

Attention has been called to the fact that the Lumberton Robinsonian, a secular newspaper, comes out strongly in favor of "open communion," whatever that is. While our contemporary is in the neighborhood of such matters we suggest that it also make a deliverance upon the subject of the individual communion cup.

One of the important things in a campaign is organization, perfect organization. It is important this year, and it is to be hoped that its importance will be fully realized by every Democratic worker. Chairman Mason wishes this point urged especially upon those precinct chairmen who have not yet sent him the full list of their precinct committeemen. Call him over the phone or write to him the minute you see this and let him have a full list of your precinct committeemen. It is important; don't wait; do it now.

One newspaper is hurrying for Glenn because he favors a sixty days' campaign and another applauds rapturously because he was believed to favor a six days' campaign. Now which is which? There are lots of folks, good Democratic folks, who take mighty to the six days' idea. The people are busy and they are mighty well educated on political issues. If the boys can't spring some new subject matter or present the old in a new way, why, our work is a plenty. Let them all turn out then and make it warm for just one week—just to stir us up enough to come out to the polls on election day.

JUDGE HOEY'S SUCCESSOR.

As a successor to Judge A. M. Hoey, who will be elected to the Supreme court this fall, active mention is made of Hon. James L. Webb, the present solicitor of this district. It is a suggestion which will meet a hearty responsive response among Tax Gazette's readers. A short article on the subject is copied today from the Shelby Star. Mr. Webb is a lawyer of experience and ability, has good judgment and a fine sense of fairness, is eminently level-headed, and possesses in a high degree the sum of those good qualities which would honor and ornament the judicial throne. Nor are we far astray when we say that he is the best known and most popular lawyer in his district. If Solicitor Webb aspires to be Judge Hoey's successor, Tax Gazette is among those who would rejoice to see the wishes of himself and friends realized.

Other candidates whose names have been suggested are Messrs. W. C. Maxwell, Harlot Clarkson, J. A. Bell, and O. F. Mason. That the opening paragraph above is not in support of Governor's candidate is due to the information received from Mr. Mason himself that he is not and will not be a candidate to succeed Judge Hoey.

Mr. Webb's promotion to the bench will leave a collectorship vacant—an inviting circumstance to those who aspire to succeed Mr. Webb. But there will be time enough yet to discuss that contingency.

If Judge Hoey resigns his present position as much as 30 days before election day his successor will be chosen at the polls. If his resignation occurs between that date and the end of Governor Aycock's term, the present governor will appoint his successor. If the resignation comes in with Governor Glenn, he will make the appointment.

In either case the appointee would serve until the next general election.

NEWELL AND HOEY DEBATE.

Political Discussion at Fuller's Big Barbecue—Senator O. F. Mason Speaks on State Issues—About 1200 People Present.

In the dense woods one-fourth of a mile southeast of Bessemer City Mr. C. W. Fuller had on Saturday another of the successful annual barbecues for which he is becoming noted. Somewhere near 1000 or 1200 people were present. The juicy fresh steaks were barbecued on the spot over a long trench containing the fire. The pieces of beef, mutton, and pork, were bound with wire to small poles or handspikes which were laid across the trench, thus suspending the meats over the fire. Refreshment stands were also erected on the grounds for dispensing ice-cream, lemonade, pop, melons and the like, and the crowds bought, ate, and drank quite freely.

At the speaker's stand, the Bessemer string band discoursed sweet music. Speaking began at half past eleven o'clock. Hon. O. F. Mason announced that Congressman Webb was detained at Wrightsville by the critical illness of his wife, but that he would be ably represented in the debate by his townsman, Mr. C. R. Hoey. In the division of time it had been agreed that Mr. Jacob F. Newell, the Republican candidate for congress, should speak first and be followed by Mr. Hoey, each occupying 45 minutes; after which, a rejoinder of 10 minutes would be allowed Mr. Newell.

Mr. Newell opened the debate. He is a young man of good appearance, with a pleasing tenor voice, and has an easy manner on the platform. But he spoke in fact, all the speakers spoke under uncomfortable handicaps. In the first place it was a picnic crowd rather than a political gathering; in the second place, it was very warm and the thick forest cut off on every side any breeze that might be stirring, and in the third place the audience was on the upper side of the stand, and speakers say it is difficult to talk "up-hill" to folks.

