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## Democrats To Name Ticket In An Old-Time Convention

**Set April 18 As Date For Convention; Executive Committee Adopts Significant Recommendations.**

The Democratic executive committee assembled here Saturday with representation from each of the seventeen townships went on record unanimously favoring the selection of county candidates for 1930 in an old-time Democratic convention instead of the primary which has been the method of choosing the ticket for several years past. The date of the convention was set for Friday, April 18, at eleven o'clock a. m.

F. H. Brooks, chairman of the Democratic executive committee for Johnston county, called the meeting which was the first of the 1930 campaign. The entire township committees were invited as well as members of women's organizations in the various townships, but there were only ten or twelve women present, probably due to the inclement weather. After a few preliminary remarks by Chairman Brooks who stated the purpose of calling the executive committee together, the meeting was thrown open for a discussion as to whether a convention would be held.

Before the discussion got under way a committee was appointed to retire and prepare resolutions in the nature of a platform. The committee was named as follows: J. W. Stephenson, Smithfield; C. F. Kirby, Selma; and W. H. Royall, Benson. The recommendations of this committee which were unanimously adopted were as follows:

1. That the Democratic party of Johnston county favors the operation and maintenance of the public schools by the State of North Carolina, thereby eliminating the burdensome taxes now levied upon real estate for educational purposes.

2. That the Democratic party of Johnston county favors the operation and maintenance of our county road system by the State Highway commission, thereby reducing the tax on land now levied for road purposes in Johnston county.

3. That the Democratic party favors the abolition of the office of county treasurer of Johnston county, and that the different banks of Johnston county be named as depositories or financial agents for the public funds upon filing acceptable bonds, thereby eliminating the expenses of operating the office of county treasurer and effecting a saving of at least \$6,000 annually to the taxpayers.

4. That the Democratic party of Johnston county favors the abolition of the office of county tax collector, and that the duties now performed by the tax collector be performed by the sheriff of Johnston county, thereby saving to the tax payers of Johnston county at least \$9,000 a year.

5. That the Democratic party is unalterably opposed to issuing further bonds for any purpose whatsoever, except by a direct vote of the majority of the tax payers thereby.

6. That the Democratic party of Johnston county favors levying a tax on amusements and luxuries, instead of on land and the necessities in use by the masses of the taxpayers.

7. That the Democratic party of Johnston county favors the levying of the tax on stocks and bonds of foreign corporations, thereby further relieving the tax on real estate.

8. That the Democratic party of Johnston county favors the returning by the Federal government to the State of North Carolina, a reasonable proportion of the tax collected on manufactured tobacco and other tobacco products, thereby further relieving the tax-burdened citizens of Johnston county.

9. That the Democratic party favors the reorganization of the county government, to better meet the needs of the agricultural interest of Johnston county.

10. That the Democratic party of Johnston county does hereby condemn in no uncertain terms the careless, reckless, extravagant and inefficient administration of the financial affairs of Johnston county, by the present Republican administration.

11. That we pledge the Democratic party of Johnston county to

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## To Head World Bank



Gates W. McGarrath, Chairman of New York Federal Reserve Bank, who has been chosen to head the Bank for International Settlements established under the Young Plan with headquarters at Basel, Switzerland.

## TRADE-AT-HOME MEET HERE IN COURTHOUSE

All business men of Smithfield interested in advocating a "Trade at Home" campaign are cordially invited to attend a meeting which will be held in the commissioners' room in the courthouse Thursday night, March 27, at 8:15 o'clock.

## LADIES NIGHT AT KIWANIS

Benson, Mar. 19.—Tuesday evening was observed by the Benson Kiwanis club as ladies' night. For a short while all business matters were forgotten, and a great amount of fun was created while a number of stunts were engaged in which were put on by L. L. Levison, who had charge of the program. In addition to the stunts the guests were delighted by a vocal solo, "By the Waters of Minnetonka," by Mrs. Jesse T. Morgan, accompanied at the piano by Miss Wilhelmina Utley.

Rev. Mr. Gardner of the First Baptist church, Dunn, made the chief speech for the evening which proved to be both pleasing and helpful to the ladies and gentlemen. His subject was "Intangible Assets of the Community." Miss Wilhelmina Utley and Mrs. Jesse T. Morgan who have furnished and planned the music for the club for a number of years were presented appropriate gifts on this occasion. Mrs. Preston Woodall was winner of a box of candy in a drawing contest.

