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Why You Should Vote for Gen. Carr.

CLAYTON, N. C., Oct. 30.
To the Democratic Voters of Johnston County:

At the election to be held November 6th there will be a box provided in which every white man who voted the Democratic ticket in August last, or who votes for the Democratic Electors and Democratic Congressmen at this election can vote for his choice to represent North Carolina in the United States Senate as success to Marion Butler.

General J. S. Carr and Mr. F. M. Simmons are the candidates. Believing as we do, that in the election of a man to fill so important a position as this, we should elect that man who can and will best represent North Carolina, and that we should select a conscientious, Christian gentleman, a statesman, and not simply a politician. We ask you to go to the polls and vote for General Carr for the Senate, Mr. W. Pon for Congress and Mr. Bryan for President.

We must and surely will elect Mr. Carr to Congress. Give him your support on the ground as follows: We elect Mr. Carr to the Senate, who will assist Mr. Bryan in enacting the law every principle of the Democratic platform. We believe that General Carr should be elected to the Senate for the following reasons:

1. Because we know General Carr to be an honest, Christian gentleman, and a statesman in every sense of the word. We believe that he will make a better Senator than Mr. Simmons. He has never sought to place upon the Democratic ticket a Populist for Congress, nor in any way to dictate the action of a Democratic Convention to further his own personal ambition.

2. General Carr is opposed to Trusts, having fought them all his life. He owns no stock in any trust, never did, and refused to go into one when the opportunity was offered him.

3. General Carr is an old soldier, and served during the war as a private in the Third North Carolina Cavalry.

4. General Carr is the candidate of the farmers, mechanics, merchants and laborers. He is not a scheming, wire-working politician, but an honest, open, broad-gauged statesman. We have too many paltry politicians and too few statesmen in the Senate.

5. Now we have an opportunity to send a statesman in the person of General Carr to the Senate from North Carolina, and we ask you at the polls to cast your ballots for him and use your influence for him.

6. Yours most truly,
B. L. Aycock, Dr. J. J. Young, Jesse Wood, Dock Stevenson, W. G. Wilson, S. D. West, C. M. Wilson, William Richardson, J. D. Smith, J. P. Jernigan, C. E. Pierce, J. A. Ford, William S. Eldridge, Ashley Hume, Dr. J. B. Robertson, E. J. Holt, B. R. Jones, John M. Wilson, W. H. Ellis, A. B. Vinson, N. E. Edgerton, J. H. Parker, B. A. Wellons, Jas. A. Wellons, R. L. Lassiter, J. C. Lee, Perry Godwin, W. E. Strickland, M. G. Olive, J. T. MeLeod, G. F. Fzde, C. R. Tomlinson, B. D. Adams, D. E. McKinnis, W. A. Saunders, W. R. Allen, Y. J. Lawhon.

Mr. Simmons' Friends Write in His Behalf.

To the Democrats of Johnston:

Johnston County has a reputation in North Carolina for Democracy, fair-mindedness and conservatism. It is desired that this well earned reputation be maintained by a continual abiding here. The fair-minded, conservative men do not condemn any man on the charge of one side until he has had an opportunity to defend himself; and when it is known that it is attempted to do any man an injustice in this county, by the vote of its citizens, or otherwise, the high sense of honesty and fairness rises up in its power to condemn such procedure. It appears to us now, much as we regret it, that such attempt is now being made. We now have two men asking our support at the Senatorial Primary: The present Chairman of the State Democratic Executive Committee, F. M. Simmons, and Julian S. Carr, of Durham. It has been said by Mr. Carr's friends that he is known to the people of North Carolina and Mr. Simmons' friends have said he is also known to them.

