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FAVORED MR. GARDNER, BUT WILL SUPPORT MR. MORRISON

MRS. SNYDER INTENDS TO LINE UP SOLIDLY WITH DEMOCRATS

She Has a Vivid Remembrance of Negro Rule and Panic Years Under Republicans.

By MRS. D. B. SNYDER.

I assure you I appreciate the letter received from you some days ago, asking me to write an article for your paper, since woman suffrage had become an actual fact. You asked me to discuss several questions: First, What party should the women of this state affiliate with? The democratic party. There are many good reasons, but I think one is sufficient for me to answer. The most of my life had been lived when the republican party was in power, and a great deal of that time I hate to think of, especially the days of panics, hard times, negro rule, etc.; especially do I remember conditions in the eastern part of our own state. The past eight years has been lived under the democratic party control to a great extent. And I am sure a wayfaring man though feeble minded need not err in telling the difference. A recent correspondent in the New York World expresses my sentiments in these words: "Eight years has been enough to place upon the statute books of this country more constructive legislation than the republican party placed there in fifty. Eight years has been enough to prove that the democratic party is capable of meeting any emergency. Second: Should a woman vote for the man or the party? I would say the party, if the principles of that party stand for right and righteousness. We should seek to put in good men. The wrong man is more easily removed, than to get in a new party which is perhaps no better than the one you are already affiliated with. We should not become disgruntled if everything does not go our way and do not get our man or our job. To illustrate, Mr. Gardner was my choice for governor of our state. He is not the nominee of the democratic party. But Mr. Morrison is the one chosen by a majority of our people. I have seen this question asked, Will the women vote for Mr. Morrison? You know he was opposed to woman suffrage. I accede that right to him, and admire him for the courage to stand by his conviction, and this kevery true democrat should vote for him as governor of our great state and the nominee of a great party. Third, Is it the duty of the women to vote for the ratification of the "League of Nations?" Yes; "without reservations."

Thanks God For Wilson

I believe that Woodrow Wilson is one of the greatest statesmen this country or any other has ever had and do not believe that he would go into a league that was not for the best interest of his constituents. We have cause to thank God that we had him to represent America in the framing of the League of Nations. And regardless of the action of the United States we learn that it is going ahead most courageously and rapidly organizing its work. I do not think it will be destroyed nor do I believe there will be a substitute. It seems to me we have only two choices: One to stay outside of a community of nations organized, for co-operation and peace and thereby lose our place in the whole world; or else come in and put our shoulder to the wheel. The league will live regardless of Senator Harding pronouncing it "a wreck beyond the possibility of repair." I think it more obligatory upon the women to vote for its ratification than the men, because I think they gave more and suffered more during the terrible war. Women are not now and never have been in favor of war and they know that a vote cast for the democratic nominee means the realization of the purpose of our entering the recent world war.

Women to Proceed With Caution

Fourth: What reforms since women seek to bring about? Since I think there are so many needed reforms, and we are just entering the political arena, I will refrain from answering at this time. I will give my opinion that we should be slow to act until we have given the question much thought and study. I believe the woman's vote will purify and uplift politics. I have had little faith in the arguments that women had no time to vote; that their place was in the home, etc. There are thousands of women who are bread winners, tax payers, and everything else. Surely they should have a part and know something about the government under which they live; and too they have time for social, domestic and religious life, and I am sure they can take time to make our country a better place in which to live. In a recent editorial in which the editor was opposed to suffrage he consoles himself something like this: "We have a great object lesson in the achievement of the women in our denominational life. In the matter of mission work the women have shown more intelligence as well as zeal than the men. Until the women took hold of the work of missions and showed the men how to do it there was nothing done worthy of the name christian." I think since women are enfranchised, it should be their duty to inform themselves as to the principles of our government. They should also realize that this means great responsibility and there is not the slightest doubt in my mind but that we will measure up to all these things.

HAWFIELD SUCCEEDS ALLEN AS SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Starnes, in Turn, Is Elevated to the Principalship—Mr. Allen Goes to Anson County.

