

# THE TWICE-A-WEEK DISPATCH

A PROGRESSIVE REPUBLICAN NEWSPAPER DEVOTED TO THE UPBUILDING OF AMERICAN HOMES AND AMERICAN INDUSTRIES.

BURLINGTON, ALAMANCE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30, 1914.

## MADE THREE EFFORTS.

The court house ring says that the Editor of The Dispatch will not look at the records. But the truth is that we have made three efforts to look at the books. The first effort was made Saturday, Oct. 24th, in an effort I was successful to the extent of seeing the amount of fees turned to the county treasurer by the Register of Deeds, and while going through this record I was constantly reminded that Mr. Johnston had an engagement for dinner, that the minister was at his home for dinner, and we went no farther than this one record. On Monday, October 26th, I again went to Grinnell to see the records and was informed that the register of deeds had gone to Elon College to the Speaking although the other candidates upon the ticket with him had not gone. I solicited the help of Hon. E. S. Parker, Jr., who went with me to the Register of Deeds office and he asked for certain books but was unable to get any except the bond book. And from this book I got the amount of outstanding bonds which was published in the Twice-A-Week Dispatch of last Tuesday, October 27. On Tuesday, October 27, I again made the third attempt, this time I found Mr. Johnston but he told me that he had an important engagement in Burlington and must leave immediately, I asked him if there was no one in the office that could give me the desired information, and he said there was not, so I did not get to see the books for the third attempt, I want to say in justice to the clerks in the Register of Deeds office, that this is no reflection upon them because they could not give the information, I do not blame them for not trying, no one not thoroughly familiar with these books can tell anything about them, with all the boasted book-keeping and filing system which cost the tax payers hundreds of dollars, the system in this office certainly needs overhauling. But aside from this I want to say, that the candidate who states that the Editor of this paper will not look at the books deserve to be put into the Roosevelt Ananias Club. I have tried to get the records and have tried to give the tax payers the true facts, what we have published about the county finances was facts which come to us from people who the county owed or from those who knew about it, and in the main they are true, as to the outstanding bonds the amount stated is from the records, and if the records are true the amount stated is true, with this explanation we leave all this controversy to the voters and tax payers to be settled upon November 3rd. If they can stand conditions now prevailing and getting worse all the time, we will try too, this statement is the truth, nothing but the truth, and we trust will be accepted as such, at least by all fair-minded men.

## ENTIRE COUNTRY GOING REPUBLICAN.

This paper has good news for its readers, almost every State in the Union that was republican before the last election is going to return to its first love, after November 3rd. The Democrats now have one hundred and forty-five majority in congress, this majority will be cut to not more than forty, if not wiped out altogether. President Wilson is in a panic as the result of the revolt of his administration. He and his party have large advertisements in all the leading news papers calling upon the people to stand by his administration, so great is the defection that no one need be surprised to see the next congress controlled by the Republicans, in fact there would not be a doubt about it, but for the fact that the Bull Moose party have strong tickets in a great many of the close congressional districts, and this split in the vote may cause the Democrats to retain control of the next congress, but if they are fortunate enough to do this it will be by a narrow margin. Can you imagine a Democratic majority of 145 being reduced in one election to less than fifty, and yet the Democratic candidates for office tell you that the people are falling over themselves getting upon the Democratic bandwagon. They are gay deceivers this band of life-time office holders, the people instead of running over themselves to get upon the Democratic bandwagon are deserting the party like rats from a sinking ship, there is nothing more certain than this country is sick and tired of Democracy with its low tariff policy, they long to get back to the policy of protection and America for Americans, they are tired of promises and fine rhetoric, what they want is something more substantial and lasting. They know what the Republican party stands for, and what a Republican administration means to business, the laboring men know that they are not worried about the full dinner pail and where the next meal is to come from when the party of protection is in power, the business men know that times are good and money plentiful when the Republicans are in power, they know their business is secure, and they have no fears as to the future when all the laboring men are employed, the laboring men know all this too, and they are just waiting for a chance to swat the party that has brought them within sight

of the public soup kitchen and a long weary ramp looking for work, once again safe in the harbor of Republican prosperity they will cast anchor for a long stay. Business men, Farmers, and laboring men of Alamance County cast your ballot with us upon the 3rd day of November and then watch the dark financial clouds roll away, like mist before the sunshine. Lay this paper away where it can be easily found and watch these predictions come true.

## BE OF GOOD CHEER.

Barbers, Business men, Farmers, and Laborers, be of good cheer, there are brighter days just ahead for you. This great country of ours is going to right about face now within a few days, and start upon the road to prosperity, the Republican party, the people's friend is coming back, and there will be great rejoicing around the family fireside, the people will be cheered upon life's weary road, and confidence that took wings upon the election of a Democratic administration is going to return when the Republican party comes back, the people will feel that an able and experienced captain is at the ship's helm and they will no longer fear the brewing financial storm. Men with money will see that the American people have not lost their political senses and will feel more secure. Money that has been in hiding since the last election will creep from its hiding and take its rightful place in the commercial field of progress, and better times will be the result, of course it will take time, for all this to come about, but just as sure as the party of protection makes gains in the coming election, just so sure will there be a great business revival. Let us all join in this great political upheaval which will mean so much to the American Homes and American firesides.

## Legal Reflection.

Apropos to a peculiarly flagrant legal scandal, Senator John H. Bankhead, said in Jasper. "This scandal give a point to a story I have just heard. "A lawyer advertised for a boy. A boy duly presented himself, and the lawyer said to him: "Well, my lad, what qualifications have you for a place in a lawyer's office?" "I can—er—I can lie, sir, the boy answered."

## VOTE FOR:

Solicitor  
Ninth Judicial District:  
**WILLIAM I. WARD,**  
Alamance County.

Senators  
Nineteenth Senatorial District:  
Caswell County.  
**C. J. YARBROUGH,**  
**D. S. MILLER,**  
Durham County.



House of Representatives:  
**THOMAS C. CARTER.**

Clerk of the Superior Court:  
**J. EVERETT STAFFORD.**

Treasurer:  
**CHARLES R. WAY.**

Register of Deeds:  
**W. ROSS FRESHWATER.**

Surveyor:  
**J. WILBUR OVERMAN.**

Coroner:  
**WILLIAM J. NICKS.**

Sheriff:  
**H. CURRIE WALKER.**

County Commissioners:  
**ROBERT T. KERNOBLE,**  
**GEORGE W. VESTAL,**  
**CHARLES A. ALBRIGHT.**

**JOHN H. TURNER.**  
**A. K. RONEY.**

## DOING US A GOOD TURN.

The Democratic candidates are doing this paper a mighty good service by advertising it to all the people with whom they come in contact, if the state of our finances were not so low, we would place them upon our pay roll, but collections are slow and we are not able just at this time, however we appreciate their kindness and trust they will keep the good work up. Small favors thankfully received, and larger ones in proportion. We received a large one Tuesday night at the hands of Congressman Steadman. Thank you Major, we always did think you were a grand old man.

## A NEW CLERK ADDED.

There has been another clerk added to the office of the Register of Deeds within the last few months, the salary to this clerk is four hundred dollars and is paid for out of the tax payers money, this office is now costing the tax payers one thousand dollars per year clerk hire, besides the regular salary of the Register of Deeds, we are not criticising the establishment of this additional office, it may have been necessary, but we are making the fact public, in order that the people may know what is going on, the time has been when the other papers of the county would have chronicled this fact gladly, but this was before the complete domination of the county by the court house ring.

