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### SATURDAY'S PRIMARIES

Township Primaries Name Delegates to County Convention and Endorse Candidates.

The primary for Lexington township was called to order in the court house Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock by Chairman S. L. Owen. Captain F. C. Robbins moved that all Democrats be made delegates to the county convention to be held next Saturday, the 26th, and the same was carried. The primary then unanimously endorsed Solicitor W. C. Hammer, Congressman R. N. Page and Senator F. M. Simmons. A poll of the voters present was taken for corporation commissioner, and delegates to the county convention were instructed to cast three-eighths of the vote of the township for Hon. Franklin McNeill, the present chairman of the corporation, and five-eighths for Mr. J. A. Long, of Alamance, who is an aspirant for the position. An executive committee was formed, with the following members: E. B. Craven, chairman; S. L. Owen, secretary; A. C. Harris, Geo. W. Conrad, W. F. Thomason, G. D. Sink, W. H. Phillips, E. A. Roth-rsek, S. J. Coley and W. F. Sink.

COTTON GROVE.  
Cotton Grove township re-elected all the members of the present executive committee and made every Democrat in the township a delegate to the county convention to be held at Lexington next Saturday.

ARCADIA.  
The following delegates were elected to the county convention: T. T. Spangh, Felix Kimel, Lewis Weisner, Dave Mock, Frank Raper, David Tesh, Columbus Ripple, Robt. Tesh, J. E. Hill, Dr. R. U. Zimmerman, Cicero Weisner, L. E. Ripple and W. M. Zimmerman.

The following were named as township committeemen: J. E. Hill, Robert Tesh, J. C. Ripple, Dr. R. U. Zimmerman and Felix Kimel.

ROBERT N. PAGE was endorsed for Congress.

EMMONS.  
The Democratic primary meeting was held at Mr. James Metters' last Saturday afternoon. Messrs. B. I. Harrison, R. P. Hepler, I. L. Lanier, W. T. Metters and N. W. Lanier were elected delegates to attend the county convention to be held at Lexington May 26th. These delegates were instructed to vote for Hon. Robert N. Page for congress and W. C. Hammer for solicitor.

CONRAD HILL.  
Democratic primary met at Joshua Cople's and re-elected Thos. G. Kindley chairman and D. T. Andrews secretary. The following delegates to the county convention were elected: J. W. Lee, A. B. Miller, Jno. H. Crofts, W. F. Curry, T. G. Kindley and G. B. Fine. A motion was passed making every Democrat in the township an alternate. The following executive committee was elected: J. H. Crofts, A. S. Miller, E. H. Dorsett, J. L. Lohr and T. G. Kindley. Resolutions were passed endorsing Solicitor Hammer and Congressman Page. The primary considered the unnecessary expense of holding elections at two places in the township, which has been done ever since the Fusionists ruled, and passed a resolution requesting the Board of Election to consolidate the precincts of Holly Grove and Liberty, and call the voting place to be at Joshua Cople's. The question of county officers was discussed and the entire primary, with possibly one exception, was in favor of a new ticket. Almost every one says we have a good set of officers, but now we have elected them four times and now we think it is time for them to help us elect another set of good men.

JACKSON HILL.  
At the primary meeting held in Jackson Hill township Saturday the following executive committee was elected: C. L. Badgett, chm.; G. I. J. Elliott sec'y; W. A. Reid, J. E. Skeen, Cicero Surratt. The following delegates to the county convention were elected: G. I. J. Elliott, J. C. Skeen, C. W. Stokes. Senator Simmons, Congressman Page and Solicitor Hammer were endorsed.

BOONE.  
The primary held in Boone township named all present as delegates to the county convention and while assembled took occasion to endorse the old officers with the exception of Judge H. T. Phillips, who, they said, should run for the legislature if he didn't want to run for clerk, voting at the same time their choice of Sam. W. Finch for the clerkship. Hon. Robert N. Page was endorsed and the delegates instructed to vote for him.

Messrs. J. H. and A. L. Curry, of Gaffney, S. C., spent Monday in Lexington.

