

SATURDAY, APRIL 15TH

DAY SET FOR HOLDING PRIMARIES.

County Convention Called for Saturday, April 22nd—The Call—Vote Each Township is Entitled To.

At a meeting of the State Democratic Executive Committee held in the City of Raleigh on Wednesday, March 8th, 1916, pursuant to Section 10 of the plan or Organization, the following business was transacted:

(1). The State Democratic Convention was called to meet in Raleigh on Thursday April 27th, 1916, for the purpose of electing four delegates at large and four alternates to the National Democratic Convention to be held in St. Louis June the 14th, 1916, and for the purpose of electing two Presidential electors at large, and for such other business as may come before said election.

(2). At the State Convention on April 27th, 1916, the delegates from the different Congressional Districts will elect two delegates and two alternates to the National Convention from each district, and also elect a Presidential elector from each district.

(3). A common day for Precinct Meetings in the various Counties of the State for selecting delegates to the County Convention was fixed for Saturday, April 15th, 1916.

(4). A common day for County Conventions in every county of the State was fixed for Saturday, April 22, 1916, for the selection of delegates to the State Convention, and such other business as may come before said Convention.

This the 9th day of March, 1916.

T. D. WARREN, Chairman
State Democratic Executive Committee.

J. R. COLLIE, Secretary.
State Democratic Executive Committee.

Call for Precinct Meeting and County Convention.

To the Township Chairmen and Precinct Committees of Franklin County, Gentlemen.

Please note carefully the action of the State Democratic Executive Committee at their meeting held in Raleigh, N. C., on the 8th day of March, 1916. Therefore pursuant to the action of the State Committee, it is ordered, that you give due publicity to the date SATURDAY, APRIL 15th, 1916, and hold your precinct meeting on that date, and at such meeting select your delegates to the County Convention to be held in Louisburg at about the hour of noon on SATURDAY, APRIL 22, 1916, and also select delegates and alternates to the State Convention to be held in Raleigh on THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 1916. At your precinct meeting be sure and select your Precinct Committee (five) to serve for the next two years, and certify their names to the Chairman of the County Executive Committee on Saturday, April 22, 1916. For your information and convenience in selecting delegates, I beg leave to submit the vote for the last Governor and the rules as to how many your Precinct is entitled to name.

The delegates to the State and Congressional Conventions are to be selected in accordance with the vote cast in your precinct at the last gubernatorial election. One delegate and one alternate for each 150 votes cast and one delegate and one alternate for each fraction of 150 votes cast if this fraction is 75 or over. This applies to delegates to the State Convention. The Congressional delegates are selected one delegate and one alternate for each 50 votes cast and one delegate and one alternate for each fraction of 50 if the fraction is 25 or over.

The vote in Franklin County for Governor in 1912.

Township	Delegates to State Convention	Delegates to Congressional Convention
Dunns 174	1	3
Harris 127	1	3
Youngsville 219	1	4
Franklinton 347	2	7
Hayesville 63	1	1
Sandy Creek 168	1	3
Gold Mine 118	1	2
Cedar-Rock-246	2	6
Cypress Creek 75	1	2
Louisburg 373	2	7
1914	13	37

There has yet been no call for a Congressional Convention, but it is necessary that you name Congressional delegates as they will have to meet in Raleigh on April 27 to elect two delegates and two alternates to the National Convention and also elect a Presidential elector from this, the 4th Congressional District.

The County Board of Elections will meet on Saturday, April 22nd, to appoint Registrars and Judges of Election. It is important for the Democratic Party that we get the best men in each precinct to fill these places as they serve in the Primary and also in the general election in November.

The registration books open April 27 and close May 20.

At any time you need copies of the Primary Law or Election Law or information about same write to the Hon. Wilson G. Lamb, Chairman of the State Board of Elections Raleigh, N. C. and he will take pleasure in supplying your needs.