With his declaration of regret at Mr. Webb's absence Mr. Newell coupled a graceful expression of sympathy. He then devoted himself to a discussion of political topics from a Republican standpoint.

The Republican party, said the speaker, has been for many years under the hack of newspapers and public speakers. I candidly admit there were some things about my party that ought to be criticized. No party is above criticism, no party is perfect. A strong minority party has a salutary effect upon the majority party. We need two strong white parties. Were we governed by one party only—one party with no change, this government would become like that of Russia.

Politics is an intellectual proposition—not personality, not hate, not prejudice. The two great parties are diametrically opposed to each other in political doctrine. In deciding which to support, consider not me or Webb, but what we stand for.

I. The Tariff—The Democratic doctrine is based on free trade. A low tariff, a lower tariff, no tariff, free trade. The Republican party favors a tariff—it is willing to pay England for her goods provided a tariff is placed upon them to make the price equal cost of production here—a tariff equal to the difference between English labor and the higher price paid our laborers here. The Republican party believes in a tariff, sometimes low, sometimes high, but always a tariff.

The Democratic tariff was tried under Cleveland. Factories were stopped, labor was idle, Conie's army marched through the land, the nation was going a-begging. McKinley was elected, the Dingley tariff enacted. The country was touched as if by magic and an era of prosperity set in the like of which the world had never seen.

II. The Trusts. They say the trust is the mother of trusts. What is a trust? The Democratic definition is a legal aggregation of capital for a specific purpose. Now there can't be any monopoly in this unless it is established by giving the best goods for the least money. The law of competition will destroy or prevent monopolies on any other basis, for we won't buy of one man if he charges more than our neighbor. The tariff does not produce trusts, is our argument; but if it does produce them we are for suppression. In suppressing trusts the Democrats are for agitation without work, we are for work without agitation. Unnecessary agitation is a source of distraction to business. Prof. Janks of Cornell investigated the subject and found that these great corporations made in producing better goods at better wages and selling them for less money.

The Democrats had a chance to crush the trusts with the Sherman law. The first case

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they tackled was the Jellico Mountain Coke and Coal Company. They decided against labor. In the Debs case and the New Orleans case they decided against labor. It looks like the Democrats might find something else to crush besides the laboring men. Kitchen, Bellamy, Klutz, Thomas, voted in Congress solidly against the only measure they ever had a chance at that would have completely crushed the trusts. The Democratic judges in the Supreme Court voted to decide in favor of the Northern Securities Company.

III.—The Candidates. The Democrats say: "What we want is the government stamp to make money, matters not whether it is on wood, leather, iron, or gold." They are mistaken, says the Republican. Give us a chance and we will irrevocably fix the gold standard and the tariff. We stand squarely for the gold standard. The Democratic party makes a show of stepping suddenly from Bryanism to the gold standard. But Bryan and his party are opposed to the gold standard. The Democratic party is completely Bryanized. I believe in Bryan's manhood, but his theories would destroy our financial system.

IV.—The Candidates. Parker, having received the nomination, declared for the gold standard. Who knew where he stood before? Bryan asked Hill if he knew Parker's views on the money question. No. Three times he said, No. Was it the truth? Isn't it the truth that Parker would rather have the nomination than be honest. Suppose he had sent his gold telegram before the nomination was made.

Who is backing Parker? Aycock said of Russell that no administration could be higher or better or purer than the sum of the virtue and intelligence back of it. Same with Parker. We don't know him. Whoever heard of him before? We know who is backing him. Hill—his New York's chief political trickster and corruptor. Belmont—a race track gambler, a schemer right, pulled old Cleveland's leg for \$5,000,000 in a secret midnight deal. Shepley—might just as well be called He-hen—another gambler, I believe, arm in arm with Hill, Belmont and Tammany. They seem to have no managers outside of New York except Taggart, Taggart. Nobody knows anything about him except that he's from Indiana and an Irishman. You may have better vehicles, better clothes, more to eat than

you ever had before. Under Cleveland, I was so poor I could hardly get along—couldn't find anything to do. I went out on the farm—saw I couldn't make anything on 4/6c cotton. The hens seemed to be busy and I went to raising eggs—eggs. And when I took them to market all I could get was 8 1/2 cents a dozen. Now do you want 20 cents for your chickens instead of 30 or 40 cents? Do you want 4/6c instead of 15 cents for your cotton? If so, vote for the Democrats. I have nothing against Parker—he's a non-entity—but shall we turn down Roosevelt, the man who has helped us to this prosperity, the man who has been your friend?

