

The Watchman and Southron.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6, 1900.

The *Sumter Watchman* was founded in 1850 and the *True Southron* in 1866. The *Watchman and Southron* now has the combined circulation and influence of both of the old papers, and is manifestly the best advertising medium in Sumter.

Senator Tillman will have a walk over in the primary no matter who else may be a candidate, but up to this time no one has had the temerity to offer himself as a victim for the slaughter.

It would be more sensible for the State Executive Committee to adopt a rule to prevent cranks and nonentities from foisting themselves on the public as candidates in the Democratic primary than to attempt to rule out the candidates endorsed by respectable and influential factions of the party. Under Senator Appelt's construction of the party law G. Walt Whitman or a dozen such cranks could go around the State making themselves a nuisance at every campaign meeting while a man like Joel E. Brunson or James A. Hoyt, simply because they were endorsed by some thousands of voters and represented a principle, would be ruled out of the party and not allowed to speak at the democratic campaign meetings. It is the Whitman type of candidates, not the Hoyts, that the party needs to be rid of.

It would have been the irony of fate had the State Democratic Executive Committee ruled Col J. A. Hoyt out of the primary. When the March convention nominated Tillman for governor Col Hoyt, who was then chairman of the State Executive Committee, was appealed to by the regular democrats to rule Tillman out of the primary as an independent, but he refused to do so. The precedent then established by Col Hoyt holds good and this year he is the beneficiary.

The predictions so freely made by the office holding politicians and dispensaryites that Col Hoyt and the prohibitionists will be snowed under in the first primary are based principally upon hope and have not a solid foundation. The prohibition element is a large and influential body in this State, it is made up of sincere and earnest men who place principle above all other considerations, and they have a moral strength and an influence that is felt in the primary.

In addition to the strength of the sincere prohibitionists there is a considerable element, composed of men who, while not prohibitionists by any means, can be counted on to fight the dispensary with any weapon available. Heretofore these men have voted largely with the prohibitionists and they can be counted on to do so this year. Thus the prohibition candidate has at the outset a strength that is not to be despised, a strength so great that the office holding politicians fear it and would even go to the length of ruling the prohibitionists out of the party if they could do so. But this year the prohibitionists have a candidate who brings into the campaign a greater personal strength than any candidate who has yet made the fight. He is known in every community in South Carolina, and it would be hard to find a place in the State where he has not influential personal friends who will work for him and make votes for him on election day. Col Hoyt is a strong man, a clean man, a pure man, and his experience and ability fit him for the position of Chief Magistrate of South Carolina. He was a brave Confederate soldier, and from the close of the war down to the present day he has done all that a large hearted, public spirited citizen could or should do for the State. As a man he is worthy of the confidence and votes of the democrats of South Carolina, for there is no truer democrat in the State than he, and apart from the cause he represents it would be well for the State should he be elected. He is a prohibitionist, but he is more than a prohibitionist, for he is first of all a democrat and a man of hard, common sense and conservative judgment. If he is elected he will enforce the laws as he finds them, and he will do so honestly and impartially. Knowing these things, as thousands who know Col Hoyt know them, the people of the State

will not regard him simply as a prohibitionist, perhaps a fanatic on the subject, but as a democrat and a safe man for the office as well as the representative of the prohibitionists; and they can vote for him even though they may not wholly endorse the prohibition platform. Col Hoyt may not be the next governor of South Carolina, but the man who receives a greater number of votes in the primary than he does will be the nominee.

Weekly Crop Bulletin.

Columbia, S. C., June 5, 1900—About normal temperature conditions prevailed during the week ending 8 a. m., Monday, June 4th, but early in the week were too cool for rapid growth of crops, with, however, favorable conditions at the close.

There was an entire absence of rain until Friday, when light showers occurred over the extreme northwestern portions, followed on Saturday and Sunday by showery weather over the central and eastern portions also. Rain was badly needed over the eastern half of the State, while the moisture conditions were quite favorable over the western half.

The weather was extremely favorable for the cultivation of crops, during the week, most of which have been well worked, and for harvesting wheat and oats now under way, except in the extreme northwestern counties, where both are fast ripening. Wheat is an excellent crop generally, while oats varies greatly, but falls little, if at all, below the average of former years.

Upland corn is small but healthy, and has good stands. Bottom land corn has made good growth, but stands are kept badly broken by the ravages of worms. Early corn is in silk and tassels.

The cool nights retarded the growth of cotton which is unseasonably small, and also caused it to die on certain soils. Stands are generally full, but very lousy in places. Cotton is generally well worked, but a few fields are still grassy. Early cotton is putting on forms. Sea island needs rain. The weather conditions at the close of the week were very favorable for cotton.

The condition of tobacco ranges from good to very poor, and generally the plants are small for the season, and in Marion County are buttoning. Worms are numerous and damaging. Some fields have been laid by.

Rice, truck, gardens, sweet potatoes, sugar cane and sorghum are doing well, but in need of rain, which has been quite copiously supplied. Fruit prospects, except for apples, continue promising. The shipment of peaches have begun.

Many farmers have begun to plant peas in corn fields, which is unusually early.

