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War again. What will be the outcome of it?

THE PARTY UNITED AND DETERMINED.

Mr. Wade Harris, editor of the Charlotte Observer, closed a brief article on the meeting of Democracy at Raleigh recently by saying:

"The trend, as best the Observer could gather it, was an earnest desire to consult and deliberate toward the good of the party as a whole and to the inspiration of a more progressive spirit of legislation in party measures of known approval. There was no spirit of revolt, no talk of new organization, and any thought of going outside the regular party organization to secure an end of any kind, met with no sort of countenance. The Observer knows of no other way in which to size up today's meeting in Raleigh, and we believe that what has been said about covers the bill. It is certain that meeting had one result—it showed the Democratic party in the State is solidly united and determined to hold together. The red light has been turned against any hand that would make a move to disrupt it."

THE LIONS AND THE LAMB REFUSE TO LIVE TOGETHER

Republicans and Progressives of Buncombe Split Wider in Attempt to Harmonize.

Asheville, April 20.—All hopes of united efforts on the part of Buncombe county Republicans and Democrats were shattered Saturday, April 18, at the Progressive convention held here, at which many Republicans left the hall when Progressive speakers were caustic in their references to the last National and State convention of the Republican party.

It was freely predicted that the Republicans and Progressives would get together for the election of county officers, but the movement fell through and reached the climax when J. M. Masters declared that he was a Republican and ventured the prediction that the Progressives will find on election day that the Republicans will remain away from the polls or vote against their nominees.

"You'll poll no Republican votes," he declared. The Progressives decided to put out a ticket in spite of the evident impossibility to harmonize with the Republicans and the chairman authorized to call a convention. W. G. Fortune, local attorney, was made permanent chairman, while Gray Gorman, who for some time held the position of probation officer under a Democratic chief-of-police here was named as secretary.

Lumberton Man Attempts Suicide and It Proves Fatal.

H. Mace McMillan, who took a large dose of Paris green Wednesday evening about 6 o'clock, died Friday morning at 3:30.

SOME HELPFUL SUGGESTIONS

To Make Asheboro a Cleaner, Healthier and More Beautiful Town.

Some of the things for town improvement are suggested to be done during the next few weeks.

Clean up all windows (upstairs) of business houses.

Clean out all cellars, closets and attics. (Fire prevention.)

Clean up front yards.

Clean out back yards.

Clean up alleys.

Dig out weeds and cut the grass.

Gather up the dead leaves; clean off vacant lots; clean up gutters.

Paint up the house, porch, out-buildings, fences, furniture, trellises and sticks about flower beds.

Repair fences, sheds, etc.

Fix up decaying trees with cement fillings—conserve them.

Keep all garbage in closed cans.

Clean out stable—deodorize—prevent breeding of flies.

Drain old ponds and clean out ditches and creeks.

Liberal use of disinfectants wherever necessary.

Put on new wall paper or clean the old.

Beautiful school grounds.

Plant trees along all the residence streets—plant flowers—lawns.

Hoist flags on all public buildings that have flag poles; and keep them hoisted all summer.

Let the mayor follow the cleaning-up by visiting butchers, bakers, grocers, dairies, etc., and prevail upon proprietors to keep them spotlessly clean for the benefit of the health of the town.

March, 1914. Coldest On Record.

According to records on file in the office of the local weather bureau station in Raleigh the March just passed was the coldest since the weather bureau was established more than twenty-five years ago. This is shown in the summary of weather conditions for the State which has just been published.

The snowfall was the greatest ever known in that month, so far as the records show. The mean temperature of the State for March was 44.3 degrees, which was an average deficiency of 5.3 degrees.

Western Division High School Meets At Marion.

Marion, April 18.—The second annual meet of the western division of State high schools was held in Marion Friday. Eleven counties were represented. 12 school entering the contests. Several of the schools sent large delegations to "root" for their respective teams. Hendersonville leading with a delegation of 20. Each event was hotly contested, the contestants showing results of much training.

PRIMARY RULES.

Regulations Under Which the Congressional Primary in This District Will be Held on the 16th Day of May as Adopted by the Committee.