### NEGRO SHOT IN FIGHT.

Love Honbaire Disables Colored As-sailant Who Attacks Him While At Work on His Farm.

On Tuesday of last week near Linwood Love Honbaire, a white man, shot and severely wounded a negro named Levi Hoyt, when the latter attacked him while he was at work on his farm. The wound was not fatal and last reports say the negro will recover. Honbaire came to Lexington on Wednesday and gave himself up, but the officers took no action until Monday, when they sent for him and he came to Lexington and gave a \$250 bond for his appearance at the trial. The trouble grew out of the negro's wife trespassing after Honbaire had forbidden people from crossing a field. In trespassing she was caught by Honbaire and ordered away, when she used language that provoked Honbaire to slap her. Her husband took up the quarrel and came upon the white man while he was at work in the field. Approaching him from behind, he attacked Honbaire with a heavy wrench. After a moment's scuffle, Honbaire drew his gun and shot him.

Former Citizen in Town.  
Saturday we were very much pleased to have Mr. J. W. Smith, of Flower Branch, Hall county, Georgia, to call on us. Mr. Smith is a native of Davidson county but has been in Georgia so long that he can hardly be regarded as a Tar Heel. He left here in 1859 and has returned only two times since he left. He had been visiting his sister, Mrs. Bettie Owens, near Fairmont, in which community he was born and reared. Sunday morning he took train for Georgia. He is in the furniture business and his town is on the Southern main line. When Mr. Smith left here in '59, the court house was standing in the middle of the square and there were but few stores here. Esquire James Smith had just started a store back of the building now occupied by The Dispatch, and from him, Mr. Smith purchased his first suit of "store" clothes. He has a brother in Randolph, one near Charlotte and also a son in Mecklenburg county. He was lost in the Lexington of to-day, as nothing remains that reminds of the town he left many years ago.

Court House Improvements.  
The improvements on the court house are in full sway this week and when all is finished Davidson county will have a most creditable public building, thanks to our progressive county commissioners. The masons are repairing all parts of the brick work, carpenters are looking after the ceiling, etc, and the painters are finishing the whole by putting on a coat of paint. The appearance of the building after everything is done will be that of granite. Our commissioners deserve to be highly commended for having this work done and the county will approve of it when our handsome "new" court house is seen.

Damage Suit to be Tried Here.  
Another big damage suit against the railroad will be brought here from Rowan and tried at the next civil term of court. This is the case of William P. Sink and it is for \$20,000. Sink, who lives in Spencer, was injured on the 16th of last November while under a car making some repairs. A train crashed into the cars and Sink was dragged for several hundred feet. In the complaint it is set forth that the plaintiff was seriously injured in the back, hips and legs and that he has been a constant sufferer since the accident.

Bank President Commits Suicide.  
Irwin Tucker, president of the Savings Bank of Newport News, Va., committed suicide in his room over the bank in Newport News Saturday just as Chief of Police Reynolds, of that city, opened his door to arrest him upon a warrant charging him with defaulting in the sum of \$10,000.

Tucker heard Chief Reynolds ask a negro porter on the outside as to the location of his room and standing in front of a mirror put a bullet through his right temple as the door was thrown open.

### SOUTHBOUND SURE

"Road is Being Built in Good Faith," Says Capt. Fries and the Treasurer Says it is Certain.

The Dispatch has fluctuated between hope and despair about the Southbound railroad until a good hearty "it will be built" with the accent on the will affords intense relief. We have grabbed at straws and have quit grabbing them and grown pessimistic. Our people have been the same way. We now purpose to put on the smile that will stay on and hug closely and constantly the belief that the Southbound will be built. A Dispatch man talked with the treasurer of the road last week and he stated the above emphatic, "It will be built. There is simply no doubt about it." Col. Fries, in an interview, tells the Winston Sentinel that, "The road is being built in good faith and there is no disposition to change the line if the parties interested obtain the rights-of-way as they promised to do. Two engineering corps are now on the line for the purpose of securing a grade, the plan now being to make it six-tenths of one per cent. One force is working between Winston-Salem and Lexington and the other between Lexington and Albemarle."

