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THE REPUBLICAN CONVENTIONS.

Both County and Senatorial Held Saturday--Names of the Nominees.

The Republicans of Davidson held their county convention here last Saturday. The Faith Cornet Band, of Rowan, furnished music for the occasion and the convention was largely attended.

Speeches were made by Hons. P. C. Thomas, J. R. McCrary, Zeb V. Walser, Ed. L. Green and others. The convention proper assembled at 2 o'clock, p. m., Chairman Walser presiding. R. H. Biesecker and P. E. Whicker were elected secretaries. After a brief address by the chairman, nominations were declared in order, and the following ticket named:

For the House of Representatives--Ed. L. Green, tobacco manufacturer, of Yadkin College. For sheriff--H. Clay Grubb, distiller and liquor dealer, of Boone.

For Clerk--R. S. Green, Jr., former superintendent of schools under Fusion rule.

For Register of Deeds--Jno. H. Motesinger, internal revenue storekeeper and gauger, of Abbott's Creek.

For Treasurer--R. Lee McCrary, merchant, of Lexington.

For County Surveyor--J. S. Link, of Lexington.

For Coroner--Dr. E. J. Buchanan, of Lexington.

For County Commissioners--Cyrus Burton, of Thomasville; H. C. Fritts, of Tyro, and C. L. Garner, of Emmons.

SENATORIAL.

Immediately after the adjournment of the county convention, the Senatorial convention was called to order by chairman C. M. Hoover. For state senator, Hon. P. C. Thomas, of Thomasville, was the unanimous choice of the convention. This district is entitled to two representatives in the State Senate, but the convention nominated only one candidate, leaving a vacancy to be filled by the executive committee.

Joint Discussion.

Hon. W. C. Hammer and J. R. McCrary, Esq., nominees of the Democratic and Republican parties, have arranged for a joint discussion of the political issues in the counties of Davie, Iredell and Stanly. Following are the dates of their appointments:

Coolidge, Tuesday night, October 7th, at 7:30 o'clock.

New London, Friday Oct. 10th at 1 o'clock.

Albemarle, Friday night, Oct. 10th, at 7:30 o'clock.

Big Lick, Saturday, Oct. 11th, at 11 o'clock.

Palmerville, Saturday night Oct. 11th, at 7:30 o'clock.

Statesville, Monday, Oct. 13th, at 1 o'clock.

Mooreville, Tuesday, Oct 14th at 1 o'clock.

The public generally is cordially invited to come out and hear the gentlemen at time and place named above. Other appointments may be made later; if so, they will be published in this paper.

Rally Day Sunday.

The teachers and scholars of the Reformed Sunday school will meet next Sunday at half past ten o'clock, and it is expected that every member of the school will be present. This is the school's Rally Day. The Rally exercises will consist of songs, recitations and an address, taking the place of the regular morning service. A cordial invitation is extended to everybody to attend.

A Free Lecture.

Mrs. Louisa Painter-Round will deliver a free lecture in the court house here on Monday night, Oct. 6th. Some twenty years ago Mrs. Painter-Round visited Lexington and held a very successful revival meeting. She is pleasantly remembered by many of our people, and these will be glad to have the pleasure of renewing their acquaintance with her.

GRAND BARBECUE AT ASHEBORO.

Randolph Democrats Will Have a Great Time Thursday, October 9th.

There will be a grand Democratic barbecue and basket picnic at Asheboro on Thursday, October 9th. Enough beef, pork and mutton will be barbecued to feed five thousand people; a table one thousand feet long is being prepared for the occasion.

Mr. H. M. Worth is chief marshal and will be assisted by three hundred assistant marshals. Two hundred young ladies and two hundred young men will wait on the table.

The railroads will give special rates and some of the State's most distinguished speakers will be present and address the people.

TO MANUFACTURE TABLES.

A Company for the Purpose is Being Organized Here.

The latest new enterprise announced for Lexington is a plant for the manufacture of tables. The capital stock to begin work will be \$10,000 with privilege to increase, and the amount has about all been subscribed.

The movement is backed by several of the leading business men of the town. An organization will be effected in the course of a few days and The Dispatch will then be in a position to give full particulars.

North Carolina Day.

