

NORTH CAROLINA EVENTS

Life in the Land of the Long Leaf Pine

The Democratic Primaries.

Primaries were held in all the counties of the State Saturday to elect delegates to the Democratic State, congressional and judicial conventions, and in many of the counties for the nomination of county and legislative tickets. The results in some instances are in doubt. The convention will have a lively time in settling the contests. In the State at large there was a lively contest for the Supreme Court Justiceship between Justice J. S. Manning, appointed to the Supreme Court bench by Gov. Kitchin to succeed Judge Conner, resigned, and Judge W. R. Allen, of the Superior Court bench (Chief Justice Clark and Associate Justice Walker having no opposition for re-nomination); and in the contest for corporation commissioners, there being two vacancies to fill.

The friends of Mr. Allen claim that he has won over Manning. Returns from 48 counties, which cast a majority of the vote of the State convention, give Allen 289 and Manning 233. In the other 50 counties it is claimed that Allen will have a larger majority. While the result is close and it is not safe to say who is nominated.

For corporation commissioners the returns are not so clear, but it is probable E. C. Brown, appointed to succeed Aycock, deceased, will be nominated to fill out the term, while the indications are that W. T. Lee, of Haywood, will be nominated to succeed Rogers. J. M. Pearson, of Burke, will, however, have a good vote in the convention and it is doubtful if Lee can be nominated on the first ballot.

In the first and second congressional districts Congressman Small and Congressman Kitchin were re-nominated without opposition. In the third, where there were many candidates, Congressman Thomas appears to have won. In the fourth Congressman Pou was re-nominated without opposition. In the fifth the result is to be determined in the convention. In the sixth, where there was a great fight, Congressman Godwin appears to be in the lead but his renomination is not assured. In the seventh and ninth Congressmen Page and Webb had no opposition. In the tenth, where there were many candidates, ex-Congressman Gudgeon appears to be the favorite, but the result is still somewhat uncertain.

In the eighth the result is to be settled in convention. Each candidate, it is supposed, has his own county. In Cabarrus, one of the few counties reporting, Doughton led, with Caldwell a close second. Judge Long appears to have won over R. Lee Wright, of Rowan, in the contest for the nomination for Superior Court judge. So far as heard from Long appears to have all the counties except Rowan—with no returns from Davie and Yadkin. It is supposed that Rowan voted for Wright.

In the Charlotte judicial district there is a warm fight for solicitor, especially between Smith and Shan-nonhouse, of Mecklenburg. Smith appears to have won in his home county by a narrow margin. The contest will have to be settled in the convention.

The result in the thirteenth judicial district, where there are a number of candidates for judge, is not known. In Caldwell county, where there were two candidates for judge—Lawrence Wakefield and Edmond Jones—it was agreed that the candidate who lost in the county would retire. Jones carried the county by about 200 and this eliminates Wakefield.

In the fourteenth district, where Solicitor Spainhour contested with Judge Justice for the nomination for Judge, Justice appears to have won. In the sixth district F. A. Daniels, of Wayne county, is nominated for Superior Court judge to succeed W. R. Allen, defeating J. C. Clifford, of Harnett.

The fight in Wake which attracted the attention of the State by reason of its fierceness, resulted in a great victory for the insurgents. They defeated all the regular, or machine candidates, with the possible exception of the sheriff. Clerk Russ lost by a narrow margin.

The office of solicitor was also closely contested in several of the sixteen districts. In the first there is an active contest between E. A. Daniel and N. L. Simmons, both of Beaufort, Solicitor Ward not being a candidate for re-election.

In the Second district, Solicitor J. H. Kerr has no opposition. In the Third district Solicitor Abernethy has no opposition. In the Fourth district there is a close contest between R. A. P. Cooley, of Nash, and R. G. Allsbrook, of Edgecombe. The present solicitor, Mr. C. C. Daniels, of Wilson, is not a candidate for re-election.

