woman and finally quarreled openly concerning her. They parted in intense anger and those who knew them expected trouble.

Whipped Her New Son-in-law.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Wood, who were married on Monday without the consent of Mrs. Wood's mother, Mrs. C. W. Burton, called at the latter's home this afternoon to seek her forgiveness. They were met at the door by Mrs. Burton, who is also aunt to the groom.

The Surrender of Calles.

When General Calles surrendered here today, 650 men and 500 rifles, he entered Santa Cruz to the music of native bands, which were drawn up in six lines in the church yards. During the march of the army Calles and his staff, who were outside of the enclosure, wept.

Chronic Constipation Cured.

The most important discovery of recent years is the positive remedy for constipation. Cascarets Candy Cathartic. Cure guaranteed. Genuine tablets stamped C. C. C. Never sold in bulk. Druggists, etc.

GOV. AYCOCK'S CHARLOTTE SPEECH.

We Must Be True to Our Tradition — The Country People's Ruling Power in North Carolina

Charlotte Special to the Raleigh Post, 27th. Governor Aycock and party have been royally entertained during their stay in Charlotte. The Manufacturers' Club had put forth every effort to make all feel at home, and in this club has succeeded admirably. Only club members were admitted to the roof garden tonight to hear his excellency's address. It was delivered in fine form and was most liberally applauded.

The Governor spoke as follows: "Mr. President and Gentlemen—It is a very great pleasure to be with you tonight. Charlotte and Mecklenburg stand for much in the history of North Carolina. It was your great privilege to be the pioneers in the movement in behalf of liberty. It was your ancestors who wrote the first declaration of independence and who in emphatic terms declared the principle of independence of thought and action. It is your proud privilege now to be leaders in the industrial development of the State. What your ancestors did in behalf of liberty has been transferred to you as a precious heritage without loss of time or effort. You have done in the development of the State is your own achievement wrought out by hard work and much thought. It is a privilege to speak to such a people. It is a higher privilege to be the Governor of a people who are so well versed in the principles of liberty and so much skilled in the modern development which makes life more tolerable.

Having accomplished much in the past, you owe much to the development of the future. Your history is such as to justify great expectations. Your present is of that sort that makes one hope for the future. Having been the first to declare your independence of British oppression, you are the true principle of liberty, it is meet that you should be pioneers in the movement for more liberal thought in the twentieth century. You will pardon me for reminding you in the beginning that your task is a difficult one and that it can only be carried out by much charity. You have served the world well in the past. How well you shall serve it in the future will depend largely upon your attitude toward public questions. You may grow rich without power, but you will have great honor without influence. The people who have influenced the world most have been those who have laid consideration for their own selfish purposes and in regard for the good of others. If they have great honor without influence, they will have also been forward in yielding regard for the opinion of others. I trust that this will be your position.

We have entered upon a new era in the development of the State. My inaugural address as the Governor of North Carolina I declared that the time had come when we must have no more toleration of opinion, but respect for the opinion of others. Those who hold that opinion ought to be forthrightly assert their own opinion with that offensive assurance which ignores the views of others. If we are indeed to have a new era in this State we must give due regard to the ideas of our people. We must not forget the past but we at the same time must not hold a slavish allegiance to it. We must not forget the history of our State nor the genius of our people. We must not think that the great work outside of us should dominate our views and that the opinion of our own people, past and present, is entitled to no weight.

Less than 18 per cent. of our population dwell in cities and towns; 82 per cent. of them live in the country, and provincial as the modern man may think them, they are the power which controls the destiny of the State and shapes the hopes and aspirations of the entire community. It would be surprising to us to regard the modern industrial development as entailing those who dwell in the cities to control public policies and to dominate the opinion of the State. You stand out on lines which are the surest to the views of 82 per cent. of the people. I care not how strong you may be, nor how rich you may be, for after all this is a government of the people, by the people, and for the people, and the people will ever find that their true course is in harmony with that of a majority of the people. Your manufacturing industries are subject to legislation, and legislation is controlled by the views of the people. You must therefore ascertain those views and make harmonious with them your growth and development. I believe that there is a tendency in this day to ignore the fundamental principle of success and prosperity.

"You will pardon my plainness of speech. I trust that when I took the oath of office as Governor of the State I became the Governor of the Commercial Democracy."

Gen. Carr will be the leader of the "Commercial Democracy."

The interview with Gen. Julian Carr, of Durham, N. C., printed in the Times a week ago, which has been pronounced for expansion, against Bryanism and peanut politics, has been widely copied, and papers in the South are proclaiming him the McLaughlin of North Carolina. Gen. Carr was in the city yesterday, and expressed satisfaction because his views had been well received.

