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## THE PRIMARIES SATURDAY

Gudger Wins Over Reynolds in 10th by Large Majority—County Convention Called.

The Congressional primary which was held in the tenth Congressional District last Saturday shows that J. M. Gudger, Jr. was the winner by a big majority, McDowell county giving him the second largest vote of any county in the district.

The meeting of the Democratic Executive Committee, held in Marion on August 17th, for the purpose of tabulating the votes cast in the Congressional primary on Saturday was well attended, each precinct being represented by their chairman. The poll books showed a large number of votes cast, the full strength of the Democrats of McDowell county being polled.

It was also decided by the committee to hold the County Convention on the 14th day of September, and the primary for the various precincts to be held on Saturday the 12th. The meeting was very encouraging for the Democratic party as it showed that party harmony would prevail in the coming election.

The vote by precinct as tabulated by the committee follows.

Township	G.	R.
Nebo	25	20
Marion	186	78
Buck Creek	18	20
Old Fort	120	32
Turkey Cove	48	3
North Cove	3	5
Nealsville	42	8
Crooked Creek	39	2
Sugar Hill	31	7
Dysartsville	61	15
Higgins	15	4
Cedar Cove	15	10
Brackets	15	2
Broad River	11	12

## Rutherfordton News.

Special to MARION PROGRESS.

Rutherfordton, Aug. 17.—In the Democratic primary held in Rutherfordton Saturday Congressman J. M. Gudger won over his opponent Robert R. Reynolds by a majority of 171.

Clerk of the Superior court M. O. Dickerson, Sheriff C. E. Tanner, Register of Deeds J. D. Hull and County Treasurer A. R. Yelton won by the following majorities: Dickerson 390, Tanner 1700, Hull 685, Yelton 1165. W. Rose Hill received the nomination for County Superintendent over Griffin by 597.

M. L. Morehead was seriously injured and T. J. Wilkins and W. G. Turner were slightly injured in a collision last Thursday morning by Southern passenger train No. 35 and an automobile about one-fourth mile south of Rutherfordton station. From information gathered Sam Beason accompanied by the above named gentlemen from Henrietta, was returning home and when near the crossing he observed the train approaching and attempting to turn aside his machine struck the track following it several yards before being struck by the engine.

Beason jumped and escaped unhurt. A young woman returning with them to her home almost miraculously escaped it seems, being picked up by the "cow-catcher." The injured were hurried to the Rutherford hospital receiving medical attention and are reported to be doing well.

## Genial Greeting.

He—You were getting ready to go out, and I'm afraid my call is inopportune! She—Really and truly, I would much rather stay here and talk with you than keep my engagement this afternoon! He—I am delighted! But can the engagement be broken without inconvenience? She—Oh, yes! The dentist won't mind!

## STATE ITEMS

OF INTEREST TO ALL NORTH CAROLINA PEOPLE.

**Rates Effective Oct. 12th.**  
A further examination of the freight rate situation shows that the intrastate rates fixed by the special legislative commission which go into effect on October 12th, unless contested by the railways, and there doesn't seem to be much probability in that direction, are not great reductions as appeared at first glance. Taking the actual commodities which are moved, the reduction amounts to only about two per cent, possibly not that much. The Standard tariff in use in North Carolina as was stated, is only about two per cent on the average higher than those fixed by the special commission, possibly not that, except in hauls over 270 miles in length. The commission made good reductions after reaching this limit, but when it is taken into consideration that the hauls of 270 miles and upward in this state are very few, it will be seen that the reductions will prove of very little benefit to the people of the state. The only road in the state affected by these hauls is the Southern. The over estimate in the average reduction was the hurried consideration of the rates on roads not using the standard tariff. An investigation into the rate on all the systems roads shows that on the average their charges were not so far from the standard tariff.

