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WEATHER
Rain, followed by clearing and cooler; Friday fair; fresh north winds.

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MEEKINS-SMALL JOINT DEBATE IS VERY INTERESTING

First District Is by No Means a Fixture in the Democratic Column.

BIG CROWDS OUT TO HEAR DISCUSSIONS

Meekins Proves to Be a Formidable Opponent for Congressman Small—Fighting Against Big Odds He More Than Holds His Own.

Greenville, N. C., Oct. 28.—July 16, 1908, the Democrats nominated John H. Small for Congress in the First district. September 9, at Washington, N. C., the Republicans put out Isaac M. Meekins, of Elizabeth City, in opposition. General apathy prevailed, and no one imagined that anything would result out of the ordinary. Small thought he would be returned to Congress by his usual majority of eight thousand, but when Meekins began to reach out and invite the attention of the people, the Democrats of the old ring stripe began to sit up and take notice. At the present writing it may be a matter of news to the "up-state" people that there is a fight on in the First district. It's there, and no one realizes it so emphatically as does the Democratic candidate, Mr. Small. As soon as nominated Mr. Meekins challenged Mr. Small for a joint canvass of the district. At first Small was inclined to ignore his competitor. They met by accident at the Camden Court early in September and to the close observer it was readily seen that Meekins had the ear of the people. Later in Elizabeth City the two candidates met, and it was there that E. F. (Continued on Page Three.)

WRIGHT DECLARES THAT BRYAN IS NOT A DEMOCRAT

His Doctrines Populistic and Socialistic and Dangerous in Their Tendencies and Results.

DEMOCRATIC FETTER AND THE SOLID SOUTH

Urges Southern Men to Stop Voting for a Man Simply Because He is a Democrat, and Consider Their Consciences When Voting.

Richmond, Va., Oct. 28.—Before a large audience at the Academy of Music tonight, Secretary of War Luke E. Wright spoke on the issues of the campaign and in favor of the candidacy of Judge Taft. The meeting was held under the auspices of a number of men of prominence in this city, principally men of finance who always have been Democrats, but who in this campaign are supporting the Republican candidates. Mr. Wright was introduced by John Skelton Williams, of this city, former president of the Seaboard Air Line, who stated that the new constitution of Virginia has so purified the electorate as to remove all fears as to the negro vote. Mr. Williams said in part: "I intend to vote for Mr. Taft. I feel that I know what he will do and how he will do it. I intend to vote against the present candidate of the Democratic party. Our people are earnestly laboring to build up and develop many industries and business enterprises. I do not feel that those would be safe with our foreign relations and our domestic affairs likely at any time to become dangerous and delicate and to demand a trained and balanced mind. (Continued on Page Five.)

CERTAIN OF THREE CONGRESSMEN SAYS MR. ADAMS

Good Chance to Carry Unless Democrats Resort to Halifax Methods.

GOOD WOULD RESULT FROM STATE VICTORY

Industrial Development Follows in Wake of Republican Success—Republican Victory Would Inspire Confidence and Cause Capital to Invest.

"We will certainly elect three Republican congressmen from North Carolina and the chances are good for us to carry the state if Halifax methods are not resorted to," said Republican State Chairman Spencer B. Adams yesterday. "Reports received from every section of the state indicate that the Republicans will make big gains. In Eastern Carolina, in sections where formerly we have had but few voters, the Republicans are thoroughly organized and it looks as if quite a number of counties in that section will elect Republicans to the legislature and to the county offices. All over the state Republicans are more active than they have been in several preceding campaigns. "We will continue the fight," Judge Adams went on to say, "until the votes are cast and counted. Every Republican should be active from now until the polls are closed. It is the duty of every Republican to see that all our voters get to the polls and that they are supplied with the proper tickets. Then it is important to see that the votes are counted as they shall have been cast. "The election of Judge Taft and a Republican Congress is already assured. (Continued on Page Two.)

