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## STATE CONVENTION.

### Judge W. R. Allen Nominated for Associate Justice—Brown and Lee for Corporation Commission—Progressive Platform Adopted.

The State Democratic convention which met in Charlotte last Thursday made the following nominations:

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

For Justice, North Carolina Supreme Court, Hon. Platt D. Walker of Mecklenburg, by acclamation.

For Justice, North Carolina Supreme Court, Hon. W. R. Allen, of Wayne.

For Corporation Commissioner, Mr. H. C. Brown, of Wake, by acclamation.

For Corporation Commissioner, Mr. W. T. Lee, of Haywood.

The balloting for Supreme Court Justice resulted as follows: Judge Allen, 526,978 votes; Judge J. S. Manning, of Durham, 434,972. Judge Allen's majority, 92,006 votes.

The balloting for Corporation Commissioner to succeed Mr. S. L. Rodgers resulted as follows: Mr. W. T. Lee, of Haywood, 527,663; ex-Judge A. W. Graham, of Granville, 313,918; and Mr. John H. Pearson, of Burke, 120,348. Mr. Lee's majority was 93,397 votes.

State Chairman A. H. Eller called the convention to order shortly after the noon hour and made a notable address in which he advocated a State department of engineering with a division of forestry, a division of drainage and a division of public highways. Senator Overman, temporary chairman, followed with another notable address in which he reviewed something of the manner in which the Republican party has betrayed the trust of the people and outlined the plan of the coming campaign. Hon. Walter E. Moore, of Jackson, was elected permanent chairman.

The nomination speeches were of a high order and ex-Governor Chas. B. Aycock was given an ovation when he rose to place in nomination Judge W. R. Allen.

The following were elected members of the State Democratic executive from this, the sixth, district: W. H. Bernard, of New Hanover; E. J. Hale, of Cumberland; J. J. Furlong, of New Hanover; Homer L. Lyon, of Columbus; A. W. McLean, of Robeson; E. F. McCullough, of Bladen.

Robesonian bulletins from the convention were watched with much interest Thursday afternoon and the result of the ballot for associate justice between Allen and Manning, in which chief interest in the returns centered, was received here shortly after the vote was taken.

Col. N. A. McLean was elected chairman of the delegation from Robeson county.

### Democratic Platform.

The following platform was adopted at the State convention in Charlotte Thursday:

"We, the representatives of the Democratic party of North Carolina, in convention assembled, rejoice in the call occasioned by the coming election and the opportunity thus offered to lift up again in the midst of the people of North Carolina the banner of the Democratic party as sure standard of their rights and unfailing guide of their progress, and we re-affirm our allegiance to the cardinal principles of Democratic government and congratulate the people of North Carolina upon the wise, progressive and economical administration of the affairs of government since the return of the Democratic party to power in this State.

"We commend to the people of North Carolina the consideration of the success with which the affairs have been administered by the Democratic officials and clean, efficient and economical conduct of the State government from the day of the return to power of the Democratic party, and we re-affirm the declarations of our party upon the questions of the extension and improvement and upbuilding of the internal affairs

of the State and the institutions provided by the State for the care of our citizenship, both charitable and educational, and pledge ourselves to the continuation, upbuilding and development thereof—institutions to meet the demands made upon them, and the needs of the unfortunate who require the care and maintenance of the government.

"We pledge ourselves to the continued aid and assistance of the Confederate soldier, and demand that legislation shall make ample appropriations for his comfort and care.

"We recognize the great growth and improvement of the State along material and intellectual lines under the policy of the common school system of North Carolina, and the pledge of the party heretofore made of a four months free school in every district of the State has been fully met, and we promise the continued support and improvement of the public school system of the State and the extension of the same to the institutions of the State for higher education, to the end that these institutions may be placed upon a permanent basis of extension and maintenance, consistent with the growth of the school system of the State, and the increased population and demands of her citizenship."

"And we favor the schools of the State a more liberal instruction of the agricultural interests in such schools.

"The supervision and control of public service corporations is a well recognized right of the State and national government, and we pledge ourselves to the enforcement of this right in the interest of the people of the State consistent with fair and just treatment of the public service corporations, and no public service corporation shall grant any special privileges to any person or corporation.

"Private monopolies in restraint of trade are inconsistent with the growth and development of internal affairs of the State and the liberties of the people and should not be allowed. We are opposed to illegal combinations in restraint of trade, trusts and monopolies and favor the enactment and enforcement by the State and National governments of such laws as will make their existence impossible.

"We condemn unjust and unreasonable discrimination in freight rates against the towns and cities of North Carolina and in favor of the towns and cities of other States.

