

Democratic County Convention

Delegates Selected For Raleigh

The Democratic County Convention met in the Court House, pursuant to call, on Saturday.

A good crowd was present and there was a fine spirit of harmony and helpfulness.

The meeting was called to order by W. E. Breese, chairman of the County Executive Committee, Miss Martha Boswell was secretary.

Mr. Breese made a spirited address. He outlined the organization of precinct and County committees and insisted upon the necessity for a thorough organization especially in the precincts.

Mr. Breese further stated that it was not necessary at this time to adopt resolutions in answer to the resolutions adopted at the recent Republican Convention. The good done by the Democratic administration should speak for itself. However, the Republican contention will be answered in due time.

The late Republican Board of County Commissioners is responsible he stated for the present high taxes but was afraid to assume responsibility for the same, so they borrowed money without making any provision for its payment, thereby jeopardizing the honor of the County. The Democrats in order to save our good name had to assume the indebtedness.

The books of the County Commissioners are open to the public Mr. Breese pointed out, and Democrats and Republicans are urged to consult the books and see how much money was paid Mr. Scruggs of Brevard as chairman of the late Republican Board of County Commissioners and how much has been paid George Lyday of Boyd for traveling many times the distance to render the same service on the present Democratic board. The public is invited to compare the bills rendered by these two gentlemen for the same service and draw their own conclusion as to who is trying to save the public money.

In conclusion Mr. Breese stated that while the Republican were trying to hold the Democratic party responsible for the hard winter and bad roads the Republicans are responsible for the high taxes by the records of their own books.

Mr. Breese's speech was heartily applauded. On motion of R. L. Gash it was voted that the chairman of the County Executive Committee be elected after the primary on the date fixed for the official canvass of the returns and in consultation with the candidates.

Several precincts had not organized on account of inclement weather. These precincts have thirty days in which to organize and voters present at the convention from these precincts were urged to go home and organize at once.

The following delegates were elected to the State convention:

Miss Martha Boswell, Mrs. Will Ray, W. A. Band, T. H. Shipman, W. E. Breese, W. H. Duckworth, T. C. Henderson, R. L. Gash, Harroson Case, Mrs. T. J. Wilson, T. E. Patton, Mrs. Z. W. Nichols, Miss Florence Kern, Mrs. A. B. Riley, J. L. Bell, G. L. Lyday, Eugene Allison, Riley Wilson, Otto Alexander, J. J. Patton, Mrs. O. L. Erwin, M. W. Galloway, Mrs. John Cantrell, Mrs. Fred Johnson, Mrs. John Maxwell, T. H. Galloway, Jordan Whitmore, Miss Minnie Gillespie, Mrs. L. Powell, Mrs. Marsh Holliday, Mrs. C. K. Osborne, Mrs. J. M. Allison.

On motion of J. L. Bell, delegates to the State Convention were instructed to support Mr. Walter Moore as delegate to the national Convention. Delegates were further instructed to support Miss May Jones for delegate at-large to the National Convention.

Mrs. C. C. Kilpatrick and Mrs. E. F. Gillespie are visiting in Greenville, S. C.

J. A. Ridley of Gafney S. C. was a business visitor in town this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Sitten and son Mack have returned to Brevard after spending the winter in Vera, Florida.

Mr. Lee of Greensboro, N. C. is visiting his son Dr. Lee, who is with Davis-Walker Drug Co.

ROSMAN LOCALS

Rev. Richardson preached an excellent sermon Sunday at the M. E. church.

Mrs. James Nelson and two little sons visited relatives at Pelfer and Greenville, S. C. last week.

L. P. Wilson is at home for a short while, from the hospital where he has been taking treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Edens are the happy parents of twin baby boys, born April, 12th.

Norwood Batson son of Alonzo Batson who attended school here this winter died Sunday morning with pneumonia, was buried at Mt. Moriah cemetery Monday.

Mr. A. O. Kitchens and family are enjoying their new Radio.

Sheriff Shipman and wife were Rosman visitors Sunday.

AN EASTER MUSICAL TREAT

On next Sunday, Easter, at five o'clock the choir of St. Phillips, as a cantata, the Story of the Resurrection, a cantata, the story of the resurrection. This will be a treat to the music lovers of Brevard.

Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

The church, as usual, will be beautifully decorated.

Chamber Of Commerce Notes

Action on street signs has been delayed by illness of Mayor and aldermen. However, look out for street signs on street corners at an early date.

The committee is still looking for a satisfactory available amusement park.

Views, advertising matter, and reading matter are coming in every week. The Manufacturers Record is always interesting. So are many of the travel magazines.

