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THE CAMPAIGN HAS BEGUN.

The State campaign opens today, and from now on the candidates for the various State offices which have opposition will be galivanting over the country telling the "dear people" why they should select them. The principal "test" will be in the race for governor. There are a number of good men seeking this high position and of course each one would like to be the favored one. Col. Featherstone is an old timer in the campaigning line, and knows how to say things that will make his hearers laugh, he has always on hand some good anecdotes which he gets off with good effect.

Lieutenant-Governor McLeod is also a man who can catch the ear of the crowd with his pleasantries. He is a good speaker and in our opinion will acquit himself well on the stump. Col. Bleese is without doubt one of the best speakers for these occasions in the State, having had experience and being equipped with a thorough knowledge of the fiscal conditions of the government, and being a close student of the affairs of the State. Col. Bleese made a splendid run for governor two years ago, and we do not doubt but that his friends will stand by him in the present race.

Mr. F. H. Hyatt is a new man in the political arena, heretofore he has aligned himself with the good roads, and business development campaigns. He is a highly reputed business man, one of the business leaders in the State and recognized as a splendid financier, and a good speaker.

Maj. J. G. Richards while never before a candidate for a State office, is well known by reputation for his work in the legislature, where he has served many years. Maj. Richards made a reputation by his persistent efforts to have the lien law repealed, his leadership in the fight for the State dispensary when that institution was being assailed, and when the dispensary ship was sinking he remained true and loyal until its bulk had disappeared, and then he leaped from it on to the Prohibition raft, upon which he has assumed a leadership. This can be truly said of Richards, it matters not which cause he espouses, he is ardent in his support.

The next of special interest is the race for railroad commissioner. Hon. O. C. Scarborough of Clarendon was in our opinion the leading candidate. He has served two terms in the legislature, and while in that body demonstrated his ability to grasp questions which affect the traffic conditions. He was the chairman of the agricultural committee, and through this committee he was able to secure legislation which gave great protection to the farmers. Mr. Scarborough has made a study of freight rates, railroad schedules, and we believe the people at large recognize his thorough fitness and will give him their support. He has opposition from Colleton and Greenville, also from Columbia, but while all of his opponents are good men they are not so well qualified for this particular place as is Scarborough, in our opinion.

The adjutant general's office is another one of the places where there is somewhat of a scramble for, but since the incumbent has demonstrated his utter unfitness, and his assistant has acted so silly, we will take for ours one of the other aspirants, which we have not as yet decided upon. Now what will be the issues? Are these candidates going to try to passy-toot their way into office by making as little sound as possible? The tendency in some quarters is to steal bases, as they say in base ball, that is, to say as little and be as indefinite as possible relying upon the preliminary work that has been done in advance by the addresses at picnics, Sunday school celebrations, and similar occasions. However this will not satisfy all.

It is our opinion, the masses will not consent for any candidate to go into office straddling any issue, or with a hush policy, they will demand that he speak out loud and clear his attitude upon those matters which are in their minds. No, it needs no Solomon to discern the tendency to play the hush game on the liquor question, but are glad to see Col. Featherstone who poses as the Prohibition leader have the frankness in his Summerland speech to make the question of Prohibition and Local Option the theme of his address, not so, however, with some of the others. Richards we think it was who deprecated the question being injected into the discussion. Featherstone was right, the liquor issue is not settled in South Carolina, nor will it be until it is settled right, but until then, there is no use for as-

pirants for office to try to mislead either the Prohibitionists or the Local Optionists.

Within the past few days we learn that a certain candidate who has been regarded the product of a portion of the prohibition element, has confided to some friends that he is a local optionist, but if elected he will vote for state-wide prohibition. The friends do not quite understand how one can be a Local Optionist, at the same time a state-wide Prohibitionist, nor can we understand. The two questions are like oil and water, they will not mix, and no man can be for both.

Therefore our friend Richards should not deprecate the injection of the liquor question by Col. Featherstone, for it is upon that very issue Featherstone brought himself into prominence in the State, and it is with that question he has been entertaining thousands at schools, Sunday schools, and churches, until he has made the subject a part of the thought of the people of the State; take it out of their minds, and sure enough it would leave the people to select their governor with nothing but his looks to decide by, and our friend Richards cannot afford to take such a chance with McLeod, Bleese, Featherstone and Hyatt, for each and every one of them have it on him for looks.

