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### DELEGATE-AT-LARGE.

We note that the name of Major E. J. Hale, of Fayetteville, will be presented to the Democratic State Convention for election as one of the four Delegates-at-Large to the National Convention in Baltimore. May this honor be conferred upon Major Hale, for he is in every way qualified to represent North Carolina at the Convention.

### Death of Stonewall Bryant.

By request of the bereaved companions I send you for publication a notice of the death of our dear little friend, Stonewall Bryant, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Bryant, of Scotland Neck, which occurred May 8, 1912. He was confined to his bed but a few weeks previous to his death, during which time a murmur was never heard to escape his lips. All that loving hands could do availed nothing. Thus death enters upon our threshold and plucks away our brightest and best. What a sad dispensation of Providence! The once happy home is sadly bereaved and a seat is forever made vacant which was filled by one who possessed that patience and fortitude which ever bows submissively to the will of God. How much our little friend's missed words fail to express. Light that shines before men that they seeing his good works glorify his Father which is in heaven. Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints. He is gathering them from the storms that toss and the waves that beat into that realm of eternal bliss, where sickness, sorrow, pain and death are felt and feared no more.

Sleep on, dear Stonewall, in thy tomb.  
That calm and peaceful sleep,  
Where nothing can come to disturb  
Or cause thy soul to weep.

We know, dear Stonewall, thou art gone,  
Thy loss we deeply feel,  
But the one that caused us all to mourn,  
Can our sorrows heal.

We would not have the back  
In this vain world to stay,  
Where pain and sorrow, grief and woe,  
Forever do prevail.

We feel to know you are at rest,  
Singing around thy throne,  
Where we some day hope to meet  
When all are gathered home.

Your stay on earth with us was short,  
Your days were numbered few,  
But the Lord knew best for us all,  
And did as he saw fit to do.

We loved him, yes we loved him,  
But angels loved him more,  
And they have gently called him  
To yonder shining shore.

The golden gates were open,  
A gentle voice said Come!  
And with farewell unspoken  
He calmly entered home.

CARRIE LEGGETT.

### Congressional Convention Called.

Windsor, N. C., May 6.—The Congressional Convention for this, the second district, is called to meet in Rocky Mount on Tuesday, the 4th day of June, at half past one o'clock, for the purpose of nominating a candidate for Congress, and for the consideration of the usual business.

By order of the committee,

A. S. ROSCOE, Chairman.

### Democratic Primaries.

The qualified Democratic voters of Halifax County are requested to meet at the voting places in their respective townships on Saturday, May 18th, 1912, at 4 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of electing delegates to the Halifax County Convention to be held at Halifax on Saturday, May 25th, 1912, which convention will elect delegates to the State and congressional conventions. Each township will also elect an executive committee of five members, the chairman of which will be a member of the County executive committee. The County executive committee will meet at same time and place the County convention is held to elect a chairman for its ensuing two years.

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## MEMORIAL DAY.

Graves Decorated With Flowers.—Address by Mr. Ashby Dunn.

### DINNER SERVED BY THE DAUGHTERS.

The Tenth of May was fittingly and appropriately observed by the Buck Kitchen Camp of Confederate Veterans, assisted by the Daughters of the Confederacy, and the day was one of pleasure and enjoyment to the old soldiers present who wore the gray.

The exercises of the day were commenced at 10 o'clock, when the members of the Camp and others who cared to do so, were taken to the cemetery in carriages, buggies, and automobiles, where the graves of the soldiers who fought for the lost cause were decorated with flowers. Returning to town they stopped at the graded school, where the further exercises were held in the large auditorium.

Commander W. F. Butterworth called the meeting to order and requested Rev. N. C. Yearby, pastor of the Methodist church, to lead in prayer. A special choir composed of Misses Anna Kitchin, Cornelia Josey, Kate Tillery, Gertrude Whitehead, Messrs. C. T. Lawrence, L. H. Kitchin and Gavin Hyman, with Mrs. W. R. Bond at the piano, rendered several selections. There were two recitations, one by Louise Allsbrook and one by Lee Braxton.

On the rostrum were Mrs. H. L. Clark, president of the Daughters, Mrs. J. S. Bowers, vice-president, Miss Cornelia Josey, sponsor, Prof. J. B. Aiken, Rev. N. C. Yearby, T. E. Ausbon, and Commander W. F. Butterworth.

Next came the address of the occasion by Mr. Ashby Dunn, one of our own boys. He was introduced by Prof. J. B. Aiken. Mr. Dunn spoke with ease and thrilled his audience with eloquence and his sentences were filled with food for thought and reflection. We would like to publish the entire speech, but since we cannot do so for the lack of space we give our readers a few extracts and general outline of what he said. In his introductory remarks Mr. Dunn said:

"Standing here before the comrades of my fathers, an heir to all that you and they have given, looking into the faces of those who are joint heirs with me of the priceless heritage we enjoy, knowing that we are met here with a common love, for a common purpose—a love for the men and women of the Confederacy, and a purpose to pay honor to their lives and commemorate their immortal deeds, I can but feel that this is a glorious gathering, a happy meeting.

"Three generations are represented here this morning—the father, the son, and the grand-son. As first on our lips, so first in our hearts is the father. As grand-son I come last, but I desire to say for myself and the grand-daughters and the other grand-sons represented here, that though last we are not least, for when it comes to loving a Confederate veteran and his faithful helpmate our hearts are as big as anybody's.

"To-day throughout the length and breadth of our State a grateful and a loving people are commemorating the deeds of a brave and noble ancestry."

