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MATTERS POLITICAL.

Among a Number of Candidates for Governor, a Lancaster Man is Mentioned.

The Columbia correspondent of the News and Courier makes the following observations as to the political pot, which is already beginning to simmer, although the next election is a year off. He says:

There is already a great deal of talk in various states about candidates for state offices, and for months the presidential possibilities have been considered seriously. In South Carolina, under the primary system, the election is virtually held in August every second year. The result of the system is that there is an everlasting campaign going on. Since the primary system has been in vogue candidates have been grooming as soon as one campaign closes. The last contest in this state closed a full year ago, and the wonder has been that candidates did not begin their work for the next contest a week after the second primary in 1902. Fortunately, there has been no campaign this year, and politics have been allowed to slumber for a while. County newspapers have, however, been writing about candidates and issues, and people who are interested have been talking about the future of certain men now more or less in the public mind.

At the primary last year a practically new set of state officials was selected. With the exception of Treasurer Jennings all the State House officials were selected for their first terms last summer, and there seems to be an unwritten law that where officeholders attend to their duties they be given a second term without opposition. This custom seems to apply to practically all elective officers, and, therefore, the chances are favorable to at least another year of political rest. Last year Governor Heyward had a strong string of opponents. He will be a candidate for renomination and just now the outlook is that he will have no opposition. There was some talk immediately after the first primary of last year that Mr. Martin F. Ansel would be pressed for governor at the next primary, in view of the surprising and extraordinary race that he made with the strong field in the race. He has stated that he will not oppose Governor Heyward for re-election, but he has his eye on the governor's chair after that.

Nothing has been heard politically from former Congressman Talbert since the last primary. The impression now is that if Governor Heyward's administration continues to run smoothly and satisfactorily as at present, he will have no opposition in 1904. Then the doors will open. Mr. Ansel is already in the field. Mr. Talbert is almost certain to be, but the older men will have to look to their laurels as it is rumored that Speaker Mendel L. Smith of Camden, and Representative T. Yancey Williams of Lancaster would make excellent gubernatorial timber, and the friends of Lieutenant Governor John T. Sloan naturally expect him to be promoted.

With this prospect the likeli-

hood is there will not be much of a campaign next year, unless something happens and that is always possible. Capt. Jennings may stand for re-election for state treasurer, but he has before him the defeat of Dr. Timmerman, who stood for a third term, and the custom of finding new men. If there were any other office for which Treasurer Jennings might shift he would stand a better chance than for a third term. If he runs there will be no opposition. There is some talk that Colonel Boyd will run against Adjutant and Inspector General Frost. Col. Boyd opposed Gen. Frost last year and lost, and the militia seem eminently satisfied with the present administration.

State House officials, most of whom are newcomers here, find that Columbia is a very expensive place in which to live. Rents are high, as compared with most other places in the state; provisions are as high as elsewhere and servants command good wages. The experience of most of the officials has been that, unless they have other sources of income, from their homes or professions, they run behind.

State officials who are expected to do any amount of entertaining cannot possibly live on their incomes. This may seem strange, but the fact is that no governor in recent years has been able to come out even on his salary, and the salary of governor is the best that is paid by the state—\$3,500. Of course there will be plenty of men who want the glory of being elected governor of this glorious state and there are many men who would accept the office without any pay, but it is well to know how things stand.

Aside from the expense of living in Columbia, there is the expense of the primary system. In some states the legitimate expenses of a campaign are paid by the state. In this state every candidate has to pay his own transportation—unless he has passes—has to settle with the hotels, pay for advertising, get up his plate matter for the papers, have supplementary tickets printed, encounter the committee with the list for the building of a new church or bridge, attend the fairs and arrange to have some "friend" at certain boxes, and the "friend" usually accepts pay for "his time." It is surprising how these little things count up.

One of the candidates in the recent state campaign kept a close tab on what money he spent. He is satisfied that every cent he expended was for legitimate and necessary expenses, and that he did not use any in an improper way or to influence a single vote. His books show that he actually expended \$523 for expenses during the campaign and that he "chipped away" \$200 for incidentals, subscriptions, tips and the like. In other words, the expenses of the primary were \$723. This applies to defeated as well as to successful candidates, and as this is a low average, as some defeated candidates spent twice as much to be defeated, as it all went to meet legitimate expenses and keep pace with the other candidates.

O K NEWS.

Educational Rally at Tabernacle August 29th. Fine Speakers Will be Present.

On next Saturday there will be an educational rally at Tabernacle. The following speakers have accepted invitations to speak on that day: Hon. M. L. Smith of Camden, Hon. O. B. Martin of Columbia and Supt. W. H. Hand of Chester.

This will be a great day for this whole community. The public are cordially invited to attend. Dinner will be served on the grounds. Let everybody bring well-filled baskets.

Mr. O. A. Plyler made an excellent talk to the Sunday school last Sunday. He gave the young people some good advice.

Mr. A. P. Plyler spent last week with his parents.

The Misses Sherill were guests of Mr. H. S. Plyler and Mr. J. H. Stewart last week.

Mr. Wilson Rowell has a fine hog and is going to make some corn to feed it on. He aims to have "hog and hominy" this winter.

Mr. R. S. Stewart is assisting in the school while Rev. Mr. Winn is busy with special services at one of his churches. R.E.S.

COMPETENCY CANNOT BE THROTTLED.

Charlott Observer.

The following is from the Columbia State:

"The strike of boiler-makers in Jersey City is unique. It was for lower wages. The scale fixed by the union is \$3 per day. Some of the workmen being so much superior to others were voluntarily paid \$3.75. The union held a meeting, demanding that the scale be adhered to. The management refused and the strike followed, those having received the advance going out with the other. Their places have been filled by non union men. Here is another lesson for sensible union men to study. Extra skill, industry, extra faithfulness were paid for by a business valuation. Is a union man to have no incentive to earn more than the scale? Must the hare be harnessed with the tortoise or must business be crippled by being forced to pay the tortoise on the basis of the hare's speed?"

No organization can live on such principles as those said to have been enunciated in the above instance, for it is based on theory akin to socialism, and upon a foundation that will not endure. A union may perhaps maintain that a workman competent to belong to the organization shall be regarded as capable of earning a certain fixed sum, and prohibit him from accepting employment under that amount, but to say that he shall not receive more than the fixed scale is suicidal. Such practice will soon bring down the standard of workmanship, as it will tend to encourage incompetency there being no incentive to superior work. A union, if sufficiently jealous of the standard of competency required of its men, may fix a minimum wage scale, but when it makes the same figures also the maximum rate of compensation it signs its own death warrant.

E. W. Grove

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