We give below the principal part of the different rules of the Congressional Primary adopted by the Democratic Executive Committee at Asheboro some days ago. It would be well to file these for reference:

1st. Every person who desires to become a candidate for the Democratic Congressional nomination in said district shall notify the Chairman and Secretary of this committee in writing, on or before the 25th day of April, 1914, and at the same time deposit with the Secretary of this committee a certified check in the sum of \$250.00 to pay his pro-rata part of the probable cost of printing and distributing proper ballots, poll books and other necessary expenses. Any portion of said deposit remaining after paying all necessary expenses shall be returned to the candidate. Every candidate shall also subscribe to a pledge to the effect that he will abide by the result of said primary and support the candidate nominated thereby, which pledge shall accompany the announcement of the candidate.

2nd. In every precinct in each County a voting ballot primary shall be held at the usual voting place on Saturday, the 16th day of May, 1914, at which time each Democratic elector may cast a ballot for any candidate having previously announced as above designated, for the Democratic nomination for the office of representative in the 64th Congress of the United States. Any Democratic candidate who is voted for in said primary election may attend the same, in person or by representative, and be present during the conduct of said primary and the counting of the votes. Every Democratic elector shall have the right to vote at his proper polling place and in case the vote of an elector is challenged on the ground that he is not qualified as an elector and will not be on election day or that he is not a Democrat, then a majority of the poll-holders shall determine his right to vote.

3rd. That the Democratic Executive Committee of the several Counties of this District shall meet at the Court House in their respective Counties on a day to be fixed by such Executive Committee, not later than the 1st day of May, 1914, and shall appoint three well-known Democratic electors, of intelligence and reputation for honesty and fair-dealing, for each precinct or other voting district in their respective Counties in the Seventh Congressional District to act as Registrar and poll-holders, to be known as The Precinct Primary Board. On the said first day of May, it shall be the privilege of each Congressional candidate or his representative, to recommend to said committee the name of at least one Democratic elector for each precinct, and in the event that there are two candidates for Congress said committee will appoint one poll-holder from each list filed; and in the event that there are three or more candidates said committee will appoint the registrars and poll-holders from said list filed with them by the candidates or their representatives, taking no more than one name from any one list, provided that each candidate has filed a list, and provided further that in the event any County Executive Committee in this District shall fail to appoint registrars and poll-holders as required, then it shall be the duty of this committee to meet upon two days' notice from either the Chairman or Secretary, and to appoint the registrars and poll-holders for any such County.

4th. The registrar shall record the names and addresses of all Democrats voting, in a poll-book, and with the poll-holders, shall conduct said primary election, count the ballots, declare the result, and make a written statement thereof. If any person appointed to hold a primary election shall decline to serve or shall become incapacitated, or is not present at the hour fixed for the opening of the polls, the Chairman of Precinct Executive Committee shall have the power to designate some qualified Democrat to fill the vacancy, appointing a friend of the candidate who was represented by the absent poll-holder or registrar. If one is present, and if the Chairman is not present the said duty shall be exercised by members of the Precinct Primary Board; and if none are present, then the Democratic electors present may elect a registrar and two poll-holders and such substituted registrar or pollholder shall have the same right and authority as if he or they had been originally appointed.

5th. The said registrar shall provide a box for the reception of the ballots, and such box shall be open and exhibited to any voter present before the balloting commences and shall then be securely fastened and kept fastened until the counting of the ballots is begun at the close of the primary.

6th. This committee will have printed and forwarded to the Chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee of each County in this District, except Lee County, a separate ballot for each candidate to be voted for in a primary, and the said ballot than those distributed by this committee shall be used by this committee shall be used or counted in said primary, except those cast in the primary to be held in the County of Lee, April 25th, 1914. It shall be the duty of the said Chairman of each County Executive Committee to receive all ballots from this committee and distribute them to the several precincts; provided that this committee will also deliver ballots for distribution to any candidate or his representative, applying for the same.

7th. All ballots voted at any precinct shall be placed in one box.

Bird Houses for the Park.

