

REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.

Saturday Was the Time—Naming of Nominees Is Put in the Hands of a Committee.

About fifty delegates and spectators assembled in the court house Saturday. The republican county convention was in session. Chairman N. V. Long called the convention to order. The roll call showed that one or two precincts were not represented and that there were no contests which obviated the necessity of a committee on credentials.

A committee on resolutions was named and while this committee was out reading over the resolutions the chairman called Mr. I. E. Saunders to take the chair. Mr. Saunders didn't want to preside but finally took the gavel. Mr. Long is a stand-patter and Mr. Saunders is a "mooser". Immediately after leaving the chair Mr. Long suggested that while the committee was getting ready to report that some one make a speech for the convention, evidently expecting the delegates to call for Long, but no one called. Mr. Saunders was "Johnnie on the spot," and with a broad satisfied smile boldly announced that if anyone had a Roosevelt speech to make to let them have it but no other kind was acceptable. The democrats present enjoyed the unique announcement that silenced the mighty Nimrod.

After a term of silence the resolutions were brought in by the committee and read by Mr. W. L. Cornelison, which were in substance to the effect that the convention deemed it wise to appoint a committee to nominate a ticket for the various county offices at such time as it might see fit in the future; and resolved further that about ten or a dozen men whose names were called be appointed on this nominating committee. A voice called out, "I move the adoption of the report." "I second it," says another—all apparently by instructions from a superior. "All in favor of the adoption of the report let it be known by saying 'aye,'" called out the chairman. About a dozen voices were heard to vote "aye," and the chair, without giving time for the discussion or calling for the "nos" on the question announced "the 'ayes' have it."

Promptly the steam roller worked and these words were heard, "I move we adjourn." "I second the motion," came the refrain. "All in favor of the motion say 'aye,'" rang out the chair. A few feeble "ayes" were heard and without giving time or calling for the "nos" announced adjournment in short order.

The delegates looked at each other bewildered, astonished and walked out. No delegates to the Taft or Roosevelt conventions were appointed. No speeches made. Nothing done in the open except to log roll a resolution over the delegates that took all power from them to represent their party by choosing candidates for the various county offices, the naming of delegates to the State convention, etc.

It was noticed that a number of influential Republicans of the county were not present and their absence has caused some concern.

We have bargains in two new organs, one Kimball and one Snipman. Dixie Furniture Co.

Steads Route 1 Items.

Steads, August 26.—Mr. J. S. Spivey, who has been on the sick list for some time does not seem to improve.

Mr. John Kennedy attended the meeting at Acorn Ridge last Sunday.

Some of the farmers are harvesting their fodder.

Mr. George Kennedy and family attended the meeting at Union last Sunday.

Bleese May not Be Governor.

Columbia, S. C., Aug. 30.—Though Governor Bleese has a majority of about 2,000 for election as governor, there is a strong probability that he never will take office. Charges of wholesale fraud have come to State Chairman Evans, of Spartanburg.

It is alleged that the vote exceeds by 30,000 any ever cast in the state and that the total ballots, more than 140,000, is greater than the number of white males of voting age in the state.

In Anderson county 4,000 more votes were polled in the gubernatorial race than in the other contests and the county committee has ordered a recount. It is believed that the state committee will throw out enough votes to insure the election of Judge Iry B. Jones as there are charges which will necessitate a recount in practically every county of South Carolina.

Governor Kitchin at Ellerbe.

Gov. Wm. W. Kitchin, candidate for the United States senate, will deliver an address at Ellerbe next Saturday, September 7th, at 10 o'clock a. m. The Governor will speak at Rockingham in the afternoon. The people of the upper section of Richmond and the lower part of Montgomery counties will have an opportune time to hear North Carolina's chief executive discuss his side of the senatorial race.

Suspends Religion During Campaign.

