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# Verdict in Raleigh is That Democratic

Candidate Made Telling Speech Women Pleased. The Herald feels that it owes its readers an apology for the meager

County Convention last Thursday, as well as for the hurried comment on the speech of Mr. Morrison.

· The only reporter whom this paper had on the grounds, was the lamented Mr. Lassiter. His notes extended. of course, only over a part of the protirely without information concerndictated from memory, the few notes which appeared in Friday's paper. We are fortunate in being able to give in today's Herald.

We also reproduce below in part, and its effect which appeared in Saturday's News and Observer.

Raleigh's political contingent, augmented yesterday by mild mannered of the Trustees of the University, was agog with discussion pro and con on the Smithfield speech of Cameron Morrison, the democratic nominee for governor of the state.

did not please the Republicans, to be sure, for it largely dealt with an exposition of the fallacy of the campaign John J. Parker, Mr. Morrison's Republican opponent, is making.

What is more important, it did please a great many of the ladies. It tailed by excessive rains. If 470,000,pleased the newly enfranchised voters | 000 lbs. produced in 1919 created a enough to justify the prediction that surplus sufficient for the price of to- for Rowland where she will teach this the hesitant ones of yesterday are bacco at the end of the season to be season. champions of Democracy today.

statement that the women of North estimated 15 per cent increase for Herring Hospital. Carolina need no invitation to come 1920 for North Carolina which with there are who have expressed any up considerably over 600,000,000 at the Moore-Herring Hospital. purpose to align themselves with the pounds with the possible deplorable Republican party in North Carolina. result as to the values and therefore Monday for Morehead City to attend dies who contributed so largely to the

his two heated primary contests was the Smithfield speech was an able de- be produced. liverance. For it to have taken the turn of an assault on the "shamewaging this early in North Carolina, was generally regarded as timely and telling. On the campaign for his party, there is no man in North Car- the action. olina superior to the Democratic candidate and, while speaking against the elements—the elements including a tiresome night ride from Wilmington-he eloquently maintained his reputation as the premier stump

speaker of Carolina. Meet Parker! Chairman Warren does not believe it would be practical. He doesn't believe in joint debates anyhow but if the party would turn Mr. Morrison loose the betting part of the Smithfield audience would wager their tobacco crops that Parker would hoist the white bag before

the rejoinder. Mr. Morrison's reply to the Smithfield inquiry about the women paying poll tax has been liberally construed to mean that he is opposed to the imposition of a poll tax on the new voters unless it is necessary under the terms of the constitution. Some of his friends yesterday, after talking this phase of the matter over with him, went so far as to predict that he will recommend that no poll tax be placed on women in his first address to the General Assembly.

that the opposition to him among the that Morrison would be the benefici-Democratic women of the State would ary of the new vote.

be negligible.

the city-questioned yesterday as to the next week or ten days.

Warehousemen and Farmers of Eastern North Carolina Hold A Meeting in Wilson.

At a meeting held at Wilson, North present representatives from the various markets of eastern North Caroand farmers, the following resolutions were adopted.

First. That under the circumstances of the unprecedented large crop of ceedings and in the excitement caused tobacco being grown in 1919 and sold upon the following statement of facts: by his sudden illness, they were not at the highest average ever known In \_\_\_\_ county the board of educabrought to the office. So we were en- and that every incentive was thus given to increase the tobacco producing the events of the day one hour tion and as these prices were unduly before time to go to press. Two high considering the size of the crop to raise in that county to run the friends of The Herald knowing the and the circumstances of the central situation, came to our assistance, and European countries which take confrom which our stenographer was being debarred by the great depreciable to furnish the short account ation of the rate of exchange, everything costing them five or six times as much as compared with the Amerour readers a more detailed descrip- ican dollar and the further condition term of six months in 1920. Has the has been spending the summer vacation of this very important gathering that there has been a sufficient stock board of county commissioners autho- tion here and serving three or four cal purposes that everything points a criticism of Mr. Morrison's speech to much lower prices even if no more tobacco is produced than in 1919.

