

PRIMARY ELECTION

Managers Appointed—The Rules and the Law.

The following managers were appointed to hold the primaries:

Steele's No. 1—A. J. Little, J. S. Matheson, P. S. LeGrand.

Steele's No. 2—J. A. Ingram, D. A. Parsons, C. C. Capel.

Mineral Springs—D. C. McRae, J. E. Nicholson, W. N. Watson.

Black Jack—I. W. Webb, A. M. Parsons, C. W. Capel.

Beaver Dam No. 1—J. L. McDonald, J. T. McLeod, Wilson Turner.

Beaver Dam No. 2—A. H. McDonald, Merd McQueen, C. G. Feppert.

Rockingham No. 1—C. C. Crouch, Will McKenzie, John S. Covington.

Rockingham, No. 2—W. F. Long, R. L. Nichols, Jr., Hill Parsons.

Marks' Creek—L. O'Brien, W. R. Land, N. D. McDonald.

Wolf Pit No. 1—Solomon McLean, John Maner, J. P. Hadley.

Wolf Pit No. 2—C. C. Covington, H. M. Miles, Elijah Hamer.

Wolf Pit No. 3—W. C. Webb, E. P. Gaddy, E. L. Hamilton.

Wolf Pit No. 4—E. H. Rogers, J. H. Deas, W. H. Roberts.

Rules for Holding the Democratic Primary

At a meeting of the Democratic Executive Committee held in the court house on Monday, July 6, 1908, a primary election for the purpose of nominating candidates for county officers and for representative in the General Assembly and for township offices was and the same is hereby called for Tuesday, August 4, 1908, and the same shall be held under the following rules and regulations:

1. The polls shall be opened at 8 o'clock a. m., and closed at sunset. The voting place shall be the same as in the general election.

2. The managers appointed for the several precincts shall, before entering upon the discharge of their duties, each take and subscribe an oath that he will fairly, impartially and honestly conduct said primary according to these rules, and according to act of the General Assembly of North Carolina passed in 1901, and entitled "An act to regulate primary election," as amended by chapter 123, laws of 1903. Should one or more of the managers appointed to hold election fail to appear on the day of election, the remaining manager or managers shall appoint others instead and administer the oath herein prescribed. The managers shall take the oath herein prescribed before a notary public or other officers authorized to administer oaths, but if no such officer can be conveniently had, the managers may administer the oaths to each other. Such oath shall, after being subscribed by the managers, be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Richmond county within five days after such election.

3. Before any ballots are received at said election, and immediately before opening the polls, the managers shall open the ballot boxes to be used in such election and exhibit the same publicly to show that there are no ballots in such boxes. They shall then close and lock or seal-up said boxes except the opening to receive the ballots, and shall not again open the same until the close of the election.

4. All white persons and persons of Indian and Portuguese descent who will be qualified voters in November election, who are Democrats, and who will abide by the result of said election, shall be allowed to vote therein.

5. The managers shall keep two poll lists with the names of each voter in said election and sign the same at the close of the election. They shall not require any voter offering to vote in said election to take any oath or pledge unless the right of said voter to vote in said election is challenged, and in that case such voter shall be examined on his honor touching his right to vote in said election.

6. In case any voter upon being challenged shall refuse to pledge himself to abide by the result of said election, he shall not be allowed to vote. No person shall be allowed to vote in said primary election who is not a qualified elector in the precinct in which

he offers to vote, that is to say no person shall be allowed to vote in said primary election who is not a citizen of the United States, who will not have reached the age of 21 years on election day in November, 1908, who will not have resided in the State two years, county six months and township in which he offers to vote four months prior to said election day, or who is disqualified from voting by the constitution and laws of this state.

6. At the close of the election the managers shall proceed publicly to count the votes and declare the results. They shall certify the results of the election and on or before Friday, the 7th day of August, 1908, transmit such certificate with one of the poll lists, and all tally sheets to the chairman of the executive committee in the town of Rockingham, and they shall file one poll list with the Clerk of the Superior Court of the county.

