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## THE DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

Placed A Strong Ticket in the Field—  
Sheriff Ellington Nominated  
for Senate.

The hosts of Johnston County Democracy met in the Riverside Warehouse yesterday at noon and nominated a County and Legislative ticket that will sweep the County next November. The day was a rainy and disagreeable one, yet every section of the County was well represented, and taking it all in all, the crowd was a very large one considering the weather.

The Convention was called to order promptly at 12 o'clock by County Chairman, Clarence W. Richardson, of Selma, who announced that Rev. O. R. Mangum, of Selma, would lead in prayer.

Before beginning the business of the Convention Mr. Richardson made a short address in which he called on Democrats to arouse themselves and prepare for the fight. In concluding his address, Mr. Richardson said: "Gentlemen, we must work if we would win and we must go out to the people of the County and do our duty, which we will do, and then we can know no defeat. I appeal to you in the name of Democracy and for the perpetuation of its principles of Thomas Jefferson whose name and deeds are immortal, to go to work right now, do not wait for men to come to you, take the initiative and victory is ours. As for me I have no aspiration for any office in the gift of the people, but for the love of my County I desire to see the best men in office. Think of the days of Butlerism, God forbid that they should again visit us. I beg you to think of the dark days of the past in our County, and when you go home, go fully determined that you will leave no stone unturned and from now until the last day of the shining sun on the 3rd of November next we will continue to work."

Mr. W. W. Cole was called to the chair as temporary Chairman and Mr. L. D. Debnam, was asked to act as Secretary. On motion the temporary organization was made permanent. The Democratic newspaper men present were asked to assist the Secretary.

After a few appropriate remarks Chairman Cole announced the Convention ready for business:

Nominations for Sheriff were called for and Dr. George Vick placed the name of Sheriff Robert Millard Nowell before the Convention. This was seconded by James A. Wellons who moved that Nowell be nominated by acclamation. This motion prevailed.

W. A. Edgerton placed Sam T. Honeycutt in nomination for Register of Deeds. W. D. Avera seconded the nomination and upon motion he was nominated by acclamation.

Dr. George A. Hood was placed in nomination for Treasurer by Dr. R. J. Noble. This was seconded by F. H. Brooks and upon motion he was nominated by acclamation.

For Coroner James A. Wellons placed Dr. A. H. Rose before the Convention. This was seconded by L. G. Patterson and the nomination was placed by acclamation.

John Stephenson placed Thos. R. Fulghum in nomination for Surveyor. Upon motion he was also nominated by acclamation.

Upon motion the nomination of County Commissioners was next taken up. Each group of townships retired and recommended the following nominees:

District No 1—Clayton, Cleveland and Pleasant Grove—Robert I. Ogburn.

District No 2—Elevation, Banner and Meadow—John W. Wood.

District No 3—Bentonville, Ingrams and Boon Hill—John Calvin Keen.

District No 4—Beulah, Oneals and Wilders—W. Turner Bailey.

District No 5—Wilson's Mills,

Selma, Pine Level and Smithfield—Doc J. Oliver.

The convention next took up the Senatorial question, and upon motion it was decided to nominate a man to be recommended to the Senatorial Convention as Johnston's representative on the Senatorial ticket.

M. C. Winston placed the name of L. H. Allred before the convention. J. M. Morgan nominated J. T. Ellington which was seconded by J. R. Williams. Mr. Winston then withdrew the name of Mr. Allred and moved that Sheriff Ellington be nominated by acclamation. This was done showing that the people were determined that our honored ex-Sheriff should be their nominee for Senator.

Nominations for the House were called for. John Stephenson nominated W. G. Wrenn, of Cleveland, F. T. Booker seconded this. Mr. Wrenn later withdrew his name.

J. M. Whittington, of Banner, was placed in nomination by A. E. Surles. Mr. Whittington withdrew before a ballot was taken.

