

## THE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARIES HELD

### COOK HAS MAJORITY OF ELECTORAL VOTES FOR THE SENATE

Widenhouse Ahead in Race for Sheriff.—Large Numbers of Voters Attend the Primaries.—Many Former Republicans Take Part.

The Democratic primaries were held in the town and county Saturday afternoon and evening. The primaries were attended by the largest number of voters of any primary in recent years. The Democrats turned out in large numbers to vote for their favorites and this number was increased by many former Republicans, who gave notice that they had forsaken the party of Taft and would henceforth abide in the Democratic fold.

In the contest for the nomination for the State Senate Mr. J. P. Cook defeated Mr. W. G. Menns. Mr. Cook received approximately 42 of the 64 votes in the county convention.

In the contest for the nomination for sheriff Mr. P. F. Widenhouse has a good lead over his two competitors, Mr. E. F. White and Mr. W. C. McKinley. The vote in one precinct has not yet been received but it is small and will have little result on the outcome. Unofficial returns give Mr. Widenhouse practically enough votes to insure his nomination, either on the first or second ballot. The following is the vote by precincts:

#### For the Senate.

The following in the vote in each precinct for Senator:

Township.	Cook.	Menns.
No. 1	12	13
No. 2, box 1	30	6
No. 2, box 2	6	12
No. 3	16	13
No. 4, box 1	41	1
No. 4, box 2	18	0
No. 5	8	11
No. 6	32	14
No. 7		
No. 8	98	0
No. 9	35	38
No. 10	45	17
No. 11, box 1	25	13
No. 11, box 2	14	0
Ward 1, box 1	78	104
Ward 1, box 2	39	12
Ward 2	70	58
Ward 3	21	15
Ward 4	36	13

#### Sheriff's Race.

Widenhouse.	White.	McK.
No. 1	6	19
No. 2, box 1	11	29
No. 2, box 2	4	16
No. 3	2	11
No. 4, box 1	5	1
No. 4, box 2	4	0
No. 5	7	11
No. 6	35	12
No. 8	47	20
No. 9	69	6
No. 10	29	33
No. 11, box 1	15	16
No. 11, box 2	4	2
Ward 1, box 1	52	90
Ward 1, box 2	51	0
Ward 2	63	26
Ward 3	20	10
Ward 4	29	15

Mr. John B. McAllister was nominated without opposition for register of deeds as was Mr. C. W. Swink for treasurer and W. Reece Long for surveyor.

For the legislature incomplete returns indicate that Mr. W. L. Morris has been renominated. Squire Jno. S. Turner received the solid vote of No. 10 and 9 townships. There was no contest for the nomination, both men being in the race as a result of the activities of their friends. Mr. Morris carried the four wards in town, Kannapolis and several other precincts, while several of the precincts voted to go unopposed.

There were no candidates in the field for coroner. Mr. J. O. Moore received a number of votes and the indications are that he will be nominated. Mr. A. E. Furr received the unanimous vote of No. 9 township.

For county commissioners there was no contest and several of the precincts went unopposed. Mr. Charles A. Isenhour's name was presented before several precincts and he received enough votes to insure his nomination. Messrs. Lafayette Morrison, G. W. Dry, John W. Morris, R. L. Smith and R. L. Hartsell all received votes in various townships. On account of the unopposed vote it will be necessary for the county convention to settle the matter.

At the primary in ward No. 2 Maj. W. A. Foil made a motion that a committee be appointed to draft suitable resolutions of respect to the late Judge W. J. Montgomery, who for many years was one of the leaders in his party in this county and who voted in that precinct. The motion was unanimously passed and the chairman, Dr. W. D. Pemberton, announced that he would name the committee later.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cannon, Mrs. E. Cannon and Miss Laura McMillan left this afternoon for Blowing Rock, traveling in Mr. Cannon's Stevens-Dunn machine.

## THE TWENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

Of the Woman's Missionary Society of the North Carolina Lutheran Synod.

The twenty-seventh annual convention of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Lutheran Synod of North Carolina, met in Holy Trinity Lutheran church, Mt. Pleasant, N. C., Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. In the absence of the president, Mrs. J. A. Linn, Mrs. J. Q. Wertz presided.

The president's report shows the addition of six new societies during the year. The synodical convention has a membership of 51 women's societies; 25 young people's societies, and 37 children's societies. About one hundred delegates were present.

At 9 a. m. Friday the convention assembled, led in the devotional exercise by Mrs. L. H. Brown, of Washington, D. C.

