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## COUNTY CONVENTION CALLED.

DATE IS SATURDAY, MAY 7TH.

Primaries Saturday, April 30—Precinct Committees to Conduct Election—Poll Books are to be Kept and the Records Sent up to County Convention.

A good representation of committeemen, candidates, and other citizens attended the meeting at Dallas Saturday afternoon of the Democratic county executive committee, held in pursuance of the call by Chairman O. P. Mason. Having requested editors W. F. Marshall and Hugh Long to act as secretaries, the chairman declared the object of the meeting to be to decide whether there should be one county convention or two, to decide whether primaries should be held or not, and to fix dates for such conventions and primaries as were called.

The precincts had representation as follows:

Dallas	O. F. Mason
Cherryville	Not represented
Carpenter's	W. B. Carpenter
Kiaer's	H. S. Sellars
Dilling's	J. L. Mauney
Baker's	W. S. Mauney
Benamer	Not represented
Gastonia, No. 1	W. T. Rankin
Gastonia, No. 2	T. M. Faysoux
Glenn's	J. M. Kendrick
Lowell	Not represented
South Point	R. R. Ray
Belmont	W. R. Ford
Union	A. J. Smith
Mt. Holly	Not represented
Candler's	Not represented
Stanley	C. F. Smith

Upon motion of Mr. H. S. Sellars, seconded by Mr. W. S. Mauney, it was decided to hold only one county convention. It was also moved by Mr. Sellars that the primaries be called for Saturday, the 30th of April, and the county convention for Wednesday, the fourth of May. Mr. W. T. Rankin moved to amend by naming Saturday, May 7th, as the day for holding the county convention, thus placing the convention at the end of the week and just a week after the primaries. The amendment was accepted, and the motion was discussed.

There was a general sentiment in favor of an early convention. Mr. Sellars said there were some who wouldn't plant any crop until the convention was held, which was understood as a sly dig at the candidates who were so busy looking after their political fences. Sheriff Armstrong was in favor of an early convention. "A good many of us," said he, "want to know whether to plant any crop or not." Mr. R. K. Ray favored an early convention to relieve as soon as practicable the "great strain" the candidates seem to be under.

The vote was unanimous to hold the primaries Saturday, April 30, and the county convention Saturday, May 7th.

It was ruled by the committee that the primaries should be confined to the county officers.

The very important matter of prescribing rules to secure uniformity in the manner of conducting the primaries was seriously discussed. At some precincts a polling book was kept, at others the votes were cast in a hat passed around the crowd; at some places the primaries opened and closed at fixed hours, at others no special hours were observed.

The question, Who is entitled to participate in the primary? was also discussed. This question was not passed upon by vote, but there seemed to be general assent to the rule that any qualified white voter who gave satisfactory assurance upon his honor that he intended to vote the ticket nominated by the Democratic convention would be entitled to take part in the primaries. The man who wanted to come into the primary and vote for just "one man," without any intention of supporting the rest of the ticket was not entitled to participate in a Democratic primary. Mr. W. T. Rankin, while assenting to this rule, thought the man should be informed kindly and frankly how these matters were. "The Democratic party isn't so big yet," he said, "that it doesn't want recruits," and if this "one man" voter is with us let us keep him; if he's not with us, of course we shall have to exclude him.

Regarding uniformity in holding the primaries, it was not thought best to adopt any iron-clad, complicated regulations. The rules adopted are embodied in a motion which fixed the hours of opening the primaries at one o'clock, and the time of closing at 6:30 p. m., and in

the following resolutions offered by Mr. R. R. Ray:

Resolved that the various precinct executive committees hold the primaries, two or more of the members acting as poll-holders and making a record of the names of those voting, and that such record be transmitted to the chairman of the county convention.

Chairman Mason urged the members of the committee to remember that the plan of organization requires that at the first primary a precinct executive committee be elected; that this committee organize immediately and elect a chairman, who by virtue of his office becomes a member of the county executive committee; and that this county committee is required to organize immediately after the convention and elect a county chairman.

### DR. ODELL IMPROVING.

He is in South Carolina, but feels an Affectionate Interest in Old Gaston—Farmers in that Section are in Good Condition—Diving for Ten Cent Cotton and Short Corn Crop.

To the Editor of the Gazette:

Or, account of continued ill health we moved to this section of the moral vineyard about two weeks ago. I have improved in health continually since we arrived and feel better this morning than I have felt in over twelve months.

Enclosed find our subscription for THE GAZETTE. We must hear from home regularly in more than the ordinary four page letter, and there is no other medium in Gaston county that gets so much of general interest to her absent children as THE GAZETTE.

This is a level, sandy, fertile and prosperous country. The farms are small and not under mortgage, either, as they were years ago. The weather is cool and rainy, and farmers are slowly getting into line for 10 cent cotton, and corn enough to last them till the first of December "next fall."

I hope to hear favorable accounts from the farmers and all other activities of Gaston, and sincerely trust they may all be very good and quarrel no more about the removal of the old court house.