I trust you will exercise great care in selecting delegates to the State and Congressional conventions and be sure to select men who will attend. Senator Simmons has accepted an invitation to act as Temporary Chairman and will deliver the key-note speech, so be sure and let us have a full delegation from Franklin County.

J. R. COLLE, Chairman,
Franklin County Executive Committee.

J. A. TURNER, Secretary,
Franklin County Executive Committee.

GENERAL BICKETT FILES HIS PAPERS.

Qualifies As Candidate for Governor on Democratic Ticket.

Attorney-General Bickett, who has been the legal adviser of two state administrations, under Governors Kitchen and Craig, Wednesday filed papers qualifying as a candidate for governor, subject to the action of the Democratic voters on June 3.

For several years friends of General Bickett have been insisting that he make the race this time. It is their contention that his long legal service for the state, in which he has become familiar with the workings of every department of government, count strongly in his favor. Also, they point out the fact that he has won for North Carolina every contention the state made as a state, the Tennessee boundary dispute standing out as a big example. This dispute was on for a number of years. General Bickett took the matter up in an aggressive manner and recently the papers were filed, annexing to North Carolina the disputed territory, by order of the Supreme Court of the United States before which General Bickett argued in North Carolina's behalf.

Late last summer General Bickett's townsmen, the citizens of Louisburg, organized a club in his behalf. Since then the movement in his behalf has spread to all parts of the State. Although General Bickett filed his papers Wednesday he has been a candidate for several months, with the support of his friends. The filing of the papers was merely incidental, conforming to the law requiring this course.

Half and Half Cotton.

Editor of The Herald.

Some time ago the government issued a warning to the farmers in regard to planting what is known as "Half and Half" cotton, and same was copied by quite a large number of southern papers and among them was the Spartanburg Herald, and in its editorial was a very strong appeal to the farmers against planting "Half and Half."

As it is now planting time in this section we wish to submit to the farmers some data concerning this particular character of cotton, and we do so in order that we may discourage any one who contemplates raising such an inferior product. Naturally we have been asked "Why is it the mills cannot use 'Half and Half'?" This can be answered very briefly: "Half and Half," as we have observed is shorter in length than our Carolina Piedmont cotton; furthermore, has a coarse, heavy fibre, kinky and irregular staple. Wherefore the cotton seems to be "strong bodied" yet the length is not sufficient to meet the requirements of a large majority of the Piedmont Carolina mills, for as a rule, the mills in this territory require full one-inch staple, smooth and even running, and especially the mills on

print goods. As to the coarse goods mills, that can use shorter staple, they prefer full one-inch cotton, as their production is better and their product superior. Should even part of the farmers raise "Half and Half," it would bring about a hardship on the other farmers, as the mill buyers and the cotton merchants would be very critical and exacting as to grade, staple and character, and, too, it would be only a very short time until the seed would become mixed at the ginneries which would cause a general contamination of the cotton in this territory; consequently very few mills in this section would buy your cotton at any price. Those who are familiar with the Piedmont mills and their requirements know that very few will use South Georgia cotton or even middle and east Carolina cotton, as the staple is too short for their work.

Now that the Piedmont section has built up such a splendid reputation for its cotton, it would certainly be unwise as well as unfortunate should the farmers plant an inferior staple, as the business interests of the south have been for years putting forth their strongest efforts and endeavors to elevate farming to its highest state of efficiency, and such a step on the part of the farmers would be subversive to the progress of agriculture. If this character of cotton is to be planted, let it be done so where short cotton is raised and where the mills do not require full one-inch staple. It would be the height of folly to raise cotton in this territory that the mills cannot use and which would force them to go into other territories to supply their needs when their wants can be well taken care of at home, and too cotton brought in abundance at their doors.

W. C. COOKE & CO., INC.,
Cotton Merchants.

Debate Between Louisburg and Bunn.

