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NORTH CAROLINA IN CONGRESS.

Claude Kitchin Fleshes His Maiden Sword and the Strongest Republican Speakers are Called Upon to Reply to Him.

Washington, D. D., April 24.—North Carolina may not be able to command for her present Governor the honor of being nominated by the Democratic convention at St. Louis as the running mate of Judge Parker, but there can be no doubt as to the position which her delegation in Congress will occupy should the Democratic party gain control of the National Legislature. There is not another delegation from any single State which has contributed as much of sound reasonable debate and intelligent, even eloquent argument to the records of the session now drawing to a close as has the delegation from North Carolina. The speeches of Hon. E. W. Pon, Hon. J. H. Small, Hon. C. R. Thomas, the debate on the naval appropriation bill conducted by Hon. W. W. Kitchin and the speech of Hon. Claude Kitchin on Friday last will be quoted and used during the coming campaign all over the United States. No greater compliment perhaps, to Hon. Claude Kitchin's powers as an orator could have been paid than the fact that he lashed two of the strongest of the Republican leaders into action in an attempt to defend themselves and their candidate for the Republican nomination, General Grosvenor, of Ohio, being the first to rush into the breach while Mr. Kitchin, of Iowa, took time to gather himself together as he had both Mr. Kitchin and Champ Clark, of Missouri, on his hands. Mr. Kitchin at the close of the Iowa's speech on Saturday expressed his regret that the leaders of the Republican party had misconstrued his endeavor to defend them against their own candidate, Theodore Roosevelt, and assured them that he was their friend and indeed the only friend in the House who had the courage to endeavor to arouse them from their subjection to the man who had not many years ago characterized them as champions of "foul government and dishonest politics." He made a harmonious semi-sarcastic speech in which he deplored the attacks made upon him by Mr. Grosvenor and Mr. Hepburn, and said that they showed the greatest ingratitude, and that he was only trying to defend them from the defamation of their character by Theodore Roosevelt. He admitted that he was liable to be characterized as a peanut politician whenever he agreed with Mr. Grosvenor, but that his feeling of admiration for the two distinguished Republicans had led him into defending them, even at the risk of being expelled from the House by executive order of the President.

Champ Clark, of Missouri, J. W. Maddox, of Georgia, Richardson, of Tennessee, and John Sharpe Williams, of Mississippi, were interested listeners to Mr. Kitchin, frequently starting the applause and crowding about him at the close with such expressions as "A fine speech, Kitchin;" "That will be hard to answer;" "A rousing speech."—A. W. Hughes, in Charlotte News.

A Great Sensation.

There was a big sensation in Leesville, Ind. when W. H. Brown of that place, who was expected to die, had his life saved by Dr. Kings New Discovery for Consumption. He writes: "I endured insufferable agonies from Asthma, but your New Discovery gave me immediate relief and soon thereafter effected a complete cure." Similar cures of Consumption, Pneumonia, Bronchitis and Grip are numerous. It's the peerless remedy for all throat and lung troubles. Price 50c and \$1.00. Guaranteed by Hood Bros., Druggists. Trial bottles free.

SELMA NEWS.

Mr. M. F. Nordan spent Sunday in Battleboro visiting friends.

Mr. L. U. Creech, of Benson, spent Sunday here, visiting his daughter, Mrs. W. H. Stallings.

Mr. Allison V. Driver has moved to the home he recently bought of R. M. Nowell.

Mr. W. B. Driver has moved back to his old stand on Railroad street. Glad to have him and his estimable wife as neighbors again.

Mr. J. A. Blackman, who has been a patient at the Sanatorium of Wilson, returned home Wednesday for a few days to rest on his treatment.

H. B. Pearce, Sr., has called a meeting of the Republicans for West Selma precinct next Saturday. Wonder how many white Republicans there are in Selma—We know only two.

A force of hands are at work grading for a "yard" about a mile West of Selma, where they will put in eleven thousand feet of track. There will be four tracks which will hold over four hundred cars. It will take them about six weeks to complete them. Mr. Davis is the contractor.

Mr. Thad H. Whitley's home caught on fire twice Tuesday, once from the kitchen, and the other time on the front porch; how it is not known, but supposed to have caught from a passing engine. But for the prompt assistance of our citizens it would have burned. The loss was very little and was covered by insurance.

