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DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION OF NORTH CAROLINA.

OFFICIAL REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS.

RALEIGH, June 14, '76.

Pursuant to a decree of the State Excontive Committee, the State Convention of the Democratic party convened in Metropolitan Hall at noon to-day.

At the hour of 12, Hon. William R. lox; Chairman of the State Executive ommittee, called the Convention-Democrats, to order, taking occasion to felicitate the asseembly upon the unmistakable indications of success manifested by the great gathering of honest Democrats from all parts of the State.

As tempoary Chairman, Gen. Cox nominated that clever farmer and es. ted. timable gentlemen Cap. John S. Daney of Edge and who was chosen amidst great applause.

Robt. M. Furman of Buncombe and Mr. Stallings of Duplin, at the request of Gen. Cox, escorted Capt. Daney to the chair.

Farmer-like, the tempoary chairman after thanking the Convention for the compliment paid him, said he should make no speech he believed more in work than words.

R. M. Furman, of the Asheville Citizen, and H. A. London, Jr., of Chatham were appointed temporary Secretaries.

On motion of Maj. A. M. Erwin, of McDowell a committee of two from as follows:

1st Dist. D. D. Ferrebee, B. Grimes. Spier Whitaker, F. A. Woodward.

3rd Dist. S. L. Fremont, J. B. Davis. " J. S. Amis, A. M. Noble. 5th "Col. Geo. Williamson, Wal ter W. King.

7th " Chas. Price, A. H. Boyden. field, Iredell. 8th " A. M. Erwin, S. L. Love. On motion of F. H. Busbee, Esq., a committee of two from each Congres-

sional District was appointed on Platform and Resolutions, as follows: 1st Dist. J. E. Moore, H. A. Gil-

2nd, Dist. R. B. Peebles, W. T.

3rd Dist. H. B. Short, J. N. Stallings. 4th " C. M. Busbee, John Man-

ning, Jr. 5th "Gen. J. M. Leach, A. J.

6th " C. Dowd, S. M. Finger. " T. S. Tucker, F. J. McMil-

8th " Gen. T. L. Clingman, J. L. Robinson.

On motion of Mr. Ed. Siles, of Anson, a committee of two from each district was appointed on Credentials Dare, Martin 2.

as follows: 1st Dist. J. E. Whedbee, Jas. Shep-

2nd " J. S. Daney, H. R. Bryan. 3rd "W. C. Troy, T. D. Watson. 4th "B. H. Bunn, W. H. Yarboro. 5th " Daniel Worth, C. Y. Yates. 6th "P. B. Means, C. M. McCau-

7th " P. C. Carlton, J. A. Betting. Person, Vance 51; Reid 51. 8th " R. McBryer, John Reed.

Maj. A. C. Avery, of Burke, moved the appointment of a committee on the Swain, Reid 3. better organization of the party. which matter on motion of Mr. T. B. Venable, of Granville, was referred to the committee on Platform and Resointions.

swer to repeated demands by the Convention, it was ably addressed in short speeches by Hon. W. N. H. Smith, Strange, Hon. Walter L. Steele, Hon. Seaton Gales, Hon. R. K. Speed.

The committee on permanent organization announcing its presence, submitted the following report:

The committee on permanent organizations beg leave to submit the following report, and recommend for the permanent organization of the convention the following persons as officers thereof, to-wit:

President, Hon. F. E. Shober, of a lvertising considered due when pre- Rowan.

Vice-Presidents:

1st District, Dr. D. T. Tayloe, of

2nd District, H. C. Williams, of Rowan 3rd District, J. C. McRae, Cumber-

4th Listnet, J. W. Graham, Orange. Anson, Cox 12.

5th " E. S. Parker, Alamance. 6th . J. T. Legrand, Richmond. 7th " J. S. Henderson, Rowan 8th " J. W. Wilson, Burke. Secretaries; W. L. Saunders, of Buncombe, Cox 15.

New Hanover, principal, and J. A. an immense and enthuiastic body of Suggs, of Pitt, H. E. T. Manning, of Halifax, John Nutt, of Bladen, H. A. London, of Chatham, P. F. Duffy, Carteret, Clark 11. of Guilford, E. R. Liles, of Anson, J. B. Hussey, of Iredell, and R. M. Furman, of Buncombe, assistants.