Mr. S. G. Hawfield, principal of the high school since Sept., 1919, was elected superintendent of the city schools to succeed Prof. R. W. Allen, resigned, at a meeting of the school board held last night. Mr. Foster Starnes, who has been an instructor in the high school, was promoted to principal.

The resignation of Mr. Allen was accepted reluctantly by the board. He was recently elected superintendent of public instruction of Anson county at a salary which is considerably more than he is getting here; and the fact that Anson is his native county was also a great factor in securing his acceptance of the offer. His new position also offers a wider field of activity.

Under the guidance of Mr. Allen, who came here nearly six years ago, the city schools have enjoyed an unprecedented era of growth and progress. The faculty has been considerably strengthened; relations between teachers and parents have never been so cordial; and as a result of his untiring efforts, the city schools rank among the best in the state.

The new superintendent is a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Hawfield, and is well-equipped for the place. Mr. Starnes, who succeeds Mr. Hawfield as principal, has been an instructor in Rutherford college for several years. Mr. Allen's resignation is effective Nov. 1.

The Cotton Meeting Monday

Every farmer, banker, business and professional man is urged to be at the court house next Monday afternoon at two o'clock. Every cotton county in the south is asked to assemble its citizens in mass meeting on this day and devise ways and means of saving the south's cotton crop from the disastrous prices that are now threatening.

The North Carolina Division of the American Cotton Association ratified the action of the Montgomery convention on yesterday, in that no cotton should be sold for less than forty cents per pound and cotton seed for not less than ninety cents per bushel. The whole matter is now up to the individual farmer. If we stand as one man for this price we can get it in less than sixty days, if we don't, we may be selling cotton for twenty cents before Christmas. Which will we choose to do? If you want a profit on this year's crop, come to the meeting Monday. If you stay away and have to sell below the cost of production, blame no one but yourself.

Senator J. A. Brown of Chadbourne and Mr. T. D. McLean of Aberdeen will be here and make addresses.

Orton to Coach Foot Ball Team

Mr. C. W. Orton, manager of the local branch of the Pinnix Realty Co., will coach the Monroe High School football team this season. He played guard on the Cornell team a few years ago, and has coached teams in New York. Under his guidance, it is expected that the local highs will be almost unbeatable.

At a recent meeting of the athletic association of the school, Mr. W. B. Love, chairman of the school board, made a short address, in which he urged the boys to play hard, but fair, and assured them of the co-operation of the board.

Many of the last year players are back, and there is a dearth of material for Coach Orton to select his players from. Members of the athletic association are canvassing the town to secure money for the defraying of necessary expenses.

PAGELAND AND JEFFERSON FARMERS HOLDING COTTON

A Number of Bales Being Ginned Daily, But the Market Does Not Attract Them—Seed 45¢ Bushel.

Farmers at Pageland and Jefferson, South Carolina, are holding their cotton, so The Journal is informed. Mr. Hall Wilson, while in Pageland the other day, found that the gins were turning out six or seven bales a day, most of which was hauled back home by the farmers. Seed at Pageland, he said, were bringing only 45 cents a bushel. The farmers, claiming that they were worth more for fertilizer, were hauling them back with their cotton, said Mr. Wilson.

At Jefferson, according to Mr. M. C. Baker of Buford township, the gins are humming merrily each day, but most of the farmers were hauling the cotton and seed back home. In that section, said Mr. Baker, they seem determined to get better prices for their cotton which cost, it is conservatively estimated, 30 cents a pound to produce.

Bull Weevil Approaching Nearer

To the Editor of The Journal:—Perhaps you will be interested in knowing that the bull weevil is well established this high up.

They have been reported around Camden all the summer, however, no material damage has been done this year. Recently we have discovered them within about one mile of Bethune, and they are in sufficient numbers to destroy all the late cotton in the fields where they are established. The greatest damage is being done with the late long staple cotton.

I am a Union county man, and I know the Union county folks are very much interested in knowing the progress of the bull weevil.—Yours very truly, J. C. Parker, Bethune, S. C.

UNION COUNTY WOMEN SHOULD SUPPORT DEMOCRATIC PARTY TO SECURE THE RATIFICATION LEAGUE OF NATIONS

SHOULD VOTE FOR THE MAN REGARDLESS OF THE PARTY

That Is the Advice of Mrs. Parker, Who Also Urges Support for the League Covenant.

