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REV. J. A. SLIGH IN THE NOMINATION

HE IS AN ADVOCATE OF PARKER.

A Strong Article Contrasting Hearst And Parker And Each With Roosevelt.

In the last issue of The Herald and News interviews were published from Newberry's delegates to the state convention giving their views on the presidential nomination. It had not been possible to see the Rev. J. A. Sligh at that time, but he was asked for such an interview and expresses himself as follows.

"You ask me to give for the use of The Herald and News a short statement as to my choice for a presidential candidate, and especially my views on Parker and Hearst.

"It has come to be generally understood that, so far as the selection of officers for the national government goes, the voters of South Carolina can not have their choice, nor can they have things done according to their way of thinking. But, notwithstanding this, common sense and love of country prompt every patriotic heart to accept, and ever labor for, the best we can get. White supremacy and a fair and just treatment of the south by the general government are such vital importance that we can well afford to lay aside our individual preferences and other important considerations, that these may be obtained and perpetuated.

"Mr. Hearst, it seems, is a successful business man, for it is said that he has much money. But it is also said that he has a very poor record as a statesman, and has done nothing to show his fitness for the office to which he aspires. It strikes me if there ever was a case where the man seeks the office, and not the office the man, it certainly is to be found in the candidacy of Mr. Hearst. Believing, as he seems to believe, that money is allpowerful and outweighs fitness, patriotism and all else, he is going forth in pursuit of the highest office in the gift of the people, mainly looking for success through the proper distribution of his money.

"Mr. Roosevelt is not exactly pursuing the same course but one even more objectionable. His is a combination of tactics, where no stone, however filthy and dirty, is left unturned. It seems to me that the best issue for the democrats to adopt in the approaching presidential campaign is Roosevelt himself, Parker and Roosevelt contrasted.

"Judge Parker, if he wants to be president, has the good sense not to let the people know he is hungry for it. He has not resorted to any tricks in politics, or appealed to any influence or political power to further his candidacy. Here we have a case of the office seeking the man, and not the man the office. These three—Parker, Hearst, and Roosevelt—and what a striking contrast between the first and second, as well as between the first and third!

"Judge Parker seems to be eminently fitted for the high position for which he will, evidently in the near future, be named. He is a true democrat, loyal to his party, and a lover of justice. Ability to do, intellectual attainments count but for little in a president in the administration of the government, if that president does not fear to do wrong, and has not the courage to do right. Judge Parker, it seems to me, has that fear and courage, as well as the ability to give proper direction to the same. It is an undisputed fact that Judge Parker, though not agreeing with Mr. Bryan in his views on finance, etc., nevertheless voted for him both in 1896 and 1900, thus showing his loyalty to his party and his mastery over his selfish feelings. Is it not a pity, not only for the sake of the

party and the country, but also for Mr. Bryan's own sake, that he can not now get his consent to rise above self and support Judge Parker? Let us all hope that he may yet be able to do so."

RUSSO-JAPANESE WAR.

Reported Czar Is Thinking of Abdicating—Port Arthur Cut Off.

Liverpool, May 12.—The Post here hears that a report has reached London from a high quarter in St. Petersburg that the Czar of Russia is suffering from great mental depression and is desirous of abdicating.

It has been known for some time that the Czar has been suffering from great mental strain, causing a nervous depression.

London, May 12.—A dispatch received by Lloyd's from their correspondent at New Chwang states that Port Arthur is cut off from communication with the outside world.

London, May 12.—The Tokio correspondent of the Reuter Telegram company wires that it is officially denied in Tokyo that railway communications with Port Arthur have been restored.

COLUMBIA'S FESTIVAL.

Fun-Flower Carnival Will Have Many Attractive Features.

Columbia, May 11.—Columbia is preparing for a spring carnival which will exceed in attractiveness anything before attempted at this time of the year by the capital city. The chamber of commerce is back of the undertaking, and has received assurance from a number of towns in the state which indicate that the attendance will be as large as the crowds which gather in Columbia fair week. The day attractions on the streets will be by one of the best carnival shows that could be obtained, and the night attractions will be the fireworks—the fall of Pompeii—by the Pain company, presenting a ballet of 300 people.

But the great feature of the week will be the floral parade Thursday afternoon, May 26th. There will be two miles of vehicles gaily decorated, the procession being led by the king and queen in state. The coronation will take place at the state capitol just before the gorgeous caravan proceeds up Main street. This feature alone will attract many people to Columbia, for the most beautiful feature of reunion week last year was the floral parade. Thursday night there will be a grand ball, which will equal in pomp and circumstance the state balls of fair weeks. Indeed it is proposed to make the Fun-Flower carnival an annual fete, and the ball will be as much of a feature as the state ball is fair week.

