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Hickory Adopts New Charter By a Majority of 35 Votes

Hard-fought Battle Ends in Victory for Commis- sion Government.

VOTE STOOD: 291 FOR; 256 NO.

Biggest Vote in the History of the City Polled—Both Sides Worked Hard—Jubilant Speeches Made at Night on First National Bank Steps—Mr. J. D. Elliott Pledges His Best Endeavors to the New Charter, and Declares He Will Not Now be a Candidate for Mayor.

The New Charter was adopted Monday by a vote of 291 to 256, a majority of 35.

The big vote in the history of Hickory was got out. The number of ballots cast was 547, out of a registration of 565. It lacked only 18 of the full number of voters. Both sides worked prodigiously, and automobiles and buggies were kept running all day. The ill and the aged were carried to the city hall, and where to infirm to climb the steps, he ballot was sent up stairs by Mr. Geo. Seaboch, the door keeper.

The polls were officered by Messrs. S. M. Hamrick, J. H. Hatcher, and W. J. Shuford and D. E. Whitener.

Everything passed off pleasantly. The Democrat did not see a single person under the influence of liquor.

A jubilation meeting was held on the steps of the First National Bank at night, with Z. B. Buchanan as master of ceremonies. Two of the first men called upon were Messrs. J. D. Elliott and A. A. Whitener. The former said frankly that he had been badly mistaken in thinking he was going to win. He pledged his best endeavors to the uplift of the city under the new charter. He declared that while he had previously announced his candidacy for mayor, he now withdrew from that race.

Mr. A. A. Whitener said that he had always heard that figures did not lie, but he was convinced that this was a mistake, for the figures he had made on the other night had certainly perverted the truth. (Laughter.) He said he was a good loser and ready to take his medicine. He, too, would try to make the city grow under the new regime. He was born and raised in Hickory and did not intend to move away.

Mr. W. A. Self, who has been the gigantic figure of the pro-charter efforts, received an ovation, and said he was glad he was now speaking to some people who had not heard him in previous speeches. He therefore explained some features of the charter which had been most criticized. He predicted wonderful growth and prosperity for Hickory under its new charter.

Mr. C. W. Bagby said he had more admiration for the men who fought the new charter and voted against it than for those who did not have the nerve to come out on either side.

Mr. W. S. Stroup was so jubilant that he laughed for sheer joy as he mounted the steps. He had been a hard worker for the charter and now spoke for all smoking the pipe of peace. His oratorical effort was so fine that Lawyer D. Lester Russell, who had opposed the charter later called Mr. Stroup a modern Demosthenes. Mr. Russell pledged his heartiest efforts to the new charter.

Messrs. N. S. Dasher, J. F. Click, Bruce Fry, and P. P. Jones, opponents of the charter, were not present when their names were called.

Mr. W. J. Shuford said he had been called by Mr. J. D. Elliott in one of the campaign meetings "a visionary." He said Paul, Peter, Roosevelt, Woodrow Wilson, Walter Page, Josephus

Daniels were all men of vision. Men of vision were men who did things. He then proceeded to dream a great vision of the future of Hickory.

Brief talks were also made by Dr. Nicholson, A. K. Joy, Banks and others.

Use Blooded Stock and Silos.

Written for the Democrat:

The outlook for dairying in Catawba co. and its progress is shown by the Catawba Creamery, which I understand are about to erect a new building.

It is to be hoped that the patrons of the creamery, and the farmers and general public of this district will do all they can to support and boost it. A creamery cannot be a success unless it has enough product in the form of milk and cream to support it.

Every farm should have a few dairy cows, and for various reasons. They are a steady source of revenue through the growing season, and give quick returns for their feed and care. They help to keep up the fertility of the soil and no farmer is making money who is drawing on the fertility of his farm and not returning same, as his land is his principle stock in trade. Let us try to breed better dairy stock as we cannot depend on buying good dairy cows. Raise all the feed possible at home. Build a silo and let silage and legume hay form the basis of our feeding.

Cows, hogs, and poultry go hand in hand and are a steady source of revenue, but in all cases let our aim be for the purer breed of stock.

Cash is power, and the above combination on the farm, will make the farmer more independent and give him greater prestige in his community, and enhance the value of his property. Help Catawba Co. and the old North state to show the world what we can do.

