

BULL MOOSE WILL FIGHT.

PROGRESSIVE PARTY LEADERS EXPRESS CONFIDENCE IN THEIR PRINCIPLES.

Convention Will be Held in 1915 at Call of National Committee—Perkins Denies Rumors of Disintegration.

Chicago, Dec. 2.—Ninety-one Progressives from 34 States at a conference of the executive committee of the party here today expressed their confidence in Progressive party principles and their determination to continue the party in action.

A statement issued by the executive committee through its chairman, George W. Perkins of New York, declared the Progressive organization and campaign of education should continue and that the national committee should be asked to fix the time and place for holding the 1916 national convention and to transact business incidental to the presidential campaign two years from now.

Three sessions were held. A statement by Miss Jane Addams, member of the executive committee, that she was now "more enthusiastic than ever in the cause of the Progressive party," apparently expressed the sentiments of the conference members and it was applauded vigorously.

Not a speaker made any suggestion of abandoning the party and the subject of amalgamation with either of the older parties was not brought up.

"The product of a rumor factory," was Chairman Perkins' characterization of reports of possible disintegration or amalgamation.

A statement issued after the meeting said:

"It was the unanimous judgment of the executive committee that the Progressive organization and campaign of education should be continued on the lines heretofore followed. To that end the committee provided that the Progressive national committee shall be called to meet not later than January 15, 1916, to fix the time and place for holding the national convention of the Progressive party and to transact such other business as may at that time come before it, incidental to the presidential election of 1916.

"The industrial depression and the consequent reaction against the Democratic tariff is undoubtedly the issue which primarily determined the reactionary results of the recent election. Both the Republican and the Democratic parties have passed tariff by the old method of long rolling and the people have successively repudiated them both.

"So long as the tariff is made in politics and log rolling there can be no stability of industrial conditions and business can have no peace. The way to provide stable industrial conditions and business peace is to accept the principle of protection as a fixed national policy and to take the tariff out of politics.

"We call attention to the necessity of prompt action on the Murdock tariff commission bill, introduced in May, 1913. Progressive principles are permanent and it now is more than ever evident that the Progressive party today is the necessary organization for their realization."

HORSES FOR MARION.

Fire Department Secures Fine Animals.

Marion, Dec. 1.—The Swamp Fox Hose company, having recently suffered the loss of one of its horses, decided to buy a pair with a record and accordingly sent Chief LaRoque to Council Bluffs, Iowa, where the city of Council Bluffs had just instilled motor trucks and was offering a pair of their horses for sale. Mr. LaRoque found the horses all that were claimed for them, and purchased them. They are a beautiful pair of bays, full brothers, half thoroughbreds and are world's champions. They hold the record of bunk hitch, half mile run and coupling hose in 1:12 4-5, and also half mile straight away run with 1,800-pound wagon of 58 4-5.

The Swamp Fox Hose company has already made a name for itself at the State tournaments, but the members confidently expect to lower some State records at the next tournament.

TRAGEDY AT WILMINGTON.

Four Members of Family Are Burned to Death.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 2.—Miss Fannah McNeill, aged twenty-one and two younger brothers, aged thirteen and eight, and a younger sister, aged eleven, the children of A. F. McNeill, of Delgado, a suburb, were burned to death this morning when the home was destroyed by fire. The parents and other children sleeping in the first floor barely escaped.

A yard full of poultry, well attended, comfortably and sanitariously housed, and properly fed, is one of the finest protections against hard times. Write to Clemson College for poultry information.

GUTIERREZ TO ENTER CAPITAL

VILLA AND ZAPATA WORK TOGETHER TO KEEP ORDER.

New President Will Take up Quarters in National Palace—Carranza Seizes Panuco—Will Protect Foreigners.

Washington, Dec. 2.—Provisional President Gutierrez will enter Mexico City tomorrow and be installed in the National palace there, according to official telegrams reaching the state department today.

Gen. Villa is at Tacuba, a suburb of Mexico City, where it is believed he conferred with Gen. Zapata. All reports to the State department indicate that the two military chiefs are working in harmony in support of Gutierrez.