Account of the road machinery exhibition to be held near Greensboro and Winston is both interesting and instructive. Already 34 carloads of road building machinery are on the way to take part in this exhibition.

Booklets and reading matter as to fishing and camping will interest many.

The Road Maps of the State are doing good service. A liberal supply on hand.

Golf is still being talked about. May the date for the game to start be early.

On April 22nd, the Chamber of Commerce will give a banquet at the Aethelwold Hotel. Each member to bring one guest. For detailed information, consult the secretary. Name of the guest you are to take, report to Roscoe Nicholson. The new sign will be across Main Street in a few days.

The members, in increasing numbers, are learning the advantages of the Chamber of Commerce office reading matter, maps, bulletin board, etc.

Copy for the new booklet must be finished in the next week. Those pot members, who wish to "climb on the band wagon", please get busy.

If you have information for the secretary, phone 121. If you want information, phone 121.

Entertainment At Little River

There will be a school entertainment at the Little River school house April, 25, 1924, beginning at 7:30 p. m., everybody is cordially invited to come.

BREVARD NATIONAL FARM LOAN ASSOCIATION

The Brevard National Farm Loan Association has just received notice of another large allotment of money to be loaned to the farmers of Transylvania county. Farmers wishing to fund indebtedness or make improvements should avail themselves of this opportunity of getting money at a low rate of interest for a long term if so desired. Application for this allotment must be received by May 1st, 1924. For information on loans, write or call C. K. Osborne, 121 N. E. St., Brevard, N. C.

REMINISCENCES OF J. M. HAMLIN

Mr. Editor:

I have an old book yellowed with time, whose title page reads: "A table of post offices in the United States as they were Oct. 1, 1830 by direction of the Post Master General. The next page reads: "Rates of postage established by Act of Congress of 3rd of March 1825 and the amendatory act of 2nd of March 1827."

"For any distance not exceeding 30 miles, 6 1-4 cents; over 30 miles and not exceeding 80 miles, 10 c; over 80 miles and not exceeding 150 miles, 12 1-2; over 150 miles and not exceeding 400 miles 18 3-4 over 400 miles, 25 cents." These rates applied to a letter of "one piece of paper," two pieces double three pieces, triple, four pieces or one ounce, quadruple. "A piece of paper" was about 5 by 12 in, called "foolscap."

There were two offices in what is now Transylvania: Cathey Creek (Selica) Berj. Wilson, p. m. and Claytonville (residence of E. B. Clayton) John Clayton, p. m. The first distance from Washington, 550 miles, from Raleigh, 296 miles; the latter 540, 286 miles respectively.

It was allowable to write on both sides of the "piece of paper," but the writer must be careful to preserve blank space in the right place for the address. The letter being properly folded and addressed it is ready for sealing. To say today, "seal your letter" means lick the mucilage on the envelope, and press together, but in 1830, it meant, dash for the broom draw a straw, light in the fire and touch it to candlewick, place in the flame a stem of sealing wax about the length and size of a carpenter's pencil and drop one or two drops on the unsealed space, press and the letter is ready for mailing. Mailing means, if you reside in Gloucester, Rosman East Fork, Dunns Rock or Brevard you step down, across or up to Selica and drop it in and if you reside the lower part of the county you will do likewise in preference to Claytonville.

In social correspondence it was optional with the writer at which end of the line the postage should be paid: Those who used the stereotype introducer: "I seat myself to write you a few lines to let you know we are all well, hoping when they come to hand they will find you enjoying the same like blessing." Generally allowed their letters to be marked, "Postage due 6, 10, 12 18 or 25 cents," according to distance. Nothing, however, was saved for the answer came back similarly marked. The postage on business letters to insure attention must be paid at the mailing office. Thomas Hemphill when he sent a copy of the entry covering the old Poor-house place to the Secretary of State at Raleigh to secure a State grant paid three English six-pence coins, 18 3-4 cents. When the mail delivered the grant he paid a like sum, so the postage to and from Raleigh was 37 1-2 cents. Two "pieces of paper" would have been 45 cents, 4 pieces \$1.50. To Washington, being over 400 miles, the postage both ways would have been \$2.00 for the 4 pieces.

Wafers, little round disks about the size and thickness of the little finger nail, was quite an improvement on the sealing wax process; they were moistened with the tongue and inserted.

Not all our farmer pioneers could do a neat mechanical job. While they could wield axe, spade or mattock dexterously or drive the bull's eye with rifle, they were not often adept in paper folding and for the reason grotesque samples passed through the mails. They were aware of the fact and encouraged their daughters to practice the art. One of the pastimes for the school girls in school with the girls was to fold pieces of waste paper. Benches and bellies in their classrooms were filled with paper, which, when the dull hour into profitable amusement by inner folding. So the technique was improving up to the introduction of envelopes (called envelopments) 1847-50. The introduction of envelopes and stamps with reduction of postage requiring preparations was a great advance made in postal affairs.