The Sentinel also says that the road will run via Midway, if the owners of land in that township will grant rights of way. The engineers say that grading on this line will be less expensive than via Arcadia.

Henceforth, doubt not. We are convinced entirely that on a day not very far off we shall hear the whistles blowing the station signal for Lexington, change cars for all points north and south.

A Reminder.  
The Dispatch "agitated" strenuously for an ice factory but finally gave up in despair. Chancing upon the following reminded us and we clip it from The Landmark in lieu of writing something on the same order with Lexington instead of Statesville as the happy place where ice is made:

"The Statesville ice plant is now in full operation and the output is about 15 tons of ice daily. It is estimated that local consumers will take about two-thirds of this amount. The remainder will be shipped to outside points. The first car was shipped to Newton a few days ago. Ice made in Statesville is another step in the march of progress. It is keeping at home money that we used to send away and drawing from elsewhere money we have not heretofore received."

Mr. Workman Heard From.  
A letter from Mr. Noah W. Workman, a Davidson county young man who was engaged in business at San Francisco at the time of the earthquake, says: "The Spanish American Food Co. (owned by my brother) was completely destroyed. But we are going to start again in a few weeks. My brother saved his property on Castro and Post streets, but the remainder of his property was destroyed and his losses are heavy outside the factory. Old Frisco is nearly wiped off the earth but she will be larger and grander in the course of a few years."

Graded School Exercises.  
To-night the closing exercises of the graded school will be held. The students will give an entertainment and an admission fee of twenty-five cents for adults and fifteen cents for children will be charged. Last night Dr. Chas. D. McIver, of Greensboro, delivered an address before a large audience, and several drills were carried out by the children.

Saturday the county convention to name delegates to the senatorial, judicial, congressional and state conventions, will be held in the court house. Delegates named at the primaries last Saturday are urged to attend and all Democrats are invited to be present. Immediately after the delegates are named, the chairmen of the township executive committees will meet for the purpose of electing a central executive committee and a new county chairman.

Master Robert Hammer, of The Dispatch force, took in the celebration at Charlotte Monday and yesterday.

### PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Movements of a Few of the Numerous People Who Come and Go in Lexington.

Miss Mary Exum Meares, of Linwood, is here on a visit to Miss Camille Hunt.

Mr. Ed. Hutchinson, of High Point, was a visitor in Lexington the first of the week.

Miss Lizette Brown has accepted a position as stenographer with the National Bank of Lexington.

Miss Edith Greer left last Thursday for Winston, where she will spend a week as the guest of Miss Julia Wilson.

Mr. Henry L. Jones, who is engaged at work at Roanoke, Va., was a recent visitor to home folks in Lexington.

Mrs. H. D. Everhart, of Salisbury, is spending the week here attending the bedside of her son-in-law, Mr. F. L. Hedrick.

Miss Zula Hedrick will return home to night from Elizabeth College, at Charlotte, where she has been attending school.

Capt. E. W. Koontz, of Salisbury, was here last week to see his brother-in-law, Mr. Frank L. Hedrick, who is ill of fever.

Col. G. Foster Hankins left last Thursday for East Liverpool, Ohio, on a business trip and will remain until the last of this week.

Mr. Herbert O. Sink, of Washington, D. C., arrived Monday and is spending a few days here visiting his mother, Mrs. Minnie Sink.

Mr. J. A. Wright has resigned his position as clerk for Mr. J. F. Ward and left Monday for Liberty, where he will spend a week.

Miss Alise Sheppard, who has been the guest of Miss Lizette Brown at the Hotel March for several days, has returned to her home at Winston-Salem.

Last Thursday Mr. T. T. Hay, a leading insurance man of Raleigh, spent the day with Mr. H. S. Radcliffe, one of Lexington's prominent insurance agents.