On Friday night of March the thirty-first there was quite an interesting debate between Louisburg and Bunn given in the High School Auditorium in Bunn. The query for discussion was resolved "That the United States Should Adopt the Policy of Greatly Enlarging It's Navy." The subject was defended on the affirmative side by Messrs. Hinton and Moody of Bunn and the negative by Messrs. Will Collie and Edwin Webb of Louisburg. Quite a large crowd assembled to hear the debate. The subject was first discussed by Mr. Aloneus Hinton of Bunn, of the affirmative side, after he had delivered us an elegant speech on the subject, Mr. Collie of the negative was heard from. He in turn gave us a fine speech. Next came Mr. Clyde Moody. He showed us very forcibly why we should greatly enlarge our Navy so as to be prepared for any enemy that might attack us. Last but not least Mr. Webb very strongly defended the negative. The rejoinders were equally as good as the debates. The climax of the occasion then came when the Judges retired to render their decision. They admitted that the defenders of the negative side had given very interesting debates and had many good points, and had reflected credit upon the institution which they represented, but the affirmative had won, and there being a tie between Hinton and Moody for best speech. The congregation was then dismissed after a most enjoyable evening.

Collier-Taylor.

Invitations as follows have been mailed out to friends:

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Weaver request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Maggie Ellen Taylor to Mr. William Edward Collier, on Sunday morning, April the twenty-third, nineteen hundred and sixteen at ten o'clock, at the residence of Mr. W. C. Holmes, Louisburg, N. C.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. J. W. Weaver before her last marriage and is a charming and accomplished young lady.

The groom is a popular and deserving young man of Louisburg, and has held a position of clerk in the post office here for a number of years. This popular young couple has many friends who will extend congratulations and best wishes.

Entertainment at Laurel.

We are requested to state that the closing exercises of the Laurel school will be given in the form of an entertainment at the School on Friday night, April 21st, at 7 o'clock promptly.

IN AND ABOUT TOWN

Personal Items About Folks and Their Friends Who Travel Here and

Mr. W. C. Roddush is on a visit to New York.

C. C. Juffian and E. F. Thomas visited Raleigh Tuesday.

Mr. J. A. Turner returned the past week from a trip to Fayetteville.

Mr. Walter Egerton of Warrenton, is visiting his people near town.

Mrs. Fred A. Riff left Wednesday for Salisbury to visit her people.

Mr. R. G. Allen, of Raleigh, was a visitor to Louisburg the past week.

Mr. T. T. Hicks, of Henderson, was in Louisburg yesterday on business.

Dr. L. G. Beall, of Greensboro, was in Louisburg yesterday on business.

Mr. W. H. Yarborough, Jr., and wife left Saturday for a visit to Richmond.

Mrs. B. F. Whiteside, of Wilson is visiting her brother, Mr. F. N. Egerton.

Mrs. C. R. Barnette, of Atlanta, is visiting her mother, Mrs. B. B. Massenburg.

Mrs. A. W. Person left Wednesday for Richmond, accompanied by Miss Mary Williams.

Mr. John Stallings, Postmaster at Spring Hope, was in Louisburg the past week on business.

Mrs. A. M. Hall and daughter, Miss Lynn, are on the northern markets purchasing spring goods.

Sheriff W. H. Allen and Mr. J. A. Turner attended the Nash County Commencement at Nashville Friday.

Supt. E. L. Best, Messrs. J. H. Best and J. E. Thomas went to Nashville Friday to attend the Nash County Commencement.

Mr. F. C. Toepleman, General Manager of the Home Telephone and Telegraph Co., of Henderson, was in Louisburg the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Wheelers returned Friday from Raleigh, where they had taken their son, James, for an operation for adenoids, which was successful.

Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Gilmore are on a visit to his people near Sanford this week, where his mother is right sick. His many friends here hope she will soon recover.

Henry C. Yarborough.

