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DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION HELD LAST SATURDAY

A large crowd of people assembled in Asheboro last Saturday for the Democratic mass meeting and convention which was held in the court house. The band from Thomasville was present and made excellent music. The court house was beautifully decorated with red, white and blue. Dr. E. L. Moffitt presided over the meeting. Prof. D. M. Weatherly of Randleman was asked to make some remarks to the audience while waiting for the arrival of the speaker. He spoke of the service that the teachers were rendering and urged that the people co-operate with the teachers in making this a better country in which to live.

Hon. W. C. Hammer introduced the speaker, and said that he came from a line of ministers, his father being a Methodist minister and his grand father a Methodist Bishop.

In opening the address, Hon. E. D. Smith, of the United States Senate said that notably he missed being a preacher by one and that he could prove this by the audience. He said that he was one of five children, that his two brothers were ministers, and that his two sisters married ministers and consequently he missed the ministry by one.

Senator Smith paid a most glowing tribute to the people of the south and especially to the men who wore the gray. He then came on down to the men of the present war and said that they had done their part bravely in fighting the Hun. In reviewing the history of the country for the past fifty years, Mr. Smith said that this country had been engaged in pursuits of peace and that we were unprepared for war and that we were wholly without fire fighting apparatus, but that we had millions of men who were able to put the fire out.

Contrasting the days following the Civil war with the days of the present, he said that in the days of the war of the Sixties our people passed through Gethsemane, that we were looked upon as poverty stricken and pointed to as being rebels. Today we are living in an age of prosperity. Senator Smith said that this country had made more progress during the seven years of Democratic rule than it had during the entire forty years of Republican administration. He said that during the fifty years of Republican administration the farmers had to borrow money to put in their crops and pay it off when the crop was raised, and at that, they had trouble in getting the money and now it is no trouble to get money and the people don't need it to buy fertilizer and to farm in advance. Cotton is higher than it has ever been. Wheat is higher and labor is higher but there is plenty of money to meet the demands of the people.

Mr. Smith said that all the people were faring alike, that the farmer who had been the hardest laborer for the least money was living easier than any other class of men and that instead of a few men becoming millionaires that all of the people had money with which to pay their debts. He dwelt extensively upon the new banking and currency law and said that during the Republican rule that there was an average of sixteen bank failures annually.

In 1914 there were eight failures, in 1915 five, in 1916 three, in 1917 one, and in 1918 none, and he further said that the one hundred billion dollars which was of the people's money which was in the banks of the country had not sustained a single loss.

Before closing Senator Smith paid splendid tribute to North Carolina's two senators and said that on no occasion had they failed to do their state's greatest service. He had been intimately associated with Senator Overman and said there was not a finer, better man in the Senate than North Carolina's junior Senator.

Senator Smith made a splendid impression on the people of Randolph county. He is an easy fluent speaker and shows that he has been rendering his state splendid service. South Carolina may truly be proud of her most worthy Senator.

Johnson and Wood Presidential Candidates, in State-Wide Primary.

While the notice of Mr. Johnson's candidacy was not received in Raleigh until Monday, it bore the postmark of April 24, the day the time limit for filing expired. Consequently his name was formally placed on the list and he and Leonard Wood will fight for the 24 delegates to the Republican National convention in the state-wide primary June 5th. The entry of Mr. Johnson closed the entries for the 1920 primary in North Carolina.

With the filing of the nomination by A. E. Holton, of Winston-Salem, candidate for United States Senator, every national and state office has been spoken for by some member of the party, a circumstance that has never happened before in the history of the primary. The fees will aggregate more than four thousand dollars.

MARRIED

Mr. W. C. Martin, of Rocky Mount and Miss Alma Bean, of Seagrave, were married last Saturday afternoon at the Methodist Protestant parsonage by Rev. L. W. Garinger.

Mrs. Martin is a sister of Mrs. Gurney Brown of this place. They will make their home at Rocky Mount.