The speaker discussed the significance of memorial day, saying that love and tears, struggle and bloodshed, an unconquerable spirit in the lives of our fathers had given us the day, and without them it would not have been. He also stated briefly the conditions that prevailed in the years preceding the war. Next he discussed the right of the Southern States to secede, showing clearly and beyond a doubt that they had that right.

Mr. Dunn told the members of Camp that they were among that number who went forth to battle and to die, if need be, that right might triumph; how that it was through the purest motives of unselfishness that they offered their lives so freely to the cause they held sacred; that they had much to lose and little to gain, yet, hearing the call of duty they answered, hearing its voice of command they obeyed. There was to live and to labor if God so willed, to do and to die if He decreed otherwise.

He traced the record that the Confederate soldiers made, and emphasized the splendid and singly glorious record made by the soldiers from North Carolina. Faithful in the beginning these soldiers were faithful in the end; first at Gettysburg they were last at Appomattox; they bore disaster and disappointment, but they never bore defeat; they faced overwhelming odds with a steady arm, a keen eye, a sure aim, faced them in all the habitations of war, but they never wore the white feather when they faced any man.

"Yet not to you is all the glory," continued Mr. Dunn, "for there is another we remember to-day, one

whose name we speak with reverence, one whose life calls to higher and holier living." He was referring to the women of the Confederacy. "Those women," he said, "who endured the hardships, suffered the suspense and bore the loss of those trying times and the days that followed with that patience and fortitude that has ever marked them and lifted them to places high and enduring and given them a holy of holies in our hearts."

He remembered the great women of history, tracing briefly the lives and deeds of a few of them, but he said that the women he remembered most were those quiet, gentle spirits, those brave, true women who lived their lives in unselfish love, patient endurance, brave hopefulness, waiting and watching with that suspense that only loving hearts can know, yet working ever, performing the duties that came to hand, meeting the "eternal every day" with a courage born only of a perfect and beautified character.

What lives these women must have lived before the war, else how could they have enjoyed that old time courtesy, that typical Southern chivalry which the men of those days rendered her. How nobly they must have lived, how true they must have been to their womanhood.

"When the dark days came, when the flower of Southern manhood went forth from their homes to battle for the protection of the homes they had left, and man's responsibility had fallen upon the shoulders of women, with what gentleness and sadness, yet with what strength and courage did they say their words of parting, take up the burden that was inevitably theirs to bear, and with heads bowed down with grief, and with loving heart-filled with fear and suspense, went about their daily tasks. The soldier on the field of battle was blessed with the excitement and continual change, the endless struggle, the constant move, but the women at home could only wait and watch, fearful ever for the lives of loved ones, knowing never what the next news would be. They did not shrink, they did not fall down beneath their load of responsibility. As they had loved in the bright and happy days, so now in the dark and stormy days they continued to love and pour out their lives for love's sake. Oh, men of those days, their faithfulness was your strength, their love was your joy, their prayers were your protection. Was there ever a time when they were not a part of your lives, and when your lives were not sweeter and better because of them?"

"When the ashes of devastation and desolation had darkened a land which had shown bright under God's blue dome, when homes whose halls had rung with merry laughter, childish prattle, and all the sounds of grief and abject want, the women of the Confederacy had not been heard to say, 'It is enough, we can stand no more,' but with brave and loving hearts they met the changed conditions unshrinkingly, and working hand in hand those who had returned, together, out of the ashes of ruin, they raised aloft a new and a resurrected South."

In closing Mr. Dunn said: "Ask me to point you to the brave souls of earth, forgetful of the Caesars, the Shakespeares, the Gladstones, the Washingtons, I will point you to that countless host of women who met the 'eternal every day' bravely and unshrinkingly, in courage and cheerfulness and patience, attending to every duty that came to hand, trusting ever in the God they loved and glorified. Oh, mothers of men, you have left us a priceless, a sacred, a perpetual heritage. May we prove true and worthy children of time."

The old enmity is forgotten, the hands of two brave peoples have joined in the clasp of eternal friendship. The heroism of those times, and the heroes and heroines that made such heroism possible, can never be forgotten. They are our perpetual heritage.

Mr. Dunn expressed a desire that a monument should be raised on the graded school campus to the men and women of the Confederacy, saying that nothing could be more fitting than that those who toiled so faithfully together in life should be honored together in death.

At the close of the address crosses of honor were conferred upon Messrs. M. D. Allsbrook, T. E. Ausbon, Hope Bell, Wiley Briley, W. T. Joyner, W. F. Staton, Dudley Whitaker, and Capt. R. R. Cotten. Announcement was made that no more crosses can be conferred after November 1, 1912.

The Daughters had prepared a nice dinner for all the soldiers present, and such a feast it was—barbecue, ham and bread, pickles, cake and good hot strong coffee.

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"Just before the exercises closed Mr. John Lewis Payne read suitable resolutions as passed by the John H. Small Debating Society. The popular and efficient principal, Mr. P. Q. Bryan, who has so acceptably filled the position for the past two years is not to return to Washington next year but will locate in Oxford, N. C., to practice his profession, the law. The resolutions in words of feeling expressed regret at his going and wishing him every success in his profession and new home. While this act came somewhat as a surprise to Mr. Bryan, what followed was a greater. Mr. Chas. Meekins then stepped to the front of the rostrum and in words of oratorical fitness in behalf of the teachers and student body of the school presented Professor Bryan with a handsome gold watch for suitably engraved. For a minute or more Mr. Bryan could not respond and when he did, it could be readily seen that words were inadequate to express his deep appreciation."

A banquet was given after the exercises at which Professor Bryan acted as toastmaster.

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