The subject of this sketch died in Louisburg a week or so ago, after a lingering illness. Having known him since the Mintree-Ferguson days in the coach business, I feel that I would like to place a flower upon his grave, and had I known it would have attended his burial. He was a coachsmith by trade a good conscientious mechanic, a christian gentleman that would put the best of us to shame. Whenever I needed work in his line I went to his shop, it was a real pleasure to have him work for me, feeling assured I was dealing with a gentleman. Always frail and never strong yet lived to a good age. He was modest gentle in manners and behavior and so impressed me that I never left his shop without feeling ashamed of myself for not being a better man. I am sure he is at rest.

J. O. GREEN.

Easter at the Methodist Church.

Easter Sunday will be a great day at the Louisburg Methodist Church. At the morning service the pastor will preach on the resurrection and the choir will sing two or three of its greatest anthems. At the night service Presiding Elder J. E. Underwood will preach and the choir will give another great musical programme. On this day the offering for Foreign and Domestic Missions will be taken. It is expected that the entire year's contribution will be made on this day. Special Easter Offering envelopes are being distributed among the membership and it is hoped every member will be present with his offering.

Bickett Helps His Fellowman.

Franklinton, N. C., R. F. D. No. 2, April 9th, 1916.

May I say a few words to the public concerning T. W. Bickett, the man who we expect to be our next Governor?

What I wish to say is this, not what some one said, but a personal transaction. We, R. M. C. H., and W. A. Bailey, several years ago decided to buy us a home or homes, and this decision was reached without money. The next thing to do was to find a man who would sell us land on easy terms. We found this man in the person of T. W. Bickett. The terms were made

about equal to the annual rent. When short crops would come we would tell him that we could not make a full payment. He would simply say that it was all right. When I asked him to endorse my note to the bank he did not grit his teeth, but simply smiled and stuck his fist to the paper. Last Fall we finished paying the last dollar and received the deed.

He has done this same thing for a lot of other folks. When I spoke to him about being Governor he said he intended to multiply that transaction by five thousand. I think he would come as near doing that as any man in the State of North Carolina. I think he would do more for the masses of the people than any man I ever knew.

R. M. BAILEY.

FARM DEMONSTRATION.

Now that April is here we would advise the farmers to keep their smoothing harrows running. It is hard to estimate the value of this implement, if properly and wisely used. It is a good plan to have the harrow out in the field while the land is being broken, and occasionally unhitch from the plow and hitch to the harrow and catch up with the plow. Especially is this advisable later, when the land is inclined to turn in clods.

The land should have at least two good harrowings before being planted. Some times it is necessary to harrow over the land several times, but never less than two harrowings should be given the land, before the seed are to be planted.

After the smoothing harrow has been run over the land the first time we would advise that this be repeated after every rain. This will not only pulverize the surface soil and make available much plant food that otherwise would not have become available, but will preserve the water supply by forming the dust mulch.

The disc harrow is another implement that should be brought into use at this season of the year. Like the smoothing harrow the disc is not worth much early in the season.

Rye and clover, and in fact all green crops, should be cut to pieces with the disc harrow before being turned. The value of the green crop is very often thrown away by not first being cut to pieces with the disc harrow. The land seldom gets hard where it has been gone over with the disc. In most cases the disc harrow should be used before the plow, instead of after as a good many farmers are doing.

A number of farmers all over the county have become very much interested in the velvet bean. Much valuable information has been derived from the experiments carried on by Dr. R. Y. Winters, of the Division of Agronomy of the Station.

Dr. Winters recommends the planting of one row of corn and one row of beans. In this way the beans have something to run on and make much larger crops of beans than if allowed to run on the ground.

In growing velvet beans, the farmers should keep in mind the fact that they are being grown as a soil improver. One cannot expect a big crop of corn and velvet beans the same season. On the other hand, the benefits from one crop of velvet beans may be felt two or even three seasons following the planting. Experiments conducted at the Alabama Station show that benefits have come from the crop as long as three years after they were planted. The most good will come from velvet beans when they are allowed to stand until after frost and then pastured.

