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HARRY SKINNER THE ORATOR. HE ADDRESSED THE REPUBLICANS.

The Converted Populist Accepts All the Teachings of His New Associates—Senator Pritchard, After the Greensboro Meeting, Said Encouraging Reports Were Received from All Sections of the State.

Greensboro, Oct. 12.—There was an important gathering of Republicans in Greensboro to-day. In addition to Senator Pritchard, who is chairman of the State executive committee, and the members of the committee, a number of leading Republicans were present. The politicians met in the Southern Loan and Trust Company building at 11 o'clock this morning and were in session about two hours. Senator Pritchard presided. When seen in room at the Guilford this afternoon the Senator said to The Observer correspondent, in response to a request for an interview:

"We held an informal meeting of the State executive committee and a number of representative Republicans from all sections of the State." Asked as to the future policy of his party in North Carolina, Senator Pritchard said: "The Republican party will earnestly advocate the rehabilitation of our merchant marine, industrial expansion and a continuance of the economic policies inaugurated by the late President, and will oppose the unwise legislation which was enacted by the last Legislature. The farmers, the mechanics, the laborers, the manufacturers and all classes of business men are invited to join with us in our efforts to maintain the satisfactory condition of affairs which now obtains throughout the country as a result of Republican legislation."

Among some of the more prominent Republicans who attended the meeting were: Collector Duncan, Collector Harkins, United States Marshal Dockery, United States Marshal Millikan, District Attorney Holton, District Attorney Bernard, Postmaster Mullen, of Charlotte; Postmaster Bailey, of Raleigh; Capt. Chas. Price, Dr. D. H. Abbott, Congressman Blackburn, Harry Skinner, Revenue Agent Patterson, Judge W. P. Bynum, Jr., Judge S. B. Adams, Postmaster Glenn and Robert D. Douglas, of Greensboro; Samuel Paul Satterfield, of Person, and Editor Norton, of The Asheville Gazette. In addition to these, there were a number of others, including several revenue officials. John C. Dancy and James H. Young were in town, and it is supposed that they, too, attended the meeting, though a prominent young Republican would neither affirm nor deny their presence.

During the meeting short speeches were made by Harry Skinner, Judge Bynum, Dr. D. H. Abbott, Senator Pritchard and others. It is said that Skinner, the converted Populist, made the speech of the occasion. He declared that he believed implicitly in everything taught in the Republican catechism, including protection, subsidies, etc. He held that these principles, if carried out, would enrich North Carolina and the South, even as they had added to the accumulated

wealth of the New England States. All the speakers maintained that the Republican party was stronger in North Carolina to-day than ever before, great gains having been made since the last election, and the chances were good for carrying the State next year. Stress was laid on the importance of pursuing such a policy as would attract good men to the party. There was perfect unanimity of opinion as to this, but it is said that some of those present came to the parting of the ways when the methods to be pursued in bringing about this greatly to be desired end came up for discussion.

Mammoth Steel Plant Proposed for Norfolk.

Newport News, Va., Oct. 12.—A party of steel men arrived here to-day from Birmingham, Ala., with a view, it is said, of seeking a site for a mammoth plant, on a special over the Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad. The party embraced Messrs. S. W. Thompson, president of the Republic Steel and Iron Company, of Chicago; J. and S. Taylor, of Chicago; E. N. Ohl, of New Castle Pa., and Mr. Williams, directors, and several coal operators and prominent Virginians, who joined the party in Richmond. The visitors left Old Point in the afternoon for Pittsburg, via of Washington.

Conference on the Reciprocity Treaties.

Washington, Oct. 12.—The reciprocity treaties now pending before the Senate committee on foreign relations were the subject of a conference at the White House to-day between the President and Senator Cullom, of Illinois. Senator Frye, of Maine the ranking member on the foreign relations committee, was also a caller upon the President but participated only incidentally in the conference. He will see the President by appointment next Monday, when, it is reported, he will present to Mr. Roosevelt his views on the pending treaties. Senator Cullom has given the treaties careful consideration during the past summer and at the conference to-day presented his conclusions freely and fully with regard to them.

\$175,000 for Missionary Purposes.

New York, Oct. 13.—As a result of the annual missionary sermon preached to-day in the Gospel Tabernacle, by Dr. A. B. Simpson, the missionary fund solicitor, the sum of \$60,000 was collected during the day. This is an increase of \$20,000 over the collection of last year on a similar occasion. To-day's meeting was the last of the eleven conventions that have been held throughout the United States and the whole amount thus contributed for missionary purpose is nearly \$175,000.

Grandmother at 29.

Iowa Falls, Ia., Oct. 14.—A grandmother at twenty-nine is the record of Mrs. Jas. P. Carlton, the young wife of ex-Postmaster Carlton. She thinks she is youngest grandmother on earth. Mrs. Carlton was the principal of a youthful romance in Ohio where she was wooed and won at the age of eleven. A daughter was born. The daughter in turn married in her sixteenth year and is now a mother. The daughter lives in St. Paul.

THE RELEASE OF MISS STONE.

May Probably Be Brought About on the Payment of a Moderate Indemnity—Consul General Dickinson Asks for the Arrest of the Instigators.

London, Oct. 13.—The Reuter Telegram Company has received the following dispatch from Constantinople, dated October 13: "There have been no further developments in the case of Miss Helen M. Stone, the abducted American missionary. It is reported that Spencer Eddy (secretary of the United States legation in Constantinople), received today a dispatch from Washington, advising him that a sum of money which should suffice for the ransom would be forthcoming."

