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Charles R. Thomas Is The Voters Choice Has Fine Record

His Past Achievements Will Live Forever In The Third District

A Statesmen Of Ability

The Democrats Are Anxious That He Again Represent Them

Not only are the voters of Craven county in favor of returning Hon. Charles R. Thomas to Congress, but all over the Third Congressional District he is the choice of the people, and in every county of the Third District there are today evidences of the excellent work he did for the District during the twelve years he served the people in the Fifty-sixth, Fifty-seventh, Fifty-eighth, Fifty-ninth, Sixtieth and Sixty-first Congresses.

One can easily see, therefore, why it is that the majority of the Democratic voters, those who are not to be coerced by the politicians, who loudly boast of having certain men within their power, are anxious for him to be returned to Congress to again represent the District. Without the slightest reflection or attack upon any one of the other candidates for Congress, the Journal this morning presents more fully, and with some detail the record of former Congressman Thomas, who will, undoubtedly, be renominated and re-elected. Among the hundreds of bills and his speeches we can only enumerate a few.

RECEIVING HIS FIRST NOMINATION IN 1898, IN THE DAYS WHICH WERE DARK FOR THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY, AND WHEN FEW WERE WILLING TO FACE THE POSSIBILITY OF DEFEAT, HE WAS AGAIN RENOMINATED AND RE-ELECTED IN 1900, IN THAT YEAR GOING THROUGH PRACTICALLY A CONTINUOUS CAMPAIGN, FIRST, FOR THE AMENDMENT OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION WHICH DISFRANCHISED THE NEGRO VOTER, AND SECOND THE CAMPAIGN FOR HIS OWN RE-ELECTION.

He was successfully re-elected to the Fifty-eighth, Fifty-ninth, Sixtieth and Sixty-first Congresses.

AT THE CLOSE OF THE SIXTY-FIRST CONGRESS HE VOLUNTARILY RETIRED BECAUSE OF THE CONDITION OF HIS HEALTH AND BECAUSE OF STATEMENTS THAT HE HAD MADE THAT HE WOULD NOT BE A CANDIDATE FOR RE-ELECTION.

In the campaigns in 1898 and 1900 he won out over his Republican opponent, John E. Fowler, when the majority in the District was overwhelmingly against the Democratic Party. The election of 1900 was followed by a contest by Mr. Fowler for his seat in Congress, and Congressman Thomas again won out, after a contest lasting during his entire term, almost. In every campaign he met and overcame the most formidable opponents and strongest men in the Republican Party,

including such men as John E. Fowler, George E. Butler, W. S. O'B. Robinson and others, having in each campaign joint discussions with these nominees of the Republican Party. He upheld the Democratic cause and won out over each of these opponents and others, and in his hands the pure white flag of Democracy was successfully upheld, and never lowered in defeat.

IN THE DARK DAYS OF THE THRID DISTRICT AND OF THE STATE HE WAS FIGHTING FOWLER, GEO. BUTLER, MARION BUTLER, DANIEL L. RUSSELL AND OTHERS. THE STRONGEST ENEMIES OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY.

In 1896, as District Elector, he upheld the flag of Democracy and was campaigning for the ENTIRE DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

In 1887, as a member of the State Legislature from Carteret County, in his young manhood, he was even then fighting the battles of the Democratic Party, and served Carteret County and his State with fidelity and the satisfaction of the people. He served Craven county faithfully for six years as County Attorney.

IN THE PAST HIS CAREER HAS BEEN SO STRAIGHT-FORWARD, HONORABLE AND SATISFACTORY THAT THE PEOPLE HAVE COME TO REGARD HIM AS ONE OF THEMSELVES IDENTIFIED WITH THEIR EVERY INTEREST. HE HAS BEEN AT ALL TIMES AND IN ALL PLACES THE DEFENDER OF POPULAR RIGHTS AND TRUE TO EVERY INTEREST OF THE PEOPLE, THE MAN "WHOSE WORD WAS AS GOOD AS HIS BOND," AND WHOM THE PEOPLE KNEW WOULD TELL THEM THE TRUTH AND WOULD PROTECT THEIR EVERY INTEREST. A STATESMAN YET, A MAN OF INDUSTRY, WHO ANSWERED EVERY LETTER OF HIS CONSTITUENCY; AN ORATOR OF GREAT POWER AND ELOQUENCE; A DEBATER WHO HAS OVERCOME AND DRIVEN FROM THE FIELD EVERY REPUBLICAN OPPONENT, HE IS YET A MAN SKILLED IN SECURING APPROPRIATIONS.