NEWS FROM TRINITY

Mr. Lowe, who used to live here, died in High Point and was brought here for burial.

Mrs. Edith Alford, of Greensboro, with her daughter, Mrs. Herbert Balance, spent the day in town Wednesday. They came in their car.

Mrs. Weeks is getting ready for her annual fitting to Edgecombe and other Eastern counties.

Dr. Stanton was in town on professional business last week.

Good many of us can't afford Irish potatoes at five dollars per bushel.

The Old Singing School was played at the school building last week.

The proceeds will go for the new church.

The cemetery here needs cleaning off very badly. Miss Josephine Mendenhall will attend to the matter. Miss Mendenhall has looked after the cemetery for a long time and any one wanting work done place the business with her and she will see that it is attended to. Many over the country appreciate her kindness in this matter.

Mrs. Hannah White went to High Point one day last week.

We have not yet learned whether the new church will be of wood, brick, or stone.

Can't get much sugar here now. Only one store keeping it we learn.

Very few have done any gardening at all. It has rained too much.

No fertilizer to be found in town. Don't know what we will do unless more comes in.

"Eddie Sledge" Post American

Legion in Stanley County

The American Legion has organized in Stanley County under the name of the "Eddie Sledge Post". Eddie Sledge was the son of Mrs. Martha Sledge, who resided in Asheboro until about four years ago when her daughter moved to Baden. Mr. Sledge is recorded as the first Randolph man to answer the call in France. News of his death did not reach Asheboro however until a few days after Mr. J. M. King was notified of the death of his son.

WESTERN RANDOLPH NEWS

Mrs. Gaither Reddick was the guest of relatives and friends in Thomasville.

Messrs. C. C. Frazier and C. G. Reddick made a business trip to Winston-Salem Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Reddick visited Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Black Saturday.

Messrs. C. C. Frazier, C. G. Reddick, C. W. Wilson and J. F. Wilson attended the Culpepper revival meeting at Winston-Salem last Sunday.

Mr. P. K. Frazier and his mother visited relatives in High Point Saturday.

The farmers of this community are busy preparing for a large corn crop.

NEW SERIES B. & L.

The Randolph Building and Loan Association has arranged to open a new series May 1. This association was organized February 1, 1917, since which time five series have been opened. There are 117 stockholders in the organization representing 914 shares in full force. A large number of people throughout the county have secured homes through the Building and Loan Association. Up to the present time the people in the rural sections of the county have not availed themselves of the opportunities offered through the Building and Loan. If the farmers of Randolph county would secure stock and either build new homes or improve their old ones it would advance the value of their property. The association has approximately \$45,000 loaned. An explanation of the Building and Loan Association was published in The Courier last week.

The adjourned annual meeting will be held in the court house May 6th, at 7:30 p. m. Every stockholder is urged to be present.

The building and loan is one of the best ways of saving money or building a home.

The shares cost one dollar each and mature in about seven years.

Sergeant Guy Fox Sends Home Relics

Sergeant Guy M. Fox, of the aviation corps, who spent sixteen months in France and is still in the service, located in Calstrom Fields, Florida, fell from his plane while practicing some three months ago and broke one of the wings or propellers. He has sent this to The Courier and the same will be kept among that of other war relics and preserved, and when the memorial building is erected it is to be hoped that not only this but many others will be preserved for the interest of future generations.

Sergeant Fox sent his father, Dr. L. M. Fox, some other relics and a part of the propeller. Heretofore Sergeant Fox had brought home to his parents a German officer's gun picked up on the battlefields of France, also his helmet, bayonet and a number of other war relics.

Persons having these war relics should preserve them with a view of eventually placing them in the community building or some place where they can be preserved. The many Confederate War relics which parents preserved would now be of interest to the children.

Randleman Beats Trinity
Randleman high school defeated the base ball team of the Trinity high school last Saturday afternoon in a slow game by a score of 21 to 2.

RESOLUTIONS

ADOPTED BY THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY IN COUNTY CONVENTION APRIL 24, 1920.