An excellent dinner was served by the hotel proprietor, Captain Jernigan.

## OXFORD SINGING CLASS WEDNESDAY EVENING

The singing class from the Oxford orphanage will give an entertainment here Wednesday evening in the school auditorium. There will be no admission charges, but a free-will offering will be taken for the Masonic orphanage. This class has been here from time to time and always a varied, interesting program has been rendered. The program on Wednesday evening will be no exception.

## CLASS COMPLETES INTERESTING CHURCH FIGURES

One of the classes in the Intermediate-Senior department of the Methodist Sunday school recently made some investigations concerning the number of churches of Smithfield, and their membership program of the department. The members of this class found that there are thirteen churches in this city with a total membership of 1,758. There are seven white churches as follows: Centenary Methodist with 527 members; Missionary Baptist with 346; Presbyterian with 100; Free Will Baptist with 56; Catholic with 48; Primitive Baptist with 40; St. Paul's Episcopal with 30.

There are six negro churches in this city as follows: Missionary Baptist with 325 members; Methodist Episcopal with 100; Zion Methodist with 22; Disciples of Christ with 110; Holiness with 36; Presbyterian with 18.

## VOCAL UNION TO MEET IN CITY

The Eason vocal union will be held in the courthouse here on the fifth Sunday in March. The program begins at ten o'clock and all choir are invited to be present at that time.

S. F. HONEYCUTT, President.

## STATE AND NATION NEWS PARAGRAPHS

Judge John J. Parker of Charlotte Named Supreme Court Judge; E. J. Coltrane Heads N. C. Education Association.

Judge John J. Parker, Republican, of Charlotte, was named Friday by President Hoover for the vacancy on the Supreme Court bench created by the death of Justice Edward Terry Sanford of Tennessee, who died a few weeks ago. A sub-committee was selected yesterday to consider his name, and this committee is expected to make a report within a few days. Judge Parker was educated at the University of North Carolina and has practiced law since his graduation. In 1922 he left his native town, Monroe, and went to Charlotte to practice his profession. In 1925 he was named to the circuit court of appeals, continuing his home at Charlotte. For several years he has been prominent in politics, having been candidate for governor of North Carolina and for the United States Senate on the Republican ticket.

Supt. E. J. Coltrane, of Salisbury, was elected president of the North Carolina Educational association held in Raleigh last week. Dr. John H. Cook, of North Carolina College for Women, was chosen vice president. Prominent educators from all over the state made addresses. Resolutions were adopted commending the last legislature for its recognition of the duty of the state in regard to the longer school term and pledging the association to continue its efforts towards the universal eight months term. Grafting reports were made by the various committees. The association was invited to hold its next meeting in Fayetteville.

The last of the oil trials ended Saturday when Edward L. Doherty was found no guilty of intent to corrupt a cabinet officer. The multi-millionaire was charged with fraudulent motives when in 1921 he gave \$100,000 to Albert B. Falls, then Secretary of the Interior, entrusted with the handling of naval oil reserve leases. Albert B. Fall was convicted by a jury of accepting \$100,000 bribe for the award of a lease of government oil lands to private enterprise. The question now in the mind of the American public is, who bribed Fall?

Rev. Henry Grady Dorsett, of Wake Forest, who has already paid his \$50 fee and filed with the state board of elections for the senatorial race for the primary on June 7, refuses to be muzzled. Rev. Mr. Dorsett is a Republican, and if he stands firm in his decision to be in a primary this will be the first time that the Republicans will have used the primary law. A letter to A. M. McWhirter, secretary of the Republican state executive committee, evoked a strong statement from Mr. Dorsett, in which he declared again that the people and not the "boss" shall decide whether or not he shall be the nominee for the United States Senate.

## MYSTERIOUS FORM OF PARALYSIS HAS 370 VICTIMS NOW

Atlanta, Mar. 18.—T. F. Sellers, director of the state board of health laboratories, said today that a reported number of 370 persons in the southern states had been stricken with what Sellers termed "Jamaica ginger" paralysis.

