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## TWO NAMES ADDED TO CO. DEM. TICKET

**Alonzo Parrish of Benson Named For The House and D. M. Hall of Clayton For Treasurer**

### BALLOTING WAS SPIRITED

The seventeen townships of the county were represented here last Saturday in a call meeting of the various townships executive committees of the Democratic party.

The object of this call meeting was to nominate a candidate for the House of Representatives to fill the vacancy caused by the recent death of the lamented W. M. Sanders and to nominate a candidate for county treasurer who was omitted in the June primary because of some defect in the law providing for this office.

The meeting was presided over by the chairman of the County Democratic Executive Committee, Mr. Ed S. Abell, of Smithfield. The meeting was held in the court house and was called to order at 12:10 p. m. In a few brief remarks in which he declared this no day for speech making, the chairman announced the object of the meeting and declared that nominations were in order for naming of a candidate for the House. A motion proposed by Jno. O. Ellington, of Cleveland, to limit all speeches to five minutes was entertained and passed.

Then followed the nominating speeches. W. C. Pender, of Clayton, was first to take the floor to offer the name of Alonzo Parrish, of Benson. C. M. Wilson, of Wilson's Mills, then nominated D. O. Uzzle, of Wilson's Mills. Mr. J. B. Benton, editor of the Benson Review, in a very appealing speech, offered C. C. Canaday, of Benson. C. A. Corbett, of Selma, offered the name of Squire Chas. F. Kirby, of Selma township. There was a brief spate of seconding speeches and a lull, after which the chairman declared the nominations closed and the balloting began forthwith:

It was when the balloting on the candidates for the House began that the casual observer began to realize that this was a meeting of earnest and strong determined men. It was then manifested that the old time spirit of Democracy was still alive in Johnston County. It was announced from the chair that the vote of the county stood at 241 and in order to secure the nomination the candidate must receive at least 121 votes.

The first ballot stood: Kirby 54 1-2; Canaday 82 1-5; Uzzle 22 1-2; Parrish 82 1-10. The chairman declared no nomination. Then the friends of Canaday came to his rescue with several speeches. The second ballot showed the following vote Kirby 45; Canaday 80 3-5; Uzzle 14 2-5; Parrish 101. Still no nomination. The third ballot showed: Kirby 50; Canaday 74 2-5; Uzzle 19 2-5; Parrish 97 1-5. No nomination had been made so the balloting continued. The fourth ballot giving: Kirby 47 4-5; Canaday 78 1-2; Uzzle 17; Parrish 98 9-10. At the close of the fourth ballot Squire Kirby in a very appreciative speech, announced his withdrawal from the convention and the fifth ballot stood as follows: Canaday 97 1-3; Uzzle 22 1-15; Parrish 121 3-5. Whereupon the chairman declared Alonzo Parrish duly nominated.

As soon as the chairman declared the nomination of candidates for county treasurer in order, J. W. Stephenson took the floor in behalf of D. M. Hall, of Clayton. Squire Chas. F. Kirby came to the front and offered the name of Hardy Eason, of Selma township, the "place that hasn't had anything and looks like it ain't going to have" as he designated his home township. No other names were introduced and the nomination went to Hall by a vote of 142-7-10 over Eason with 98 3-10.

There was plenty of spirit throughout the meeting but at no time was there a lack of harmony. It was altogether a fine meeting. After the

## JOHNSTON FARMER MAKES A SUCCESS

**John Holland Enriches His Cotton Farm By Planting Clover and Vetch**

### TELLS HOW HE DOES IT

Raleigh, Aug. 25.—John Holland, of Johnston County is a small farmer, who with his two boys, does all his own work and produces results that should make larger farmers of eastern Carolina pay his practices careful attention. This year his cotton crop will make more than a bale to the acre, his corn fifty or sixty bushels, and he threshed 81 bushels of wheat from two acres. He has had his share of this summer's rains, but his soil is in such condition that the crops have resisted the excess of water.

"The foundation of Mr. Holland's success lies in the use of legumes, chiefly crimson clover and vetch," says E. C. Blair, extension agronomist for the State College of Agriculture. "He sows nearly every acre to one of these crops every year, and turns under most of it the next spring."

Mr. Blair found one five acre field of cotton that is of particular interest. The field has been in corn for the past three years, and crimson clover was sown in the corn every fall. The crops of crimson clover were turned under filling the soil with nitrogen and organic matter. Before planting cotton this year, 350 pounds of acid phosphate and 350 pounds of kainit per acre were broadcasted over the field. One may wonder at this method, but the soil is so mellow that the cotton roots can reach their food anywhere in the top six inches. The cotton was planted about April 28, with about 60 pounds of nitrate of soda per acre. At the time of Mr. Blair's visit recently the cotton was four feet high well branched, of a healthy green color, and literally covered with squares and bolls. It looks as if the five acres will make seven or eight bales. Twenty feet away, on another farm, there is a field of cotton that has had nearly 100 pounds of fertilizer per acre, but no crimson clover or other legume. This is thirty inches high, pale in color, and is apparently about half as good as Mr. Holland's.

