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TWO REPUBLICAN CONVENTIONS.

Settle and Waiser Nominated by the Opposing Parties.

Charlotte, N. C., Sept. 5.—The regular republican party held their state convention in Charlotte yesterday. The following state ticket was nominated:

For Governor—Thomas Settle, of Buncombe.
Lieutenant Governor—J. R. Gas-kill, of Nash.
Secretary of State—W. J. Andrews, of Wake.
Attorney General—D. H. Blair, of Forsyth.
Treasurer—J. D. Albright, of Surry.
Auditor—J. Q. A. Wood, of Pas-quank.
Superintendent of Public Instruction—C. T. Fraser, of Guilford.
Commissioner of Agriculture—A. L. French, of Rockingham.
Commissioner of Labor—J. B. Goslin, of Forsyth.
Corporation Commissioners—W. E. White, of Alamance; John Sharp, of Iredell.
Insurance Commissioner—J. H. Cook, of Guilford.
J. M. Morehead was re-elected state chairman.
Position of national committeeman held by Pearson, declared vacant and E. C. Duncan recommended to the national committee for election to fill the vacancy.
W. P. Bynum and Harry Skinner nominated electors-at-large for Taft and Sherman ticket.
A platform was adopted declaring for local option on the whiskey question.
Resolutions were passed declaring that only those who expected to vote for Taft electors could be seated in the convention and this made the withdrawal of the Bull Mooseers from the convention necessary. The progressives withdrew from the convention and held a separate convention and nominated the following state ticket:

Governor—Zeb Vance Waiser, of Davidson.
Lieut. Governor—Chas. E. Green, of Mitchell.
Attorney General—E. S. W. Dam-eron, of Alamance.
Supreme Court Judges—T. T. Hicks, of Henderson; W. S. O'B. Robinson, of Wayne.
Secretary of State—D. H. Senter, of Harnett.
Corporation Commissioners—G. E. Butler, of Sampson; J. N. Williams-son, Jr., of Alamance.
Superintendent of Public Instruction—Chas. L. Coon, of Wilson.
Auditor—J. E. Clik, of Catawba.
Treasurer—D. L. Gore, of New Hanover.
Commissioner of Labor and Printing—J. Y. Hamrick, of Cleveland.
Insurance Commissioner—Clyde Eby, of Craven.
Commissioner of Agriculture—J. M. Mowborne, of Lenoir.

Presidential Electors—Fredell Meares, of New Hanover; Jake P. Newell, of Mecklenburg. Dr. Cy. Thompson refused to accept nomination for governor, and Waiser of Davidson was named as progressive candidate. Marion Butler was overruled in every motion he made and didn't cut much of a figure in the convention.

Juror Winked at Defendant; is Fined.

Fayetteville, Sept. 1.—J. L. Roberson, one of the noted dealers here whose cases have attracted much interest, was tried in criminal court and a mistrial resulted, and two for acquittal. Last night Judge Bragaw tried the two jurors who were for acquittal on the ground of contempt of court and improper conduct, the action being based on an affidavit of one of the jurors in the case. The jurors, J. V. Jones, came clear, while the other, H. C. Burke, was fined \$50 and costs. An appeal was taken by Burke's lawyer, E. G. Davis.
Judge Bragaw at a late hour set aside all other testimony and made his ruling on the evidence that the respondent, Burke, while walking the streets to dinner with the balance of the jury "winked" at the defendant, Roberson, and that Roberson smiled back at him.

OLD HICKORY CHIPS.

A General Mixture Designated for the Busy Reader.