G. W. Humphry.

A Card of Thanks.

We desire hereby to express our sincere thanks to our many friends and neighbors for their help and kindness during our recent affliction from the sickness and death of our dear daughter. May our Heavenly Father bless each one of you.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sublett.

HICKORY PROOF.

Should Convince Every Democrat Reader.

The frank statement of a neighbor, telling the merits of a remedy. Bids you pause and believe. The same endorsement by some stranger far away Commands on belief at all. Here's a Hickory case. A Hickory citizen testifies. Read and be convinced.

William Mosteller, 1214 Twelfth Ave., Hickory, N. C., says: "My back pained me almost constantly and the secretions from my kidneys were far too frequent and painful in passage. There were times when I could hardly get through my day's work. The contents of two boxes of Doan's Kidney Pills, procured at Moser & Lutz's Drug Store, disposed of my trouble and made me feel better than I had in a long time. The strong testimonials I read in praise of Doan's Kidney Pills induced me to try them and I shall always be thankful for what they did for me."

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ONCE WARWICK OF GEORGIA

It Was Stevens, Not Joe Brown Col. Thornton made Governor.

Dear Mr. Banks:

In the Democrat of March 13th, you kindly state that I if you mistake not, "virtually made Joe Brown governor of Georgia." I beg kindly to unmislead you or unmisstate you: There have been two governor Joe Browns, the present one and his father, the war governor, who appointed my father Captain of the Home Guard of Atlanta. It was Alexander H. Stevens whom I made governor of Georgia. He had been vice-president of the Confederate States of America, then U. S. Senator from Georgia, but not allowed to take his seat; then three or four times Congressman, Independent, and had always been a great friend of mine. He is virtually the father of the Weather Bureau. Whenever I went bulging into his room he would almost invariably say: "Met, which way is the wind blowing?" I would say: "I didn't think to look, Mr. Stevens, I'll go see." "Never mind, Met, anybody who don't know which way the wind is blowing will never amount to much; except probably in your case your initials spell something."

I was living at the Metropolitan hotel in Washington, D. C. and Senator Joseph E. Brown, the war governor, then one of the Senators from Georgia, was living there also, and he and Colonel Scruggs encouraged me to purchase the Post-Appeal, an afternoon newspaper in Atlanta. After buying it I did not know what to do with it. And it was six or eight months afterward before I went to Atlanta and took charge; then I changed it to a sure-enough daily in the morning. Every day in the year. Not the churches, but the preachers jumped on me with both feet for publishing it on Mondays, because they said my printers and other men had to work on Sundays, so I got to publishing their sermons every Monday morning and got things evened up very considerably because it got people going to church to hear what was going on. Then I nominated Mr. Stevens for Governor as an independent candidate and rushed him through so fast that the Democratic Convention met and nominated him as their candidate also. Of course I had an understanding with Mr. Stevens before I left Washington. Col. Evan Howell and others tried to get him to withdraw or repudiate my nomination but he would not consider doing so. That's the way he got elected so everlastingly unanimous. I remained in Washington after buying the paper, till I nominated Mr. Stevens for governor and it was going on like a cyclone in politics.

There was a very decided episode in politics that I managed for President Garfield what may become known some fine August day. It changed the aspect of national politics and brought more trouble than Carter had oats in his back yard. But let that requiescat in pace, for the present, at least, this moon. Bad sign. Had it not transpired, however, Garfield might not have been assassinated. It will make a breeze when it is known.

Retired Georgia Planter's Advice to Kidney Sufferers

Regarding the wonderful curative merits of your Swamp-Root, I cannot say too much. After suffering severely for three years or more with severe pains caused by weak kidneys, I was finally induced to try Swamp-Root through a testimonial I read in one of the newspapers. I was in such a condition that I was obliged to arise from my bed six or eight times every night. I purchased a fifty-cent bottle and before it was used I felt so much relief that I purchased a one-dollar bottle and by the time this was taken the old pains had left my back and I could sleep the whole night through. I am a retired planter, 70 years of age, and owing to Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, I am in the best of health and feel like a boy. I am always glad to recommend Swamp-Root to those who are in need of it.