His past service and his wide acquaintance with the leaders in Congress would give him higher rank upon Committees if the people return him to Congress. He has been twelve years in the Congressional School and will take a higher position than ever and will be better prepared to serve the people.

HE IS, BEST OF ALL, A TRUE MAN WHO APPRECIATES THE SERVICES OF HIS FRIENDS AND IS EVER READY TO REWARD AND TO HELP THEM. FROM THE PRESENT OUTLOOK, WOODROW WILSON WILL BE RE-ELECTED PRESIDENT, AND SIDE BY SIDE WITH SENATOR SIMMONS, CONGRESSMAN THOMAS, IF RE-ELECTED TO THE HOUSE, WILL CO-OPERATE WITH TH

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FIFTY YEARS IN PEN FOR HAYWOOD CITIZEN

JIM CALDWELL SHOT WIFE AND KILLED HER UNCLE.

Asheville, N. C., Feb. 5.—Jim Caldwell, who has been on trial at Waynesville for the past several days, charged with the murder of his wife, Theora Caldwell, and her uncle, Asbury Moody, last fall, submitted this morning to a charge of second degree murder and was sentenced by Judge Frank Carter to serve 50 years in the State penitentiary.

Two sentences were imposed, 30 years in th first case and 20 years in the second.

Before entering his plea, Caldwell made a strong fight in one of the most interesting cnses in the history of Haywood county, claiming that his mind was blank for a week before the deeds charged to him were committed and contending that he could not remember any of the events of his life from the Sunday before the shooting occurred until the following week when he found himself locked in jail.

MARINE NEWS.

The gas freight boat Vance left yesterday for Atlantic with a cargo of coal.

The two masted schooner Bertie left yesterday for Witt with a cargo of general merchandise.

The freight boat Nelson arrived in port yesterday from Bay River with a cargo of cotton seed, corn and country produce.

The schooners Janie, Ivy and Ruth arrived in port yesterday from Core Sound with a cargo of oysters.

Keith's Vaudeville at The Athens Today

Dison and Hanson.

A splendid comedy duo.

Billy Barron.

Billy is a splendid musician, playing on various instruments. Both acts are good and pleased a large and refined audience last night.

Our picture program today is one that will delight everybody. "The War Makers."

Is a special Vitagraph feature in two reels. The most daring plot ever attempted in diplomatic circles. To secure the war plane, the whole assemblage is put under the "sleep of death"—the plot fails. Maurice Costello, Charles Kent and Julia Swayne Gordon are featured in this great production.

"The Good Old Summer Time."

A real funny Kalem comedy.

Tomorrow at matinee we will give away five beautifully decorated china plates, and at night one 42 piece china tea set and 5 decorated plates. Mr. G. D. Caudle, No. 90 1-2 Middle street drew the china tea set last night, and plates, matinee and night, were drawn by various persons. Come try your luck some one will get these prizes, it may be you.

Matinee daily at 3:45. Show at night starts at 7:30.

BIG MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN IS NOW NEARING CLOSE

Many New Members For Chamber Of Commerce.

FINAL CANVAS TODAY

Annual Election Of Officers Will Also Be Held.

Tonight the big campaign for members, which was inaugurated last Monday night by the Chamber of Commerce, will come to a close. Each day during the week the various committees who have been working in this campaign have canvassed the city and have succeeded in adding a large number of members to the roll.

There are yet, however, a number of the business men of New Bern who are not affiliated with this organization. This should not be. The Chamber of Commerce has, in the past, been a live wire in the development of the city and has aided greatly in its advancement. In the future it will be more so, but in order to bring this about new members must be secured and it is the duty of every business man in the city to be a member of the organization and aid in its support.

Tonight another big meeting will be held at the Court House and the committees who have been so hard at work during the past three days will make their reports. This meeting will be a genuine get-together meeting, and every member, old and new, is urged to be on hand.

The annual election of directors and officers will be held tonight and much interest centres around this event. J. Leon Williams, who has acted as Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce for the past three years, has resigned and a new secretary will be appointed. Several applications for the position have been received and there is much interest being manifested in the possible election.

The meeting will begin promptly at 8 o'clock and every member is requested to be on hand at that hour.

CITY IS IMPROVING THE STREETS.

Such a change has been made in the appearance of Metcalf street during the past few days that one would hardly recognize it as the same thoroughfare if they had not travelled over that section during the time that the improvements were being made.