## MORE BONDS ISSUED.

There has been more bonds issued without submitting it to a vote of the people, on July 16th, 1914, there was issued bonds to the amount of twenty thousand dollars, and the money is all gone, such is the record of the court house ring.

## MR. VERNON WRITES.

October 27, 1914.  
Editor State Dispatch,  
I regret that you are indulging in such cheap politics in our campaign. The statement in your last issue that I declared "that the nominees of the Republican Party were like hog pens in their offensiveness" is unfounded and untrue. This statement is like many other statements you have published in your paper for the last few weeks. You have made mis-statements about the indebtedness of our County, about our Register of Deeds, Clerk of Court and others, and I am reliably informed that you did it without making any investigation of the records. You should go to the records and get the truth and give the truth to your subscribers. I am glad the day has come in politics when the people are demanding the truth, and unless the truth is presented the message will be of little avail. I do not believe that an editor of a paper deserves the respect of his fellows unless he can first establish and maintain a good reputation as to fairness and accuracy. I endorse the letters written you this week by C. D. Johnston and J. D. Kernodle. Get right and deal fairly.

Yours truly,  
**JOHN H. VERNON.**

## THEY WOULD HAVE YOU FORGET.

The court house ring would have the tax payers forget that there are five county commissioners to be voted for November 3rd, have you heard anything said about these officials. Always in the campaigns heretofore since one of the county candidates took it upon himself to make the announcements for all the county commissioners, but not so this time, there is a reason ask your self why this change. They would have you forget about the dog law, heretofore the candidate for the legislature would boast of the many good laws passed by the last general assembly. But the dog law they would have you forget. There is a reason, ask yourself why they do not boast of this good dog law. They would have you forget about the enormous county debt, there is a reason, ask yourself why they do not want to discuss the county debt, it is so large that the more you discuss it the larger it gets, and they are afraid that it is larger than the tax payers will stand for. They will not discuss the saving to the tax payers by the adoption of the salary system as against the fee system, there is a reason, ask yourself why they will not discuss this saving. The county officers were opposed to the salary system, and they are taking their vengeance upon the taxpayers who forced it upon them. They will not discuss the road law, there is a reason, ask yourself why they will not discuss the road law, they would have you forget there is a road law, why because the present road law is a failure, a farce, and a makeshift. The people are demanding a better road law, free from favoritism and sectional advantage. The court house ring is opposed to remodeling the road law, and therefore refuse to discuss it. These are live subjects, in which the tax payers are interested, if you favor them, make your influence felt at the polls.

## WOOL DEALERS COMPLAIN OF DEMOCRATIC TIMES.

Argument in favor of the re-election of Senator Penrose and the entire Republican ticket was made yesterday when the Tattersfield Company, of 32 Letitia Street, importers and dealers in foreign and domestic wool, said that while their firm had paid more than half a million dollars' duty on wool in 1913, it would not pay one cent on wool duty for the present year. "Today the factories which purchase our wool are running on half time or

## REPLY TO MR. VERNON.

I am publishing your letter of the 27th inst., in this issue, although you have already given it to The News. Speaking of fairness, would it not have been more in the spirit of fairness to have presented this letter to me for publication first, and then if I had refused, to have given it to The News, you will remember that you told me you were going to prepare a letter and present to me for publication, and asked if I would publish it, and I told you I would, so you cannot say that you were afraid I would not publish it. I am only too glad to publish all the letters you mention, I am running a paper to give the news, and these letters are news, there are a great many people who have never heard of the matters you refer to.

I want to say in the beginning that I have no quarrel with you or any other candidate upon your ticket, so far as I am aware we have been friends, and personally I would be glad to remain friends, but if telling the truth regarding their official acts, breaks the existing friendship, let it break. I will not be guilty of trying to deceive the voters and tax payers of this good county for my own party, and surely not for yours, this is a good county, and its people are of the best, I have elected to spend my remaining days within her borders. The time is past if it ever existed when our tax payers will calmly submit to inefficient and extravagant administration of our county affairs by either party, and the sooner we all realize this changed condition the sooner it will mean a better day for Alamance County politics. As to cheap politics it is not necessary for me to remind you that these are hard times owing to the War in Europe as you would say, and we cannot afford to indulge in an expensive campaign, when the war clouds have rolled away, and we are entering upon the dawn of the new milenium as often pictured by you during this campaign, I might be willing to loosen up a bit, but everything must be cheap now, why we must even wear cotton. You should remember that the good honest farmers and laborers in this county, do not hold as many offices as some of those whom you are trying so hard to defend. They earn their living by the sweat of their brow, there are no fat salaries and fees attached, and besides they are not their own paymasters. All they get is by hard knocks and they have to knock the harder when your party is in power, those about whom you are weeping neither toil nor do they spin, but they are provided with clerks to do the work and the tax payers foot the bills. All the ring have to do, is to stifle ambition in the young manhood of the county, and scheme for reelection. As to what you are reported to have said about the offensiveness of the Republican party in your speech at The Hub, I leave for the intelligent audience that was present and heard you, to say, your remarks was highly objectionable to the decent people of both parties, as will be testified to by the voters at the polls Nov. 3rd. As to the mis-statement about the indebtedness of our county, I have this to say, if you will employ an auditor of high standing and known ability to audit the books of the county, and if this auditor does not report that the total county debt is not nearer three hundred and fifty thousand dollars the amount I claim than three hundred and ten thousand dollars, the amount that you claim, I will pay the expense of the audit, and will put up the money before the work is begun. As to what has been published about your candidate for the register of deeds I have this to say, the figures quoted was taken from his report published in The Burlington News, Dated Dec. 23rd, 1913. If these figures are not true it is his fault and not mine, you know that this report shows those figures, and if there is any mis-statement about them, he and you have made them not me. I have never stated that he took these fees, but I have repeatedly said that his report said he did. As to the mis-statement which you say I made against your candidate for clerk of the court, I refer you to the paper containing it, you will note that this charge was made by a correspondent from Ossipee Mills, who said he knew the facts as to the truth of this charge I put it up to you. The article said you were the woman's attorney, Mr. Kernodle himself says you were the woman's attorney, therefore the only mis-statements that I am aware of are those you make against me. I am glad that the day has come when people are demanding the truth. They are demanding it, The Twice-A-Week Dispatch has been demanding it, but you and your court house ring have been resisting this demand, with all the ingenuity of a blighted political mind, aided by your hords of office holders and office seekers, not content with this, you sought the aid of the brightest legal mind your party can boast of in the person of Mr. E. S. Parker, Jr. But he would not say what you and your court house ring decreed, and you have not tried him again. As to your views that an editor does not deserve the respect of his fellow men unless he can first establish and maintain a good reputation as to fairness and accuracy I have this to say, if you possessed the same moral code that you set up for an Editor, you would not now be a candidate for the Legislature. Pray tell me when did the court house ring permit a man who possessed this moral code to be nominated for the Legislature, certainly not since the ring has held undisputed sway in this county. I am glad you endorse the letters written for publication in The Dispatch by C. D. Johnston and J. D. Kernodle. You also endorse the increase-salary bill do you not. I want to remind you again, of what I told you when the campaign first opened that The Editor of the Dispatch was not an issue in this campaign, but if you still think so, I have no objection to your opinion. Now, finally, Brother Vernon, permit me to suggest that you first remove the beam from thine own eye, before you would pluck the mote from mine eye.