Solicitor W. C. Hammer, who was called "the large gentleman from Randolph" in the convention of 1908 at Charlotte, was here yesterday morning on his way home. He had made a visit to Democratic headquarters, missed the chairman, but caught Senator Simmons and Secretary Brock. Each told him good news from the Hammer view, and he was perfectly willing to leave yesterday morning in the midst of his usual sleep.

Mr. Hammer isn't entirely unlike Col. Baldy Boyden, of Salisbury, in his habits. Each used to make his debut into the campaign by whipping some very objectionable fellow, and all through it nobody held them to normal language. Mr. Boyden is an Episcopalian and used to send his rector word that he could either attend church or quit cussing from June to November. It might have meant anathema marantha in some, but the Republicans of Rowan were enough to make a preacher cuss and Col. Boyden often used language.

Hammer's religion was likewise good enough between campaigns to keep anybody from throwing rocks at it. But in the conflicts he sometimes did things that offended the clergy. One day he whipped a fellow and then cursed him. The solicitor is a good Christian, but St. Peter had his fighting point. And when the fellow smote Hammer on one cheek, Hammer made the smiter think he had been struck by a cyclone.

The preacher came down to see his pious parishioner. "Mr. Hammer," said the minister, "I hear you have been fighting."

"Yes," the solicitor said. "I had to slap an impudent Radical."

"And I hear that you have been taking the Lord's name in vain, that you have been swearing, Mr. Hammer."

"It's a d—d lie, who told you?" the Randolph churchman replied.—News and Observer.

Attention Baptist Churches.

We are requested by the programme committee to announce that the program for the Union Meeting to be held at Liberty Hill church, Sept. 29-30, will be published next week and all churches are requested to send full delegations.

GENERAL NEWS ITEMS.

News From Outside the County Reviewed and Told in Brief For Our Busy Readers.

In the superior court at Durham last week, Judge Whedbee presiding, 75 criminal cases were disposed of in two days. This is a record-breaking business in the trial of criminals.

Charging criminal libel, the grand jury bringing in a true bill, Q. K. Nimmoeks sued Capt. James D. McNeill at Fayetteville Thursday. The latter was placed under a one thousand dollar bond. Both men are candidates for the state senate.

Only a few years ago two school buildings accommodated all the school children of the Charlotte public schools. The coming autumn will find eight schools open and fully equipped for work, the new structures being modern and up-to-date.

Luther K. Durham, a member of the firm of Durham Brothers of Chapel Hill, committed suicide Thursday by shooting himself in the head. The dead man had locked himself in his room and when it was broken into he was found dead.

The hunting season is now open on the Roanoke river and deer and wild turkeys are being made the prey of the sportsman. Deer in that section are not as numerous as usual, owing to the freshets last spring which caused the drowning of some of the young.

James H. Hunter, a carpenter, of Charlotte killed himself Thursday by cutting the jugular vein in his neck with the small blade of his pocket knife. The act was committed in the rear of a restaurant. Hunter had become desperate on account of a continued illness, and believing that he was a burden to his family decided to end it all.

Under authority conferred by the post office appropriation bill Postmaster General Hitchcock has increased the salaries of rural letter carriers on standard routes from \$1,000 to \$1,100 a year, thus affecting 30,000 men, with proportionate increases to carriers on shorter routes. The order will become effective September 30.

While in a delirious condition, Samuel B. Hayes, of Charlotte, aged 34, jumped or fell from the window of his room on the third floor of St. Peter's Hospital late Saturday night and sustained injuries which resulted in his death. It is said that the nurse had been out of the room for only a few seconds, having gone for an ice pack, when another nurse in the building saw the man's body on its way to the ground forty feet below.

One passenger and five trainmen were killed, two other persons were seriously injured and twenty-one were slightly hurt Sunday when train No. 112 on the Lake Shore division of the Chicago and North-western railway, running thirty miles north of Lyndhurst, Wis., as the result of a washout caused by a cloudburst. The locomotive, mail car, baggage car, smoker and a day coach left the track and all but the day coach turned over.