We commend the wise, progressive, honest and economical condition of the administration of the affairs of Randolph county under the Democratic party when it was in power.

We condemn the wasteful and extravagant administration of the county affairs as administered by the Republicans while they have been in office for the past four years, and the failure of the county officials to keep the pledges they have made the people. We call for an audit of the books of the County Treasurer and other county officials and suggest that the same be published so that the people may know what is being done with money collected from the people.

We charge that the failure to audit the books and records of the county and to publish the results thereof is because that illegal fees have been collected by the county officials and that the enormous sums of money expended have not been expended economically, but on the other hand there has been wasteful extravagance and misapplication of funds and we further assert that a proper audit of the affairs of the county would result in a condition of affairs that would sweep from power the party that has ignored every promise so solemnly made to the people.

We call attention to the following resolution which reduced the fees of the Democratic officials when in power adopted by a joint resolution of the Board of Commissioners and Finance Committee on April 6, 1914, reducing and regulating the fees of county officers in Randolph county.

Resolved, 1. That the Clerk of the Superior court shall be allowed no fees whatever from the county.

2. That the sheriff's commissions upon the collection of taxes shall be as follows, and no more: 5 per cent up to \$50,000.00 and 1 per cent upon all excess over that amount for each year.

3. That the Register of Deeds shall not receive any compensation from the county except the following, to-wit: He shall be entitled to and shall receive his per diem as clerk to the board according to the general laws; and he shall, also, receive 5 cents per name for each name appearing upon the tax list for each year, in accordance with section 33 of the Machinery Act; This compensation to cover his services specified in said section of said act in full.

4. The County Treasurer shall receive 1 and 1/2 percent of the moneys of the school fund which shall be paid out by him, and 2 and 1/2 per cent upon all funds passing through his hands not belonging to the school fund, provided, that the said Treasurer shall receive nothing on account of any moneys borrowed by the county or in any subordinate division of the same.

Resolved, further, that this order which is entered by the said joint meeting of commissioners and finance committee of Randolph county, pursuant to Chapter 608 of the public laws of North Carolina, session 1913 and chapter 268 of the public laws of North Carolina, special session 1913 shall go into effect and begin operation on the first day of June 1914.

We condemn the present county administration for ignoring and disregarding the fees fixed by said resolutions and charging fees in excess of the rate fixed therein.

We promise and pledge the people of Randolph county, and call attention to the fact that we have never failed to carry out promises made by the Democratic party in Randolph county, and if the Democratic candidates are elected in the coming election we pledge that there will be a further substantial reduction of fees of the county officers.

We further condemn the borrowing of money and people paying tax thereon to build a county home when the money has not been used in building a county home.

We further condemn the borrowing of enormous sums of money under pretense of building and repairing roads, when, in fact, very few miles of roads have been built and the roads throughout the county are in a deplorable condition in unfavorable weather. The splendid trunk system of roads built under Democratic administration has, in a large measure been permitted to go down and has not been kept in repair, although the National Government alone is furnishing more money to keep up some of these roads than was expended on them to keep them in good condition under Democratic administration.

We disapprove of the fact of creation of a new political office in the county which seems to have no significance or value, and call upon the county commissioners to let the people know what is being paid to the county officers including this new office, and what the duties of this new office are, and what authority there is for his appointment.

PAY YOUR POLL TAX ON OR BEFORE MAY FIRST

if you expect to exercise your privilege of voting in primary or general election this year.

A number of boys were in the service and away from home at listing time last year. You have the privilege of listing to C. L. Amick, clerk to the board, during this month. Do not put off this important matter.