The treasurer's report read as follows: August 17, 1912, \$3,107.07; received during the year \$3,693.07; total, \$6,800.14. Disbursed to all causes, \$4,159.65; balance on hand August 17, 1912, \$2,640.49.

The banner woman's society this year is St. John's, Salisbury, having contributed \$244. The banner young people's society is St. Mark's, Charlotte, \$214.28. The banner children's society is that of St. Mark's of China Grove, \$158.82.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, Mrs. R. L. Patterson, Charlotte, N. C.

First Vice President, Mrs. C. P. MacLaughlin, Concord, N. C.

Second Vice President, Mrs. C. A. Brown, China Grove, N. C.

Third Vice President, Mrs. J. H. C. Fisher, Mount Pleasant, N. C.

Recording Secretary, Miss Elizabeth Van Pool, Salisbury.

Corresponding Secretary, Miss Lena Eldred, China Grove, N. C.

Secretary and Treasurer of Young People's Societies, Miss Constance Cline, Concord.

Secretary and Treasurer Children's Societies, Mrs. V. Y. Boozer, Lexington.

Active Treasurer, Mrs. A. W. Wineoff, Salisbury.

Honorary Treasurer, Mrs. P. M. Heilig, Salisbury.

Historian, Miss Lillian Miller, Salisbury.

Among the visitors and speakers at the convention were: Mrs. M. O. J. Kreps, Columbia, S. C.; Rev. R. L. Patterson, president of the Board of Home Missions, Charlotte; Rev. W. H. Riser, China Grove, N. C.; Mrs. E. C. Cronk, editor of "Tidings," Columbia, S. C.; Mr. W. G. Cobb, Jr., McLeansville; Rev. A. J. Stirewalt, Kumamoto, Japan; Dr. M. N. Kinard, president of North Carolina Synod, Salisbury; Rev. M. L. Canup, missionary at Woman's Memorial church, High Point, N. C.; Rev. L. B. Spenser, Salisbury; Prof. M. L. Stirewalt, Lenoir College, Hickory.

Report of Mrs. V. Y. Boozer, children's secretary: Thirty-nine societies, \$897.57, largest amount in history of convention.

Miss Constance Cline, general secretary of Young People's Societies, presented her report, which was as follows: Total 25 young people's societies, amount \$870.16.

Rev. A. J. Stirewalt, of Kamamoto, Japan, spoke of the \$50,000 school which has already turned away more than 100 students in Kumamoto. This school is doing a great work among the Japanese people and should receive the needed support during the coming years.

A letter was read from Rev. J. E. Shenk, missionary pastor at the first Lutheran church, Greensboro.

A telegram of greetings and hearty good wishes from the convention was sent the two departing missionaries, Rev. A. J. Stirewalt, of Luray, Va., and Rev. Chas. Hepler, Woodstock, Va., sailing to Japan.

After the devotional exercises each day Mrs. E. C. Cronk taught a public mission study class, using China's New Day as text book. Most delegates decided to use mission study books during the coming year.

Saturday afternoon Mrs. M. O. J. Kreps gave an excellent address on "Value of Service."

Saturday night a strong address on "Prayer" was delivered by Mr. W. G. Cobb, Jr., of McLeansville, N. C.

A letter was read from Rev. Takimoto, missionary in Japan. An exercise, "Mission Work Illustrated," was given by the young people of Mt. Pleasant, China Grove and Concord societies.

At the Sunday school hour an address was given by Mrs. Kreps. Missionary stories were given by Mrs. E. C. Cronk.

Prof. M. L. Stirewalt, teacher at Lenoir College, Hickory, delivered a strong missionary address Sunday.

Sunday afternoon the children held a public missionary programme. A letter from Mrs. Emma Lippard, kindergarten teacher, Sago, Japan, was read.

## MRS. ROSA HARTSELL FOUND NOT GUILTY.

Jury Was Out Little More Than an Hour in Making Up Verdict in Case.

Charlotte Observer, 25th.

The plea of insanity offered by counsel for Mrs. Rosa Hartsell, charged with the murder of her husband, Victor J. Hartsell, stood her in good stead before the jury which returned a verdict at 10 last night, acquitting the defendant. The jury was given the case at 7:30 when court adjourned for supper and came back with its verdict at 10 after being out an hour for lunch. Court adjourned almost directly after receiving the verdict, which appeared to find itself approved by the majority of those who heard the case.

Mrs. Hartsell was placed on the stand among the first witnesses who were examined by the defense. She said that she killed her husband because it had become necessary for her to protect her home and her children against such a character as he was. She told a vivid story of the killing, evidencing during her stay on the stand the same nonchalance and unconcern as is said to have marked her actions since the murder. The case was opened yesterday morning at 8 o'clock, an hour before the usual time for convening court. A desperate effort was made to get through with the case, but court did not adjourn until nearly 11 last night, so occupied was it during the day with this horrible and pitiable story of crime.

