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THE CONTEST AND HOW THE VOTE STANDS

Burlington.

Miss Lois A. Workman,	12,750
Swannie Patterson,	14,450
Myrtle Isley,	3,350
Myrtle Tate,	1,000
Lillian Turner,	925

Burlington R. F. D's.

Miss Jennie Whitsell, R. 4,	3,325
Emma Overman R. 1,	2,125
Annie Matlock, R. 2,	400
Ollie Ector, Route 2,	200
Rosa Crouse, Route 4,	200

Snow Camp.

Miss Mary Stout,	14,750
Spring Graded School,	500
Sylvan Graded School,	200

Mebane.

Miss Grace Amick,	300
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Haw River, No. 1.

Miss Carrie Albright,	15,075
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Elon College, N. C.

Miss Mollie Baldwin,	7,150
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Union Ridge, No. 1.

Miss Lottie Terrell,	300
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Party Platform.

The following resolution was introduced and adopted at the Republican County Convention at Graham Saturday Sept. 17th, 1910. Read it, it means something to the people of Alamance County:

The Republican party of Alamance county in convention assembled do hereby resolve.

1st. We are in thorough accord with the National and State platforms of our party and we hereby proclaim our unflinching allegiance thereto.

2nd. We believe our people are entitled to an economic administration of the government in all its grades and its every department, and taking the county as a unit, we demand that our county officers be placed upon a salary basis and that all fees and emoluments now pertaining to said offices be turned into and made a part of the school funds of the county.

3rd. Believing that the safety of our government and our prosperity as a nation depend upon the education of the masses, we emphasize our loyalty to that portion of our state platform declaring for the furnishing, free of charge and under proper regulations, all necessary text books for every child in the public schools of the State.

4th. In the event of the failure, by the legislature, to pass a state-wide law, providing for the purchase of text books for the public schools, we demand the enactment of a law, applying to Alamance county, that will permit and require the savings accruing to the county by reason of the purchase of text books for the public schools, we demand the enactment of a law, applying to Alamance county, that will permit and require the savings accruing to the county by reason of the payment of salaries to our officials to be applied to the purchase of books for the children in our own public schools.

Bryan the Bolter.

Baltimore American.

It would be a neglect of duty utterly beyond excuse to fail to record each particular interesting act and attitude of Mr. William Jennings Bryan. The latest of these is his repudiation of his party's nominee for governor of Nebraska. Mr. Bryan deprecates his defection from the party's policies and persons. His lament is keyed to a jeremiad note that nevertheless seeks to be cheerful, for Mr. Bryan insists that he is consistent with his position in the past and his attitude in the future upon the subject of chief concern in the local politics of native state. The question at issue is not the important point, it is the fact that Mr. Bryan, the repeated champion of his party in the presidential contests and the great unflinching, should find it necessary to sidestep the candidate for Governor in his own state, and publicly and with due humanity confess that he has abandoned regularity even by so much.

Bryan the Bolter is a new aspect of the many-sided man. He has frequently bolted within the party, but he has never bolted outside it.

THE UNIVERSITY LETTER

From our Regular Correspondent.

Mr. Bun Fearrington, known in Burlington's business and social realms, now a student at Carolina received a painful wound Thursday when he accidentally shot himself in the leg while playing with a supposedly unloaded gun. The ball flattened against the bone. Located by an x-ray photo, the ball was extracted and Bun is resting easily.

The different classes of the University have elected their presidents and the University Council, the student organ of self-government, will soon inaugurate itself for the year work.

The student body of the University is probably more nearly absolutely self-governing than that of any other institution in the country. The University Council has legal existence delegated to it by the Board of Trustees last Commencement. Student self-government began here with the literary societies in olden times when membership was compulsory and the laws governing the society men reached the entire body of students. The literary societies lost their grip on the college with the removal of the membership requirement and the faculty had to make up the work of ruling the boys. Gradually the Democratic spirit in North Carolina manifested itself in the evolution of student self-government in Chapel Hill. The chief instrument in this development was the Honor System. The sentiment of the college first took unto itself the right to deal with cheating on examination. The students forced a man to leave first for cheating and gradually added other offenses to the list with which it dealt on its own authority. By last spring the student council were expelling men found guilty of the charge of gambling: hazing, cheating, drinking. A complication arose when a man expelled by the council was reinstated by the faculty. A committee of the students asked the Trustee for official recognition of the council. This the Trustees gave, and the student body of the University of North Carolina is now a self-governing democracy, just as real and just as sound as any community government in the state.

The officers of the Council this year are Archie Dees, president of the senior class, ex-officio chairman; G. W. Thompson, representative from the senior class; A. B. Folger, president of the junior class; R. W. Scott, president of the sophomore class; C. B. Ruffin, representative of the law class; F. J. Hunnicut, president of the second year pharmacy class; and G. A. Wheeler, president of the second year medical class.