In the Sixth district, Solicitor Armistead Jones is not a candidate for re-election. In the Wake primary

no candidate entered except Mr. Herbert E. Norris, of Raleigh, who secured all the votes cast.

In the Seventh district there is no opponent to Solicitor N. H. Sinclair. The same is true of Solicitor A. M. Stack, of the Eighth; S. M. Gattis, of the Ninth, and S. P. Graves, of the Eleventh.

In the Tenth district Mr. R. E. Austin, of Stanly, is a candidate against Solicitor Hammer.

There is no fight in the Fourteenth district for solicitor.

FROM COUNTY TO COUNTY

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Col. McLean on Fraudulent Bonds.

The North Carolina Bar Association held not only an interesting and profitable meeting at Wrightsville Beach, but there was something of the sensational in it. This was caused by the address delivered by Col. N. A. McLean, of Lumberton, who took for his topic, much to the surprise of the members, the "Old North Carolina Bond Question." Further to their surprise Colonel McLean dealt with the matter with gloves off, contending that the State should never have fought the South Dakota case, but should have recognized the justice of the claim and should have, in all honor, paid these bonds without the slightest hesitancy or question. Touching the carpet-bag bonds, issued during the times of corruption, just after the war, he contended that the legislators, although rascals and corruptionists, were agents of the State, and consequently if people innocently purchased the bonds, North Carolina is bound in law to pay them, and that the State should meet these obligations, even if her citizens have to be taxed treble what they are now taxed. His speech created quite a sensation and was instantly sharply replied to by Cameron Morrison, of Charlotte, who was a member of the North Carolina Legislature in 1901. He bitterly attacked the position taken by Colonel McLean.

Young Girl Dead and Another in Serious Condition As a Result of Illegal Operation.

Bessie Thomason, of Statesville died at the home of Dr. W. L. Vestal, at High Point, on account of an illegal operation which had been performed by Dr. W. L. Vestal last Thursday night.

The police were notified about the condition of the young girl just a short time before she died and when they arrived at the home of Dr. Vestal they not only found the one who is now dead, but also found another young girl who gave her name as May Owen, from Linwood, and who was in a serious condition. She had also gone through the same operation.

Sunday afternoon a coroner's inquest was held by Coroner W. W. Wood, of Greensboro.

The verdict of the jury was as follows: "The deceased came to her death by the unlawful act of one Dr. W. L. Vestal and that Levey Maynard and Mrs. W. L. Vestal were accessories to the same." Vestal and his wife have been lodged in the Greensboro jail. He is almost a physical wreck, caused from the use of deadly drugs. Maynard will be arrested. He is a widower with two children. It is not reported who caused the visit of May Owen.

Thomas Settle Gets Good Job.

Thomas Settle, of Asheville, has been appointed by Attorney General Wickensham to assist Assistant Attorney General Lloyd in the conduct of customs cases. His headquarters will be at New York and his salary will be \$5,000 a year.

Thirty Years for 70-Year-Old Powell.

The acceptance of a verdict of murder in the second degree on the part of the defense and agreement by the State to the imposing of a sentence of 30 years in the State penitentiary for the defendant brought to an unexpected close at Warrenton, the case of the State of North Carolina against E. E. Powell for the killing of Chief of Police Charles W. Dunn of Scotland Neck on March 4 last.

Maj. James Wilson Passes.

Maj. James Wilson, who built the Western North Carolina railroad through the Blue Ridge mountains, which at the time was conceded to be the most wonderful piece of engineering in America, died at Charlotte Saturday, at the age of 84. The greatest part of his life was spent with this railroad and for many years he was its president, rising from the position of civil engineer.

Enormous Output Tobacco.

The output of tobacco by Winston-Salem factories in the month of June was nearly double the amount for the same month last year and gives the immense total of 8,729,557 pounds. The government stamps amounted to \$523,773.42, a big cash business for Uncle Sam. The enormous output was brought about by the desire of the factories to get as much stock manufactured as possible before the new 8-cent tax on tobacco went into effect on July 1. The tax has been 6 cents heretofore.