A. E. HOLTON ENTERS SENATORIAL RACE

A. E. Holton, of Winston-Salem, former United States District Attorney for the Western District of North Carolina, entered the race for the U. S. Senate on the Republican ticket last Saturday. A. A. Whitener, of Hickory, the chosen candidate of the party, had failed to send notice of his entry to Raleigh, because he took the position that the law does not require formal entry. Mr. William Grissom, secretary of the state Republican committee, filed notice of candidacy and took the matter up with Mr. Holton who consented to enter the race. Mr. Grissom notified the board of elections when he filed his notice that he would withdraw, and ask for the return of his entry fee in case any other Republican entered the race before the time for entering expired. It was after this that Mr. Holton consented to run.

Frank Lee Foust Dies

Frank Lee Foust, brother of Dr. J. I. Foust, president of the State Normal, and Thos. R. Foust, superintendent of Public Instructions of Guilford county, died in a hospital in Fayetteville April 22. At the time of his death he was superintendent of Public Instruction of Hoke County. He was a fine gentleman and one of the best superintendents in the State. He was married and lived at Raseford for the past year. Prof. Foust will be remembered by people of Randolph County as the principle of Pleasant Garden school for several terms.

Mr. D. F. Giles Withdraws From Race

Mr. D. F. Giles, of McDowell county, who last week announced that he had entered the race against Dr. E. C. Brooks for the Democratic nomination for State Superintendent of Public Instruction, has withdrawn. There was some surprise over the announcement of Mr. Giles' candidacy when the announcement was made. He says some of his friends made the announcement.

appointment.

We stand for progressive policy in educational matters.

We commend the State administration and the National administration and endorse the course of our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

We realize that our system of taxation has been inequitable and while we commend the efforts to bring about a more equitable system of assessment of property, yet, we call upon the General Assembly at its special session in July of this year to make necessary modifications of the present assessment law and reduction of rates to the lowest possible limitation as is consistent with the just and equitable administration of both State and county affairs.

FRANKLINVILLE NEWS

Dr. T. I. Fox and Master Herbert attended the base ball game at Greensboro last Saturday.

Mr. W. H. Tippet spent Saturday and Sunday at Greensboro.

Henry Allred had the misfortune of losing his home and barn by fire last Friday. Fire caught from the stove flue. Henry was not at home all his property and feed was burned no insurance.

Mr. G. H. Wright, age 69 years died last Friday night and was buried at Pleasant Cross cemetery Sunday at 11 o'clock.

Funeral conducted by Rev. Joel B. Trogon. He is survived by his wife and three daughters and one brother Charles S. Wright.

The infant son of R. A. Davis died last Friday night and was buried Sunday evening at the M. P. cemetery Cedar Falls.

C. H. Ellison, of Greensboro, was a visitor in our town a few days last week.

Theodore Kinney, H. P. Black and J. P. Lutherloh went to Greensboro one day last week.

Mr. S. B. Kersey, of Greensboro spent Saturday evening and Sunday in Franklinville. Mr. Kersey has bought a rock crusher and saw mill and will operate them on his land south of Franklinville.

Mr. H. W. Connelly has moved his family from the Kivett Home to Ramseur where he has several wells to bore. He has just completed a well for the Novelty Wood Works, Ramseur which is 236 feet deep and affords ten gallons of water per minute.

Carl Freeman and family spent Saturday evening and Sunday at Randleman at Mr. Freeman father, Winston Freeman.

M. A. Strider, who has been at work in the cotton mill at High Point is at home for a few days, on account of getting one of his fingers badly hurt in a gear.

A very interesting missionary entertainment was given to a crowded house at Franklinville Baptist church Sunday evening, consisting of an address by the pastor Rev. J. P. Black, special songs and recitations. The program was well rendered.

NEWS OF RAMSEUR

CORRESPONDENT GIVES FARMERS WHOLESOME ADVICE.

Mr. B. E. Smith, of Charlotte, spent the week end here with friends.

Mr. Roy B. Moffitt, of Asheville, has been spending a few days here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Moffitt.

Mrs. C. C. Dorsett and children and Mr. and Mrs. Thompson, of Greensboro, spent Sunday in town with their friends.

Mr. R. L. Moffitt and family, of Coleridge, were in town on business last Thursday.