George C. Carothers, American consular agent who had been accompanying Villa, reported his arrival in Mexico City, and will care for American interests together with the Brazilian minister and John R. Silliman.

The latest dispatches from Tampico to the State department say the Carranza forces have reoccupied Panuco, which had previously been in the hands of bandits. The reports added that the Carranza garrison was maintaining order and had given guarantees to foreigners that they would not be disturbed.

ZAPATA WANTS GOMEZ.

Says He is Still True to First Love.

San Antonio, Texas, Dec. 2.—Emiliano Zapata, southern rebel leader, has demanded the appointment of Emilio Vasquez Gomez as provisional president of Mexico, according to dispatches received tonight from Mexico City by representatives here of Gen. Villa. Zapata and Villa conferred today in a suburb of Mexico City, where they will remain until the arrival of Provisional President Gutierrez, the dispatches declared.

Gomez, as the author of the "Plan of Ayala," will accept the provisional presidency of Mexico if it is "officially tendered." Gomez made this announcement here tonight when informed that private advices from Mexico City stated that Emiliano Zapata, whose forces occupied the Mexican capital last week, had demanded his appointment. Gomez declared, however, that he had not been formally advised of Zapata's reported demand and would not comment further.

Zapata declared Gomez was his choice for provisional president when the first revolution against Madero was launched.

FORCE FOR CARRANZA.

Recruits Obtained in Puebla by Obregon.

Douglas, Ariz., Dec. 2.—Ten thousand recruits for the Carranza forces are reported to have been obtained by Gen. Alvaro Obregon in the State of Puebla recently, according to advices reaching here. Gen. Obregon is said to be returning to Vera Cruz with his new forces.

New equipment for the Carranza forces in Agua Prieta is reported on the way here. An aeroplane, two field pieces and shrapnel shells are among the supplies.

BOILER BLOWS UP.

Negro Seriously Wounded by Steam and Pieces of Iron.

A very serious accident occurred at Pinewood Wednesday morning when the boiler at Mr. A. W. Rollins' saw mill blew up and several negroes were wounded, one of them probably with fatal results. June Commodore, the fireman had one leg crushed, an arm broken and he was badly scalded almost over the entire body by the escaping steam. He was at once brought to the Toumey Hospital, where the leg was amputated. He is in a very critical condition and may die from his injuries.

Another negro named Wiley had a leg crushed and two or three other negroes received minor injuries from the pieces of iron, which flew in every direction, when the boiler blew to pieces.

It is stated that the negro fireman had let the water run down in the boiler and when he turned the cock to let more water in the explosion took place. Bricks, pieces of iron and other materials were blown in every direction. Small trees were cut down by the flying missiles and a number of men nearby escaped by the pieces flying over their heads.

Sumter Men Capture Prizes.

Several prizes were taken by the chickens sent by fanciers from Sumter to the Eastern Carolina Poultry Association show at Darlington last week. Messrs. J. D. Epperson and S. B. Mitchell were especially successful in their exhibits. Mr. Epperson won first and third with his cockerels and first and second with his pullets, sending three of each to the show. Mr. Mitchell sent a large coop and also took off several prizes.

CONGRESS MEETS NEXT WEEK.

Will be Final Session for Sixty-Third Body—Already Begun to Return.

Washington, Nov. 29.—With the opening of the final session of the Sixty-third congress but a week away, members of both houses today began returning to Washington.

The house committee on appropriations and naval affairs committee spent a busy day on the supply measures for the session. Democratic members generally sounded the keynote of the session the hope that all necessary business would be concluded by March 4, so that an extra session to usher in the newly elected Sixty-fourth congress before December would be unnecessary.

Appropriations for the bureau of navigation were considered by the naval affairs committee today. Estimates from the departments are eagerly awaited by other appropriating committees, everybody being anxious to get the supply bills before congress as speedily as possible.