"We pledge ourselves to the fostering and encouragement of all legitimate enterprises and developments that may be located within the borders of this State and the administration of the law, so that no legitimate enterprise shall be injured.

"We condemn and denounce the tariff policy of the Republican party as enacted in the Aldrich-Payne tariff bill, and we declare the same to be the most iniquitous tariff burden ever placed upon the United States, formulated in behalf of sectional interests and fostering the trusts and combinations of the country at the expense of the great mass of the people, and in spite of the promises of the Republican party that prosperity would follow its adoption, we call attention to the present commercial condition of the country, its idle factories, industries and unemployed operatives.

"We denounce the extravagant and unbusinesslike administration of the affairs of the National Government by the Republican party whereby there has been a useless expenditure of over \$300,000,000 annually of the people's money.

"We call attention to the failure of the Republican party to revise the tariff in accordance with the pledges of its platform and its promises.

"We demand the enactment of a tariff for revenue only to meet the expenses of a government economically administered."

Dr. K. T. Allen and R. F. Graham returned Saturday from Wrightsville Beach, where they attended the annual convention of the North Carolina Dental Society.

## NEGRO SHOT AT ST. PAUL.

### Stewart Edwards, Colored, Shot and Dangerously Wounded at St. Paul Saturday Night by Special Policemen Carter and McCormick—Trouble Grew out of Difficulty Between White Man and Two Negroes.

As a result of scraps between a white man and two negroes at St. Paul Saturday evening Stewart Edwards, colored, between 40 and 45 years old, was shot and dangerously wounded by Special Policemen H. E. Carter and Bate McCormick. Edwards was taken to a hospital at Fayetteville for treatment and is not expected to live.

The trouble began about 6 o'clock at the depot. Lewis McLean, white, and Will McKinnon, colored, both under the influence of liquor, got into a knocking scuffle. Charlie Allen, white, parted them and they went off in different directions. McLean went toward the store near the depot and got into another scuffle with Walter Crawford, colored, and Crawford was slightly cut. McLean disappeared and Crawford was arrested and taken to the guard house, where his wounds were being dressed when a large crowd gathered. There was difficulty in keeping the crowd back and Stewart Edwards went away cursing. He was gone about long enough to go to his house and it was thought that he went after his pistol. When Edwards returned Mayor L. L. McGoogan deputized Messrs. H. E. Carter and Bate McCormick to arrest him, and Chas. Allen was deputized to search him.

Allen, upon whose place the negro had been working, told him to consider himself under arrest and there would be no trouble. Edwards cursed and said that he would not and began to advance upon Mr. Carter, who had his pistol drawn. Allen then tackled the negro and tried to get his (the negro's) gun, but failed, and as he was not strong enough to cope with the negro he stepped aside. Edwards continued to advance upon Mr. Carter, in spite of the fact that Mr. Carter had his pistol pointed at him, and Messrs. Carter and McCormick began to shoot. Nine shots were fired in all, several of them taking effect. As he fell the negro got his pistol out but was told to drop it or he would be killed, and he dropped the weapon without firing. Five of the nine shots were effective.

Sheriff McNeill went to St. Paul yesterday but found all quiet. Crawford was not seriously hurt and was released this morning upon the payment of a fine of \$10 and costs. Mr. Carter was formerly employed by Messrs. White & Gough of Lumberton and is now in the employ of the McAlister Hdw. Co. at St. Paul.

### Anniversary Meeting at Hopewell Church.

Prof. M. L. Lowrie, of Elrod, who was in town this morning, gives a glowing account of the anniversary meeting of the Lumberton River Mission Conference held at Hopewell Methodist church, near Elrod, Saturday. The conference began about 10 o'clock a.m. and Rev. C. C. Lowrie was elected chairman, Prof. E. Lowrie, secretary. Only three choirs were represented. The opening address was delivered by Prof. J. A. B. Lowrie and this address is spoken of in the highest terms. The balance of the programme was made up of dialogues and speeches by the children. A large crowd was present and the exercises were very much enjoyed.

### A Mild Case of Smallpox in Town—Quarantined this Morning.

A case of smallpox was reported to the town authorities this morning and Dr. John Knox, Jr., town superintendent of health, made an investigation immediately. He found that Della Sikes, a negro woman who lives in one of Mr. Geo. G. French's houses near the Seaboard freight depot, has a mild case and the place was quarantined at once. Every precaution is being taken to prevent the spread of the disease and there is no occasion for alarm.

