

THE COMMONWEALTH.

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Publisher's Announcement.

It is a settled point in newspaper ethics that editors and publishers are not responsible for the views of correspondents...

The Democratic Convention in Halifax Monday was more largely attended than such an occasion in years, perhaps.

There seems to be an undercurrent of feeling in many quarters of the State that the prohibition law will probably be tampered with in some way by the next legislature.

Farmers will do well to note the fact that it has been given out that the prices on flour will be advanced this year above the prices of last year.

READY FOR LEGALIZED PRIMARIES.

The resolutions adopted by the Democratic Convention in Halifax Monday and the general expression of the people are unmistakable proof that the people are tired of holding political primaries in the old way.

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COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

A Large Gathering—Full Ticket Nominated.

Halifax Democratic Convention was held in Halifax Monday, Aug. 17th. There was a large gathering from all parts of the county.

Mr. Travis called the list of townships with the votes of each township, and motion prevailed that the townships vote accordingly.

The chairman announced that nominations for Sheriff were in order.

Mr. S. H. Smith placed before the convention the name of ex-Sheriff J. H. House. Dr. A. S. Harrison nominated Sheriff J. R. Patterson.

The total number of votes in the convention by the townships was 101. Upon the call of the townships the vote was taken, which resulted as follows: House, 51,786; Patterson, 49,214.

Mr. R. S. Neal nominated Mr. T. W. Fenner and Mr. T. H. Taylor nominated Mr. J. H. Norman.

Upon the call of townships the vote stood as follows: Fenner, 44,935; Norman, 56,905. The chair declared Mr. Norman the nominee of the convention for Register of Deeds.

Nominations for Treasurer were declared in order. Mr. A. P. Kitchin nominated Mr. J. E. Bowers, and Mr. R. C. Dunn nominated Mr. W. T. Clement.

Upon the call of townships the vote stood as follows: Bowers, 52,878; Clement, 48,122. The chair declared Mr. Bowers the nominee for Treasurer.

Nominations for Coroner were declared in order. The names of Dr. J. P. Wimberley, Dr. Neil McRae, and Mr. J. J. Robertson were placed before the convention.

Nominations for County Commissioners were called for, and the following names were placed before the Convention: N. L. Stedman, W. D. Bass, B. A. Pope, S. P. Johnston, S. T. Thorne, F. M. Taylor, W. R. Harvey, T. W. Myrick and W. F. Butterworth.

Upon a call of townships the names of the five receiving the highest votes were: N. L. Stedman, B. A. Pope, S. P. Johnston, S. T. Thorne and W. R. Harvey, and they were declared by the chair the nominees.

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amendment to Mr. Dunn's resolution. After further discussion by request of Mr. Travis and others Mr. Dunn agreed to the resolution and it was adopted.

The following persons were named as chairmen of the township executive committees.

- Butterwood—A. E. Carter. Brinkleyville—W. G. Newsome. Conocoanara—N. Fitzpatrick. East Enfield—C. F. Pittman. West Enfield—W. T. Clement. Faucetts—W. E. Daniel. Halifax—E. L. Travis. Kehukee—W. P. White. Littleton—Whit A. Johnson. Palmyra—L. J. Baker. Roanoke—W. D. Leggett. Roanoke Rapids—D. C. Ballard. Weldon—Dr. I. E. Green.

RESOLUTION FOR PRIMARIES.

Resolved by the Democrats of Halifax County in Convention Assembled:

- 1. That the Legislative nominees of this Convention be and they are hereby instructed to use their best efforts in the next Legislature to procure a compulsory legalized primary for the nominees of all the elective County officers of Halifax County, including the legislative nominees. 2. That, in event of failure to procure such compulsory legalized primary, the Executive Committee of the Democratic party of Halifax County be and are hereby instructed to hereafter hold a legalized primary for the nominees of all elective County officers, including the Legislative nominees, in accordance with the present law (Acts 1907, Chap. 926) and acts amendatory thereof.

3. That, among other rules for the holding of such primaries, the following shall be one:

Only Democrats shall participate in said primaries. Nor shall any Democrat participate in said primaries who, if challenged, shall refuse to pledge himself to vote for the nominees of the pending primary, nor shall any Democrat participate in such primaries who did not vote the Democratic ticket in the next preceding general election, unless prevented from so voting by sickness, absence out of the County, or the disqualification of non-age or non-residence.

Halifax News.

(Cor. to The Commonwealth.) Halifax, N. C., Aug. 18, 1908.

There was an immense crowd here Monday to the Democratic convention, one of the largest perhaps in years.

Mrs. E. J. Brown went up to Littleton Saturday to stay a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Rhoads.

Mrs. Lizzie Ousby and Miss Rebe came back home last Friday after a week at Wrightsville Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Cole and children, of Shelmerdine, are spending a few days with Mrs. Ousby. Mrs. DeLeon Green, of Cleveland, O., came back from Norfolk last week and will remain with her mother and sisters for some time.

Miss Nell Nelson, one of our most accomplished young ladies, went to Ocean View last Saturday to remain a while.

Mr. Gordon Fields, with the Vincent pharmacy, made a business trip to Charlotte last week, coming back by Petersburg to see his mother. He reports crops of all kinds exceedingly good along the way. Our citizens were very much grieved to see so much drunkenness, cursing, and etc. on our streets here Monday. There were numerous fights indulged in by some who had an overdose of devil's liquid, while they piled up in alleys and back lots without permission.

We stated in the Progress last week that Rev. D. E. Viperman would commence his meeting at Dawson's the 3rd Sunday. We were mistaken, it will commence on the 4th Sunday. Rev. C. J. D. Parker, of Portsmouth, Va., will help him.

Rev. J. E. Holden commenced a meeting a Pierce's camp ground Monday to run through this week.

Foul Murder at Robersonville.

The Williamston Enterprise gave full details of a foul murder at Robersonville last week. It said in part: "The most cold blooded and dastardly murder in the history of Martin county was committed Wednesday morning at ten o'clock when Robert Roberson, a negro, deliberately shot Charles H. Whitchard, a white man, in the latter's market house."

The negro was hired by Whitchard to pull fodder for him on contract, but the negro quit before finishing the work and demanded his pay, and Whitchard refused to pay him until he had finished the job. From current rumors it is gathered that the negro told Whitchard that he had to pay him or he would kill him before 12 o'clock. The negro went off and secured a pistol, going back to the market house he hung around waiting a chance to shoot. When everyone, except Whitchard, had left the market the negro shot three times, but only one ball struck him, from that wound Mr. Whitchard died that afternoon at three o'clock.

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