No definite legislative programme has been decided upon, but it is certain that several conservation measures, including the general water power and land leasing bills, are to be pressed.

Senator Kern, the majority leader, said today he hoped to talk with President Wilson during the week concerning the legislative programme. He expected considerable light on the subject would be learned from the president's message to be delivered in joint session next Tuesday.

A subcommittee of the house appropriations committee concluded hearings on the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill, the first of big supply measures.

"It is our general understanding," said Secretary Wilson of the labor department as he left the committee, "that no increase in salaries are to be asked for in any branch of the government service under present conditions."

The legislative bill will be ready to go into the house from the committee as soon as congress meets. The District of Columbia bill, which has already been framed, will first be presented.

HOUSE BURNED TO GROUND.

McFadden Home Near Manning Evidently Set on Fire.

The home of Mr. Jack McFadden several miles from Manning was burned to the ground yesterday afternoon, the fire starting while Mrs. McFadden was away in Manning and while Mr. McFadden was in the field some distance away from the house, where the hands were picking cotton. A number of negroes were engaged in picking cotton on both sides of the house.

About two weeks ago Mr. McFadden's house was set on fire while he was out in the field and had the blaze not been discovered soon after it started, the house would have been burned then. As it was the fire was extinguished and the house saved. It is supposed that the same incendiary again visited the premises and set the house on fire, accomplishing his purpose.

ANOTHER ATLANTA SENSATION.

W. B. Carhart Wealthy Manufacturer, Held for Murder.

Atlanta, Dec. 2.—W. B. Carhart, president of the Carhart Shoe Mfg. Co., was held by the police today, charged with the murder of James Callaway. Carhart claims that he saw Callaway on the back porch of the Carhart apartments, on Peachtree street, and shot and killed him believing him to be a burglar. The shooting occurred early this morning after all had been to the theatre, and then to a rath-skellar. Sensational developments are expected this afternoon at the hearing.

FOUND DEAD IN WOODS.

Levi Barton Third Brother to Die This Year.

Aiken, Dec. 2.—Mr. Levi Barton was found dead Monday afternoon in a small piece of woods near his home, where he had gone for the purpose of chopping wood. He lived about three miles from Aiken and was well known here. His death is supposed to have been caused by heart disease, from which he had been suffering for some time. Mr. Barton was 60 years of age and is survived by a wife and two brothers. He is the third brother to die this year.

The Sumter ladies apparently don't like to sign their names to the curb market coupons and mail them in. Are the ladies too busy? If they are that excuses them. But the Civic League ladies are "on the job" for the curb market alright. Every good looking, economical, progressive and wide-awake Sumter housekeeper, (this does not mean men) should sign a curb market coupon appearing in this paper and mail it as requested.

AMERICAN'S LACK TORPEDOES.

Chief Defect of Navy Is Absence of First Class Projectiles Say Chief of Ordnance.

Washington, Dec. 2.—Lack of long range torpedoes is declared a paramount weakness of the United States navy by Rear Admiral Joseph Straus, chief of the ordnance bureau, in his annual report today to Secretary Daniels. All battleships except the two latest dreadnoughts, armored cruisers of the Tennessee class, scout cruisers and the older destroyers, the admiral says, are equipped with short-range torpedoes which may be considered obsolete for the battle fleet.

Since the battleship Nevada and Oklahoma were designed, however, all the new vessels have been provided with the modern torpedo and as rapidly as possible the equipment of older ships is being changed.

Admiral Straus thinks improvement in the efficiency of officers and men who handle this branch of the navy's work has not even kept pace with the slow development of material.

"The bureau is of the opinion," he reports, "that the torpedo material has developed much more rapidly than the torpedo personnel."

In the face of renewed agitation for an exterior explosive, the admiral reiterates his firm faith in the armor-piercing explosive. "The bureau," he says, "is more than ever inclined to the opinion that the best projectiles are of the armor-piercing type, carrying sufficient explosive to detonate and fragment the projectile after having passed through armor; and it is thought that the penetrative power of projectiles has been sufficient to insure a satisfactory percentage of success."