## AMONG TRANSGRESSORS.

### A Fatal Shooting Scrape Near Rowland on the Fourth.

Within the last few days Sheriff McNeill has been notified of a shooting scrape near Rowland on the Fourth that resulted in the death of a negro boy, but the sheriff's enquiries have elicited no response from the authorities in that section and it is thought that the shooting took place across the line in South Carolina.

According to a statement made Saturday to a Robesonian reporter by Luther McNeill, a brother of the victim of the alleged murder, some colored boys were on their way somewhere to play ball on the morning of the Fourth when, about a mile from Rowland, at Bronson's crossing, Frank McNeill, 14 years old, approached Sandy Hogins, a black negro between 25 and 30 years, and asked for a chew of tobacco. With no more provocation than that, it is alleged that that Sandy said, "G---d---you, I've been saving a chew for you a long time," with which he made a backward step, pulled a pistol from his hip pocket, and shot the boy through the right side. Frank turned away and presently turned back and informed Sandy that he did shoot him. Sandy then remarked that he would get a doctor and left immediately and has been seen since, so far as friends of the murdered boy know, by only three people. The shooting was witnessed by 6 people. Frank was assisted to walk to the home of his father, Adam McNeill, about half a mile from where the shooting occurred, and he died at 5 o'clock the following Friday morning, the 8th inst.

Sandy Hogins and the boy he is alleged to have killed both lived about 2 miles from Rowland. It is singular that no mention has been made of the alleged murder before this. Luther McNeill thinks Hogins is in hiding somewhere near Rowland.

### A Peculiar Situation.

A rather peculiar situation exists at the jail about a negro who insists always upon giving his name in full as Robert Fremont Graham. He has been sub-renting some land near Maxton from a man named Martin and was brought to jail during court two weeks ago under a warrant from Justice G. C. Fisher stating that he was crazy. Under representations to the court that there was no charge against him the negro was released by Judge Allen, but last week he was brought to jail again by Deputy J. A. Kitchin, who made affidavit before Clerk of the Court W. H. Humphrey that Graham was crazy. Mr. Humphrey had Graham examined by Drs. W. A. McPhaul and W. L. Grantham, who say that he is not crazy. The citizens where he has been living say that the negro is crazy and the doctors say that he is not crazy, so it seems that he is being held without any right in law. Graham formerly ran a barber shop in Lumberton and seems well educated. He says he has seen service in the Philippines and elsewhere, and claims to have studied law.

### Sheriff McNeill Finds in South Carolina Man Wanted in Robeson.

Sheriff E. C. McNeill returned Thursday night from Laurens, S. C., with the prisoner he went after—Dan Wallace, colored, wanted on the charge of killing Charlie Watson, colored, at a frolic near Rowland in December, 1907.

A reward of \$100 had been offered for Wallace for some time without success and his capture was the result of a mistake. He was arrested in Roanoke, Va., for Larry Miller, a negro wanted in Laurens county, S. C., for murder, and was taken to Laurens. The sheriff of Laurens county soon discovered that he had the wrong man, but he remembered having seen something about a reward for a negro whose description fitted his prisoner, so he wrote to all the sheriffs of near-by counties with the result

## BETTERMENT WORK.

### An Ice-Cream Social at Saddle Tree School House.

To raise money for the purpose of furnishing the school house of district No. 1, Saddle Tree township, a fair-sized crowd of people gathered at the school house Friday afternoon and spent a few hours in pleasant social intercourse. The affair was under the auspices of the Woman's Betterment Association of that school district. The meeting was called to order at 3 o'clock by Mrs. F. P. Humphrey, president of the association, Mr. W. H. Humphrey, of Lumberton, led in prayer, and at the request of Mrs. Humphrey Mr. Richard Humphrey stated the object of the gathering. Mr. F. J. Thomas, of Lumberton, and Miss Addie Tyner, of Lowe, were expected to make talks on betterment work, but they could not be present, and four Lumberton young ladies made up for the absence of those on the regular programme and gave the audience much pleasure. Misses Annie Ruth Caldwell and Janie Carlyle recited and Misses Sadie and Hazel Carlyle singing a duet. A substantial amount was realized from the sale of ice-cream and cake. Apples and peaches were distributed free. Besides those mentioned, others from Lumberton were Misses Belle Rozier and Ethel Higley, Mr. W. W. Carlyle and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Sharpe.

Within the last two or three years a modern school house has been built at Saddle Tree and the Woman's Betterment Association of that district is making an earnest effort to raise money to add to the equipment of the school, a work that should receive hearty support and encouragement.

### Miss Annie Ruth Caldwell Entertains the X-X Club.

Reported for The Robesonian.

The X-X Club was delightfully entertained at the home of Miss Annie Ruth Caldwell Thursday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock.

