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EXPLAINING PROF. CLINKSCALES.

The Orangeburg Times and Democrat, which is a staunch and loyal supporter of Prof. Clinkscales, in its last issue undertook the task of further explaining the position of Prof. Clinkscales in reference to his plan of State-wide compulsory education and other matters. That the Times and Democrat recognizes that an explanation and elucidation of Prof. Clinkscales' platform is necessary is indicated by the article to which reference is had, which is reproduced in full as follows:

"Last Saturday we objected to the charge of another newspaper that Prof. Clinkscales was hostile to the interests of the farmer, and we notice that the editor in question does not try to uphold his contention. Instead he takes up new ground for opposing that gentleman for the governor's office, and, as their article is in reply to one of our own, we reprint it in another column.

"We did not intend to start an argument as to the fitness of a candidate for the governor's position, nor do we wish any one to think we are attempting to say how the people of this county should vote. As we have stated before, there are so many good men in the race that we have absolutely no fear whatever of not getting a good governor for the next four years. A man should exercise his own choice in voting for the next executive, and cast his ballot according to his own honest conviction.

The able editor of the Sumter Watchman and Southron thinks that Professor Clinkscales "is blinded by practical and essential considerations and he sees only the consummation of all our hopes." "Without giving thought to the foundations necessary." We can hardly believe, however, that Prof. Clinkscales with all his experience in teaching and educational work is not thoroughly aware of the foundations necessary. He is aware of the present lack of them, and that is why he pushes the fight for State-wide education—if school trustees are not shown that more building and equipment are necessary by the actual presence of scholars they will not erect more buildings.

"He holds up to the people 'the consummation of all our hopes' so as to create that enthusiasm and personal support which is necessary for the proper enforcement of the law and to derive the benefits it purposes. He doesn't believe that the enactment of a single law will be the cure-all for all our State ills, but only that it will be the start.

"Exception is taken because he does not say exactly how the law must be enforced. That's not his business, and we think he is right in not discussing details. The governor should point out the important trend of the legislation, and the legislature should make it a law suitable to the various needs of the State, with which that numerous body can be better acquainted than any one man.

The fact that exponents of State-wide compulsory education favor local option on the dispensary is no argument against the farmer. Must every problem be treated to local option? If so, each county should make its laws entire, each county elect its own chief magistrate, each county do as it pleases. There are few questions which should be submitted to local option, in our opinion, and among them is the liquor one. But we do not agree that compulsory education is another.

"There are those that disagree with us, and that is the issue between those who favor State-wide and county option compulsory education. Merely a matter of opinion as to expediency, and of results to be obtained."

The Times and Democrat is altogether mistaken in the assumption that we acquiesce in or admit the correctness of the charge that it made originally that we made an unfair and unjustifiable criticism of Prof. Clinkscales when we commented on his attitude respecting the dick eradication appropriation. We based our criticism upon the exact words of the reports of his remarks at several of the campaign meetings. He was quoted as

"sneering at the \$30,000 cattle tick appropriation," and as a man does not sneer at a thing of which he approves, the conclusion was logical that Prof. Clinkscales did not endorse the appropriation and would not approve of similar appropriations. We accepted Prof. Clinkscales' statements, as reported by campaign correspondents at their face, and as we were not in a position to interpret his inmost thoughts our criticism was fair and pertinent.

We have not questioned Prof. Clinkscales' motives at any time, nor do we doubt his sincerity of purpose, his integrity or his patriotism. But we fear he has been so carried away by his advocacy of the State-wide compulsory education theory that he has lost sight of practical considerations, and would not be a safe leader. No man who is acquainted with conditions in this State would contend that State-wide compulsory education can be put into effect or enforced without a period of preparation and readjustment, therefore it seems to us to be verging a folly to demand an enactment of such a law. If the legislature is to be saddled with the task of devising a scheme and fixing ways and means of making compulsory education effective wherein lies the statesmanship or the credit of a candidate advocating it without being prepared to suggest the ways and means for surmounting the great obstacles that stand in the way of its practical operation?

Prof. Clinkscales' honesty, learning and patriotism are not in question; we doubt only the wisdom of his leadership. If this is being unfair to Prof. Clinkscales we have been unfair, but we cannot see it that way and as he is a candidate for public office he is a legitimate subject of criticism. While we may regret that Prof. Clinkscales' loyal friends resent criticisms and feel that to criticize him is unfair, we cannot forego the privilege of criticizing any candidate on his public utterances.

CAN'T STAND CRITICISM.

Partisan of Prof. Clinkscales Comes to His Defense.

Editor Sumter Daily Item.