The street has been levelled off, sunken spots filled up and improved in general. Another improvement being made by the city is the removal of the poles bearing the electric wires from the street to the sidewalks on Middle street. This has long been needed and makes the appearance of the street much more attractive.

NO POLICE COURT YES- TERDAY.

Owing to the fact that there were no cases in the local police court yesterday no session of the court was held.

Mrs. Frank Thompson, of Jacksonville, is visiting on George street, at the home of Mrs. Dan Jones.

MISS BELLE WILLARD



Miss Belle Willard, daughter of Joseph E. Willard, American Ambassador to Spain, whose engagement to Kermit Roosevelt, son of Colonel Roosevelt has just been announced. Her home is in Richmond, Va., but she is now in Madrid.

R. W. Wallace, A. S. Willis, M. S. Lee, S. W. Gillikin, Chas. Bennett, F. E. Taylor, Nelson Mason and T. H. Fulcher, of Morehead City, spent yesterday in this city.

NEWSY NOTES FROM TOWN OF SMYRNA

JOURNAL CORRESPONDENT CHRONICLES COMINGS AND GOINGS.

Smyrna, Feb. 5, 1914.—Miss Adelaide Willis spent Wednesday night with Miss Hilda Royal.

Jacob Chadwick was a caller at this place last week.

Mart Davis went to Marshallburg Saturday.

Miss Della Fulford, of Gloucester and Miss Susie Fulford, of Florida, were visiting here Sunday.

Rob Frisby was over Sunday from the Gland.

Miss Hilda Royal entertained a number of her friends Sunday night. As she has been sick the boys and girls went over to cheer her up, and is better now.

Mrs. Emily Willis died at her home last week at Williston. Our sympathy goes out to Mr. Willis and children.

Miss Lottie Davis went to Marshallburg Monday.

Lynn Davis went to Crow Hill Monday on business.

George Lewis went to Beaufort Monday.

Miss Harriett Lewis and Miss Bessie Willis spent Sunday with Mrs. Maggie Hancock.

Ned Lewis went to Marshallburg Sunday.

Miss Flors Chadwick spent Saturday and Sunday home, returning Monday to continue her work as teacher.

Mrs. Rebecca Salter and little daughter are visiting at Williston with her mother who is very sick.

Mrs. Sabra Davis returned home Sunday after spending a week at Morehead.

ESCAPE FROM THE PEN BUT MET DEATH ON TRACK

Long Termer Killed By Pas- sing Train.

FOUR MEN BREAK JAIL

Victim Of Accident. Lay Down On Track To Take A Nap.

Clinton, N. C., Feb. 5.—After escaping with three other prisoners, from the Sampson county jail between midnight and day this morning, James Mitchell, a white youth, 17 years of age, under sentence of a 15-year term in the State prison for criminal assault, lay down on the track of the Rowland Lumber Company railroad, near Nobton, was run over by a train and killed. This was Sampson's first jail delivery since the building, which is of brick, was erected some 20 year ago.

The four who escaped were Tobe Devane, a negro, under sentence of death for murder; James Mitchell white, under 15-year sentence for criminal assault; Dan Guin, a white boy, sentenced for six months on the road for larceny, and Sam Brown, a negro sentenced for 90 days on the roads for fighting. Two other prisoners, a grown negro and a small negro boy, did not leave, although they could have done so.

The escape was accomplished mainly by Devane, who got a file and cold chisel from some one on the outside. After cutting through the steel bottom of the cell, he pushed a small boy through the opening, and the boy got the cell keys, which were always left in the jail, and unlocked the cell door. An opening was then made in the outer brick wall through which the four prisoners passed about 3 o'clock in the morning.

Devane is yet at large, as well as Brown. Dan Guin was brought back today by his father, who surrendered him to the law.

James Mitchell, while seeking escape from a 15-year term in the State prison, met death in an unexpected manner. A phone message just received states that he lay down upon the track of the Rowland Lumber Company railroad near Nobton and fell asleep this morning and a passing train ran over and killed him. The coroner has gone to hold an inquest over his body. Mitchell came here a stranger and no one knows anything of his family or past life. He was only 17 years of age.

The grand jury is investigating the escape and endeavoring to place the responsibility for the outside assistance received. It is supposed that friends of Devane furnished him the tools used.

NEGRO BOY DROWNED YES- TERDAY AFTERNOON.

J. Harvey, a young negro employed by the D. B. Martin Fertilizer Company, was drowned near that company's plant on Neuse river yesterday afternoon. No one saw the accident but it is supposed that he fell overboard from one of the docks and was unable to keep himself afloat until assistance arrived. His body was recovered.