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NEW BERN, CRAVEN COUNTY, N. C., TUESDAY JULY 14, 1908 -- FIRST SECTION

31st YEAR

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

July Meeting—Grand Jury Report—Auditing Committee Report—Treasurer's Report

Board met at 12 o'clock M., July 6th, 1908. Present, Chairman Foy, McGowan, and Harvey.

Ordered that a levy of 60 cents on the \$100 real estate valuation, on all property in No. 8 Township Fence District, from Trent River to Bachelor Creek.

Ordered that John Powell, white, be allowed \$2.00 on account of poverty and infirmity.

Ordered that the property listed to H. B. Royal be reduced from \$1,000 to \$700 on account of error.

Ordered that the 800 acres of land listed to W. F. Foy in No. 7 Township be reduced from \$2,400 to \$2,000.

Board takes recess at 1:30 until 3 o'clock, p. m.

Board meets at 3 o'clock, p. m.—present, Chairman Foy, McGowan and Harvey.

Ordered that the lots listed to Harris and Lina Simpkins in No. 2 Township (Bridgeton N. C.) be reduced from \$200 to \$100 on account of error of list taker.

On motion J. A. Miller, Amos Conner and J. D. Williams were duly elected road commissioners of No. 7 Township for the ensuing year.

Whereas, it is provided by Section 22, of Chapter 4, of the laws of 1901, being a public school law, that upon the petition of one fourth of the freeholders, within the proposed special school district and endorsed by the board of education of the county, an election shall be held in said district to ascertain the will of the people for the establishment of said special district. And, whereas, a petition signed by one fourth of the freeholders in a certain district, in No. 1 Township Craven county, to hold such an election, which said district is fully described in said petition, and the same having been endorsed by the County Board of Education, it is hereby ordered that an election be held in said district on Monday, the 10th day of August, 1908, for the purpose of ascertaining the will of the people of aforesaid district. It is further ordered that a notice of 30 days be given at the court house door and three public places in said district of said election. Ordered further that for the purpose of holding said election J. R. M. Warren is hereby appointed Registrar and W. C. Williams, A. E. Little are hereby appointed poll-holders. Said election officers are hereby empowered and authorized to conduct said election in the manner prescribed by law for holding general elections, as well as may be.

At the close of said election the said officers hereby appointed shall certify upon oath after having counted the votes cast, in said election, the result aforesaid election to this board, at its first regular meeting after said election. Ordered further that the election shall be held at the regular polling place in the town of Vanceboro. All commissioners voting for same.

A petition having been presented to this board signed by J. L. Causey, Wiley Causey and B. B. Stokes, to establish a road in No. 1 Township leading from Piney Neck road to Dixon's mill road, a distance of 1.14 miles, and it appearing that the said road will be wholly upon the lands of the petitioners; it is hereby ordered that the sheriff summons three freeholders of said township to lay off and establish said road in accordance with the provisions of Section 2684 and 2685 of the Revised of 1905.

The report of the Grand Jury was read and ordered to be spread upon the minutes, to-wit:

To the Honorable W. R. Allen, Judge Presiding.

We, the Grand Jury for the June term of 1908, for the County of Craven, State of North Carolina, beg leave to report as follows: That we have acted upon all matters sent before us by the Auditor in addition to making the presentments returned into court; we have found fifty-one (51) true bills and seven (7) not true bills, and eight (8) presentments, and carried over three (3) bills on account of not being able to get witnesses.

Court House

We, the Grand Jury have inspected the court house, and find it and all offices in good condition, except the office of the register of deeds, and for this we recommend first and buy new record books, as the present one is not safe.

The Jail

We, the Grand Jury, have examined the county jail, and find a modern and ideal building in every particular kept in first-class order and we have no complaint from the prisoners regarding food. The only thing to be done is to complete a cell or cells for hold which we recommend. We had nineteen (19) prisoners; sixteen (16) male and three (3) white; two (2) women, and one (1) colored.

TO BREAK THE NEWS TO TAFT

He Will Be Told of His Nomination in Cincinnati, July 28th.

