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ANOTHER VIEW OF THE RECENT TOWN PRIMARY

Mr. Frank P. Shields Gives His Version. Br. H. I. Clark, Chairman Also Makes Statement.

The Primary to nominate the town flicers for Scot and Neck, was held n Madry's Opera House last Friday night, April 30th. The convention was called to order by the Chairman, Dr. H. I. Clark, and immediately Dr. Clark was made permanent Chairman, and Mr. A. L. Purrington was elected Secretary.

The convention then proceeded to nominate a candidate for Mayor Dr. J. E. Shields being the only per son placed before the convention, he was nominated by acclamation.

The next thing in order was the nomination of four town commis sioners. It appeared that there were six men who had been thought of for commissioners, and in due time their names were placed before the convention by Dr. A. C. Livermon. The men were Messrs. R. M. Johnson, Stuart Smith, N. B. Josey, N E. Winslow, L. H. Kitchin and H. T. Clark.

Upon motion of Mr. A. P. Kitchin it was decided to have every man go up to the front and cast his ballot.

At this point the question arose as to what ticket should be used. There appeared to be two tickets which had been scattered through the crowd, one baving the names of Messrs. N. other ticket had the names of all six B. Josey. nominees upon it. Mr. A. P. Kitchin suggested that the voters use either following to constitute the executicket or tickets, just so that they did not vote for more than four persons—that they could vote for one, two, three and four. Dr. A. C. Livermon endorsed the idea of Mr.

Mr. W. H. White was recognized by the Chairman, and he moved that the ballot containing six names be accepted as the ballot that the convention would use and that each per-

Farland arose and made an earnest for Mayor and Commissioners for Miss Reid is truly one of our finest plea that the convention select the said Town, to be voted for at the primary teachers. Mancockellouse Co., Inc strongest men in town as commis- election held May 4th, 1915. sioners, and that they should be se- I was present at said convention, with a short address by Prof. Kentucky, that the names of all the left the hall. candidates were on one ticket, and May 12, 1915. the voters struck out the names of North Carolina the persons they did not desire to

bouse of any kind moved see me at | At this point Mr. A. P. Kitchin asked Mr. McFarland what objection there was to a block ticket. In answer, Mr. McFarland stated several objections to a block ticket, but that he was sure neither side had thought of these objections when getting out the tickets with four names on them. He emphasized the fact that every man in Scotland past year.

> privilege. When Mr. McFarland took his seat Mr. Kitchin arose and said that Mr. McFarland had implied that there were voters who were not capable of selecting their own tickets, and went on to eulogize the men of

Scotland Neck. Mr. McFarland immediately responded that Mr. Kitchin had misinterpreted him-that he only answered Mr. Kitchin's question by sta:ing some objections to a block ticklar pains to state that of course the success in baseball. It seems that A. J. Manning of Williamston ad-North Carolina which had been circulated did not even think of these objections. He him captain of the Varsity team. and Wednesday of each month at furthermore emphasized again the e, Ear, Nose, Throat and fit glasses | Neck was not only capable of fixing Dunn followed in a splendid address, North Caralina advocating the position taken by Mr. tions.

uniding. Office hours from 9 to 1 At this point the Convention demanded a vote on Mr. White's motion. The vote was taken and the convention decided by a vote of 13 church, next Sunday at 3:30 p. m. to 74 to adapt the ticket with all six by H. F. Morton, who will be the names on it, as the ticket to be used regular pastor. in the Convention.

It then appeared that there were not sufficent tickets of this kind to go around and it was agreed that the voters could write all six names on a ticket, or add the two names lacking on the tickets of four, srike out two or more names, and vote for the others.

Several questions were then asked the Chairman about the use of the ticket with only four names or thom The Chairman responds that the Convention had decide that matter, and that all the name must be on the tickets used.

At this point Mr. J. E. Bowers in a passionate speech, began to nominate two other persons as Commissioners, for the purpose, as he stated. of nominating so many men that it would take all night to write the tickets. At this point Mr. A. P. Kitchin made a motion to adjourn and "fight it out at the polls".