The Park Committee of the Woman's Club having offered prizes for the best bird houses made by the boys or girls 13 years old or under, have received four bird houses in competition. The very elaborate bird house brought in by Fred Parrish deserves special mention and as it is so spacious, and built in such a durable style, it is expected that it will continue to shelter more than one family of birds each year. Two good-old-fashioned martin boxes were received, made by Graydon Johnson and James Kivett, and it is hoped may be inhabited this year. The bird house made by Clifford Morris was made after the pattern of the "Berlepsch" nest boxes, pictures of which were shown to the school children. The real "Berlepsch" nest boxes are made by Baron Hans von Berlepsch, the great German bird lover, who, after years of experimenting with bird houses, invented a machine that would hollow out logs in such a way that the cavities were practically facsimiles of the natural burrows of Woodpeckers, Nuthatches, etc. His success is described as almost startling. More than 90 per cent of the four thousand and more bird houses were not only occupied, but the birds paid their keep by keeping his estate "Seebach" free from insect pests which laid waste the surrounding country. The Prussian Board of Agriculture took notice and caused extensive experiments to be made with the result that they had 9,300 hung up in the woods of the Grand Duchy of Hesse and from 70 to 80 per cent used the first year. The Hainich woods having been stripped entirely bare by larvae of a moth in the spring of 1905, while the woods of Baron von Berlepsch in which there were nesting boxes was untouched and looked like an oasis in a desert.

In the opinion of the gentlemen who acted as judges, they took into account the boy's own workmanship, and the time allowed, four weeks,—conditions which were not fulfilled, and decided the fairest award would be to ask for the equivalent of the second prize for each of the four as they were all closely allied.

The interest shown by many in the subject of birds is a hopeful sign for the future preservation of our bird life.

A Special Hookworm Dispensary for Western Randolph at Trinity.

A special dispensary for the examination and treatment for hookworm disease will be held at Trinity on two successive Mondays, April 29 and May 4. Containers will be distributed through the business places and it is hoped that all will prepare themselves for examination on the dates above indicated.

This dispensary was instituted so that the people of the western part of Randolph could share the benefits so easily derived and it is "up to" them to take advantage of it.

8th. The polls shall be opened for the reception of ballots at 9 o'clock A. M. on Saturday, May 16th, 1914, and shall remain open until 7 o'clock P. M. on said date, at which hour said polls shall be closed; and it shall be the duty of the registrar and poll-holders, in the presence of said candidates or their representatives, and any other Democrats who may wish to attend to proceed at once without adjournment to count the ballots and make a list of all persons voted for, and the number of votes received by each. They shall sign said list in duplicate and mail or deliver one copy to the Chairman of the County Democratic Executive Committee, and the other copy shall be delivered immediately to one of their number to be appointed by them, who, when so appointed, shall become a member of the County Canvassing Board, and whose duty it shall be to transmit the aforesaid list, together with the poll-books, to the Board of County Canvassers, which shall be constituted and meet as hereinafter provided.

9th. That the members of the several Precinct Primary Boards who shall have been so appointed shall constitute the Board of County Canvassers for such County, and the majority shall constitute a quorum. The Board of County Canvassers for each County shall meet on Tuesday, the 26th day of May, 1914, at 12 o'clock M. at the Court House of their respective Counties, and at that hour the members of the said Board who shall be present shall choose one of their number who shall act as Chairman and another member who shall act as Secretary. Said Board of County Canvassers at said time and place shall publicly canvass and shall make and sign certificates, stating the number of legal ballots cast in each precinct, the name of each person voted for, the number of votes cast for such person, and shall sign said certificates in triplicate. They shall cause one copy to be posted immediately at the Court House door, send by registered mail one copy to the Chairman of this committee, and one copy to the Secretary of this committee.

WHAT THE PAPERS SAY

(Continued from first page.)

Would Do Well.

Waxhaw Enterprise. Editor Roland F. Beasley of The Monroe Journal has announced his candidacy to succeed R. N. Page as congressman from this district. Mr. Beasley is perhaps the best qualified man in the district for the job and The Enterprise is glad he has entered the race. For years he has been a close student of politics and he is thoroughly acquainted with the science of government. North Carolina needs able men in congress. The representatives in Washington from this State, with a few exceptions, are not strong men. Mr. Beasley is one of whom the district and the State would be proud as a representative.

Goal Wishes From South Carolina.

Pageland Journal. Mr. Beasley is one of North Carolina's deepest thinkers, and a former resident of his district we would like to see him go up to Washington as a representative of the best section of North Carolina.

From the Sixth District.

Maxton Scottish Chief. Elsewhere we are printing the announcement of Mr. R. F. Beasley of Union county that he will test the general belief that a man must be able to spend a large sum of money or he cannot be nominated to represent his party before the people in the race for Congress.