Cincinnati, Ohio, July 9.—Details of the program for the celebration of notification day will be decided upon Thursday at Hot Springs, Va., where a conference will be held with Judge Taft by the members of the conference committee of the citizens' committee of Cincinnati, consisting of Chairman R. B. Reynolds, J. Stacey Hill, William B. Melish and T. J. Moffet, and John R. Malloy, representing Senator William Warner, chairman of the notification committee of the Republican National Convention.

Chairman Reynolds last night sent a telegram asking Judge Taft to set a date for the committee's visit and a reply was received stating that any time after Wednesday would not conflict with Judge Taft's engagements. It was decided that the committee would leave tonight for Hot Springs, arriving at the Virginia summer resort Thursday morning.

Mr. Malloy held a conference last night at the home of Charles P. Taft, with the members of the conference sub-committee of the citizens' committee. The house and grounds were inspected and it was practically decided that the formal notification shall take place on the Taft grounds. It is proposed that a large stand shall be erected on which will be seated Mr. Taft, the members of the notification committee, the members of the local citizens' committee and distinguished invited friends.

Following the notification ceremony it is planned that a public reception on the Taft lawn for the Presidential nominee shall be held. The notification will take place at noon, July 28th.

Mr. Malloy stated that he is concerned only with the arrangement for the formal notification and that the local committee may do as it thinks best in regard to the program for the afternoon and evening celebration. However, the committee will make no decision upon the details of the program until Judge Taft has been notified.

Bryan "Killed" Thomas's Speech

Denver, Col., July 9.—The Woman's Jeffersonian Club today had the honor of hearing Augustus Thomas's speech seconding the nomination of Bryan. It has the further honor of being the only organization on earth that ever will hear it unless Thomas talks it into a phonograph and takes it on the road. It was to have been the greatest effort of Thomas's life. He is here with a party from the Twenty-seventh New York District, and one from Missouri. After Alabama had yielded to Nebraska and Democratic Dunn had nominated Bryan, Arkansas was to have yielded to Missouri, and Thomas was to have broken the oratorical record.

Today Brother-in-law Allen, of the Bryan menage, arrived in the Brown Palace Hotel and summoned Harry Walker. There was a short and earnest conference. Walker went to Thomas and told him that the Nebraska commoner wanted Governor Glenn to deliver the star seconding speech. Thomas was furious for fifteen minutes and dejected for half an hour longer. Then he brightened up.

"Aha," he said, "there still remains the Woman's Jeffersonian Club," and he delivered the speech there amid wild applause, in the course of which several new tan gloves were fractured.

You may hold the lucky number Saturday night for the pound box of Huxley's.

By vouchers paid . . . 139.75
To cash from Sheriff . . . 107.35
June 1, By Bal overpaid . . . \$70.57

Audit of County Treasurer's Books, June 1, 1908.

Jails and Bridges

By Bal on hand . . . \$15,179.11
By return insurance on jail . . . 21.71
Disbursements . . . 15,200.83
By vouchers paid . . . \$17,094.30

By bal overpaid . . . \$1,932.45
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Ordered that A. H. Hanger's property on Middle street be reduced to \$500 on account of error.

Ordered that John Deane's property on Middle street be reduced to \$250.00 on account of error.

The regular monthly bill sent at month.

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THE FEARLESS ONE THE CAUSE OF A SCENE WHICH HAS SCARCELY BEEN PARALLELED IN HISTORY

DISCUSSION ON PLATFORM

Session of Convention Lasted All Night—Platform Not Adopted Till 3:30 a. m.—The Nomination Did Not Occur Until 5:30 a. m.—One Ballot Did The Business—Kern, of Indiana, Chosen For Vice-President.

Special Correspondence.
Denver, July 10.—After an all night session and a scene which has rarely been seen anywhere under any circumstances, William Jennings Bryan was nominated to the office of President of the United States by the Democratic National Convention. The vast assembly broke en masse into a frenzied mob and the wild and unrestrained cheering and shouting was heard for miles away in the clear mountain air.