MANY GOVERNORS GIVE VOTES OF STATES TO TAFT

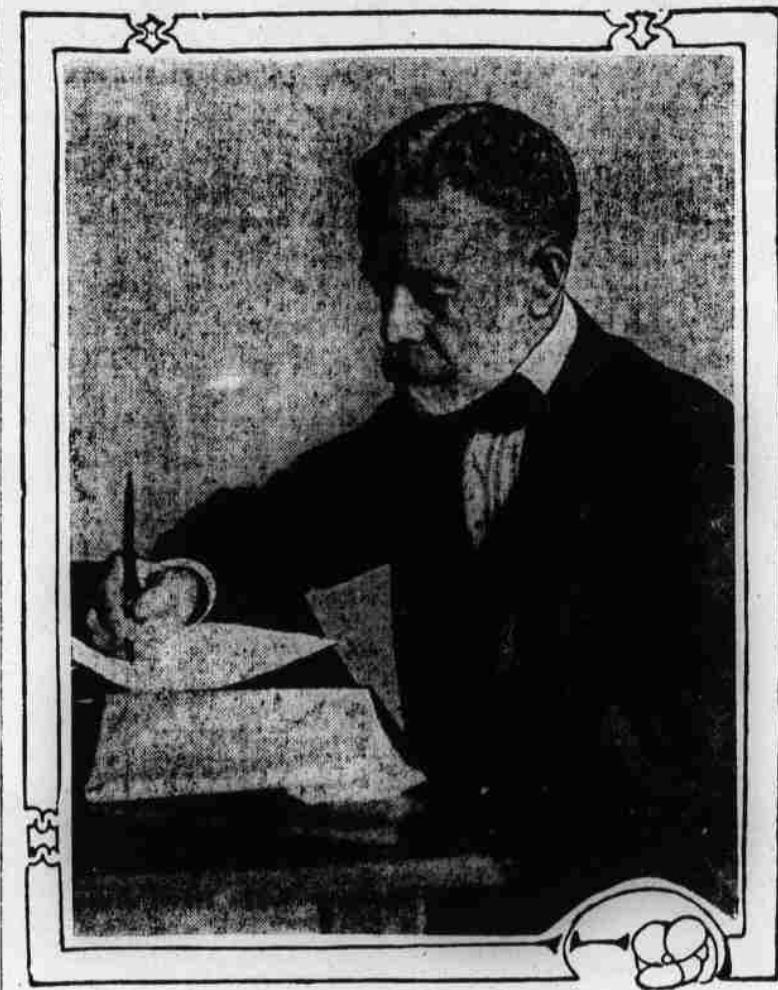
Thirteen Chief Executives Reply to Inquiry of Cincinnati Newspaper.

ALL SAY TAFT WILL WIN IN A WALK

New York, Ohio, New Hampshire, Idaho, Wisconsin, Utah, California, South Dakota, Washington, Massachusetts, Kansas, Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