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Mr. Raymond Glen and daughter of Selica are visiting relatives here.

HAMLIN FOR CONGRESS

At the Republican Congressional Convention held in Bryson City last week, Lewis P. Hamlin was chosen by acclamation as candidate for Congress.

This is the second time in succession that the congressional candidate has been chosen from Brevard. Alfred H. Hampton was named alternate delegate to the national convention.

M. L. SHIPMAN ANNOUNCES

I am a candidate for re-election as Commissioner of Labor and Printing largely because of my desire to continue the program of enlarging the usefulness of the Department and rendering it of more value to citizenship of the State. Distinct forward steps to make the Department of real value to the public have been taken during the period I have served as commissioner, and its yet greater possibilities for service are being developed.

The duties devolved by law upon the Department are of such character that my years of service as assistant commissioner, followed by my tenure as commissioner, equip me, I believe, to discharge those duties more efficiently than could a person who has not had such experience.

The work of the Department has doubled several times since my connection with it, the direction of the cooperative Federal and State free employment service, with local offices in Ashville, Charlotte, Winston Salem, Greensboro, Wilmington, and Raleigh, has been added to the duties of the commissioners of the new bureau of the Department for the help of our deaf population was created by act of the last legislature and is functioning nicely, the gathering and compilation of facts and statistics relative to farming and labor, manufacturing, mining, waterpowers, etc., entail greater labor each year, increase in number and the widening scope of governmental departments, commissions and agencies demand a greater volume of printing, involving more and more labor in supervision.

The industrial directory issued by the Department is recognized as a comprehensive exposition of the State's industrial growth and the principal medium through which a knowledge of the wonderful progress of North Carolina is given to the outside world, demand for this coming constantly from all parts of the world; thousands of dollars (more than the operating cost of the Department) are saved annually to the State by the extremely careful supervision of the public printing and the approved business methods that have been introduced in handling this important item of government expense; thousands of the unemployed, including hundreds of former service men, have found positions through the employment division; many of the deaf have been directed to situations which have enabled them to establish themselves in life since the development of the bureau for the deaf, under the supervision of the Department; yet but a beginning has been made.

Auditing experts employed to check the records of all State departments and introduce improved methods failed to find any errors in the records and could suggest no improvement in the system in vogue in this Department. These experts stated that the Department of Labor and Printing was easily one of the most efficient and most economically administered of all the State Departments.

The Department is conducted on strictly business principles, in the best interest of the taxpayers of the State.

If you are interested (which is equivalent to election) in my candidacy, please be employed to the utmost by the Department, a government agency second to none in the country.

No personal or political claim is advanced in this announcement. It is based absolutely upon my record as a public servant. The position is a honor which I prize very highly, but the office belongs to the people and not to any individual. I would want the decision of the democratic voters of the State on June 24th with hope and confidence.

M. L. SHIPMAN

DEMOCRATS OF HOGBACK MEET

The Democratic citizens of Hogback township met today in precinct meeting and elected T. C. Henderson temporary chairman, Elzie Cash elected secretary.

The following were elected members of the township executive committee: W. B. Henderson, Henry McCall, E. A. Reid, Otto Alexander, Mrs. W. W. Ray, Mrs. J. T. Harrison, Messrs M. O. McCall, L. E. Cash and T. C. Henderson.

Delegates were appointed to the county convention at Brevard, Apr. 12th, as follows: Elzie Cash, E. A. Reid, Mrs. W. W. Ray, Mrs. D. H. Miller, D. H. Lee, Oscar Whitmore, and T. C. Henderson.

On motion made and carried the delegates who attend the county convention were authorized to appoint other citizens who might be present at the convention as delegates to fill the vacancies of any of the appointed delegates who might fail to attend the meeting.

The precinct meeting then adjourned. T. C. HENDERSON, Chairman Pro Tem, L. E. CASH, Secretary Pro Tem.

G. E. LATHROP

Brevard mourns the loss of G. E. Lathrop who departed this life Thursday morning, April 17, at nine o'clock.

The funeral services will be held at St. Philip's church Saturday at two o'clock.

The funeral party will leave on the afternoon train for the old home in Vermont where the interment will take place.

BETTERMENT ENTERTAINMENT POSTPONED

Owing to the approach of school commencement and several other entertainments which have right of way, the projected Betterment entertainment which was announced for April 25, has been indefinitely postponed.

Miss Lucille Clark Has Resigned

Every precinct in the county will be sorry to learn that continued ill health has forced Miss. Lucille Clark to resign her position as Home Demonstration Agent for Transylvania county.