CORRESPONDENTS' REPORTS.

Florence—Ebenezer: Unfavorable week for all crops; weather very dry and cool nights; rain needed; wheat and oats being gathered, the latter not as good as usual; fruit dropping badly; white potatoes nearly a failure. —J. C. Wilson

Kershaw—Tiller's Ferry: A dry week has enabled farmers to get their crops free from grass; oats harvest under way; peas are being planted, earlier than usual; tobacco in good condition, but lacks moisture —J. W. Gardner.

Darlington—Stokes Bridge: Cotton made very slow growth during the past week, week too cool; corn is growing nicely on uplands, bottom stands poor, owing to cut worms; wheat and oats good, and are being harvested; rain badly needed; tobacco has poor stands and is late; there is not the interest taken in tobacco as formerly —J. H. Pate

Richland—Congaree: An ideal week for work, but rather cool and dry; no rain this week; all crops are small, but generally well worked and look healthy; wheat is ripening; oats are being gathered, and turning out better than was expected; fruit dropping, but promises a good yield. —J. F. Smith.

Williamsburg—Cox: Week favorable for all farm work, with no rain; cotton dying, caused by cool nights; corn and rice doing well; tobacco sorry; all crops stand in need of rain. —L. N. Jones.

A Card of Thanks.

I wish to say that I am under lasting obligations for what Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has done for our family. We have used it in so many cases of coughs, lung troubles and whooping cough, and it has always given the most perfect satisfaction, we feel greatly indebted to the manufacturers of this remedy and wish them to please accept our hearty thanks.—Respectfully, Mrs. S. Doty, Des Moines, Iowa. For Dr. A. J. Chica.

Georgia Raised Horses.

Bob Branch, of Bishop, Oconee county, is an authority on stock raising. He has a magnificent race track of his own and makes a specialty of raising race horses. His horses have won many prizes at county and state fairs. He was the leader of the movement which terminated in the successful organization of the Oak Branch Fair association, which is composed of many prominent planters of Oconee, a county noted for its blooded stock and fine racers.

Mr Branch is not a horse breeder on a large scale. He only raises two or three fine colts a year, and develops their speed. He says he gets from \$125 to \$1,000 and upward for those he sells, and when asked why horse raising is not engaged in more extensively by Georgia farmers the other day, he said:

"I do not know unless it is because men unacquainted with the business plunge into it and get discouraged before they learn what is necessary to success. A good strain is the first essential, then knowing how to treat your animals, how to feed them, how to handle and how to develop them. A man must learn the business before can hope to succeed in it."

On the subject of feed and economy to be exercised in raising horses in Georgia, he said:

"I find that to cut wheat and oats in the dough and feed this to trotting horses is a very fine feed and enables them to get along on about half the grain they otherwise would require. A man wants to have plenty of forage crops, such as sorghum, German millet, peas oats, corn etc., and then some rye for winter grazing. If your land is rich enough barley will make the best grazing in the world, but it won't do for thin soil. Rye beats it. There is money in stock if you understand the business."

Mr Branch is right. Horses can be raised as well and as profitably in Georgia as in Kentucky, and it is strange that more of our farmers do not engage in the business. In Augusta's vicinity Burke and Warren counties have won reputations by the fine stock they raise and every effort should be made to encourage this industry, which means so much for the prosperity of the farming interests of the state.—Augusta Chronicle.

Tien Tsin, June 3—Six men and two ladies, French and Belgian refugees from Pao Ting Fu, have arrived here. Nine are still missing. A body of mounted Cossacks have gone in search of the missing and to take food to Yan Lieu Ching for the relief of the party there. It is reported from Peking that Mr Stevenson of the Church of England mission at Yem Ching, has been murdered and that Mr Norman of the same mission is missing.

The Commissioners Arrive at Manila.

Manila, June 3—The United States transport Hancock, from San Francisco, April 17, arrived here this morning with the members of the Philippine commission. The members of General MacArthur's staff welcomed the commissioners on board the Hancock. At noon the commissioners landed and drove to the palace, escorted by General MacArthur's staff, a band and two companies of the Twenty-sixth infantry, with artillery.

At the palace the commissioners were welcomed by General MacArthur in a short and forceful address. After Judge Wm. H. Taft, president of the commission, had replied, the commissioners returned to the Hancock, where they will remain until they have selected suitable dwellings on land.

During the morning the members of the Filipino supreme court, the local editors and many of the leading merchants repaired to the transport, where they conversed with the commissioners.

Collision Near Weldon.

Weldon, N. C., June 4—A disastrous collision occurred on the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad this morning at Garysburg, near Weldon, in which two men were instantly killed and three seriously injured. No 32, known as the Atlantic Coast Line fast mail train, ran into an open switch at Garysburg resulting in a collision with some freight cars.

The killed: Engineer Cheatham, one of the oldest engineers on the Coast Line; unknown white tramp, who was stealing a ride.

The injured: Mail Clerk McGeorge, seriously, may not recover; two colored firemen, injuries fatal.

None of the passengers were hurt. The baggage and mail cars were badly wrecked, and three other clerks beside McGeorge were injured, but not seriously.

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