J. W. Barnes, of Wilders, was placed before the convention by J. W. Stephenson and seconded by C. W. Edgerton.

W. H. Ellis named L. H. Allred, of Selma, who withdrew his name.

O. A. Barbour, of Benson, was nominated by J. W. Holmes and seconded by J. M. Morgan.

C. M. Wilson placed Charles F. Kirby, of Selma, before the convention.

F. H. Brooks nominated J. Walter Myatt, of Cleveland. This was seconded by Dr. Booker, Will Avera, J. T. Coats and James A. Wellons.

Rufus Sanders, of Bentonville, was also placed before the convention.

Only one ballot was taken, resulting as follows: Myatt, 85 and Barnes, 64, not including fractions. We did not get the exact vote on the other candidates hence we do not attempt to give the vote.

Upon motion the nomination of Myatt and Barnes was made unanimous.

Speeches were made by several of the nominees in accepting the nominations, those of Sheriff Ellington and Sam Honeycutt being received with the greatest enthusiasm.

The convention was in session just two hours yesterday, meeting at 12 and adjourning at 2. There was shown on every hand a determination to put out a winning ticket. The convention was successful in doing this. Harmony prevailed and success is ours in November.

### Little Child Dead at Kenly.

On the 24th of July 1908, little Annie Maria, in her fourteenth month, daughter of Brother and Sister J. W. Darden quietly passed from time into eternity after a prolonged illness.

Loving hands and medical skill did all that was possible to relieve her sufferings and keep her in the home, but Christ who said "Suffer the little children and forbid them not," took her to himself to dwell forevermore.

Surely earth is richer and heaven made dearer by her having lived.

May the blessed Lord give the needed grace and comfort to the bereaved parents and loved ones who humbly bow in submission to Him who doeth all things well.

A. L. ORMOND.

### The Remedy That Does.

"Dr. King's New Discovery is the remedy that does the healing others promise but fail to perform," says Mrs. E. R. Pierson, of Auburn Centre, Pa. "It is curing me of throat and lung trouble of long standing, that other treatments relieved only temporarily. New Discovery is doing me so much good that I feel confident its continued use for a reasonable length of time will restore me to perfect health." This renowned cough and cold remedy and throat and lung healer is sold at Hood Bros. drug store 50c. and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

## Beautiful Marriage at Clayton.

Clayton, July 29.—The Clayton Baptist church was the scene of a most beautiful wedding on Wednesday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock, when Miss Blanche Barnes became the bride of Mr. A. Sam White.

The church was very artistically and beautifully decorated with ferns and various other evergreens.

The maid of honor was Miss Vallie Blanchard, of Raleigh, the best man was Mr. Millard White, brother of the groom. The ushers were Dr. B. A. Hocutt, Messrs. G. T. Smith, Dwight Barbour, and Foster Barnes. Little Miss Matrid Barnes, cousin of the bride, was ring bearer.

The bridal party entered the church to the sweet strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march very beautifully rendered by Miss Margaret Exum, of Goldsboro. Rev. T. H. Thornton in a very short and impressive ceremony, pronounced them man and wife. They left the church to the charming melody of the march from Lohengrin.

The bride wore a handsome navy blue travelling suit with hat and gloves to match and carried brides' roses. The maid of honor wore a cream saine silk princess trimmed in val lace, and carried a bouquet of pink roses.

The bride is the very beautiful and highly accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Barnes. The groom is one of Clayton's most popular and esteemed young business men, who is superintendent of the Clayton Cotton Mills and has held this responsible position for a number of years.

The young couple left on the 4:52 train for Asheville and Lake Toxaway and other points of interest.

The best wishes of the entire community go with the young couple. The church was crowded with friends and relatives of the contracting parties. The numerous handsome and costly gifts attest the high esteem in which they are held by the home folks.

On the evening preceding the wedding, a very elaborate reception was tendered by the parents of the bride.