By Mrs. B. C. PARKER

Woman suffrage has stolen upon us almost unawares. I cannot remember the time when I was opposed to it or even indifferent toward it. I had even expected to have a small part in moulding public sentiment in favor of giving women the ballot. Now that the ballot is actually in our hands, I stand dazed—so great is the stupendous undertaking we have before us of preparing ourselves for our new duties. As I stand on the threshold I ask over and over: What shall the outcome be?

While I have always believed that women should have the right to vote, I have never thought that her ballot would revolutionize the country. (I have even admitted that there might be some attendant evils), but I have held that the good results would overbalance the bad. In general, women will accept the political party of their ancestors just as the men have done. There will be some, however, who will vote independently. It is in this last group that our hope depends. Shall we vote for a man just because he is a Republican or a Democrat? Usually a comparison of the two platforms reveals very few essential differences. I say vote for the man of most ability and integrity regardless of party affiliation. Local officers should, generally speaking, be chosen from the predominating party in the particular section of the election because the chances of a good officer are greater when there is a larger number to draw from. In national elections this is not true. I long to see sectionalism in political parties banished from our country.

A Great Issue at Stake.

Now it so happens this year that in the national election there is a great issue at stake, namely, the League of Nations. I believe it is the duty of the women of the country to vote the national democratic ticket if for no other reason than to uphold this great issue. I am heartily ashamed of the late republican politicians who sat in the United States Senate and opposed the League not because they were "conscientious objectors," but because they did not wish to concede a great piece of work to the Democratic party. I do not claim the League of Nations is a panacea for all international ills, but I do hold that it is a great step toward the solution of international difficulties and I would rejoice to see an overwhelming vote endorsing the great life work of our Statesman-President, Woodrow Wilson.

In my opinion the national election this year should turn in favor of an issue rather than a candidate. Neither Cox nor Harding are outstanding in ability. In the words of Chester T. Crowell of the August 28th Independent: "Neither has, so far as one can now judge, elements of greatness which show promise of linking them with the greatest American statesmen. But they both have elements of sanity, common sense, appreciation of the ordinary life of the ordinary American which all our greatest presidents have had. They are of the people and close to the soil. There is nothing awe-inspiring about either of them. I have not the slightest doubt that their equal exist by the thousands from Maine to California. I think they would be the first to assert vehemently that this statement is true and that they have been chosen by the turn of fortune's wheel in the great gamble of politics."

Doesn't Know How to Play the Game.

And this great gamble women do not understand. I for one do not know how to play the game. The more I know of it, the less my regard for it. Woman's influence will, relatively speaking, be in the direction of honest conviction. The great masses of women do not care to hold office and, therefore, will be under no obligations to any political party. Woman's influence should, then, tend to clean up, so to speak, the political parties.

There are some women, unencumbered who could hold office creditably. The majority of American women recognize that their first duty is to the home and that, in as much as office holding would interfere with the duties of home, they do not care to aspire to the honor. A few women, then, can hold office; all can work for greater honesty in campaigning and in administration, for better schools, better health conditions, better civic government, better protection of child life and an equalization of the laws relative to prosperity and pay for men and women.

Mr. Austin and Miss Hartsell Wed

Mr. Henry Austin, son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Austin of Goose Creek township and Miss Faye Hartsell daughter of Dr. Hartsell of Oakboro, were married by Rev. E. C. Snyder at the home of Mr. W. H. Austin on S. Hayne street at one o'clock Sunday afternoon. The groom is a promising young farmer who served in the World War and spent two years overseas. The bride is a talented music teacher and has a wide host of friends. After the marriage ceremony the bride and groom left for the home of the groom's parents where a bountiful supper was served.

Do Not Tempt Them Astray.

Women have no political axes to grind, and will therefore be more inclined to be independent voters. For these reasons do not tempt us to stray away from the Democratic fold. As reforms we will endeavor to bring about? It is all so new to us; the fields of endeavor are great, but our brethren need have no fears that we will hastily embark on an elaborate crusade of reform.