OUR BIG EXPOSITION.

Thousands Will Attend Great Appalachian Show Sept. 12-Oct. 12.

Knoxville, Tenn., Special.—For the Appalachian Exposition, to be held in Knoxville, September 12 to October 12, the railroads of the southeastern territory have granted extremely low rates which insure the success of the enterprise, making possible the attendance of thousands. The exposition being especially designed for the states of the Appalachian region, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama and Kentucky, there is sure to be a large patronage of the coach excursions to be run on Tuesdays and Thursdays during the exposition period, for which the rate will be approximately one cent per mile traveled. Tickets sold for these excursions will be good only in coaches.

Tickets at approximately one and one-half cents per mile traveled will be on sale during the exposition. These will be good in Pullman sleepers and will allow a ten days' stay in Knoxville.

It is expected that at least 350,000 persons will visit the exposition. One of its most enthusiastic boomers is Passenger Traffic Manager S. H. Hardwick, of the Southern Railway Company which has several lines converging at Knoxville. The Southern is very much interested in the success of the exposition, as has been its uniform policy with such enterprises in the South, and is co-operating with its management to the fullest extent.

Carolinians Graduate at Harvard.

Cambridge, Mass., Special.—Nearly a thousand degrees were conferred upon graduating students and distinguished citizens Wednesday in the most enthusiastic and best attended commencement Harvard University has ever held. Col. Theodore Roosevelt was present and received an ovation which continued throughout the day and well into the evening. J. Pierpont Morgan and Governor Hughes of New York, were the principal recipients of honor degrees.

The Carolina degree winners were: Master of Arts Daniel Huger Bacon, Jr., Charleston, S. C.; Charles A. Cornelison, Orangeburg, S. C.; Bothwell Graham, Jr., Clinton, S. C.; Walter B. Moore, Yorkville, S. C.; Augustine T. Smythe, Jr., Charleston, S. C.

Doctor of Philosophy, Sidney Swain Robins, Asheboro, N. C.; (A. B. University of North Carolina, A. M. and St. B. Harvard.)

Doctor of Medicine, Yates W. Faison, Charlotte, N. C.

Doctor of Laws, John Wadsworth Hutcheson, Charlotte, (Graduate Trinity College, A. B.)

Gilbert Thomas Stephenson, Pendleton, N. C. (Graduate Wake Forest College and Harvard.)

Mr. Robins, who received the philosophy degree, has taken a special course in the history of philosophy in the Harvard graduate school of arts and sciences. The thesis which won for him the philosophy degree is entitled "Herold Pragmatism."

Oser on Christian Science.

London, By Cable.—The first days of this week will be marked by the announcement of the publication of a volume embracing the results of two years' inquiry by prominent churchmen, physicians and scientists into "Christian Science and other forms of faith healing."

The former cult is emphatically rejected as false and dangerous. It is held that "Christian Science" may quiet sufferers from nervousness, but that it has killed far more than it has cured. It is asserted that its aim is profit for the promoters and the inner few.

Dr. William Oser is among the contributors to the volume.

General Average for Cotton 82.3.

Memphis, Tenn., Special.—The report of the National Ginners' association issued Wednesday gives the condition of cotton up to June 25 at 82.3 per cent. The report by States follows: Alabama 81; Arkansas, 77; Florida, 80; Georgia 80; Louisiana, 80; Mississippi, 84; Missouri, 83; North Carolina, 77; Oklahoma, 90; South Carolina, 77; Tennessee, 86; Texas, 85; general average 82.3.

Roosevelt and Abernethy Boys.

New York Special.—The Abernethy boys, aged 9 and 6 years old, respectively, who rode horseback alone across the continent to welcome Col. Roosevelt, talked with Roosevelt an hour in the Outlook office in New York. Taking the youngest boy on his knees, he said:

"Did anybody refuse you a stopping place?" asked the eminent editor.

"Only twice."

"Where was that?"

"In Missouri."