The text of Reuter's advices is ambiguous. The Daily Telegram has the following dispatch from Sofia, dated Sunday: United States Consul General Dickinson has received no instructions to pay the ransom. He is afraid a dangerous precedent would be created by payment. As he is now fully convinced that the brigands were merely instruments, acting under the instigation of late members of the Macedonian committee, he has made strong representations to the Bulgarian government asking for the arrest of these instigators. Should this be done, he says, Miss Stone would doubtless be released on payment of a moderate indemnity and assurance of freedom for her captors. Some Macedonians have already been arrested here.

Each Member Asked to Give \$1.

New Orleans, Oct. 13.—George Moorman, adjutant general of the United Confederate Veterans, has mailed to each camp of that organization a copy of General Gordon's general order requesting each member of the camp to give one dollar toward the Jefferson Davis monument fund.

Spain Paying for the War.

Madrid, Oct. 13.—In the forthcoming budget, according to El Imparcial, General Wayer, Minister of War, will ask an increase in the expenditure exceeding 2,000,000 pesetas for the payment of pensions and military rewards in connection with the war with the United States.

There was a strike of short duration in the different tobacco stemmeries Wednesday. The standard price paid for stemming tobacco has been 75 cents per hundred. Scarcity of hands some of the managers of the stemmeries have at times slightly advanced this price. Tuesday they all agreed not to pay more than 75 cents and when the cut was made, many of the hands struck. The price agreed on—75 cents is as high as is paid on other markets.—Kinston Free Press.

In Chicago a company with \$3,000,000 capital has been formed to develop the graphite mines in Yancey county. J. A. Farewell, of Chicago, is president, Maj. George D. Miles, of Bakerville, will have charge of the company's local interest. It is said that practically all the graphite used in this country is imported, there being only one big mine, the Dixon in this country. The Yancey county mines are said to be rich and to cover considerable territory. They will be developed at once.

NOURISHING VENGEANCE.

Significance of an Edict Issued by the Dowager Empress

Pekin, Oct. 14.—The Dowager Empress has issued the edicts, one of which establishes three new boards and abolishes many offices. The other admonishes officials to enforce the reforms decreed in recent edicts and says: "Myself and the Emperor for the past year have slept on wormwood and eaten gall"—a Chinese metaphor for nourishing vengeance. The edict goes on to say that the board of national administration. Yung Lu, controller general of the revenue board, and others, urge the court to inform the whole empire that it is determined to execute reforms and enjoins officials to study and adopt the Western methods recommended by Viceroy Liu Kun Hi and Chang Chih Tung.

"No trifling measures," says the edict, "will restore prosperity. The destiny of the government, whether for happiness or destruction, is involved in these reforms, which will make China independent."

The foreign ministers at a meeting today determined to evict foreign merchants occupying houses without the consent of the owners. The Chinese do not desire to disturb those who were established before the siege. It was decided, also, that the question of opening Peking to foreign trade shall be taken up when commercial treaties are negotiated and that meanwhile the Chinese shall collect and octroi equivalent to the transit dues of 21 per cent. on goods not paying the latter.

BLOCKADE STILL RAIDED.

Two Large Ones Captured in South Lowell Section.

Revenue Collector S. P. Satterfield and other revenue men captured two moonshine distilleries in the South Lowell section of this county, about 12 or 13 miles from Durham, Friday afternoon. The stills were running in full blast within two miles of each other. Those who were working around the stills ran as soon as they perceived the approach of the officers, and could not be captured.

One of the stills seized was of 150 gallons capacity, and the other of 125 gallons capacity.

At the first mentioned the following property was destroyed: Two worms, one cap, twenty four fermenters of ninety gallons capacity each, two thousand one hundred and sixty gallons of beer, one hundred and forty gallons of singlings, ten bags of meal aggregating a total of twenty bushels, four water buckets, pitckfolks, mattocks, axes, four empty whiskey barrels, three kegs, and cooking utensils.

At the other still were the following: Caps and worms, two flake stands, sixteen fermenters of one hundred gallons capacity each, one thousand six hundred gallons of beer, one hundred gallons of singlings, three water buckets, two still forks, one axe and cooking utensils.

The owners of these distilleries are unknown.—Durham Sun.

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PAT CROWE OFFERS TO SURRENDER.

Tired of Being Hunted and Willing to Take the Chances of a Trial.

Omaha, Oct. 14.—Chief of Police Donahue has received from Patrick Crowe through a friend of the latter, an offer to surrender himself and stand trial in the courts if the reward of \$50,000 hanging over his head for the alleged kidnapping of Edward A. Cudahy, Jr., is withdrawn.

Chief Donahue did not accept the proposition, but made a counter offer to waive the reward himself, saying nobody else could secure it. The chief says Crowe is tired of being hunted and is willing to take chances of a trial if the reward is withdrawn. He says Crowe is less than 500 miles from Omaha and is not with his relatives.

Edward A. Cudahy Sr., was asked if the reward for Crowe would be withdrawn. In reply he said; "Yes; we will do anything to secure Crowe. I still believe Crowe was one of the abductors of my son, but if he surrenders he shall have a fair trial, and if he gives himself up under the circumstances named, the reward will be withdrawn at once. I have not heard from Crowe directly or indirectly myself, but Chief Donahue has had the matter in hand and I will have him act in any manner that will secure the presence of Crowe."

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