We enter the field cautiously. Our steps will be guarded and slow. I can think of nothing that so beautifully expresses my feelings along the lines of reform then this little poem:

"An old man going along the highway, came at the evening, cold and gray, to a chasm vast and deep and wide. The old man crossed in the twilight dim. The sullen stream had no fear for him; but he turned when

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STORMS AND HEAT FAIL TO DISMISS MR. WRAY'S AUDIENCE

The Augusta Paper Speaks Highly of His Great Evangelistic Powers—May Return By Sunday.

According to the Augusta, Ga., papers, the meeting there in which Rev. Jno. A. Wray of Monroe is doing the preaching, and O. L. Fry leading the singing, has grown to large proportions and deepened in interest. They say that "Mr. Wray in his fiery eloquence, deep spirituality and refined humor is preaching to large and interested crowds. Thursday evening with the city in darkness and rain falling in torrents people made their way to the church and the speaker was greeted by a large audience. He spoke four times Sunday—lecturing in the afternoon to a large mass meeting. The auditorium was crowded. It was one of the warmest afternoons of the year and the current being off the fans could not be used, but he seemed to easily hold the crowd in his grip for an hour and thirty-five minutes. His powers are unique, and while teaching he entertains. There was not a dull moment."

It is expected that Mr. Wray will return home in time to fill his pulpit next Sunday.

Marriage of Miss Henkle and Mr. Yandle.

Miss Eula Henkle, daughter of Mr. C. H. Henkle, of Hickory, and Mr. Chas. L. Yandle, of Monroe, were married Wednesday evening at seven o'clock in Central Methodist church, Hickory, the pastor officiating.

Mrs. Yandle is a beautiful and an accomplished young lady and one of the most popular in the community in which she lives. She is a graduate of Lenoir college.

Mr. Yandle is a popular employee of the S. A. L. Ry. Co., having been in its service eleven years. He was transferred from Columbia, S. C., to Monroe about three years ago, and has lived here since.

The bride and groom left Hickory immediately after their marriage for Washington, New York and Canada. They will be gone for ten days or more and will be at home in Monroe after their return.

Mr. Yandle's many friends will be glad to know that he and Mrs. Yandle will make Monroe their permanent home.

Baptist W. M. U. Program.

The following is the program of the W. M. U. of the Union Association, which meets with the Faulk church, Thursday, Sept. 30, beginning at ten thirty o'clock:

Song: All Hail the Power of Jesus Name.

Devotional, Mrs. Frank Harrell of Marshville.

Minutes of last meeting, Mrs. Eunice Marsh Edwards.

Appointment of committees.

Reports from societies.

Superintendent's report.

Woman's call to send the gospel, Mrs. Frank Ashcraft.

The importance of Bible and mission study, Mrs. Joel Griffin.

Open discussion of encouraging features of Baptist 75 Million Campaign, led by Mrs. Carl Parker.

Prayer of thanksgiving for all pledges and payments, and of petition that every pledge may be redeemed.

Adjourn for dinner.

Afternoon session, devotional, Mrs. L. C. Polk, Shiloh.

Report of committees.

Reading: "A little maid who went into all the world," Miss Mattie Smith.

A call to the young people of the Union Association, Mrs. C.M. Beach.

Pageant: Christ in America, given by pupils of the Wingate School. Thirty different pupils will take part and will be costumed.

Closing prayer, Mrs. E. M. Griffin.

The church at Faulks is one of the strong churches in our association. We are to have a very interesting and instructive meeting and we urge that a large attendance be present, and promptly on time.—Superintendent.

FIRST UNION COUNTY BALE BRINGS FIFTY-FIVE CENTS

It was of the Long Staple Variety, However, and Was Sold by Mr. J. S. Hill.

The first bale of Union county cotton was sold here Wednesday by Mr. J. S. Hill, of Buford township, to Messrs. J. E. Stack & Co. for 55 cents. It was of the long staple variety. The bale weighed 480 pounds, and brought a total of \$265.94.

Last year long staple cotton sold at prices ranging from 75 cents to a dollar per pound. Mr. Hill, who sold the first bale, has a number of acres planted in this variety, and he expects to have several more ready for the market in a few weeks. It is understood that he will hold at least a part of his crop for higher prices.