Col. Roosevelt drew his lips tensely over his teeth and exclaimed, "I'd like to know who they were."

Thirty-Third Degree Mason Dead.

Savannah, Ga., Special.—Dr. Richard Joseph Nunn, an eminent physician and one of the best known Masons in the world, died here Wednesday at the age of 79. He returned from Europe in 1876 to fight yellow fever at Savannah. He was a captain in the Confederate army, commanding a Georgia battery. He was a thirty-third degree Mason and had a wide reputation in several branches of that order.

THE NEWS MINUTELY TOLD

The Heart of Happenings Carved From the Whole Country.

The dry dock Dewey at Manila has been raised. It is now restored to its normal buoyancy and apparently is not very seriously damaged.

George R. Putnam, of Davenport, Iowa, has been appointed commissioner of lighthouses at \$5,000 per annum, and Arthur V. Canover, of Passaic, N. J., deputy tender at \$4,000. These appointments mark the first improvement of the reorganization in the lighthouse service.

A bill intended to knock out prize fights and glove contests of any kind in Georgia, has been introduced in the upper branch of the General Assembly. Boxing contests at present are staged in Atlanta, Savannah and Macon.

The President has signed an order abolishing the Bureau of Equipment in the Navy Department and distributing its functions among the other bureaus of the department, in accordance with the recommendations of the Swift board.

The upper branch of the Louisiana legislature has not only gone on record as opposed to woman suffrage, but refused to allow women to act as members of board of an educational or charitable nature, even though appointed to such boards by men.

By failing to act on the joint resolution providing for the reinstatement of the West Point Cadets who were dismissed for the hazing of young Sutton last summer, the House Committee on Military Affairs has knocked out the chances of the cadets in question for reinstatement at the coming session of the Military Academy.

One man is dead, one is fatally wounded and seven other persons are in a hospital with more or less serious wounds as the result of a duel fought on one of Cleveland's most crowded thoroughfares Thursday. The trouble started in a quarrel between Frank Viena and Antoine Mercurio, over the alleged treatment of Mercurio of his wife, Viena's sister.

Though it had first decided to meet in Mobile, Ala., the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen, in annual session in St. Paul, Minn., has reversed its decision and selected Washington for the 1911 convention.

W. C. Riddick, a telegrapher of West Virginia, and Miss Thelma Smith, of Americus, Ga., met at Bristol, Va., after a correspondence of a year, and were married by Rev. H. W. Leslie. They were well pleased when they met, and neither favored a postponement of the marriage.

Word was received at Des Moines, Iowa, from Chicago, that Rudolph J. Faas, driving a car in the Glidden tour, has fallen heir to a fortune of \$1,500,000 through the death of his grandfather, Rudolph A. Faas, of Wurtemberg, Germany. The news found no more surprised man than Faas himself.

The one bright thing about the exodus of congress this year is the absence of typewriters and other freight matter going through the mails with a Congressional frank stuck on. The great moral wave which has been riding the country from four directions has had its effect.

The college trained lawyer will solve the great legal and economic questions of government of this and the next generation, declared Attorney General Wickensham, who was the principal speaker before the law school graduates at Harvard commencement exercises Tuesday.

Five men were killed and eleven injured, two of them probably fatally, by an explosion which first wrecked and then set fire to the saloon of Edward Bushay, five miles north of Minneapolis, Thursday.

Charged with poisoning the chickens of John Conde by feeding them macaroni mixed with soaked-match heads, Dominic Mature, a lamp-lighter, was fined \$4 and costs by Justice Cramer at Derby, Pa.

United States Senator Samuel Douglas McEnery of Louisiana, died at New Orleans. Senator McEnery arrived from Washington Tuesday suffering from an attack of indigestion.

Armed with knives, and keeping their word to meet at sunrise in the woods near Macfarland Park, in West Tampa, Fla., Mario Adalo and another Cuban, whose identity has not yet been established, fought until both fell from loss of blood. Adalo died within a few minutes. The unknown man escaped.