The senatorial campaign which was inaugurated last spring when Judge Clark and Governor Kitchin became active candidates, will open up from now until the election in November, and it is expected that the friends of all three candidates will become aggressive. For six months Governor Kitchin has been carrying the campaign into every quarter of the state; Judge Clark has made over a dozen speeches in the last month, and Senator Simmons' friends have spoken scores of times. Senator Simmons will not himself get into the fight, but his supporters will, and Judge Clark, who is tied down by the session of the Supreme court, will make week end tours in the interest of his candidacy.

Craig at Asheboro Saturday.

Hon. Locke Craig, the Democratic candidate and the next governor of North Carolina, will address the democrats of Randolph county at Asheboro next Saturday, the 7th. The speaking will take place some time about noon. The Randolph county democratic convention takes place Saturday. Congressman Page will be present at the convention and will also deliver an address.

THE RAILROAD EXTENSION.

Mt. Gilead Will Be On the Main Line—Deeds For Right-of-Way Have Been Filed.

What will be learned with interest by the people of Mt. Gilead and this section generally is the announcement that the Norfolk Southern Railroad Company has decided upon its route in the extension of the R. C. & S. lines of the road. The entire route over which the extension of the road to Charlotte will be made has not yet been made public, but that the road will be extended out from Mt. Gilead is a certainty, as deeds for the right-of-way have already been secured and turned over to the company by its attorney. This means that Mt. Gilead will be on the main line of the road, whichever route the road may be built over from there. The location of the depot at Mt. Gilead will be changed, deeds for the new site having already been filed. This assurance that Mt. Gilead will be on the main line of the road and not on a "spur" will be learned with peculiar interest by the people of that section. It has not been learned whether the road will be built by way of Albemarle and Concord or some other route, but the people of those sections are of the opinion that the railroad company cannot afford to miss these two towns.

The railroad company has not yet decided upon the route over which the road will be run by Troy. It is thought, however, that the company can be given inducement to run the road through town, as at present, letting the location of the depot remain where it is or near its present location. To obtain the desired grade through town it will be necessary, it is supposed, to make a number of cuts and fills and also to change the course of the road in some places in order to straighten the curves.

Star News.

Prof. Edward F. Green and family have returned home from Demorest, Ga., where they have been visiting their son, Hubert green.

Mr. R. A. Nall has a shipment of new bicycles.

Mr. Johob Leach has purchased an auto.

Mr. Carl Morris has returned home from Pennsylvania.

Miss Grace James has been visiting friends in Asheboro for the past week.

Miss Lucille Scarboro of Asheboro is visiting Miss Mary Scarboro.

Star now has better railroad facilities than any other town on the line. Connections are made here with trains going in all directions.

We are sorry to note the death of Mr. Elsie Shaw's baby.

We are pleased to see some of our Okeewee neighbors in town this week.

Remember that school opens here on Sept. 11th.

We have a bargain in a second hand Emmerson piano and a new Ferrand piano. Dixie Furniture Co.

Each in His Own Sphere. The man who sweeps the streets is doing as much service to the state as the man who fills the pulpit or sits in the senator's chair.

Hon. Locke Craig, Democratic Candidate for Governor, will address the people in the Court House at Troy next Monday, Sept. 9, at 11 o'clock a. m. All are invited to come out and hear North Carolina's next Governor discuss the issues of the day.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Movements of Some of the People Who Have Come and Gone and Recorded During a Week.

Mr. C. B. Loftin left Saturday for Oak Ridge, where he enters school.

Mr. O. V. Russell left Tuesday for Raleigh where he enters the A. & M. College.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Capel and little child of Biscoe were in town a short while Sunday.

Miss Ada Siske returned Monday from a trip to Yadkinville and other points.

Miss Lizzie Winslow, who has been visiting her cousins, the Misses Lewis, returned to her home at Asheboro Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hurley and Mrs. W. C. Nance attended the birthday dinner given Mr. J. F. Hurley near Star Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McAulay and daughters, Misses Katie and Helen, passed through town Sunday in their automobile.