The chamber of commerce has secured reduced rates on railroads, and has procured two of the best bands in the state. There will be a grand tournament Wednesday, the knights from all over the state will participate for the prizes in gold, aggregating \$150, and for the silver cup for horsemanship.

Another feature which will draw many people to Columbia is the gathering of the Elks. There will be a meeting of all the lodges in the state, and a number of other secret orders are preparing for a like celebration. Columbia is prettiest just at this time of year, and the people of that city think that a spring floral carnival is just the proper thing to give pleasure to the people of the state at a big spring jollification.

Madge—Did you tell her she was older than you?
Majorie—Oh, no; that wouldn't be polite. But whenever we meet in a car I offer her my seat.—Town Topics.

SAVINGS AND DOINGS OF PROSPERITY PEOPLE

THE NEWS OF A PROGRESSIVE TOWN.

Location For The New School Building—Personal And Other Matters.

Prosperity, May 12.—Rev. and Mrs. S. C. Ballentine, of White Rock, spent Monday in town.

Dr. E. C. Ridgell, of Batesburg is visiting relatives here.

Miss Jo Caldwell, from near Newberry, is visiting at Mr. J. H. Hunter's.

Mr. Henry Jake Rawl has returned to his work after a short vacation.

Mr. Perry Simpson is at home to spend the summer months.

Mr. John C. Goggans, of Newberry, was in town yesterday.

Quite a number of our people went to Clinton on the excursion last Saturday.

Mr. Ivan Sease is now at Dr. Wyche's drug store. He is thinking of studying pharmacy.

Dr. Kennedy was here this week with the view of opening a dental parlor.

Mr. Jimmie Stewart, of Goldville, is here visiting his mother, Mrs. Tallie Stewart.

The "Boozer" place, near the Baptist church, has been decided upon as the location for the new school house. Mr. F. M. Bridges, of the Alkahest Lyceum system, Atlanta, was here this week. He has placed a strong course of six attractions here and our people here have something rich in store for the next season.

FAIRVIEW ITEMS.

Interesting Items of the Sayings and Doings of the People of That Section.

Fairview, May 12.—This section has been having some dry weather during the past few weeks.

Mr. L. Q. Morris, who has been crippled for four months with rheumatism, is now confined to his room again with grip.

It is gratifying to note that Mr. J. O. Moore, who has been confined to his room for several weeks, is improving.

Mr. E. V. Morris and wife, of Newberry, are spending a few days with his mother, Mrs. J. C. Moore.

Mr. Thompson Boland, of near Little Mountain, spent last Sunday with Mr. Dave Cannon, and also made a flying trip to Clinton on Saturday.

Mr. J. W. Morris and wife visited Mr. J. C. Moore's family on Sunday.

Messrs. Berly Fulmer and Andrew Epting have purchased new buggies. Measles and mad dogs seem to be the order of the day. It is not known what is the matter with the dogs. It may be hydrophobia, but I sometimes think it is a dose of poison given to them that runs them crazy.

The Rev. J. A. Sligh will preach at Fairview on the fourth Sunday, the 22nd of May, at 11 o'clock in the morning. We have not had preaching at Fairview school house for several years, and think it is a good idea to have preaching there.
L. M. M.

The House Divided.

Most persons have had the experience of walking with a friend out of step and trying to shift just at the moment when the friend also makes the attempt. This is an instance of thwarted harmony much like that which appears in the story told by a London journal of an elderly couple. They were childless and had never been united by the bond of other lives linked with their own. So they were always in state of well bred disagreement.

AS SEEN FROM LAURENS.

The Laurens People Greatly Interested in the Politics of Newberry County.

Laurens, May 11.—The personnel of the late county democratic convention was excellent, and to study it is an interesting pastime to a Newberrian away from home, especially to one who takes an interest in such affairs.

It can be seen at a glance that the Carolina club and the Young Men's club, of No. 1 Township, furnished most of the officers of the convention, and delegates to the state convention.

The convention could not have selected a better committee to arrange for the county campaign, and pleasant days are to be looked for in "the good old summer time."

This correspondent takes pleasure in the election of Mr. S. S. Cunningham as county chairman. Every body who knows him knows well that he will be conscientious, fair and impartial in the discharge of his duties.