Presbyterian Church.

"Praise waiteth for thee, O God. O thou that hearest prayer, unto thee shall all flesh come."

"O come let us worship." 10 a. m.—Sunday school. "Temperance lesson." Mr. Walton's class of boys will conduct the opening exercises.

MAJORITY OF WOMEN WILL AFFILIATE WITH DEMOCRATS

THEY SHOULD STRIVE FOR REFORM IN THE PRIMARY

This is the Logical Thing to do, Believes Mrs. Harrell, Who Says Separate Party Would Be Absurd.

By Mrs. J. S. HARRELL.

Years ago a woman with a spirit as invincible as Americanism dreamed of a time when her countrywomen should have a voice in the government of their nation—for the betterment of that nation. Accordingly she dedicated her life to bring this thing about. She fought a good fight, and her followers carried on so faithfully that now, some years after she has been laid to rest, her dream is realized. The Susan B. Anthony amendment is a fact, and in November the women of America will assume full citizenship of their country. And I believe there is not one among them, even the erst-while anti, who does not proudly come into the possession of equal rights with men. Not one who is not now carefully making up her mind how she will cast her vote.

In order to make their influence felt as it should be it will be necessary for the women of the South to be organized. This has been fully explained and demonstrated by the press and actual experience. Independently they cannot be the influence they hope to be, but if some feminine Moses should be raised up in the fair Southland to shape them into a perfectly working machine, politics would shortly be sitting up rubbing its eyes and asking "where am I." So great would be the effect of the women's vote. And they will organize just as the northern and western women have done.

Separate Party Would Be Absurd.

A separate party for women would, of course, be absurd. They should organize to work with the men of their party, to raise the standard of politics and bring about such reforms as a careful study of the situation reveals to them as necessary. Not many women want to hold office. Personally a political office could not be wished on to me, and I daresay this is the sentiment of the majority of Southern women, though of course, there are some who are already tingling to get into the scrap, and will make good when they do.

Should Vote to Uphold Ideals.

The majority of the Southern white women will, I think, affiliate with the Democratic party. Not to vote for the League of Nations would be, as some one has said, but to break faith with the boys who sleep in France. There will be those who will vote the Democratic or Republican ticket because they have inherited their political and religious views as they have the color of their eyes. But it is unquestionably the duty of the women to vote for the ratification of the League of Nations.

The question has been raised as to whether the women should vote for their party even if it does put out a weak-need candidate, or vote for the man regardless of the party. How can women hope to raise the standard of politics, purify it and make it attractive to the best element in the country if they don't vote for the man who will uphold their ideals? However the obvious thing for the women to do is to get busy in the primary elections and see that the Democratic party always nominates only a candidate who can in every way be termed the best man. Organization is necessary to do this but it can and must be done. The Democratic party has the material and by organizing and sticking to their guns the women can bring it to the front and vote it into office.

There is need in this reconstruction period of the best brain power at our command at the helm of our government, and the responsibility is equally divided now between the men and women to put it there. We need men whose lives are clean, and have been clean, whose methods are upright and men who are not so overstocked with personal ambition that they forget to serve for betterment of humanity instead of personal gain.

To put a man in office whose life has a hideously dark blot on it is not upholding the principles of democracy in its true sense. We want men who will help us to keep liquor out, rightly enforce our laws, raise the general moral standard of our nation, and I repeat, make the League of Nations a reality. If their party will not put up a candidate who embodies these things, then vote for the one that does. It is the duty of the American woman to do their part in bringing about pure government and it rests now with them as to whether they will perform it or not. They don't have to leave their homes to do it. There is still the privilege of being the power behind the throne, and the world needs their influence.

Lady Astor says, "Women as a whole combine idealism with practical common sense. These are two qualities that are especially needed just now." Of course it is all very new yet, and many are a bit bewildered by the complexity of things political, but the war has taught women many things, and their efforts and sacrifices during that period have prepared them for this new responsibility. They will study and learn and act, and gradually the sturdy oaks will wonder however they ever managed without the support of the clinging vines. However they will never own it, I'm afraid.