The same situation remains in the counties: there are no dividing issues so far as we have been able to ascertain, if the liquor question is eliminated; therefore the question naturally arises, why should there be any contention, and why should not the people be let alone and make their selection without certain men being so active in behalf of their choice, and in their activity indulge in all manner of disparaging hints against the man they are trying to defeat. If these men who are so much interested in bringing about the defeat of an announced candidate, they should have the honesty and candor to let those they are talking to, know whether their opposition is based upon some cowardly personal spleen, personal avarice, (an axe to grind) or is it because they have knowledge that makes the candidate they are opposing unfit; if they are in possession of such knowledge, it is their duty to make the same known in an open manly way. It is due the people that they should, in the proper way, be informed whether or not a candidate offering himself has been guilty of any conduct which would make his election an imposition.

It has frequently happened in the past, and we have had some hints of it in the present campaign, that scurvy tactics are being used by men who are endeavoring to accomplish the defeat of a certain candidate; these men do their work by presuming upon the ignorance of those whose minds they are trying to poison, they tell them some cock and bull story which they conjure up in their own imagination, just enough to create a suspicion, and by this means poison the minds of those who may listen to them. We know of one of these gaffes who had better take warning and desist, lest he wake up some morning fighting to save that which he has accumulated so rapidly. There was a time when men resorted to violence to punish his slanders, but that day is passing away, it has been found that a more effective way to still a libelous tongue, is a resort to the law; the punishment is more effective, for men who indulge in slander have little care for their hides, but when their purse is touched their heart strings snap.

BAD TACTICS.

There has reached us from Mr. F. H. Hyatt, of Columbia, an announcement of his candidacy for governor, and enclosed with this announcement is his photograph. We can stand Mr. Hyatt's announcement and can bear with the photograph, but when it came to the other enclosures, letters from Rev. E. O. Watson, pastor of the Washington Street Methodist church, and another from Rev. J. H. Thacker, we regarded it the limit. Mr. Hyatt is no doubt a very liberal contributor to the Methodist church, and his pastor, Rev. E. O. Watson, no doubt is his friend. We will go farther and say, that Mr. Hyatt is a good churchman, as well as a good business man, but when he invokes the aid of his religious denomination for his campaign to a political office, he and his friends make a mistake; if there is anything that tends to bring a church into trouble it is for its pastor to use the influence of his clerical robes to urge his co-denominationalists into a seeming compact for the support of one of them politically, or to, in any way call upon a free people to vote for any man because of being a member of his church.

We know Mr. Hyatt and have also met the pastor of the Washington Street Methodist church, both are good men, but both are making a fatal error in invoking the influence of the Methodist church for votes. In some countries in the days that have passed, the priests not content with affairs spiritual, they endeavored to control affairs temporal, and to dominate the political affairs; they succeeded for a time, but only for a time. When they had the temporal affairs in their hands, governments became despotic, corrupt, and unbearable, with the result, that the priests were hurled from power, and ever since, it has been the warning to all countries and nations, never to let church and state get mixed again. And, whenever it

is attempted the people resent and repudiate it. We recall in a national contest, a speech in the city of New York, the expression, Run, Romanism, and Rebellion was used by a distinguished minister, intended to aid Mr. Blaine, the effect was fatal to Mr. Blaine's cause, and so will Pastor Watson's letter for the aid of the Methodist church be fatal to Mr. Hyatt's cause. Those who will resent it most will be Mr. Hyatt's co-denominationalists—the Methodists.

Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., was married last Monday, in New York to Miss Eleanor B. Alexander. The couple will live in San Francisco where the young man will go into business. If the price of meat continues to go up the newly mated couple will have some hard experiences, we fear.

The newspapers have it now that "Jim" Williams, a former Greenville boy, is to wed Miss Ethel Roosevelt. Williams was quite a favorite at the White House during President Roosevelt's residence there, and he seems to have an entree to the Roosevelt home at Oyster Bay. Well, here's luck to you "Jim."