There are a number of varieties of velvet beans, but the best variety for the farmer in this county is the 100 Day Speckle. We have samples of beans on hand and will be glad to assist any farmer who wants to purchase.

At Mapleville Tonight.

Everything is ready for the Fiddlers' Convent on at Mapleville tonight. A splendid program has been worked out for those who love music, and also for those who enjoy eating. The refreshments after the contest will be no small part of the program. The contest tonight will be as live as any ever held in the county. A large number of fiddlers have signified their intentions of getting in the ring. Don't miss the fun at Mapleville Academy tonight.

Bickett and Forsyth.

The time is here when Democrats should begin to think seriously about

the candidates for the various State and county offices. The primary is in June and June is not far away. Especially should all Democrats think about their candidate for Governor. The Journal believes that Attorney General Bickett is the one man best fitted to lead the forces of Democracy in the next campaign. And this paper has no doubt but that a great majority of the Democrats of the State are of the same opinion. Bickett's majority in this county should be overwhelming. He ought to carry the county practically unanimously. For not only was he formerly a teacher among us, but in every campaign in the last few years he has never failed to respond to the call for help and do valiant service on the stump in Forsyth. The Journal feels that for these reasons, if for no other, the Democrats of this county are due Mr. Bickett a big vote of appreciation.—Winston-Salem Journal.

For Bickett For Governor.

It is being talked that farmers ought to vote for farmers for Governor, but I think we ought to vote for Mr. T. W. Bickett. Well do I remember the days of low price cotton when the Hon. C. C. Moore of Mecklenburg, was President of the Cotton Growers Association, and how Mr. Bickett came to the rescue of the farmers with his time, talents, and last but not least with the cash. I was in a position to know what I am talking about. Outside from all this Mr. Bickett is worthy of our support, our confidence, and the highest honor we can confer upon him. I am expecting great things from him when he gets into the Mansion. In fact I heard him say he intended giving the farming interest much of his time and thought if elected, I am willing to risk him believing he will make us a great Governor.

J. O. GREEN.

Buys New Business.

Mr. T. W. Watson is announcing in another column of this issue, the purchase of the fire insurance business formerly belonging to Messrs. Bailey and Taylor, and to Mr. T. B. Wilde. He has fitted up office rooms over the First National Bank building where he will conduct this line. Mr. Watson is one of Franklin's best insurance men and the acquiring of this new business will add greatly to the field. Look up his announcement.

Neithean Services.

Franklinton, April 14.—Methodist Church Services for April 16—Sunday School 9:45 A. M., E. J. Cheatham, Superintendent.

Sermon 11 A. M. by pastor Rev. J. H. Buffalo. Special musical program for morning service. Offering for the poor. Sermon 8 P. M. by pastor. Wednesday evening Prayer Meeting at 8 P. M.

Fuller Memorial Service.

There will be memorial services at the Methodist Church on Sunday night April 30th, in honor of Edwin W. Fuller, for which an excellent programme has been arranged. Several selections from his great poem "The Angel in the Cloud" will be read. There will also be a short biographical sketch of the past, and special music will be rendered by the choir.

Methodist Church.

There will be services at the Methodist Church Sunday at 11 A. M. and 7:45 P. M. The subject of the morning sermon is "A Path to Power," and of the evening sermon "A Challenge to Real Men." Special music at both services.

Services at St. Paul's Church.

Services will be held at St. Paul's church Sunday afternoon next at 3:30 P. M., Rev. Isaac W. Hughes, of Henderson officiating. Evening Prayer and Sermon. All cordially invited to attend.

Louisburg Baptist Church.

Regular services Sunday 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M., conducted by the pastor. Sunday School 9:45 A. M. Other services during the week as usual.

—Little Miss Catherine Bobbitt was the host of honor at an entertainment given at her home on Wednesday night. Several of her young friends were present and a most enjoyable evening was had. Refreshments were served.

Yep! We are confirmed advocates of preparedness—for the Sunday dinner.