The decisive ballot was followed, at the first call, with motions from the Gray and Johnson leaders to make the nomination unanimous and by acclamation, which was carried with an echoing chorus of approval in which every State joined its vote with but one dissenting vote from the State of Georgia.

The first and only ballot gave Bryan the commanding and decisive total of 892 1-2 votes or 221 more than enough to nominate, with Gray 59 1-2; Johnson 46.

The convention adjourned at 5:30 until 1 o'clock this afternoon when the candidate for Vice-President will be nominated.

Kern Vice-President

The convention resumed its work at one o'clock and the nominating of vice-president taken up. The following candidates were placed in nomination: Charles A. Towne, of New York; Archibald McNeill, of Connecticut; Clark Howell, of Georgia, and John W. Kern, of Indiana.

John W. Kern, received enough votes on the first ballot to nominate and on motion the convention voted unanimously for the man from Indiana.

This was again the signal for a noisy outburst of enthusiasm and for over half an hour there was a scene that made an Irish rough-house look like an undertaker's shop.

ROOSEVELT'S OWN PICNIC

The President, Wife and Family Have Day's Fun Together

Oyster Bay, July 11.—President Roosevelt and his family started out for a picnic in the woods early today. All provisions and other necessary things to make the day's fun complete were taken along. Just where the Roosevelt picnic was held no one could learn. Secretary Loeb did not know and no Secret Service men accompanied the Roosevelts.

The President and Mrs. Roosevelt returned from their picnic in excellent spirits, having been favored with ideal weather.

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GALLANT SOLDIER OF THE PHILIPPINES

Remembers The Journal and Speaks Through Its Columns to His Friends at Home

Camp Stotsenburg, Pampanga, P. I., June 1, 1903.

Ed. Journal: Having nothing else to do I will try and tell you a little about the Philippine Islands and its people or a small part that I have seen. We left Frisco on December 5th and had the weather all to time.

We stopped at Honolulu for a day and cooled the ship. Honolulu is certainly a paradise, everything up-to-date and clean. We also stopped at the Island of Guam, but as there was no wharf at that place we could not go ashore and only stopped a few hours. The scenery from the ship's deck was grand. I never felt the least sea-sick, but the majority of the boys were sick for two or three days after we passed out of the Golden Gate; the water there was the roughest we encountered on the voyage.

We arrived in Manila on January 2nd, about four o'clock in the afternoon, but did not go ashore until after supper and had to be back by nine so did not see much of Manila, but everything looks the same over here.

The buildings in Manila are nearly all old ones, and some of them are fine specimens of art in the days gone by. You can see many places in the walls where they were struck with cannon balls and some of them are nearly ruined.

Some of the most beautiful monuments that exist are found in Manila—one of the best is Magellan's monument, erected hundreds of years ago by Spain.

Manila has a fine harbor and the new building wharves having been completed at the present time.

At night it is a beautiful sight to see the many lights from ships in the bay and from the deck of the Trans port Thomas, the ship in which we came over in the city of Manila, looked grand.

We left Manila on January 3rd, for Camp Stotsenburg, going by rail. The trains here only run about twenty-five miles an hour or hardly that fast, are only a third as large as the locomotives in the States. The engines are so low you can almost touch the top of the smoke stack with your hand. The coaches are small and very uncomfortable riding—a person being all cramped up in such small seats they are provided with. A person can see a great deal of the country while going by rail for they stop so often and run so slow.

Large hay fields can be seen all through the country. They stack the hay or grass in small stacks, laying down a small handful at a time, until it is big enough. The stacks look fine. They are shaped like an acorn and it takes a native two or three days to make one which would be made over there in an hour. They raise a great quantity of sugar cane and rice and occasionally you see a pretty good corn field. The corn is of a small variety and the fields are kept clean of grass and weeds. The plowing and farming is done with carabao and as they are slow moving animals it takes quite a while to do a small amount of work.

Cocoanuts, bananas and oranges grow wild and are very plentiful and if you are too lazy to pick them you can buy all you want of either for five cents, but you will soon tire of them.

Cigars and cigarettes are very cheap—cigars can be bought for one cent which would cost five cents in the States, and those that cost five cents would cost twenty for a nickel. The natives all smoke cigarettes, putting the lighted end in their mouth first.