Second. Under the prevailing condition of high labor, fertilizer and everything that contributes to the mak- upon the board of county commissionpoliticians here to attend the meeting ing of bright tobacco it has been ers, and even if the legislature had deemed wise and appropriate to put attempted to prohibit the additional these facts before the producers of levy, which it has not done, the conbright tobacco with the expressed stitution itself would control." opinion of the leading tobacco men that the production of any larger FROM CAPITAL OF BEULAH room houses. Some enterprising citi-That it met the approval of leading quantity than was made last year citizens was reflected in the views of would be frought with the danger of Items of Interest to Residents men of many shades of opinion. It very much lower prices possibly less than the cost of production.

Third. Therefore the farmers are urged not to plant any crop that will year, taking in consideration that the crop last year was considerably curreduced 1/2 without the last year's Even among the strongest oppon- there is every apparent reason that the wedding of Mrs. Woodard's sister. ents the Democratic candidate had in the crop should be materially reduced as compared with last year in order an expressed feeling yesterday that that no more pounds of tobacco shall er this week.

these resolutions be sent to every and report very unsatisfactory prices less" campaign the Republicans are leading bright tobacco market in Vir- for the golden weed. ginia, North and South Carolina and

> (Signed) L. M. CARRINGTON, Pres. Tobacco Asso. of the U. S.

### The Smithfield Fire Deartment

Has any one stopped to think about the present fire fighting equipment of Smithfield?

We have all the hose necessary but have no means of getting it to a fire except some good Samaritan comes along with his fine automobile and lets anybody hang on and try and pull the old worn out reel from the back

of his car. Today we have one reel in fairly good condition while the other one has a smashed wheel. Efforts are being made to remodel this reel but should we have a fire, what would become of our property? There is no organized company, nor paid man to look after the little we have and as

you know the hose are here and there. Citizens, let's get together and try and devise some means of getting an adequate fire fighting apparatus and fire company for Smithfield.

A CITIZEN.

Morrison supporters here yesterday reports that they expected to vote for the election, were inclined to believe would vote for Parker but declared and the judgment of the courts."

Through Democratic committees in "Are they going to vote against every township and precinct in the dress the farmers of Johnston county him because he was opposed to suf- State, the women are to be enrolled in the court house Wednesday mornfrage?" one of them asked in re- for voting in the coming elections. ing at 11 o'clock. Mr. Dixon is repsponse to a question. "Do you sup- Chairman Thomas D. Warren is now pose that the anti suffragists, who engaged in planning a series of townwere in a majority propose to vote ship meetings for bringing to the at- Johnston County Tobacco Farmers against the Democratic candidates tention of the women the importance Association, affiliate with the Southwho were favorable to suffrage? Such of registering when the books open. ern Farmers Association. Every man procedure would be out of all reason." Democratic speakers in every county who is interested in getting a high Some of the leading suffragists of will be pressed into service within price for his tobacco should come and day with friends.

### THURSDAY'S CONVENTION WARNING NOT HEEDED AN IMPORTANT DECISION PRINCETON - BOON HILL HOLD PROTEST MEETING THE TOBACCO SITUATION

Attorney General's Decision Allows **Board of County Commissioners** To Levy Additional Tax

Attorney General Manning has ren-Carolina, by the Tobacco Association dered a decision allowing the Board and unsatisfactory account of the of the United States at which was of County Commissioners to levy additional tax, if the 10 per cent increase set by the revaluation act is lina including dealers, warehousemen not sufficient to run the schools six months. Writing to the State Tax Commission, the Attorney General

> "You ask the opinion of this office tion has made out a budget under the six months' school law, in which is stated the amount of money necessary schools for the constitutional term of six months. A 10 per cent. increase siderable quantity of bright tobacco upon the amount of money levied and raised by the county in 1919 will not meet the sum which the board of education has found necessary to run the schools of the county for the full week for Wake Forest College. He of tobacco accumulated for all practi- rity to exceed the 10 per cent. limit churches. He will preach at the Bapof the revaluation?

> > "In our opinion it has, if the additional levy is necessary to run the schools for the six months' term. The constitution itself imposes this duty tarily expected.

Kenly-Local, Personal And Otherwise.

produce more than was made last Grove is the guest of Mr. Dobbin Bai- There are about five families now in

Miss Frances Hales left yesterday view that they can get.