This motion was never put to the Convention, nor did the Chairman declare the convention adjourned and he so states, yet nearly all of the persons voting in the negative of Mr. White's motion left the hall along with a few who voted in the affirmative.

The Chairman became disgusted and left the chair, whereupon Mr. L. M. Pittman was elected permanent Chairman, Mr. Purrington the Secretary, remaining at his

The Convention proceeded to vote on the names that had been placed before it, and the following persons having received the highest vote were declared to be the nominees of the Democratic Primary for B Josey, L H. Kitchm, Stuart town Commissioners: N. E. Winslow Smith and N. E. Winslow. The H. T. Clark, R. M. Johnson and N.

The Convention then elected the tive Committee: A. L. Parrington, W. H. McDowell, Frank P. Shields, B. I. Allsbrook and N. A. Riddick. There being no futher business to demand the attention of the convention a motion to adjourn prevailed. Frank P. Shields.

DR. CLARK'S STATEMENT.

At this point the Rev. R. A. Mc- purpose of nominating candidates results.

at heart, and he strongly advocated moil as to how the vote for commis- and Clarice Cartwright. that the convention should select a sioners should be taken. During Song-When The Roses Bloom ticket, or method of voting, that no the confusion a motion was made Again-by Glee Club. man could question after the con- to adjourn, at least half the convenvention was over. He referred to tion was standing up hollering, and three girls. (Alta Hines as the fact that in the primaries in some leaving the hall, I thought the Mollie played the part well.) which he had voted in Virginia and convention had broken up and I H. I. Clark.

Hobgood Items.

Hobgood, May 12 .- H. B. Jones, chief of police of Scotland Neck, was in town for a few hours Mon-

Misses Hellene White and Mavis Thigpen and Frank Armstrong have returned from Winterville where they have been in school for the

Mrs. E. P. Hyman spent Saturday own ticket and should have that in Palmyra with Mrs. B. B. Everett. Mr. and Mrs. Anthony and R. J. Shields motored to Scotland Neck time given them.

Monday morning. Edward Hyman and H. B. Moore started for Rocky Mount in an automobile Sunday morning but got no further than Lawrence. One of the wheels ran off the car and they had to walk six miles before they found aid. They have both decided

liable. All of Leon Shields friends are sarily a college one. very much pleased to hear of his After dinner W. R. Burrell and worth, for they have recently made

The new town commissioners have his own ticket, but that he should improvements that they intend to have that privilege. Mr. Ashby make. We sincerely hope that they

Services at Nahala.

There will be preaching at Nahala

The public is invited to attend.

OAK CITY HIGH SCHOOL ENDS SUCCESSFUL YEAR sie Roberson.

Commencement Exercises Largely Attended and Greatly Enjoyed by Every One. Other News Nems.

Oak City, May 11.- The Comnencement Exercises of Qak City High School were well attended last

Thursday and Friday nights. The Program Thursday night by Miss Jennie Reid's scholars (The Primary Class) was as follows:

A short address by Prof. I. S. Bowen, and presentation of a testament to three little girls and one boy for best attendance during the year. Lucile House absent 1 day; Myrtella Hyman not absent at all; Pauline Davenport absent 1 day; Clifton Hyman absent 14 days.

Song, You're Welcome If You Keep Right Still-by Primary Class. Duet-by Mable Haislip and Miss

Song, 'Ise a Little Nigger gal-by four girls.

Drill, Liberty March-by twelve Song, Churning-by seven girls.

Reading, The Little School Ma'm -by Sarah Johnson. Song, Little Mothers-by eight

Solo, When My Dollie Grows to

be a Lady-by Mildred Davenport Song, Mudpies-by eight girls. Play Sambo's Party. Drill, Fairy Hoop Dance-by six-

teen small girls. Duet, The Quarrel-by Myrtella and Clifton Hyman.

Drill-Mother Goose Reception. Duet, Millitary March-by Gladys Johnson and Miss Parker.