## Clayton News.

Mr. Paul C. Duncan, of Princeton, is spending several days here.

Mr. Hines, of Cary, representing the Pitner Lights, is in town demonstrating this week.

Mr. Jno. W. Massey went to Princeton Wednesday to attend the funeral of a relative.

Pastor Thornton is conducting a series of meetings at the Baptist church this week.

Watermelons continue to come in and prices are on and off—on account of the lack of orders by the shippers.

We sincerely sympathize with Mr. Jas. B. Harrison in his recent loss by lightning of 2 mules, one horse and a cow.

Clayton boasts of good farmers. We note with considerable pride the pleasant remarks in the last issue of THE HERALD concerning some of our farmers.

Mr. Donald Gulley, who for over a year has been located here in the practice of law, has moved to Reidsville, where he has formed a copartnership with a former schoolmate. We regret to lose him but wish him success at his new location.

The farmers Institute will be held here on Tuesday, August 4th and every farmer for miles around is expected to attend with his family and derive some of the benefits which are sure to result from these Institutes. The teachers' institute will also be here during this week.

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Mr. L. E. Parker, of Ingrams Township, happened to the misfortune to lose a fine bar of tobacco by fire last Friday night. We do not learn how the fire originated.

## THE REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.

In an All Day Session Names a Ticket to Meet Defeat Next November.

The County Republican Convention was held in Smithfield last Saturday. It had been well advertised for sometime and every effort made to get a large crowd to attend. Considering the number of Republicans in the County the Convention was well attended but we do not think there were as many present as they had at their Convention two years ago and the enthusiasm was not so great.

The Convention was called to order at 11:30 by Mr. J. C. Stancill, Chairman of the County Executive Committee, who made a short speech along the line of their platform which was submitted later.

Mr. A. L. Barefoot was made chairman of the Convention with Messrs. H. B. Pearce, A. B. Adams and Leslie Snipes as Secretaries.

The Committee on platform were Messrs. J. D. Parker, Joseph W. Neighbors, D. T. Massey, King H. Parker and A. F. Barbour. The platform as reported by this Committee declared opposition to the appointment of County School Boards and Road Commissioners and Magistrates by the Legislature. Besides this it expressed opposition to temperance laws and to the present rate of taxes.

Delegates elected to State and Congressional Conventions from Boon Hill township were W. M. Rose and C. R. Daugherty; Ingrams, Philip Lee and J. W. Lee; Pleasant Grove, L. O. Ogburn and J. B. Dupree; Selma, H. B. Pearce and J. H. Parker; Smithfield, J. D. Parker and R. I. Wallace; Beulah, J. T. Stancill and J. H. Griffith; Oneals, A. B. Hocutt and J. S. Stancill; Wilders, C. R. Stott and J. H. Stancill; Wilson's Mills, J. T. Stephenson and J. J. Batten; Clayton, Zack Stephenson and G. W. King; Pine Level, D. T. Massey and Gibson Fitzgerald; Bentonville, W. N. Adams and N. G. Barefoot; Elevation, J. W. Waddell and William Flowers; Meadow, J. H. Smith and O. C. Williams; Cleveland, C. A. Bundy and David Lee.

The nomination of officers was next taken up. W. K. Vann nominated J. C. Stancill for Sheriff. This was seconded by E. J. D. Boykin. G. W. Salmon nominated John T. Cole which was seconded by E. F. Pearce. D. T. Massey nominated Berry Godwin. A. B. Hocutt seconded this nomination.

A ballot was then taken with the following result: Stancill 43; Cole, 14; Godwin 2.

For Register of Deeds J. D. Parker nominated C. S. Peel which was seconded by E. F. Pearce and H. M. Barnes. Offie Hinnant nominated Robert Fitzgerald. J. W. Waddell nominated W. H. Flowers; J. B. Dupree nominated L. O. Ogburn whose nomination was seconded by J. W. Jones and Arthur Lee. A. B. Adams nominated E. J. Moore. Two ballots were taken. The vote on the second stood: Ogburn 42, Peel 10, Moore 11, Flowers 4.