The prizes won by her club girls have been proof of her efficient work in that line, but she will be especially remembered on account of the way she has sought out afflicted children and taught their parents how they might be made whole.

Thinking not of self she has traveled our country roads in all kinds of weather often alone in the dark hours of night to make the world a better, happier place by making better home.

Miss Clark's winning personality made a friend of every person with whom she came in contact and she is sadly missed.

May she soon be fully restored to health and usefulness.

SONS BORN

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Duckworth, a son, April 12.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. K. K. Miller, a son, April 15.

NOTICE

All parking on Main Street between England and Gaston will be on and after May 1, in the middle of the street.

T. M. Mitchell, Mayor

HOSPITAL SHOWER

There will be a "linen" shower given for the Brevard Hospital on Tuesday afternoon April 22, from 3 to 6 o'clock.

All are urged to co-operate in this worthy cause and carry or send to the Brevard Hospital on the above date such articles as are suitable for Hospital use; namely, sheets (19 quarter) counterpanes (light weight) pillow cases and towels. Mrs. J. F. Zachary, Mrs. H. R. Walker, Mrs. J. M. Allison, Mrs. O. L. Erwin, Com. from home of lover's club.

The citizens of Brevard are glad to hear that Mayor T. M. Mitchell has been attacked with Flu and Pneumonia.

THE PRAYER CORNER

"The Temptations Of The Devil"
"The God of the world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not" 2 Cor. 4:4

"The temptation of the Devil differs from those of the flesh and of the world, in as much as is the temptation of a person or an intellect. On this account it is the more dangerous. The temptations of the flesh and of the world are much the same to every one to please self, and to do as others do, but not so with the temptations of the devil, which varies according to the condition, and circumstances of each soul. The devil adapts himself to individual cases. Then the temptation of the devil change, as we change, while this is true, nevertheless, all his temptations fall under one of two general heads, viz: the attempt to mislead souls, or when that fails, to weary souls, of the first of these we will now think. Satan tries to mislead by casting dust into the eyes of the soul and so impair its vision or by blinding the soul and so depriving it of light. The characteristic of blindness is that the sufferer is in perpetual darkness and hence in constant danger of losing the way or coming to harm.

Persons who are blind live in a state of danger and uncertainty "He that walketh in darkness knoweth not whither he goeth."

"Satan's method is startlingly simple by deceitful suggestions and false illusions he deprives the soul of light and then leaves it to itself. The blinded soul cannot find its way to Heaven for it cannot see its craft in robbing the soul of light without telling the soul its loss"

What a strange yet awful sight is that upon which the prince of darkness looks with such fiendish exultation crowds of blind souls mistaking shadows for realities, grouping about in the dark like the blind men of Sodom, wearying themselves to find the door and never finding it, blind souls coming face to face with God, continually, yet never recognizing him, face to face with Eternal truths, yet never knowing them as a blindman in the street passing his friends without being aware of it. On and on they go towards the precipice not knowing whether their feet are carrying them.

Let us go again to the great Exemplar, that we may learn how to avoid the snare of Satan. In the will demers the prince of darkness came to our Lord striving to blind Him by the glare of earthly glory, again the devil taketh Him up into an exceeding high mountain and sheweth Him all the Kingdom of the world and the glory of them and sayeth unto Him, "all these things will I give thee if thou wilt fall down and worship me" The earthly glory was not what he sought, he did not come for that and so refusing to be dazzled or misled, he answered "Get thee hence Satan, for it is written, thou shalt worship the Lord thy God and him only shalt thou serve"

So let me follow him who is the light of the world and let me take him for my guide who never led one astray.

A PRAYER

"Lord Jesus who canst save us because thou wert tempted in all points as we are, yet without sin come to us, we dare not live without thee we are trying to live without thee the spirit of evil within us, persuades us ever away from thee, the law of sin and death holds sway over us but with what of our heart we own, we cry to thee, come, come pity our helplessness and come, be more swift, oh more swift than our temptations and come take this prayer the fragment of will and righteous desire and bless it and increase it as thou didst bless and magnify the bit of bread"

"O save us from the temptations of the evil one, who seeks to mislead our souls by casting dirt into the eyes or blinding them and so depriving them of light, show us thyself in thy compelling glory O thou great exemplar, who, when the prince of darkness came to thee, striving to blind thee by the glare of earthly glory, answered him with burning words of righteous indignation, "Get thee hence Satan for it is written thou shalt worship the Lord thy God and him only shalt thou serve" So may we ever answer him by thy help and in thy strength. In the name Lord Jesus we ask it," amen. C. D. C.