It looks funny to see them smoking and talking at the same time. They are an interesting lot to watch—by way they live and act. Their article of food is rice and they wear very little clothing. It is thickly settled between here and Manila, with native and an ugly looking bunch they are and of course some of them are becoming civilized and look out of place among the rest. Everything is carried on their heads and it is a strange sight to see a long line of these natives going to market with loads on their heads that would fill a wheelbarrow.

Stotsenburg is situated about sixty miles from Manila at the foot of a large mountain range and eighteen miles from the coast. It is a beautiful place with much foliage which is green, the year round. It is not so hot as in Texas or North Carolina in the summer time. The nights are always cool and good for sleeping. A little beyond us in the mountains are the Igorots and they like the natives have no reputation for beauty. They wear very little clothing and live at the approach of the State people.

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PREDESTINED AND FOREORDAINED

PRESBYTERIAN DOCTRINE APPLIED TO BRYAN'S CHANCES FOR THE PRESIDENCY

THE VERY SHORTEST POST OFFICE NAME

Special Correspondence.
Raleigh, N. C., July 11.—State Auditor Dixon was interviewed today regarding the nomination of Bryan and said that while in general he was a Methodist, yet he was a Presbyterian as to Mr. Bryan, because he thought his nomination was predestined or foreordained. Dr. Dixon went on to say that he believes Bryan stands a good chance of being a winner. The name, the dissatisfaction among the working classes, divisions in the Republican party and strong opposition to Taft policies all seem to play into Bryan's hand this year, and Dr. Dixon declares he believes Bryan will poll decidedly larger vote than he ever has been given before.

The postoffice people stick to it that North Carolina carries the honor of having the postoffice with the shortest name. At it seems that none can be found anywhere else with less than three letters. A lot of the new post-offices have been named after authors, popular books, the railway people and not those of the postoffice department, giving the names.

At the State Arsenal a lot of supplies are being prepared for use at encampment at Camp Glenn and tents and other camp equipment are ready or shipment there. Some camps are already in place, these being used by the working force, which is quite large one. Under the new law the sales of supplies are made by the War Department direct, and the quota of the States under which issues are sold to be made no longer figures.

Of course the National Guard always has plenty of needs in the way of supplies, as it will take a long time for the officers and men to learn how to care for military property as regular troops do, simply from the fact that here has in the past been so much carelessness in this respect.

Work begins this month upon the admirable new buildings, three in number, for Rex Hospital, this being near Fayetteville Street and very near the Centennial Public School. The pavilion plan is that designed by Barrett & Thompson, the architects, who will also be in charge of the construction.

In the center will be the administration building, to the right the operating pavilion and to the left the medical pavilion, all these being connected by galleries. The plan is such as to permit the addition of another building in rear of the operating pavilion, so as to make the institution one or two beds instead of forty, as at present. While the building is under construction the patients are to be moved to rented quarters. In the center of the administration building will be a memorial hall, to contain pictures of the "old" containing fourteen beds and there will be 16 rooms or private patients. There will also be a children's ward and a maternity ward. The outside walls will be of brick and the roof of tile.

As we happened to be hungry so left it untouched and returned to camp.

This evening we had to go and get fire about a half mile from headquarters. It was worse than lighting a fire at home and it traveled very fast. The bamboo would crack like a pistol shot and the sparks and smoke was thick. It was pretty fierce, but fifteen hundred men fighting with the aid of the water, it was checked before it reached any of the buildings.

The bamboo stalks were forced to the bottom of the fire and gave a few more killed. These snakes are green and are not poisonous. There were many small reptiles that had to be seen before the fire.

Well, I am pretty tired tonight, after chasing around all day, and have my head aching for the last two days. I will have to go to bed now, and enjoy the fire as I can, they are not so hot as in Texas and North Carolina in the summer time. The nights are always cool and good for sleeping. A little beyond us in the mountains are the Igorots and they like the natives have no reputation for beauty. They wear very little clothing and live at the approach of the State people.

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