Wishing you the success, that the justness of your cause merits, and no more, I beg to remain.

Yours truly,

**J. ZEB WALLER.**

## M.A. WHO WOULD MARRY MISS WILSON ARRESTED.

Chicago, Oct. 23.—A man giving his name as David A. Wilson was held under arrest by Federal authorities here today on a charge of having written to Miss Margaret Woodrow Wilson, the only unmarried daughter of President Wilson, proposing marriage. He will be examined as to his sanity.

Wilson admitted having written the letter, but refused to answer any questions concerning it. His home was said to be in Curryville, Missouri.

Little Margaret's aunt had been ill for several weeks and Margaret had not seen her during this time. On seeing her the first time after her illness, she cried: "My, auntie, how you have evaporated."

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MAYOR WANTS MONEY KEPT HERE.

The first formal visit to this city of the Governing Board of the Pennsylvania Society of New York, late yesterday afternoon, was marked by an informal reception in the office of Mayor Blankenburg, where what was declared to be the generally unfavorable conditions of the country at large, and New York and Philadelphia, in particular, were discussed.

After the visitors had been introduced to the Mayor by ex-Governor Stuart, they sat about the Mayor and talked over what seemed to be first in the minds of all present—what was to be done with the unemployed in the great cities of the country. The pleas of the Red Cross Society were also discussed, with the result that Mayor Blankenburg said that because of the conditions in this country he did not favor the plan of sending money and clothing abroad.

"I estimate the number of unemployed in this city at the present time as seven per cent. greater than ever before," the Mayor said. "It makes me think of the time you were mayor"—turning to Mr. Stuart. "I was looking over some of the bills passed by Councils many years ago, in the last few days, and I found one which you had signed appropriating \$100,000 to be used for the unemployed. That was the time you put men to work fixing the mudholes on the country roads."

Although the visitors had come to the city to attend a banquet in their honor at the Union League at night, they spoke and acted more as if they had come to attend a meeting to devise ways to meet unfavorable conditions. After the statement was made that conditions in New York were even worse than in this city—the families of those who went abroad to fight, are still stranded in New York—the Mayor spoke of the work the Red Cross is doing to raise money for Europe.

"The work done by the Red Cross is very wonderful," he said, "but it seems to me that we ought to keep some of that money and some of the clothing we are sending abroad in this city for our own unemployed and those in trouble."

Mr. Stuart spoke of an old committee which had the right to say what part of the money collected for the Red Cross should be sent to other countries and what part should be kept for the use of this country. He thought it would be a good plan to revive it.

The Mayor agreed to this and said he was the only man on the committee, which had served on the original one. Mr. Stuart then spoke of the time he had sent a cargo of flour for relief of the Russians, when he was mayor and added that serious thought must be given not only to the present conditions here, but to those coming in the near future.

"Last year at this time," he said, "the Baldwin Locomotive Works were employing seventeen thousand men on full time. At the present time they have thirty-eight hundred, and these are on half time."

After the visitors had met the Mayor they were escorted to the Union League Club, where Mr. Stuart, president of the society, was the host at the dinner. Today they will go to Valley Forge as guests of Mr. Stuart.

Among those invited to meet the visitors were Governor Tener, Mayor Blankenburg, Charlemagne Tower, Dr. John B. Deaver, Dr. Hobart A. Hare, C. C. Kennedy, C. Stuart Patterson, John T. Windrim, William T. Tilden, Thomas B. Harper, Daniel C. Herr, Rev. David M. Steele, Dr. Samuel G. Dixon, Judge George B. Oriady and E. T. Stonebury.

The following members of the Governing Board of the Pennsylvania Society were at the dinner: Harry P. Davidson, James M. Beck, Col. Robert M. Thompson, William Harrison Brown, Bishop James Henry Darlington, of Harrisburg, Richard Theodore Davies, George C. Boldt, Thomas E. Kirby, John Markle, Robert Mazet, A. J. Hemphill, John Gribbell, F. H. Eaton, Barr Ferree.

FAVORS INCREASED SALARIES.

FOR ALL COUNTY OFFICERS.

We are reliably informed that the Democratic Candidate for the Legislature favors an increase in salary for all county officers, the present salaries are as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Office and Salary. Sheriff \$2,000.00, Register of Deeds 1,600.00, Clerk of Court 1,500.00, Treasurer 900.00.

This does not include allowances for clerk hire, to each of these officers as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Office and Salary. Sheriff, Salary for Deputy \$1,000.00, Register of Deeds 600.00, Clerk of Court 100.00.

Our understanding is that the proposed increase is as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Office and Salary. Sheriff 500.00, Register of Deeds 400.00, Clerk of Court 300.00, Treasurer 300.00.

Total Increase \$1,500.00. This increase added to their present salaries would be as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Office and Salary. Sheriff \$2,500.00, Register of Deeds 2,000.00, Clerk of Court 1,800.00, Treasurer 1,200.00.

You will understand that the Clerk of Court is not now upon salary, and will not be until after December 1st, this year, but if the Democratic Candidate for the Legislature is elected, this is what the salaries will be if he can have his way about it. If you believe that these officers are over-worked and under paid, vote for an increase, but if you think that the salaries are high enough for the services rendered, then vote for the Republican-Progressive candidate, this is all there is to it. We are informed by what should be a reliable source that this bill to increase salaries was prepared and presented to the Board of County Commissioners for their approval, and that three out of the five members of the board approved them, but that two refused to endorse them, and gave as their reasons that these officers knew what their salaries were when they accepted the nomination for the office, and besides they thought the salaries high enough, we are also informed by this same authority that this bill for an increase was indorsed by Mr. John H. Vernon, who was then County Chairman, but now the Candidate for the Legislature, this bill was sent down to both the regular and extra sessions of the Legislature but was not introduced. We want to say in justice to whom justice is due, the reason this bill was not passed is due to Mr. Jack Scott, Senator from this county, he gave it as his opinion that they accepted the offices knowing what the salaries were and he opposed the bill, to him belongs the credit for its failure to pass. Our readers will recall that this paper also called the people's attention to this bill at the time, and urged our people to oppose its passage, but we are glad to say that your senator was alert to the tax payers interest and would not allow its passage. But we warn you now that you will not have Senator Scott to protect you in the next Legislature. Therefore you will have to protect yourself at the ballot box, this is the sure method anyway. All this is given as information to the tax payers, and for such action as you deem necessary.

WE PAY 'EM DOLLARS.

While In European Countries Workmen Are Paid Cents.

"So long as we have to compete with foreign labor in given lines, so long will we continue to depend upon Europe for certain supplies," declares a Detroit business man prominent in the middle west. According to certain over-enthusiastic Americans the war in Europe has given us an opportunity such as we have never had before to prove ourselves the equals of our European brothers in turning out things it has been the custom to secure abroad. While this sounds mighty fine and it is admitted everywhere without question that there are few things American genius is unequal to accomplish, the more conservative thinkers give it as their opinion that it is a matter of dollars and cents that precludes the probability of American enterprise winning new laurels.