Mrs. Jas. S. Sherman, wife of the Vice President, who is a patient at the Johns Hopkins Hospital, was Thursday reported in an improved condition. Though all information as to her ailment is refused at the hospital and by her physicians, it is understood that she is suffering from a nervous breakdown.

Former State Senator E. J. Emmons, of Bakersfield, Cal., who was expelled from the Senate on February 27, 1905, and later sentenced to five years in prison for accepting a bribe, became a free man Thursday, when Governor Gillett signed an absolute pardon.

The Academy of Medicine at Paris listened with deep interest to a lecture by Dr. Caumont, who proved that typhoid fever was propagated by dogs, who, he said, easily contract the bacilli.

CAPITAL FACTS.

Interesting News Gathered in the District of Columbia.

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Committees Work This Summer.

During the Congress recess legislators will be busy making inquiries that were ordered before adjournment.

There is a suggestion of scandal in some of these investigations and reports may be made at the December session calculated to stir up more or less excitement.

Foreshadowing all other investigations ordered by Congress is that to be made into Indian affairs in Oklahoma.

This particular inquiry was provoked by the sensational charge of Senator Gore, of Oklahoma, that he had been offered a bribe of \$50,000 to withdraw his opposition to a provision in the deficiency bill, directing the President to approve a contract made with the Indians by a firm of lawyers, that has been active around the halls of Congress for many years.

Much to the surprise of a great many people, the House ordered an inquiry into charges of impropriety in the disposition of Friar lands in the Philippines. This investigation was forced by Representative Martin, of Colorado, a Democrat, who has undying hatred of the sugar trust.

The seat of a member of the United States Senate is involved in one of the inquiries to be made this summer and fall. Senator Lorimer is the man under fire. It is charged that he got his election to the United States Senate by means of bribery. The affair will be inquired into by a committee of Mr. Lorimer's colleagues. The investigation will be begun in the fall.

The inquiry in the ship subsidy scandal, which will be resumed in the fall, has been in progress several weeks. Up to date the scandal has not developed.

There will be a good deal going on in the Ballinger-Pinchot affair in the fall. The committee that is throwing the light on this affair was busy the better part of the late session, but it did not complete its labors. During the summer the committee-men will go over the evidence and the briefs, and meet at Minneapolis to make up the report.

It is known in Washington that the majority report of the committee will throw down the charges against Secretary Ballinger by Mr. Pinchot and the others associated with him in the "prosecution." The Ballinger-Pinchot report is likely to be given to the public in advance of the election.

An inquiry ordered at the instance of President Taft is likely to result in important enactments further regulative of the business of the railroads of the country. The railroad bill authorizes the President to appoint a commission to make inquiries into alleged watering of railroad securities. This inquiry grew out of the failure of the stock and bonds provisions of the railroad bill.

There is a strong likelihood that this committee will finish its labors in the fall.

Patent Inventions Barred.

The government will no longer be permitted to use, without authority or compensation, patented inventions that are passed upon by the United States Patent Office. For years complaint has been made that Uncle Sam has had a habit of using without awarding compensation various patented devices. Inventors made complaint.

Population of Washington.

The population of the District of Columbia is 331,069. In the last decade, according to the returns of the thirteenth census, made public, this is an increase of 52,351 over the population of the District in 1900, which was then 278,718. The population in 1890 was 230,392. The increase from 1900 to 1910, therefore, was 18.8 per cent, as compared with the increase of 48,326, or 21 per cent, of the preceding decade.

The city of Washington is considered for census purposes to be co-extensive with the District of Columbia.

Corporation Division Created.

Beginning July 1 there will be organized a Division of Corporations in the office of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue. It will consist of a chief, a dozen clerks and a messenger. Their work will be that of classifying, indexing, exhibiting and caring for the returns of corporations which are liable to a tax of 1 per cent on their net incomes.

UNCLE SAM AT MERCY OF JAPAN.