Mr. Colon Brady, of High Point, spent Saturday and Sunday here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Brady.

Mr. E. B. Leonard and family spent Sunday at High Point.

Patrick King returned from a few days visit to the national capital last Saturday. He brought back with him his little nephew, Billy Pope.

Mr. H. B. Moore went to Charlotte the past week for more Dorts for the Moore Motor Company.

Mr. C. B. Brown is adding a nice porch to his handsome residence.

Mr. J. M. Foust, of Mt. Vernon Springs, was a visitor here Sunday afternoon.

A number of our folks attended the Democratic convention at Asheboro last Saturday.

Mr. M. C. Free and family and others attended the funeral service of Mr. Henry Free at Cedar Falls last Wednesday.

Mr. J. E. Covington spent the week end here with his family.

Ramseur will have Commencement exercises at the closing of the school May 22nd. We understand Dr. Daniels of Clemson College will deliver the address of the day and those who heard him here at the Chautauque three years ago will make an effort to be here we are sure. He is great indeed and there is a great treat in store for us.

Ramseur folks are beginning to suffer from the dust which gives us trouble most all the year. The commissioners are trying to get the sprinkler on we understand but this does not insure us against dust trouble altogether. Some few motorists are thoughtless, but most of us are not. Let the police enforce the law if he gets me the first man. The health of the people are at stake.

An exchange of real estate was made some days ago between Messrs. J. M. Kivett and C. E. Baldwin. Mr. Kivett is moving in this week near Fleta Lumber Co's plant while Mr. Baldwin will occupy the Kivett house on Liberty street.

Ramseur boys are getting in tune to play some ball, having played several games already with local teams. They expect to be ready to make it interesting for the neighboring teams after a little more practice.

We notice that the larger towns are advertising for help in all kinds of work and we would not stand in their way of securing the needed help nor advise anyone against their best welfare but we wish to remind ourselves often that there is much worse places to live than Ramseur and we need lots of good folks too, so think twice Mr. citizen before moving out. You can do lots of good here and past records prove that it is appreciated.

We were glad to see Mr. John C. Pearce and family on our streets Saturday. Mr. Pearce is one of our old friends having been reared here and making a warm place in the hearts of his many friends while living at Ramseur. He has been engaged in the mercantile business for some time at Worthville.

As we have often remarked our community is coming to the front in farming and will be doing things sure enough if our county fairs are successful, which we are sure they will be. Here's a little tip we want to give our farmer friends for this year, we are glad to see them raise crops that net them large returns in cash, we like to see them all ride in automobiles and wish every farmer lived in a fine home with Delco Lights and water works, we know the farmer deserves all these things but brother farmer let's not forget to plant plenty of the food crop, that is all you need for your family and cattle and all you can find market for. One article of food just now that is going to bring the highest price we have seen for it this fall is home made molasses. "Raise some cane" and then put it in marketable condition, that is put it in a barrel that you don't expect to get back, then if your local merchant can't handle everybody's crop ship it to other localities. There will be good sales for it. We know this for we have been buying some for future and the price is "out of sight".

Col. Ruby Garrett Is To Be Candidate for Governor in Missouri

Col. Ruby Garrett of the Rainbow Division, who saw considerable service overseas, has announced himself as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor of Missouri. Col. Garrett is a son of the late Rev. J. N. Garrett, of Yadkin College, Davidson county. His mother was a sister of the late — Phillips, of Lexington. For a number of years he was a prominent citizen and office holder in Davidson county. Col. Garrett was a reader of The Courier. He studied law at the Kansas City Law School and has been a member of the bar for some time.

BARACA PHILATHEA CONVENTION AT WILSON

A rate of 1-1-3 fares for the round trip from any point in the state of North Carolina to the annual convention of the Baraca-Philathea Association to be held in Wilson, N. C., May 27th to 30th, has just been announced by the Southeastern Passenger Association.