The Alamance County Club is closely and vitally organized this year. At a recent meeting I. C. Moser was elected Pres. J. G. Walker Vice Pres. E. V. Patterson Secy. and Treas. and J. W. Lashley Jr. corresponding Sect. Nineteen boys are now at Carolina from the county of Alamance. Their names, their class, and their section is given here to acquaint the different portions of the county with Alamance representatives at the State University. I. C. Moser, '11, southern; W. L. Cooper, '11, Graham; R. W. Isley, '13, southern; J. W. Lashley Jr. Grad. Burlington; V. A. Perrett, '13, southern; E. V. Patterson, '11, southern; J. G. Walker, '11, Graham; J. F. Lynch, '13, Burlington; B. E. Isley, '12, Burlington; Bun Fearrington, pre-med, Burlington; C. C. Fonville, Grad. Burlington; Roy Johnson, '14, Haw River; W. E. Bason, pre-med, Swepsonville; L. R. Cooper, '14, Graham; Ira Ward, law, Swepsonville; Morrow, '14 Mebane; three Holmes boys, '14 Mebane.

Tobacco Market.

This week goes down in history as a record breaker for tobacco sales. Both warehouses are kept busy each day. Farmers are realizing the excellent sales which they are making and are readily getting rid of the leaf. There is no room to doubt but what the Burlington market will far exceed its sales last year.

Republican Speaking.

Hon. Marion Butler will address the people of Alamance County in the Court House at Graham, Tuesday night October 18th. Everybody invited.

President Finley on Good Roads.

Knoxville, Tenn., Oct. 6.—President W. W. Finley, of the Southern Railway Company, delivered an address here to-day before the Southern Appalachian Good Roads Congress in which he made an earnest plea for the construction of an improved system of highways throughout the Southeastern States, stressing the importance of wagon roads as a feature of transportation. He declared that it is the farmer who is most vitally interested in the improvement of the county roads but that all are interested in the welfare of the farmer and in making conditions in the country so attractive as to turn the drift of population back from the cities to the farms.

Road conservation was advocated by Mr. Finley in the line of having improvements made on those roads radiating from market and shipping points, which are naturally of the great service to the farming population. The employment of competent road engineers by each county was recommended, as was the issuing of bonds to pay the first cost of expensive road improvement.

As illustrating the importance of good roads to the farmer Mr. Finley gave facts showing the relative cost of transportation over good and bad wagon roads and over highways, as follows:

Wagon road transportation is now the least economically efficient form of transportation that we have. Figures compiled by the Office of Public Roads show that the cost of carrying one ton one mile on the country roads of the United States, good and bad, average from 19 cents to 27 cents while for the bad roads along the average is probably something over 30 cents per ton per mile. As Hon. L. W. Page, Director of the United States Office of Public Roads has said: "It is costing us about thirty-five times as much to haul our products over the wagon roads as it is to haul the same tonnage on the railroad." How it effects the marketing of specific crops may be illustrated by stating some figures compiled by the Office of Public Roads based on the crop year 1905 and 1906. These figures show that the average length of haul of the wheat crop of that year over the wagon roads was 9.4 miles, and that the average cost per ton per mile was 10 cents. The average length of the corn crop of that year was 7.4 miles, and the average cost per ton per mile was 10 cents. The average length of the cotton crop of that year was 11.8 miles and the average cost per ton per mile was 27 cents. It is estimated that the average cost per ton per mile of hauling each of these three crops to a market town or shipping station over good hard roads would have been 10 cents and that good roads would have meant a saving of \$10,256,953 in the cost of marketing the wheat crop of that year; \$12,709,278 in the cost of marketing the corn crop of that year, and \$5,076,183 in the cost of marketing the cotton crop of that year.

Excellent Meeting Closed.

The meeting at the Front Street Methodist Church which has been in progress for the past ten days closed Thursday night. Rev. Beaman preached some most excellent sermons and had a large crowd present each night. He left Friday for Pellham to spend a week assisting in a meeting, from there he will go to Roxboro. The meeting was full of the spirit which was evidenced by the fact that fifteen people were converted.

Strawberry Plants.

Now is the time to set out strawberry plants. I have eight varieties, the best known in cultivation. Earliest, medium, early and latest. Get a variety and you will have strawberries six weeks. My plants are very fine, prices fifty cents per hundred or \$4.00 per thousand, ascerted as desired.

Jos. A. Isley, Burlington, N. C.

If you are in need of roofing let us show you our V crimped Coble—Bradshaw Co.

Mr. Cates Replies to the City Fathers

Burlington, Oct. 7th, 1910. Mr. Jas. P. Montgomery, Sec'y and Treas. City of Burlington.

Dear Sir:—Your letter enclosing a copy of certain resolutions passed by your Board of Aldermen of the City of Burlington, September 28th, 1910, relative to said Board rescinding, repealing, and declaring null and void a certain contract which said Board entered into with me, has been received and contents carefully noted.

I submit that such resolutions are surprisingly strange for that you are declaring null and void a contract written and prepared by your attorney, about which I had nothing to do in its writing save and except signing my name, thereby agreeing to abide by its terms. Your attorney wrote my proposition in letters, words, and terms to meet your approval and you accepted said proposition in your own written words. You gave me a copy of said contract and under its terms, with other things, I am given unlimited time with which to deposit check and to sell the bonds. Although you gave me this unlimited time, I did not take advantage of your kindness but deposited check with the Alamance Loan and Trust Company and immediately found two purchasers for bonds.