AN AWFUL FLOOD.

Keystone, W. Va., Swept Away—A Rival of the Johnstown Flood.

This entire section has just been visited by a flood of the extent of which in all probabilities will equal or exceed that of Johnstown in 1889, so far as the loss of property is concerned. Early yesterday morning, shortly after midnight, a heavy downpour of rain began, accompanied by a severe electric storm, and steadily increased in violence until 4 o'clock in the morning, then ceasing for several hours and beginning again with renewed violence. This continued throughout the entire day and night and at 10 o'clock this morning, while the storm had abated, the lowering clouds indicated another terrific downpour at any moment. Many miles of the Norfolk and Western Railroad track, bridges and telegraph lines are entirely destroyed and communication is entirely cut off west of Elkhorn, so that it is impossible to learn the full extent of the loss of life and property, but officials of the coal operations located in the stricken district have sent out messengers to Elkhorn, the terminus of both telegraphic and railroad communication, and have received a report that a conservative estimate as to the loss of life will easily reach 200. Some of the drowned are among the most prominent of the community.

The Pocahontas coal field is located in a basin, with high mountain ranges on either side. Elkhorn creek flows through the center of the basin which ranges from one fourth to one half a mile wide. The Pocahontas coal field is a distance of ten miles, miners' cabins, coal company commissaries and coke plants line this basin. Elkhorn creek, being fed by numerous small streams coming from the mountain sides, rises very rapidly and its waters come so suddenly that the entire basin between the mountain ranges was flooded and before the terror-stricken people realized what was upon them they were carried off by the flood, which swept everything in its path.

A TOWN WASHED AWAY. The little town of Keystone, with a population of 2,000, seems the greatest sufferer, practically the entire town being washed away. This town is the principal one in the Pocahontas coal field and is located near the headwaters of the Elkhorn. It is a great and important mining population, and was also the only place in the field where whiskey could be purchased. At this place there were some 12 or 15 saloons, all of which were swept away. A report comes that the mining population are now occupying the basins of the streams below, catching the merchandise and barrels of whiskey and beer as they float down. A great number of the coal and coke plants throughout the Pocahontas field are reported practically destroyed and in some instances entirely washed away. An account of the very high water which has flooded the region and prevented communication, anything like a correct estimate of the loss of property is impossible, but from the best information obtainable at 2 p. m., the loss to property will easily reach into the millions.

PASSENGERS RESCUED FROM A TRAIN. At Landgraf the beautiful home of General Manager Ord is reported to have been swept away. The safe, passenger train No. 4 of the Norfolk and Western Railway reached Vivian Yard, the western terminus of the coal field, about 8:30 a. m., met the flood and was unable to proceed. The waters reached such a depth that the coaches had to be abandoned, the passengers being rescued by means of ropes strung from the winders of coaches to the tops of remaining coke ovens some distance away. Between Elkhorn and Vivian Yard, a distance of ten miles, 100 cars are said to be washed from the tracks and many of them carried down the streams. A rough estimate places the number of bridges washed away between Bluefield and Vivian Yard, a distance of 25 miles, at from 15 to 20 and from present indications it will be impossible to get trains through to Vivian and points west of there under a week or ten days. This will result in it being impossible to get relief into the stricken district and those who escaped with their lives, homeless and without food, indescribable suffering is inevitable.

On the Clinch Valley branch of the Norfolk and Western Railway, between this city and Norton, a communication is entirely cut off west of Tazewell, Va. Reports come from that point of great loss of life and property throughout the entire section. In Shakerag, a negro settler, in the mountains of Tazewell, the water stands to a depth of six or eight inches in the street and houses, all of the occupants having been rescued to points of safety by means of a boat.

FARM HOUSES CARRIED AWAY. The miles west of Tazewell, on the Virginia farm, the home of Mr. Van Dyke, a negro settler, was swept away, carrying with it Mrs. Van Dyke and four children, Charles, aged 5, being drowned. Mr. Van Dyke, his wife and Laura, were found at 9 o'clock this morning in a dyke, in condition one mile from where the home stood, by Mr. Van Dyke, who was absent from home at the time of the flood. While the rescuing party was searching for the Van Dykes, the body of a white woman, well clad, floating down Plum creek. No one thus far has been able to identify it, and it is supposed the body washed down for some distance.

Reports come from Witten's Mill, a small station between Bluefield and Tazewell, that three children, Christian names unknown, belong to Raleigh N. Cab, were drowned yesterday morning. There is no telegraph station at Witten's Mill and it is impossible to ascertain particulars.

