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BICKETT AT MT. PLEASANT.

Attorney General Makes a Great Speech, Full of Wit, Eloquence and Logic.

Attorney General T. W. Bickett addressed a large and representative audience at Mount Pleasant Friday afternoon. The speaking was held in the town auditorium and about 450 of the citizens of Mount Pleasant and No. 8 township, including the students of Mount Amosa Seminary and Mount Pleasant Collegiate Institute, attended the speaking.

In a speech of more than an hour and a half full of wit, eloquence and logic, Attorney General Bickett presented the democratic doctrines and clearly portrayed the fallacies of republicanism in both State and national policies. He severely arraigned the republican party for the revision of the tariff in favor of the interests and against the interest of the farmers and laborers of the country. Quoting Senator Cummins, he said the farmers of Iowa were being robbed in the name of the law, and the same is true of the farmers and laborers in all other states, declared the speaker. "When the Ways and Means committee was in session they did not call any farmers before the committee to give testimony, neither did they call any representative of the Farmers Union or any other agricultural organization. The same is true of labor and labor organizations."

Mr. Bickett's exposition of the tariff was strong and convincing and he showed completely the fallacy of the republican claims that protection brings prosperity and that it was a protection to the American laborer. A manufacturer can go to Congress and have his articles placed on the free list, but when Senator Overman introduces a bill to protect the American laborer from competition with the low class of foreign labor that is coming into our country the republicans offer no assistance but vote against the bill.

Mr. Bickett said he supposed the laboring people were having a great period of prosperity. The republican orators have been going up and down the country crying prosperity to such an extent that one would think that pancakes grew on trees and molasses flows in ditches. They have cried full dinner pail to the cotton mill operative in former years but this year they haven't even got the pail.

"The mill people down in my home town say that the favorite diet they have for dinner now is green persimmon soup and that it reduces their capacity to suit the size of their rations. The cotton mill men in North Carolina today who are making money are the men who are exporting their goods. The goods manufactured in this country exceeds the home consumption and the American manufacturer must find a market beyond the seas or stop. Every pound of our cotton should be manufactured at home and would be if we had the world for a market. Last year was the first year we had free trade with the Philippines. Our exports amounted to 70 per cent. against 30 per cent. from that country, giving us a balance of 40 per cent. to the good."

In discussing State issues the speaker said: "It must strike the thinking man as a little singular that at a time when all the states were driving the republicans out they would come here and ask us to take them in. Thomas A. Edison couldn't invent a decent reason why the State of North Carolina should be turned over to the men who control the republican party."

They tried it twice and the stretch from that period of misrule and disorder was so great that the people rose and turned them out. During the eight years of Democratic administration 1,290 school houses have been built, one school house for every day during that period and each one stands as a monument to the efficiency and honesty of the democratic servants, and during these years of democratic control there has been no breath of scandal and dishonor. If you would put any conscientious republican on the stand and ask him if the character of the Democratic administration he would be compelled to say that it was good.

Chances in Doughton's Favor. Statesville Landmark.

A Democrat and a Republican figured on the congressional contest in this district and the Democrat figured Doughton elected by a majority of 150, while the Republican's figures gave Cowles 250. This shows that the contest is generally regarded as close, and it is generally believed by Democrats, and by not a few Republicans, that the chances are in Doughton's favor.

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PEOPLE READ EDITORIALS.

A Correspondent Agrees With Us, and Gets After Us for Not Writing More of Them.

Mr. Editor:—Do the people read the editorial columns of the average newspaper? I quite agree with your recent editorial that they do. Like the windows in a house, the editorials let in the light; they make or mar the paper. If an editor is of the opinion that the people do not read his editorials, he has but to give expression to something contrary to their likes and he will not be slow in discovering the fact that the editorial was read. Most especially is this true during a political campaign, when both friends and foes are closely watching—the one for encouragement, the other for criticism.

It is not uncommon nowadays to hear a man, after reading an editorial with a political tinge opposite to his personal view, remark, "That's a lie and he knows it." I do not believe that editors are given to falsehood. Truth hurts, and partisans do not like to be hurt. This true, an editor being but human, may be indiscreet in his writings, but indiscretion (to be avoided) is not falsehood. It is sometimes the truth that possesses the strongest sting, and the man who demands his "paper stopped" is lacking somewhere.

Any community owes a great deal to its local paper. It is ever a silent helper, and builder, materially, morally, intellectually and socially. There is no way calculating its incalculable benefit. I do not believe there is a paper in North Carolina that has done harm in the full count of its influence. Our papers and their editors deserve more consideration, even in campaign times, than they get.

Yes, people read editorials, carefully too, and if there is anything that some of our better editorial writers can do toward the improvement of their papers, it is more editorial space. It is in this class I would place the Tribune and its editor. Not from a spirit of criticism, but appreciation.