Sincerely yours,

C. E. USSERY, Bowersville, Ga.

Personally appeared before me, the 8th of September, 1909, C. E. USSERY, who subscribed the above statement and made oath that the same is true in substance and in fact, T. H. McLAINE, Notary Public.

Letter to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y.

Prove What Swamp-Root Will Do For You. Send to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., for a sample bottle. It will convince anyone. You will also receive a booklet of valuable information, telling all about the kidneys and bladder. When writing, be sure and mention The Hickory Democrat. Regular fifty-cent and one-dollar size bottles for sale at all drug stores.

CRAIG'S APPOINTMENTS

List of Membership of Boards of Directors of Various State Institutions.

Some of Governor Craig's appointments are as follows:

INTERNAL IMPROVEMENTS

Members of the Board of Internal Improvements for the term of two years, ending March 4, 1915:

Nathan O'Berry, of Wayne county.

H. A. London, of Chatham county.

STATE PRISON.

Members of the Board of Directors of the State Prison for the term of four years, ending March 15, 1917:

H. B. Varner, of Davidson county, chairman.

N. E. Edgerton, of Johnston county.

Richard Chatham, of Surry county.

Thomas Gillam, of Bertie county.

R. H. Buckingham, of Cumberland county.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Members of the State Board of Health for the term of six years, ending March 7, 1919:

Dr. Richard H. Lewis, of Wake county.

Dr. Edward Jenner Wood, of New Hanover county.

BOARD OF AGRICULTURE.

Members of the Board of Agriculture for the term of six years, ending March 11, 1919:

From the First Congressional District—F. P. Latham, of Beaufort county.

From the Fourth Congressional District—Clarence Poe, of Wake county.

From the Seventh Congressional District—C. C. Wright, of Wilkes county.

From the Tenth Congressional District—A. Gannon, of Henderson county.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL.

Directors of the State Sanatorium for the Treatment of Tuberculosis for the term of eight years, ending April 1, 1921:

Dr. R. H. Lewis, of Wake county.

J. R. Blair, of Montgomery county.

Henry A. Page, of Moore county.

And J. R. Cordon, of Guilford county, to fill out the unexpired term ending April 1, 1919.

STATE HOSPITAL AT MORGANTON

Directors of the State Hospital at Morganton for the term of six years, ending April 1, 1919:

J. P. Sawyer, of Buncombe county.

A. A. Shuford, of Catawba county.

A. E. Tate, of Guilford county.

DEAF AND DUMB.

Directors of the North Carolina School for the Deaf and Dumb at Morganton, for the term of six years, expiring March 12, 1919:

J. L. Scott, Jr., of Alamance county.

W. R. Whitson, of Buncombe county.

W. W. Neal, of McDowell county.

GEOLOGICAL BOARD.

Members of the Geological Board for the term of four years, expiring March 1, 1917:

W. H. Williamson, of Wake county.

Henry E. Fries, of Forsyth county.

SCHOOL FOR FEEBLE MINDED.

Directors of the School of the Feeble-Minded, at Kinston, for the term of six years, expiring March 14, 1919:

Dr. L. B. McBrayer, of Buncombe county.

And R. E. Austin, of Stanly county, to fill the place that he occupied prior to his resignation in November 1913.

This leaves two vacancies on this board, which I beg leave to fill after the report to the adjourned session of this General Assembly of the committee appointed to institution.

A. AND M.

Directors of the A. and M. College, Raleigh, for the term of eight years, expiring March 20, 1921:

W. H. Regan, of Guilford county.

Walter E. Daniel, of Halifax county.

And T. T. Thorne, of Nash county, to fill out unexpired term ending March 20, 1919.

NORMAL DIRECTORS.

At a meeting of the State Board of Education February 27, 1913, the following were elected members of the Board of

MR. FOSTER AT WORK.

Arrangements for School House Demonstration Farms at Various Places.

Tuesday March 4th the farmers of District No. 6, Hickory township, met at the Killian school house to discuss plans for the establishment and operation of a school house demonstration farm at that place. It is expected to illustrate in this plot the use and value of lime in growing clover and also the same use of ground raw rock phosphate as the cheapest source of phosphorus for crops of cotton and corn. A car load of raw rock phosphate has been ordered by Mr. Robinson for use by the farmers of this section. This is the material the use of which, by Prof. Hopkins, of the Illinois Experiment Station, produced such excellent results and has attracted so much attention from farmers all over the middle west and eastern states.