But here in the last days of the campaign Mr. Carr's friends are trying to tell some of our citizens some news, not concerning Mr. Carr alone but they take the other side and tell some things about Mr. Simmons. They are doing this by circulating a circular containing a letter written by Mr. Charles Vance. In answer to Mr. Vance's letter which is a charge against Mr. Simmons' personal character, we beg you to hear what others have said. In the Charlotte Times-Independent of October 25th, the following is printed:

"We the undersigned Democratic citizens and taxpayers of the City of Charlotte beg to submit the following: 1. This composite letter of Mr. Charles Vance is unkind, unjust and unsubstantiated. Mr. Vance seeks to have a vivid recollection about everything which transpired in connection with the charges except the charges themselves. Mr. Vance's memory is lazy as to the specific charges. It is unfortunate for Mr. Vance dealing with so delicate a matter as a man's private character, he is unable to specify the nature of those charges. He says the papers have been abstracted from the records. He does not know when or by whom. He does not seem to know who made these charges. How he told Mr. Vance and Mr. Carr's friends who are circulating the sheet in this county where the charges are and who preferred them. Mr. A. J. Field, of Raleigh, has the charges and they were made by the following named persons: Chas. A. Cook, Republican; S. Otto Wilson, Populist, who in North Carolina does not know S. Otto, and who is willing to circulate charges made by him against a Democrat, and who is going to condemn the content on his charges; Jas. I. Ray, Republican; Thos. Malloy, Republican; Jno. B. Hussey, Republican, who knows the name of Marion Butler, and does not know Hussey and Maj. E. J. Hale, Democrat, who is now a strong supporter of Mr. Simmons.

2. We are not surprised that the man who made these charges are against Mr. Simmons, they have been since he first began the fight for white supremacy in this State. Let us do with clean hands what is becoming in us as honest Democrats. This letter condemning Mr. Vance's letter is signed by the following citizens of Charlotte: C. B. Elgumey, J. J. Shannon, J. T. Manus, J. H. Harrell, G. J. Williams, L. F. Osborne, W. S. Stewart, W. A. Gresham, W. B. Kidd, W. F. Strange, C. C. Bates, James Palmer, E. T. Cansler, J. H. Weddington, Heriot Clarkson, P. M. Brown and 30 others.

3. Do you want further proof of Mr. Simmons' character and ability, so far as relates to his personal, private and public character? Good honest Democrats of Johnston County, read the following testimonials:

Some days ago Hon. W. C. Newland of Lenoir, N. C. wrote a letter to Governor-elect Charles B. Aycock of Goldsboro, asking him in view of the attacks that had been made and were being circulated, and in view of the fact that he (Governor Aycock) lived in the same section and had known Mr. Simmons personally, to express to the people of the west his estimate of Mr. Simmons. The following is Governor-elect Aycock's reply, which Mr. Newland asks to be printed, it is understood, with Governor Aycock's consent:

October 26, 1900.
Hon. Will C. Newland, Raleigh, N. C.
My Dear Newland—I am in receipt of yours of the 26th, asking me what I know of the life and character of Mr. Simmons. I have known Mr. Simmons for twenty years, personally and professionally. His public life is known of all men in the State. I have always known him as a strong, able, aggressive, upright and sincere man, who has done and is capable of doing the State great and valuable service. I am astonished that the question should be raised. I have just read with much pleasure the article of Capt. T. W. Mason, a general and wise man, who sees good by preference, and quite agree with him that these senatorial contests in this State ought to be freed from its bitterness.

With best wishes, I am, as always,
Sincerely your friend,
C. B. AYCOCK.
Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 17, 1894.
To the Honorable the Finance Committee U. S. Senate, Washington, D. C.
Gentlemen—We respectfully ask your honorable body for speedy action on the confirmation of Hon. F. M. Simmons to be Collector for the Fourth Collective District of North Carolina. Mr. Simmons has been in public life in this State for some years, an ex-member of Congress; in high standing, and we take great pleasure in certifying to his integrity of character, his ability and fitness in all respects for the position. His nomination by the President gave great satisfaction to our people, and there is an exceptionally strong demand for his confirmation.

for us, we are, with feelings of highest esteem.