Our people feel with sorrow the announcement of the death of Capt. William H. Green of Washington city. He was a great favorite with our people—was always trying to help them in anything he could. He was buried in Richmond, Va. Mr. Clem Richardson attended the funeral. The sympathy of our people is with his devoted wife and son.

A prominent Republican was heard to say a few days ago in answer to the question "What are our Republican prospects in the State?" "Not a bit—we are on the wrong side of the whiskey question. I tried to get our people to come out for temperance; but they wouldn't do it—and we will get beaten every time we get on the whiskey side. There is nothing we can say in favor of whiskey."

The Woman's Home Mission Society of the North Carolina Conference holds its annual meeting at Selma this year, April 27, to May 2nd. The whole town expects to derive great spiritual benefits from this gathering together of the good women of the M. E. Church. Rev. Mr. Bumpass, of Raleigh, will preach the annual sermon on Sunday morning, Rev. Mr. Welch, of Hope Mills, will lecture Friday evening on the "Factory Problem of our Church." We expect also to have with us Mrs. Chapman of Tennessee.

Work on the side track for the Cotton Mill began last Monday and will be finished this week. The contract for ten of the tenant houses has been let out and the carpenters are at work on them. One will be finished this week. The brick have been bought and are being delivered. The textile machinery for the Cotton Mills was bought from the Whiting Machinery Company, of Massachusetts, and is of the latest patent. We have men at the head of it who will push the Mills to completion at once.

A Thoughtful Man.

M. M. Austin of Winchester, Ind. knew what to do in the hour of need. His wife had such an unusual case of stomach and liver trouble, physicians could not help her. He thought of and tried Dr. Kings New Life Pills and she got relief at once and was finally cured. Only 25c, at Hood Bros., drug store.

BAD FOR THE CROPS.

Cold and Dry Weather of Past Week Not Favorable.

The weekly crop bulletin of the North Carolina section of the climate mild crop service, issued by the Weather Bureau, for the week ending Monday, April 25, 1904, is as follows:

"The past week has not been favorable for the growth of crops, on account of the cold, dry weather. The only precipitation of consequence during the week was on the 20th, when snow fell over the western district, in places to a depth of several inches. As it melted soon after it fell, it did little damage, and brought much needed moisture to the soil. In some sections the ground is hard and dry and cotton planting is being deferred. Corn has been mostly all planted, and cotton planting is generally well underway; both are slow in germinating. Wheat and oats are generally looking well, but spring oats need rain. Tobacco plants are everywhere reported small and no setting has been done yet.

Severe frosts occurred on the 21st and 22nd over the western and central districts, and light to heavy over the eastern district on the 20th, 21st and 22nd. Fruit is reported badly damaged over the western and central portions, but the damage has probably been over-estimated. Some localities escaped injury altogether. Peaches have been badly damaged, also pears, apricots and cherries, but apples will be a fair crop. Strawberries ripening slowly, and will be an average crop. Beans were put down, and Irish potatoes damaged, but a considerable portion of the latter crop will be over."

Death of Judge Simonton.

Philadelphia, April 25.—Judge Charles H. Simonton, of Charleston, S. C., died in a hospital here today. Judge Simonton came to this city a short time ago to undergo treatment for brain trouble, but grew steadily weaker, until death came today. Judge Simonton, with Judge Goff, of West Virginia, comprised the Federal circuit bench of the fourth districts, which includes Maryland, West Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina.

South Carolina for Aycock.

The recent visit of Governor Charles B. Aycock, of North Carolina, to this city, has confirmed our belief that he is the man to be placed on the ticket with Judge Parker. There are not two cleaner or nobler men in this whole republic and hard it will be for any one to find aught against either. With these two as the Democratic champions it would be ability, conservatism, high personal and national integrity against the flashy vagaries of a grandstand pitcher leagued with a notoriously corrupt, bold set of governmental graeters—Spartanburg Herald.

They are talking about Aycock for Vice-President in North Carolina. The old North State has but to say the word and South Carolina will back her in anything she may propose for Governor Aycock.—Spartanburg Journal.

Social Event Near Smithfield.

Smithfield, N. C., April 21.—Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Tomlinson entertained informally yesterday evening at their delightful home, "Woodsdale Farm," in honor of Miss Mattie Dean, of Henderson, and Miss Fannie Freeman, of Wilson.