Says the Detroit man whose firm uses many chemical compounds that are obtained almost exclusively from abroad:

"Belladonna and digitalis are two articles which we import. Both can be raised successfully in this country, but not with any profit, because of the excessive cost of gathering the crops, as compared with the slight expense abroad. Labor there is a matter of a few cents a day as against 60 cents here. So far as America is concerned raising these botanical drugs is commercially impossible.

"The same applies to chemicals, at least so far that we are concerned. Many of these come to us from Germany. The German government has favored industries of this nature in every way possible. It has granted free alcohol and made other concessions of great value.

"Even if an American saw fit to enter into competition with German chemists he could not last long, because the single item of labor would encompass his downfall. What chance would he have paying his workmen three or four or five dollars a day to perform the same task, perhaps even less of it, than a German laborer receives from 70 to 80 cents a day for doing? There is a stumbling block right at the outset that spells defeat.

"It is not our inability to accomplish what is being done in Europe that keeps American manufacturers out of the game. It is true that chemistry has been brought to a high standard in Germany, but the methods employed are all a matter of record easily available to those who desire to become acquainted with them. We have the men who could work them out, we have the means, but we have not the inclination, for purely financial reasons.

"Let us suppose that the war were to continue for a term of years, say two or three. It would take that long to install the necessary apparatus and

work out the processes. Allow a matter of \$200,000 for buildings and machinery. Just about the time the first American-made chemicals were coming through the plant the struggle in Europe would be over, the workmen who had not been killed in battle would return to their posts in mill and factory and German commercial interests, eager to recoup the losses they had suffered from the war, would be keen in quest of trade. The American who had risked his money in the enterprise would find himself face to face with ruinous competition, with an investment that would be practically worthless.

"It is not a matter of sentiment or inability to deliver the goods if the occasion required, but a plain case of dollars and cents that keeps Americans from invading the fields that are now supplied from abroad."

And yet our Democratic friends would have you vote for free trade, or tariff for revenue only, when a man who receives five dollars per day in this country only receives eighty cents in the foreign countries, it is absolutely necessary to have a protective tariff to cover this difference in the wage scale, or else our laborers will have to work for the same price as received by the foreigner, we tell you in all candor, vote for your own interest, and that interest lies in the Republican party.

VOTE FOR:

Solicitor Ninth Judicial District: WILLIAM I. WARD, Alamance County.

Farmers' Union Leaders for the Constitutional Amendments.

With sixty-five counties represented from the mountains to the sea, the State meeting of the Farmers' Union business agents in Raleigh, October 2, voted unanimously to endorse the proposed Constitutional Amendments.

The president of the State Farmers' Union, Dr. H. Q. Alexander, Vice President Templeton, Secretary Faires, Organizer Green, Educational Secretary Crosby and Messrs. Gibson, Wright, Moore and Poe, of the Executive committee, also signed the following statement: "We the undersigned officials of the North Carolina State Farmers' Union, without committing the organization, and recognizing fully the non-partisan character of the proposed Constitutional Amendments, do hereby state to the people that we have examined the aforesaid amendments, and it is our conviction that their adoption will make for progress in this State, and for the advancement of our farming interest, and all other worthy interests in the State. We remind the people especially that the taxation amendment does not pledge the people to any plan, but simply sets free our people to work out necessary reforms in taxation, while leaving in force the present restriction on rates."

DON'T BLAME IT ON THE WAR.

It is the present hope of Democracy that the European war will so take up and fill the American mind as to distract it entirely from thoughts as to what the party in power has done in its eighteen months of rule.

Such a hope is not flattering to the American people. It is not a people which is in the habit of permitting the accident of today to offset the premeditated offence of yesterday. The voter of the United States has a habit of remembering, not of forgetting, especially when he has real reason to keep certain facts indelibly in mind. A depleted purse is a great aid to memory. Unfortunately for the Democratic party, their record was made up before the war began. Their economic policies have proven wrong, their leadership has blundered and failed, and ignorance and prejudice had already stained their legislation.

THE TEST OF THE NEW LAW.

Fortunately for the cause of protection to American industry, and unfortunately for the Democratic party, there was a real and accurate test of the new tariff and a comparison with its Republican predecessor before the beginning of hostilities abroad, which has temporarily put an end to normal importations.

The price that the American producer paid for the privilege of living under the new tariff is one million dollars a day more of foreign competition for him to face in the market of the United States. According to government statistics there was an increase in value of foreign goods brought into the United States of twenty-six million dollars a month, or one million dollars a day for every working day of the month.

This foreign merchandise is brought to this country to be sold. By just the amount of the increase in importation will there be a loss of market to the American producer. By just so much will the sale of American goods in the American market fall short of the sales for the same period under the Republican tariff law. An additional competition of one million dollars a day faces the American producer so long as the Democratic tariff law remains on the statute books and European conditions are normal. And the loss and the injury that result from this will be felt in the workroom of the mill as well as in the counting room; and will reach the Northern farmer in his fields.

WAR!

Means higher prices and greater demand for grains. The price of wheat has increased 35 cents, corn 20 cents per bushel.

You can't do better than to hook up to a good grain farm. If we were in the farming business we would grab this one, but since it is our business to sell 'em, we must let her go.

One twenty acre field produced 500 bushels wheat this year. Another field produced 54 1/2 bushel oats. There will be 500 bushels of corn with proper season.

The farm is divided into fields with barb wire and American field fence about three miles of fence in all.

- Field No. 2...17 acres.
Field No. 3...22 acres.
Field No. 4...40 acres.

In original oak timber and is used for hog pasture. This farm contains 127 acres. It has a large barn 30 by 50 ft., a tool shed, crib, milk house and three room house. Ever flowing stream through the center of the farm. In good neighborhood, only one half mile from Friendship, a good state high school, seven and half miles Southwest of Burlington.

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POOL

WHILE EUROPE FIGHTS AMERICA PROSPERS.

Herbert Kaufman in The Chicago Sunday Tribune.

It's here—your chance has come. Half the world had to be blown off the map to produce the opportunity. More billions of pounds, francs and marks' worth of assets than the total created wealth of the world five hundred years ago had to be smashed to smithereens—nobody knows how many leaders in manufacturing, shipbuilding, railroading, finance, merchandising, chemistry, medicine, engineering, electricity, dyeing, weaving and publishing, not to mention an indefinite number of less important but quite useful folk—had to be lost in the cataclysm, to arrange matters for your benefit, but at all events you are one of the residuary legatees of the still vast, valid estate.

Now make good—you're nailed. We've always suspected you, but you were so confoundingly plausible with your excuses—so clever with your explanations of how you just missed it, that we gave you the benefit of the doubt and—another try.

But you won't "get by" again unless you produce the goods. If you ever before had an idea you never before had such a market for it. If you ever possessed business acumen and judgment, you'll never again face a universe so sadly in need of your gifts.

The bomb that burst at Sarajevo temporarily paralyzed the development of half the world.

For years to come Europe must chafe in handcuffs—bereft of recourse and resource—and turn to America for the alleviation of her necessities.

