

PARTY RECORD ATTACKED

Col. Walker Taylor Denounces Charge of Opposition That He Voted for Taft in 1908.

Little surprise was occasioned here by the announcement contained in a Washington dispatch in yesterday's Star to the effect that those opposed to the appointment of Col. Walker Taylor as Collector of Customs to succeed Mr. B. F. Keith, the Republican incumbent, whose resignation takes effect May 1st, have written letters to officials in Washington attacking Col. Taylor's record as a Democrat, for a rumor of some such action has been going the rounds here for some days.

As it is understood locally, the charge which has been made against Col. Taylor's party record is to the effect that he voted the National Republican ticket in 1908, when Mr. Taft was elected. That such a charge had been made, or would be made to the State's representatives in Congress, has been whispered around in local political circles for some days, but as to who was making the charges has not been common knowledge.

The Star called on Col. Taylor yesterday and told him that it was understood locally that official Washington had been advised that he had voted for President Taft in 1908.

Taylor Denies Report. "I have never voted the Republican ticket in my life," said Col. Taylor. "From township constable up to President, I have never yet cast a vote for a Republican candidate for office."

Col. Taylor stated that he understood that some one opposed to him had made some such charges to the officials at Washington, and that he had suggested that his party record be investigated.

The matter was a subject of considerable interest in political circles yesterday and it was freely commented upon. That further developments will be forthcoming is the opinion of many who are in touch with the situation.

ANOTHER NEW OIL CONCERN

Texas Oil Company Negotiating For Lease of Site and Will Probably Erect Plant Here.

That the Texas Oil Company, one of the largest independent oil corporations of the country, has practically closed a deal for the lease of a site on Castle Haynes road, a short distance beyond the city limits, was the statement made yesterday by Mayor P. Q. Moore, with whom the company has been negotiating for the lease. It is understood that as soon as the deal is closed, the company will begin arrangements for the erection of a suitable plant here, and that Wilmington is to be the distributing point for North and South Carolina.

Mayor Moore stated yesterday that negotiations have been pending for some time, and that the deal for the lease of the site, which belongs to him, has now practically been closed, though the papers have not yet been drawn. The property is located on the Castle Haynes road, a short distance beyond Smith's Creek and just this side of the location of the new plant which the Galena Signal Oil Company, a subsidiary of the Standard Oil Company, is now erecting. The property which the Texas company is negotiating for contains about three acres, and affords a most splendid location for such a plant as is understood to be erected there.

ACTIVITIES HINDERED.

Plans for Y. W. C. A. Home Temporarily Delayed—Property Sale.

It is to be regretted that the activities of the ladies in securing members to the Y. W. C. A., and proceeding with the alterations of the West building which it is understood, was recently bought for their use, has been temporarily hindered, pending the public sale of the property which the commissioner, Mr. J. O. Carr, has again advertised owing to some disagreement about the private sale.

WORK NEARING END.

Mental and Microscopic Examinations in City Schools About Completed.

Dr. C. W. Stiles, of the United States Public Health Service at the marine hospital here, stated yesterday that the work of conducting a mental examination of the white school children of the city will be completed about April 7th, and that the white children of the country schools would be examined when the city work is finished.

The microscopic examinations for the white and colored city schools have practically been completed and this work will be begun in the county schools next month.

LAYING NEW BOARD WALKS

Work Now Under Way at Wrightsville Beach—Eight-Foot Walk From Oceanic to Lumina.

Continuing the improvements begun last season, when the old board walk was torn up and replaced with new and wider plank from the Oceanic Hotel south to Station 5, the town of Wrightsville Beach now has a force of men engaged in laying a new board walk from Station 5 south to Lumina. When completed this will give a fine new board walk all the way from the Oceanic Hotel to Lumina.

In addition, the corporation will also make repairs to the board walks on the Northern extension of the beach before the coming season opens. The officials of the town would like to lay new walks on the northern extension this season, but the extension of the treasury will not warrant the necessary expenditure at this time. However, it is hoped to be able to complete extension of the board walks on the northern extension in at least fair condition until next season. It may be possible to build new walks.

The work on the board walk from Station 5 south began several days ago, and is progressing very nicely. Five car loads of cypress lumber have been sent down to be utilized, and the force of men are busily engaged in tearing up the old walk and replacing it with the new cypress boards.

The walk which was re-laid from the Oceanic to Station 5 last season is eight feet wide, instead of six, which was the width of the old board walk, and that part of it which is being extended this season will also be eight feet in width, giving a uniform eight-foot walk from the Oceanic to Lumina.

It is hardly likely that board walks will be laid on the southern extension of the beach, which is next in line for development, this season, though the work may be reached.

Mr. Thos. H. Wright is mayor of Wrightsville Beach; Mr. R. H. Northrop, clerk and treasurer, and Messrs. R. Albright and M. J. Corbett are the aldermen. Mr. Chas. B. Parmele has been appointed registrar of vital statistics for Wrightsville Beach. Mr. Robert Green, better known as "Captain Bob," will be the health officer on the beach this season.