All of which is respectfully submit- Chowan, Coke 6. Jos. H. WILSON,

Chairman. The report being enthusiastically Columbus, Cox 5; Jarvis 5. adopted, Hon. J. L. Robinson, of Craven, Clark 11. Macon, and Hon. J. W. Graham, of Cumberland, Cox 19. Orange, were appointed to escort the President, Mr. Shober, to the chair, Davie, Jarvis 8. which was done, Mr. Shober accepting the honor and the duties in a short but most able and inspiriting address.

The Vice-Presidents and Secretaries were requested to take their places on the platform.

The committee on credentials Greene, Jarvis 8. through its chairman Hon. H. R. Bryan, reported, that every county in the State is here represented except the Harnett, Cox 8. county of Gaston, which announce ment is received with great applause. each Congressional District on per- Mr. Steele said he was just informed manent organization was appointed that Gaston would be represented during the day.

Nominations were declared to be in Johnston, Cox 15. order, whereupon the following gentlemen were put forward for Governor: Z. B. Vance, of Charlotte; W. R. Cox, of Wake; D. G. Fowle, do; D. S. Reid, Rockingham; J. A. Gilmer, Guilford; C. C. Clark, Craven; W. 6th Dist. J. H. Wilson, L. L. Polk. F. Martin, Pasquotank; R. F. Arm-

Hon. D. G. Fowle appeared, and in a few eloquent remarks desired that his name be withdrawn.

by one vote for every hundred votes.

and one for every fraction over fifty. The vote for Governor stood as folows on first ballot:

Alexander, Armfield 5. Beaufort, Fowle 13. Caswell, Reid 14. Chatham, Reid 14. Craven, Clark 11. Currituck, Martin 8. Forsythe, Reid 10. Granville, Vance 18; Reid 2. Guilford, Gilmer 18. Haywood, Reid 4. Johnson, Vance 14; Reid 1. Lenoir, Vance 7: Reid 3. Nash, Gilmer 13. Orange, Vance 17; Reid 2. Pasquotank, Martin 7. Perquimans, Martin 6. Rockingham, Reid 17. Stokes, Reid 9. Surry, Reid 10.

Wayne, Vance 8; Reid 9.

Yadkin, Reid 8.

All the other counties were unanimous for Vance, and before the an-

The several committees above ap- the delegates changed to Vance until party of North Carolina for Lieuten- and by its disregard of Constitutional would be made from the balcony of pointed retired, and while out, in an- the result stood: Vance 962 Reid 4.

Z. B. Vance was declared to be the nominee of the Democratic party of inated for Secretary of State; Major and wasteful expenditures; by its un- people who wished to hear them. North Carolina for Governor. Im. J. A. Engelhard, of New Hanover, Dr. wise and mischlevous financial policy;

lot for-

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR. The following gentlemen were plac-

ed in nomination: W. R. Cox, of Wake. Seaton Gales, of Wake. R. F. Armfield, of Iredell.

——Speight, of Green. C. C. Clark, of Craven, O. Coke, of Bertie. J. M. Leach, of Davidson. W. F. Martin, of Perquimans. D. Coleman, of Buncombe.

T. J. Jarvis, of Pitt.

The names of Messrs. Speight and Leach were withdrawn. The first ballot stood as follows:

J. H. Merrimon, of Buncombe.

Alamance, Jarvis 11-13; Clark 11 12-Alexander, Armfield 5. Alleghaney, Armfield 3. Ashe, Armfield 8. Beaufort, Jarvis 13. Bertie, Jarvis 9. Bladen, Cox 8; Jarvis 4. Brunswick, Cox 7. Burke Cox 9. Cabarrus, Cox 12. Caldwell, Cox 8. Catawba, Jarvis 13. Chatham, Jarvis 18. Cherokee, Jarvis 5. Clay, Jarvis 3.

Camden, Jarvis 6. Caswell, Cox 91; Jarvis 41. Cleveland, Cox 11. Currituck, Jarvis 8. Davidson, Jarvis 14. Duplin, Cox 18. Dare, Jarvis 2. Edgecombe, Cox 15. Forsythe, Jarvis 10. Franklin, Cox 15. Gates, Coke 8. Granville, Cox 20. Guilford, Cox 18. Graham, (voted with Cherokee.) Halifax, Cox 17. Haywood, Coleman 4. Henderson, Merrimon 5.

Hertford, Jarvis 9. Hyde, Jarvis 8. Iredell, Armfield 17. Jackson, Cox 6. Jones, Jarvis 6-Lenoir, Clark 10. Lincoln, Jarvis 9. Macon, Jarvis 7. Madison, Jarvis 6. Martin, Clark 10. McDowell, Cox 7. Mecklinburg, Cox 25. Mitchell, Cox 2.

Montgomery, Clark 5.

New Hanover, Cox 13.

Pasquotank, Clark 7.

Perquimans, Jarvis 5.

Person, Cox 51. Jarvis 51.

Randolph, Cox 7, Jarvis 7.

Rockingham, Jarvis 17.

Northampton, Cox 71. Jarvis 32.

Moore, Cox 11.

Nash, Cox 13.

Onslow, Cox 9.

Pitt, Jarvis 18.

Pender, Cox 9.

Pamlico, Jarvis 4.

Richmond, Cox 10.

Robeson, Cox 16.

Rowan, Jarvis 17.

Rutherford, Cox 7.

Sampson, Cox 17.

Stanley, Gales 6.

Stokes, Jarvis 9.

Surry, Jarvis 10.

Tyrrell, Jarvis 4.

Union, Cox 10.

Wake, Cox 33.

Warren, Cox 11.

Transvlvania, Cox 4.

Washington, Jarvis 4.

Wayne, Cox 16, Armfield 1.

Watauga, Jarvis 4.

Wilkes, Jarvis 10.

Yadkin, Jarvis 8.

Wilson, Cox 12.

Yancy, Cox 5.

was reached:

Swain, Jarvis 3.

Polk, Cox 2.

Orange, Gales 19.

Before the balloting commenced,

Mr. Cooke, of Franklin, at the urgent request of Gen. Cox, withdrew the name of that gentleman.

It was resolved that the basis for voting should be the democratic vote of each county cast for Judge Merrimon in the election of 1872, indicated

Alamance, Vance, 82; Reid, 44.

Cox received 469, Jarvis 482. nonncement of the vote could be made to be the nominee of the Democratic the Government in all its Departments, regular addresses of the nominees News,

Before the result could be announc-

ed changes began to take place and

continued until the following result

951. Necessary to a choice, 476 .-

Whole vote cast, as announced, was

ant Governor.

Hon. M. Q. Waddell, Hon. R. W. mense and prolonged applause ensued. S. L. Love, of Haywood, N. L. Wil- by its unexampled official corruption The Convention proceeded to bal- liams, of Yadkin, H. T. Jordan, of pervading all branches of its adminis-- Ranken, of Cumberland, J. A. Womack, of Chatham.

Mr. Womack's name was withdrawn at his request.

Maj. Engelhard, receiving a very large majority, was declared the nominee of the party.

was nominated by most enthusiastic tration of the Government, and thus unanimity, and by acclamation. For Treasurer, Dr. J. M. Worth, of

Randolph, was in like manner nominated by acclamation, amidst immense the people, of the amendments to the applause.

For Attorney General, the following gentlemen were named: Thos. Sparrow, B. Fuller, Thos. Keenan, J. I

The names of Messrs. Sparrow, Avery, Gilliam and Leach were withdrawn.

Col. Kenan, who was declared, with the party.

struction the following gentlemen were named:

H. Wiley, C. B. Denson, O. W. Kerr, State works at the earliest practicable W. T. R. Bell, P. M. Wilson, N. B. period. Cobb, and H. McMillan.

These four gentlemen receiving the highest number of votes were Messrs. but changes began in favor of Mr Scarboro, and that gentleman was declared the choice of the Convention.

fort, Hon. D. G. Fowle, of Wake, and highest qualification for office. Hon. J. M. Leach, of Davidson, were declared by acclamation, to be electors for the State at large. The demonstration which followed this seemed almost beyond the control of even the very able and efficient chairman. It

was more than unanimously adopted. After much discussion as to whether the delegates for the State at large should be recommended by a commit- Snow, W. N. H. Smith. tee or balloted for by the Convention.

The Convention, on motion of Hon. J. L. Robinson, of Macon, adjourned until 9 p. m., it then being 7.30 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

The Convention was called to order by the President, Mr. Shober.

The Convention proceeded to ballot for four delegates and four alternates for the State at large.

The following gentlemen were placed in nomination:

T. L. Clingman, Buncombe. Paul Cameron, Orange. H. B. Short, Columbus,

J. L. Brown, Charlotte. W. R. Cox, Wake. W. J. Green, Warren.

Wm. Johnston, Charlotte. J. L. Robinson, Macon,

J. A. Gilmer, Guilford, H. R. Bryan, Craven. The name of Mr. Robinson was

withdrawn at his request, On motion of T. L. Emery, of Halifax the four gentlemen having the highest number of votes should be declared delegates, and the four having the next highest the alternates,

The result of the ballot was declared to be Delegates, T. L. Clingman, W. R. Cox, Paul Cameron, W. J. Green.

Alternates : H. B. Short, J. L. Brown, J. A. Gilmer, H. R. Bryan,

The committee on platform and resolutions through its chairman, Hon. Thomas L. Clingman, submitted the following platform:

THE PARTY PLATFORM.

ADOPTED BY THE DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION.

the United States, for the last sixteen honors &c. Hon. Thos. J. Jarvis was declared years, has had the complete control of The Chairman announced that the

limitations; by its unequal and op-The following gentlemen were nom- pressive taxation; by its extravagant Person, R. K. Speed, of Pasquotank, tration-has brought disgrace upon our Government and unparalleled distress upon our people: Therefore

Resolved, 1. That in this Centennial year of our existence, we invite all patriots to ignore all dead issues, to disregard the prejudices engendered by past events, and to unite with us in the effort to restore a constitutional, For State Auditor, Dr. S. L. Love honest, economical and pure adminispromote the general welfare and hap

piness of the country. Resolved, 2. That we earnestly and cordially recommend the adoption, by Constitution proposed by the Conven tion of 1875, and thus largely reduce the expenditures of our State and county governments and simplify their administration, so that we may be enabl-Scales, A. J. Dargan, A. C. Avery, H. ed to establish a thorough and enlarged A. Gillam, P. D. Walker, J. M. Leach. system of public schools for the benefit of all the citizens of the State.

Resolved 3. That notwithstanding our repeated disappointments and impoverished condition, we still cherish The vote was, after many changes, the North Carolina project so long lato Kenan, Walker, Fuller and Scales, bored for by Morehead, Saunders, Fishannounced to be largely in favor of er, Wm. Thomas, and others, of uniting the harbors of Beaufort and Wilmington with the great west, and for the great applause, to be the nominee of completion of the Western North Carolina Railroad to Paint Rock and Duck For Superintendent of Public In- town and of our other unfinished rail roads. We pledge the continued use of the convict labor of the State, and of such other judicial legislative aid as will T. B. Kingsbury, J. C. Scarboro, C. secure the completion of these great

Resolved 4. That the people of North Carolina now have it in their power by an earnest, determinate and united effort, to relieve our people from Scarboro, Denson, Kerr, and Wilson, the evils of Republican misrule, extravagance and corruption, and restore the prosperity of our State.

Resolved 5. That we denounce official corruption wherever found, and On motion of Mr. Brown, of Beau- we hold honesty to be the first and

The report was adopted amidst tremendous and continuous applause.

The same committee reported the STATE EXECUTIVE CENTRAL COM-

MITTEE: Gen. W. R. Cox, of Wake, Chairman. R. H. Battle, Jr., C. M. Busbee, Seaton Gales, S. A. Ashe, George H.

Ratified enthusiastically.

It was also directed that each Congressional District recommend four gentlemen to constitute a Congressional District Executive Committee, and the committees thus appointed by the districts, in connection with the Central committee, to constitute the State Executive Committee.

(The District committees will please be forwarded at once to the Central committee.)

A committee of one from each Congressional District, Hon. Robert W. richly merits the high honor bestowed Strange, as Chairman, was appointed to notify the candidates selected of their nominations, and to ask their

acceptance of the same. In due course of time the committee reported they had performed the duty assigned them; and that all of the gentlemen would accept the respective time renown and influence and usefulnominations and would soon appear ness, and to place it upon a foundation. before the Convention and signify such acceptance in person.

motion of Mr. Manning of Chatham, the thanks of the Convention were heartily tendered the President of the Convention and other officers for the able and efficient manner in which they had performed their duty; also said: to the citizens of Raleigh for their kindness. Unanimously adopted,-The thanks of the Convention were also tendered the several railroads for

Vance in the rear of the President provoked the most unbounded applanse the back room of a sutler's store. and enthusiasm. The candidates then came forward and in a very few words now go home and see your friends. tions which had been tendered them, WHEREAS, The Republican party of and thanked the Convention for the

the National Hotel, for the convenince and comfort of the immense throng of

After the acknowledgements of nominees, the largest, most harmonious, most enthusiastic, if not ablest convention ever assembled in North Carolina, adjourned sine die.

F. E. SHOBER, Chairman. W. L. SAUNDERS, Secretary.

VANCE AND VICTORY!

The late Convention was, as nearly as possible, the exponent of the real feelings and desires in a political sense of a majority of North Carolinians .-It met to devise some sure means of rescuing from the Radical party the Executive part of the State Government, of retaining control of the Legislative department, and of placing the Old North State in the Democratic column in the Presidential election. As for as we can judge from the acceptability of the ticket it nominated and the enthusiasm it engenerded, it may be said that the Convention was eminently successful. The standard bearers have firm, steady hands and eyes that inspire courage by the light of determination that shines from them. It is safe to say that no convention of the Conservative party could probably have made fitter selections, or made them in a manner better calculated to give eclat to the occasion. There are several gentleman on the ticket who not only lend dignity to it, but are of real strength, either in sections or over the whole State .-Vance, its head, is a tower of strength, and will make such a canvass as has never been known in North Carolina He has never had as good an opportunity as this for displaying his peculiar powers on the stump. Before the war is canvasses were confined to his district. During the war the flower of the voters were in the field, and since the war he has made no thorough canvasa of the whole State. Vance is the ablest general canvasser we have. His exhaustless stock of wit and shrewdness, his fertility of resources, have never been surpassed by any North Carolina speaker. His manner as a stump speaker is inimitable. There is an indefinable spell that he puts upon an au! dience which carries it inevitably by storm. No man can more harmoniously blend the humorous and the pathetic, the droll and the serious, the argumentative and the appeal ad hominem .--Vance is the Odd Trump in any fight. This summer and fall mountain, hill and dune will ring with his electric calls and the answering shouts of the people. He will probably make speeches in every county, Thousands will hear him who would not go out to hear another. Vance and Victory! Let this be the cry, and let us hold up his hands all

HON. KEMP P. BATTLE.

tain is worthy of a grand support.

through the great battle. A great chief-

The elevation of this distinguished gentleman to the Presidency of the State University will give general satisfaction. He has gained a reputation second to no one for zeal in behalf of the venerable institution over which he has been called to preside. He has spent liberally his time and means in the work of resuscitating it, and has equalled, if not surpassed all others in his devotion to the good cause. He

In the prime of life, full of energy, of unblemished integrity, of high men' tal qualities and capacity, he is eminently fitted for the duties which he will be called upon to discharge. The great work lying before him is to arouse a more enthusiastic interest in the work of restoring the University to its old-This can be done, and Mr. Battle, seconeded by the efforts of the trustees, the professors and the friends of educa-Before the candidates appeared, on tion throughout the State, is the man to do it .- Netre.

> GENERAL SHERMAN delivered an address at West Point a few days ago, He concluded with a few words to cadets as to their conduct as officers, and

"I give you a hearty welcome to the army. Don't be afraid. You are all, every one of you, as good as Grant was when he stood here a few years ago. You all have it in your power to the courtesy they had extended the follow in his footsteps, and perhaps earn the high distinction he has won, The appearance of Hon. Zebulon B. This is not to be done, however, by gambling and drinking or sleeping in When you fight well, win and forget your fight as much as you can. And each accepted the respective nomina- Mingle with the ladies; they are more attractive than the bar rooms and bil

This is a heavy, back-handed lick at his old enemy, Ulysses S. Grant-a covert but terrible attack.-Raleigh