The defense introduced as experts, and their expertness was admitted by the prosecution, Dr. H. M. Wilder and Dr. W. P. Craven, both of whom testified that they had made examinations of the defendant and gave as their opinion that at the time of killing she was in such a weak mental state that she could not discern right from wrong. Other witnesses testified to the strangeness of her conduct since the murder, the spirit of carelessness she has displayed and her utter coldness and callousness in meeting the resultant consequences of the distressing affair. Her appearance in court was that of a disinterested party and this fact probably had its effect upon the jury in adding weight to the direct and circumstantial evidence that Mrs. Hartsell was not in her mind when she killed the deceased, nor has been since. The contention of the defense was such as to bear heavily upon such an one as Mrs. Hartsell and the burden of crime within the shelter of the home had so oppressed her that reason temporarily left and the story of infidelity deranged the woman.

## ODDS FAVOR WILSON.

Lloyds Insurance Premiums.—Governor's Speech Pleases Germans.

London, Aug. 24.—A considerable amount of insurance is still being placed at Lloyds in connection with the American Presidential election.

At Lloyds the chances of Wilson are considered better than those of either of his opponents. Policies are being taken out to pay a total loss in the event of Wilson being elected President at a premium of 60 guineas per cent. On a like risk, insuring against the return of Taft, the premium is 30 guineas per cent. To cover against Roosevelt's election the insurance premium demanded by the underwriters is only 20 guineas per cent.

Quite a large amount of business is being transacted at these figures.

## World's Peace Conference.

Geneva, Aug. 26.—Advocates of the adoption of principles of peace throughout the world have assembled in Geneva from many quarters of the globe to take part in the proceedings of the nineteenth International Congress, which had its formal opening today. For several months plans have been in progress to make the congress more notable, if possible, than any that has been in the past. Many of the participants will remain in Geneva to take part in the meeting of the Interparliamentary Union to be held here next month.

## Kentucky Murderer to Die.

Eddyville, Ky., Aug. 26.—Preparations are being made at the State prison here for the electrocution this week of Cal Miracle, the Bell county murderer. Just one year ago today Miracle shot and killed Matthews Jones at his home near Pineville. A woman neighbor, who was attracted to the scene by the screams of Mrs. Jones and her children, was shot and killed by Miracle in his attempt to escape. The murderer fled to the mountains and eluded capture until Nov. 29, when he was arrested in Birmingham, Ala.

## Carry Out on Bail.

Asheville, Aug. 25.—E. E. Carr, the express messenger who has been in jail here for the past week or ten days on suspicion that he had something to do with the robbery of his car near Billmore several nights ago, has been released, having been admitted to bond of \$1,000, which was furnished by people of Marion, where the young man lives. He waived examination and his case will be tried at the next term of court for the trial of criminal cases.

It's easier to get people to listen to advice than it is to induce them to act on it.

## JUDGE DANIELS' CHARGE TO JURY

### THE BLIND TIGER AND THE GAMBLER THE GREATEST ENEMIES OF THE HOME.

Blind Tigers Are the Greatest Agencies Against the Work of Church and School.—Gambling Unfits a Man for Success in Everything.—The Law Against Carrying Concealed Weapons, the Child Labor Law, Etc.

Cabarrus Superior Court convened this morning. The term is for one week and for the trial of both civil and criminal cases. Judge F. A. Daniels of Goldsboro, is presiding and Solicitor G. W. Wilson, of Gastonia, is representing the State. Court convened at 10 o'clock and the following grand jury was empaneled: John A. Gline, foreman; W. M. Linker, M. L. Maxwell, G. N. Barbee, L. R. Lentz, W. J. Whitley, J. Earl Rogers, E. P. Boyer, W. C. Furr, T. W. Kizer, C. L. Earnhardt, A. L. Fink, A. N. Harris, C. V. James, H. C. M. Goodnight, C. D. McEachern, G. L. Riner and A. A. Howell.