Very respectfully,
(Signed) B. H. DUNN,
4th N. C. Dis.
J. S. HENDERSON,
7th N. C. Dis.
WM. A. B. BRANCH,
1st N. C. Dis.
B. F. GRADY,
3rd N. C. Dis.
S. B. ALEXANDER,
6th N. C. Dis.
W. T. CRAWFORD,
9th N. C. Dis.
F. A. WOODARD,
2nd N. C. Dis.
W. H. BOWER,
8th N. C. Dis.

We make the following extract from a letter written by Ex-Senator Jarvis to a letter from J. W. Hunsucker, who asked Mr. Jarvis some questions as to Mr. Simmons' private character and why Senator Vance opposed his confirmation:

"I have known Mr. Simmons intimately for more than twenty years. I appointed him the State's proxy in the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad Company when I was Governor of the State. I canvassed the State under him in 1892, with Governor Carr, when he was first chairman of the State Committee. I was very closely connected with him in the great campaigns of 1898 and 1900. I have mixed much with the people of the east, where he was born and raised, and I take pleasure in saying I never heard aught against his private character. I do not believe any man of any standing in all the east will, over his own name, say that he has ever heard aught against his character. I think I may say his character is unassailable and unassailable."

"Now, as to the opposition of Senator Vance to the confirmation of Mr. Simmons as collector, I let no man go ahead of me in admiration and love of North Carolina's great statesman. I had the honor and privilege of being very close to him in his life, and I think I am loyal to his great name and fame. I did not, however, always agree with him in all things. In fact, I had the misfortune to differ with him more than once. One of the things in which I differed with him was his opposition to the confirmation of Mr. Simmons. I talked with him about it, and tried to dissuade him from it. He gave me fully, as I understand it, his reasons for his opposition, and in no single instance did he ever assign a reason that reflected in the least upon Mr. Simmons' integrity or character. He thought that Mr. Simmons had taken sides against him in some matters of appointments, and that led, as I then and now understand it, to his opposition to Mr. Simmons. I think those are the facts in the case."

We beg you consider the above testimonials when you should have handed you a certain yellow sheet full of insinuations without a direct charge or one word of proof or a syllable of truth that can, possibly injure the personal character of Mr. Simmons. The contents of the yellow sheet will appear in the columns of the Herald this week. We wish in reply to said sheet to say we do not tolerate the spirit of this sheet which attempts to raise class legislation as the Populists did, by saying Mr. Carr is a farmer and Mr. Simmons is a lawyer. Tell us when Mr. Carr did one honest day's work on a farm. He is not far from a free laborer as any man who says he did a day's work on a farm.

Who says that Mr. Carr's character is superior to Mr. Simmons?

Again Mr. E. W. Pon has not been a member of the firm of Simmons, Pon and Ward since some time before the Congressional convention.

Mr. Carr has never before this year been called a statesman.

Again, we do not endorse the course of Mr. Carr and his friends, among the Pops and Republicans. We have seen in this town, Lewis Mangum, a Deputy Marshal, wearing a Carr button. We see Math McCauley, a negro bar-

ber of this town, Ashley Smith a colored merchant, Henry J. Smith a common colored drayman and Judge Henry a colored drayman also Hyman Ford a colored hackman, wearing Carr buttons. We hear Tom Massey declaring for Carr. Again, we say, we oppose the distribution of Charlie Vance's letter, the strength of which is charges of Pops and Republicans and the work done in the county for a Democrat among Republicans and negroes.

Above all, we recommend Mr. Simmons to the Democracy of Johnston county, not only for the work which he has done for Democracy of North Carolina, in bearing aloft and to victory the banner of white supremacy, but we honor him and love him and recommend him to the good white people of Johnston county for the enemies he has made among the revenue officers, Republicans, Populists, negroes and opponents of good government.