For Treasurer J. D. Parker nominated A. D. Barefoot which was seconded by J. B. Dupree, J. M. McLamb, E. J. D. Boykin, B. B. Broughton, W. K. Vann, J. W. Jones and Berry Godwin. Rom Jones nominated E. F. Pearce. J. B. Lee nominated John T. Cole. Arthur Lee seconded it. D. T. Massey nominated Gibson Fitzgerald.

The vote stood Barefoot 36; Pearce 5; Cole 15; Fitzgerald 3.

William Hales was nominated for Surveyor and Robert Sanders for Coroner.

The following were nominated for Commissioners, Everett Raper, E. F. Pittman, W. M. Rose, A. F. Barbour and W. T. Johnson.

For the Legislature E. J. D. Boykin nominated J. H. Parker

which was seconded by G. W. Salmon. J. D. Parker nominated Dock Stephenson which was seconded by W. K. Vann, Ashley Wallace and J. B. Dupree. Berry Godwin nominated W. C. Lassiter. D. T. Massey nominated J. W. Jones which was seconded by A. F. Barbour. The names of H. B. Pearce and Arthur Lee were mentioned but they declined to enter the race. The first ballot gave Parker 59 votes and the final ballot gave Lassiter 38 votes making them the nominees.

## Selma News.

Capt. J. F. Brown is at Jackson Springs for his health.

Mr. L. D. Debnam's family is spending some days in Wake.

Miss Ruby Richardson is visiting relatives in and around Wendell.

Miss Dillingham, of South Carolina, is visiting Mrs. R. M. Nowell.

Mrs. M. C. Winston and Miss Ethel have returned from Morehead City.

Mr. Alonzo Richardson has returned to Wendell after a visit to relatives here.

Mrs. Thomas Hoggard, of Norfolk, is visiting her brother, Mr. W. H. Etheredge.

Mr. R. L. Davis, State Organizer of the Anti-Saloon League, was in town Wednesday.

Mr. W. J. Moore, of Morehead City, was here a few hours Tuesday, the guest of his aunt, Mrs. R. J. Roble.

The many friends of John W. Futrell, Esq., are glad to see him out again. Another case of blistered feet from fishing.

Messrs. George W. Evans, C. Parker, C. P. Harper and Dr. George D. Vick went to Wilson Tuesday in the automobile to see the ball game.

Last Sunday night some one entered the residence of Mr. J. W. Dowman and took his money and gold watch. The watch was a present to his father from a friend and is much prized. A liberal reward will be paid for the watch and no questions asked. Engraved on the inside of the case are the words: "Charles Dowman from his friend George Scott."

Mr. Henry Earp, one of the Atlantic Coast Line engineers, moved into his new residence on the corner of Massey and Waddell streets, last Saturday. Mr. Earp has one of the prettiest residences in our town. It was designed by Mr. Albert S. J. Atkinson, of Washington City, an old Johnston County boy who holds a responsible position under the Government as Inspector of Buildings. Mr. J. H. Worley, of Pine Level, was the builder. It has ten rooms and is wired for electric lights and is fitted for water-works. This shows that Mr. Earp expects Selma to have electric lights and water-works at no very distant day. Mr. Earp is a Johnston County boy and was educated at Burlington Institute at Smithfield.

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## It Can't Be Beat.

The best of all teachers is experience. C. M. Harden, of Silver City, North Carolina, says: "I find Electric Bitters does all that's claimed for it. For Stomach, Liver and Kidney troubles it can't be beat. I have tried it and find it a most excellent medicine." Mr. Harden is right; it's the best of all medicines also for weakness, lame back, and all run down conditions. Best too for chills and malaria. Sold under guarantee at Hood Bros. drug store. 50c.