New York, Oct. 28.—In response to requests from the Cincinnati Times-Star, the governors of several states have sent to that paper their opinions as to the outcome of presidential election. Thirteen governors replied to the telegrams of the Times-Star, and their expressions furnish unusually interesting reading. The states represented in the symposium are New York, Ohio, New Hampshire, Idaho, Wisconsin, Utah, California, South Dakota, Washington, Massachusetts, Kansas, Pennsylvania and New Jersey, all of which are placed safely in the Taft column by their respective executives. The gubernatorial predictions which were made on October 24 are as follows: New York: From the reports made to me and from my own observation I have no doubt Mr. Taft will carry the State of New York by a handsome majority. —Charles E. Hughes, governor. Ohio: I am confident the Republican party will carry Ohio, and Judge Taft's plurality will be larger than in any previous election, except possibly that of 1904.—Andrew L. Harris, governor. New Hampshire: New Hampshire will give the Republican ticket a substantial plurality, electing the Taft electors, governor, both congressmen and a majority of both branches of the legislature.—Charles M. Floyd, governor. Pennsylvania: In the present campaign the people of Pennsylvania will decide to maintain its record by giving Taft and Sherman the largest majority of any state in the union. From present indications it will reach 300,000.—Edwin S. Stuart, governor. Massachusetts: Republican state campaign heartily supporting national ticket. Opposition hopelessly divided and disorganized. Pluralities for Republican President and governor should exceed those of 1906.—Curtis Guild, Jr., Governor. Kansas: I think Taft will have 40,000 majority in Kansas. Our entire congressional delegation will be reelected. The legislature will be safely Republican.—E. W. Hoch, Governor. Wisconsin: I confidently expect the Republican majority in Wisconsin to be from 60,000 to 75,000.—James O. Davidson, Governor. Utah: Prospectus indicates that Utah will surely go Republican on national and state tickets by big majority.—John G. Outler, Governor. Idaho: Idaho will give her electoral vote to William H. Taft by at least 20,000 majority. We are sure Republican as Pennsylvania.—Frank R. Gooding, Governor. California: Taft will carry California by about 50,000. The legislature will be handily won by the Republicans.—James N. Gillett, Governor. South Dakota: South Dakota is safely Republican. Taft will carry it by from 20,000 to 30,000.—Coe L. Crawford, Governor. Washington: Washington will give Taft at least 45,000 majority. It will elect a Republican governor and legislature. Taft's nomination met with unanimous approval of Republicans of this state.—Albery Mead, Governor. Throws at Mule, Kills His Babe. Russellville, Ala., Oct. 28.—James Thorn, a farmer, while attempting to run a mule out of the yard today, picked up a small stone and threw it at the animal. He missed the mule and hit his two-year-old son, killing him instantly.

TAFT AND HUGHES SPEAK IN MADISON SQUARE GARDEN



SENATOR CENRY CABOT LODGE, Who Was One of the Principal Speakers at the Big Republican Rally in Madison Square Garden Last Night.

POWDER TRUST KILLED COMPETITOR BY SELLING EXPLOSIVE BELOW COST

Dupont People's Agent Tells How He "Cut Out" a Chattanooga Concern.

SOME CONCERNS RESPECTED

New York, Oct. 28.—How the Dupont Powder Company cut prices in the south to put the Chattanooga Powder Company out of business, was brought out today at the resumption here of hearings in the suit of the government against the so-called powder trust. F. J. Waddell, district sales agent for the Sinningmanning Powder Company, of Huntington, W. Va., testified that he had instructions from Eugene Dupont to go down and "cut out" the Chattanooga company, regardless of prices. "I located the trade supplied by the Chattanooga company," said the witness, "by the aid of the railroads and took it away from them." Asked what was the lowest price at which he was selling, Mr. Waddell replied, on being so instructed by Commissioner Mahaffy, that it was seventy-nine cents a keg, or approximately thirty cents below cost. In 1895, he continued, the Chattanooga company was sold out by the Dupont and the Lafin and Rand Powder companies. The Southern Powder Company mills was sold to the same persons who purchased the Chattanooga property, he said. The trade of the Aetna, the Miami and the American Powder companies, however, was respected by the Dupont company, the witness said, but he was instructed to get the trade of the Egyptian Powder Company. In his efforts to do this, he testified to underselling at ten cents a keg to a coal company, thus securing a fifteen thousand keg contract. The hearing was adjourned to tomorrow. (Continued on Page Two.)

CURTIS BLAMES MORSE FOR THE WEIRD SYSTEM THEIR BANK PURSUED

Declares That Financier, Despite His Protests, Followed Ruinous Practices.

MORSE'S TOOL, HE DECLARES

New York, Oct. 28.—The apparent determination of Alfred H. Curtis to exonerate himself of all blame respecting the banking transactions for which he and Charles W. Morse are now undergoing trial in the United States District Court here, became well defined today when under the prompting of his attorney, Mr. Curtis produced a letter written by him under date of June 13, 1907, and addressed to Morse, in which he protested vigorously against the continuance of practices inaugurated by the letter, which, in Curtis' opinion constituted a grave menace to the stability of the Bank of North America. The incident of the overdraft of \$270,000 by Morse was made the subject of searching questioning by the witness' attorney. Mr. Curtis related the coming of F. Augustus Heinze to him with a request for a loan of \$126,000 and his refusal to grant the accommodation. Morse remonstrated with him, saying, "unless we let them have the money, they must go to the wall." Curtis stood firm, however, he said. But to his amazement, he testified, a personal check of Charles W. Morse for \$126,000, drawn to the order of Heinze, came through the next day. This check had been honored, although at the time the witness said, Morse had a balance to his credit of only \$3,100. "I at once went to Mr. Morse," the witness said, "and told him that he must protect the bank and at once wipe out this overdraft. Mr. Morse went (Continued on Page Two.)