Respectfully submitted,
CS Powell, F. T. Booker, Ed S. Abell, Jno A. Naron, J. W. Stephenson, J. T. Ellington, B. A. Coats, E. T. Smith, A. M. Barnes, Aquilla Price, C. M. Holloman, J. Floyd Brown, Walter Edgerton, W. A. Crocker, S. H. Bagley, D. A. Fields, M. C. Winston, C. T. Kirby, B. S. Pittman, Jesse Parker, W. F. Gerald, D. B. Oliver, J. W. Perry, J. D. Finlayson, J. H. Howell, P. H. C. Dupree, J. A. Cole, G. R. Britt, S. W. Lassiter, J. J. Rose, J. W. Wood, L. M. Ryals, E. H. Woodall, N. T. Ryals, Curtis Johnson, J. T. Cole, J. C. Keen, J. B. Creech, Zeb N. Stephenson, W. C. Benson, John Stephenson, J. P. Edmundson, J. T. Whittenton, J. A. Messingill, G. W. Messingill, A. M. Sanders, J. B. Hourne, G. L. Jones, D. L. Barbour, W. A. Barnes, J. M. Tuley, D. M. McCallers, D. J. McCallers, W. A. Saunders, G. J. Peacock, J. J. Jordan, Jesse Daughtry.

THE JOURNAL'S FIGURES.
Out of 127 Doubtful Votes, Bryan Will Need to get Only 27.

The New York Journal says that the election of Bryan is now assured. Here are its figures: Republican—Maine, 6; Vermont, 4; New Hampshire, 4; Massachusetts, 15; Rhode Island, 4; Connecticut, 6; Pennsylvania, 32; New Jersey, 10; Michigan, 14; Wisconsin, 14; Iowa, 15; Minnesota, 9; Oregon, 4—Total 131.

Democrat—Maryland, 10; West Virginia, 6; Virginia, 12; North Carolina, 11; South Carolina, 9; Georgia, 13; Florida, 3; Alabama, 11; Tennessee, 12; Kentucky, 13; Mississippi, 9; Louisiana, 8; Missouri, 14; Arkansas, 8; South Dakota, 4; Nebraska, 8; Kansas, 10; Texas, 15; Colorado, 4; Wyoming, 3; Montana, 3; Idaho, 3; Utah, 3; Nevada, 3—Total 147.

Doubtful—New York, 30; Delaware, 2; North Dakota, 3; Ohio, 23; Indiana, 15; Illinois, 24; California, 9; Washington, 5.

Recapitulation—Doubtful, 117; for Bryan, 137; for McKinley, 133—Total, 417.

Necessary to elect, 224.

The Journal adds: Bryan will be elected without New York—and he will carry this State, too.

Leaving this State out of the calculation, less certain of 197 votes. With the 23 votes of this State, Bryan will have 233, or 3 more than enough to elect.

Leaving New York out, Bryan will need only 27 votes to triumph. Illinois and Delaware will do it, as will Maryland and Washington. Any two of Illinois, Indiana and Ohio will do it.

The latest that are conceded to be doubtful have a total of 117 electoral votes. Out of this 117 Bryan is as sure of getting the needed 27 as he is sure that he is a candidate. Bryan's chances in Ohio, Indiana and Illinois are better than McKinley's. There are a dozen combinations that mean defeat for McKinley, and William J. Bryan will be the next President of these United States.

Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets cure biliousness, constipation and headache. They are easy to take and pleasant in effect. For sale by Hood Bros.

Remington single and double barrel guns. Re-loading tools, shells, wads, etc. Come quick and get a first class gun.
J. R. Ledbetter.

FRON BROS.' SHOWS.
The Gun Bros.' Shows made their street parade at noon today. They made a very creditable showing on the street. Everything looked clean, neat and in good order, and this condition of affairs on the outside is a safe index to a nice show on the inside. The band was exceptionally good. Will show at Smithfield, Monday, November 12.

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