We shall have to put an extra "o" in Moses. The colonel says his fight began at Mt. Siani.
T. R. should have kept carbon copies of all those epithets he hurled while he was in the White House.
Mr. Taft says that the job of President "must have been a perfect hell" in Lincoln's time, and yet Old Abe made something of a success of it.
Tom Edison's electric light may have started the Great White Way, but it took chorus girls and lobsters (both kinds) to complete the job.
Vermont made a noise like the falls of Armageddon.
When the suffrage wave reached Ohio the tide fell.
A St. Paul church worker says that the automobile has done more for sin than any one thing. However, the self-starters have materially reduced the output of cusswords.
Enough is now known to prove that the great Roosevelt campaign of 1904 was a scandal of corruption and a disgrace.
It takes a lot of trouble and worry in this life to make a man lose his optimism when apple dumplings are as fine as they are this season.
A mouse head in mourning will be the prophetic emblem of the new party in this state.
No bosses in the new party. "Bosses," you will note, is in the plural.
Billion dollar congresses are getting to be little affairs with this big country nowadays.
Some Kansas City women are addicted to cigars. That town needs more smoke inspectors.
Still, if people could reach the top of Mount McKinley by elevator it would not be worth the journey.
"Strong talk is what is needed," declares the man at Armageddon. If it were true, there would be really no doubt about whom to elect President. But it is not.
Doctors say that eating corn bread is good for the teeth. It might be added that it is also good for the entire system.
Whenever the Balkans get on fire all Europe gets ready for a three-alarm.
One of the allegations in a Pennsylvania divorce suit is that the defendant husband "had an insane desire to cook his own meals." There are households in which that kind of trait in a husband would be more highly appreciated.
Those woman suffragists who expected the colonel to talk the cause in every speech note with some dismay and bewilderment that in the six speeches delivered in New England, last Friday and Saturday he did not refer to it once.
The mendacious liars birds are again reported in great quantity at Bull Moose gatherings.
The high cost of living at Newport: \$100,000 for one fish ball.
J. P. Morgan, through his chauffeur, has contributed \$10 to the Bull Moose campaign fund, and now the colonel has got to write another letter scolding the tainted staff.
The explosion of that pot of beans out in Colorado adds another terror to the high cost of living.
It seems that a Standard Oil contribution now and then is relished by the best of men.
No, Juliana, the Penrose is a different variety from the American Beauty.
Having designated as liars all those opinions fail to agree with his, the Third Term now stands in grave danger of exposure as the "Dr. Cook" of American politics.
It is fortunate that President Taft and ex-President Roosevelt won't have to ride together from the White House to the Capitol again March 4. Even the Colonel would find the experience embarrassing.
Nearly 400 places are mentioned in the report on the N. Y. gambling list. New York's new Four Hundred.

Head's Independence League has fused with the Bull Moose party in Brooklyn. Birds of a feather— Only people of New York could enjoy themselves by standing around looking at a house in which a \$3,000,000 Astor baby is sleeping. Parcels post advantages to the householder are another result of democratic efforts in congress. Fate cannot do much harm to a country that offsets a billion dollar congress with a three billion dollar corn crop. Advices from Nicaragua are that in a fierce assault on the capital the rebels knocked two boards off the city walls.

AMERICAN ILLITERACY.

Both Germany and England Are Far Ahead of us in Education.

The attitude some of our people assume in depressing foreigners and all that is foreign, argues them both narrow and intolerant. In respects to some of the purposes and activities of life we may, with propriety, study European countries. For instance, in the matter of education, both Germany and England are far ahead of us. It would be folly for us to deny it.
Figures compiled by the United States bureau of education show that there are only three persons out of every 10,000 in Germany who cannot read and write; that there are 150 illiterates out of every 10,000 persons in Great Britain. In the United States the proportion is 770 illiterates in 10,000.
The department of education is not convincing when it explains the great discrepancy by saying that the figures taken in Germany relates only to adults, while the figures taken in the United States embrace all persons over the age of ten years. Inasmuch as nearly every person learns to read and write before he is ten years of age, if he learns to read at all, the explanation is not satisfying.
The principal reason for the large proportion of illiterates in America is the presence of several million negroes, a considerable number of Indians and thousands of foreign immigrants, who come from the most illiterate classes of certain European nations. All American states having a large negro population, have a large class of illiterates. For instance, in Alabama, which is low in the list of states, when literacy is considered, there is only 9 per cent of the white population illiterate. On the other hand nearly 40 per cent of the total negro population is illiterate.
It is to be remembered, however, that no real or general effort has been made to give the negro the education except in the past forty years. It is also to be remembered that the percentage of illiterates among the negroes is steadily decreasing. The negro is yet in the position where he must depend upon the white race for the education of his children. The steady decrease in the number of negro illiterates is evidence of a growing spirit of generosity on the part of the dominant race, as well as of an eagerness on the part of negro children to go to school.— Montgomery Advertiser.

The Advice of Some.