The guests were received by Miss Mabel Tomlinson. After enjoying music, recitations and a good time in general, all were invited to the dining room, where delicious refreshments were served.

The evening was delightful in every particular, and the guests voted Mrs. Tomlinson a delightful hostess.—News and Observer.

POLENTA NEWS.

Most of our farmers have finished planting cotton.

Preaching at Elizabeth next Sunday by the pastor, Rev. Mr. Fisher.

Miss Neppie Smith, of Raleigh, is on a visit to her brother, Mr. G. B. Smith.

Mr. Conly Lee has been confined to his bed with risings. He is now able to be up.

On Tuesday Morning Dr. E. N. Booker had the misfortune to lose a valuable horse.

Mr. Ashley Johnson's child, we are sorry to say is quite sick. It is feared that it has pneumonia.

The unreliability of labor in this section makes it hazardous for farmers to put in too large a crop.

The recent severe cold weather to some extent damaged the fruit outlook. Not all, however, was killed.

A number of our young men say they will take in the St. Louis Exposition during the month of August.

A telephone has been put in at the residence of Mr. Bennett Wall, which puts him in close touch with the outside world.

Mr. Egbert Jones and sister, Miss Effie, from near Smithfield, spent a few days last week visiting Misses Nellie, Mina and Rena Johnson.

Mr. Simon Turner, of Garner, was in the neighborhood Sunday, shaking hands with his friends. He is the carrier on R. F. D. No. 1, from Garner coming this direction, and an efficient one he makes.

A large congregation greeted Rev. Mr. Sanders at Oakland Sunday morning, and it can truly be said they were treated to a magnificent sermon, such a one as all present must have enjoyed. It was eloquent, impressive and earnest.

Mr. H. D. Ellington and wife, Prof. Ira T. Turlington, Mr. W. M. Sanders and two daughters, Misses Mildred and Ruth, Mr. Reubin Soaders and two daughters, Misses Mattie and Mary, all of Smithfield, attended preaching at Oakland Sunday morning.

On Friday of last week Mr. Bennett Wall had born from one of his Shorthorn cows, a fine, healthy, vigorous calf, which when twenty-four hours old weighed eighty pounds. He has one six months old which weighs four hundred pounds. He is a great believer in imported stock and swine.

In talking with the people Typo finds that Mr. Lee, of the lower part of the county, will have some following for Sheriff. Wilson, Fuller, Yelvington, Sanders and Lee will all have supporters for sheriff in this township. Our people are a magnanimous crowd and don't want to slight any.

The rivers, ponds, creeks and branches have begun to receive frequent visits from the fisherman's brigade. Typo.

Will Harris Caught.

The negro Will Harris who escaped from jail a few weeks ago was captured here Wednesday night. Policeman Barham has been on the lookout for him for several days and was confident of getting him sooner or later. He learned that the negro had been in Goldsboro and that he came here Monday night. Wednesday night he was located in or about the hoghead factory on Market Street. A posse was secured and the building was surrounded. The negro was found under the building, and came out when demanded to do so by the Sheriff. He was then taken to jail and is now doing duty on the chain gang. He is a three-year prisoner.

Mrs. Carrie Nation, saloon-smasher, went on exhibition last week in a dime museum at Chicago, Ill.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTES.

When Shall We Hold Them?

I want to begin one of the Institutes July 18th, one July 25th, one Aug. 1, and one Aug. 8th.

I want to hold two of these on the east side of Neuse River and two on west side. It has been suggested that one be held in Oak Forest school house in Ingrams Township and one in Rehoboth school house in Elevation Township. Do the people of these sections want the institutes for a week? Will they give us board at a reasonable price—board for about twenty-five or thirty teachers? Let me hear from you.

Let me hear from the other side of the River. Where do you want the institutes? At what time do you want them?

Let every body interested in the institutes—and everybody ought to be interested—talk the matter over and write me what you want done—where you want each one held and when you want each one. Do you want yours to begin July 18th? I want to suit each section of the county. Now, a word as to

WHAT WE EXPECT TO DO IN THE INSTITUTE.

On Monday, Tuesday Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday of each institute we shall require the teachers to be present for their own instruction by the Supt. and for the benefit they will derive from each other. We shall study methods of teaching—mainly methods of teaching the smaller children. I found this past winter that our teachers were deficient in teaching the little ones. Nearly all were better teachers for the older school classes than they were for the primary.