## Creamery Men Meet.

The North Carolina Association met at Hickory and elected the following officers: President, Curtis Bynum, Asheville; vice-president, Marvin Blanton, Shelby; secretary and treasurer, W. J. Shuford, Hickory. The Shelby creamery was represented by Marvin Blanton, of Shelby; White Pine Creamery, Asheville, by Curtis Bynum; Mooresville Co-operative Creamery, Mooresville, John Arey; Guilford Creamery, Greensboro, A. J. Reed, state dairyman; Catawba Co-operative Creamery, Hickory, W. J. Shuford. In addition to these gentlemen, Howard Peeples, market agent of the freight department Southern Railway with headquarters at Washington, and J. H. McLain, representing the United States Dairy Division at Washington, were also present. The object of the meeting aside from that of electing officers was to sell the butter output of the creameries of the state co-operatively and to discuss plans for advertising the butter. The creameries represented have a combined monthly production of 150,000 pounds and it is hoped to increase this by the first of January to 300,000 pounds. Mr. Peeples stated that the Southern Railway expected to put on dairy cars over their lines at an early date. These will make weekly trips and stop at all creameries.

## Importing Corn.

The British steamer Singapore arrived from South America with first cargo of corn ever received here. The bringing of corn into this country from South America is something new, being possible only since the reduction of the tariff under the present administration. Several part cargoes from South America have recently been received here by rail from other ports. The Singapore is a British steamer and is supposed to be running a risk on the seas to the South, if the report that German cruisers are patrolling that section of the coast just now is true.

## Heat Up State Capitol.

Notwithstanding it was a real hot day recently the heating plant at the capitol had on a good head of steam and the radiators in the various offices were sending out heat like that which would be needed on a cold and frosty day. Now the heat in this instance was not turned on for the purpose of adding to the comfort of the governor or the other state officials, for on the contrary it added to his discomfort. It was for the purpose of testing the new heating arrangement.

## Best He Could Do.

Foggs' Old Friend.—Great heavens, man! Do I find you reduced to playing a cornet at the street corner to make a living? Foggs—I ain't doing this to make a living. My wife won't let me practice in the house.

## NEWS FROM THE COUNTY

Brief Mention of Some of the Happenings in McDowell County—Items About Home People.

### BRIDGEWATER.

Bridgewater, Aug. 17.—A pretty home wedding took place Wednesday afternoon, August 13th at three-thirty o'clock when Miss Sadie Seals, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Seals, became the bride of Mr. Hugh Harrison Mills, of Amory, Mississippi.

The room in which the wedding took place was very tastefully decorated, one corner of the room being banked with evergreens and ferns, in front of which an improvised altar of ferns, bitter sweet and queen's lace was erected, under which hung two large pink and white hearts pierced with an arrow, for the bride and groom to stand under.

Mr. Will Schoonmaker played very softly Mendelssohn's wedding march to which the bridal party entered, Miss Francis Ballew and Mr. Robert Seals, brother of the bride, preceded the bride and groom to the altar.

The bride was handsomely gowned in a traveling suit of blue silk moire with hat and gloves to match, and carried a large bouquet of bride's roses.

The bride's maid wore a sheer gown of white, with hat to match and carried pink roses.

The ceremony was impressively performed by Rev. R. D. Schoonmaker in the presence of only a few of the brides most intimate friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Mills left immediately after the ceremony on train No. 12 for Statesville to visit Mr. Mills' sister, Mrs. J. L. Cowen, leaving on train No. 11 the following day for Amory, Miss., where they will make their future home.

The bride is a lovely and very charming young lady with most excellent qualities and many attractions. Mr. Mills is a very prominent railroad man of Amory, Miss., being train dispatcher for the Frisco division.

The out-of-town guests were Rev. R. D. Schoonmaker and brother, Will, of New York City and Miss Belle Bright of Connelly Springs.

Mrs. Ed. Byrd and children of Morganton spent the week-end here with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Tate spent Sunday in Marion.