Laurens is so near Newberry—in fact Newberry is Laurens' fairest sister—that the people here take a great interest in our affairs. Your correspondent is asked many questions concerning the place and people. Some of them want to know if Mr. Kibler or if Capt. Banks is going to run again. They wanted to know if Senator Mower would stand for reelection until told that it had been so announced. They take much interest in this race, many of them being personally acquainted with Mr. Mower and Mr. Blease.

Another race in which the same interest is taken is that between Sheriff Buford and Mr. Hill. These two races are going to be pretty. "Am I right or am I wrong?"

Another question is, why didn't Cole L. Blease run for the house and be a candidate for the speakership, or wait awhile and seek the solicitorship.

Answering these political questions is not as easy as was the answering of another question put to your correspondent lately, namely: Who is the best doctor? Three or four were given as a suitable list from which to take a personal choice as to which one is the very best; but the inquirer was told that the Newberry doctors, like the Newberry preachers and lawyers and bank officials and mill men and merchants and all others were a good set and "couldn't be beat." If that is wrong—it is a mistake of the head and not of the heart.
R. H. G.

INDIGNANT AT PROBLEM.

Race Feeling Aroused by School Arithmetic at Richmond.

A dispatch from Richmond, Va., states that the Richmond school board recently adopted for the school here an arithmetic containing this problem:

"In a school room containing 567 white children every tenth child is colored. How many children in the school?"

Considerable indignation has been aroused, as it is contended that things of this kind serve to encourage the idea of mixed schools and social equality. It is claimed that strips were pasted over the problem in the samples submitted for inspection.

Too Wise For Her Years.

Brooklyn Life.

The Governess—Of course you know, story we have just read is merely a fairy tale and there are many such quite familiar to childhood. Can you tell us another, Elsie?

Little Elsie—Oh, yes; you once told mamma that you had four proposals of marriage during your life.

NEWBERRY'S TRIBUTE TO CONFEDERATE DEAD

MEMORIAL DAY EXERCISES HELD ON TUESDAY.

The Address of the Day Delivered by Hon. J. J. McSwain—The Exercises.

Newberry on Tuesday held close to her heart the incarnate Confederacy. It was the occasion of South Carolina's annual tribute to the south's heroic dead. More than a generation has passed since the Starry Cross was furled in the deep gloom which enshrouded Appomattox, and the wounds made by four years of internecine strife have well nigh healed. But it is a beautiful and noble sentiment which prompts the south to keep alive the memory of the great struggle which was waged for her independence and the rights of her people, and which was waged not in vain.

Tuesday was Memorial day in this state. The month of May brings the choicest flowers of the spring-tide in their sweet profusion, and it was with the consciousness of this, coupled with the fact that it was on the tenth day of this month that the soul of the great soldier, the pure citizen and the well-beloved son of the whole southland, Stonewall Jackson, winged its flight back to its God, that Tuesday was chosen as a suitable day to pay special and fitting tribute to those who gave their lives for a cause which was just.

Newberry's love for the old soldiers grows stronger and deeper as the years roll on, and it was the evidence of this love for them that on Tuesday made glad the hearts of those who yet survive. They are now in a minority which is steadily growing less and less.

The grand cohorts are fast marching into the shadow land. But the glory of their deeds remains in the land for which they gave the noon-tide of their lives, and the memory of their heroic struggle and their sacrifices shall inspire generations yet unborn to grand purposes and noble achievements.

The Day in Newberry.

Appropriate exercises were held in the opera house here, the address being delivered by the Hon. J. J. McSwain, of Greenville, commander of the South Carolina Division, United Sons of Confederate Veterans. When the exercises were over the soldiers' graves in Rosemont and the village grave yard were bedecked with choicest flowers and the monument on the public square was laden with wreaths and garlands.

The exercises were held in the opera house, beginning at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. The members of the Drayton Rutherford Chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy, and the members of the John M. Kinard Camp, United Sons of Confederate Veterans, respectively, assembled at their appointed places of meeting, and marched to the opera house in a body. The members of the James D. Nance Camp, the veterans, also marched from an appointed place of meeting, and their appearance was the signal for a spontaneous outburst of applause from one of the largest audiences which has ever assembled in the opera house.

The arrangements for the exercises were made by the Sons and Daughters and the excellent program was well carried out.

Stage Decorations.

The stage was beautifully decorated for the occasion. On the right from the audience was suspended the banner of the James D. Nance Camp, U. C. V. Beneath were paintings of Colonel James D. Nance and General Robert E. Lee and Stonewall Jackson, wreathed in evergreen and surrounded by vases of roses. On the left was