Last year it was twice as difficult to merchandise yourself or your wares—to get a hearing and to get ahead—because now there is only half the rivalry that existed then.

This is not an urge to capitalize our neighbor's woes. On the contrary it is a suggestion to get busy and lighten them.

The more we help ourselves the quicker we analyze the situation and sensibly set about relieving the world strain—the sooner we repair the universal tears and snags and patch up the broken machinery—the better off everybody will be.

Here and there a flying splinter or a chip of shrapnel has figuratively flown across the Atlantic and actually injured an isolated interest, but, man alive, such cases don't count—ninety-nine per cent of us never had less reason to worry about our material prosperity.

There's a silver lining to every war cloud, too, and it's all showing on our side of the ocean.

There are mouths to feed and backs to clothe—prescriptions to fill, automobiles and farming implements to produce, shoes to be furnished and steel to supply—it's just as though half the stores in the country were suddenly closed—half the farms abandoned, half the factories and laboratories shut down—It doesn't take much imagination to figure that the active merchants and farmers and manufacturers would have everything their own way; and yet that's just what has occurred.

Hard times are impossible under these conditions. The most superficial analysis proves it.

Shed a tear in the name of decency and humanity over the appalling tragedy, but in the name of good citizenship and good sense simultaneously help devastated lands and your own country by spreading cheer among the blinded doubters whose pessimism is retarding a necessary and immediate boom.

By every law of logic and profit there shouldn't be a still wheel or a creaken smoke stack on the whole continent. By raising our production to its maximum limits we can not only create enormous fortunes for ourselves but at the same time so reduce costs that we can also lighten the misfortunes of our kinsmen yonder.

History won't repeat the present performance in your lifetime. It's your best and biggest chance.

DEMOCRATIC ABSENTEEISM.

In the verbal bouquets that President Wilson threw to the Democratic Congress in his letter to Mr. Underwood there was one subject upon which there was silence. That was the matter of Democratic absenteeism during the long session just past. The failure of the members of the majority party to remain in Washington and attend to their Congressional duties has been a scandal. Finally, the most extreme measure possible was adopted, that of "docking" the pay of members of the House for each day's absence from duty except for sickness.

It was the Democratic leader himself who was compelled to adopt this radical policy in order to keep enough of his party at their posts of duty for the House to attend to business. Only once before has it been necessary to resort to this "docking" law. That time was some twenty years ago, and then, as now, it was a Democratic Congress that compelled its adoption.

The Democratic membership of the House is two hundred and ninety. It requires the presence of two hundred and eighteen members to make a quorum for the carrying on of business. Thus, the Democrats have seventy-two members in excess of the quorum number. It is reasonable to suppose that when matters of vital importance to the country were being acted upon the Democrats would have maintained a quorum of their own members, especially so when the House was carrying out a legislative program that had been passed upon and ordered by a caucus of the party.

Before the financial pressure was brought to bear upon the Democrats there had been one hundred and thirty-nine roll call votes in the House, which Democrats with pocketbook nerves, but with no proper sense of their duty, had missed. On each of these roll call votes there was an average of one hundred and three absent Democrats. And on over one hundred of these votes Republicans had to supply the difference between the Democratic shortage and the number necessary for business of the House to proceed. Many of these roll calls were of the very important legislation that was before Congress.

It is the Democratic party that is responsible for legislation and for the conduct of the House. But if it had not been for Republican votes the House would have been helpless most of the session and its majority clogged. It was not until the "docking" resolution was passed that the important business of Congress had any attraction for the Democrats. When it became a question of losing the sum of twenty dollars from their pay for every day of unexpected absence then there was a sudden rush of Democrats to Washington. That was apparently their one interest in legislation.

One of the reasons for this absenteeism was the vicious rule of King Caucus. Everything was foreordained and decreed by the mandate of the party caucus. A bare majority of the caucus could decide in advance what the House was to do and how. Therefore, the members had nothing to do with legislation. There was no such thing as sincere debate and discussion on the floor; there was no opportunity for the offering of suggestion or amendment. The iron hand of the caucus was over all.

It is not a fortunate issue upon which to go before the people of the country, this record of Democratic negligence and the Democratic system of high-handed dictation that made it possible. Can it be that this is the kind of Congress that is wanted by the voters of the United States?

The dreadnaught dreads the submarine. Closed season for openwork will soon be in our midst.

PUBLIC SPEAKING.

Honorable A. A. Whitener, Republican candidate for United States Senator, will address the people of Burlington and vicinity in the Burlington Brick Warehouse, Friday Night, October 20, 7:30 O'clock. Mr. Whitener is a pleasing speaker, and will entertain his audience. The ladies are especially invited, comfortable seats will be provided. Our friends will please see that due publicity is given to this announcement.

COST TO TAXPAYERS.

According to the sworn statement of C. D. Johnston, Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners, in his annual exhibit for last year, which was published in The Burlington News, under date of December 24th, 1913. This report shows that the Register of Deeds office cost the tax payers of Alamance County last year as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Salary of C. D. Johnston, \$1,600.00; Clerk Hire to C. D. Johnston, 600.00; Fees Paid C. D. Johnston, as per his statement, 987.28.

Total Amount Paid C. D. Johnston, as per his statement, \$3,187.28. The tax payers will please understand that this amount is what Mr. Johnston says that he received. If you doubt it see copy of Burlington News, Dated December 24th, 1913. If Mr. Johnston did not receive it, he should not have said that he did, and if he did receive it, he should be manly enough to say that he did. This paper does not say that he received this amount, we say that he said he received it over his sworn signature. This is more money than the register of Deeds office ever cost the tax payers in the way of fees and salaries since the office was created. This information is given so that the tax payers of the county may know how much this office cost them, and they can act accordingly.

TWO MEN HOLD SIX OFFICES.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Deputy Sheriff, salary, \$1,000.00; Constable, fees, estimated, 600.00; Cotton Statistician, for Alamance and Guilford Counties, Fees, Estimated, 500.00.

Total amount for the three positions, \$2,100.00. The above offices are held by Mr. C. D. Story, the other officers are as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Register of Deeds, salary, \$1,600.00; Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners, fees last year, 987.28; Trustee for the County Sinking Fund, fees last year, 35.09.

Total amount for the three offices, \$2,622.28. With two men holding six positions, no wonder there is no position for anyone else, and yet there are people who do not believe that there is a court house ring. This information is given for the benefit of the tax payers and they can act accordingly.



Filled Vacant Seat

The Boulgers were about to start on an automobile ride, when a friend who was too ill to make the trip. Who would have the vacant seat? A telephone call to another friend found her ready and eager to accept the short notice invitation.

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Has Helped Thousands.

Julie is going to study Anatomy. A Boston woman was shot in the dining room and a Pittsburg woman was stabbed in the back yard.

Well, the allies have one consolation—if the Germans go any further they'll have to wade.

A Happy Home (Read What Peruna Did)

Mrs. James F. Summit, No. 1005 East Eighth St., Muscatine, Iowa, writes:

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I am now well and happy. We have a baby boy, which we believe is the direct consequence of my improved health. He is our first and only child, and if Peruna had not cured me of my ailments we should never have had him. I hope every suffering woman will give Peruna a trial, the same as I have. Those who object to liquid medicines can now procure Peruna Tablets.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

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Sunday School every Sabbath at 9:45 A. M. Preaching every First and Third Sabbath at 11:00 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Mid-Week Service every Wednesday, 7:30 P. M. Everyone Welcome.

