

CONVENTION DATES.

Populist National Convention, St. Louis, July 22.
 Silver National Convention, St. Louis, July 22.
 Democratic Congressional Convention 6th District—Rockingham, August 12th.
 Democratic Congressional Convention, Eighth District—Raleigh, June 25th, and Wilkesboro, July 29th.

DEMOCRATIC NOMINEES.

For Governor, CYRUS R. WATSON, of Forsyth.
 For Lieutenant Governor, THOMAS W. MASON, of Northampton.
 For Secretary of State, CHARLES M. COOKE, of Franklin.
 For State Treasurer, A. F. AYCOCK, of Wayne.
 For State Auditor, R. M. FURMAN, of Buncombe.
 For Superintendent of Public Instruction, JOHN C. SCARBOROUGH, of Johnston.
 For Attorney General, F. I. OSBORNE, of Mecklenburg.
 For Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, A. C. AVERY, of Burke; and GEORGE H. BROWN, of Beaufort.
 For Judge of the Superior Court of the Fifth District, JAMES S. MANNING, of Durham.
 For Electors at Large—LOCKE CRAIG, of Buncombe, and W. C. DOUGLAS, of Moore.

FOR CONGRESS.

Second District—F. A. WOODARD, of Wilson.
 Fourth District—EDWARD W. POUL, of Johnson.
 Fifth District—W. W. KITCHEN, of Person.
 Sixth District—J. S. LOCKHART, of Anson.
 Ninth District—J. S. ADAMS, of Buncombe.

THURSDAY'S RACES.

Records Very Good—Dictate Wins with Credit—F. W. Barnes Awarded First Prize for Neatest Traveling Turnout—Large Attendance.
 Notwithstanding the rain and heaviness of the track the races were pulled off at the proper time. The Wilson horse enthusiasm predominated, and so an afternoon of pleasure was afforded all lovers of the turf. At two o'clock a large crowd had assembled at the race course. In this crowd was included not only many of the towns public men, but also there were present some of her peerless womanhood. Every one loves good horses and so were unwilling to let such an opportunity pass. The visitors were drawn there not to take part in the carousings, which are usually attendant on such occasions, but rather to see and enjoy the afternoon in a manner becoming ladies and gentlemen. That element of recklessness, for which such events are often condemned, was absent.

FIRST RACE.

Entries—Dictate, owned by A. J. Baker; Tom, owned by F. W. Barnes; Ida K., owned by Mr. Parker; Rivette, owned by Dr. W. H. Whitehead; Bob Steck, owned by John Selby; Nellie, owned by Day and Hodges.

1st Heat—Dictate, Ida K., Bob Steck, Rivette, Tom, Nellie. Time, 2:30.

2nd Heat—Dictate, Tom, Rivette; Ida K., Bob Steck, Nellie. Time, 2:49.

3rd Heat—Dictate, Tom, Nellie, Ida K., Rivette, Bob Steck. Time, 2:48 1/2.

Winners—Dictate, Tom, Ida K., Rivette, Bob Steck, Nellie.

SECOND RACE—2:40 CLASS.

Entries—Bird Eye, owned by Smith & Co., Empire W., owned by Edwards and Bros.; Middletown, owned by Mr. Boswell.

1st Heat—Bird Eye, Empire W., Middletown. Time, 2:43 1/2.

2d Heat—Bird Eye, Empire W., Middletown. Time 2:41.

3d Heat—Empire W., Bird Eye, Middletown. Time 2:41 1/2.

4th Heat—Bird Eye, Empire W., Middletown. Time 2:41.

CITY DRIVING TEAMS.

This was the event of the afternoon. Two prizes, one of \$25 and one of a \$5 buggy whip had been arranged for the best driving teams on the tracks. Messrs. F. W. Barnes,

John Selby, Jas. W. Davis, John Corbett and Jno. Hunter put their teams on exhibition. These gentlemen drove their own horses several times before the judges for inspection. After they had been taken off the track a committee consisting of Messrs. Ed Farmer, J. G. Roney and J. O. Farmer, as judges, gave the following decisions: first prize, F. W. Barnes; second prize, John Selby.

COLT RACE—HALF MILE HEATS.

Entries—Eclipse, owned by J. E. Woodard; Simon owned by John Corbett; Bell, owned by Jas Woodard; Irma, owned by W. W. Simms.
 1st Heat—Eclipse, Simon, Bell, Irma. Time, 1:30.
 2nd Heat—Eclipse, Simon, Bell, Irma. Time, 1:30.
 3rd Heat—Eclipse, Simon, Bell, Irma. Time, 1:30.
 The following are the judges: Isaac Leve, R. G. Briggs and U. H. Cozart.

