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WYTHEVILLE. Roanoke Becoming the Trading Center of the Southwest—Society Events.

WYTHEVILLE, Va., Sept. 4.—[Special]—Roanoke is getting to be favorably known as a shopping point throughout Southwest Virginia, and many Wytheville people, who used to go to Lynchburg, Richmond and other points for furniture, supplies and dry goods, now go to or order from Roanoke, and they are always promptly and satisfactorily served. We say "Hail!" to the growing town of the thriving Southwest and may its future fulfill its own and our expectations.

There are more visitors in Wytheville now perhaps than have been here at any one time before this summer. A number have been coming in from the watering places in this vicinity during the past week or ten days, preferring to spend September and October in the mountains.

A stream of buggies and carriages pass to and from Nye's Lithia Springs, a mile east of town, each evening, and the water is growing in favor. The three springs, two of lithia and one of iron water, which are near together, have been fitted with marble basins and a cement pavement made all around them. They will also be enclosed and comfortable seats made within the enclosure. It is hoped the hotel on the hill above the springs will be built by next summer. Besides the driving and walking, in which all may indulge, the gayer and younger among the visitors find diversion in the german and social gatherings with games and dancing at the different boarding houses.

The Senior German Club gave one of the pleasantest evenings of the season at the clubhouse Tuesday evening. This evening the Junior Club has its german, and to-morrow evening the little folks have theirs.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Wadley will entertain their many friends on the 16th of September with a masque and fancy dress party at their beautiful home, Brentwood. It is a foregone conclusion, founded upon past experiences of the entertainments at Brentwood, that it will be a charming evening for all.

On the 11th a large reception will be given by Mrs. Norman Walker, of New Orleans, to a New Orleans bride, who will stop in Wytheville for a few days. The bride, Mrs. Hamilton Parish, visited Wytheville as Miss Jault Pierson, and is very popular here, besides being the sister of Mrs. R. S. Poage, one of Wytheville's favorites. Miss Greenwood, of Salem, is visiting Miss Kate Ribble. Major McMahon is staying with Major J. T. Green.

A quarrel over the discussion of a game of baseball in the yard of one of the negro churches last night resulted in a fight, during which Lee Hill hit Walter Sayers, both colored, over the head with a piece of iron and wounded him seriously, perhaps fatally. Hill escaped to Max Meadows and has not yet been apprehended.

FIRE AT BUCHANAN. The Franklin Brass Works Completely Destroyed. BUCHANAN, Va., Sept. 4.—[Special]—The Franklin Brass Works here were discovered to be on fire this afternoon at 12.45. Every effort possible was put forth to save the plant, but the flames were soon beyond control. By 3 o'clock the entire works were in ashes. The loss is \$75,000 and the insurance is unknown. The fire was caused by the roof catching from the smoke-stack. The works will be rebuilt immediately.

Tobacco House Burned. LOUISVILLE, Ky., Sept. 4.—[Special]—J. J. Bethel's tobacco and rebanding house was burned last night. The loss is \$20,000; insurance covers the loss.

THE THOMAS FACTION WINS.

The Third Ward Elects A Watts Delegation.

City Solicitor Miller Presides Over the General Meeting—The Results in the Ward Meetings—The First and Second Ward Meetings Rather Lively—The Contest Close in the Latter—The Third Ward Almost Unanimous For Watts.

The result of the mass meeting of Democrats at the courthouse last night for the election of delegates to the legislative and senatorial conventions was a victory for M. C. Thomas' candidacy for the house of delegates. It was generally understood before the meeting that J. Allen Watts and M. C. Thomas were Roanoke's candidates.

Notwithstanding that the call for the meeting at such short notice was a surprise, the largest mass meeting of Democrats for a similar purpose, ever seen in Roanoke was at the courthouse last night. Everybody expected a close contest and the friends of each candidate were busy to see that delegates were elected favorable to their respective men.

The First ward was Thomas' stronghold, but the small minority waged a determined but fruitless fight.

The Third ward meeting was quiet and soon over almost unanimously electing a delegation that was considered favorable to Watts. The Second ward was the decisive battlefield and here the contest was close.