"Mr. Holland saves his own clover seed by leaving a couple of acres to get ripe, and then mowing it," says Mr. Blair. "Last year he got enough from two acres to seed thirty of his own land and sold a lot besides."

Mr. Holland sows thirty pounds of seed per acre, in the hull. He says, "I sow it in a corn field anytime from August 15 to October 15, if the corn is not too rank. If the corn is very heavy, I wait until it has been cut and shocked. I sow in cotton after the first picking, usually the same day the cotton is picked. At this time the leaves are falling so that the clover will not be shaded to death. I prefer to scratch the ground with a light cultivator either just before or just after I sow the seed, although I have gotten perfect stands without this."

### "JO-TEX" SERVICE STATION

The contest for naming the filling and service station operated by Mr. Simon Jones resulted in Mr. George Ragsdale receiving the five dollars and the new name is to be "Jo-Tex," "Jo" for Jones and "Tex" for Texaco. The patrons of the Holt Oil Company will be interested to learn that this firm has moved its office to the "Jo-Tex" building.

work of the day the delegates from the various parts of the county chatted and exchanged freely their opinion as to the selections for the vacancies. It was the general opinion that two very excellent men had been placed on the Democratic ticket and all went away feeling that the party is again in splendid trim for the biennial drubbing that the Republican party awaits with the coming of November.

## The Smithfield Herald Moving Into New Home This Week

**The Herald After 42 Years Moves Into New Building; Will Be Located at Rear of Court House; Will Miss Friday's Issue While Machinery Is Being Moved**

For forty-two years The Smithfield Herald has endeavored to serve the people of Smithfield and Johnston County. For a quarter of century its former editor J. M. Beatty and T. J. Lassiter, both now gone to their reward, gave the best years of their lives in building up a newspaper that furnished a medium of expression not only of their own views on public matters but of any who desired their columns in a good use. They built slowly, but at intervals in the history of the paper, various improvements were made in the plant in order to better serve their patrons. Time was, when every line of type was set by hand, when the papers were kicked off on an old Country Campbell press, when the papers were folded by hand, and when the subscribers' name were written by hand on each paper for mailing. Gradually labor saving machinery has been introduced until now a linotype sets up the printed matter, an electric motor turns a more up-to-date press, a folder folds

the papers and cuts off the ends, and a mailing machine sticks the labels on.

With these improvements the next step of the owners of the paper was an effort to own its home, and after forty-two years The Smithfield Herald will move this week into a building erected especially for its own convenience. In a line with the Farmers Bank and Trust Co. and just at the rear of the court house, is the new location. Simple and unpretentious it is at least a home for The Herald. We are hereby notifying our subscribers and advertisers that we will not issue a paper next Friday, for we shall be moving to our new home. At the same time we are installing another linotype machine in order that we may render better service, and while we regret exceedingly not to make our usual visit to your homes next Friday we hope to make up for it in an improved paper in the future. We invite all of our friends to give us a call in our new quarters anytime after September 1.

## WOMAN NOMINATED GOVERNOR TEXAS

**Mrs. Miriam Ferguson Has Been Nominated By The Democrats of Texas For Governor**

### ANTI-KLAN CANDIDATE

Dallas, Tex., Aug. 24.—Texas today had more than an even chance of having a woman as governor for the next two years as a result of the Democratic primary election yesterday. Mrs. Miriam Ferguson, the woman anti-klan candidate, who was in the race seeking vindication of her husband's name from any impeachment when he was governor about seven years ago, maintained her lead reported last night as returns continued to come to the Texas election bureau today.

Heretofore Democratic nomination in Texas has been considered equivalent to election.

A large part of the Democratic party tried today to figure out how it happened that Mrs. Ferguson was nominated. Her supporters were jubilant. Her opponents mourned. All speculated more or less on whether Texas politics will run true to form and the Democratic nominee will be elected in November.

Mrs. Ferguson and her husband, James E. Ferguson, who conducted her campaign regarded the results of the primary as a big step forward in their fight for vindication. They said they were in the campaign only because of the impeachment judgment and because they sought to clear their name for themselves, their children and grandchildren.

At no time during the tabulation of the vote was Mrs. Ferguson behind, although when some of the returns from Dallas, her opponent's home, and other cities came in her lead was cut to a small margin. She quickly made the loss up however, and consistently held to first place.

Late today with returns from 277 counties out of 251 which held an election, 168 complete, Mrs. Ferguson had 397,936, Robertson 315,710.

Among questions in the minds of politicians today were what will the Ku Klux Klan vote now do. The issues in the gubernatorial race clearly were klan and anti-klan. The latter won.

A question today was whether an independent candidate will be put in the race for government before November and try to dray the vote

## Conducts Revival At Pine Level



Rev. C. H. Cashwell conducts revival at the Pine Level Baptist church beginning Thursday night, August 28th continuing through Sunday, Sept. 7th. Mr. Cashwell is not only a good evangelistic preacher, but also a good singer. His services have life and pep in them from start to finish. Everybody is cordially invited to these services. All christians are especially invited to help in the singing and personal work in soul-winning.