W. Jay Ballew, of Marion Junction, spent Thursday here with homefolks.

Quite a number of the Bridgewater folks attended the picnic at Hickory Flat Saturday.

Mrs. Eck Abernethy spent last week in Morganton with relatives.

Ernest Harbison has returned to his home near Glen Alpine after spending several days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Tate.

Misses Pink and Kary Tate were shopping in Marion Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Lysterly and Mrs. R. A. Abernethy spent Thursday evening in Nebo.

Mark Giles, of Fonta Flora, was a pleasant visitor in Bridgewater Sunday.

Miss Cecelia Ballew and George Simpson spent Sunday on Linville with Miss Louise Giles.

### GARDEN CITY

Garden City, Aug. 18.—Messrs. G. W. Young, Harlan Young, Ben Gurley and others, are away to Black Mountain on a trip combining business and pleasure.

The primary election at Garden City is variously reported. "Although Gudger received more votes there than in past years," quoth one reporter, "Reynolds is ahead." Our citizens seemed to take an unusual interest in the election.

Mr. Porter, of Old Fort, drove quite a nice herd of cattle, purchased in the higher mountain counties, through our city to the midsummer market at Black Mountain last week. Cattle buyers from Mitchell and Yancey were also abroad in the land.

Quite a number of our people attended the Methodist ice cream supper at Greenlee, reporting a good time, a good supper, and about \$28 raised for the church organ fund.

We sent a good representation, also, to the week's meeting, conducted by

Rev. Mr. Smith, which aroused considerable interest and resulted in several conversions. This Greenlee Methodist church has a beautiful site overlooking the whole valley, but it would have a larger attendance if there were a better place provided for hitching horses.

George Barleson of Mitchell county, has been visiting his kinspeople here for some days.

Some of our enterprising citizens are buying county corn at 90c per bushel, hauling it to the mountain counties and selling it at \$1.35 per bushel.

Messrs. Roland and Lawrence Morris returned on Monday from a most pleasant ten day trip to Chimney Rock, Asheville, Ridgecrest, Black Mountain and other points.

Mrs. W. D. Long has been quite sick but is able to sit up this week.

James, Alonzo, and Edward Conley, on their way back to the Asheville, Farm school, visited their old friends and home here.

Some absentees of the county, with fruit going to waste in their orchards, inquire at what rates the Tomato Club girls would can it for them?

### HARMONY GROVE.

Harmony Grove, Aug. 14.—The school at Harmony Grove has been in session month with Misses Maggie Goforth and Iowa Sigmon as teachers. The enrollment has reached 76. The work is going on nicely. Improvements have been made on the school grounds and lots of improvements have been made on the inside of the building. A literary society has been organized and is doing good work. The sewing club will be organized Monday, August 17.

We are expecting to have one of the best schools in the county under the supervision of these teachers.

Harmony Grove, Aug. 17.—Quite a number of folks from far and near attended the baptizing here Sunday.

Miss Bessie Crawley of this place and Mr. Alfred Lavendar of Marion were united in marriage last Saturday. We wish them a long and happy life.

Mrs. Lawing who has very ill is improving some we are glad to say.

Miss Pearl Padgett of Nebo is visiting her cousins the Misses Yelton's.

Miss Beatrice Simmons of near Old Fort spent the week end here.

Miss Minnie Lawing of Raleigh, who has been nursing there in the State hospital, was called home last week on account of the illness of her mother.

Mr. Hopper of Gaffney, S. C. visited his sister, Mrs. Dayes, here last week.

Miss Fannie Crawley of Marion is at home for awhile.

Rev. Sorrels spent last week at Sulphur Springs holding a revival meeting.

Rev. and Mrs. Hill of Vein Mountain spent Sunday here.

Mrs. A. P. Sorrels spent the latter part of last week at Sulphur Springs attending the protracted meeting.