By virtue of Chap. 164, Acts of 1901, page 316, October 12th is made "North Carolina Day" in public schools of the State when the same shall be appropriately observed, etc.

This year, however, October 12th falls on Sunday, being the second Sunday in October. The law above cited empowers the State Superintendent of Public Instruction in such case to designate another day, which he will probably do in a few days. He will not necessarily designate October 13th, Monday, however, as the act empowers him to name any schoolday within thirty days of October 12th.

Skull Broken by a Crock.

A young man named Gobble was seriously and perhaps fatally injured by an unknown party on last Saturday evening. Young Gobble was walking along the railway track near Linwood when the excursion train returning from Greensboro passed him. While one of the cars was about opposite him some one threw a crock from the train and the vessel struck Mr. Gobble on the head, breaking his skull. His condition is critical. Our Linwood correspondence contains the story in substance as told above.

Concert Friday Night.

Mme. Vesta Dodge Hartzell, dramatic soprano, will give a concert in Smith & Hankins opera house Thursday night, Oct. 2nd. A delightful program is being arranged and lovers of music will miss a great treat in failing to be present.

The concert is given under the auspices of the Daughters of the Confederacy and the proceeds are to be applied to the Davidson county monument fund. It is hoped that the entertainment will be largely patronized.

Always Fresh and Interesting.

A lady, the wife of a prominent minister, who formerly lived in this county, but who now resides in South Carolina, encloses us a dollar for a year's subscription and says: "The Dispatch is always a welcome visitor in our home. It seems to be steadily growing in popularity, and that growth is well deserved. Its pages are always fresh and interesting." The good lady has our thanks for both the remittance and her kind words.

The registration books will be opened tomorrow morning at nine o'clock.

ARE NOT FORCIBLY DETAINED.

Davidson Miners Can Come Home When They Desire--The Governor Investigates and So Finds.

Some few weeks ago a couple agents of a West Virginia mining company came to this county in quest of miners to take the place of strikers in the coal fields. The agents secured some forty or fifty men from Davidson county. After their departure word was sent back here that the men were very much dissatisfied and wanted to come back home but that the company would not pay them and that armed guards would not let them leave the works. Relatives of the men became anxious about them, and in response to various requests the editor of this paper wrote the governor of West Virginia asking him to investigate the facts. The governor did so, and received the following letter from the Brown Coal Co., who are the chief employers of the Davidson county men:

Hon. A. B. White, Governor of W. Va.,
Charleston, W. Va.

Dear Sir:--Replying to yours of the 24th inst. I will say that the young men in whose behalf you wrote are in no manner restrained from returning to their homes at any time they desire to do so.

As for their being dissatisfied they do not in the least show such disposition but on the contrary seem to be well satisfied and going along nicely.

As to their being under guard to keep them from leaving it is only a false rumor and only strike talk. The young men are perfectly at liberty to go when and where they desire. Our guards are only to protect our property.

We are willing to pay our employees at any time they have a balance to their credit on our books, but our regular payday is the last Saturday of each month for the work done the previous month.

Now I beg to say that those rumors are unfounded and those young men came out here together with about forty others all of which came of their own free will and who all say that nothing was in any manner misrepresented to them and further the young men say themselves that they do not wish to return to their homes at this time and said recently upon receiving a telegram to come home that they would not return now unless they were forced to do so by law.

It is true that they expressed a desire to return the following day after they arrived but that was before they had gone to work or settled down and their being dissatisfied then was caused by the wives of two of the men who remained at their homes to settle up their affairs before coming. We sent those women back to their husbands at our expense and since then the men and one of the women have come back here to work.

Now I will say in conclusion that those young men are at liberty to return to their homes at any time they wish to do so or any time their parents wish to take them but we are under no obligation to pay expense on their return trip.

Hoping the above is fully satisfactory, I am,

Yours very respectfully,
J. A. BOONE, Mg'r.

Registration Begins This Week.

Registration for the coming general election begins on Thursday, October 2d, and closes on Saturday, October 25th. This gives the twenty days required by the election law for the registration of voters in North Carolina, and will be the first registration held since the enactment of the constitutional amendment. The above construction of the law has been acquiesced in by Chairman Simmons and Pritchard, of the Democratic and Republican State Executive Committees, respectively.