This feeling is not confined to Mr. Beasley's district. A gentleman well qualified to represent the sixth district and who we believe will be nominated easily if he should enter the contest, recently told us that he could not afford the expense of a campaign. It is true that it is the general belief based upon many ear-marks, that the incumbent has spent the bulk of his salary in every campaign since his second term, yet he supports a large family and is said to have accumulated much property. We believe that if a properly qualified man will offer for the position and go out before the people, fully trusting them, he will triumph over the wiles of the mere politician and the efforts of the local leg-pullers. It is a duty some good man owes to the people of this district that he like Mr. Beasley, make the test.

From the Fifth District.

Greensboro Patriot. Mr. R. F. Beasley of Monroe, editor of The Monroe Journal, and one of the editors of The State Journal of Raleigh, has announced himself as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Congress in the seventh district. Mr. Beasley is one of the deep thinkers and most forceful writers in the State. His heart beats in sympathy with humanity and he is not afraid to desert the beaten path when he discerns the beckoning hand of duty calling him in a new direction. There isn't a better or purer man in North Carolina than Roland F. Beasley.

Not Always Right, But Always Honest.

Charley and Children. Mr. R. F. Beasley, who is a candidate for Congress from this district, is one of the ablest men in the district, and has given the most careful study to the public questions of our time. He may not always be right, but he is always honest, and he has the courage of his convictions.

May Be Do Both.

See Dee Daily. The Charlotte Observer's Washington correspondent said in a recent letter:

"A poor man cannot run for Congress these days. He cannot afford to put up the necessary money."

Our friend, and classmate, Editor R. F. Beasley of The Monroe Journal, has challenged this statement by announcing himself for Congress, and says he is going to prove that a poor man can run for Congress, whether he can be elected or not. We hope he can do both.

W. T. Childers Shoots Man in Lexington and Drops Dead.

W. T. Childers, an employe in a cotton mill at Lexington, shot C. R. Rowe and died in a few minutes after from excitement. There had become some altercation at the boarding house between the two prior to the day when the shooting occurred. Superintendent Gamewell of the mill had the two men in his office for an investigation when they renewed their quarrel. He was sitting between them when Childers drew a .38-calibre Colt's revolver and began firing, shooting twice over Mr. Gamewell's head. The first shot went wild, but the second struck Rowe in the hand. Rowe started to run and Childers followed, shooting again as Rowe dashed into the mill office. When Childers reached the door Rowe had disappeared. He walked down the steps and out on the sidewalk and dropped dead.

New Interstate Express Rates Effective June 5.

The Corporation Commission made an order last week requiring the Southern Express Company to put into effect June 5 the new system of rates applicable to interstate express business in North Carolina, it being based on the new schedule of rates applicable through the Interstate Commerce Commission on interstate business throughout the United States, but with considerable modifications that will avert raises in rates on various commodities that would be the effect of the blanket application of interstate rates.

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INTERESTING ITEMS.

Picked Up Here. There and Everywhere by Our Field Correspondent.

The farmers are busy planting corn. They have made fine progress during the good weather of the last few days.

A good many farmers in the Candor section have pulled the stumps on their farms this winter and their fields present a better appearance in consequence. Candor is a thriving little town and is steadily growing and is situated in the middle of a fine agricultural section. What is true of Candor is true of other towns of Montgomery county in matters of progress.

The people of Trinity want a cotton mill. There is a good location for this enterprise there. Already the throbbing of a new pulse of life is warming the hearts of her citizenship. Great things are ahead of Trinity. We can close our eyes as in a vision and see street cars, electric lights and industries of every description rising as by magic and giving opportunity for the prosecution of every trade and craft.

Mr. Jesse F. Coltrane of Randolph Rt. 1 is another "charter member" of The Courier family. Mr. Coltrane is 93 years old and is one of Randolph's best citizens. He says that Randolph is one of the best counties in the State.

Mr. H. L. Reddick died last Friday at his home in Trinity township. He was 76 years old and is survived by a brother and two sisters. He was a Confederate soldier and on the field of battle was a true and brave man. Funeral was held at Prospect last Saturday, Rev. F. E. Parker conducting the services.

Mr. Bill Williams of Biscoe Rt. 1 has a dog 13 years old that has never had but three legs. It is one of the best squirrel dogs on the route. It can get about almost as good as a dog with four legs.

Mr. Frank Luck of High Point has bought a farm at Progress and moved to it. Mr. Luck is a good citizen and we welcome him back to our county.

An addition and better roads have been added to the place of N. T. Groce at Worthville. Mr. Groce moved to Worthville 13 years ago and has made good. He is one of our best citizens.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA