

DEMOCRATIC PARTY ORGANIZATION PLAN

State Executive Committee Give New Plans of Organization to Supersede Those Existing, With Set of Rules Held to Be of Party Benefit.

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Dear Sir—I respectfully request that you publish the enclosed plan of organization of the Democratic party of this State. As the old plan has been changed in many places, I make this request for the benefit of the Democratic voters at large.

Respectfully, NORWOOD L. SIMMONS.

Plan of organization of the Democratic party of North Carolina, adopted at a meeting of the State Democratic Executive Committee in Raleigh, March 10, 1910, and repealing the existing plan of this date.

State and District Committees.

Section 1. The State Democratic Executive Committee shall consist of six members from each Congressional district of the State, who shall be elected at the State Convention by the delegates from the several Congressional districts.

Section 2. That as early as practicable after each State convention the chairman shall call the State Democratic Executive Committee to meet for the purpose of electing a chairman and a secretary of said committee for the term of two years, and until their successors shall be elected.

Section 3. That the chairman of the State Democratic Executive Committee shall, as early as practicable after his election, appoint his advisory or campaign committee, consisting of not less than five nor more than ten.

Section 4. The Congressional District Executive Committee for each district in the State shall consist of one member from each county in said district, who shall be elected at the Congressional Convention by the delegates from the several counties.

Section 5. The State Senatorial Executive Committee for each district in the State shall consist of one or more members, at the discretion of the Convention, from each county in said district, who shall be elected at the Senatorial Convention by the delegates from the several counties.

Section 6. The State Executive Committees of the Senatorial, Congressional, and Judicial districts, respectively, shall, at the call of their respective chairmen, meet at some time and place in their respective districts, and select a time and place for holding the District Convention, and the chairmen of said respective committees shall immediately notify the chairmen of the different county executive committees of the said appointment, and issue a call for said convention.

Section 7. All Democratic Executive Committees shall meet at such times and places as the chairmen of the respective committees may appoint and designate in his call. If for any reason there should occur a vacancy in the chairmanship of any Executive Committee by death, resignation, or removal, or if such chairman should be incapacitated, or should fail or refuse to act, the secretary of any such committee shall be vested with the power of vice-chairman for the purpose of calling meetings of such committee.

Section 8. All Executive Committees shall have the power to appoint sub-committees or special committees for such purposes and with such powers, in their respective jurisdictions as may be deemed necessary or desirable.

Section 9. In each election year the chairman of the State Democratic Executive Committee shall convene said committee in the City of Raleigh during the month of March, and at said meeting the following business shall be transacted:

(a) The time and place of holding the State Convention shall be determined and duly published.

(b) A common day shall be fixed on which all precinct meetings or primary elections shall be held for the purpose of ascertaining the choice of the Democratic electors for the several candidates for State, Congressional, Judicial and State Senatorial offices, and for the election of delegates to the County Conventions.

(c) A common day shall be fixed for the holding of a County Convention in each county in the State for the purpose of declaring the result of the precinct meetings, or primary elections, or for ascertaining the choice of all electors in mass convention, and for appointing delegates to the State, Congressional, Judicial and State Senatorial Conventions.

Section 11. Immediately upon the adjournment of the said State Democratic Executive Committee it shall be the duty of the chairman of said committee to publish the same and of the secretary thereof to notify in writing the several chairmen of the County Democratic Executive Committees in the State of the respective dates so fixed for the holding of precinct meetings or primary elections and county conventions.

Section 12. Upon the receipt of such notice it shall be the duty of the chairmen of the County Democratic Executive Committees on a day to be named by him, not exceeding fifteen days after the receipt of said notice, for the purpose of determining the manner of ascertaining the choice of the Democratic electors in his county for all candidates for State, Congressional, Judicial and State Senatorial offices in conformity with the action of the State Executive Committee. The manner of ascertaining the choice of the Democratic electors for such candidates shall be one of the three methods as follows:

1. By Precinct Meetings;

2. By Primary Election;

3. By County Convention (in mass).

Provided, that unless the Executive Committee shall adopt the second or third plan the first or precinct meeting plan shall be adopted.

Section 13. That at said meeting the County Executive Committee may, in its discretion, also determine the time and manner of nominating the candidates for legislative, county, and township offices—appointing the same day and method as determined for the selection of State and district candidates; or it may appoint a different day and method for legislative county, and township candidates.

Section 14. In such counties as it may be determined to hold a Primary election it shall be the duty of the county chairman to immediately notify the State, Congressional and Judicial chairmen of such decision; whereupon the respective chairmen of such committees shall furnish tickets to said county chairmen for all candidates to be voted for in said primary election for the respective offices, and no additional tax or fee shall be charged against such candidates by the county committees.

Section 15. That any person who wishes to become a candidate for any State, Congressional, or Judicial office, to be voted for in the county or counties where said primary election shall be held, shall at least twenty days (or in case of county or legislative office five days) before such primary election notify, in writing, the chairman of the proper committee of the office for which he has become a candidate, and at the same time deposit with him such fee, charge or pro rata expense as may be determined by said chairman to be necessary for printing and distributing tickets for such office. Provided, that after paying such expense the residue shall be refunded by such chairman to the respective candidates paying the same.

Section 16. The unit of county organization shall be the voting precinct. In each precinct there shall be an Executive Committee, to consist of five active Democrats, who shall be elected by the Democratic voters at the several precinct meetings or primary elections or county conventions in mass, first called by the County Executive Committee. And said committee so elected shall elect one of its members as chairman, who shall preside at all committee meetings.

Section 17. The chairman of the several precinct committees shall compose the County Executive Committee, which shall meet at the same time and place as the County Convention first held in each election year, and elect a chairman of said county committee.

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NEW PRESIDENT

Major Wiley C. Rodman, of This City, Elected President of the North Carolina Guard Association.

At the meeting of the North Carolina Guard Association held recently in Raleigh, Major Wiley C. Rodman, of this city, was unanimously selected as president to succeed General Francis A. Macon, of Henderson, N. C. Major Rodman in his remarks accepting the honor and that he would do all within his power to advance the interests of the association and the National Guard, in which he had always taken a deep interest. Major Rodman commands a battalion of the Second N. C. Infantry, consisting of companies from Clinton, Fayetteville, Lumber Bridge and Wadesboro.

The next meeting of the association goes to Durham.

The selection of Major Rodman is a most happy one and no doubt the Guard will advance under his wise and judicious leadership. He has done much toward bringing the National Guard in North Carolina into its present position in national prominence.

MEETING

The County Democratic Executive Committee Met Here Today at Noon.

There was a meeting of the County Executive Committee at the Court House this morning. The purpose of the meeting was to adopt the plan of organization as amended by the State Executive Committee.

Plan No. 1 was adopted for the nomination of all officers, which provides that they shall be nominated by precinct meetings.

A motion was adopted providing that two primaries shall be held, as heretofore, all county officers to be nominated at the last primary.

The chairman was instructed to correspond with the State chairman and ascertain if the primaries can be held in the county as heretofore, to wit, in the City of Washington and Belhaven on Friday night, and at other precincts on Saturday morning and afternoon.

HANDSOME WINDOW CARD.

Attention is called to the handsome window card that is being distributed calling attention to Baracantha services to be held next Tuesday, April 12, at the Methodist church. This card is the product of the News Job office, and is one of the handsomest pieces of printing ever produced in this city. The News is amply able to handle anything from a newspaper to a visiting card, and its mechanical force is thoroughly competent. Mr. W. C. Marsh, of Roanoke, Va., an experienced job printer, has lately accepted a position with the News and has charge of its job department. We invite all who need printing to call and examine our samples, or if you have not time to call phone us and we will send a man to you. Neatness, accuracy and dispatch is our motto, and our prices are as low as is consistent with good work.

RED MEN ATTENTION.

Members of Tau Tribe will meet at their wigwam Sunday evening at 7:00 o'clock to attend services at the Christian Church in a body. Entire tribe requested to be present.

THE GAIETY TONIGHT.

The Gaiety tonight has some fine pictures to offer its patrons, and all who do not attend will certainly miss a treat. Mr. Whitten has just received another lot of new songs and slides and from now on will have something new to offer every night. Mr. Whitten's singing has made a delicate hit with the people of the city and has done much to make the Gaiety the attractive place it is for an evening of pastime and enjoyment.

Master Marjan Harrel held the winning coupon at the Gaiety last night. The prize was a beautiful hand-painted berry set.

Tonight closes the week of vaudeville, and the Stallings Trio promise something good for a finale. Remember the Gaiety has its electric fans going now and it is cool and comfortable. Good music and fine pictures this evening. Come out and enjoy yourself.

AT CROOKWINTY.

Rev. J. A. Sullivan will preach at Crookwinty Sunday afternoon and night.

OUT AGAIN.

The many friends of Mr. Jonathan Havens will be pleased to know that he has sufficiently recovered from his recent illness so as to resume his business duties.

ANOTHER WRECK

Takes Place on the New York Central.

ONE MAN WAS KILLED

The Switch Engine and Two Big Freight and Passenger Trains in Smashup—Twenty-five Persons Injured—Wreck Occurred Shortly Before Daybreak.

Rome, N. Y., April 8.—One man was killed, one mortally injured and twenty-five persons more or less seriously hurt in a triple wreck of two freight trains and the fast western express of the New York Central at the water tank just outside of this city today.

The dead man was fireman of a switch engine that was ground into scrap iron between the engine of a fast freight and the rear end of a local. The man fatally hurt was an employe of the railroad riding in the caboose of the local freight.

A few moments after the smashup of the two freight trains, the western express, one of the crack passenger trains of the New York Central, dashed through Rome at full speed, and crashed into the mass of wreckage.

The carelessness of the crew of the switch engine in running without rear lights is said to be responsible for the wreck which tied up all four tracks of the New York Central for hours.

The wreck occurred shortly before daybreak. A westbound local freight pulled up at the water tank outside of Rome for water. Shortly after it had left the switch engine pulled out behind it to run into the yards here. The switch engine came to a stop a few yards from the rear light of the caboose and waited for the train to pull out.

A fast freight coming through Utica followed the local on the siding at Rome, drove down toward the water tank at full speed and was within a few yards of the switch engine before it loomed up in the glare of headlights. The engineer threw on the airbrakes but a bad collision was inevitable and he and his fireman jumped. They were thrown clear of the wreckage but slightly injured. The big freight mogul with the heavy train behind it crashed into the light switch engine before the crew of the latter had time to realize their danger. It was swept along like a feather into the caboose of the first freight train and crushed into fragments.

When the big engine finally came to a stop in the heart of the wreck the debris was piled twenty feet across the four tracks.

Michael C. Bassett, of Utica, fireman, was killed, crushed in the debris. Fred H. Wild, of Albany, the freight conductor, was fatally hurt.

The wreckage caught fire immediately after the crash and was rapidly burning up when the wrecking crew arrived.

PRESIDENT.

Mr. W. Scott Frizzle, of this city, was elected president at the District meeting of the I. O. O. F. at Greenville this week. The selection of our townsman was a most happy one and the order will advance under his administration.

BUILDING CHURCH.

Elder A. C. Austin, of South Creek, was in the city this morning from Belhaven. He states that his denomination is now engaged in erecting the largest church in Belhaven. When completed it will be quite an ornament to that bustling town. Elder Austin will preach at Union Chapel, Chocowinity, Sunday morning and night.

TO RED MEN.

The order of Red Men will attend the Christian Church Sunday evening, at which time the pastor, Rev. Robert Hope, will deliver a special sermon on "Redmanship." A full attendance of the order is requested. At the morning hour Mr. Hope will deliver a sermon on "Education and Its Value." The general public cordially invited. Sunday school meets at 3 o'clock.

RETURNED HOME.

Mr. and Mrs. William Ellison returned home last evening via the Atlantic Coast Line train from their bridal tour. They are stopping at the residence of Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Blount on West Second street.

BELL REPAIRED.

The bell at the Episcopal Church which slipped from the frame last Sunday afternoon while being rung for Sunday school, was repaired and put in first-class shape this morning by Mr. C. M. Clapp. The work has been highly complimented. Mr. Clapp is a workman of skill.

EDUCATION

An Important Educational Meeting to be Held here April 20—Prominent Speakers Will Attend.

Preparations are being made for an important educational meeting in Washington on April 20. Professor E. C. Brooks, of Trinity College, and other speakers will be here. Reports from the presidents of Trinity, Louisville, Littleton and Greensboro Female College will be read, and all former students of these colleges in Beaufort county are expected to be present and enjoy the day. This is to be a county affair looking to stimulating interest in education generally and to discussing what the Methodist colleges of the State are doing, so a most cordial invitation is given all Methodists of the county to be present. The meetings will be held in the Methodist Church, morning, afternoon and night. The program will be given to the public later. A large attendance is expected from different parts of the county. This is one of a series of meetings to be held in various parts of the State. On the same day like meetings will be in session at Charlotte.

ZION PICNIC

A Large Number of People Attend Educational Rally at Zion School House Yesterday.

On yesterday at Zion schoolhouse a large number gathered from the three school districts to hear the question of having a special school tax district and in addition providing a high school in that locality. The good women of the community had provided a most sumptuous repast for the guests. A party present stated it was a dinner everyone will not soon forget. After dinner had been served Mr. R. J. Peele, superintendent of schools for Martin county, made a most admirable address, his principal theme being local taxation and the value of education to a community. After Mr. Peele had finished Mr. W. L. Vaughan, superintendent of schools for this county, spoke, explaining to the people the object of such a measure to the citizenship. Hon. H. S. Ward followed Mr. Vaughn, speaking on education. Mr. N. C. Newbold was called on and made a talk principally on community self-help and the value of local tax to a community. Messrs. Norwood L. Simmons and W. K. Jacobson also made short talks.

It is the intention of the citizens in this community to increase their school term, and to establish a high school in the center of the proposed district. Quite a number from the city were present and all speak in the highest terms of the hospitality extended. A new educational era is not far off for Long Acre township.

VARIETY STORE.

The Washington Variety Store Opened This Morning and Has Been Rushed With Patrons All Day.

The Washington Variety Store, W. A. Berry, manager, of Pittsburgh, Pa., opened this morning for the first time at 9 o'clock, in the store building formerly occupied by H. G. Sparrow. The store will make a specialty of 5, 10 and 25 cent goods and the bargains they are displaying in this line are well worth the careful inspection of the Daily News readers. The store is well filled with attractive novelties. Ever since the opening this morning there has been a steady stream of visitors. The Washington Variety Store begins business in Washington under the most auspicious circumstances.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

There will be regular services in the First Presbyterian Church Sunday morning and evening. Preaching by the pastor. All cordially invited. On Tuesday evening, April 12, Albemarle Presbytery will meet with this church and will continue for three days. Rev. Dr. Mc G. White, of Raleigh, will preach the opening sermon that evening. The entire city is looking forward to the coming of this strong religious body with pleasure.

THE COMET.

The question of the hour now in Washington is who has seen the comet and who has not. One fellow states he has and the other fellow disputes the assertion and says this comet business is all a fake, for he has gotten up several morales, but no comet has met his vision yet.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH.

Morning and evening prayer at the usual hours Sunday morning and evening. The pastor, Rev. Nathaniel Harding, will preach. Sunday school meets at 9 o'clock. All cordially invited. Seats free.

SPELLING BEE A CROWNING SUCCESS

Solicitor H. S. Ward Teacher and Mrs. N. S. Fulford and Mr. J. D. Grimes Leaders—Was a Very Enjoyable Occasion.

Solicitor Hallett S. Ward in a lawyerly; that is, in a lawyerly way, he was an orator he occupies a niche in popular approval all alone. Last night he added additional encomiums to his already well sustained reputation. Not only does he handle the breakers of the law without fear or favor, but as a schoolmaster he is par excellence. Some are intimating today that Mr. Ward had missed his calling, he should have followed teaching for a livelihood instead of being an apostle of Blackstone; be this as it may, he seems to be at home in any role in which he is placed. With the Blue Back in his hand he had no trouble in stumping the boys and girls last night at the public school auditorium in the Spelling Bee contest. Some of Washington's best spellers bowed to the superior knowledge of the Blue Back and took their seats amid laughter and applause from those present. In the first contest several weeks ago several of the spellers seemed to be disgruntled, but last night these same fellows, although more confident, went down in defeat—but remind you, not until they had argued the question both pro and con to the amusement and delight of the audience.

Ever since the second spelling match was announced interest has been high and everyone was eager for the fray. Well, they were there in all their glory, good spellers, bad spellers, those who thought they could spell but missed it, and those who had fears of their ability but succeeded fairly well.

Teacher Ward seemed to have good control of his class for when some of the girls would casually let fly a bean at the teacher's head, he would only let his left eye project over his book and exclaim "No projecting with the teacher in school."

There were two spelling matches last night. The primary department was presided over by Master Russell Cox as teacher and Margaret Cordon and Benjamin Morgan as leaders. They had a large class of the children, and for quite a little while words from old Webster were spelled with a will. Soon it was discovered that the boys were due to receive the tin cup. It is not often that boys in this day and time outgeneral the girls but in this instance the exception must be noted.

After the juvenile class had retired Solicitor H. S. Ward, the teacher selected for the grown-ups, ascended the platform and without any preliminary remarks thundered: "Junius and Maud, come up and assume your duties." In response to this request Mrs. N. S. Fulford and Mr. Junius Grimes went on the platform as leaders of their respective sides. At once the leaders began to call for volunteers to assist in the match. The class was composed of the following: India and Kentleming, Janie Myers, Mrs. Lawson, Katie Bonner, Miss Morrison, Ed. Grimes, Lillian Campbell, Mrs. Newbold, Mary Wright, Agate Cox, Adeline Mayo and Jennie Cox; Henry Searight, John Bragaw, Clay Carter, Collin Harding, Willie Harding, Nathan Newbold, Sam Cary, George Phillips, Frank Cox, Lyndon Shaw, Cal Jordan and Tom Blood.