At the last moment Barney B. Evans has entered the race for Attorney General against Hon. J. Fraser Lyon. We sincerely hope Mr. Lyon will remain in his office, and attend to the duties thereof. The people throughout the State will take care of him, in fact, they will think more of him if he refuses to get into a controversy.

Ex-President Roosevelt is now an editor, and his writings will be watched with more interest than that of any other who attempts editorial work. It would be great if the hunter could be induced to give up magazine work for that of the newspaper. Editor Roosevelt at the newspaper tripod would set the world a moving with his pen. As editor of the Outlook, the ex-president will aid greatly to the subscription lists of that splendid magazine.

The cost of the Boyd-Brock controversy was indeed an expensive, and a disgusting humbug. If there is any way to make these rival principals pay the expense it ought to be done, for we cannot see why the taxpayers of the State should have the burden put upon them. The taxpayers have enough to pay without aiding in the whims of an incapacitated old man or the aspirations of a youngster whose fondness for playing soldier has led him to forget to make a proper accounting when handling the people's money.

The death of Judge C. G. Dantzler, of Orangeburg, is a great loss to the State of South Carolina, not only to the bench and bar, but to the masses as well. We regarded him one of the finest characters that has loomed up in public life in many years, a man with a clear understanding of the law, a thorough knowledge of those things which are needed to make a State, and with that bigness of heart that made him easy, but of respectful approach. Judge Dantzler's death is a sad blow to the country. A just judge, a scholar, a gentleman and a patriot has gone to his reward.

There will be a good roads rally in Charleston on July 12th, under the auspices of the Charleston Automobile Club. It is expected that all of those interested in automobiles and good roads will attend this rally, and the club will provide a nice entertainment for the visitors. The program so far arranged is as follows: Convention from 11 a. m. to 2 p. m., trip to the Isle of Palms; 3 p. m., drawing scene; 4 p. m., a surf bath; 5 p. m., fish fry; 6 p. m., hop and concert; 8 p. m., visiting autoists will, on Wednesday be escorted on their homeward trip, to the county limits. This will be a fine turnout for the autoists and throughout the State and we hope Clarendon will figure largely in the convention, and will be well represented at the good roads movement. Get your machines in shape for the Charleston convention.

The letter of Zach McGhee in Sunday's State is so far at variance with those of other correspondents about the Roosevelt reception, that we think Zach must have taken a slumber in Pitt street among the celestials. He is the only correspondent for Roosevelt on his arrival home from Elba, and his attempts to make small of what must have been one of the most remarkable demonstrations ever accorded a private citizen, that his readers must wonder what ails the "The State's" Washington scribe. The home-coming of Col. Roosevelt was in keeping with the reception accorded this American elsewhere in the world, and regardless of party affiliations, it was mete and proper for a united welcome to a distinguished American whose utterances abroad wherever he spoke breathed true Americanism, and found a favorable response in every American breast. Therefore, when a little space-filler sends in such rot to his newspaper he should be made to appreciate that there are other correspondents who represent Democratic newspapers who have sense enough to give a true report of what occurred.

President Taft has signed the state-hood bill, which gives to this Union two additional states, New Mexico and Arizona, heretofore territories. The claim is that Arizona will be a Democratic state, while the chances are about even with New Mexico, the latter is now Republican. The effort for these two states has been a long drawn battle; those clamoring for statehood would put the blame on the Republicans for not giving that which they were craving, and when there was a democratic administration the claimants for statehood had no comfort with the Democrats, therefore neither party can be censured for the long delay, but now that statehood has come to these territories from the Republican party, the probability is that party will have the strongest hold upon them.

Pay no attention to the man who tells you the liquor question is no issue. It is an issue. But some men are afraid of it. They dare not come out open and clear with a positive declaration. Hence, they would try to keep the issue down, then if elected, vote contrary to the wishes of those whose votes they are catering for. The issue is clear and distinct between Prohibition and Local Option. A candidate, through his heels, should not bunco the people by having them say he is for local option to those who think that way, and for prohibition to the advocates of that principle. Let the candidate make a positive declaration either for Prohibition or Local Option. He cannot be for both, nor can he be for Local Option at home, but when it comes to a vote in the General Assembly go for Prohibition. If he declares his attitude over his signature in the public prints there can be no misunderstanding.