Then it was that the newspapers and some of the citizens, who had fought the bond issue from the beginning, began to criticize you for your action. And then it was that you held another meeting and limited my time to deposit check to ten days. Accordingly, I tendered your Honorable Mayor within three days, in the presence of witnesses, a certified check of ONE THOUSAND (\$1,000.00) DOLLARS and he refused to accept same. Further, you refused to give me a certified copy of the proceedings in the Bond Issue, thereby crippling me in furnishing the information desired by the parties to whom I have agreed to sell the bonds.

I have lived up to the contract in every particular and in good faith. You know the contract for it is a matter of record. I have a copy of said contract signed by your Mayor and your Secretary, pro-tem, together with a letter from your City Attorney, Mr. Carroll, recommending the transaction in highest terms. I shall therefore exercise my best ability to save myself harmless in this matter. I shall also depend upon you and your Board, individually and in the capacity of Aldermen for the City of Burlington, to carry out this contract to the letter. To do otherwise, would be child's play.

Respectfully,
J. W. CATES

At The Grotto.

Week beginning October 17th to 24th at The Grotto a return of the favorites The Lewises. This is an act above the average in Vauclerville having with them Miss Arletta Lewis the greatest child actress living. Their acts consist of humor and pathos blended no dirty vaudeville but clean and clever high classed morally and refined. Bring your wife, sweetheart or mother and let them enjoy an evening of refined amusement.

Death of Baby.

Their many friends sympathize with Col. and Mrs. Eugene Holt in the death of their darling baby girl which was called from earth to heaven Monday morning by the kind creator who saw proper to allow its life to be the flower of the home for only a few weeks. The little form was laid to rest in the Episcopal Cemetery Monday evening at five o'clock, funeral services were at the home by Rev. E. L. Ogilby. A large number of floral designs were attributed as tokens of love.

Notice.

The Alamance County Farmers Alliance will meet in regular quarterly meeting in the Court at Graham next Saturday Oct. 15th 1910. All members of the Alliance are urged to attend.

R. O. Huffman, Pres.
J. H. Walker, Sec.

FORCED TO BORROW FROM A COTTON MILL

The Board of Commissioners for Alamance county, at their regular meeting the first Monday in October made an order to borrow five thousand dollars from The Virginia Cotton Mills, of Swepsonville, Alamance county North Carolina. This is one of the mills that the Democrats say have been ruined by the High Protective tariff. And yet under this high Republican Protective tariff, this cotton mill is able to lend a bankrupt county treasury under Democratic county and State government the sum of five thousand dollars, at the low rate of six per cent interest. What does our esteemed neighbor, The Burlington News say about this? Your readers would be delighted to hear your opinion about it. Your Board of Commissioners have managed county matters so badly the past two years that they have got to have five or ten thousand dollars more right away to meet pressing obligations. We know of some more mills that have been ruined according to your theory by this high Republican Protective tariff that could lend your Democratic Board the money if they choose to do so. Would you like to know what mills they are? We will tell you if you ask it. And perhaps you had better find out, because we doubt if any of the banks in the county will lend your board any more, and you have got to have it, havn't you dear neighbor. Tell us about it in your next issue please.

CUT HIS OWN THROAT

Wm. A. Sharpe, After Period of Ill Health, Takes His Life.

Greensboro News, Oct. 8th.

The entire city was shocked yesterday morning when it was known that William A. Sharpe had committed suicide at his home, 328 Gorrell street, between the hours of 11 and 12 o'clock. He had been in poor health for several weeks and the family had been warned by their physician to watch him.

Yesterday morning, however, he in some way unknown to his wife, who had been closely watching him, secured a razor, and on the pretext of taking a bath, went alone to the bathroom, where, removing his outer clothing, he sat down in the bathtub and, with the razor, cut his throat. The jugular vein was severed and death resulted in a few minutes.

The deceased was about 62 years old and had resided in the city for the past 20 years. He drove the United States mail wagon for eight years, after which time and up to within a few weeks ago he sold oil from a private wagon.

Mr. Sharpe's affairs were all in good shape, the felicity of his home was perfect, and no other cause than temporary insanity or despondency can be attributed to his having taken his own life.

The funeral services will be conducted Sunday, and the burial will take place at Alamance church in the morning at 11 o'clock.

Resolutions by Vestry of Episcopal

September 26th, 1910

Dear Mr. Ogilby:

The Vestry in acting upon your resignation yesterday appointed us a committee to notify you of its acceptance, and in doing so we desire to extend to you on behalf of the Vestry and congregation of the Parish, our hearty thanks and appreciation for your faithful and conscientious efforts during the three and one-half years of your rectorship of this church. Wishing you and yours all the success and happiness possible, we are

Most truly yours,

Signed Erwin A. Holt,
S. A. Steele,
Lawrence S. Holt, Jr.
Committee.

Paul Jobe of Mebane was a dental patient in town Monday.