Mr. J. M. Stancil left yesterday for into the Democratic party. Few an average yield would bring the crop Wilson where he will be operated on

> Miss Jessie Leeason of Norfolk, Va., fifteen or twenty professions. is spending a few days with her moth-

Several of our townsmen attended Fourth. Be it further resolved that the tobacco sales in Wilson yesterday

Dr. and Mrs. R. A. Turlington re steps be taken to promulgate and get turned Monday night after an extendbefore the farmers as far as possible ed trip to Fayetteville and White Lake.

Miss Lucile Holden left today for Louisburg where she will enter the Louisburg Female College.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Bowman have returned after an extended trip to Wadesboro.

The Missionary Baptist Sunday school gave a picnic at Holt's Lake Thursday.

Mrs. J. M. Oneal of Selma spent the week end with Mrs. P. H. Etheridge.

### Three Iredell Men to Die.

The Governor has declined to interfere in the case of Edwards, white, who must die in the electric chair on Friday of next week for the killing of Jim Royle in a Statesville poolroom just before Christmas. Ralph and Sinclair Connor, two negroe brothers, must die the following Monday. The Governor has made an exhaustive study of all these cases and declines to interfere. The Governor declared, "Every human impulse impels, and almost drives me to save the lives of each of these men, but after an agonizing study of all three cases, I cannot find in the record any approached as to the probable num- Parker-not only denied emphatically grounds that would justify me in setber of women votes against him in that any number of the new voters ting aside the verdict of the juries

### Mr. Dixon to Speak Wednesday.

Mr. W. R. Dixon of Wilson, will adresenting the Southern Farmers Association, in an effort to have the hear Mr. Dixon.

## Great Demand for Dwellings-Good

Meeting at Smith's Chapel Closed Local and Personal Items.

(Crowded out last issue.)

Princeton, Sept. 8-Miss Bessie Tart and Talton Tart and Miss Plumer Gurley have gone to Falcon to visit

Miss Mary Massey and Harvey Wellons have joined the Boon Hill delegation at Buies Creek.

Miss Ellen Eldridge of Smithfield is pending several days in town visiting Mrs. G. T. Whitley.

After spending several weeks here with relatives, Mr. W. C. Huddleston left Sunday for Atlanta, Ga.,

The Wood Gin Co. are building foundations for a one hundred horse power oil engine which they will use instead of the electric motor they have been using for the past two years.

Rev. J. R. Everett left here this tist church on the 3rd Sunday as usu-

The condition of Mr. J. W. Perry is very serious and his death is momen-

Mr. and Mrs. Will Wright from Rocky Mount were in town last Sunday. Mr. Wright is a contractor and a very fine workman himself.

The town has never had such a demand for new, three, four and five zen could sell or rent a dozen new houses before they could be completed. Many new families want to come to Princeton to get their children in the graded school, but there isn't a Kenly, Sept. 8 .- Mr. Swink of China house that can be bought or rented. town who must move on account of Mrs. Mary B. Swink of Raleigh is the house being sold to new parties, visiting her sister, Mrs. P. D. Grady and these families have no house in

Rev. W. G. Farrar closed a meeting at Smith's Chapel last Friday night Mrs. H. M. Grizzard returned last which was an unusual one for good at-Most of the new voters are thor- rains the surplus would have been Thursday from Wilson where she un- tendance and a serious interest in the ughly in accord with the Morrison 125,000,000 lbs. more. The Government derwent an operation at the Moore- services. As a result of this meeting several new names will be added to the church. The pastor is highly pleased at the success of this meeting, and can not express his apprecia-Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Woodard left tion of the presence of those good lasuccess of the services. There were

The fact that the State Board of Health privy inspector has instructed residents of this town to dig pits five feet deep under their closets, is causing much comment by the citizens. Even the most careless citizen condemns the idea of having such a cess pool of filth on the premises. In this section such a pit would stand full of water all the year. Our wells are full to the top of the ground some seasons of the year. Such a plan would be worse than no arrangement at all. Such a construction of the privy law for a town is absurd and renders the privy law a farce.

### ST. MARY'S GROVE ITEMS.

Rev. D. C. Johnson filled his regular appointment Saturday with a large attendance.

Mr. Montie Johnson and Miss Annie Traylor from near Goldsboro spent the week end with Misses Lillie and Kittie Jones.