Especially do we want to study methods of teaching children to read.

We shall want everybody in the community to drop in as often as convenient and see us work. We shall want to get a class of little children to come and be with us a part of each day so that we can illustrate methods. On Saturday of each institute we hope to see the whole community turn out to hear some strong speaker discuss the educational question. Also we want every school committeeman within reach to come on Saturday and hear the address and after the address to have a meeting of committeemen and let us talk over the duties of school committeemen, teachers and parents and of all others connected with the school system. IRA T. TURLINGTON.

Wouldn't Marry Her Third Time.

Indianapolis, Ind., April 24.—Weston Richey, of Milroy, Ind., is defending a breach of promise suit because he refused to marry the same woman three times. He tried it twice and was twice divorced.

Mrs. Sarah E. Witter, the complainant, claims that after the second divorce he began wooing her again and promised to wed her the third time. He has not kept his word. She asks \$6000.

Robbed the Grave.

A startling incident, is narrated by John Oliver of Philadelphia, as follows: "I was in an awful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite, growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Then I was advised to use Electric Bitters; to my great joy, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents, guaranteed, at Hood Bros., drug store.

Last Wednesday President Roosevelt appointed Judge Jeter C. Pritchard United States Circuit Judge to succeed the late Judge Simonton. The Senate at once confirmed the nomination.

BENSON BUDGET.

Mr. W. J. Hooks has gone to New York again.

Miss Eva Parrish is visiting relatives in upper Johnston.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Hall returned today from a visit to Goldsboro.

Master Carlie Ryals is in Duplin picking strawberries and hunting bear tracks.

There will be a few days meeting at the Baptist church here beginning Monday night.

Miss Lillie Ryals returned Saturday from a week's visit to Mr. Ransom Allen's near Four Oaks.

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Creech and Mrs. Lewis of Wilmington were here this week visiting Mr. L. M. Creech.

Mr. Watson, of Fayetteville was here this week with a view of locating here to run a clothing and gent's furnishing store.

The kids of Dunn and Benson played baseball here Monday evening. The result was 14 to 18 in favor of the Benson boys.

J. W. Benson and J. W. Whittenton will move next week into their new and handsome brick store next door to Preston Woodall's.

Mr. Frank Barefoot, of Greensboro, attended the burial of his brother near here last week. He has been away 17 years, but his voice was very familiar to the older inhabitants.

FOUR OAKS NOTES.

Dame Rumor bids us just say

Mr. Guss Holwell, of Goldsboro was in town last Tuesday.

Mr. D. H. Sanders is all smiles now, for it is a boy, and a fine one too.

Mrs. T. E. Oliver has moved into her new dwelling in the northern part of town.

Well two more brick stores are now in course of construction here. One is for Mr. D. H. Sanders, the other for Mr. P. W. Lassiter.

Mr. B. B. Riley, who has been in the U. S. Army for three years is making a visit to Four Oaks for a few days, but will soon return to the army having reinstated.

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Stanley, of Pembroke, were visitors in town last week. They were visiting Mrs. Stanley's mother, Mrs. Laura Creech. They returned home Monday.

The Rail Road Co. has moved Mr. W. A. Creech, the agent here over on the W. & W. Road through the vegetable season, and E. L. Creech has been made agent here during his absence.

The farmers of this section are busy in the preparation of their land for the new crop and if the seasons suit they will make a good one. There has been between 12,000 and 15,000 sacks of guano sold and delivered here this spring. H.

The long drought in Western Nebraska and Eastern Colorado has been broken.

The commencement address at the University of the South, Sewanee, Tenn., June 13, will be made by the German Ambassador, Baron Von Sternberg.

Governor Hunt, of Porto Rico, will not take his place as Federal Judge in Montana for two months at least, as he will return to the island to close up affairs there.

Makes a Clean Sweep.

There's nothing like doing things thoroughly. Of all salves you ever heard of, Bucklen's Arnica Salve is the best. It sweeps away and cures Burns, Sores, Bruises, Cuts, Boils, Ulcers, Skin Eruptions and Piles. It's only 25c, and guaranteed to give satisfaction by Hood Bros., Druggists.