Judge Daniels made a great and forcible charge to the grand jury. He took up the most common evils that are tearing down and disrupting society, and pointed out the duty of the grand jury in dealing with them in a clear and direct way. Tracing the origin of the grand jury and pointing out its duties, Judge Daniels declared it to be one of the most important functions of citizens to serve up on such a jury. He implored the jury to use justice and intelligence in considering the matters that came before them, cautioning them to exercise due care in making their presentments, declaring that bringing a man into court on an unjust and ungrounded charge was as serious a mistake as failure to make a presentment when there is just cause for one. Taking up the various charges against the law Judge Daniels declared that there was one law—carrying a concealed weapon—that the man who disobeyed it should be sent to the county roads. He expressed the hope that the legislature would so change the law that it would be impossible for a judge to suspend judgment in a case where a person was found guilty of carrying a concealed weapon. "Let such an act be passed and let the law go out that it has been passed and I believe crimes in North Carolina will be diminished 50 per cent.," said Judge Daniels.

Speaking of the sale of intoxicating liquors, Judge Daniels said that the judges of North Carolina had found that three-fourths of the crimes that are tried in the courts are the result of excessive use of liquor. Its use has increased the cost of courts, blighted homes, filled asylums and county homes, thwarted the efforts of the ministers and schools and deprived society of having boys grow up and become useful men. Judge Daniels then traced prohibition legislation in North Carolina, speaking of how the legislation was taken up step by step, first at selling liquor at certain distances from churches and school houses and later by State-wide act passed by the people. It is the only law, the judge declared, of State-wide application outside of amendments to the constitution that was ever passed upon and adopted by a vote of the people. In reviewing the great prohibition campaign Judge Daniels said if he had not been in favor of the act after he saw the preachers intensely interested and the wives and daughters working for it he would have changed in order to be with them. There are honest men, he declared, who were opposed to State-wide prohibition as the best remedy for the evil, but they do not oppose the law now. They say it has been passed by the people and is a law and should be enforced. "What are you going to do about it—ally yourself on the side of the school houses and mothers are ally yourself with the blind tigers?"

Judge Daniels said that the blind tigers were the greatest agencies in tearing down the work of the churches and school houses and that the grand jury could not do a finer thing than protect the home against the illegal sale of liquor.

He paid a beautiful tribute to the home, declaring that it was one of the richest and most beautiful heritages left to us by our Anglo-Saxon forefathers and pointed out in a most convincing and effective way the duties a man should perform toward the protection of his home and society.

Speaking of gambling, Judge Daniels said: "I believe that there is no vice in the world that unfits a man for success more than gambling. It makes men idlers, loafers and vagrants. If you know of anything like this stop it."

"Another great enemy of the home is houses of ill fame, where lewd women gather and tempt young men into immoral conduct. Some men may stand dissipation, owing to their strong constitutions, but where a man

commits all the three crimes—drinking liquor, gambling and visiting houses of ill fame—he is lost, except for the power of Almighty God to reach to the lowest depths and save a man's soul."

Judge Daniels also called attention to child labor and the act that makes it unlawful to work children under thirteen years of age in the mills. He also pointed out the jury duty in visiting the jail, the county home, chain gang and their report on them. His honor closed his charge by saying that a community could have just the kind of government its citizens wanted. Every community has the power to drive out the idler, the blind tiger, and the professional gambler and the vagrant. If a community has a desire to have decent government it can have it.

## BURNED IN HOME.

Mother and Father Unable to Reach Child in Burning Building.

Greensboro, Aug. 25.—Standing outside their burning home at White Oak mill village, two miles from Greensboro tonight, Mr. and Mrs. John Terrill, heard the dying moans of their 5-year-old daughter and witnessed the flames envelop her body, unable to render assistance. The family of father, mother and three children and another family were awakened shortly before midnight by neighbors crying "fire." The mother caught the baby in her arms while the father carried a 7-year-old son from the burning structure. Terrill attempted to return for the sleeping daughter, but was driven back by the flames. The child awakened and cried piteously for help until the fire ended her agony. All occupants of the house narrowly escaped death, two members being seriously burned while escaping through the flames.

## A Statement by Rev. J. S. Harris.

I noticed in your issue of the 19th a statement from Rev. Mr. Richardson concerning his meeting at Friendship and ours. I wish to say in regard to our meeting that we announced our meeting the third Sunday in July, learning later that the Methodists would hold a meeting at the same time as ours. I received a letter from friends in No. 9, asking me to come on as we could arrange our services so as not to conflict with the Methodist brethren. Brother Whitley and myself attended the Methodist meeting the first of the week but being tired and weary we decided to rest, they not recognizing our meeting and also reading a letter published. I wish to say that we did not hold any service in the homes where we went more than family prayer. I wish to say further that the community around Friendship knows that we held services there four years ago. Also Rev. E. P. Harrington and Rev. W. R. Davis held meetings eight years or more ago, and ever since that time brethren and friends of the same community have wanted us to come back and hold a meeting. Rev. B. C. Whitley and myself never were in a community where we were treated more kindly. Taking everything into consideration, we had a glorious meeting. Eight souls were added to the Church of God. May heaven's blessings rest upon them and the good people of that community.