Commencement At Farmer May 8-11
The annual commencement of the Farmer High school will begin on the night of May 8th, at 8 p. m. by a musical given by the music department.

The sermon will be preached on Sunday morning at 11 a. m. in the school auditorium, by Rev. A. C. Gibbs, of Asheboro.

On Monday night at 8 o'clock the entertainment will be given by the grammar grades and Tuesday morning at ten will be the graduating exercises of the High School department followed by an address in the afternoon. At night the high school play entitled "Just Plain Folks" will be given. Music will be furnished by the Southmont band.

Everyone is cordially invited to attend all these exercises.

Miss Lena Leonard of Winston Bride of J. Reece Winningham Randolph Citizen

A pretty wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George L. Leonard in Winston-Salem when their daughter, Miss Lena, became the wife of Mr. J. Reece Winningham last week. Mr. Winningham is a most charming and accomplished young man. Her parents lived at Cedar Falls until about sixteen years ago, when they moved to Winston-Salem. Mr. Winningham is a son of Mr. L. Winningham, of Randleman Route 2, but has since his return from France held a responsible position with the John Deere Plow Company at Atlanta. Immediately after the ceremony the young couple left for Atlanta where they will make their home.

Mr. Lester Cox, of Climax, Dead

Mr. Lester Cox died at his home in Providence township last week following several months illness from a complication of troubles. Mr. Cox is a son of the late M. H. Cox who died a number of years ago. He is survived by his wife and seven children, the oldest of whom is a daughter 15 years of age, viz: Ellen, Alfred, Edward, Clayton, and three smaller children. He is also survived by two sisters, Mrs. J. B. Hockett and Miss Nettie Cox, of Pleasant Garden, John Cox, of Greensboro, Ed U. Cox, of Climax and Carl Cox, of Asheboro. The funeral was conducted at Gray's Chapel by Rev. W. F. Ashburn, after which burial followed.

NEWS FROM LIBERTY

MRS. R. D. PATTERSON DEAD—PERSONAL MENTION AND OTHER NEWS.

Mrs. R. D. Patterson died Friday, April 23, while in the hospital in Greensboro. Mrs. Patterson had been ill only a few days and went to hospital for treatment. She underwent an operation April 12th, but did not improve consequently it was thought best for a second operation. While under the anesthetic Mrs. Patterson died.

She was a daughter of the late Jna. C. Foust. She leaves a husband, Dr. R. D. Patterson, and two children, R. D., Jr., and John Armstrong; one sister, Mrs. Albion Fogleman; one brother, Dr. DeLacy Foust; and her mother, Mrs. John C. Foust. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Francis Sunday afternoon at the home and interment was made in the Liberty cemetery. Mrs. Patterson had a large circle of friends who mourn her departure.

County Superintendent T. F. Brilla of Asheboro, was in town a few days ago.

Dr. E. L. Bowman spent Thursday night in town with his mother, Mrs. Josie L. Bowman. Dr. Bowman was returning to his home in McDonald from Charlotte where he had been attending the medical convention.

Miss Ruth Smith spent the week end in Siler City.

Messrs. John Curtis and Geo. Payne have gone to Cleveland, Ohio, on business.

Mr. M. J. Reitzell returned home last week from an extended trip inspecting seeds.

Prof. and Mrs. B. S. Rogers, together with Mrs. George Rogers, of Graham, were in town last week.

Rev. John Burgess preached at Liberty Grove Sunday afternoon. Sunday School was reorganized at this place with Mr. Thomas as superintendent.

The pupils of the public school are practicing on their play to be given at the close of school.

Miss Virtura Stuart went to Greensboro Sunday to accept a position with the Proximity Store Company.

The music class of the school gave a musical Saturday night, April 17.

Mr. and Mrs. Marley, father of Mrs. Haywood Frazier, who are living on Liberty R. F. D., will soon move to Liberty.

Moving pictures were shown in the auditorium Friday and Saturday nights.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. E. F. E. E. a daughter, Ruth Elizabeth.