There is a strong probability of the Johnson Jeffries fight on the fourth of July being stopped by the interference of the Governor of California. So far as we are concerned we hope the fight will come off on schedule time and that the nigger will put his antagonist out of business in short order. This prize fight game is nothing but a mecca for gamblers, pickpockets, bad women and the most vicious type of human society. The whole gang, promoters, patrons, principals and backers should be doing time in a penitentiary or be made to work on the public highways for the balance of their natural lives. Ever since the tough, Jeffries and the Nigger, Johnson, signed up to fight, the newspapers have been full of accounts of their sayings and doings, and it is read with the same zest by the youth of the land, as are the Diamond Dick, and other wild western tales in cheap novels; it is indeed demoralizing literature of the worst type, so we so say let the measly thing come on and be over with so the daily newspapers will give their readers information which will be more instructive.

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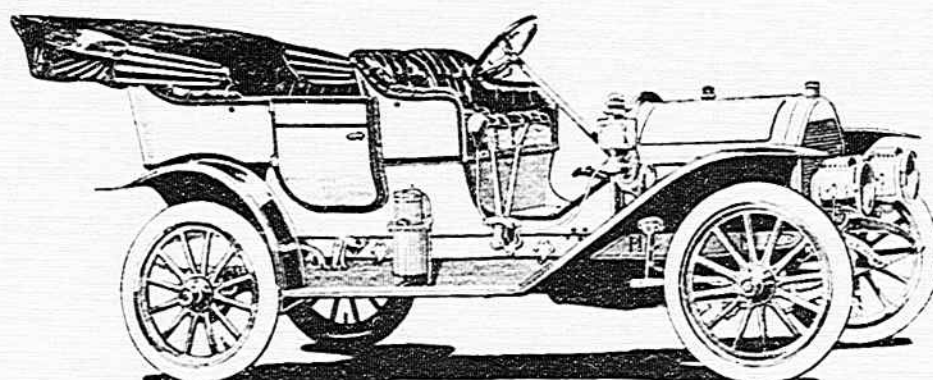
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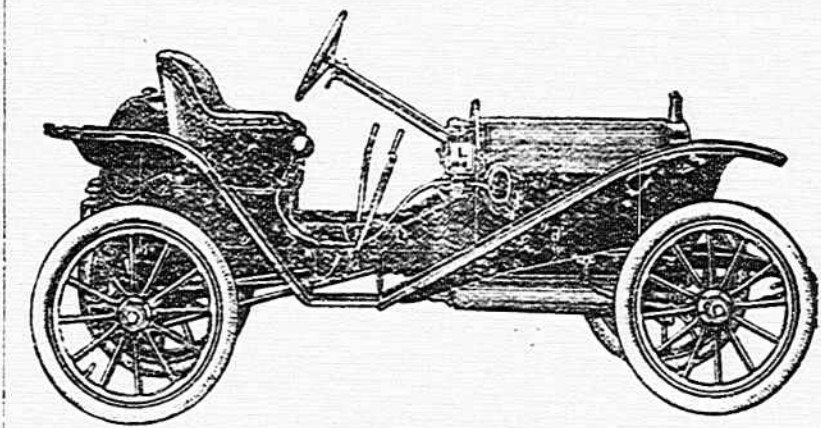
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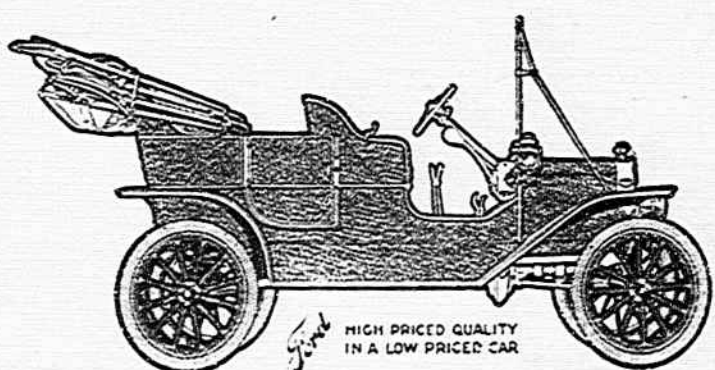
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