Everybody feels at liberty to advise and prescribe for the farmer, and often the advice he gets is wonderful indeed. We have, for example, a letter from a Florida reader telling how a paper in that state declared that it would not do to turn under green crops there, that they would produce humic acid "which is death to crops." Yet our friend has turned under green crops for three years and still grows other crops. Similar half-information is responsible for the advice so often given to cut out cotton entirely, for the insistence on "diversification" that means only the planting of a variety of crops without any fixed plan of rotation or farm management, and for lots of other equally valuable advice. As farmers, we undoubtedly have much to learn yet, and can learn much from men in other lines of work; but we confess that it makes us rather tired to have men who do not know the first little bit of farm practice or agricultural science turn loose a lot of unsought advice at the farmer.—The Progressive Farmer.

What we Never Forget

according to science, are the things associated with our early home life, such as Bucklen's Arnica Salve that mother or grandmother used to cure our burns, boils, scalds, sores, skin eruptions, cuts, sprains or bruises. Forty years of cures prove its merit. Unrivaled for piles, corns or colds. Only 25 cents at E. T. Whitehead Company's.

BIGGEST COTTON CROP.

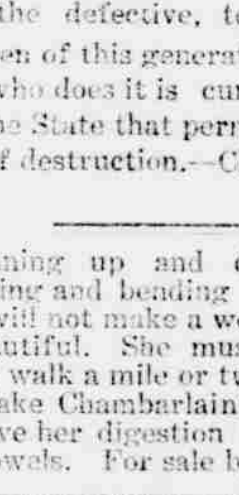
Last Year's Crop Four Million Bales Greater Than Any.

New Orleans, Aug. 31.—The total production of cotton in the United States for the commercial year ending today was 16,138,426 bales, an increase over last year of 4,018,331, an increase over year before last of 5,528,758 and an increase over 1908-09 of 2,312,969, according to figures compiled today by Col. H. G. Hester, secretary of the New Orleans cotton exchange.
Southern consumption was the largest of any previous year, 2,744,067 bales being used by the Southern mills. This exceeds last year's total by 380,451 bales, and was in excess of the largest previous consumption which was in 1908-09 by 184,194 bales.
Secretary Hester's annual cotton statement, which includes port movements, exports and the world's consumption of American cotton, etc., will be issued within the next few days.

An article that has real merit should in time become popular. That such is the case with Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has been attested by many dealers. Here is one of them. H. W. Hendrickson, Ohio Falls, Ind., writes, "Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the best for coughs, colds and croup, and is my best seller." For sale by all dealers.

NO ONE STRONGER THAN HIS STOMACH.

The celebrated Dr. Abernethy of London was firmly of the opinion that disorders of the stomach were the most prolific source of human ailments in general. A recent medical writer says: "every feeling, emotion and affection reports at the stomach (through the system of nerves) and the stomach is affected accordingly. It is the vital center of the body." He continues, "so we may be said to live (through) the stomach." He goes on to show that the stomach is the vital center of the body. For weak stomachs and the consequent indigestion or dyspepsia, and the multitude of various diseases which result therefrom, no medicine can be better suited as a curative agent than



Several months ago I suffered from a severe pain right under the breast-bone," writes Mrs. G. M. MURKIN, of Covington, La. "I had suffered from it, off and on, for several years. I also suffered from heartburn, did not know what was the matter with me. I tried several medicines but they did me no good. Finally, I was told it was my liver. I did not dare to eat as it made me worse. When ever I swallowed anything it seemed that I would faint—I had no strength. I grew very thin and weak from not eating. Was told to take Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. I took five bottles of it, and could feel myself getting better from the first dose. I could eat a little without pain and grew strong fast. To-day I am strong and well and can do a big day's work with ease. Can eat everything thin and have put on flesh wonderfully. I will say to all sufferers write to Dr. Pierce. He has my undying gratitude."

Will Get Increase.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 3.—On September 30, the salaries of the 30,000 rural free delivery carriers' will be increased from \$1,000 to \$1,100 and 12,000 other carriers will get an increase according to the length of their routes. The 30,000 men carry the standard routes which average 25 miles.
Senator Simmons, the author of the bill that provides an increase in the rural carriers salary said that the carriers would need it if they had to handle parcels as the new post act appropriation bill provides.

A Thought for The Day.

It undoubtedly appears cheaper to neglect the aged, the feeble, the infirm, the defective, to forget the children of this generation, but the man who does it is cursed of God and the State that permits it is certain of destruction.—Charles B. Aycock.

Running up and down stairs, sweeping and bending over making beds will not make a woman healthy or beautiful. She must get out of doors, walk a mile or two every day and take Chamberlain's Tablets to improve her digestion and regulate her bowels. For sale by all dealers.