Mr. A. A. Estes, of Frederick, Oklahoma, arrived in town last week and is the guest of his uncle, Mr. Henry J. Berrier. Mr. Estes will remain here some days longer.

Harlee MacCall, Esq., superintendent of Troy graded schools, was here Monday. His school closed last week and he was on his way to Statesville to visit his mother.

Mr. S. G. Yokley, who has been attending school at the University College of Medicine, Richmond, Va., returned home Saturday and will spend the summer with relatives in the county.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Springs, Mrs. S. W. Finch and Mrs. R. C. Springs are among the number of Lexingtonians who attended the Mecklenburg Declaration celebration at Charlotte this week.

Dr. J. L. Murphy, of Hickory, was in town a short while on Saturday, on his way home from the funeral of his father, Mr. Pleasant Murphy. While here he was the guest of Rev. J. C. Leonard, at the Reformed parsonage.

Mr. J. W. Adderton, the son of Mrs. Jerre Adderton, arrived last Thursday from St. Louis and will spend two weeks at home. Mr. Adderton holds the important position as manager of the H. J. Heinz Company's branch in St. Louis.

Mrs. Lillie Croft Donovan and son, Gladstone, will leave Friday for Harrisburg, Va., to be present at the dedicatory services of the "Donovan Memorial church," on Sunday. This church was erected in memory of her husband, who died several years ago. Mrs. Donovan will visit in West Virginia and Washington City before returning home.

Register of deeds H. W. Lindsay, of Winston-Salem, was here Monday, returning to Winston from Cotton Grove, where he had been at the bed-side of his sister, Mrs. Mary E. Miller, who is dangerously ill. Mrs. Miller has been in exceedingly bad health for several years, and it is feared she will not recover from the present attack of illness.

### JUDICIAL CONVENTION

The Judicial Convention for the Tenth District Called to Meet in Lexington July 2nd

The Democratic convention for the tenth judicial district will meet in Lexington July 2nd, the same date appointed for the meeting of the congressional convention. Lexington is proving a popular place for holding conventions this campaign and is proud of it. The town extends cordial invitations to the delegates and promises to take good care of them. The following is the formal call for the judicial convention:

"The Democratic Convention for the tenth Judicial District, is hereby called to meet in Lexington, N. C., on Monday, July 2nd, 1906, at 3:30 o'clock, P. M., for the purpose of nominating a Solicitor for said district.

By order of the Committee,  
C. C. McAllister, Chairman.  
O. W. Spencer, Sec. Protem."

### Personal Paragraphs.

Mrs. W. B. Yarbro and daughter, Miss Edna, left yesterday for Farmer, where they will visit relatives.

Miss Alma Owen will return home today from Raleigh, where she has been attending school at the Baptist University for Women.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. McCrary returned Friday from Nettle Ridge, Va., where Mrs. McCrary had been visiting her father, Mr. John P. Tatum, for several weeks.

Yesterday afternoon Mr. David R. Cecil returned from Whitsett Institute, from which school he graduated at the recent commencement.

Mrs. Fred Thompson and Mrs. A. E. Sheets are visiting their sister, Mrs. A. L. Butt, and seeing the 20th of May celebration at Charlotte this week.

Mrs. J. W. Davis and children left last week for Maxton, where they will reside in future. Mr. Davis having a position with the Southern Exchange Co., of that place.

Mr. G. F. Feezor, who lives near Fairmont, was in town Saturday on his way home from Crescent Academy and Business College, where he has been taking a business course.

Mr. J. E. Palmer, of Atlanta, Ga., arrived yesterday, and is visiting his father, Mr. H. J. Palmer, of Cotton Grove township. Mr. Palmer is a conductor on the Southern between Greenville, S. C., and Atlanta.

Messrs. W. A. Anderson, W. C. Durland and Frank Mann, all of New York City, were in Lexington last week and paid The Dispatch a very pleasant visit. The first two gentlemen are interested in the Hercules Mining Company, Mr. Anderson being president and Mr. Durland director. The mine, which is located near Cid, is paying handsomely now, for they are taking out some very valuable copper ore. The shaft has reached a depth of 600 feet and will be sunk 100 feet deeper. The enterprise is prospering finely, for the mine is rich and there is plenty of money interested.