CAMPAIGN IN THE EAST CULMINATES IN GREAT RALLY

Immense Audience Packs Great Amphitheater and Cheers Speakers to Echo.

PARTY LEADERS AMONG THOSE ON THE PLATFORM

General Horace Porter, Henry Cabot Lodge, Chamery W. Depew, William Alden Smith and Channan Woodruff Among the Men Who Address Crowd.

Madison Square Garden, New York, Oct. 28.—The Republican campaign in New York city reached its climax tonight when William H. Taft, presidential candidate, and Charles E. Hughes, candidate for governor, spoke from the same platform at Madison Square Garden, to an audience that filled the enormous amphitheater. Their appearance at Madison Square Garden came at the end of a day which from a political viewpoint was most successful. Mr. Taft spoke at four meetings and Governor Hughes at fifteen. Then tonight, while the Madison Square meeting was in progress a grand parade was winding its way in a downpour of rain down through the heart of the city. At seven o'clock a heavy rain set in, but this did not interfere with the crowd besieging the entrance to the Garden. By eight o'clock the police had to bar all except reserved seat ticket-holders. The galleries were girdled with American flags, the dome was hidden by a mammoth American flag and over the main entrance hung a big blue Yale banner with portraits of Taft and Sherman on it, and in the center "Yale '78." A band of one hundred pieces kept the crowd from becoming impatient during the hour that elapsed before Gen. Horace E. Porter, who presided, called the meeting to order. Stirring airs were played amid the greatest enthusiasm. When Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, Senator Chauncey M. Depew, Senator William Alden Smith, and State Chairman Timothy J. Woodruff appeared on the platform they were given an enthusiastic reception. General Porter began by saying that (Continued on Page Two.)

EVEN THE TOOTH PICK INDUSTRY LANGUISES UNDER THE DEMOCRACY

People That Eat Soup Have No Use for Such After-Eating Aids, Says Sherman.

NOMINEE IN NEW YORK CITY

New York, Oct. 27.—Invading the metropolitan district after putting in an active day campaigning in agricultural and manufacturing districts upstate, James S. Sherman, Republican vice-presidential nominee, made six speeches tonight at different places in Manhattan and Bronx boroughs, to large and enthusiastic audiences. The candidate arrived here at eight o'clock from Schenectady. The first speech was made on the upper west side. As Mr. Sherman entered the hall a young woman stepped forward and gave him a huge chrysanthemum, saying it was for "Sunny Jim" with best wishes for his success. The candidate pinned the yellow blossom on his coat, remarking it was a symbol of the gold standard, which the Republican party had made the foundation of the best money in the world—the American dollar. With that as a text, the speaker delivered an earnest address upon the currency question, urging his hearers to vote for an administration that guaranteed sound money. The second stop was in the Garton Casino, in the Bronx. There Mr. Sherman talked on the tariff. At Camp Hughes the candidate praised Governor Hughes. Brief talks were made by the candidate at Camp Tamper, Empire Hall, and the Amsterdam opera-house. In the last named place he devoted most of his remarks to the tariff. After telling about the intention of the party to revise tariff schedules, the speaker continued: "Don't bother your heads about that foolish and slimy fallacy of court injunctions that Bryan has hung up as a scare-crow to frighten timid voters. What you must guard against is the injunction that the Democratic party would bring against American thrift and industry by the establishment in this country of that pernicious doctrine, free trade. Even the tooth pick industry languished in those years, dark with commercial disaster, from 1893 to 1897, when free trade flourished under Democratic rule, because the people didn't need tooth picks when they had to eat soup." (Continued on Page Two.)