The Watts and Thomas men voted each a ticket for delegates, there being only a few scattering ballots cast. One man who was voted for by the Watts element was elected in this ward, and the others are supposed to be Thomas men. The delegation in this ward is supposed to be in favor of Watts, was defeated by three votes.

The meeting was enthusiastic, and before the voters assembled in the courtroom the rival factions were button-holing for their favorite candidates. Shortly after 8 o'clock Roy B. Smith moved to call the meeting to order. Chairman Thomas was sent for and called the assemblage to order, and stated that the first business was to elect a chairman.

R. H. Woodrum and Thomas W. Miller were nominated, and Mr. Miller was chosen chairman. Mr. Miller, on taking the chair, thanked the audience for the honor conferred. The representatives of the press were made secretaries of the meeting.

The chairman announced the usual order of conducting the election of delegates, that of separating by wards and organizing by electing chairmen and secretaries.

The First ward took the north side of the building, the Second the south side, while the Third ward was assigned to the jury room.

The call for the meeting was read by the chairman, who announced the number of delegates to be elected from each ward, also three from each ward as members of the executive committee.

THE FIRST WARD. The First ward meeting was the liveliest of the three, considering that from the start the Thomas sentiment was overwhelmingly strong. It put up and elected R. H. Woodrum as chairman over E. W. Robertson and then proceeded to put delegates in nomination. At one time it looked as though the whole ward would be nominated.

Attempts were made to choke off the minority, but the minority made such a vigorous protest that the attempt failed. Then the balloting began. It was over in about ten minutes, and it took an hour and a half to count the ballots. The result was as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Votes. Includes R. H. Woodrum (80), M. H. Clayton (78), J. H. Featherstone (76), M. C. Thomas (76), G. C. Payne (77), W. P. Huff (77), E. R. Woodward (89), J. W. Woods (75), W. H. Wilkerson (75), John Hart (76), J. D. Whitescarver (77), O. D. Derr (75), L. W. Terrill (76), R. J. Eckloff (80).

Executive committee, M. C. Thomas, W. P. Huff, E. R. Woodward.

THE SECOND WARD. The Second ward organized by electing Justice Howerton chairman and H. A. Colman, of THE TIMES, secretary.

On motion of Roy B. Smith each man was instructed to vote for ten delegates and three members of the executive committee, the first ten receiving the largest number of votes to be declared elected.

This motion was carried amid great confusion, fully one half of the members not understanding the question. For a few moments everything was confusion, but Squire Howerton refused to entertain any motion until order was resumed.

Captain Wingate vigorously opposed Mr. Smith's motion, and cries of "gag law" were heard from several quarters. During the excitement a motion to reconsider the former motion was made, but it was voted down.

The chairman announced Messrs. Smith, McConnell and Brooke as tellers. They took a position at the door leading into the hall and the voters passed between them, depositing their votes into hats.

The vote in this ward was very close. Messrs. McConnell, Bransford, Reed and Kemp receiving fifty-four votes each. Messrs. McConnell and Bransford withdrew their names, and the successful candidates were announced as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Votes. Includes E. T. Kindred (56), W. P. Camp (56).

Table with 2 columns: Name and Votes. Includes W. O. Hardaway (58), C. D. Keffer (56), W. H. Lookabill (55), T. R. Tillett (55), W. W. Dunlap (56), N. M. Wilmeth (55), C. P. Reed (54), F. B. Kemp (54).

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. R. A. Buckner (45), J. J. Keeley (41), George C. McCahan (40).

THE THIRD WARD.

The Third ward was represented by only about twenty-five voters. They had quite a cosy room in which to meet, but as there were not chairs enough to accommodate all, everybody stood up, knowing that the proceedings would soon be over.

J. P. Peters was chosen chairman, and W. E. Thomas, secretary. Seven candidates were nominated, and a ballot being taken, resulted as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Votes. Includes E. C. Welch (22), J. J. Beckner (22), J. C. Graves (21), John D. Carr (21), W. E. Thomas (20), John J. Sheehan (20), J. P. Peters (6).

The following were elected as members of the executive committee: J. P. Peters, Henry Stinnett and J. M. Seymour.

The Third ward was through in about twenty minutes. Once or twice the door was opened in haste to see whether or not there was a fight going on among the voters of the First ward, but it turned out to be only demonstrative gestures and pretty loud talk.