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1. ANNOUNCEMENT.—This Piano and Popular Ladies' Voting Contest will be conducted fairly and honestly on business principles strictly, with justice and fairness to all concerned. With the above principles, this will be an assured success.
2. PRIZES.—The capital prize will be an Obermeyer & Sons Piano. Also other valuable prizes to the amount of many dollars, which are announced herewith.
3. CANDIDATES.—Young ladies in this and adjoining towns are eligible to enter this contest, and the party receiving the largest number of votes shall receive the beautiful \$100 Obermeyer & Sons Piano, and other premiums will be distributed in accordance with the contestants' standing at the final count.
4. THE IN VOTES.—Should any of the contestants tie in votes, The Publishers Music Company will award a similar prize according to standings at the final count.
5. VOTES CLASSED.—Votes will be issued in the following denominations:
New subscriptions, 600 votes, \$1.00.
Renewals, 500 votes, \$1.00.
Renewals, more than one year, 600 votes, \$1.00.
Back subscriptions, 400 votes, \$1.00.
Five years new subscriptions, 5,000 votes, \$5.00.
Ten years new subscriptions, 12,500 votes, \$10.00.
Twenty years new subscriptions, 30,000 votes, \$20.00.
6. INSTRUCTIONS.—Results as to standing of votes will be issued after 30 days. No votes accepted at less than regular price of paper concerned in this contest. No one connected with this paper will be allowed to become a candidate in this contest or work for contestants.
Votes after being voted cannot be transferred to another. Be sure you know whom you are going to vote for before coming to the ballot box, as the editor or anyone who positively not give you any information on the subject. The keys to the ballot box shall be in the possession of the awarding committee during the contest.
For the first 30 days the paper will run a 25-vote coupon which can be voted free for any lady contestant.
Contest to run not less than 90 days. Closing of contest will be announced 25 days in advance of closing. The right to postpone date of closing is reserved if sufficient cause should occur.
The contest shall close on a day which will be announced later. Ten days prior to closing contest, the judges will carefully lock or seal ballot box and take to one of the banks, where the same will be in a place where voting can be done during business hours and locked in a vault at night until close of contest, when the judges will take charge and count same and announce the young ladies winning in their turn.
The last ten days all voting must be done in a sealed box at the bank. If you do not wish anyone to know whom you are voting for, place your cash subscription, together with your coupons, in a sealed envelope, which will be furnished you, and put same in ballot box. This will give every one a fair and square deal.

Scotland Neck Merchants who will Contribute Valuable Prizes.

Prize—Two Washstand Sets (White, with Gilt Band). Value, \$10.00. Donated by HARDY HARDWARE COMPANY. "The Hardware Hustlers." We give a 25-Vote Coupon with each \$1.00 Cash Purchase. Ask for Coupon.	Prize—Set Keen Kutter Silver Plated Knives and Forks. Value, \$5.00. Donated by JOSEY HARDWARE COMPANY, Pioneer Hardware Dealers. We give a 25-Vote Coupon with each \$1.00 Cash Purchase. Ask for Coupon.
Prize—Chiffonade. Value, \$20.00. Donated by SCOTLAND NECK FURNITURE COMPANY. Furniture and House Furnishings. We give a 25-Vote Coupon with each \$1.00 Cash Purchase. Ask for Coupon.	Prize—Gold Ring. Value, \$10.00. Donated by E. T. WHITEHEAD COMPANY. Druggists and Jewelers. We give a 25-Vote Coupon with each \$1.00 Cash Purchase. Ask for Coupon.
Prize—Announced Later. Value, \$15.00. Donated by BURROUGHS-PITTMAN-PITTMAN COMPANY. Everybody's Store. We give a 25-Vote Coupon with each \$1.00 Cash Purchase. Ask for Coupon.	Prize—Announced Later. Value, \$2.50. Donated by L. WAXMAN. Clothing and Dry Goods. We give a 25-Vote Coupon with each \$1.00 Cash Purchase. Ask for Coupon.
Prize—Announced Later. Value, \$2.50. Donated by J. W. ALLSEROOK. The House for Good Groceries. We give a 25-Vote Coupon with each \$1.00 Cash Purchase. Ask for Coupon.	Prize—Announced Later. Value, \$. . . Donated by EDWARDS & COMPANY, General Merchandise. We give a 25-Vote Coupon with each \$1.00 Cash Purchase. Ask for Coupon.

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