Prof. J. A. Matheson and another Mrs. W. B. Matheson, started across the mountain Tuesday. They go to Lenoir, Blowing Rock and Boone on a visit.

GENERAL NEWS.

Gregori Cortez, the Mexican, who murdered Sheriff Morris, of Karnes county, and Glover, of Gonzales county, Texas, was captured, and has been taken to San Antonio.

Abner Thompson, son of a wealthy stockman of Whittier, Fla., was killed by lightning Saturday. He was out with the cattle when the storm came up. His horse and dog were also killed.

General Calles, the insurgent leader, has surrendered to the U. S. authorities with 650 men and 500 rifles. Other insurgents are surrendering almost daily. All the insurgent prisoners in Luzon Island will be released. The war appears to be over.

Judge Seth E. Stevens and John A. Webb met on a road in Mahonee county, Fla., Saturday and opened up hostilities with knives. Stevens is dead and Webb is seriously wounded but may recover. There was an old feud existing between them.

Adelbert Hay, son of Secretary of State John Hay, and the former U. S. consul to Pretoria, South Africa, fell from a window of the New Haven Hotel, New Haven, Conn., Saturday night and was killed. It is supposed that he became dizzy and fell out of the window.

W. W. Bates, a rich planter of Perry county, Ala., got drunk in Selma, went into Walker's bar, and commenced to shoot at Will Walker, who was behind the bar, when Walker shot and killed Bates. The coroner's jury exonerated Walker, but he was afterwards arrested on a warrant.

A mob of strikers attacked the Southern Railway shops in Columbus, Ga., Sunday morning. No damage to property was attempted. The strikers shot into a car in which non-union workmen were sleeping. The guard shot one of the mob but not fatally. None of the non-union men were hurt.

The Ohio Republican convention, which met at Columbus, ended its work Tuesday. Senator Foraker was temporary chairman. Foraker's speech denounced the South for disfranchising the negroes. Governor Nash was renominated by acclamation and Senator Foraker was endorsed for re-election. The platform endorses the National administration and lauds McKinley.

The four-story building formerly occupied by King & Co., Greensboro, tobacco manufacturers, was burned Saturday evening. The building was a great and important one. It is thought rats and matches started the fire.

STATE NEWS.

Fine gold ore has been discovered in Catawba county.

Ostrich races have been arranged for the next State Fair.

Wake county had her first cotton bloom Monday, the 24th.

It has been shown by experiments that the sugar beet can be successfully cultivated in many of our mountain counties.

There will be a collision between two locomotives at the next State Fair. Arrangements have about been completed for it.

Wm. Huss and his son, of Crouse, Lincoln county, were killed and another son badly injured by lightning Tuesday. They were hoeing cotton when the bolt struck them.

A. C. McKibbin, editor of the Burlington Daily Messenger, has skipped for party unknown. The paper will be resumed at an early date by R. G. Foster. The cause of the editor's disappearance is unknown.

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Policeman John Taylor shot and seriously wounded Will Smith, a violent negro, at Kirston, Tuesday. The negro was beating a colored woman when the policeman lunged at Taylor, when the latter shot.

Southern Made Buggies.

3 LARGE STORES 3 FIRST.

We call your attention to our stock of Clothing, Shoes, Hats and Dress Goods. Our clothing is of the latest styles and our prices are much lower than you will pay at a city store. We can suit any one in Shoes, Hats, Shirts, or any kind of dress goods.

SECOND. Buggies and Hardware. We have a big stock of Hardware such as Oliver Steel Beam Plows and repairs, one and two horse cultivators. Three kinds of cotton planters, single and double foot plow stocks, hoes, harness, collars, pads and in fact most things used by farmers. Just arrived a nice lot of Southern made Buggies just as cheap as you could want them. They are good, nice and cheap. See them.

THIRD. Furniture and Sewing Machines. Last but not least, is our line of furniture. We have a big stock of furniture and are determined to build up a trade on this line and will sell it cheaper than you ever saw it sold. Listen. Solid Oak Suits, \$10.00 to \$22.50. An elegant suit with a 24x30 in. bevel-glass on a dresser, Bed 74 in. high, on \$15.00. Steads, \$1.90 up to 5.00. No. 100 chairs, 42c. up. Rockers 50c. up. \$4.00. Rubber tables 65c. up. The New Model, three Drawer, Sewing Machine only \$13.50, five Drawer \$15.00. Respectfully,

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Stony Point, N. C., April 12, 1901.

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