This program was well carried out and beautifully performed. The Fairy Hoop Dance, was a fairy dance in reality, the little tots kept perfect time to the music and their Am Chairman Democratic Exe- lovely costumes of pink and white son could scratch out two or more cutive Committee for Scotland Neck, covered with gold stars, were a names and vote for the others, and as such chairman called a con-dream in themselves. The entire There was some discussion on this vention or primary to be held on program proves that only skilled Friday night, of April 30th, for the labor could have accomplished such

The program Friday night opened Bowen. The three young graduates talking to our friends and business ing out the disease. any faction, but because they had After Mayor was nominated by who received their diplomas were men. Now just let us have a railability and the interest of the town acclamation, there arose some tur- Misses Virginia Rawls, Clyde Jorden

Play, Angel Mollie-by seven boys

Dialogue, Dot Entertains - by Bertha Piland and Edgar Turner.

Play, Suffragetts Meeting-by 11 girls and 1 boy. Drill, Maypole-by eight girls. Reading, Mother and Home-by

Virginia Rawls. Coenville Chorus-by seven boys. The Train to Mauro-by Emily

Song, Blow, Blow, Blow, Balmy Breezes-by Glee Club. The music was rendered by Miss

Annie Clyde Parker, teacher of music and of the middle grades. Prof. Bowen and Miss Parker have done good work and accomplished good results in the length of

A picnic and barbecue at Conoho Grove by the teachers of the high school Friday was well attended by the pupils, parents, families and

Mr. K. A. Pitman of Wake Forest, delivered an address in Conoho Church before dinner, his that a worn out Metz is not very re- subject being principally "The Necessity of Education" but not neces-

persons getting out the tickets his schoolmates appreciate his true dressed the crowd with many witty It was an enjoyable day altho a

thunder storm came up just after hatel to treat the diseases of the fact that every man in Scotland bond come tells of a great many A. J. Manning of Williamston was in town Friday.

Miss Jennie Ried left for her home in the western part of North Carolina Saturday. Prof. I. S. Brown left Tuesday morning for Burgaw.

Mrs K. A. Pittman of Wake Forest was in town Thursday and Friday the guest of I. S. Bowen. W. R. Burrell of Williamston was In that home beyond the skies. in town Friday.

Miss Pearl House spent the week NORTH CAROLINA AT end in Hassell the guest of Miss Bes-

Billie Haislip was in town Satur-

Friday after a trip of several days through near by counties. Mrs. Everett of Robersonville is spending-some time with her son

H. S. Everett and her daughter Mrs

days in Bath. Misses Malissa Worsley, Annie rate from typhoid in this country, Clyde Parker and Messrs Cleveland according to Dr. Evans, 17.9. and Frank Reeves attended the ball

game at Rocky Mount Saturday. Dr. B. L. Long for several days.

the hospital in Norfolk Monday. Mrs. Frank'tiaislip returned to her lest death rate from typhoid of any home in Hamilton Monday. She has state in the Union. been the guest of her sister Miss There may be mentioned two con-Lon Council for several days.

Washington N. C. and two young from typhoid, but they do not alter \$ friends of Hamilton were in town the fact that she is needlessly sacri-Monday.

Dawson Items.

a refreshing rain last Friday which be so high as that of the country was greatly needed.

planting cotton around here.

ton planted in this section this year. communities. The second condition doned the idea of planting tobacco, lina's population is negroes, and the

Mr. P. H. Lewis, the man from the prevalence of the disease. ly. He says that he will plant losing her hundreds to this preventthe Russell Lewis farm.

turnpike road so we can enjoy see- sgainst typhoid. North Carolina ing the automobiles hit the eighty- will remain at the bottom of the

other places.

Mr. Horace Pittman and family were down Saturday visiting relatives and friends from Enfield.

Mrs. Fletcher Merritt.

Enfield, N. C., May 7.-Mrs. ducements that will be accepted. Fletcher Merritt died at her home May 4, 1915, about 10:30 o'clock.

fer, and had been confined to her piness of her citizens are considered, Hines, Ernest Harrell and Marvin bed for nearly ten months. Many she cannot afford not to use this of the best physicians attended her, summer as the season to stamp out but only gave her temporary relief typhoid. Her death was no great suprise, but a great loss to her family.