Parsonage Corner Front and Trullinger Streets.

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Preaching every Fourth Sunday at 11:00 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday School every Sunday at 9:30 A. M. Prayer Meeting Wednesday, 7:30 P. M. Ladies' Aid Society First Sunday Afternoon.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH. Church of The Holy Comforter. The Rev. John Benner Gibbs, Rector.

Services every Sunday, 11:00 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Holy Communion: First Sunday, 11:00 A. M. Third Sunday, 7:30 A. M. Holy and Saint's Days, 10:00 A. M. Sunday School 9:30 A. M. The public is cordially invited. All Pews Free. Fine Vested Choir.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH. Corner Church and Davis Streets. Rev. A. B. Kendall, Pastor.

Preaching every Sunday 11:00 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday School, 9:45 A. M. John R. Foster, Superintendent. Christian Endeavor services Sunday Evenings at 6:45. Mid-Week Prayer Service, every Wednesday at 7:30 P. M. Ladies' Aid and Missionary Society meets on Monday, after the Second Sunday in each month. A cordial invitation extended to all. A Church Home for Visitors and for Strangers.

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Rev. Donald McIver, Pastor. Services every Sunday at 11:00 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday School at 9:45 A. M. B. R. Sellars, Superintendent. Prayer Meeting, Wednesday at 7:30 P. M. The Public is cordially invited to all services.

BAPTIST CHURCH.

Rev. M. W. Back, Pastor. Sunday Worship, 11:00 A. M., and 7:30 P. M. Sunday School at 9:30 A. M. J. L. Scott, Superintendent. Praise and Prayer Services, Wednesday at 7:30 P. M. Christian Culture Class, Saturday at 3:00 P. M. Church Conference, Wednesday before First Sunday of each month, 7:30 P. M. Observance of Lord's Supper, First Sunday in each month. Woman's Union, First Monday of each Month, 3:30 P. M.

THE METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH.

East Davis Street. Rev. George L. Curry, Pastor. Prayer Meeting, Wednesday 7:30 P. M. Ladies' Aid and Missionary Societies every Monday afternoon after First Sunday in each month. Christian Endeavor Society meets at 6:30 Every Sunday Evening. Sunday School, 9:30 A. M. J. G. Rogers, Superintendent. Good Baraca and Philathea Classes. You are invited to attend all these services.

MACEDONIA LUTHERAN CHURCH.

Front Street. Rev. T. S. Brown, Pastor.

Morning Service 11:00 A. M. Vespers 7:30 P. M. Services every Sunday except the morning of Third Sunday. Sunday School, 9:45 A. M. Prof. J. J. Robertson, Supt. Teachers' Meeting Wednesday 7:30 P. M. (Pastor's Study). Woman's Missionary Society, First Thursday, Monthly, 3:30 P. M. L. C. B. Society, Second Thursday, Monthly, 7:30 P. M. Young People's Meeting, Second Sunday at 3 P. M.

FRONT STREET M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH.

Rev. D. H. Tuttle, Pastor. Peace to those who enter. Blessings to those who go. Preaching every Sunday, 11:00 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sacrament of the Lord's Supper with offering for Church charities, First Sunday in each month. Sunday School, every Sunday, 9:30 A. M. Prayer Meeting, Wednesday, 8:00 P. M. Board of Stewards meet on Monday 8:00 P. M., after Fourth Sunday in each month. Woman's Missionary Society meets 4:00 P. M., on Monday, after 1st and 3rd Sundays. Parsonage, corner W. Davis and Hoke Streets. Pastor's Telephone, No. 168. Ring—Talk—Hang Up—"Busy."

WEBB AVENUE M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH.

Rev. F. B. Noblett, Pastor. Preaching every first Sunday at 11:00 A. M., and 7:30 P. M. Second Sunday at 7:30 P. M. Sunday School every Sunday at 10:00 A. M. A. M. H. F. Moore, Superintendent. Everybody Welcome.





**ADDITIONAL TAXATION.**

And then, finding the Treasury lacking in funds to pay for their extravagance, and being unwilling to deny themselves the unwonted luxury of spending other people's money, and incapable of a scientific adjustment of expenditures to income, they use the strong arm of the war power to levy a war tax when we are at peace with all the world. One hundred million dollars more wrung from a people who they have impoverished. Have the Democratic party no sobering sense of responsibility?

And there is no assurance that an additional tax will not yet be added to the one already demanded, if the Democratic party is not deprived of power.

**PARTISANSHIP AND SPOILS.**

The business of the country was injured by Democratic acts. The smooth-flowing current of commerce was checked and the industrial prosperity of the nation diminished. Their tariff law was a benefit to none but the foreign producer. Their attempt to regulate trade resulted only in hampering it. The record of administration was the rule of partisanship and spoils. There was procrastination instead of action, and violent haste where mature consideration was demanded. No foreign war cloud is dark enough to hide the business depression that Democratic incompetency brought about.

The absolute necessity for the prosperity of the American producer is the control of his home market. Without that mooring place he is the sport of every trade wind that blows. Under the present Democratic tariff law he is losing his home market. That law must be changed if there is to be given to American production the necessary anchor to windward when the foreign trade winds blow wrong and strong.

Another vital condition is that individual effort in the United States shall not be unfairly checked and confined by such hostile legislation as is being enacted by the Democratic party. If success is to bring with it penalty and punishment, which seems to be the underlying Democratic principle, the American citizen will be so handicapped at home as to be unable to take advantage of opportunity abroad.

The well being of the country is demanding the restoration to power of the party of construction in place of the party of destruction. There has been more than enough of beautiful theory and glittering platitude. The rule of rhetoric has had its day. There is no longer awe or curiosity about such soulful things as "the new freedom" and "the constitution of peace."

**TAXPAYERS ATTENTION.**

When I was nominated for the position of county commissioner, I told my friends that I could not accept, and I have held to this conclusion until now, but there is such an insistent demand from all over this county that I stay in the race in order if elected I may be of some service to the taxpayers, that I have decided if the men who pay the taxes in this county want my services, and feel that I can help them in any way by being a member of the next board, I have decided if elected I will accept the position. Our county affairs are in bad shape, and it will take hard work to get them right again, besides years to do it. I am making a great personal sacrifice to allow my name to go before the good people of Alamance county for this position, and a greater sacrifice if I should be elected. But I promise to do the best I can, and I further promise that I will keep the people fully advised as to all matters in which they are interested and which affects their pocketbooks. Every five years the tax payers of this county pay out in interest upon bonds the sum of a hundred thousand dollars, every twenty-five years a half million dollars, where will it all stop, and after you have

paid this half million dollars in interest the full amount of the bonds are still outstanding, sure you have never seriously considered this matter, or you would be more anxious to do something to stop this awful drain upon our resources, where is all this money to come from, in the end from your property and mine, the property that we ought to enjoy ourselves while living, and leave to our families when dead, will have to go to pay this enormous and burdensome debt. Do you love your party and the office holders more than you do your family, if you do then vote for present conditions, but if you love your family best, then vote to change present conditions. If you believe I can help you, put me upon the board, but if you do not believe I can, leave me at home.