An editor is a busy man and meets with little encouragement for the amount of work he does, for no matter how long or well he does his duty his readers, the great body of them, are slow to tell him of their appreciation. It's the sympathetic few that drop in now and then to tell him "That's a good thing you wrote the other day."

Pardon so "much speaking" on my part, and allow me to say in conclusion that I am not a democrat, but an independent who does not believe all editors are falsifiers.

A NON-POLITICIAN.

Prominent Greensboro Citizen Meets Death by His Own Hands.

Brooding over ill health and despondent over borrowed trouble, Mr. William A. Sharpe ended his life Friday morning at 11:30 o'clock at his home in Greensboro.

Disregarding the fact that his health had been bad for some months he has persisted in looking after his business, but for the past few days his mind became unbalanced and he was confined to his room, yet no one suspected he would do himself violence. He remained in his room as usual and about 11 o'clock he went to the bath room adjoining. No one seemed to have noticed his being out of the room, but on returning to the room Mrs. Sharpe missed him. Immediately she went to the room, but found the door locked. Alarmed, she called a young man who rooms in the house and with his assistance an entrance was forced. Sitting upright in the bath tub, in his night clothes, was Mr. Sharpe, a gaping wound from ear to ear across his throat, with a razor on the floor that told too well what had been done. He was breathing but died in a few minutes.

Politics in Iredell.

The nominees of the Citizen's ticket, in Iredell county, which consists of insurgent Democrats and Republicans, have launched their campaign and will make a canvass of the county, beginning next week. The principal issue in their platform is the proposition to put the county officers on salaries. The Democratic candidates wanted a joint canvass with the Citizen's nominees, but this was refused and the Democrats will continue their canvass by holding school house meetings. The time-honored method of all the candidates going with the sheriff on his tax rounds has been abandoned.

Teachers' Examination.

The next regular examination will be held at the court house in Concord on the 2nd Thursday and Friday of this month.

The examination will begin at 10 o'clock Thursday, the 13th.

CHAS. E. BOGGER,

Superintendent.

Salisbury Fair will not disappoint this year as it will be a hummer. Don't forget the dates, October 13, 19, 20, 21. Reduced rates on the railroad.

DEATH OF MR. THORN WHITE.

Passed Away Friday Night After a Long Illness of Tuberculosis.

Mr. Thorn J. White died Friday night at 11:30 o'clock at his home on Georgia avenue, after an illness of several years duration of tuberculosis. Mr. White had been in a feeble condition for several months, but on Friday morning he was able to be up and around, and seemed to be stronger than he had been for several weeks. Soon after supper he began to grow gradually worse and his death resulted in a few hours. His two brothers, Messrs. Chal and T. J. White, were away from Concord on business. A message received from them this morning stated that they would arrive here today.

Mr. White was a son of the late Capt. T. J. White and was reared in No. 1 township. After completing the course in the public schools he attended Davidson College for two years. He lived for some time in Charlotte and afterwards moved to this city, where he was engaged in the insurance business with his brother, Mr. T. J. White. He was married twice. His first wife was Miss Hopkins, of Baltimore, a sister of Mrs. M. L. Marsh, of this city, who died several years ago. He was afterwards married to Miss Hartsick, of Charlotte, who, with three young daughters, survive him. Mr. White was 33 years of age. He was a member of the Presbyterian church at Rocky River, and a member of the Elks and Pythian lodges.

Mr. White was a man of high character, and possessed many noble traits. His nature was genial and pleasant, and he had many friends.

The funeral arrangements have not yet been decided upon.

Roosevelt Given Warm Welcome at Knoxville.

The South gave Theodore Roosevelt a welcome Friday at Knoxville, which he described as "great, by George."

Throughout the first day of his Southern trip which took him across Virginia and a part of Tennessee, he received all the honors which the South can pay.

Colonel Roosevelt started out the day with the determination to keep as quiet as possible and not to make many speeches, because his throat which has been troubling him, is not yet in good condition. But wherever he went a crowd was waiting for him. Each crowd was out to cheer and did cheer until he made a speech.

The Colonel made his first speech before he had finished breakfast and kept at it until late at night. Before his train left Knoxville for Atlanta he said he enjoyed the whole day immensely.

Charlotte Jail Full of Murderers.

There are now reeking in the Mecklenburg county jail Charlie Houston, Sam Byers and Will Boyd, all negroes, the former charged with the murder of Erskine Kirkpatrick and the latter two charged with accessory before the fact in the murder. Boyd was brought to Charlotte a few days ago. Houston and Byers were brought in Friday morning by Constable Potts, of Lancaster county, South Carolina, where they were arrested Thursday.

Gifford Pinchot at the initial meeting of the Southern Conservation Congress in Atlanta Friday, declared that the South is as vitally concerned with the movement for the conservation of the nation's natural resources as any section of the country, and he warned the Southerners that the big corporations already were actively working to secure a monopoly of the resources of this section.

Charles E. Hughes has filed his resignation as Governor of New York to take up his duties as associate justice of the United States Supreme Court.