My Dear Sir: In your issue of July 14 appears an editorial unjust, uncalled for and without the slightest foundation. In this editorial you say: "One of the candidates for governor, Prof. Clinkscales, has taken occasion, in several of his speeches, to sneer at the appropriation of \$30,000 by the State of South Carolina to obtain a similar amount from the federal government for the purpose of prosecuting a vigorous campaign for the eradication of the cattle tick in this State."

Now Mr. Editor, you well know that this statement is without the slightest foundation. Mr. Clinkscales has never "sneered at" this appropriation, nor has he disapproved it. In no speech has he said anything that would justify you in reaching such a conclusion, and we challenge you as a fair and just newspaper man to present the proof or retract the statement. Further on in the same editorial you state that: "It is possible to infer that he would oppose future appropriations to carry on the work and would veto appropriations for this phase of farm extension work, if elected governor." It is possible but not probable to infer any such thing and as an intelligent man you know, Mr. Editor, that Prof. Clinkscales does not oppose any such "appropriation for this phase of farm extension work," and you also know that there isn't a man in the race who has the interest of the masses—agricultural masses—at heart more than John G. Clinkscales has.

You have done Mr. Clinkscales an injustice and I sincerely hope you will have fairness enough to publish this letter with the same prominence that you gave your editorial.

Yours sincerely,
F. Earl Bradham,
Editor Allendale Herald.

(This matter has been discussed at some length in reply to the courteous and good tempered editorials of the Orangeburg Times and Democrat. The tone of the above communication does not entitle the writer to a reply and it is published merely to illustrate to what extremes a partisan will go in displaying resentment at legitimate criticism of his favorite candidate. We have been neither unfair or unjust to Prof. Clinkscales, as all that we said about him was based upon the published reports of his campaign speeches, and Mr. Bradham's charge does not make it true. If his partisans would have him escape criticism they should induce Prof. Clinkscales to be more circumspect in his stump speeches. As we said in the discussion with the Orangeburg Times and Democrat, we have nothing against Prof. Clinkscales save to distrust the wisdom of his leadership and to disapprove of his theory that the immediate enactment of State-wide education law will remedy the ills of the body politic. He must first show us how he can adopt this theory to existing conditions and provide ways and means for making his theory of

force and effect—not another statutory farce.)

THE BOOSTERS' TRIP.

Fifty Automobiles Wanted to Go on Expedition—Itinerary of Boosters.

Messrs. C. E. Hurst, T. H. Clarke, and L. W. Folsom, the automobile committee of the big Booster trade trip of the Sumter Chamber of Commerce and Retail Dealers' Association are anxious for fifty cars for the use of the business men of Sumter next Thursday, July 30th.

The booster trip is not confined to members of the two commercial organizations, but any business or its representative, and all professional men are invited to participate, by furnishing cars or by going along in somebody's car. Those who have no automobiles will be able to secure seats with automobile owners.

Lunch must be taken along as there will probably not be time for the boosters to eat dinner as far as is now known. Some of the hospitable citizens of the sections to be visited have expressed the desire of furnishing dinner but the committee could not see its way clear to guarantee that the hospitality so kindly extended can be accepted.

A stop will be made for a short lunch however in basket picnic style about dinner time. Regular railroad restaurant eating time will be allowed.

Every business and professional man who is interested in building up Sumter tobacco market and extension of Sumter trade territory should go on this trip. Every automobile owner possible should have his car out for the accommodation of his less fortunate fellow citizens. A pleasant time will be passed. The famous Sumter band will furnish music throughout the day.

Automobile owners who will furnish cars are requested to notify the committee or the secretary of the Chamber of Commerce as soon as possible.

Following is the itinerary of the trip:

Leave Sumter from Chamber of Commerce at 8 o'clock.
Arrive Sardinia 9.30 o'clock.
Leave Sardinia at 10 o'clock, arrive Workman at 11 o'clock.
Leave Workman at 11.30 and arrive New Zion at 12.30.
Leave New Zion at 1 o'clock and arrive Turbeville at 1.30.
Leave Turbeville at 2 o'clock and arrive Olanta at 2.30.
Leave Olanta at 3 o'clock and arrive Shiloh at 4 o'clock.
Leave Shiloh at 4.30 and arrive Trinity at 5 o'clock.
Leave Trinity 5.30 and arrive Sumter 7.30.

Citizens are requested to assemble at 7.30 sharp, so that a prompt start can be made, as we are running on a schedule.

Express Rates Excessive.