JAS. W. ROSE, Pastor.

## SELMA WINS FIGHT FOR SECOND HALF TITLE

The "John Coffey" tangle which has been keeping the baseball fans in Selma and Stantonburg on tenterhooks for the past week was ironed out in a manner favorable to Selma Friday night in a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Small Town League at the Cherry Hotel in Wilson, according to telephone messages received by the News and Observer from the seat of operations last night.

The Directors' vote was four to two in favor of Selma and was passed over the protest of President Crocker of Stantonburg. Selma Bailey, Nashville and Elm City voted in favor of Selma having the last half championship, while Kenly and Stantonburg voted in the negative.

On the grounds that John Coffey a Raleigh boy, had not been passed upon by the League Directors, two games won by Selma from Kenly were declared forfeited to Kenly at a meeting of some of the directors early in August. At a later and more fully attended meeting the games were ordered transferred back to Selma. The championship of the second half of the season hung in balance and Mr. Crocker, of Stantonburg, runnerup to Selma, protested against the action. Last night's meeting laid the ghost of the row.

The following schedule was decided on last night for the championship series between Nashville and Selma. Tuesday, August 26, at Rocky Mount.

Wednesday, August 27 at Selma. Thursday, August 28, at Nashville. Friday August 29, at Wilson. Saturday, August 30 at Nashville. Monday, September 1 at Selma. Tuesday, September 2 at Raleigh, (pending.)

The best four out of the seven games will decide the championship.

It was decided at the meeting that Selma could utilize the services of Jack Cameron, Raleigh bill-board magnate, and former professional catcher. Nashville will be allowed to use catcher Carcon, who has been playing semi-pro ball in Eastern North Carolina this season.

They also agreed to allow Nashville and Selma to take their choice of any of the players on the other teams in the Small Town League for the series.

### Turn Loose Carrier Pigeons.

Last Thursday Mr. T. C. Henry, the express agent here, received from Mr. Thomas Kelly, of Wilkesbarre, Pa., five carrier pigeons, with instructions to turn them loose keeping the exact time they left here. Mr. Henry released the pigeons Friday morning at 5:35 o'clock. They

## FACTS CONCERNING CO. SCHOOL TRUCKS

**County Supt. Marrow Gives Figures Showing the Cost of Operation; 44 Now In Use**

### CO. GARAGE ADVANTAGE

The truck system of transporting children to school is apparently here to stay. A member of counties are consolidating for high schools, and Johnston County is taking her place among the list in a creditable manner. Four years ago not a truck was used in the county for hauling pupils. Last year forty-four were operated, and ten of these made two trips per day.

In talking to County Superintendent Marrow about the cost of running the trucks, we were given some interesting figures. The average cost per truck for the year 1923-24 was \$259.49. This included every item of cost pertaining to the truck such as gas, oil, repairs, and salary of truck drivers. The amount for the 44 trucks exclusive of drivers' salaries was \$9,217.93, and the amount paid to drivers was \$2,199.78, making a total of \$11,417.71.

For the past year a county garage has been maintained with one competent mechanic in charge, who keeps up all the trucks. This arrangement has proved to be quite a saving to the county as comparative figures show. In 1922-23, the average cost of operating one truck was \$444.51. Last year the average being \$259.49, shows a reduction of \$185.02 per truck or a total saving on the forty four trucks of \$8,140.88.

The three trucks that received the best care during last year, served Corinth-Holders school. These were Ford trucks and were driven by Odell Whitley, Ronald Hocutt and Walter Boyette. Three other trucks deserve honorable mention: Truck No. 7 which carried pupils to Four Oaks and was driven by Gardner Johnson; and two trucks driven by girls, Ruth C. Barbour who drove from Woodrow to Oakdale in Harnett County, and Poulaine Barnes who drove from Creech's school to Smithfield. Mr. Marrow commented very favorably upon the girl drivers stating they were careful and maintained fine order on the trucks.

### Boy Scout Meeting

The Boy Scouts of America, Troop 2, of Smithfield will have their regular weekly meeting Tuesday evening at eight o'clock in the Scout hall. The scout hall is in the Methodist Church basement. An interesting program is assured. The Scout Master, Marvin Woodall has asked that every scout be thinking over who will be a good candidate for Senior Patrol Leader. A Senior Patrol Leader will be elected at the next meeting, which will be Tuesday August 26th. Every member is urged to be present in uniform and with a good report for the week.

### Holly and Beasley Reunion

On Saturday, Sept. 27, there will be a reunion of Holly and Beasley families at F. M. Holly's residence, in Meadow near Peacock's Cross Roads.

At 12 o'clock there will be dinner in family style.

At 2 o'clock there will be preaching by some able minister.

There will be singing by the new Zealand Choir during the day for the people.

All relatives and friends of the above named families are cordially invited to be present with well filled baskets and help to make the reunion a great success.

R. P. PARKER.

circled around for awhile and at 6.05 started on their journey north. Mr. Henry has not yet received notification of their arrival in Wilkesbarre. This was a test flight of the carrier pigeons.