Sellers said Tennessee authorities had advised him there were at least 300 known cases in that state, especially in the vicinity of Johnson City, and that information coming to his office indicated 30 cases near Corbin, Ky., 30 near Meridian, Miss., and 10 cases in Georgia.

"In each case," Sellers said, "the paralysis has followed consumption of Jamaica ginger as a beverage."

## LOYAL WORKERS TO MEET

The Loyal Workers of the Free Will Baptist church will meet on Saturday afternoon at three o'clock with Mrs. J. R. Sasser. Every member is invited to be present.

## CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the doctors and kind nurses of our sister, Mary, while in the hospital in Durham.

Mrs. J. H. Parnell and sisters.

## HALLET S. WARD TALKS TAX LEAGUE

Before Adjournment Committee is Named To Represent Johnston in State-wide Meeting To Be Held in Raleigh on March 31.

"Not high taxes, not an overburdened people, not chain stores, but land valuation is what I am talking to you people about," declared Hallet S. Ward, of Washington, in a speech delivered here Saturday afternoon before the Johnston County Tax League.

This is not land valuation year, continued the speaker, but this is revision year, and the people themselves, without any special legislation, can secure lower tax. If they will correct the mistake in land valuation that is on the books. The county commissioners have all of the power that is needed to correct mistakes and there is a mistake as to land valuations. Mr. Ward urged that the people of Johnston county come before the county commissioners next summer in a body 10,000 strong and demand a cut of 25 per cent in the land valuations. Then he said get another 25 per cent out next year.

Mr. Ward declared that the Democrats, since the primary system went into effect, have failed to discuss together in conventions to discuss public affairs, and they have turned their government loose. They have, like Rip Van Winkle, been asleep.

The speaker refused again to give a remedy for the situation when a cut shall have been made, giving as his reason that he would not divert the attention of the public from his main theme—that of land valuation. He would leave the remedy up to the state.

It is not the difficulty of paying taxes that makes the tax valuation wrong, said Mr. Ward. It is that the value of land has been destroyed by the tax. Farms have lost their value. Tenancy is increasing. The only thing that makes for happiness and prosperity is the owning of one's home, and the present property valuation is making this difficult.

Before the meeting adjourned Saturday, a committee was named to represent Johnston county in a state-wide meeting to be held in Raleigh on March 31. The committee includes the following: J. W. Stephenson, J. Rufus Creech, A. M. Johnson, R. A. Sanders, J. W. Barnes, Norman Jones, A. J. Whitley, Jr., W. H. Lassiter, Garland Smith, G. R. Parnes, S. V. Strickland, W. P. A. Cook, M. C. Hooks, and P. B. Chamblee.

## GIN REPORT

There were 39,265 bales of cotton, counting round as half bales, ginned and to be ginned in Johnston county from the crop of 1929 as compared with 41,251 bales from the crop of 1928.

E. G. HOLLAND, Special Agent.

## Textile Workers Not Guilty

The five textile workers, charged with murdering and conspiring to murder Mrs. Ella Mae Wiggins last September in one of the Gaston county textile strike disorders, were declared "not guilty" Thursday night by a jury that was out only about thirty minutes. When on a truck with members and sympathizers of the National Textile Workers' Union, on the afternoon of September 14, Mrs. Wiggins was shot to death four miles from Gastonia, on highway No. 20. In spite of the fact that there were dozens of witnesses to the tragedy, the person who fired the fatal shot still remains a mystery. Attorney General Dennis Brummitt is said to have conducted a masterful prosecution.

## PAINT DEMONSTRATION A SUCCESS

According to Dr. G. A. McLemore, proprietor of Jo-McS, the paint demonstration held March 22 was quite a success. A representative of the paint company was here and showed the different uses of Cranitoid enamel and stain. Look out for their advertisements which are appearing in the Herald.

## S. S. CLASS VISITS STATE INSTITUTIONS

Members of the Sunday school class of Mr. A. M. Noble, accompanied by Mr. Noble and Mr. N. C. Shuford, went to Raleigh Thursday afternoon for a sight-seeing trip. Among the places of interest visited were the insane asylum, the state penitentiary, and broadcasting station WPTF.

## FIRST SHIPMENT HOGS FROM BENSON

Nets Farmers Nearly \$2,500; Four More Cars Will Be Shipped in Next 30 or 40 Days.