As a plan for the memorial to the late Joel Chandler Harris, the people of Atlanta propose to buy the late home of Uncle Remus, "At the Sign of the Wren's Nest," and adjoining property, "The Snap Bean Farm," and convert the two into a park and museum that shall be open to the public at all times.

## Polenta Items.

A series of meetings is in progress at Elizabeth this week.

Mrs. L. R. Martin, of Wilson, is on a visit to relatives in this section.

Mr. H. T. Garrard, after a ten days visit to friends hereabouts, has gone back to Norfolk, Va.

The picnic at Oakland last Saturday was largely attended and a success in every particular.

At Oakland last Sunday Rev. Mr. Souders preached two fine sermons to large congregations.

Mr. Ruffin Barbour is getting ready to erect a handsome four room cottage. Mr. J. C. Holt will also commence to build at an early day.

Of the sick Mr. W. T. Wrenn continues quite ill, though somewhat better; Mr. Geo. Wright is very much better, and Mr. Robt. Lee is improving.

On Monday night Mr. J. B. Harrison, who lives over in Clayton township, had the misfortune to have two fine horses, one mule and one cow killed by lightning. The horses and mules were in the stables, and strange to say, the stable was not damaged in the least.

During the past ten days cotton has failed badly. The red spider is playing havoc with it. In one field not far from Benson, where last year thirty bales were made—not more than five are expected this year. The corn crop has also gone back to some extent.

The Democratic primary last Saturday evening nominated for Magistrates: J. E. Jones, J. J. Lee and J. T. Wrenn, and C. J. Holt for Constable. This is a strong ticket and will be elected in November. The attendance was good and those present enthusiastic for the cause.

After a lingering illness with consumption, Mrs. Annie Gulley, a woman of many noble qualities, on July 24th obeyed the summons and passed over the river, and is now enjoying a peaceful reward. She was about 40 years old, and leaves behind a husband, seven children and many relatives, besides a host of friends to mourn her demise. Our deepest sympathy go out to the bereaved ones.

During the past week our section has had many visitors as follows: Misses Floyd Bancum, Lucy Pool and Maud Stallings, from near Clayton, and Miss Mabel Smith, of Wake, and Miss Annie Myatt's; Misses Ruth Jones and Hannah Jones, and Misses Bessie and Dora Coats, of Smithfield, at Miss Ava Yelvington's; Misses Iola Bledsoe and Lucy Braswell, of Wake, at Miss Alice Edmundson's; Miss Blanche Duncan, of Wilson's Mills, at Miss Bertha Jones; Misses Annie Martin, Mattie Sanders and Irma Stevens, of Smithfield, at Miss Mary O. Booker's; Miss Ollie Stephenson, of Wise, at Miss Leone Barber's; Misses Lillie and Mary Ryals, of Benson, at Miss Mary Faulkner's; Mrs. Inez Harrison, of Richmond, Va., at the Misses Tomlinson's; Miss Mary Tomlinson, of near Smithfield, at Miss Lena Booker's; Misses Jessie and Mary Turlington, of Benson, at Miss Lillie Young's; Misses Lillie Turlington, of Benson, and Kittie Gulley, Irma Gulley, Veola Pool, and Belle Pool, of Clayton, at Miss Nellie Johnson's. The following young gentlemen were also visitors to the neighborhood:—Messrs. Bernice Jones, Ed. Boyett, D. D. Braswell, Leon Stevens, Malcolm Sanders, Johnnie Hood, Hubert Woodall, of Smithfield; Messrs. Frank Pool, Elliot Pool, Wm. Young, Howard Gulley, and Hugh Page, of Clayton; L. C. Johnson, of Elevation; Howard Weeks, of Benson; Mr. Abram Lassiter, of Elevation.

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Polenta, July 29.

Mr. F. H. Brooks returned Wednesday morning from a visit to Asheville. His wife and child will spend several weeks in the mountain city.