

THE BLUFF A BLUNDER.

THE BOSS NOW ADMITS IT. SAID A REPUBLICAN.

Pretended Bouncing of Negro and Endorsing of Democrats has Done Them More Harm Than Good.

Greensboro, N. C. Oct. 20. — There was a great gathering of leading Republicans here Saturday night and yesterday. Chairman Pritchard was in constant consultation with different prominent candidates and members of the State Executive Committee. What new move in the political field is on, can only be approximated. A Republican this morning was heard to declare that it had been admitted by the boss of his party, that the pretended bouncing of the colored voters, the complete ignoring of the advice of conscientious white Republicans, who were not Federal officeholders, was a great blunder. He said that the endorsing of Democrats for office and the exclusion from old time Republicans from even a participation in the party councils had caused more of them to be disgusted than it had won new voters. He also said that some Democrats who had displaced Republicans as candidates, has been found, could not attract a single Democrat voter, an illustration being given of a son in one county, whose father and three brothers were actively canvassing against him.

A GRAND PARADE.

Trade Procession. Floats and Beautiful Floral Parade.

The State Fair this year is to eclipse all previous records.

The officials have been doing things quietly, but the great news is now about ready for an interested public.

It will be a spectacular Fair, and one of its most imposing features will be the Grand Trade Procession Floats and Floral Parade, which is scheduled for Wednesday, October 29th.

It will move from its position in the city at 12 o'clock on that day and it is going to be a most gorgeous and novel parade, with wondrous floats and many bands of music.

Messrs. Sherwood Higgs and Henry W. Miller, directors of the Trade, Float and Floral Parade, have engaged Mr. Thos. H. Ennis, of New York, to manage this parade. He has been in the city the past week perfecting arrangements for the grandest street parade the State has ever seen. The entire organization will be in the hands of this gentleman, who is an expert along these lines, and a special corps of decorators and float builders will arrive on October 15th to prepare for the parade.

It is to be an extensive affair and a great many individuals and firms have already signed the application for position in the line.

Thousands will view the majestic procession as it passes through the principal parts of the city and continue to the Fair Grounds.

The line of march will be from foot of Fayetteville street, up Fayetteville, then to Hillsboro and on to the Fair Grounds and upon

tering the grounds the parade will pass through the Midway, in front of the Grand Stand then to the lower race track gate, when the marshals and the floral division will go around the track, while the military, the mercantile and the industrial divisions will go to the centre of the race track, and all the divisions will be brought up in the review at one time, giving a fine spectacular effect, and at this time the prizes will be awarded.

In the parade there will not only be floats from the manufacturers of Raleigh, but also many from Durham, Concord, Goldsboro, Henderson, Greensboro, Sanford, Louisburg, Rocky Mount, Carthage, Wilson, Winston, Graham, Burlington, High Point, New Bern and Elkin. Raleigh will have a specially fine showing of her industries in this parade. Mr. Wynnie is being assisted by several manufacturers of this city and they are endeavoring to make the industrial division the largest and most attractive division. Several railroad floats have been promised, which will make a fine showing, and a gold medal will be given for the best float in the division.

AN EXPLANATION

EDITOR OF COURIER:

I notice that circulars have been posted calling a "Mass Meeting" of the citizens on Saturday the 18th. I see my name appears on the list of signers, I desire to say I did sign some kind of a notice which was handed to me but never was it my purpose to sign such a call for an independent meeting of democrats as appears in this circular.

In some respects I do not like the County ticket put out but it seems now that this call of "independents" is to put out a full ticket. Of course this would affect Judge Clark, W. W. Kitchen, Solicitor Brooks and Mr. W. A. Warren; and I certainly will not take part in any movement which will tend to oppose or defeat them.

This call was not presented to me in its full light, I am a democrat.

Respectfully Yours
O. D. BAILY.

That's what They Are Running For. All the gentlemen running on the Republican tickets in the Southern States will show up later in the administration's lame-duck department.—Washington Post.

HAS BEEN MISLED.

TREAS. LACY ON STATEMENT IN WINSTON REPUBLICAN.

North Carolina Four Per Cent Bond did not Bring 111 Under Treasurer Worth as Stated.

A reporter of the News and Observer yesterday called the attention of State Treasurer Lacy to a statement in the Winston Republican asking why North Carolina four per cent bonds, sold by former State Treasurer Worth for \$111 were now selling at only \$103. Mr. Lacy said:

"To draw mildly, the editor has been misled by some unauthorized quotations, which are not exact. The bonds did not bring 111 and can not be bought now at those figures at any time within the next ten days. The bonds sold by Treasurer Worth were sold in a large batch at a time when money was easy and had full ten years to run which made the investment an attractive one to large investors. The quotations referred to were for bonds in very small lots and having less than seven years to run.