Misses Iowa Sigmon and Maggie Goforth spent Saturday and Sunday at Nebo.

### GRAPHITEVILLE

Graphiteville, Aug. 17.—Miss Claudia Cordell of Asheville, is visiting friends and relatives here for awhile.

Miss Dolores Ferl is visiting her mother, Mrs. V. Weise, in Marion this week.

Misses Margaret and Connie Lee Raffield spent Saturday and Sunday on Jarrett's creek.

John Davis of Old Fort was a pleasant visitor here Sunday.

Miss Cheley Sigmon spent the week-end with her parents at Nebo.

Miss Alice Raffield visited friends at Ridgecrest the latter part of the week.

The Upper school of this place is progressing nicely under the supervision of Miss Cheley Sigmon as teacher. The attendance is increasing and good work is being done. Much work has been done on the school grounds.

J. P. Raffield spent Sunday here with his family.

There will be preaching here every third Sunday by Rev. W. H. Goodman of Old Fort.

Ben Farmer and family have removed here from Asheville.

There will be a box supper at the Upper school house Friday night, August 21st. Everybody is invited to come.

Mutt and Jeff.

## URGES UNCLE SAM TO HELP FARMERS

NORTH CAROLINA'S VIEW PRESENTED TO SOUTHERN COTTON CONGRESS.

## DISPATCHES FROM RALEIGH

Doings and Happenings That Mark the Progress of North Carolina People Gathered Around the State Capitol.

Raleigh.

J. Bryan Grimes, as Secretary of State, addressed a letter to President Watson of the Southern Cotton Congress in special session in Washington declaring that in the opinion of Governor Craig and his Council of State, the National Government should lend its aid in financing the present cotton and tobacco crop, furnishing money sufficient for the cotton owner to borrow on his cotton stored in bonded warehouses at the rate of 10 cents a pound, middling. The letter says:

"In the present crisis it would be sound business and patriotic co-operation for the banker and the farmer to work in union. The bankers should organize a system of warehousing and advancing on warehouse receipts, thus preventing heavy financial losses that will injure the banking and other business of the country."

"Immediately provision should be made by the Government for the transportation of cotton, grain, and other products to the open markets of the world, so that we should not have to rely now or hereafter on foreign ships."

"The farmers should hold as much cotton and tobacco as possible and warehouse where they can until normal trade conditions are resumed. To put much cotton on the market under present disorganized conditions means very much lower prices with no stable value. The growers will be at the mercy of the spinners and the spinners would have no certain standard of values, which would mean a further depression of the market for raw material."

## Chief Justice Clark Returns.

Chief Justice Clark returned from East Tennessee. On his way back he crossed the North Carolina mountains where there are no railroads, his route being by the Yonahlossee pike. He left again, on the invitation of Dr. Joel D. Whitaker, on an automobile trip from Raleigh to the mountains of Pennsylvania, going by way of Richmond and the Valley of Virginia.

## Adjutant General Returns.

Adjutant General Laurence Young returned from Fort Caswell, where he has been at the encampment of the North Carolina Coast Artillery reserve. The practice work of the reserves, the general said, was very satisfactory.

## New Bern Avenue Paving Held Up.

Paving work on New Bern avenue has been held up for the time being. This was done for the reason that the asphalt dressing will make a better union if the concrete base is left to stand for a bit and for the additional reason that the city engineering department wishes to concentrate all its available force on the grading work now in progress on Hillsboro street. An additional force was placed on the scene recently. In the meantime the city asphalt plant is not in operation.

## State Prison Board Reports.

The State's Prison Board, H. B. Varner, chairman, at a meeting just held, received the report from Governor Craig of his recent inspection of the convict camp at Whitney at which there are 208 convicts hired out at \$1.50 a day to the company making the vast developments there. The chairman stated that the report of the Governor was such as to make it unnecessary to make any changes in the management of the camp, which is in the charge of S. J. Busbee, of Raleigh.