Friday March 7th the farmers of School District No. 13, Hickory township, held a meeting in Mountain View school house. The county farmer, Mr. Foster, was present and addressed the meeting. He spoke of the great value of the school house to the rural community and advocated its use as a social center for the farmers and their wives and daughters. The speaker stated that he believed one of the greatest things accomplished by this plan was the bringing of farmers closer together and the making of farm life more attractive to the young people to the county.

Mr. Foster urged the farmers of the district to take more advantage of the fine markets near them. Dairying, the use of the silo, and poultry raising were discussed. The speaker stated that the dairy cow and the hen were the two greatest profit making machines for the farmer owning high priced land near good markets such as the farmers have in this section. He considered Catawba county especially adapted to the dairy and poultry business on account of its mild climate and the great variety of forage crops that can be grown on the farms.

At the close of the meeting plans were discussed for starting a school house demonstration farm near the school house. The matter was finally placed in the hands of the school committee with instructions to obtain a piece of ground as near the school house as possible. The committee hopes to be able to report favorably at an early date and to begin the work this spring.

On Thursday, March 6, the farmers of the school district No. 6, Bandays township, held a meeting in the Huffman School house. Mr. Foster also addressed this meeting and urged a change in the farm methods of the section and spoke of the great possibilities of dairying and poultry raising. The speaker also spoke of the great value of the silo to the dairy farmer. Mr. Foster emphasized the fact that the old style of farming in the Southern states east of the mountains must go. That the states named could not compete with the Southwest in the production of cotton, and that the farmers of the Piedmont must turn their attention to raising food products to supply the rapidly growing population of the manufacturing section.

About thirty farmers were present and at the close of the meeting a plan was discussed to start a school house demonstration farm near the school for the instruction of the farmers and boys and girls in improved methods of farming. The matter was finally placed in the hands of the school committee and it is expected that work will soon be commenced on the plot. Mr. Foster will visit the school at frequent intervals to look after the work.

Directors of the State Normal and Industrial College to succeed themselves, for a term of six years beginning March 1, 1914, as provided by section 1252 of the Revisal of North Carolina.

A. J. Conner, of Northampton county.

J. L. Nelson, of Caldwell county.

Joe Rosenthal, of Wayne county.

Henry E. Litchford, of Wake county, was elected for the unexpired term of R. T. Gray, deceased, and, for the term of six years additional, beginning March 1, 1914.

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WE NEED SANITORIUM WITH SLEEPING PORCHES

Next Thing Chamber of Commerce Must Go After

SECRETARY JOY'S REPORT

A Good Piece of Work This Year Was the Fruitful Effort to Reduce Freight Rates—Hard to Find Farms for Sale in Catawba County—Could Get Northern Winter Tourists if We Would Prepare for Them.

Following is the report of Secretary Joy, of the Chamber of Commerce, read at the annual banquet and crowded out last week:

The total collections for the Chamber of Commerce during the past year were \$1,068.25; cash on hand Feb. 1, 1912, \$185.11; expenses, \$927.90; cash balance Feb. 1, 1913, \$325.46.

We do not believe that any man can question the fact that you have received good returns for the money invested in this organization, not only for this year just closed, but for every year since its organization. It is not our purpose to speak about what we have done in the past, but rather to take the accomplishment of the past as an indication of what we can do in the future. It might be well, however, to mention one thing that your organization has been instrumental in pushing to a successful conclusion. This measure has not, as yet, secured results, but is in good shape to secure them in the near future. We refer to the unjust discrimination in freight rates that our manufacturers and merchants have suffered from for many years.

We shall, of course, continue our efforts to secure more manufacturing plants, both large and small, for our city. The pavilions of the city are the life of the city. In fact, without the pavilions there would be no city. It is the "folks" that patronize the merchants, all our churches, schools, through our streets and square, and give to our city that bustling air of activity that is so favorably commented upon by visitors. However, the "folks" can only live where they can secure employment, and to get more "folks" we must hustle for more payrolls. This we expect to do, and it is your duty to put your shoulder to the wheel and help in this effort.