7. The Democratic Executive Committee shall meet in the town of Rockingham on Friday, the 7th day of August, 1908, and shall proceed to canvass said votes and shall declare the results at the court house door, announcing the number of votes received by each candidate in said election, and if any candidate shall have received a majority of the votes cast for all the candidates for any office he shall be declared the nominee of the Democratic party for that office. If no candidate receives a majority of the votes cast for all the candidates for any office, it shall be declared that no nomination has been made for that office, and said executive committee shall immediately call a second primary election in which only the two candidates receiving the highest votes for each of the offices for which no nominations were made shall be voted for, unless there shall be a third candidate for any office who shall receive within 25 votes of second highest for the same office, in which case said third highest may be voted for in said primary election also; and the second primary election shall be held by the same managers and under the same rules and regulations as the first, and the candidate receiving the highest vote for any office in said second primary shall be declared the nominee for the party for that office.

8. The returns of the managers, after the same shall have been canvassed by the executive committee, together with the poll list, shall be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Richmond county within four days after the final declaration of the result thereof, and shall remain there for public inspection.

9. Every person desiring to become a candidate for the nomination for any office in said primary election shall file with the chairman of the executive committee, on or before the 20th day of July a written pledge signed in his own handwriting to the effect that such candidate is a Democrat and that in the event he is defeated in said election he will support the ticket nominated in said election, and no votes cast for any candidate who has not filed such a pledge shall be counted.

10. For the purpose of defraying the necessary expenses of printing and distributing tickets and conducting said primary election, every candidate shall, on or before the 20th day of July, pay to the executive committee a fee, as follows: Candidates for nomination for representative shall pay a fee of \$5; candidates for the offices of Sheriff, Register of Deeds and Treasurer, shall pay a fee of \$10; candidates for the offices of County Commissioner, Coroner and Surveyor shall pay a fee of \$2; Justices of the Peace and Constables shall pay a fee of 50 cents. It shall be the duty of the chairman, on receipt of the proper fee from any candidate, to have said candidate's name and the office for which he is a candidate printed on tickets, and distribute said tickets to the several voting places.

11. There shall be a separate box for every office, and no vote shall be counted unless deposited in the proper box. Every voter shall be allowed to vote for one candidate for every office, except for the office of County Commissioner, and every voter shall be allowed to vote for five candidates for that office, but no voter shall be allowed to cast more than one vote for any one candidate for County Commissioner.

12. There shall be three managers for each precinct polling place, and they shall conduct the same in an orderly manner, and said managers shall not solicit

votes for any candidate during said election. For their services the managers shall be paid \$1.00 each.

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Chapter 752, Public Laws of 1901, entitled "An act to regulate Primary Elections," as amended by Chapter 123, Public Laws of 1903.

Section 1. That every political primary election held by any political party, organization or association, for the purpose of choosing candidates for county and city, town and township officers, instructing candidates or delegates to county conventions, election of county and city executive committees, or for other purposes, shall be presided over and conducted in the manner prescribed by the rules of the political party, organization or association holding such primary election by managers selected in a manner prescribed by such rules. Such managers shall, before entering upon the discharge of their duties, each take and subscribe an oath that he will fairly, impartially and honestly conduct the same according to the provisions of this act and the rules of such party, organization or association. Should one or more of the managers appointed to hold such election fail to appear on the day of election, the remaining manager or managers shall appoint others in their stead and administer to them the oath herein prescribed. The managers shall take the oath herein prescribed before a notary public or other officer authorized to administer oaths, but if no such officer can be conveniently had, the managers may administer the oath to each other. Such oaths shall after being subscribed by the managers, be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court for the county in which such election shall be held within five days after such election.

Sec. 2. Before any ballots are received at any such election and immediately before opening the polls, such managers shall open such ballot box to be used in such election and exhibit the same publicly to show that there are no ballots in such box. They shall then close and lock or seal up such box except the opening to receive the ballots and shall not again open the same until the close of the election. They shall keep two poll lists with the names of each voter voting in such election and shall, before receiving any ballots, administer to the voter an oath (amendment, chapter 123, public laws of 1903, "It shall be their duty when any voter is challenged, in good faith, challenger stating grounds of such challenge,") that he is duly qualified to vote according to the rules of the party, and that he has not voted before in such election, and will abide by the result of the primary, and at the close of the election they shall proceed publicly to count the votes and declare the result; they shall certify the results of such election and transmit such certificate, with one of poll lists, ballots and all other papers relating to such election, within the time prescribed and to the person or persons designated by the rules of the party, organization or association, holding such election, and they shall file one poll list with the Clerk of the Superior Court.