"The main reason for their bringing a good price at Mr. Worth's sale was that the white people by an overwhelming majority had elected a white Legislature, thus inspiring all investors with absolute confidence in the integrity and credit of the State. Prior to this, under Republican rule, these same bonds having eleven years to run sold at 101, and did not begin to enhance in value to any extent until there was certainty of Democratic rule. Under Republican administration the 6 per cent bonds sold down to 116. They are now bringing 134, although nearer the time of their majority.

Lindsay Patterson spoke in Reidsville and the Reidsville Review says: Mr. Patterson was accompanied to the rostrum by ex-Sheriff W. B. Wray and Mr. J. H. Benson, Republicans, but he was not introduced to the audience. It is presumed that a count of noses failed to reveal a single Independent Democrat in the town. Mr. Kitchen's attack made upon Mr. Patterson for hobnobbing with Republicans probably caused him to decline to allow one of the members of the G. O. P. to present him."

Public Speaking.

Hon. Cy. B. Watson,

Will address the People of Person county at

WOODSDALE

ON THURSDAY OCTOBER 30TH 1902.

On the political issues of the day. The County Candidates will also be present. Everybody cordially invited to be present and hear the issues discussed.

Mr. Watson is one of North Carolina's best orators.

LUTER. M. CARLTON,

Ch'm C. Ex. Com.

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We invite the ladies of Roxboro and surrounding country to write for samples of New Fall Dress Goods in black and colors. We will be pleased to submit samples of the latest styles and at lowest possible price.

Special Serge Bargain.

We are offering a wonderful bargain in black cheviot serge full 42 inches wide ready apoged for use. Our special price for this 42 inch serge is 50 cts. Get samples and compare with any other at 75 cts. Write for samples today, or send us postoffice order for pattern.

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\$200,000 BLAZE AT HAMLET

A Book-keeper Burned to Death Compress and Ice Plant in Ruins

Hamlet, Oct. 19.—Special to Charlotte Observer.—Fire which broke out at the cotton compress here at noon today destroyed property valued at \$200,000 to \$225,000 and caused the death of J. M. Wilson, of Clarksville Ga., book-keeper at the compress, and a nephew of M. Ge E Wilson, of Charlotte.

The cotton compress, which was the property of the Seaboard Air Line railway and was leased by C. E. Johnson, of Raleigh, together with the ice plant, one of the largest in the state, and 2,400 bales of cotton, a vast quantity of burlaps and bagging, was entirely consumed.

The railroad authorities succeeded in saving the car shed, a short distance away, with engines and a bucket brigade, and many cars on the sidetracks near the press were saved, but six empty cars alongside the press platform were burned.

When the fire first started, from a cause as yet undetermined, watchman Gibson, of Hamlet, was on duty in the middle of the building and says he threw on the buckets of water, placed close by and all around the building for safety, while Mr. Wilson the cook-keeper, attached a hose and played on the fire, but so rapid the flames spread that the watchman cried, "We can do nothing; run for your life."

The fire was coming on so fast that that the watchman ran through the office and jumped through a raised window, but Wilson was caught in the flames and burned beyond recognition. His body was found this afternoon about 5 o'clock within a few feet of a rear entrance to the building. His head limbs and shoulders had been consumed and only a charred mass remained. He was identified by his watch, keys and his belt buckle.

Mr. Wilson was the son of the late James Wilson, of Clarksville, Ga., and was a grandson of the late Har-

vey Wilson, of Charlotte, and a nephew of Mr. Geo. E. Wilson, of Charlotte. He had only been in Hamlet this season, but in his short stay had by his quiet, dignified and gentle bearing endeared himself to our people. His uncle, Mr. Chas. E. Johnson, of Raleigh, will arrive tonight. Until then I do not know what disposition will be made of his remains.

The compress covered five acres of land and in season did a large business. It furnishes employment to about 75 people, most of whom own homes here. It is not known whether the compress will be rebuilt.

And now Mr. Marion Butler has started again. This time he discovers that the "populist party has a future in store even brighter than its past and will exercise a potent influence in political affairs." He has not yet set a time for the work to be being.—Winston Sentinel.

Groceries in Plenty

You'll feel better if you have a large supply of the staples for housekeeping, and we'll feel better if we supply them to you. We keep a full line of staple goods on hand at all times, and guarantee our prices to be as low as any one.

Country Produce

We want your chickens, eggs and butter and will pay the highest market price for them. When you have them to sell bring them to us.

Sergeant, Clayton & Co.

Successor to W. J. Johnson & Co

The Furniture Contest

will be closed within the next 60 days possibly in the next 30 days. The tickets are going out very fast now. If you have a card partly filled out, bring it in and finish it early if you want a draw at the furniture show. If you are too late for the furniture you can have a chance at the ware which will not be closed out quite so early. Remember we are the only people in Roxboro offering a real prize, there is no proviso to ours that you have to buy a house to put it in and pay as much as house and furniture both cost.

A. M. Burns.