COWLES WILL WIN SAYS EDITOR OF YELLOW JACKET

R. Don Laws Sees Victory Next Tuesday for Republican Candidate for Congress in Eighth District.

R. Don Laws, editor and proprietor of that unique paper, the Yellow Jacket, published at Moravian Falls, Wilkes county, is predicting the election of Charles H. Cowles to Congress from the Eighth district by a substantial majority. Mr. Laws was in Greensboro yesterday and to a representative of the News he made the following statement: "There is no question in my mind about the election of Charley Cowles. The question is the size of his majority. Cowles has a good majority of the voters with him today, just as sure as three and two make five. "There is an old adage that drowning men will grasp at straws and the methods being used by Hackett this week suggests that his campaign has reached the stage of desperation. He is scraping together a few voters at the cross-roads school houses in the back woods of Wilkes and with tears in his eyes as big as shucked oysters pleads with the boys to save him lest he perish, and then I understand he resorts to the ridiculous extreme of telling his little crowd the silly story that I have given up with disgust the fight for Republicanism and conceded everything to the Democrats. "Then, assuming that this is the situation, he makes the appeal to 'let's make it unanimous.' "That's the sort of a campaign Dick has gotten down to. But it won't work. The hundreds of good men all over the district who have deserted the Democratic party since 1906 and are now enthusiastic Republicans, have burned the bridges behind them and they are not going back. (Continued on Page Two.)

FAYETTEVILLE METHODISTS CELEBRATE CENTENNIAL

Fayetteville, N. C., October 28.—Today is the fourth day of the centennial of Methodism in Fayetteville. Some very able ministers have been here helping with the meeting. Among those present are the Rev. T. A. Smoot, of Wilmington; the Rev. W. H. Moore, D. D., of Rockingham, and Dr. L. L. Nash, of Gibson. Submarines Ordered to Charleston. Washington, D. C., Oct. 28.—The parent ship, Castine, the first submarine flotilla, the Nina and Plunger, and the second submarine flotilla, the Octopus, Cuttlefish, Tarantula and Viper have been ordered to Charleston, S. C., and to make that place their base for the present.

COL. SMITH CONFIDENT OF VICTORY IN NINTH

Republican Nominee for Congress Says Democratic Leaders Are Going Back to Their Old Friend—Corn Liquor.

Col. John A. Smith, Republican nominee for Congress in the Ninth district, was in the city yesterday. He says he is well pleased with the looks of things in his district. He has made a canvass of the entire district and has done a lot of hard work and from the assurances he has received wherever he has been he feels that he can safely count on a good majority of the vote of the district. Colonel Smith says that he has learned from reliable sources that the Democratic leaders are going back to their time-honored friend—corn liquor—to help them out of their difficulties. He says he understands that as much as twenty barrels of whiskey will be sent into the district between now and the election. If this is undertaken somebody may get into trouble, however, as the Republican nominee has communicated with the revenue officers and will keep a sharp lookout for anything that is contrary to law. As a proof of his contention about the (Continued on Page Two.)

importation of wet goods the colonel offers the following clipping from the Charlotte Observer: "Mooresville, Oct. 27.—Deputy Sheriff J. M. Deaton is holding here tonight two wagons containing about 300 or 400 gallons of whiskey. Part of the whiskey is marked G. A. Thompson, Rock Hill, S. C., and part of it is without marks. The drivers, one white man and one negro, the white man giving his name as O. R. Young, claim that they are on their way to Rock Hill. Mr. Deaton communicated with the authorities at Rock Hill this afternoon over the long distance telephone and they advise that no such parties are known there. He endeavored to get the deputy collector at Statesville, but was unable to get him at a late hour tonight. The drivers say that they were told to come to Mooresville and turn towards the west and across the Catawba river, which would have put them in Catawba and Lincoln counties, and the general opinion is that they are not on their way to South Carolina." (Continued on Page Two.)