The guests, after laughing and talking for some time, were presented with booklets, magazines and scissors, with which each girl was to make the autograph of another. This was enjoyed so much, as it was something new and very interesting. Misses Berta McNeill and Bonnie Barker had to cut for the prize, which was won by Miss Barker, who made the autograph of Miss Janie Carlyle.

Delicious refreshments were served and the guests regretted very much having to leave so soon afterwards, but it was then almost dark.

### Sunday-School Quarterly at Mt. Eliam Fifth Sunday.

The Sunday-school quarterly will be held at Mt. Eliam church on the fifth Sunday in this month. The following subjects will be discussed:

How can we arouse more interest in Sunday-school work—Leake Parker.

What should be the qualifications of a Sunday-school teacher—J. I. Stone, Sr.

For the Com.

### What's the Answer?

Charlotte Chronicle.

Governor Kitchin appointed Judge Pell and he was stood aside. He appointed Judge Ward, who was dropped at the first chance. He appointed Judge Manning, who failed of public endorsement. Is it fatalism, or what?

That Sheriff McNeill found a man who had long been wanted in Robeson, there being no difficulty in identifying the man as the one wanted.

Paul Williams, colored, was arrested here Friday by Deputy Sheriff A. E. Spivey and locked up to await trial on the charge of shooting a colored woman at Parkton some time last March. Deputy Spivey accidentally heard the negro's name called and knowing that a warrant was in the sheriff's office for his arrest he communicated with Sheriff McNeill and was told to make the arrest.

## LOCAL BRIEFS.

—License has been issued for the marriage of Delia Britt and Andrew Britt; Sallie Parnell and Emory C. Kinlaw.

—There will be a regular meeting tomorrow evening of St. Alban's Lodge No. 114, A. F. and A. M. Degree work. A full attendance is desired.

—The Industrial and Commercial Club has just purchased a Church & Co. piano from the Eagle Carpet & Furniture Co. for the club rooms on Elm street.

—Twenty-seven colored applicants stood the examination held Friday by County Superintendent J. R. Pople for public school teachers and eleven Indian applicants stood the examination Saturday.

—Sheriff E. C. McNeill carried to Raleigh Saturday Sid Douglas, colored, who was tried for larceny at the recent term of Robeson Superior Court, was adjudged dangerously insane and was sent to the department for the insane at the State penitentiary.

—The Scottish Chief says that a satisfactory test run of the oil mill, fertilizer factory and gin of the Elba Manufacturing Co. at Maxton was made last Wednesday. Mr. W. O. Bennett, formerly manager of the plant of the Southern Cotton Oil Co. at Wadesboro, will be manager of the plant.

—Mr. Raymond Thompson, formerly with the Jenrette-Singleary Co. and later with Townsend Bros. when the business of the former was purchased by the last-named firm, has resigned his position and after spending the summer with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Thompson, in Back Swamp township, will enter school in the fall.

—Deputy Sheriff T. C. Barnes, who received a bullet wound in his right leg while arresting some negroes at Maxton a few weeks ago, is expected home to-night from Charlotte, where he went about ten days ago for an operation. An operation was performed to remove a clot of blood that had been giving Mr. Barnes trouble, but it was not thought necessary to remove the ball.

—Mr. Tom Tolar lost his fine mare, valued at \$400, at his home near the county home Saturday night. The cause of her death is a mystery. She was apparently sound and well Saturday evening, eating heartily, and Sunday morning Mr. Tolar found her dead in her stall. Her dead body was swollen, but there was no sign that death was accompanied by any struggle. She was the mother of a two-months-old colt.

—Prof. W. T. Jenrette, principal of Baltimore high school, near Fairmont, passed through Lumberton Saturday on his way to the home of his father-in-law, Mr. J. S. Oliver, at Marietta, from Greenville, where he attended a summer school for two months. Mrs. Jenrette, who is assistant teacher at Baltimore, also attended the summer school at Greenville but was called home a few weeks ago on account of sickness in the family of her parents. The Baltimore school will open for the fall term about the first of September.

—It is said that it came to pass when the Robeson county delegation to the recent State convention reached Charlotte a certain Lumberton politician went at once and registered as chairman of the delegation from this county, no meeting for election of chairman having at that time been held. And by and by it came to pass that the delegates held a meeting to organize and elected Col. N. A. McLean chairman, and the man who had nominated and elected himself chairman and in that capacity had gotten badges for the delegates was asked to turn over the aforesaid badges. Selah.

Mr. James A. Johnson, of St. Paul, is among the visitors in town today.

### A Frightful Wreck

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