When the class was arranged and told of their duties, etc., the fun began and the first word given was "repair." During the excitement of the moment for the class had just gotten down to business. Adeline Mayo, with smiles and confidence, replied, "space." Of course she was told to take her seat. This being first blood for the boys they seemed to take life at once, but it was short life, for Tom Blood went to his seat for actually trying to spell "roomer" instead of "room" as the Blue Back has it. Tom has not seen the joke yet. The next word given caught Mr. Frank Cox right between his "peepers" and with solemnity written on his countenance, he requested: "Teacher, let me have that word again." "Spell brovier," Frank commenced to cast eyes heavenward, floorward, to the right, to the left, and then he took courage and thundered "brovere." "Wrong," said the teacher. To the lot of Earliest H. C. Carter, who looks after the city's affairs from a legal standpoint, he was asked to endeavor to inform the class how to spell "zeomany," but like so many, he attempted to place the cart before the horse, so he went like the rest—to his seat. One of the most confident men in the class was one Johnnie Bragaw; he was so confident that when "mortise" was given him to spell he rattled it off at a rapid gait, and what was his surprise when he was told by his teacher he had left out the "e." When the word "manasin" was read out it seemed to stump the entire aggregation of spellers. Such spellers as Collin H. Harding, attorney-at-law, Mrs. Newbold, Mrs. Lillian Campbell,

fell, but remember, and we desire to emphasize the word, Henry Searight got it, and he is not through smiling yet. "Vicinage" was another stumper. Junius Grimes the leader of the men side, went down in defeat here, but he was not alone, for Nathan Newbold had the pleasure of escorting him to his seat. They both took consolation in ruffling for cream. Janie Myers had been doing pretty well until "malfeasance" was requested of her to spell. Now she is a good speller and held her own pretty well but this legal phrase was too much. If the readers of the Daily News will remember at the first contest the editor and reporter both retired from the arena after the first round, the editor on "dorsal" and the reporter on "infralment," last night another representative of the News, Cal Jordan, seemed to be there with the boys, but like everything in this world every beginning has an ending, and it proved so in Cal's case when the word "facetious" was handed him. He spelled the word, or something similar to it, but, alas, it was not right. It was with difficulty Cal was secured for the class, as repeated calls were made for him, but each time he was busy eating cream.

At last poor Henry Searight went to the wall on the word "Seignior." The foreign words he did not think the Blue Back knew anything about and neither did he in this instance, so he had to retire. In a little while Mrs. Lawson and Mrs. Katie Bonner were on the stage alone. The teacher congratulated them and then adjourned school. A nice sum was realized for the Woman's Betterment Association.

THE GEM

One of the best programs of the entire week will be presented at the Gem tonight. Comrades Under Grant is a war drama of great interest, the most thrilling portion of which is the wild ride of the cavalry as their horses plunge into the water and ford a deep stream. The picture is full of action and represents scenes that actually occurred.

Her Lover's Honor is another strong drama, beautifully done in the rich brown sepia tones which lend a restfulness to the eye. Costuming and staging of this production are in keeping with ancient times, when ad materiality to the beauty of the picture.

For a magic hand-colored picture, Indian Phantasy has no equal. The color effect is fine and the magic work far above the average work of this class of pictures. Visit the Gem tonight.

METHODIST CHURCH.

Regular services at the Methodist Church Sunday morning and evening at the usual hours. The pastor, Rev. M. T. Plyler, at 11 a. m., will preach on the subject "The Secret of Greatness." At night the eighth sermon of the series on the "Great Sinners of the Bible" will be delivered, the subject being "A High-Born Sinner." Sunday school meets at 4 o'clock, to which everyone is cordially invited. Special nurse at all services.

FIRST STRAWBERRY.

The first strawberry of the season was presented to the editor of the Daily News last night. It was grown on the farm of Mr. Arthur Williams.

WASHINGTON VS. GREENVILLE.

The Washington High School baseball team left this morning by the Norfolk and Southern for Greenville, where they will play the High School team of that city.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

Sunday school meets at 9:45 p. m. The morning sermon will be from the topic, "The Candor of Matthew." At night Rev. E. Hoffman will fill the pulpit. The officers and teachers of the Sunday school will meet immediately after the evening sermon. There will be no prayermeeting service Wednesday night on account of Ex-Governor Glenn speaking at the First Presbyterian Church. Sunday school teachers meet Friday night at 7:45 o'clock.

- ◆ NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.
- ◆ J. K. Hoyt—Shoes.
- ◆ Wright's Tailoring Parlors.
- ◆ Southern Furniture Co.—Sewing Machines.
- ◆ Gem Theater.
- ◆ Quilty Theater.
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