ONLY FEW SUITS READY OUT OF MANY CALLED

SUPERIOR COURT ADJOURNS UNTIL FRIDAY—CASES NOT READY FOR TRIAL

Only a few causes were tried at yesterday's session of the Guilford Superior Court. In most instances, the causes were continued by agreement of counsel. Court was adjourned until Friday on account of a lack in causes ready for trial. The case of Kirman vs. Davis and others was dismissed. The plaintiff in Wilkinson vs. J. P. Pagan, constable, obtained a verdict for \$92.50. The Ashboro Bobbin Company was awarded a verdict of \$41.75 against the Southern Textile, Spool and Shuttle Company, and in the suit of Church & Sons against Denny, a verdict for \$126.17 was had. The suit of Sellars vs. Newcomb was dismissed. E. H. Coapman, general manager of the Southern Railway Company, came here yesterday in his private car.

ONE OF THE NIGHT RIDERS CONFESSES TO OUTRAGES

Tells of Remarkable Series of Crimes That Culminated in the Murder of Captain Rankin on Banks of Reel Foot Lake.

Tiptonville, Tenn., Oct. 27.—"Ted" Burton, the self-confessed night rider, told a remarkable story today of night rider depredations near Reel Foot Lake, confessing to the part he played in the outrages which reached a culmination in the putting to death of Capt. Quintin Rankin, an attorney of Trenton, Tenn., on the banks of Reel Foot Lake a week ago, and implicating men prominent in this part of the state. Of the persons who he declares had a part in the killing of Captain Rankin there are forty now in custody at the military camp at Samburg. The confession was made at the Tiptonville jail, to Sheriff Haines, Judge Harris, owner of a large tract of land in the Reel Foot Lake region, who has suffered much at the hands of the raiders, and Mayor Cleveland Donaldson, of Tiptonville. The confession was made freely and voluntarily, and apparently without a (Continued on Page Two.)

qualem of conscience he glibly unfolded his story. While Burton denies that he was present when Captain Rankin was put to death, he admits that it was through information given by him that the band congregated and took the attorney while he was staying at the hotel at Walnut Log. According to Burton's confession, Tom and Garret Johnson, under arrest, and William Watson, under bond in connection with another raid, were leaders of the band. Burton declares that the first part played, as a member of the night rider band, was when he aided in the burning of a fish wharf at Samburg. Several weeks later he was one of several that crossed the county line from the Reel Foot Lake region into the adjoining county of Lake, and whipped Justice of the Peace Winn, an aged man. (Continued on Page Two.)

CONCILIATION BOARD ESTABLISHED BY STATE COMMISSION HAS A CLEAN SLATE

New York, Oct. 28.—The conciliation board established by the anthracite strike commission, to arbitrate differences of opinion between miners and operators, has a clean docket. It has cleared up all cases laid before it, and at its last meeting no new grievance was presented. The only unsettled grievance is now before an umpire. The conciliation board is composed of three representatives of the men and three representatives of the employers. Any mine worker may present a grievance at any time, and it will be considered by those arbitrators. If they cannot come to an agreement, the case is submitted to an umpire. The result of the board's work is that never before in the anthracite fields has there been such freedom from bad feeling, so little trouble in the form of labor disputes, as at present. The success of this scheme of arbitration is peculiarly interesting in view of the recent proposal of the union miners, at their meeting in Scranton, to change the method of settling grievances so as practically to eliminate the conciliation board.

LORAIN ROAD RELEASED FROM LAKE ERIE RECEIVERSHIP

Cleveland, O., Oct. 28.—By an order of Judge Taylor, in the United States Circuit Court today, the property of the Lorain and West Virginia Railway Company was released of the Wheeling and Lake Erie Company receivership and turned back to the original owners. Just before the receiver was appointed for the Wheeling and Lake Erie, arrangements had been made by the Lake Erie to absorb the Lorain road and it was therefore originally included in the service papers. The Lorain is now independent and considered to be solvent. Negro Boy Kills Woman. Savannah, Ga., Oct. 28.—While sitting in a rear room at her home at Pooler, ten miles from Savannah, today, Mrs. W. E. Torrence, wife of an engineer, was fired upon and instantly killed by a negro boy. The boy was arrested.