JOINT CANVASS DISCONTINUED.

The Chairmen of the Executive Committees Make This Agreement.

It is hereby agreed to discontinue the joint canvass heretofore engaged in by the Democratic and Republican candidates for the Legislature and county offices. This agreement is conceded in by both the Democratic and Republican Executive Committees and all the candidates. This action is taken mainly because of the inconvenience and expense of following the sheriff to the several voting places in the county.

This Sept. 30, 1902.

H. B. VARNER,
Ch'm'n. Dem. Co. Ex. Com.
ZEB V. WALSER,
Ch'm'n. Rep. Co. Ex. Com.

SUBSCRIPTION RECEIPTS.

The Dispatch desires to return thanks to the following parties who have favored us with remittances during the past week:

J. J. Mock, F. T. Baldwin, M. J. Potts, Sam Nelson, Rev. Sam May, Franklin Shoaf, W. L. Black, P. H. Johnson, W. C. Harris, T. C. Lanier, Jno. I. Lane, J. F. Beck, J. W. Hines, D. L. Walser, J. D. Freedle, Lee McCarn, T. E. Berrier, Jesse Kinley, W. T. Yokely, T. J. Ellis, R. L. Whitaker, J. W. Davis, G. O. Walser, Mrs. Jno. A. Wright, R. B. Myers, J. C. Plummer, Clarence Varner, J. W. Harris, Andrew L. Leonard, J. W. Clodfelter, E. L. Briggs, Joe Ball, A. L. Swing, Phillip Clinard, J. H. McCarn, C. M. Hammer, Rev. J. C. Leonard, Mrs. C. F. Fritts, C. M. Yokely, D. L. Koonts, Jno. B. Shaw, J. R. Morris, W. T. Davis, H. D. Hinkle, J. A. Gamble, Mrs. Carrie Beck, J. D. Perryman, Charles Burgess.



J. M. MORRIS, Esq.,
of Thomasville.
Nominee of the Democratic Party for County Commissioner.

Public Speaking--County Candidates

Hon. E. C. Beddingfield, Democratic candidate for State Corporation Commissioner, and the Democratic candidates for the Legislature and county offices will speak at Arcadia on Saturday morning, Oct. 11th, at 10 o'clock at Raper & Ripple's store. The Union Cornet Band will furnish music for the occasion.

Everybody invited to come out on this occasion and hear the issues discussed in an impartial manner. The ladies have a special invitation to attend. The speaking and music will be of the best order and if you fail to attend you miss a grand treat.

H. B. VARNER,
Ch'm'n. Dem. Co. Ex. Com.

Attend the Concert.

The proceeds derived from the concert to be given in the opera house Thursday night are to be applied to the Davidson county monument fund; the entertainment is under the auspices of the Daughters of the Confederacy; Mme. Vesta Dodge Hartzell, the dramatic soprano, is a celebrated singer, possessed of a voice of unusual power and sweetness. All of which are excellent reasons why the entertainment should be largely patronized. The admission is only 25 cents.

A SMALL PART OF THE RECORD.

The Fusionists came in power first in the Legislature of 1895. From first to last it was a grab game to see who could get the most. The sessions were marked by anything except deliberation or regard for rights of the people. Inasmuch as Democratic testimony might be regarded as lacking in fairness we give below the testimony only of Populist leaders:

First, let us see what Progressive Farmer said about the Legislature it helped to elect and the one it has been defending since its editor was made secretary of the Board of Agriculture. There can be no suspicion that the Farmer was printing "Democratic lies" On the 28th of January it makes this indictment:

"Sweepson is not the only boss our North Carolina Legislature ever had. To a man up a tree it appears that the pops nominated some extremely sorry timber for the Legislature last year."

On the 23rd of February the Progressive Farmer thus told of corruption and predicted a Democratic victory this year:

"Thus the people's money is being divided out to pay political reward.

There is no help for it now, but the tax-payers of North Carolina will speak in thunder tones at the polls when there is another election. No party, no man, has ever been able to run rough-shod over the people of the State but a short time."

That was not the worst. A few days before the adjournment of the Legislature the Progressive Farmer said:

"The Legislature only has about ten days now to complete the work and it hasn't begun the work yet. Let the miserable pie-hunters go to work or go home."