While the mass meeting was patiently waiting for the First ward to report, Mr. Miller announced that he was obliged to go away on the night train, and suggested Colonel Brooke as chairman.

The crowd became more impatient and wanted Colonel Brooke to speak. Everybody was then called upon, but no one seemed inclined to respond. Finally after several repeated calls Mr. Hardaway got up and delivered a singing Democratic speech, which was loudly applauded.

Roy B. Smith was then called upon and responded in a neat little speech, and threw out the hint that the delegates had mostly been appointed before the meeting was called.

He hoped it would be the pleasure of the delegates when they meet in the convention to be prepared to meet the issues. The Farmers' Alliance had become a power in the county and most of them were Democrats. It then became the duty of the delegates to this convention to nominate a man who would not alienate that vote.

H. J. Browne, of THE TIMES, was called for, and said he hoped the convention would nominate a man who, when he went to Richmond, would support that distinguished statesman, John W. Daniel, for the United States Senate. He also spoke of the necessity of electing a man who know how to manage legislation for the city, and get the new charter through the legislature.

About this time the First ward came in and reported; and the delegates selected by each were ratified.

On motion each delegate was instructed to select his own alternate, after which the meeting adjourned.

DR. SLICH'S DISCOVERY. Simple Water Injected Under the Skin Destroys the Sense of Pain.

BERLIN, Sept. 4.—Dr. C. L. Slich, of this city, has made an interesting discovery. He was conducting experiments with a view to determining how weak a solution of cocaine would prove efficacious as a local anesthetic in surgical operations, when he accidentally discovered that simple water injected under the skin with a syringe renders the flesh at that point insensible to pain. The effect of water is to create a slight swelling, resembling that caused by the sting of a gnat. The space marked by the swelling remains insensible for some time. The method of procedure is very simple.

The skin at the point where the injection is to be made is first made aseptic; then the point of a Pravaz syringe filled with distilled water is inserted. The syringe is slowly emptied and a white blister appears. The size of the swelling is according to the amount of water used. Dr. Slich made use of this discovery in case of a huge carbuncle in the thigh. After the injection of water the doctor laid the carbuncle open by cross incisions eight centimeters in length, and took out the dead tissue, the patient declaring that the operation gave slight pain. The treatment had no ill-effect in healing of the wound. In the case here mentioned the cuts immediately healed and perfectly.

GOV. CAMPBELL IN NEW YORK.

He Says He Will Make the Campaign on the Tariff Issue Mainly.

NEW YORK, Sept. 4.—[Special]—Governor and Mrs. Campbell, of Ohio, arrived in this city last night and are now at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, where the Governor is resting from the fatigue of his journey, preparatory to a trip to the seashore. Although, on the orders of his physicians, he was not allowed to leave his room, a steady stream of callers poured in on him all the morning, most of whom he received.

In an interview this morning he said: "My sole object in coming East was for the purpose of going to the seashore to rid myself of a severe attack of malaria, which has affected my whole system. Until I started on this trip I was confined to my room for three weeks and have thus far been unable to take any part in the campaign. I will, however, open my campaign September 17. The leading feature of the campaign is the tariff."

Dick Duncan Respected.

AUSTIN, Tex., Sept. 4.—[Special]—The Governor has respected Dick Duncan for two weeks. He was to have been hanged to-day at Eagle Pass. It was Duncan who appealed to the United States supreme court, but whose appeal was rejected.

DEEDS OF DARING ROBBERS.

A Fruitless Assault on a California Train.

Detective Harris Perhaps Seriously Wounded in the Melee Which Scared Away the Robbers—Two Men Arrested on Suspicion—The Texas Train Robbers Said to Have Secured as Much as \$15,000 Tuesday Night.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 4.—[Special]—The Los Angeles express was held up by two masked men a few miles south of Modesto last night. The robbers boarded the train at Ceres, compelled Engineer Neff and Fireman Wallace to extinguish the headlight and fill the boiler with water. Then they made them get down, go to the express car and ordered it opened.