J. S. HARRIS, Pastor of Mission Baptist Church, Big Lick, August 24, 1912.

## More About the Standard Oil Investigation.

Washington, D. C., August 26.—Whether the investigating committee will merely probe the charges and counter charges of the Standard Oil contributions to the Roosevelt fund in 1904, or extend wholesale investigation into the allegations of the Standard Oil connection with legislation in congress during the last ten years, was the crux of the situation that confronted the Senate today.

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## FOREST HILL NEWS.

Good Game of Ball Saturday.—Buildings Struck By Lightning.—Personals.

Miss Emma Denny is spending a month in Yadkin county with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Johnson and children, of Kannapolis, spent last week in the city at the home of Mr. L. H. Johnson.

Mr. Henry Hall returned to his home in Albemarle yesterday after spending several days here with his sister, Mrs. Jno. T. Howell, on North Church street.

Mr. Will J. White, of Kannapolis, spent several days in the city last week with relatives.

Mrs. Sam McLester, of China Grove, and Miss Annie Brewer, of McColl, S. C., spent Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. W. T. Linker.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Hurt, of China Grove, spent a few hours in the city Saturday at the home of Mr. A. C. West.

Mr. Chas. Carter, of Dalton, Ga., spent a short time last week with Mr. J. C. Cook.

Miss Daisy Williams, of Mt. Gilead, is visiting at the home of Mr. John Melnis, Sr.

Miss Bertha Linker has returned from the Presbyterian Hospital at Charlotte. Miss Linker's throat trouble has improved but little as yet under the hospital treatment.

Miss Ethel Clayton, of Poplar Tent, is visiting Miss Maggie Mills, on North Church street.

Misses Maggie Henderson and Dora Fisher, of Hope Mills, are visiting at the home of Mr. D. R. Henderson, on West Buffalo street.

Miss Ethel Nicholson spent Sunday in Salisbury with friends.

The McGill Street Baptist church was struck by lightning Sunday afternoon during the heavy thunder storm. The steeple was struck, but fortunately little damage resulted.

Last week a house on Cherry street, owned by the Locke Mills was struck and one end of the house was torn out. The house was not occupied.

The very best game of Locke Mills ball season was played Saturday afternoon at Coolemeec. Both teams were in fine shape and played real ball. Not a run was scored until the ninth inning when Locke Mill fell heir to one run. Nine innings—1 to 6 in favor of Locke Mills. Manager Clark could not attend the game and the team was chaperoned by Mr. E. T. Goldston.

Misses Mary Yost and Sillie Simpson, of China Grove, are visiting Miss Clara Henry.

The King's Daughters will meet tonight at 8 o'clock at the home of Mrs. John K. Patterson, on North Union street.

## TO BE NO SUNDAY MAIL HEREAFTER

### YOU CAN'T GET YOUR MAIL EVEN IF YOU HAVE A LOCK BOX.

Law Passed Effective at Once Prohibiting the Delivery of Any Mail on Sunday, Except Special Delivery Mail.—The Law a Great Surprise.—Letters Deposited Will Be Dispatched as Usual.

Postmaster M. L. Buchanan yesterday received a notice which was received by postmasters throughout the country on the same day, and which no doubt was as great a surprise everywhere else as it was here. It is as follows:

"That hereafter postoffices of the first and second classes shall not be open on Sundays for the purpose of delivering mail to the general public, but this provision shall not prevent the prompt delivery of special delivery mail."

This law is already in effect, and but for the fact that the notice was not received at this office in time no patron of the office, not even those who have lock boxes, could have received a single piece of mail yesterday.

The strange thing about this law is that it seems to have passed before anybody knew it. No publicity whatever was given to it, and not even the postmasters dreamed that such a law was contemplated.

The law provides that from midnight of Saturday until midnight of Sunday no article of mail received at a first or second-class postoffice shall be "worked" even to the extent of placing it in a box, except it be of special delivery variety. In that case it will be delivered as usual. The law is effective at once, but notice was not received until the mail yesterday had been distributed into the general delivery compartments and into the rented boxes.

The new statute does not effect the dispatching of letters posted, which will be sent off on the various trains as usual.

The above law applies only to first and second class postoffices, that is offices where the salary of the postmaster exceeds \$2,000 a year. The postmaster's salary here is \$2,400.

There will go up from all over the country one loud howl, and no doubt Congress will repeal the law at the earliest opportunity.

# KINDERGARTEN WEEK!

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