

THE COMMONWEALTH.

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MORE POLITICS.

There has not been very much doing in county politics during the past week, so far as we have learned. On Saturday the anti-ring people issued a circular containing their platform in the shape of resolutions, and also made a call for a general anti-ring mass-meeting at Halifax on August 5th. The organization or ring, as they are sometimes called, have nothing to say in the public prints as yet, but they are no doubt busy at work. We repeat again this week that the white people of the county ought to get together and fight for the nominations at the legalized primary. This is the right and proper thing to do.

The salary system works well in Guilford and other counties for county officers.

Johnson says he is willing to give Jeffries another chance at the championship, and names Labor Day for the date. Jeffries is silent.

The democrats of Johnson county are trying to induce Col. Ashley Horne to accept the nomination for the legislature from that county. He would be a big addition to the low-making body of our State.

The Democrats of our sister county, Bertie, in convention recently endorsed Jos. W. Folk, of Missouri, for President. They also claim that Mr. Folk is a grandson of North Carolina—his father being a native of Bertie County.

We suggest that our roads commissioners build one mile of sand clay roads in this community. It would not cost much and might be a means of creating a new interest in better roads. We want to see good roads built throughout the county, making the start.

We note that the cities and towns throughout the United States are almost unanimous in their stand against the showing of the Jeffries-Johnson fight by the moving picture exhibition. Following the announcement of the result of the recent fight there were race riots in many sections and several were killed. The showing of the pictures would bring about more race friction and the officers are doing right in cutting out the pictures.

Editor W. C. Dowd, of the Charlotte News, has been renominated for the House of Representatives by the Democrats of Mecklenburg County, and this means his return to the Legislature. Mr. Dowd will again be a candidate for speaker and his friends are going to work to give him the honor. He is an able speaker and presiding officer. Elect Dowd speaker of the House of Representatives for the legislature of 1911 and no mistake will be made.

Senator Bob Taylor withdrew his promise to stump the State for Gov. M. R. Patterson and his judicial ticket. This action on the part of Senator Taylor has elevated him in the estimation of the better class of citizens everywhere. Gov. Patterson disgraced himself and his State when he pardoned Col. Duncan B. Cooper for the murder of Senator E. W. Carmack. Gov. Patterson and all his followers ought to be put out of office. Senator Taylor is right in refusing to canvass the State for such a character as Gov. Patterson.

The Boston Post in speaking of the speech of Gov. Kitchin delivered at the meeting of the National Educational Association says:

Governor Kitchin, of North Carolina delivered one of the best speeches which in the opinion of many of the Association, it had ever heard their lot to hear. Governor Kitchin is a speaker of whom one can use the word orator.

In a speech brimfull of patriotism, of broad nationalism, of sectional forgetfulness and withal witty, he charmed his hearers and received round after round of applause for his sounding period.

THE STATE CONVENTION.

The Democratic State convention met in Charlotte, Thursday, 14 th., inst. State Chairman A. H. Eller called the convention to order and Alex J. Fields acted as secretary. Mr. Eller delivered the opening address, and then called Senator Lee S. Overman to the chair as temporary chairman. Senator Overman made a strong speech.

All the counties in the State were represented except Tyrrell and Clay. The committee on permanent organization selected Hon. Walter E. Moore, of Jackson county, for chairman, and no mistake was made for Mr. Moore made a fine presiding officer. The chief fight in the convention was over the Supreme Court Judgeship, between Allen and Manning. The vote on the first ballot resulted as follows: Allen 526,978 votes; Manning, 434,972 votes; Judge Allen's majority, 92,006 votes.

Other nominations made by the convention were as follows.

For Chief Justice, North Carolina Supreme Court, Hon. Walter Clark, by acclamation.

For Associated Justice, Hon. Platt D. Walker, by acclamation.

For Corporation Commissioner, Mr. H. C. Brown, for the short term, and Mr. W. T. Lee, of Haywood county, for the full term.

Nominating addresses were made in the convention by Ex-Gov. Chas. B. Aycock, Ex-Judge R. W. Winston, Charles W. Tillet, Victor S. Bryant, W. E. Daniel, Jas. A. Lockhart, W. C. Hammer, J. D. Murphy, Cy. Watson, Theodore F. Klutts and others. These speeches were of high order and have received high praise and especially Aycock's speech in placing Judge Allen in nomination.

We are publishing the platform in another column of this issue. It sets forth clearly the principles of the party.

The convention was harmonious and pleasing and the delegates left the convention with the best of feeling for each other.

The democracy of North Carolina is thoroughly alive to the interest of the State and for all that goes to build it up.

For the handsome entertainment given the delegates by the city of conventions, These people certainly know how to entertain visitors.

Why Manning Was Defeated.

In addition to the political habits of mind which we have noted elsewhere, one cause of Justice Manning's defeat by Judge Allen undoubtedly was that the latter held courts all over the state for sixteen years, while his opponent possessed no such means of forming an extensive acquaintanceship. The primaries gave Judge Allen a considerable lead, which the band-wagon instinct eagerly lengthened into a convention majority. Extensive acquaintanceship may have been quite as important as the disposition to down a Governor's appointee, fortified—there is always some cause assigned other than this general and usually unconscious one—by the rather petty objection that Governor Kitchin owed his fit appointee political obligations.—Charlotte Observer.

The latest catalogue of the Agricultural and Mechanical College shows remarkable progress. The total enrollment was 570 a gain of 124 over the year before. One hundred and eighty-two of these were agricultural students. In addition twenty-seven teachers attended the May School to equip themselves to teach agricultural in the common schools. Three new buildings have just been completed and a fourth is now under construction. The faculty for the coming year will number 50 technical experts. The next session will begin on Sept. 7th.