Conductor Roche and the brakemen went in the front car and at once went on the platform and looked out on the east side of the car. At the sight of the conductor's lantern one of the robbers called out for them to go back, firing a shot at them. The conductor set the lantern back and fired two shots at the robbers. He at once went back into the car and sought Detective Len Harris, of Los Angeles, and Detective Laws n, who chanced to be on the train.

Harris got out of the car on the west side and walked to where the robbers, who had gone over to that side of the express car, were. When about two car lengths from the express car, Harris opened fire with his revolver, sending two shots in their direction. The robbers returned the fire, firing three shots, all of which took effect, hitting Harris in the neck and over the left eye.

Meanwhile the robbers were compelling Engineer Neff to hold a torch while Fireman Wallace worked at the door. They called several times to the express messenger and his assistant to open the door and come out, claiming they would not hurt them, but they refused to open the door. A bomb was exploded against the door, shattering the beams and making an opening large enough for them to enter. But shooting by Harris and also ten shots fired during the affray by Brakeman Fox, evidently scared them off as the left without securing and treasure.

Harris was taken to Merced, where he is dying. As soon as news of the robbery reached Merced, a special train started for the scene bearing officers and a posse of sixty men, who are now in pursuit. The officers also started from Tulare, Modesto, Merced and Lathrop.

TWO OF THE ROBBERS ARRESTED.

MERCED, Cal., Sept. 4.—[Special]—Two men suspected of being implicated in the robbery of the south bound train last night were arrested at Ceres early this morning and taken to Modesto. One of the men was riding on the blind end of the baggage car at the time the train was held up, but claims that he knew nothing of the robbery.

Merced officials guarded the bridge over Merced river during the night, but as the river is low it could be forded on horseback at any point. The general opinion is that the robbers have made for the mountains east of Merced, in which their capture is doubtful. Physicians who attended Detective Harris here say his wound is not serious.

THE TEXAS TRAIN ROBBERS.

SAN ANTONIA, Tex., Sept. 4.—[Special]—The bandits who robbed the Southern Pacific express train at Samuels Tuesday night secured more booty than first reports of the robbery stated. In each Wells-Fargo car there are two safes, one for local business and the other for through business. The latter is locked at Houston and opened here, relocked here and not reopened until it reaches San Francisco. The messenger does not know what the combination is, and its contents are generally very valuable. It was this safe which the robbers blew open. The loss is therefore much heavier than at first reported.

Instead of \$2,000 it will reach \$15,000, and may go even higher. The manager of the Texas division admits that the amount secured is over \$10,000.

A SCENE IN THE TENNESSEE SENATE.

The Lie Passed, but the Belligerents Apologize and Make Friends. NASHVILLE, Tenn., Sept. 4.—[Special]—"You are an infamous liar," came the hot retort in the senate chamber this morning, and immediately the sergeant at arms was called to prevent a personal combat between senators almost in front of the chairman's stand. The gavel smote upon the marble slab, order was restored and the two belligerents, Senators Alexander and Riley, after reflecting a little, were sorry that the scene had been created. Both made concessions, apologized to the senate and to one another like brave men and made friends.

The trouble arose in the debate over the resolution brought by Alexander providing that a reward be offered for the apprehension and conviction of Messrs. Irish, Graham, Merrill and Hamaker, the committee from the insurgent miners of Briceville, on the ground that they had incited lawlessness and rebellion against the authority of the State.

Fire at Charleston, W. Va.

CHARLESTON, Sept. 4.—The large planing mill of John Morgan & Co. in this city, and four cottages, together with a lot of dressed lumber, were burned yesterday afternoon. The fire broke out in the engine room and extended to the planing department. The houses burned were occupied by tenants, who saved their household goods. The mill was insured for \$5,000; loss, \$15,000. The cottages were insured for \$2,000; loss, \$3,000.

A DESPERADO KILLED.

Harmon Murray Shot by Hardy Early.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Sept. 4.—[Special]—Harmon Murray, a notorious colored outlaw, who has defied the authorities for nearly a year and terrorized a wide section of the country, was killed about daylight this morning by Hardy Early, colored, a lad of seventeen.

The killing occurred in a swamp near Archer, Fla. Murray called on Early about 4 o'clock and ordered him to go with him to Archer, where he said he was going to "kill some crackers" and then leave Alachua county. Early did not want to go and said he had no gun, but Early took Murray to the latter's brother's house and made him produce a double barreled shotgun.

Both barrels were loaded with buckshot, and Early put fifteen more in each barrel.

The two then started toward Archer, having to pass through a swamp on the way. When they got into the swamp Early pretended he did not know the trail and asked Murray to lead. Murray took the lead, and immediately Early poured the contents of both barrels into the back of Murray's head, killing him instantly. Early then notified the people at Archer, and a crowd went to the spot and brought the corpse to town and afterward sent it to Gainesville.

The excitement there was intense, as several lynchings of Murray's confederates have occurred in the vicinity. Early was the hero of the hour and was mounted on a box from which he made a speech describing the affair. He will get fifteen hundred dollars in rewards. Murray had killed seven men within the past few months and was as fearless as he was bloodthirsty.

ELKINS FOR PROCTOR'S PLACE.

The West Virginia Statesman Among the Probabilities.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4.—[Special]—The talk in administration circles about the appointment of Mr. Stephen B. Elkins to be Secretary of War is not a joke. It is serious. The President is fond of Mr. Elkins, and it is well known that the latter was active in bringing about Mr. Harrison's nomination at Chicago. It is said that it was largely through the efforts of Mr. Elkins that New York State was brought into line for Harrison on that Monday morning which decided the contest. And then the close intimacy of the President and ex-Senator Davis, Mr. Elkins' father-in-law, is well known.

The New Mexico-New York-West Virginia statesman has always been a fighting friend of Blaine, and this is being urged by his friends as a reason why it would be good politics for the President to make him a member of the Cabinet. They say that Elkins to a greater extent than any other man can influence Blaine; that he would be more potent than any one else in convincing the man from Maine that he should not be a candidate against the present chief.

In fact, it is said by those who pretend to know that Elkins is engineering the present Blaine hurrah in the interest of Harrison. There are knowing ones who say that the Blaine noise is for a purpose well understood by the President and his Secretary of State. The apparent unanimity for Blaine prevents the candidature of any other Republican against Harrison; but it is predicted that at the proper time, and when it will do the most good, Mr. Blaine will absolutely refuse to allow his name to be used; and then give his influence in favor of Harrison's renomination.

Of course, there are men shouting for and working for Blaine who believe he wants the nomination. These are actuated by different motives. Some are ardent Blaine men, who believe all Robert Ingersoll said of the man in 1876. Others are for him because they believe he is the only man who can prevent Harrison's nomination.

Right of Way by Telegraph Lines.

PETERSBURG, Va., Sept. 4.—A special term of the circuit court of the county of Prince George was held yesterday. Judge B. A. Hancock presiding, and the condemnation case of the Postal Telegraph-Cable Company vs. the Norfolk and Western right of way came before the court on appeal by the railroad company from the judgment of the county court. Judge Hancock, adhering to the decision rendered by him when the case was before him in the winter of 1889 and 1890, reversed the judgment of the county court and dismissed the action of the telegraph company. The case will be appealed to the supreme court.

Minister Kennedy Responsible.

LONDON, Sept. 4.—[Special]—The Times publishes a Valparaiso letter which says that the British war ship Espergle shipped Balmaceda's silver on orders from Mr. Kennedy, British minister at Santiago, after the leading banks and merchants had refused to purchase it on the ground that the transaction would be illegal. In an editorial the Times censures Minister Kennedy for not preserving an attitude of neutrality.

No Scare in Hong Kong.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Sept. 4.—[Special]—O. H. Simons, United States consul at Hong Kong, arrived by Gaelic yesterday. He stated that nothing like the scare existed in either Hong Kong or Yokohama when he left.

For an Italian Pope.

ROME, Sept. 4.—[Special]—The "Fanfulla" states that the Catholic power—presumably Austria—has ascertained that a large majority of cardinals determined to elect an Italian Pope.

STABBED HIS VICTIM TO DEATH.

John Center Killed by John Lambert.

Cedar Bluff, Near Richlands, the Scene of the Bloody Affray—The Result of a Brawl About a Woman—Detective Bevins With a Posse at the Heels of the Murderer After Sending Twenty Shots After Him.