Sec. 3. Every primary election shall be held at the time and place, and under the regulations prescribed by the rules of the party, organization or association holding the same and the returns shall be made and the result declared as prescribed by such rules, but the returns of the managers with the poll list shall be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court for the county in which such election is held, within four days after the final declaration of the result thereof, and shall remain there for public inspection.

Sec. 4. Any manager who shall be guilty of wilfully violating any of the duties developed upon such position hereunder shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction, shall be punished by a fine not to exceed one hundred dollars or imprisoned not to exceed six months, and any manager who shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be fined in a sum not to exceed five hundred dollars, or imprisoned for a term not to exceed twelve months or both, in the discretion of the court.

Sec. 5. Any voter who shall swear falsely in taking the prescribed oath or shall impersonate another person and take the oath, in his name, in order to

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vote, shall be guilty of perjury and punished upon conviction as for perjury.

Sec. 6. That in every town or city of three thousand inhabitants or over there shall be a party registration of votes under regulations to be prescribed by the rules of the party, organization or association.

Sec. 7. It shall be the duty of any person who may be appointed by his party in any capacity and who shall accept the appointment, to perform faithfully the duties of such appointment, and it shall be the duty of a delegate in any convention assembled for the purpose of naming candidates who are to be voted for by the people, to faithfully carry out the choice of his party when ascertained and declared as provided for by this act.

Sec. 8. If any voter having participated in one primary shall vote or attempt to vote in a different primary election, held for a similar purpose during the same political campaign, he shall be guilty of fraudulent voting, and, upon conviction, shall be punished in the same manner and to the extent as if he had voted illegally in the general election. And if any voter having voted once in his primary election shall vote or attempt to vote a second time in the same election, at the same or a different roll, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and be fined not less than ten dollars nor more than fifty dollars for each offence.

Sec. 9. If any person shall attempt to influence the vote of another by the use of intoxicating liquors, or shall bribe or offer to bribe any voter by promise of anything as a reward to be delivered, or a service to be performed, prior to, at the time, or subsequent to the primary election, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction, shall be fined not less than twenty-five dollars nor more than five hundred dollars.

Sec. 10. All dram shops and other places for the vending of intoxicating liquors shall be closed pending a primary election, and it shall be unlawful for any person to sell or give away spirituous liquors, beer or cider within three miles of the primary election during the time of election and from 12 o'clock the night preceding to 12 o'clock on the night succeeding the primary election, under the same

restriction and penalties as in a general election.

Sec. 11. That for the purpose of a registered primary the custodian of any of the registration books in any county, township, city or town shall, on demand, make a certified copy of the same for manager or managers of any political party, organization or association, upon the payment of ten cents for each one hundred names or fractional part thereof.

Sec. 12. That this act shall apply only to the following counties and to the townships, towns and cities therein, to-wit: Cabarrus, Washington, Wake, Richmond, Durham, Henderson, Orange, Haywood, Tyrrell, Dare, Pamlico, Granville, Northampton, Anson, Johnston and Forsyth.

Sec. 13. That upon the payment of \$5 to the party chairman by any candidate, not less than ten days before a primary election, it shall be the duty of such chairman to have the name of such candidate printed on a ballot and distributed at each voting precinct, and it shall be lawful for such chairman to print the names of all such candidates upon one ballot, plainly designating thereon the office for which each person is a candidate, and leaving a margin, sufficiently large for the voter to mark a cross mark opposite the name of the candidate for whom he desires to vote for such office.

Sec. 14. Nothing in this act shall be held or construed to make the holding of primary elections compulsory, but it shall be left to the option of the Executive Committee of each party of each county, township, city or town to which this act applies to elect whether or not for each party a primary election shall be held instead of a convention.

Sec. 15. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times, and ratified, this the 15th day of March, A. D., 1901.

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