Benson, Mar. 21.—The first shipment of hogs from Benson this spring consisted of 115 head weighing 23,350, or an average of 203 pounds each and sold for 11 cents per pound, netting 10.4 cents per pound, was sold on the Richmond market under the direction of J. Paul Shaw, teacher of agriculture in the Benson High school.

Mr. Shaw states there were 11 farmers shipping at this time and that he was accompanied to Richmond by Messrs. Hunter Denning, J. R. Johnson, V. C. Jackson, and C. Young, all had hogs in the shipment. These men saw the hogs handled from the time they were unloaded until the killing was finished, having made a very interesting tour of the packing plant. They were especially interested to see what the effect of feeding soybeans to shippers is, making the pork soft or oily. These men made a thorough tour of Kingans packing plant.

These hogs were shipped under double deck arrangement, thus saving considerable freight and crowding. The farmers will receive approximately \$2,500 for these hogs. Mr. Shaw states that the farmers working in co-operation with him expect to ship about four more cars in the next thirty or forty days.

## The National 'Her'.

Dear Chicken, unto thee  
We offer fealty,  
Thy praises sing;  
When thou art broiled or fried,  
Or baked with sage inside,  
Lo, with what happy pride  
We grab thy wing.

Thou yearnest not to vote,  
No clubs thou dost promote  
Nor talk of art;  
No novels dost thou write,  
Nor frequent shows at night,  
Thou art a "chased" delight  
From leg to heart.

For breakfast every day  
Thou dost a fresh egg lay,  
Smooth as a knob;  
Others may widely roam,  
But wanderest not from home,  
But, scratching up the loam,  
Stayest on the job.

Humble and true art thou,  
Model for the faithful frau,  
In spite of scorn.  
Thy lord is tough and coarse,  
Yet thou seekest no divorce,  
And with affinities, perforce,  
Sharest thy corn.

To thee in early spring  
Our pocket books we bring,  
Fortunes we spend;  
When thou hast gladdened men  
Thou makest dusters then,  
In life, in death, oh Hen,  
Thou art our friend!  
—Myrtle Reed, in Progressive Farmer.

Do business problems worry you, or are you a golfer?  
A stylish-stout is grateful for anything that ruins her appetite—even bad news.

Is any feeling finer than that which comes from doing a hard job particularly well?

It's funny how people can be as peaceful as turtle doves one minute and fighting like tigers the next.

Haven't you found that the quick, glad borrowers are slow, sad payers?

The city girl boarding in the country spoke to the farmer about the savage way in which the cow regarded her.

"Well," said the farmer, "it must be on account of that red waist you're wearing."

"Dear me!" cried the girl. "Of course, I know it's terribly out of style, but I had no idea a country cow would notice it!"

## REV. J. D. BUNDY IN REVIVAL

Rev. J. D. Bundy is assisting Rev. N. C. Yearby in a series of revival services at Sanders Chapel this week. There will be no prayer meeting at the Methodist church on account of the absence of Mr. Bundy in these services.

## Defends Youth



Rev. Daniel A. Polling, D.D., President of the World's Christian Endeavor Union, who told the House Judiciary Committee that modern young folk are not the drunks they have been represented.

## MUCH INTEREST IN REVIVAL AT SELMA

The revival which is being conducted at the Edgerton Memorial Methodist church in Selma with Rev. D. E. Earnhardt of Wilmington doing the preaching, is attracting considerable attention in Selma and the nearby communities. Large crowds have attended each evening service which is held at 7:30. Sunday night the church was full to overflowing when the other churches called in their services to worship with the Methodist congregation. Rev. Mr. Earnhardt is preaching forceful sermons and the interest grows daily. A number of Smithfield people at each evening service have heard Mr. Earnhardt who was pastor of the Methodist church here for two years.

An afternoon service is held at three o'clock. The meeting will continue through this week.

## BAPTIST PHILATHEAS TO MEET

The Philathea class of the Baptist church will have a call meeting at the home of Mrs. Will H. Lassiter on Thursday night at 7:45 o'clock. This is an important meeting and every member is urged to be present.