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People's Party Doings.

The primaries for the purpose of electing delegates to the county convention of the People's party, will be held at two o'clock on August 1st. The county convention which meets in Wilson August 8th, at 11 o'clock, will be of interest to every one of the Populist idea. There will be a public speaking after the convention. Some of Wilson's prominent men will participate.

The regular annual Alliance picnic will be held at Rock Ridge, July 24th. Dr. Cyrus Thompson, the silver-tongued Populist, will delight the audience with an address on the current issues.

Democratic Primaries.

The Democratic Executive Committee has directed the call of a primary election to be held at the voting place in each precinct in Wilson County on Saturday, July 25th, 1896, for the purpose of selecting candidates for Sheriff, Register of Deeds, Treasurer, Surveyor, Coroner, three County Commissioners, a member of the House of Representatives, and to recommend to the Senatorial Convention a candidate for Senator in the 8th Senatorial District. The election in each precinct will be held under the direction of the Executive Committee or such persons as they may appoint.

The voting will be by written or printed ballots. And the polls will be open from 2 until 6 o'clock p. m. All Democrats and those who agree to support the nominees will be entitled to vote in the primary. Each township will elect delegates for the County Convention which is hereby called to meet at the Court House in Wilson, on Wednesday, July 29th, 1896, to declare the result of the primaries.

J. D. BULLOCK,
 Chairman Co. Dem. Ex. Com.
 July 14, 1896.

N. B. The chairman of the precinct committees will meet at some time and place as the County Convention and elect a County Chairman.

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 Chairman of The T. C. Literary Workers of North Carolina, Box 113 Statesville, N. C.

A Communication.

EDITOR OF ADVANCE:
 Will you please do me the kindness to publish the following, and oblige.

Very truly,
 C. M. BERNARD.

My attention has been called by one of my friends to a local in the "The Times", of July the third, headed "Manly", and the reference therein to myself, as an officer. In justice to myself and the friends, who so loyally gave me their support, I cannot let this pass unnoticed.

The young editor of the Times did call my attention to the existence of a "Bucket Shop", in Wilson, but it was at the close of the Court and after the Grand Jury had been discharged. I told him that I was sorry he had not reported it earlier, with the names of reliable witnesses, so I could have sent a bill to the Grand Jury. I also told him that I was willing and anxious to do my duty to the community in this and other matter. I told him that as the Grand Jury had been discharged, I was powerless to act until another Term of Court, but the way was still open to him or all other good citizens to make complaint before some Justice of the Peace and put the party under sufficient bond until next Court; I also told him that the Foreman of the Grand Jury had in formation of the fact of the existence of the Bucket Shop from more than one person, and that it was his aim to have the Grand Jury to present the same, but he afterwards told me he forgot it, which I have no reason or desire to doubt.

Under the circumstances I think the Times, took a flimsy excuse and went far enough out of its way to make an "under the belt" thrust at me. I am sorry it has been done, and I must think there is another motive underlying this matter other than appears on its face.

Very truly,
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July 14th.

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The Sabbath School Convention of the Cape Fear Presbytery met in Calvary Presbyterian Church from July 9th to 11th inclusive. Rev. L. E. Twilley was elected Moderator and S. H. Vick Sec. There were many able and instructive papers read before the Convention. Especially instructive was the paper on the "Four Gospels," by the Rev. Geo T. Dillard, D. D. This convention through the agency of the Sabbath Schools and the S. S. Missionaries is doing a good work among the colored people—in visiting them in the state of civilization and social enjoyment and in teaching them a knowledge of the only true God and of Son Jesus Christ.

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A Candidate.

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A CARD

To the Voters of Wilson County.

I take this means of informing my friends that I will be a candidate for the office of Treasurer of the county of Wilson, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries. I have already filled this office and my past record is my best plea for the request that I again be entrusted with that office.

Respectfully,
 W. T. Farmer.

To the Voters Wilson County.

I take this means of placing myself before you for the office of Register of Wilson County, and would appreciate your support at the coming Democratic primaries.

Respectfully,
 E. F. MCDANIEL.

To the Voters of Wilson County.

Having been repeatedly asked by many friends to allow my name to go before the Convention for the office of Sheriff of Wilson county, and particularly so since Sheriff J. W. Crowell has published his card declining to run for that position, I hereby take this means to announce myself a candidate for the office of Sheriff, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries to be held in Wilson County July 25th 1896.

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