There is one feature of the Chamber of Commerce work here that is unlike any other section that we know of. We refer to the securing of purchasers for farm lands in the community. Ordinarily that branch of the work requires considerable advertising to get new-comers interested in investing their money in agricultural land. The reverse is true here, as we have had the greatest difficulty in finding some one who is willing to sell a farm at a reasonable figure for farming purposes. Mr. K. C. Menzies said he had been trying to buy a farm here for several years. He must have given up the job as a hopeless task, for we noticed by the papers that he and Mr. Cillew had to go to Caldwell county to get a farm.

This demonstrates that we have added the climate to our real estate values, and we must, therefore, exploit the climate. We have, we believe, one of the best all-the-year-round climates in the country, and it is our duty to let this fact become generally known. Let Northern men know that they do not have to go 3,000 miles away to find a good place to live, but that we have as good as can be offered right here in Hickory within 24 hours' ride of the large centers of population; that we not only have the climate, but that we also have opportunities for profitable investment that they cannot find in California; that if they want to continue their investments in the North they can go back and forward to look after their affairs in a short time and at a small cost, and at the same time live where they can enjoy life in the open air more hours in the year than they can in any part of California.

Another class that it would be well to look after is the Winter tourist, with money to spend. Now, this class will not go any place where there are no golf

links, or similar diversion that seems to be necessary for their enjoyment. We believe that when our improved roads are completed it would be a good plan to secure a Country Club with golf links, tennis court, etc., to attract this class to our city.

And still another class that under present conditions is a menace to our city—tuberculosis patients. No effort whatever has been made to advertise Hickory as a health resort, but notwithstanding this fact our doctors are flooded with letters from Michigan doctors asking if accommodations can be secured for this class of patients. Our physicians are forced to answer no accommodations at hand. The result is that many of the patients come here and take chances on securing accommodations. They go to our hotels, boarding houses, private homes, where, without the proper precautions, this dread disease may be passed along to others. Michigan people tell us that the beneficial effect of Hickory's glorious climate on tuberculosis patients is known all over that state, and that a moderate cost Sanatorium, with sleeping porches, would be filled up in a short time. In our judgment, such a Sanatorium should be supplied. We not only owe it to ourselves in self protection, but we owe it to those who are not blessed as we are with a good climate.

NEW KIND OF WATERMELON

Seed Ready for Trial on Wilt Infested Land.

Mr. Foster, the county agriculturist, has received the following letter from Mr. H. R. Fulton of the North Carolina Experiment Station and of the Department of Plant Disease:

"We have some seed of a wilt resistant watermelon that we wish to distribute among a few growers who can plant it on infested land, and will be willing to report results to us. This variety has been bred up from a cross between citron and watermelon made some nine years ago by this station and the bureau of Plant Industry in cooperation. The melon is now of excellent quality, and we can recommend it for growing on wilt infested land for home use or local markets. The rind is too brittle for a good shipping melon.

"The disease has been recorded from Catawba county. If you know a suitable person who can try it on infested land we will be glad to send a small amount of seed to him for the purpose."

Mr. Foster would like to have some farmer of the county who has wilt infested land to communicate with him as soon as possible so that the seed can be furnished. Address Henry K. Foster, Box 54, Newton, N. C.

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We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

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NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE, Toledo, O. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Are You Constipated?

If so, get a box of Dr. King's New Life Pills, take them regularly and your trouble will quickly disappear. They will stimulate the liver, improve your digestion and get rid of all the poisons from your system. They will surely get you well again. 25c at C. M. Shuford Moser & Lutz and Grimes Drug Stores.

President Finley, of the South-Railway Company, has authorized the double tracking of the main line of that company between Armour and Cross Keys, Georgia. The construction of this double track will materially facilitate the handling of trains into and out of Atlanta.

Who Was Your Father? What Sort of Blood?

If your blood is thin, you are weak and languid, not enough energy to do your daily work, and feel entirely worn out, Dr. King's special prescription for you, if consulted personally, would be his own Iron Bitters. Makes old people young, renews youth, makes weak people strong, gives refreshing sleep. Sold by all medicine dealers.

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