JUROR TAKES SMALLPOX.

Greenville Man Stricken After Serving on Jury Tuesday.

Greenville, Dec. 2.—G. V. Smith, a juror in the Court of General Sessions here, was stricken with smallpox today, and eleven other jurors are in danger of contracting the disease. Mr. Smith sat in the same panel with eleven other jurymen all of Tuesday and in the jury room for several hours Tuesday night. He was confined to his bed this morning. The county court house was thoroughly disinfected today.

Belgian Relief Fund.

Previously acknowledged... \$34.28 Collection Presbyterian Ch... 47.00 Mrs. G. U. Graham... 5.00

Mr. R. I. Manning received this morning the following letter concerning supplies contributed for the Belgian relief fund:

Columbia, Dec. 1, 1914.

To the County Chairmen of the Belgian Relief Fund.

Dear Sir: I have been advised by Prof. W. W. Long of Clemson College that the following products will stand transportation to Belgium:

Corn, wheat, rye, for rye bread; oats for oatmeal; rice, potatoes, both kinds, cabbage, beans, all canned goods, peas, cured meats.

Please so notify your newspapers and request contributions of the above named articles. I will advise within the next day or so just what disposition to make of these products.

Yours very truly,

Belgian Relief Committee, R. M. Holcombe, Treasurer.

A WARNING TO MANY.

Some Interesting Facts About Kidney Trouble.

Few people realize to what extent their health depends upon the condition of the kidneys.

The physician in nearly all cases of serious illness, makes a chemical analysis of the patient's urine. He knows that unless the kidneys are doing their work properly, the other organs cannot readily be brought back to health and strength.

When the kidneys are neglected or abused in any way, serious results are sure to follow. According to health statistics, Bright's disease which is really an advanced form of kidney trouble, caused nearly ten thousand deaths in 1913, in the State of New York alone. Therefore, it behooves us to pay more attention to the health of these most important organs.

An ideal herbal compound that has had remarkable success as a kidney remedy is Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy.

The mild and healing influence of this preparation, in most cases, is soon realized, according to sworn statements and verified testimony of those who have used the remedy.

If you feel that your kidneys require attention, and wish a sample bottle, write to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. Mention this paper, enclose ten cents and they will gladly forward it to you by parcel post.

Swamp-Root is sold by every druggist in bottles of two sizes—50c and \$1.00—Adv't.

WARNS GERMANY.

Naval Critic Says England's Sea Power Hasn't Been Weakened.

Rotterdam, Dec. 2.—Captain Persius, naval critic of the Berliner Tageblatt, in an article on the German naval position says even the greatest British losses must not be regarded as decisive events. He contradicts the contention that there is evidence that the German submarines have been more successful than the English submarines, but admits that after four months of wearing down the English fleet the German navy is not prepared for the moment for the use of battleships and large cruisers.

"We must be careful," Captain Persius concludes, "not to buoy ourselves up with false estimates of our po-

sition. We must not forget that in spite of the glorious success of our cruisers in Chilean waters and the success of our submarines there has not yet occurred any significant weakening of the sea power of England as a result of the war."

Loses Barn and Stables.

It was stated on the street here today that Mr. S. R. DuBoise of Sardinia had lost his barn and stables yesterday by fire. The particulars of the fire are not known.

Don't be wasteful of your cowpeas now. Save them for next year to sow on your grain stubble. Used in this way, they will be worth much more than you can possibly get by selling them now.

Farmer's Coupon TO THE RETAIL DEALERS ASSOCIATION, SUMTER, S. C.

I approve of the Curb Market you propose to establish and I will market what produce I sell through it.

P. O. Address.....

(Clip out Coupon—sign, and mail to Secretary Sumter Chamber of Commerce.)

Consumer's Coupon TO THE RETAIL DEALERS ASSOCIATION, SUMTER, S. C.

I approve of the establishment of a Curb Market such as your organization proposes, and I will give it my support by purchasing my future produce there whenever possible.

P. O. Address.....

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