Governor Lost Suit Case.  
Governor Glenn went to Asheville last week to address the American Cotton Manufacturers. He got to Asheville at 4 o'clock in the morning and found he didn't have his baggage. He then remembered that he had left it on the platform at the Hickory depot. The authorities there put it on a freight train and sent it towards Asheville, but the train was wrecked and the Governor had to speak. He wanted a change of clothes badly. After much suspense and work the necessary clothing of the required size was discovered in Asheville and the Governor spoke to the Manufacturers in his best vein. But the suit case hadn't come at this writing.

Register of Deeds Owen has issued only three marriage licenses since last Wednesday. They are Ernest Wall to Miss Daisy L. Gallimore, Columbus Hiatt to Miss Mary E. Sink, Sherman Bradshaw, col., to Lillie Smith, col.

### ALL OVER THE STATE

News of North Carolina Gathered From Murphy to Manteo and Condensed for Busy Readers

Postmaster J. H. Ramsay at Salisbury has been nominated to succeed himself by the President and his confirmation will follow.

The contract has been let for 400,000 brick to be used in the construction of Asheboro's new graded school building. It is hoped to have the new building ready for occupancy at the fall opening of the school year.

Chas. F. Brown, a salesman for the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, was shot and killed by Henry McNew, at Witten's Mills, Va., last Sunday, for some trivial matter which Mrs. McNew took offense at. McNew fled and at last accounts was being hunted for by a large posse.

A dangerous forest fire raged for several days this week in Craven county and the people of Bridge-ton, a small village were very much afraid that their homes would be destroyed. The excessive dry weather has made conditions such that the fire was almost uncontrollable.

Sam Lee, a Chinese laundryman, committed suicide by hanging himself in a stable in Greensboro Saturday night. Lee was about 30 years of age and had consumption. Physicians had informed him there was no hope for his recovery and a brother was preparing to send him North for treatment.

Paul and Beverly Moore, aged seven and ten years, and children of Rev. A. L. Moore, of Martinsville, were drowned in Smith's river Thursday afternoon. The boys had carried dinner to a party at work on a canal and it is thought they fell from the dam or waded in beyond their depth.

John Hodges, the Durham man who shot and killed his wife while she was sick in bed a few months ago, was tried and convicted of murder in the first degree Saturday. The jury was out only twenty minutes. Hodges was sentenced to be hanged on June 29, 1906. His counsel ask for a new trial.

A negro woman threw a pair of scissors at Mr. Mack McAllister, of Belmont. Her aim was good and the sharp point of the scissors entered the white man's abdomen, piercing the liver and inflicting a dangerous wound. Mr. McAllister was carried to a Charlotte hospital, where an operation was performed on him.

Boys in bathing in a branch near Burlington on Monday found a girl baby tied up in a tow sack, appearance indicating that it had been in the water a week or more. The coroner found a verdict that it had been killed and thrown into the branch. The head was fearfully crushed. No clue was discovered as to the author of the crime.

The T. A. Gillespie Company, contractors on the extensive developments at Whitney, now employ about two hundred Italian laborers, besides more than 1,000 negroes. Work on the mammoth dam and canal is progressing rapidly. It will require two years or more, however, to complete the power plant and other improvements at that place.

Thomas A. Edison, the "wizard" in electricity, is touring the South from New York by automobile, and has been in North Carolina some days, on his way to Lincoln. He says his agents have found the rare metal, "cobalt" in this state, which has heretofore been found only in Germany. It will be used in a storage battery for vehicles, reducing the weight fifty per cent.

Another big damage suit against the railroad is to be imported from Rowan and tried in Davidson, with the idea that a jury here will be more likely to award a favorable verdict than over there. A reputation for being "agin" railroads and corporations will not rebound to our credit or advantage and it were well to nip it in the bud. The law allows it, but we wish you would keep your troubles to yourself.