“Ef I knew I was liable to be wiped out sudden, an’ had a last-minute vote ez to what I’d be next, I’d say, ‘Ef it’s the same to you dear Lord, thess do it over a gain. Make me a boy ag’in Th’ ain’t nothin like it.’—Century Magazine.

Friend—But you cannot walk like old man Weston. The idea of betting a thousand that you can walk from ocean to ocean in a month. Pedestrian—“Sh! I am going down on the Ithumus of Panama.—Chicago News.

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NEWS FROM THE COUNTY CAPITOL.

Happenings in and Around Halifax During The Week.

Halifax, N. C., July 18.—Miss Nell Nelson has returned from a lengthy visit to relatives in Richmond.

Mrs. J. W. Hays, of Elm City, has been here for several days visiting her father, Rev. L. G. Grady.

Mrs. B. A. Mabry and Miss Margaret, of Norfolk, have been here some days to see kins-people.

Mrs. Speight, of Rocky Mount, spent several days recently with her sister, Mrs. I. G. Shaw.

Mrs. N. L. Stedman and little Miss Elizabeth left Saturday for Wrightsville Beach, where they will spend about ten days.

Miss Minnie Ferree, of Bell-cross, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. J. H. Fenner, for some weeks, left Saturday for Willoughby and Ocean View to spend several weeks.

Mr. John Bass and Postmaster Munford, of Tillery, were visitors here Monday.

W. E. Fenner, of Rocky Mount, spent Sunday and Monday here with his parents.

Mr. John W. House, of Roanoke Rapids, was a pleasant visitor here on Sunday.

Misses Virgie and Alice Butts left for Newport News Sunday to attend the Teachers' Institute for ten days.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Marshall, returning from their bridal tour, stopped off Saturday to see Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Daniel, and will go to their future home in Clarkton this week.

Mr. R. L. Deaton, of Enfield, who is pleasantly remembered here, and his sister-in-law, Miss Blanche Coffin, and her cousin, Miss Grace Coffin, of Asheboro, were callers here last Friday.

Mrs. George Moore, of Spartanburg, S. C., spent Monday with her sister, Mrs. W. F. Coppedge.

Misses Ida C. Twisdale and Emma Ellis, of Warren county, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Twisdale at their home about two miles west of town, have returned home.

Rev. C. G. Bradley filled his regular appointment at St. Mark's Sunday morning and evening.

Something above the usual happened on Monday when Rufus Shaw, son of our townsman, Mr. I. G. Shaw, caught with hook and line out of the bosom of the old Roanoke a nice rock-fish weighing about six pounds. This is almost unprecedented catching such a thing as a rock-fish on the 18th of July.

By the way, while we are about it we will tell another fish story. Down at the mouth of Quanke stream quite a number of our folks have been catching a quantity of “goggle-eyes” and “speckles” of more than the usual size. Every boy you see wants to go fishing. W. F. C.

THE JUDGES.

The List as Confirmed by the Democratic State Convention.

The State convention by a unanimous vote confirmed the nomination of judges made in the various judicial districts, and in advance ratified the nomination to be made in the thirteenth district in August. In that district there was a deadlock between Messrs. E. B. Cline, of Catawba, Edmond Jones, of Caldwell, and T. B. Finley, of Wilkes, and the convention adjourned until in August. The nominees in the other districts to elect this year are as follows:

Second district—R. B. Peebles, of Northampton.

Third district—H. W. Whedbee, of Pitt.

Fourth district—Chas. M. Cooke, of Franklin.

Sixth district—Frank A. Daniels, of Wayne.

Eighth district—W. J. Adams, of Moore.

Tenth district—Benjamin F. Long, of Iredell.

Eleventh district—H. P. Lane, of Rockingham.

Thirteenth district—Convention nominee in August ratified.

Fourteenth district—M. H. Justice, of Rutherford.

Fifteenth district—Jos. S. Adams, of Buncombe.

Sixteenth district—Garland S. Ferguson, of Haywood.

In the districts not mentioned there are no elections this year.—High Point Enterprise.

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N. G. Dickens, 2-3-4 acres Greenwood	1.31
W. H. Josey, store and lot	42.73
Miss Pattie McRay, dwelling and lot	2.60
Herbert Pope, 40 acres land near Spring Hill	1.73
D. M. Prince, dwelling and lot	26.06
Mrs. D. M. Prince, stables lot	6.93
E. E. Powell, dwelling and two town lots	11.71
Mrs. Bertha Swindell, 173 acres old Dickens place	10.40
J. N. Savage, dwelling and two lots	19.16

NEGRO.

Jno. A. Anthony, 10 acres land at Graball	1.10
Fed Baker Estate, 1 acre land and dwelling	1.10
Rose Carter, 30 acres land Freedom Hill Lodge, 1-4 acre at Graball	6.71
Susie Ginter, 64 acres land in Baker	1.31
Willie T. Hill, 1 town lot	5.54
Sil. Hill, 1 acre land near Joe Ferrell's	3.10
Whit Esther Jones, dwelling and lot	.44
Lucinda Smith, 3-1-4 acres land, Mary's Chapel	3.47
Isaac Smith, Jr., 9 acres land in Baker	2.60
Wade B. Smith, 126 acres land	2.87
Archie Taylor, 125 acres land in Baker	25.18
Daniel Webb, 1 acre land near Joe Ferrell's	3.04
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