Twelve bodies of sailors drowned in North river when the battleship New Hampshire's barge was swamped last Saturday night have been recovered.

Mr. Walter Ritchie, now of Greensboro, is spending several days in the city with his family.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Some of the People Here and Elsewhere Who Come and Go.

Mr. Charlie Propst has returned from Richmond.

Prof. G. F. McAllister, of Mount Pleasant, is here today.

Miss Janie Patterson is visiting her aunt, Mrs. C. S. Stone, of Charlotte.

Little Miss Margaret Virginia Ervin is visiting friends in Salisbury.

Rev. D. A. Braswell left this morning for his home in Alamance county.

Mr. F. E. McConnell, of Charlotte, is spending the day in the city.

Mr. Frank Clime, of Mt. Pleasant Collegiate Institute, arrived this morning to spend Sunday with home folks.

Mrs. J. C. Blume and Mrs. Ridenour have gone to Kings Mountain, where they will visit relatives for several days.

Miss Blanche Treackle has returned from Baltimore where she has been for the past two weeks on account of the illness of her mother.

Mrs. Shaw and Miss Lura Wheeler, who have been at Mrs. R. S. Wheeler's, will return the first of next week to their home at Wilmington.

Cotton Seed Bringing 45 Cents.

The farmers who are having cotton seed to sell are realizing a good price. The seed now bring 45 cents per bushel on the local market. At the beginning of the season the seed brought 55 cents. It is now bringing 45 cents with a steady demand.

These high figures are brought about by the unprecedented high price of cotton seed oil. At the opening of the season cotton seed oil was selling at 75 cents per gallon. As the seed began to come in the price fell to 65 cents where it now stands. This caused a corresponding decrease in the price of seed.

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BUILDING AND LOAN IN RURAL DISTRICTS.

Suggestion a Striking One to Give Farmers Benefit of the Plan.

The article in The Tribune Friday regarding the significance of the movement recently started at Wadesboro to apply the building and loan plan to the rural districts and enable men of industry and enterprise to become owners of small farms with comfortable homes instead of renting has created considerable comment. The great possibilities of the plan and its feasibility are evident and striking. One gentleman in discussing the matter remarked: "The building and loan man who was struck with the new plan is right. The movement will spread, but nowhere have I seen what is to me one of the striking features of the plan pointed out. Not only will it enable a farmer who may now be renting land or working for wages to own a comfortable home and farm, but the operation of the plan will result in better farming and a greatly increased product from the same area of cultivated land. This is where the movement will affect the public generally. Just as the building and loan plan enables a man to pay for his home and then become a better liver and a better spender and a better citizen, just so this rural improvement will affect the farmer."

Different Points of View.

McNinch in the 9th, Meares in the 6th, Cooley in the 4th, and Parker in the 7th, all sore-toe Democrats, now running for Congress as Republicans, are telling the people that the Payne-Aldrich bill is the best that was ever enacted.

Theodore Roosevelt says it was a crooked deal.

Senator Dolliver, Republican, says it was written by the interest, even down to the punctuation.

President Taft said it was the best, but has changed his mind and says Congress must try again.

There is some difference of opinion on that bill.

Mrs. Sue Williams will arrive today from Statesville, and will make her home at Mr. R. S. Wheeler's.

DRAINAGE IN IREDELL.

Government Expert Approves Work Under Way and Plans for More.

Hon. C. C. Elliott, chief of drainage investigations of the United States department of agriculture, spent two or three days in Statesville this week in the interest of the drainage work to be done in Iredell county, in which the government is lending its assistance. Mr. Elliott visited Third and Fourth creeks in company with members of the Iredell County Drainage Association, and looked over the vast amount of fertile land which is now useless, but will be reclaimed when the drainage work is done. After visiting Fourth creek, Mr. Elliott announced that he would instruct the corps of civil engineers of his department, which have just completed a survey of the channel of Third creek, to also make a survey of Fourth creek. These channels will be staked off and will be opened by the dredges when the work gets under way.

Mr. Elliott talks very interestingly of the great work being accomplished through the drainage investigations by his department. He is author of "Engineering for Land Drainage" and "Practical Farm Drainage."

Southern Passenger Train Turns Over Down Embankment.

One of the worst passenger wrecks that ever occurred on the Murphy division of the Southern Railway was that which happened at Governor's Island, near Bryson City Friday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock when passenger train No. 18, due in Asheville at 6:40 p. m., was derailed, the entire train turning over and injuring 21 people, two of them rather seriously. Incidentally, it was the train of the same number which was just a week ago derailed only seven miles from the spot, the entire train, except the engine, leaving the track. No official announcement is made as to the cause, but it is said the track gave way. The wrecked train was drawn by engine No. 15, with Engineer Wilson and Conductor Love of Asheville in charge. A wrecker bearing Dr. Hilliard was rushed to the scene. The three coaches rolled down an embankment.

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