Miss Louise Barbour left Monday for Goldsboro.

Mrs. O. A. Barbour and sister, Miss Lillie Canaday of Benson are spending a few days with Mr. Barbour's

Mr. B. G. Davidson of Nacooche Ga., spent the week end with Miss Pauline Jones.

Mrs. Paul Barbour and sister, Miss Maytle Johnson, spent the week end in Selma with Mrs. John Talton. Misses Lillie and Kittie Jones de-

lightfully entertained a few of their friends Saturday night in honor of their company, Mr. Montie Johnson and Miss Annie Traylor.

Miss Martha Stephenson spent the week end in Four Oaks with her brother, Mr. Floyd Stephenson. Several of the people from around

here attended the republican convention Saturday in Smithfield. Mr. Mayton Byrd made a business trip to Raleigh Monday.

Mr. Almon Pierce left Monday for Richmond, Va. Mr. William Creech of Four Oaks

spent a few hours in this section Sun-JEFF. Sept. 7.

Association Urges Members to Cut Acreage 50 Per Cent.

(This communication was given us to be printed in Friday's issue. We been kept for this article, was filled with something of much less general ings on many of the markets. interest. Because of the sad reason for the omission, we know our readers will pardon us for delaying this important announcement.-Ed.)

Another enthusiastic meeting the tobacco farmers and business men of the county was held in the court house Wednesday at noon. A resolution was passed requesting all members, or those who may become members of the Johnston County Tobacco Farmers Association to cut their acreage at least 50 per cent for the year 1921. Each person present was mittee of one to consult with his neighbors in an effort to get them to join the organization and abide by the rules laid down.

After the close of the meeting the following farmers agreed to cut their acreage as follows:

		1920	1
ij	W. A. Baker	4	
į	W. J. Baker	5	
į	L. P. Peeding	5	
Į	J. E. Lee		
j	B. E. Godwin	33	
Į			
g	W. J. Alford	2	
i	E. D. Adams W. J. Alford Clifton Lamb	5	
ı	J. W. Braswell	7	
ì	Geo. Ross Pou	5	
ı	S. A. Wellons	10	
١	G. P. Braswell	4	
١	E. Moore	5	
١	D. A. Thompson	10	
ı	J. M. Mozingo	6	
ı	Henry Wallace	5	
ì	J. D. Allen	3	
ij	J. V. Baker	3	
i	M. C. Strickland	5	
ı	R. P. Tiner	6	
١	W S Tiner	5	
ı	Joe Tiner	5	
ı	J. G. Baker	4	
ı	W. J. Benson	5	
١	G. W. Wood		
١	D. U. Thompson		2
I	Charlie Game		
١	A. V. Hinton J. F. Smith	2	
١	J. F. Smith	23	
١	W. H. Moore	3	
١	W. R. Hill	30	
ı	J. B. Eatman	4	
ı	L. R. Batten	15	
ı	Will Turnage	4	
١	J. O. Stephenson	8	
١	E. S. Lann	40	
١	E. A. Eatman		
١	Geo. Hinton	40	- 18
1	Mellie Johnson	21/2	
1	C. E. Creech	14	
1	David Alford	4	
1	C. A. Stephenson	10	
1	Israel Stephenson	4	
ı	James Montgomery	41/2	
	J. A. Kennedy	12	
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There are probably numerous other farmers in the county who would like to affiliate with the organization and pledge their support. Now is the time for the farmers to stand solidly together. Any one wishing to become a member of the association can do so by addressing a card to Geo. Ross Pou, Smithfield, N. C., and stating thereon the number of acres of tobacco planted in 1920, and the number of acres that will be planted in 1921.

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One of the best addresses delivered on the subject was made by Mr. J. W. Stephenson. Mr. Stephenson is one of the largest tobacco farmers in the county and is also well posted on farming and financial conditions.