With kind regards and tender memories of all, I am most sincerely,  
O. C. ODELL.  
Effingham, S. C., Mar. 28, 1904.

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### SAD DEATH OF YOUNG MAN.

Mr. Sam C. Leard of Chester Answers Sudden Summons—Was Sick only a Few Hours—Body Taken to Chester for Burial.

One of the saddest deaths that have occurred in Gastonia in many months was that of Mr. Sam C. Leard, of Chester, who passed away Friday afternoon about 5:10 o'clock at the home of Mr. W. C. Abernethy on South street. Death resulted from hemorrhage of the stomach and came after only a few hours' illness. All that medical skill could do to save his life was done in vain.

The deceased was a member of the clerical force at the freight depot and was at his desk all day Thursday and worked some Thursday evening after supper. He complained during the day of feeling unwell but thought it only a slight indisposition. When he retired Thursday night he took some medicine. At 7 o'clock Friday morning he arose and, still feeling unwell, went to see Dr. Bunting who boards in the same house. Shortly after returning to his room he became very ill and had a hemorrhage. Following this he was attacked with hemorrhages at intervals till death relieved his suffering.

Mr. Leard became unconscious about 2 o'clock in the afternoon and, with the exception of a few brief intervals, remained unconscious till the end. He was attended by Drs. Sloan, Wilson and Bunting but their utmost efforts were powerless to stay the hand of death. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Leard of Chester, were notified at once of his critical condition but it was impossible for them to reach his bedside.

Mr. Leard came to Gastonia from Chester three weeks ago to take a position in the depot and had been at his work constantly since arriving. He was 23 years of age, apparently strong and vigorous, and was liked by the entire depot force and all with whom he came in contact.

The body was shipped to Chester on No. 40 Friday night for burial at his old home. It was accompanied to Charlotte by Mrs. C. V. Blake, a relative of the family; Mr. J. Plum Johnson, and Dr. R. C. Bunting. Two uncles of the deceased, Messrs. Richard and John Cousar, met them at Charlotte and they, with Mrs. Blake, accompanied the corpse to Chester.

This was a peculiarly sad death and its shadow was cast over the entire community. Ap-

parently strong and vigorous, in the very bloom of young manhood, away from his loved ones and among comparative strangers, he was called to give up his life without warning.

### CURES WITHOUT STOMACH DOSING.

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### 2,500 Cords of Wood Burned.

Between 2,000 and 2,500 cords of cordwood belonging to Mr. S. J. Durham of the Southern Cotton Mill and Dr. D. A. Garrison of Bessemer City was destroyed by fire Sunday afternoon entailing a loss of something over \$3,000. The wood was stacked in a stretch of woods a mile south of the town and caught from a fire which probably originated accidentally in the woods. A small amount of wood was saved. The heavy smoke arising in the direction of Bessemer City Sunday afternoon caused the report to be circulated in Gastonia that one of the cotton mills at that place was burning, but the report was soon contradicted.

### PISOAN PENCILINGS.

April 2.—Since last I wrote, one of our young ladies has become a Mrs. 'Twas a "run-away" match, so we hear.

Rev. and Mrs. A. T. Lindsay visited Mr. E. A. Morrow one day last week.

Gardening is in full blast. One of our bachelors has treated himself to a new suit of clothes. What next?

Our neighborhood is in need of three things, viz: A resident physician, a roller mill and a phone line from R. L. Wilson's to Rev. A. T. Lindsay's and on to the "queen city of Gaston."

"I want to inform some young men and ladies in this community that I will not under any conditions report "dead matter" in this correspondence. Young men call on your girls every night if you wish, that is proper; but "Mr. So-and-so called on Miss So-and-so Saturday night and took her to church Sunday," is out of place in a newspaper.

If you can't give us items of interest don't give us "dead stuff." Cut this out and file it away, and engrave it on the tablets of your mind.

### NOTICE.

To Stockholders of Gastonia Coffin Co.

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of stockholders of Gastonia Coffin Company will be held in the office of Gastonia Banking Company, Gastonia, N. C. April 28, 1904, at 2:30 p. m., to consider a resolution to dissolve said corporation.

By order of the Directors,  
J. W. P. LOVE, President.  
Gastonia, N. C. Mar. 28, 1904.  
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### Notice to Creditors.

The undersigned having qualified as executor of the last will and testament of Elizabeth Price, deceased, this is to notify all persons having claims against said testatrix to present them daily verified to me on or before

the 25th day of March, 1905.

or this notice will be placed in bar of any recovery thereon. All persons indebted to said testatrix will please settle with me at once. This March 21st, 1904. J. A. HOYLE, Executor of the last will of Elizabeth Price, deceased.

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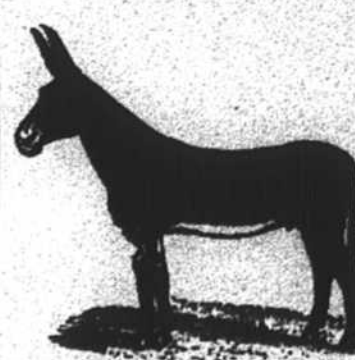
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