Yours for better conditions,

R. T. KERNODLE.

**OUTSTANDING COUNTY BONDS.**

For the information of the voters and tax payers of Alamance County, there are outstanding county bonds to the amount of three hundred and twenty-seven thousand dollars as follows:

1903	\$50,000.00
1908	200,000.00
1911	23,000.00
1912	14,000.00
1913	20,000.00
1914 [This year]	20,000.00

Amounting to the enormous total of \$327,000.00  
Deduct amount claimed to be paid on these bonds 4,000.00

Leaving a balance due on bonds	\$323,000.00
Add to this outstanding county vouchers	8,600.00
Add to this the new county jail, now being built, but not completed, contract price	10,000.00
Add to this cost of sand clay road now being built between Haw River and Mebane	8,850.00

Amounting to the huge sum of \$350,500.00

Just think of it, three hundred and fifty thousand five hundred dollars, and this does not include any borrowed money from individuals, and other outstanding accounts which will have to be paid and yet they would have you believe that your financial affairs are in good shape, and that they ought to be continued in office because of this splendid financial showing, now really do you think so, if you do, vote to retain them, but if you think otherwise, then vote otherwise. Lay the copy of this paper away, and wait for the annual exhibit, then compare the two and you will learn the value of this paper to any voter and tax payer. All of this is a matter of record, and no one can deny the truthfulness of these statements, read it, and then take this paper in your hand and go to Graham and ask the ring to point out to you one false statement, it cannot be done, these are the facts, and facts will not lie. With this we leave the matter to your calm, cool judgment, render your verdict at the polls, will you do it, we shall see.

**DEMOCRACY'S LAST CRY.**

The voice of Democracy is now raised in one last fevered cry before the coming of election day. It consists of the two notes of apology and appeal rolled into one. Headed by President Wilson himself, the whole party is vociferously asking the country to heed and follow the advice of Abraham Lincoln when he said: "Don't swap horses when crossing a stream."

It is in these very words that the last cry for mercy is being made. But the Democrats cannot put forward any such Lincoln declaration to fit their case. He would be the first to advise a "swap" in the conditions which the nation faces today. Any horse that had shown obstinate incompetency, that had refused to be guided by the reins of legislative sanity, that had been goaded and lashed by the constant use of the party whip, such would never be chosen by the shrewd and sane Lincoln as the proper medium of transportation through a dangerous and crucial situation.

He would be quick to make a "swap" to a horse that had proven its competency and its efficiency, that had carried the country long and well through all manner of crisis in the past. In the present case, the "swap" would exchange unrest for security, ignorance for experience, and prejudice for fair play. It would remove apprehension, and bring back confidence.

Why should this nation wish to retain the Democratic party in power? It has itself been the cause of present conditions. The Democratic tariff policy was a complete failure before any talk of war in Europe was heard. If the entire world was at peace, it would be even more marked a failure than it now is. Mills closed and wages decreased; gold went out of the country in enormous quantity; foreign goods poured in; our pay rolls were transferred across the ocean; our trade balance exchanged from one hundred and forty millions in our favor to a balance of eleven millions against us in seven months of the life of the Democratic tariff law.

All of this took place before a single shot was fired in the great European conflict. The attempt of Democracy to lay all the present woes of the American people at the door of the foreign war is but a transparent attempt to deceive. It is like their effort of two years ago, when they solemnly declared to the people that a reduction of the tariff would reduce the cost of living. There came no decrease in prices when the tariff was changed, but there did come the crippling of the productive capacity of the United States.

Why should the business man wish a continuance of Democratic rule? He knows that the party now in power has produced legislation chiefly of a nature to tear down the business bulwarks and industries of the country. Is it reasonable to expect that the wrecked owners and their employes will submit chiefly to additional taxes to cover the wreckage?

The business man knows that it is not the European war, but the legislative folly of the present Administration that is responsible for the extreme depression that is hanging over the United States at a time when the entire country should be at the height of prosperity. He knows, too, that additional taxing schemes to pay for Democratic mistakes are certain to follow unless the people elect a Republican Congress and put down the lid on Democratic destructive legislation and wanton extravagance.

It is high time that the country "swapped horses" if it wishes to cross the stream in safety. There has been enough of experience with a party that tinkers with the law of supply and demand in legislative attempt to alter the plain principles of commercial competition, and whose tariff law calmly bids water run up hill.

**LACK OF CONFIDENCE.**

The cause is lack of confidence, and legislative conditions adverse to business in the United States. New enterprises halt and industrial activity hesitates not only because the business men of the country universally distrust and fear the Democratic party and its policies, but also because they have tried and found it impossible to operate under the laws the Democratic party has enacted.

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CONGRESS ELECTIONS WORRY DEMOCRATS.

Big Changes in House, Certain With Underwood and Other Leaders to Leave.

Washington, Oct. 12.—Regardless of the size of the Democratic majority in the House of the next Congress, whether it retains most of its present strength or approaches a virtual elimination, it is certain that there will be many important changes in the Democratic ranks.

Naturally the most important elimination from the house will be the leaving of the majority leader, Oscar W. Underwood, of Alabama. Mr. Underwood will take up his duties as a senator on March 4 of next year. During the last four years he has been the dominant figure in house affairs. He will leave the house with only a shade of his brilliant popularity tarnished and that because he forced the legislative truants back to duty by reviving a moribund law compelling work or no pay. He is loved by his titular enemies, the Republicans, and is said to be the only man in the house who knows every member of every party by his Christian name.

In winning his way to the Senate Mr. Underwood temporarily eclipsed Richmond P. Hobson of Merrimac and esculatory fame, for in running against his colleague Mr. Hobson had to keep out of the Congress race and so for at least a term he will not be a legislator.

Another picturesque figure to be cast into the shadow is Representative Stanley, of Kentucky, who ran for the Senate against Governor Beckham and after a bitter campaign was discovered on the morning after the primaries "outside the breast-works."

Representative Thomas W. Hardwick, of Georgia, has done an "Underwood" also. He won the primary nomination to the Senate, and in November his election will be confirmed in formal fashion. Mr. Hardwick is a tiny chap, bright eyed, quick of movement, pertinacious in debate. He enjoys or rather his friends enjoy calling him by a nickname the gift of Speaker Clark.

It was in the course of the canal tolls debate and Clark was on the side of no tolls for American vessels, while Mr. Hardwick was leading the fight for President Wilson's contentions. Clark turned on Hardwick, "he had been tormenting him with interrogations, and observed:

"As for the gentleman from Georgia, all I have to say is: 'Shoo fly—don't bother me.'"

Ever since Mr. Hardwick has been known as "Shoo fly" Hardwick.

"Cousin Bob Broussard, of Louisiana is serving his last term in the House and will go to the Senate next March.

Three other prominent members of the House are also candidates for Senatorial honors. Victor Murdock, of Kansas, who is running as a Progressive with slim chance of election, and George A. Noeley, a Democrat, will have a nip and tuck race with Senator Curtis, the Republican nominee.