She had been a constant christain and member of the Crowells Baptist church for many years. She was furnaces or stoves. about 48 years of age, and leaves a husband, four sons and five daughters and a host of relatives and friends to mourn their loss.

the old Westry burying ground Wednesday evening, May 5th. A large crowd of relatives and friends were present to witness the last sad duties performed. "Safe in The Arms of Jesus" was very feelingly ing sung by a group of lady friends, fires rest in a measure with your after which the 90th Psalm and the activity in Prevention. 15th chapter of First Corinthians were read by the writer by special all fires are preventable. request of the family. While the ance rates are based on the sum grave was being filled up the ladies rotal of carlessness. sang, "Shall We Gather at The River," after which the benediction was pronounced by a layman.

May our kind Heavennly Father send His Holy Spirit to these sorrowing ones to confort them in their grief.

What is home without a mother To instruct and to advise? But she is gone to be with Jesus In that home beyond the skies.

We shall meet to part, no never when lighted. By and by, by and by, We shall meet to part, no never, J. L. Hale.

matches.

THE BOTTOM OF LIST

Wilmer House returned home The Highest Death Rate From Typhoid Fever of Any State in The Union. Vermont Has Lowest Rate.

"North Carolina is at the bottom \(\) of the list with a rate 574," sn L. J. and T. W. Davenport with Dr. W. A. Evons in speaking of the their families are spending a few typhoid death rate of various states of the Union. The average death

If these figures are true, and they are taken from Government reports, Dr. Edgar Long has been ill in North Carolina has a death rate Hamilton at the home of his father from typhoid fever over three times as high as the average in the United Mr. Bates Council returned from States and over eight times that of Vermont. The latter has the low-

ditions as slightly accountable for Misses Clara Bell Everett of North Carolina's high death rate ficing several hundred deaths a year from this filth disease. The first is that the figures were taken from the cities and all the towns having more than 1,000 inhabitants. The Dawson, May 11.—We had quite typhoid death rate in cities may not districts, but that of the small The farmers are nearly done towns, where there is no protection offered by sewerage and water There will be a large crop of cot- works, is higher than that of rural A good many farmers have aban- is that 35 per cent. of North Caroalthough they have sowed their to- insanitary conditions that exist from their modes of living affect no little

Wilson that bought the old Burwell Whether North Carolina shall Dunn place, has improved it great- tolerate this position and continue twenty-five acres in tobacco this able disease is the question now at year to start with and see if the soil stake. This summer will decide is adapted to the growth of tobacco. this question to a large extent. If Mr Geo. I. King has moved to the small towns and villages are going to maintain insanitary condi-The long looked for chain gang tions, breeding places for flies, will commence work on the road open-back privies, unscreened food from Enfield to Dawsons this week, and polluted water, and if the so we are informed, and we hope State's citizens, black and white, that they will build us a modern are going to refuse to be vaccinated

list with the highest typhoid rate. We have a good telephone line But if the chooses to clean up and from here to Scotland Neck after tolerate no such conditions, she can waiting and wishing for it so many go a long way in one summer tolong years. And how we enjoy ward reducing the rate and stamp-

by the way of Dawsons and Ring- from health, that might be looked wood, Scotland Nack and some on with no little consideration. That is in the light of her interest is a State attracting home-seekers and investors. "Safety First" i the chief consideration of those who would seek new homes and places of business, and no state occupying the foot of the table. in health matters especially, can hope to hold out in-

That North Carolina will continue near Crowells, Tuesday morning, at the foot does not seem likely even from this mercenary point of Mrs. Merritt was a very great suf- view, and when the health and hap-

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Step to think that two-thirds of Stop to realize that the fire insur-

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pipes or steampipes. Stop using loose-jointed gas bracke's which can be swung against wood work or curtains. Stop filling oil or gasoline stoves

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