In the Philippines we stand for the "open door." The Democrats say "pull out and let it go." Could we make Russia take her hands off of Manchuria and restore it to China, it would still further open markets for our cotton goods in Japan and China.

The speaker referred in glowing terms to the liberation of Cuba.

Someone interrupted to ask about the Atlantic and N. C. railroad. He said he had heard that the road had 34 attorneys. Asked about the Fall River troubles, he said that the newspaper had been declaring so vehemently that Parker would be elected that manufacturers became afraid and shut down. It was just a sample of what would happen all over the country if the Democrats should be elected. Time was up and Mr. Newell sat down amid the cheers of his followers.

MR. HOEY'S REPLY.

The fallacies of Mr. Newell's speech are so transparent that it is unnecessary to lay before Tax Gazette's large family of intelligent readers any extended report of Mr. Hoey's able and complete refutation. If I should say anything good here to-day, Mr. Hoey began, place it to Mr. Webb's credit; if I blunder, charge it to me. Mr. Newell has just made one of the best Republican speeches I have heard in ten years. I shall notice his points somewhat in reverse order. If Mr. Newell is not pleased with the men who are backing Parker, let's see who is backing Roosevelt. He sent to Alabama for a man to back him—Judson W. Lyon, a negro. Another backer is Dr. W. D. Crum, of Charleston, another John C. Dancy, a negro office holder of

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Washington city. I prefer a white backer every time.

If the Republicans want to take Russia off of Manchuria why don't they do it. Haven't they got Teddy the Terrible? What's the matter with him?

Ab, Mr. Newell says he couldn't find anything to do. He was looking for work like one of these men who didn't want to find it.

Mr. McKinley, a year before his nomination, denounced Mr. Cleveland for establishing the gold standard.

The Democrats favored more money, silver or gold. We didn't have the silver; so we wanted to coin it. But I was not half such an enthusiast for free silver in those days as Newell was—when both of us were supporting Bryan. When the output of gold became so vast in volume as to cure the acute stringency, it put the money question out of the list of issues.

Parker did the honest thing—the reasonable thing. The Democratic convention was a democratic body. It did not act after a program cut and dried by a dictator. It had no master. Parker was not a dictator and did not wish to obtrude his views upon the convention. If Mr. Newell had said "illegal" aggregations instead of "legal" he would have had the Democratic definition of trusts.

There are laws enough against trusts. The fields of trusts are white unto harvest, but there are no Republican reapers. Take the tariff off of trust made goods and it will break up the trust every time.

Roosevelt is justly one of the issues of the campaign. Under him the Federal taxes average \$11.53 a year for every man, woman and child. He has referred to farmers as the base of our citizens; he called Confederate soldiers anarchists, and said a strain of barbarism ran through the Southern people.

But this will be a Democratic year. They'll know Taggart better before he is done with them.

Mr. Hoey is the popular editor of the influential Shelby Star, and is also a speaker of fine ability. He is a young man of striking appearance, speaks easily but earnestly, and has a good, strong deep voice. The Democrats present heard him with appreciation, and hope it will be their pleasure to hear him again while the campaign is on.

NEWELL'S REJOINDER.

In his rejoinder, Mr. Newell grew sarcastic. Writhing under Hoey's arraignment of Roosevelt on the race issue he revived the old chestnut about Cleveland and Fred Douglass and Fred's white wife.

Here Senator Mason said to Newell hotly: "That's not so, you know it is not so!"

"Tell the truth!" exclaimed some one. "Prove it!" said another. "Give it to 'em Jake, give it to 'em," said others, "they shan't hurt you!"