Mr. Boyden Siske left Tuesday for Davidson, where he enters his junior studies at Davidson College.

Mr. C. W. Eason of Smithfield arrived Monday and has taken charge of Troy Drug Store. Mr. Eason is a registered pharmacist.

Mr. Earnest King, book-keeper for the Bank of Montgomery, is taking an outing in and around Asheville this week.

Misses Tecy Beaman, Callie and Ethel Nance, and Mr. Reece Bell left Tuesday for Guilford College, where they will resume their studies at school.

Mr. Ed Thompson, who holds a position with the Southern Railway, spent from Saturday till Tuesday with friends in town.

Mr. W. P. Lewis, formerly of this county but now of Alabama, where he has been for many years engaged in the turpentine business, spent several days in town last week with old acquaintances.

New Parcels Post Law.

The new parcels post law will go into effect January 1, 1913.

Under this legislation it is provided that hereafter fourth-class mail matter shall embrace all other matter, including farm and factory products, not now embraced by law in either the first, second or third class, not exceeding eleven pounds in weight nor greater in size than 72 inches in length and girth combined, nor in form likely to injure the person of any postal employe or damage the mail equipment or other mail matter, and not of a character perishable within a period reasonable required for transportation and delivery.

For parcels post purposes the United States and its territories, including Alaska, but excepting the Philippines, is to be divided into eight postal zones.

Poplar Springs Items.

Poplar Springs, Sep. 2.—A few people of this section went to Big Oak Sunday.

Mr. A. G. Lassiter attended the protracted meeting at Pine Grove last week.

Mrs. W. G. Sikes of this section spent a few days with her daughter Mrs. E. M. Brown, of Seagrave last week.

Mr. C. B. Deaton of this section is clerking in Mr. J. F. Deaton's store at Biscoe.

There was a boy born to Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hogan last week without hands and is alive at this writing.

Where the Difficulty Lay. Downtown—Better not go to the St. Paulian hotel. Their bill of fare is in French. Cultured friends (Indignant)—I can understand French. Downtown—Yes, but the waiters can't, and neither can the cook.—New York Weekly.

New Bank at Ellerbe.

Monday, the 2nd, The Bank of Ellerbe at Ellerbe opened its doors for business, a new and up-to-date structure solely for the purpose having been recently completed, furnished with modern banking house fixtures. The bank was organized some months ago, and as there was not at the time a suitable building to be had, the opening had to be deferred until a home could be built. The officers and directors are: M. W. McRae, president; J. R. Bennett, vice-president, and D. A. Parsons, A. T. White, J. T. McLeod, J. A. Hutchinson, Alfred Baldwin, J. R. Bennett, R. L. Bennett, J. R. Wall, Z. T. Pearson, and J. B. Owens, directors.

Governor Kitchin Sept. 17.

The people of Troy and this section in general will be given the privilege of hearing North Carolina's chief executive and candidate for the United States senate on Tuesday of court, Sept. 17th. Governor W. W. Kitchin will be at Troy on that date to deliver an address to the voters of this county in the interest of his candidacy for the senate. Governor Kitchin is a forceful speaker and no doubt he will be heard with interest by many of Montgomery county's citizens.

The Graded School Opened.

The Troy Graded School opened for the fall term Monday morning with all the teachers and 172 pupils present. The pupils are allotted to the teachers in the following manner: Mrs. S. H. McCall, 51; Mrs. R. O. Fry 29; Miss Caro McIntyre, 34; Miss Bessie Reynolds, 33, and Mr. Ranson 25. Mrs. McCall has the little folks, and there were 20 beginners Tuesday morning. It is expected that the enrollment will reach 200 before Christmas. The need of a new school house is keenly felt by all the teachers and pupils.