## CHANGES IN BANNER WAREHOUSE

The Banner warehouse, the oldest tobacco warehouse in the county, will undergo general repair in the near future. The warehouse will be operated next season by Mr. H. L. Skinner, who has been connected with the tobacco market here since its beginning in 1898, and his son, Mr. in Frank L. Skinner. The interest of Mr. L. G. Patterson, who for a long time has been connected with the Banner warehouse, has been purchased by these gentlemen.

## BAND PRACTICE WEDNESDAY EVENING

The high school band practice will be held Wednesday evening at the high school instead of the grammar school on account of the Oxford Singing class which will give its entertainment in the grammar school auditorium. The boys will meet at seven o'clock instead of seven-thirty. All interested in being in the band are invited.

## BOOKS OF THE BIBLE

The great Jehovah speaks to us in Genesis and Exodus. Leviticus and Numbers see. Followed by Deuteronomy. Joshua and Judges rule the land. Ruth gleams the sheaves with trembling hand. Samuel and numerous Kings appear. Whose Chronicles we wonderng hear. Ezra, Nehemiah brave. Esther dares her race to save. Job speaks in signs, David in Psalms. Ecclesiastes then comes on. And the sweet song of Solomon. Isaiah, Jeremiah then. Write Lamentations with their pen. Ezekiel, Daniel, Hozea's lyre. Join Joel, Amos, Obadiah. Jonah, Micah, Abraham come. While the lofty Habakkuk finds room. Nehemiah, Haggai, and Zachariah rear the walls on high. While Malachi with garment rent. Concludes the ancient Testament. —Author unknown.

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## FIRST PRE SCHOOL CLINIC A SUCCESS

County Health Officer C. C. Massey Is Assisted By Miss Lamb, School Nurse From State Board Health; 340 Children Examined.

The pre-school clinic in Johnston county last week was successful, according to Dr. C. C. Massey, county health officer.

Though restricted to the children who will enter school for their first time this fall, and though it was the first pre-school clinic ever conducted in this county, 340 children responded. Each child was weighed and measured, and his age, state of development and nutrition were arrived at. Physical examination, including the eyes, ears, throat, teeth, and chest was made, and the results recorded on individual cards, instructing the parents specifically as to the findings in each case in order that proper corrections so far as possible may be made. A fine spirit of co-operation was manifested on the part of parents.

Smallpox vaccination having recently become a pre-school requirement, the children were also vaccinated against smallpox.

Dr. C. C. Massey, County Health Officer, was assisted in this work by Miss Anne Lamb, school nurse from the State Board of Health.

## WAYNE PLAYERS DEFEAT LOCALS

The Wayne Community Players won over the Smithfield Business and Professional Women's club in the Eastern Carolina dramatic contest held in Goldsboro Friday evening under the auspices of the State University. The Wayne Players presented "The Cajun," while the Smithfield club presented "Just Women." The winning group will enter its play in the state contest to be held in Chapel Hill on the evening of April 10.

After the contest Friday evening little Misses Bettie Norcross, Noemie Calais, and Anne Creech presented a pleasing playlet, "The End of the Rainbow." This playlet together with "Just Women" was presented here recently.

## MRS. UTLEY HOSTESS

Benson, Mar. 19.—Mrs. Sherrill Utley was hostess at a bridge party at her home Monday evening, honoring her house guest, Miss Katherine Paris, of Rockingham.

Pretty arrangements of green and gold shamrocks and hyacinths graced the living room where the guests were entertained. Attractive St. Patrick tallies and score pads were used and all details effectively carried out the color scheme.

Top score prize, an individual green score pad, was awarded Miss Maude Johnson and the guest of honor received a lovely party handkerchief. Mesdames Leon Talton and W. M. Smith assisted the hostess in serving cream topped with green coconut, green and white angel food cake and mints.

Those present were: Misses Annie Len Denning, Bessie Dean, Louise Phelps, Clara Woodall, Maude Johnson, Katherine Paris, Mable Johnson, Chellie Mae Royal, Wilhelmina Utley, Neta Turlington, Mesdames Alfred Parker, W. M. Smith and Leon Talton.

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## PLAY AT BROGDEN.

The faculty of Pine Level school will present a play, "One Minute of Twelve" at Brogden school auditorium Wednesday night, March 26 at 8:00 o'clock. You will enjoy seeing how many times "Billy" gets engaged and how anxious "Landa Lou" is to be engaged. A fine opportunity to see a good play.

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