There is constant complaint against the railroads for excessive charges on freights, and we have no doubt that these complaints are warranted, but the only remedy we see for this is for the several commercial bodies in the State to employ experts to work up, and present to the general assembly a fair and equitable freight rate. But the greatest robbery the public is suffering from is the rates charged by the express company. Since the interstate commerce commission and the postal authorities have interfered with the interstate rates the express companies have undertaken to get even by raising the intra-state rates, thus making the local rate in excess of the inter-state rate. The railroad commissions if they know their business, and are worth their salt should take this matter up instantly, and not permit this gigantic corporation to rob the people in the manner they propose by the recent tariff put in force. If the railroad commission will not tackle the express companies the legislature should. The rates charged now are almost prohibitive.—Manning Times.

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.

Mr. W. S. Gunsalus, a Pennsylvania farmer, residing near Fleming, P. O., Pa., says: "For the past fourteen years I have used Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy in my family and have found it to be an excellent remedy. I always have a bottle of it in my house and take pleasure in recommending it to my friends." For sale by all dealers.—Adv.

Three Children Die From Heat.

Detroit, July 24.—Three more children died within the last twenty-four hours from the intense heat.

Taking Big Chances.

It is too great a risk to depend upon neighbors or sending for medicine in case of a sudden attack of bowel complaint. In almost every neighborhood someone has died from cholera morbus that could have easily been saved had the proper medicine been at hand. Then think of the suffering that must be endured until medicine can be obtained. The safe way is to keep at hand a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. It has never been known to fail and has undoubtedly saved the lives of many people. Buy it now. It only costs a quarter. For sale by all dealers.—Adv.

NOTICE.

The Sumter County Executive Committee has fixed the following campaign schedule for Sumter county: Privateer, August 4th.
Shiloh August 5th.
Mayesville August 6th.
Rembert, August 11th.
Dalzell, August 14th.
Wedgfield, August 18.
Friday night, August 21, in the Court House in Sumter, S. C.
Saturday, August 22, in the Court House, Sumter, S. C.

And has also made the following assessments upon the candidates: State Senate, \$50.00.
House of Representatives, \$25.
Supervisor, \$25.
Auditor, \$25.
Treasurer, \$25.
Superintendent of Education, \$20.
Judge of Probate, \$10.
Coroner, \$10.
Magistrate, 1st District, \$2.50.
Magistrate, 2nd District, \$2.50.
Magistrate, 3rd District, \$10.
Magistrate, 4th District, \$4.
Magistrate, 5th District, \$7.50.
Magistrate, 6th District, \$5.
Magistrate, 7th District, \$2.50.

The County Committee directed the Secretary and Treasurer to collect from all of the candidates the above assessment and in addition the sum of 25 per cent of their assessment, which extra assessment will be returned to the unsuccessful candidates.

The party pledge must be filed with the County Chairman, and the assessment paid to the Secretary on or before twelve o'clock M. of August 3d, and candidates are also required by law to file with the Clerk of Court a pledge to render an itemized statement of their campaign expenses.

The County Executive Committee is hereby called to meet at the Court House in Sumter, S. C., on August 1st, at 11.30 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of appointing managers, inspecting Club Rolls, and transacting such other business as may be necessary.

The secretaries are required to transmit to the County Chairman within three days from the day of closing their books of enrollment, the said books of enrollment. They must have their enrollment books in the hands of the County Chairman by July 31st.

Voters must enroll in the nearest polling place, regardless of township lines, unless the voter resides in the Districts assigned to Wards 1, 2, 3 and 4, of the City of Sumter, in which event he will enroll in the Ward District to which the territory in which he resides is adjacent. In all other instances voters residing outside of the Club Districts embracing the Wards of the City of Sumter, with the territory adjacent thereto, must enroll at the nearest polling place, and must sign their name in full. The secretaries are required by the rules to see this done.

JOHN H. CLIFTON,
County Chairman.

Notice to the Secretaries of the Sumter County Democratic Clubs.

My information is that a large number of people have failed to enroll. It is essential and necessary for the welfare of the party that we bend our energies and efforts to accomplish a full and complete enrollment of the Democratic voters of this county.

The books of enrollment must close Tuesday, July 28th, and be in the hands of the County Chairman by July 31st.

Please make every effort consistent with your duty in procuring the voters to enroll.

JOHN H. CLIFTON,
County Chairman.

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White Boy Shot to Death After Criminally Assaulting Negro Girl.

Clarksville, Tenn., July 27.—Lee Varner, aged 17, white son of a prominent farmer, was shot and killed this morning by a mob of negroes, after an alleged criminal assault upon a 12-year-old negro girl. A negro, the uncle of the girl, admitted that he fired the shot which killed the boy. The coroner's jury returned a verdict of "justifiable homicide."

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