An extra teacher is badly needed, but owing to lack of funds and proper room it will be impossible to provide the teacher this year. The principal is making an effort to do three years of high school work, an almost impossible task. Mrs. Ranson will take one period a week, having the third year high school pupils, 6 young ladies, in French and English literature. Mrs. Ranson's music and expression class started off well, there being 20 pupils enrolled. Here again is seen the inconvenience of not having a new building with a nice pleasant music room connected with it. The pupils have to leave the school house during school hours, or be deprived of the privilege of taking music lessons at a time in their lives when such instruction is very important.

Despite the fact that the building is in a bad condition and the equipment is poor, the teachers and pupils are going about their work in an enthusiastic manner, and they hope to make this year one of the best in the history of the school. They ask the hearty co-operation of the people, and, making the best of poor conditions, they are taking courage, and looking to the future for brighter and better things.

Suggs Creek Items.

Suggs Creek, Sep. 2.—Some of our farmers are beginning to pull fodder in this section.

Mrs. Fannie Starnes and family of near McFarland were visiting at W. P. Jordan's last week.

Mr. Walter Brown got his lip very badly cut Friday while at work at a saw mill a strip caught in a wheel and was thrown against him cutting a gash about an inch long.

Mr. E. E. Needham was visiting in Moore County Saturday. Mr. Rufus Simmons who has been in Alabama returned home a few weeks ago.

SHORT LOCALS

Local News Gathered in and Around Town—Social and Other Items Told in Brief.

Ice cream supper tomorrow night.

Mr. Fletcher King of Asheboro is in the county looking over timber propositions with interested parties.

Quite a number of people from the county were in town Monday attending Commissioner's court.

An old colored man, Crawford Parker, of Uwharrie township died Tuesday morning at the age of about one hundred years.

Mr. A. J. Fletcher of Sparta, Allegheny county, a young attorney and married was in town Thursday and Friday of last week prospecting.

The Republican convention Saturday was fairly well attended when the division in the party is considered. The visitors were too numerous to name in person.

Mr. E. B. McCallum and Miss Victoria Parsons, both of Candor, were married on July 31st at the home of Mr. J. B. Parsons, Rev. N. L. Seabolt officiating. The marriage was kept a secret until August 27th.

There will be a picnic at Emmons Springs, about four miles west of Norman, Saturday, Sept. 14th. Everyone is asked to attend and carry a basket of eatables. There will be plenty of refreshments, and a good time is expected.

The Womans' Missionary Society of the M. E. church, South, will give an ice cream supper Friday (tomorrow) night. The supper will be given on the vacant lot between Smitherman Store Company and the railroad near the depot. Everyone is invited to attend.

The new schedule went into effect over the R., C. & S. lines Sunday. The new schedule is almost a complete change over the old one, especially on the Mt. Gilead branch. Sunday trains have never been run on this branch before, and it will be of considerable convenience to the traveling public.

The County Commissioners had a quiet day Monday. A number of small bills and accounts were passed on. The committee on the location of a bridge over the east prong of Little River reported that the roads leading to both the Suggs mill and the Auman ford were rough and that it would require about a 150 foot bridge at either place and that the expense would be rather heavy for the present needs of public travel. The road machines purchased for the townships of the county were paid for, the amount being \$340 for those shipped. There are two more yet to come and to be paid for.

Several from Troy attended the Farmer's Union picnic at Little River church, near Pekin, last Thursday and heard two splendid speeches, one by Mr. J. C. Thompson, President of the county union, and the other by Rev. T. E. Staley. These speakers said many good things and their delivery was good also. They spoke like old hands at the business. There were probably 600 or 800 people present; and the table which looked to be near one hundred yards long was loaded with good things to eat such as only the country affords. Everybody seemed to enjoy the day hugely. Next week the editor hopes to comment a little on the speeches that were made.

Sure Cure for Smallpox. The worst case of smallpox can be cured in four days simply by the use of cream of tartar, one ounce dissolved in a pint of water; drink at intervals. In a severe outbreak remedy is hard to come by, but a mark and a name will insure you.