RICHLANDS, Sept. 4.—[Special]—John Center was killed at Cedar Bluff last night at 8 p. m. during a drunken row over a woman named Price by John Lambert.

The party, consisting of John Lambert, Thomas Lambert, Barney Johnson, Adam Harman and W. Bandy, left Richlands, where they had obtained liquor, and, upon arriving at McGuire's store at Cedar Bluff, they met the woman Price. After some conversation Center, who came from down the road, came to them, whereupon the woman Price grabbed Center by the hand. Center put his arms around her neck and she exclaimed, "This is Center."

After a few words between the parties a scuffle ensued, after which Center and Lambert went up the road. Lambert returned in a few minutes alone and exclaimed that he had put the knife into Center to put the handle. It was then discovered that a horrible murder had occurred.

Center lay upon the ground bleeding from wounds in the back, chest and head, death being instantaneous. Lambert, the murderer, escaped and is still at large. Johnson, Harman, Thomas Lambert, Bandy and the woman Price are in custody. Center was a resident of Cedar Bluff and a shoemaker by trade. Much sympathy is expressed for him. Detective Bevins with a posse is scouring the country. Great excitement prevails.

LATER—Bevins and his posse came upon Lambert in a house this evening on Laurel fork. About twenty shots were fired at him and he was driven from the house. At last reports they were within ten feet of him, running him into the woods. The posse's ammunition had been exhausted.

TURKISH CABINET CHANGES.

The Grand Vizier and Six Ministers Dismissed—A New Grand Vizier.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Sept. 4.—The announcement is made to-day that the sultan had dismissed from office the grand vizier and president of the council, Kiamil Pasha. Djeval Pasha, governor of the Island of Crete, was appointed Kiamil Pasha's successor.

Besides Kiamil Pasha, six members of the cabinet have been dismissed. Djomal ed Din Effendi becomes chief of Islam; Riza Pasha, minister of war; Rifaat Pasha, now governor of Smyrna, minister of the interior; Ghali Pasha, now governor of Salonica, minister of evkafs; Zubul Pasha, minister of instruction; and Mahmud Pasha, now governor of Broussa, minister of public works. Arif Pasha, president of the council of state, is also displaced. His successor is not yet named.

It is semi-officially announced that Turkey's agreement with Russia, arising out of the Moscow incident, permits vessels of the Black Sea volunteer fleet, carrying convicts guarded by soldiers bound to the Pacific, to pass through the Dardanelles on the Russian embassy advising the Porte and obtaining its consent. Vessels carrying discharged soldiers, returning home unarmed, will be allowed to pass through the Dardanelles on a satisfactory declaration by the commander of each vessel. This agreement does not affect existing treaties.

A DYNAMITE FACTORY EXPLODES.

Sixteen People Annihilated and Much Damage Done to Buildings.

CHICAGO, Sept. 4.—[Special]—A special from White Pigeon, Mich., says: The dynamite factory of E. A. Reynolds & Co., near this place, exploded last evening. It is estimated that about twenty tons of dynamite was in the building, which was a three story brick structure. Scarcely a vestige remains. Sixteen workmen, mostly Swedes and Norwegians, were completely annihilated. Not an atom of them is to be found. It is impossible to learn their names, as the company's books and pay rolls are lost. The loss is estimated at \$35,000.

The concussion in White Pigeon was awful, and citizens were badly frightened. Goods in stores were blown from shelves and houses rocked to and fro. The spire of the German Lutheran Church fell with a loud crash. The walls of several buildings were cracked and damaged.

To Meet in Chicago.

BOSTON, Sept. 4.—[Special]—President Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor, has extended an invitation in behalf of the trades unions of the North American trade union congress, now in session at New Castle-on-Tyne, England, to hold an international trade union congress in Chicago during the summer of 1893.

Silver Purchases.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4.—[Special]—The amount of silver offered for sale to the Government to-day was 1,494,000 ounces and the department purchased 878,000 ounces at 98.20¢ per 100.

For Wife Murderer.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Sept. 4.—[Special]—Louis Billing was executed at Savannah, Mo., at 2 o'clock to-day for wife murder.

The Weather.

Forecast: For Virginia, showers, cooler, easterly winds; fair Sunday.