Representative Charles Burke, Re-

publican, of South Dakota, has been nominated for the Senate and his election is practically conceded by both Democratic and Bull Moose. He has served seven non-consecutive terms in the House, and under the last Republican regime was chairman of the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Representative Willis, of Ohio, is running for the governorship on the Republican ticket, with even chances of election, while his colleague, Representative Whitacre, put himself out of Congress by essaying to take the Democratic nomination against him. After 22 continuous years of service in the House, Representative Richard Bartholdt, of Missouri, has announced his voluntary retirement. Dr. Bartholdt comes from South St. Louis, the Teutonic stronghold, and he might have remained in Congress 22 years more had he not tired of the game. He is an old line stand-pat Republican and he had begun to feel himself out of touch with the modern tendencies of the G. O. P.

Representative Covington, of Maryland, after four terms in the House, and Representative Walter I. McCoy, of New Jersey, after two, have accepted appointments to the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia. Mr. Covington having become chief justice, while Mr. McCoy is an associate.

Representative Eugene Kinkead, of New Jersey, has also retired. He ran for and won the Democratic nomination to the shrievalty of Hudson county.

Representative Sharpe, of Ohio, is now ambassador to France.

Representative William F. Murray, of Massachusetts, who can think politics as fast as Charles F. Murphy himself, has been made postmaster at Boston.

There are here and there others more or less obscure, and of course, there is a quaking in the boots among some of the Democrats who won their 1912 elections by reason of Republican defection to the Bull Moose. This condition is particularly true in New York, Pennsylvania and New England.

Of the 18 national Progressives in the present House, only two are certain to return—Representative Temple, of Pennsylvania, and M. Clyde Kelly, who has every nomination in his Pittsburgh district except that of the Republicans.

The list of returning lame ducks who went out in the landslide of 1912 is also interesting. Among the certainties are said to be Uncle Joe Cannon, William A. Rodenberg, John A. Steiling and William B. McKinley, of Illinois and Nicholas Longworth, of Ohio.

"Walter Jones," said a teacher sternly, "you are not attending to the lesson. Did you hear Jessie Smith's description of 'Hoinny?'"

"Yes'm," replied the small boy.

"All right, then. Give me a sentence in which you bring the word in correctly."

To which the answer was: "Hoinny marbles have you?"

Let them have our cotton at four-and-a-half cents? Not much.

ELBRIDGE FOUST.

Elbridge Foust, son of Peter and Sallie Foust, was born Sept. 23, 1848, and died October 14, 1914. He was married to Nancy Ann Coble February 10, 1881. To this union were born six children. One little girl died when only a few years old. Five children survive him: W. P. Foust, of California; P. E. Foust, of Guilford County; Lizzie Foust, in school at King's Business College, Raleigh, N. C., till called home on account of his serious illness; and Novella and Luther Foust who still reside in the home near Bethlehem M. P. Church.

December 8, 1892, he was again married, this time to Emily C. Graves. To this union one child, who died in infancy, was born. His wife survives him, also four grandchildren, and one sister, Mrs. James McVey. He was a member of Bethel M. P. Church for about 35 years. He will be greatly missed. He was a good, kind, liberal-hearted neighbor. He enjoyed very much for his neighbors to visit and talk with him. For the last few years he has been quite feeble and has not been able to visit or attend church very much, but was always pleased to have his pastor visit him. He died of paralysis and heart failure. He was confined to his room for about eight days. He was very patient, talking pleasantly with all who visited him just as long as he was able. He told his family he was ready and willing to die, there was nothing at all in his way. Oh! what a comfort to those so sadly bereft. October 15th at 4 o'clock P. M., in the presence of many relatives and friends he was laid to rest in Bethel Cemetery. Rev. G. W. Holmes conducted the burial service. Beneath a mound of many beautiful flowers the body of husband and father lies peacefully sleeping. Some day to be reunited with the spirit and awake with glad smiles as from a dream. "Only a dream and glory beyond the dark stream. How peaceful the slumber, how happy the waking; for death is only a dream."

To his wife, who is now just recovering from an attack of pneumonia, we extend our heartfelt sympathy in this trying hour. Only a few more years to serve God here, to love and comfort and help brighten the lives of those dear children who are so devoted to you. God in His goodness answered prayers and spared you to them and to us all, till you have fulfilled your mission here. The children also have our sincere sympathy, because we know what it means to lose Father, to hear no more his counsel, and advice and feel no more the joy of his presence. To plan and thank and live without the aid of one upon whom we have been taught to lean.

"A face is absent from our midst, A voice we loved is stilled; A place is vacant in our home Which never can be filled." God knows best. Dear Lord, help us to say—Thy will be done, and to live each day nearer to Thee. "Thine one more tie to bind you to heaven, one more loved one waiting for you. May you press onward and upward and God's love so abound in your hearts and your lives be so per-

fect through Jesus' power to save, that you can say—I am ready and willing to go home to Jesus and all loved ones gone before—One by one the members of Bethel Church are going home. May the pearly gates open to us all and we will meet again all dear ones gone before. We will be one united family there, for "we will never say good-bye in Heaven."

INEZ E. FOUST.

About this time of year mother swears if she'll wear that winter hat she wore last year. But father never takes a hint, and mother will rip the ribbon off the old hat and take the bow off the front and put it on the back and bend the frame into another shape and bluff all the neighbors that it is a new bonnet.

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Where Does the Farmers' Union Belong?

For several weeks the newspapers of the State have been interested in a statement attributed to Dr. Alexander of the State Farmers' Union, to the effect that the farmers of the State were ready to leave the Democratic party. The statement was made in the nature of a threat on account of the failure to secure certain legislation at Washington and has given many the idea that Dr. Alexander would start a bolting movement with Farmers' Union. Before anyone considers such a movement too seriously it must be remembered that not all the farmers of the State belong to the Farmers' Union, and less than half of the Farmers' Union members of the State belong to the Democratic party. This does not mean that the other half belong to some other party, but that a good majority of the members of the Farmers' Union are not now and have never been members of the majority party of the State.

VOTE FOR: County Commissioners: ROBERT T. KERNODLE, GEORGE W. VESTAL, CHARLES A. ALBRIGHT, JOHN H. TURNER, A. K. RONEY.

Mr. Knox Criticizes the Administration.

Philadelphia, Oct. 17. Philander C. Knox, formerly United States Senator and secretary of state, in a political address here today sharply criticized the present administration's policies, especially with reference to Mexico.

Mr. Knox criticized the Democratic party for holding the Republican party responsible for certain situations in connection with American foreign affairs. "No party," he said, "has the right to imperil the equilibrium of our international relations by subject-

ing them to the rough and perilous course of domestic politics."

"The Democrats prattle about peace," said Mr. Knox, "yet they have the distinction of beginning a war upon a furnished and distraught neighboring people."

He stated that all the bloodshed with which Mexico had been cursed the past 18 months was due to the failure to recognize the Huerta government and the removal of the Taft embargo on the sale of war materials to Mexican bandits.

"But it is concerning the maintenance of our neutrality during the present European conflict," said Mr. Knox, "that the administration registers the loftiest heights of self-satisfaction."

"Our positive action has at times approached dangerous near to open partisanship. At the outbreak of the war we took, as to certain German wireless stations, an attitude uncalled for under the rules and principle of international law.

"I am unwilling to believe this was intended as a partisan act in favor of the allies as against Germany, and yet unfortunately for us, there is much in the situation that gives ground for such a charge upon the part of the German government and the German people."

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