The Caucasian, edited then as now by Senator Butler, spoke out quite as plainly about the disgraceful Legislature. On the 23rd of February it said:

"About ten days remains of the legislative session. Unless there shall be, within this time, an almost miraculous change, the record of the Legislature will be nothing, absolutely nothing. All it will have done when it resigns will be the spending of \$80,000 of public funds for which nothing will be returned."

It also made a plea to have the sheep separated from the goats in the following article in its issue of February 27th.

"Of course there are some good men here, who cannot, in justice, be held responsible for the record, but we are speaking of the record of the Legislature as a whole, and unless that record shall be phenomenally changed within a week, it will be the imperative duty, and we think it will be the pleasure of the people to see that such a crowd is never sent up to make laws again. Up to this date the Legislature is a damnable disgrace to the State."

About the same time the Caucasian said:

"As to the Legislature of 1897, the one now in session, we have to say as a fact that it has won the contempt of the people generally of all parties, and we have to say as an opinion that we do not believe that it can overcome that contempt in two years time and hence cannot get the approval of the people."

It spoke with equal truth when in its issue of February 27th, it said:

"The various committees to whom bills are referred seem to be composed of men who are either generally indifferent or pitifully ignorant. It is almost impossible to get their attention to any bill that does not carry some job with it."

When the Legislature had finished its labors, and the Progressive Farmer had gone over its work, its opinion of the body was that it was even worse than it had declared when it was still in session, for here is its deliberate

estimate of the body and its labors:

"The good done by the Legislature could be printed in a small pamphlet. The bad done and the good omitted would fill several large volumes."

So outraged was the Progressive Farmer with the suggestion in the papers of an extra session that on March 2d it thus delivered itself:

"There is some talk of an extra session of the Legislature. Please don't, Governor Russell. We can endure famine, pestilence drought, war, but don't inflict any prolonged agony on the State, such as an extra session."

And the Caucasian, looking upon the sixty days of broken promises, bribery, corruption and domination by political corporations, cried out in its disappointment:

"So, then, for all practical purpose and in all essentials, the cooperation of the Populists and Republicans in this State has been a dismal and disastrous failure. Only the contemptible pie-hunters see any good in it."

Fake Colored Doctor Stole a Horse.

Mocksville Times.

A negro claiming to be from England and to having stood his State examination, located at Farmington about six weeks ago and hung out his shingle as a practicing physician. The sheriff having gotten after him for his license tax he borrowed a horse from T. C. Williams, colored, to come here to see about it. From here he wrote Williams that he could not be back for several days but would take good care of the horse. From here he went to Salisbury, where he sold the horse to Ludwick & Black. From there he went to China Grove and from there, in company with a woman, he left claiming that he was going to New York.

Necessity the Mother of Invention

The Washington City authorities have solved the problem as to the high price of anthracite coal by the discovery that a mixture of soft coal and coke will burn very well in furnaces made to consume hard coal. They find it burn well and very little smoke is given out. At Raleigh, N. C., Dr. Belinger, by experiment finds that gas can be made from wood, and it is stated that 3 cents worth of wood will produce gas in quantity equivalent to 90 cents worth of coal gas. If this can be maintained it will prove a formidable rival to coal.

A Communication.

To the Editor of The Dispatch:

I have in the past few days heard many exaggerated reports about the conditions met with by the people who came with me from my native State (North Carolina) to West Virginia to work.

I am glad to say that all the men who came with me are working steady, at much better wages than is possible for them to get in the State from which they came, and that there is still a better chance for their wages being much increased, as they become more skillful in the work which they are doing.

I wish to say further that none of the boys, who came with me, have been arrested or in any way molested, as has been reported, but all are enjoying in fullness the freedom and liberty which our little mountain State affords to all law-loving citizens.

W. E. CODY,
Nuttallburg, W. Va.

Reidsville, N. C., September 29.--Sam Lindsey, a well respected young man, 24 years of age, son of Robt. G. Lindsey, committed suicide at the home of his brother, Jack Lindsey, on Irvin street, at 6 o'clock this afternoon. He shot himself twice with a pistol, in the side and head, and death was instantaneous. The rash act was probably due to despondency caused by ill health, as he had been sick for several weeks.