It looked for a moment like trouble, but only for a moment—it blew over as quickly as it came up. Newell proceeded to read Frank Winston's noted negro letter. This, said Newell, is a letter written by Frank Winston who is now the Democratic candidate for Lieutenant Governor.

He wrote it to that stinkin' negro, George White; and anybody who can stand that can stand anything in the nigger line.

SENATOR MASON SPEAKS.

A good speech, clear, practical, forcible, and to the point was made by Senator O. F. Mason on State issues. I cannot let this opportunity pass, he said, without asking you to vote for me and for the other candidates with me on the county ticket.

The State taxes are lower than ever before, the Democratic administration has given the old soldiers more, the schools more, and the afflicted more. You have the best county and the best people and if you don't vote the Democratic ticket this year, the Lord will think you don't know a good thing when you see it. He urged his fellow Democrats to work and to bring out to the polls the largest vote ever cast.

BAR-B-Q NOTES.

The crowd was good and orderly. The young folks and old folks had a picnic day of it.

Mr. Charlie Fuller is a whole host all to himself, but in addition he had a host of helpers. The people had a well-laden table to sit down to—and if any came away hungry they couldn't blame Mr. Fuller.

Mr. Fuller, easy-going, happy, and well-fed is a mighty good sign for his boarding house. Said a bystander, You wouldn't think he was active, but he can stand still and kick my hat off my head. And not take his other foot off the ground either.

Mr. E. L. Wilson lost a good horse in Bessemer Saturday morning. With a four horse team, he sent the Dallas baseball team over. When nearing the stables in Bessemer the sorrel wheel-horse dropped down and about an hour later died.

Mr. John Harvey told us that he made 256 1/2 bushels of wheat this year, and it wasn't a good wheat year either. His neighbor, Henry Kiser, made 382 bushels. Who in Gaston can beat that?

Bessemer City is still growing. Improvements on every hand mark the ways of progress.

Mr. J. R. Warren says that a man pointed to a good-looking stranger in the crowd and asked if it wasn't a Methodist preacher. "No," said Mr. Warren, much amused, "It is Clyde Hoey." And Mr. Warren enjoys the joke on the Shelby editor.

Death of Leroy.

Mr. R. A. Hudson, aged 49 years, died at 8 o'clock Friday morning at his home at the Lory of typhoid fever. The body was taken through the country Saturday morning to Keeler's church in Cleveland county for burial. The interment took place at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. Surviving the deceased are a widow and eight children. Mr. Hudson had resided in Gastonia about three years, having moved here from Henry, N. C. He was a member of Union Grove Methodist Protestant church.

An Old Acquaintance.

Indianapolis Sentinel.

Our old acquaintance, Gen. Apathy, is in charge of the Republican forces in this campaign. The fact that no interest can be aroused in favor of the Roosevelt-Fairbanks ticket is significant of the result. From every corner of the country comes the news that the Republican voters are showing no enthusiasm. The recognized unsafeness of Roosevelt and the frigidness of Fairbanks have acted as a double wet blanket. And the cut and dried character of the Chicago convention, the dictated platform, the dictated ticket, the dictated program all the way through—and the dictation was all from the White House—has provoked a spirit of rebellion in the Republican ranks which bodes ill for the party now in power.

It is no wonder that there is apathy. But it would be more than a seven days' wonder if there was anything else. Why, what can the Republicans expect? Do they think they can fool all of the people all the time? Or even a majority of the people all the time? If so, they place a very low estimate on the intelligence of the American voters. The Republican party has recently so conducted the country's affairs as to put it in a financial situation which will require careful attention to prevent disaster.

For this month already there has been a deficit amounting to about one million dollars a day, and all because of the extraordinary extravagance of the Roosevelt administration. Tariff taxes are higher than ever before and the cost of living—because of trust prices—never was as great as now. Apathy! Why, of course. It will stare the Roosevelt ticket in the face until the tremendous November avalanche wipes it out of existence.

Spartanburg is to have a new union passenger station to cost \$24,000.

Paul Biggers, the Charlotte youth who was held on the charge of having caused the death of Policeman J. H. Brown was dismissed by the Recorder Friday. The coroner's jury exonerated him.

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