The following named farmers constitute the Executive Committee of the Johnston County Tobacco Farmers Association:

Ed. F. Boyett, Smithfield; J. W Short, Selma; B. A. Turnage, Wilson's Mills, R. F. D.; D. B. Oliver, Pine Level; J. T. Edgerton, Kenly; Cullen Creech, Selma, R. F. D.; J. W. Barnes, Clayton, R. F. D.; C. W. Horne, Clayton; F. M. Weeks, Clayton, R. F. D.; Claude Stephenson, Angier; Henry T. Smith, Smithfield, R. F. D.; Shephard Penny, Benson, R. F. D.; W. A. Powell, Bentonville, R. F. D.; Walter Blackman, Bentonville, R. F. D.; Andrew Fitzgerald, Princeton, R. F. D.; Walter Batten, Micro, R. F. D.; Elijah Strickland, Four Oaks.

ED. F. BOYETT, ANDREW FITZGERALD,

Johnston County Tobacco Farmers Prices Obtained on Oepning of Eastern Carolina Market Very Unsatisfactory.

The prices obtained on the opening sales of the Eastern North Carolina held is back for a few hours, in order tobacco markets last Tuesday were to have a slight correction made, but disappointing in the extreme. The reserved space in the paper for it. farmers were expecting prices to be During the confusion which resulted slightly lower than they were on the when the head of the paper was opening sale last year, but the sellers stricken down, the space which had were not prepared for the awful slump which characterized the open-

The farmers forced the sales to close on the Greenville, Ayden and Farmville markets on account of the extremely low prices. Much of the weed was taken off the floors and taken back home. At Greenville about 700,000 pounds was on the floors.

At Wilson, the biggest market in the East, about 1,000,000 pounds was on the floors of the six warehouses: As the sale progressed it seemed that the bottom dropped and at noon the growers held a mass meeting and adopted resolutions calling on the torequested to constitute himself a com- bacco farmers of the state to keep their tobacco at home until prices improved.

The same feeling of dissatisfaction among the sellers prevailed at Rocky Mount, Kinston and Goldsboro and at all other markets. On an average, the prices ranged around 40 to 60 per cent of the averages of last season. At some places many tags were turned, while at others not so many. Yet. general dissatisfaction prevailed at all markets. While there is a feeling among many that the prices will improve as soon as the buyers get their full instructions and the rush tones down a little, still little hope is entertained of any desirable gains over the opening.

On the Smithfield market Wednesday there was a better tone to the market and prices showed a 20 per cent increase over the opening day, the average increase being about five cents a pound.

### CLAYTON NEWS.

Clayton, Sept. 11.-Miss Barbara fulley will return today from a weeks visit to friends at Youngsville.

Miss Alta Debnam left Wednesday morning for Greensboro to enter G. C. W. for her second year's work.

Dr. and Mrs. H. E. Austin will leave Sunday for their home at Connecticutt after spending several weeks here with Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Austin and Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Ellis.

Mrs. Charles G. Gulley, Mrs. M. G. Gulley, Mrs. E. R. Gulley and Mrs. J. W. Massey went to Wake Forest Wednesday to see Mrs. N. Y. Gulley who is very ill.

Mrs. Clifford Hamilton has returned from a visit to her parents at Grover.

Mrs. Jesse Holmes from Benson visited relatives here during the week. Mr. Laurie Poole has gone to Oak Ridge to enter school.

Mrs. Miller White and daughter have gone to Darlington, S. C., to join Mr. White in their new home. Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Thurston are

spending the week at New York and Niagara Falls. Mr. Warren McCullers who holds a

position in Raleigh was here with his parents for a few days this week. Radcliffe Chautauqua opened here Friday September 10 at 3:30 with a

good audience. The interesting feature Friday afternoon and night was the American quartette which delighted the people. A great number of tickets have been sold and we feel that it will never be regretted as the programs are well worth the price.

A number of men from here attended the County Convention at Smithfield Thursday of this week.

Misses Doris Jeffreys and Genie Thomas left this week for Meredith College. Miss Thomas graduated there in the spring and will be a member of the faculty this year.

Messrs Bill Ellis, Bennette Poole, Lee Thomas, Herman Duncan and Sax Barnes have re-entered school at: Wake Forest. The ball games at Raleigh have

been pretty well attended by the bass of our town this week. Mrs. A. J. Farmer is visiting rel-

atives in Virginia. E. F. STRICKLAND, WALTER BATTEN.

FRANK WEEKS, Central Committee.

J. H. B. TOMLINSON, Pres. Chm. of County Ex. Com.