Representative Humphrey Backs His Startling Declaration With Some Humiliating Facts

"On the Pacific Ocean the United States to-day is actually in a far worse condition for war than was Russia at the beginning of her contest with Japan," declares Representative William E. Humphrey in the Travel Magazine. "I am not prophesying war with Japan," he continues, "but it is not given to man to know what the future holds. A comparison with our progressive, patriotic and pugnacious neighbor over the sea certainly cannot tickle American vanity."

"Japan pays the two steamship lines engaged in American trade \$830,000 annually in gold. The United States has steadfastly refused to assist American ships running on the Pacific."

"Our merchant marine has practically disappeared and our flag to-day is but a memory in most of the ports of the world. Japan has on her way to-day under construction more than fifty ships for the foreign trade. The United States has not one, and has not had one for many years. Japan has more than 500 vessels fit for use as transports and as a naval auxiliary. The United States has on the Pacific six merchant vessels running and four or five old antiquated transports. Japan could easily carry 200,000 troops at one time. The United States not more than 10,000. Japan has in her merchant marine to-day more than 500,000 men, probably the best trained seamen in the world, from which to pick crews for her vessels of war. The United States has not on the Pacific Ocean to-day 1000 American sailors, naturalized and American born. We cannot even get complete crews to man the naval vessels we already have constructed. Japan could easily place 200,000 men in the Philippines, 100,000 in Hawaii, before we could get 10,000 ready to embark for either place. We could not today, even in time of peace, using our own vessels (as we would be compelled to do in time of war), place 50,000 troops in the Philippines within a year."

The Rope of Ocnus.

Few persons who use the phrase "Like the rope of Ocnus" to denote profitless labor know the significance of the expression or its great antiquity. "The Rope of Ocnus" was the name of a picture painted by Polygnotus, a distinguished Greek, who died in the fifth century B. C. He is reputed first to have given life, character and expression to painting. According to Piny he opened the mouth and showed the teeth of his figures, and he was the first to paint women figures with transparent draperies.

Ocnus was a poor but industrious Greek whose extravagant wife spent money as fast as he could earn it, and he related his troubles to his friend the painter. Polygnotus thereupon painted the picture of a man weaving a rope of straw, while behind him stood a donkey eating the rope as fast as it was woven. It is pleasant to relate that the silent lesson had the desired effect upon the wife of Ocnus and that it was through her subsequent frugality and thrift that Ocnus ultimately rose to a position of great prosperity.—London Globe.

The Radium King.

Mr. Harry March, the British engineer who was recently made a knight by King Manuel in recognition of his discovery of valuable radium mines in Portugal, is popularly known in scientific circles as the Radium King. Mr. March has mined in almost every corner of the earth. In the Guarda Belt Mountains, 4000 feet above the level of the sea, he suffered terrible privations. When hungry he would have to trust to his gun for a meal. Sour wine was the only drink procurable, and even that difficult to obtain. For nearly three years this brilliant young engineer endured great hardships, till his perseverance was rewarded by the discovery of the world's richest radium mines. Mr. March is taking a great interest in the new National Radium Bank.—Tit-Bits.

Poker or Rolling Pin?

A friend of the late Father Tabb said in Elliott City:

"This fine poet and good man thought that class hatred was due to ignorance—that the rich knew too little of the poor, and vice versa."

"He once illustrated this ignorance with the story of a Methodist bishop's wife, who addressed a meeting of slum housewives on their home duties. The address made the home life seem all very fine and ideal, but one housewife voiced the opinion of the rest, perhaps, when she said to her neighbor, with a sniff:

"She's all right as far as she goes, but what I'd like to ask her is this: What does she do when her old bishop comes home pay night with his envelope empty and a fightin' jag on?"—Minneapolis Journal.

Such Excellent Milk.

A simple-hearted and truly devout country preacher, who had tasted but few of the drinks of the world, took dinner with a high-toned family, where a glass of milk punch was quietly set down by each plate. In silence and happiness this new Vicar of Wakefield quaffed his goblet and added: "Madam, you should daily thank God for such a good cow."—Once a Week.