BEFORE THE RECORDER.

Alex. Taylor, Colored, Gets Six Months on County Roads.

Alex. Taylor, colored, yesterday entered a submission to a charge of stealing meat from Mr. H. E. Longley, and was sentenced by the Recorder to serve six months on the county roads. Mr. Longley missed the meat last week and later found a side of bacon at Taylor's home that corresponded in description to that which was missing. Taylor has been in court before several times, usually for speeding and reckless driving of automobiles. A few weeks ago the City Council revoked his chauffeur's license and since that time he has had to do other things.

Every Loftin, colored, charged with carrying concealed weapons, was sent to the county roads for three months. He is one of the negroes who are alleged to have raised a considerable racket on Mr. W. R. Vann's place in the county roads for three months. A case pending was suspended upon payment of the costs in a case against Henry Anderson, colored, charged with assault with a deadly weapon. A case against Jim Betts, colored, charged with larceny, was continued until today. In default of bond in the sum of \$100 he went to jail.

DR. G. A. WHEELER PROMOTED.

Now Assistant Surgeon at Marine Hospital Here.

Dr. Geo. Wheeler, acting assistant surgeon at the Marine Hospital here, has just passed his examination for promotion to assistant surgeon. The promotion is effective at the rank of Dr. Wheeler recently went to Washington, D. C., and spent ten days before the examining board. He is being promoted to the present rank. The result of the examination has just been announced.

While Dr. Wheeler's promotion is quite an upward step, it will not take him from Wilmington for the present at least. He will continue his work at the marine hospital here. He has made many friends since coming to Wilmington, and it is expected to learn of his merited advancement.

CHARGED WITH EMBEZZLEMENT.

A warrant was sworn out yesterday before Justice Hoffmann by Mr. W. H. Banks, charging L. V. Dail, white, with embezzlement. It was alleged that R. A. and J. H. Jackson gave Dail \$25.00 in money to be paid to Mr. Banks for services rendered in surveying and that he failed to turn the money over to Mr. Banks. Probable cause was found and Dail was committed to the appearance at the next term of Superior Court.

SERVICE AT ST. PAUL'S.

There will be services at St. Paul's Episcopal church, corner 16th and Market streets, this evening at 8 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Wm. H. Milton, D. D., rector of St. James' Episcopal church. The public is cordially invited to attend.

RUN-DOWN WOMEN

Find Health in a Simple Tonic. How many women do you know who are perfectly well, strong and healthy as a woman should be? They may not be sick enough to lie in bed—but they are run-down, thin, nervous, tired and debilitated.

Women are so active nowadays, and so much is expected of them, that they constantly overdo and suffer from headache, backache, nervousness and kindred ills.

Such women need Vinol, our delicious cod liver and iron tonic without which will create an appetite, tone up the digestive organs, make pure blood and create strength.

Mrs. Walter Price, Elkhart, Miss., says: "I was in a run-down condition for months. I had taken several medicines but they seemed to do me no good. Finally Vinol was recommended, and from the first bottle I began to improve until I am strong and well as ever."

Try a bottle of Vinol with the understanding that your money will be returned if it does not help you. Write to R. Bellamy, druggist, Wilmington, N. C.

NEW SPRING HATS SHOWN

Superb Creations in Millinery Exhibited at Spring Openings of Polvogt's and Gaylord-Platt's.

In all their radiant bloom, the new Spring hats of latest colors and shades are on display at Polvogt's and Gaylord-Platt's, both these stores having opened wide the doors to their millinery departments yesterday. Both openings were well attended and many Spring hats are being worn already and those who did not go yesterday will go today. The element of novelty is shown chiefly in the shapes, of which there has rarely been launched more types. The majority of them are small, many conforming to the extreme high-sided idea.

Eccentric turbans are prominent in the small models, in many cases being slashed, twisted and contorted along daringly extreme lines. The simple sailor types are also holding their own, the hand-made hat is to score heavily and silk fabrics will be much employed in complete outfits. The leadership of ribbon trimming is assured, especially of the narrow widths. Flowers will be seen in great profusion, particularly in cluster and bouquet effect.

At Polvogt's. Nothing daintier or more surprising in the way of hat ornament can be found than that which is exhibited in the millinery department of the C. W. Polvogt Company in the Southern building. The glories of colorful nature are shown in the newest modes. Extraneous combinations in color abound.

There are the tango red, the new Sapphire and Raphael blue, a distinctive color of this season, citron, rose pink, refined yellows, new Russian greens, a brown shade and a novelty in gray.

In trimmings small wings are extremely popular. Large flowers are used together with the quaint, old-fashioned garlands and ribbons. Pompons, black jet bands and ornaments are also popular. Imitations of fruits are also used to considerable extent.

In the ready-to-wear department of the popular stores are dresses of the latest styles and makes. There are silk poplins, taffetas, crepe de chine, crepe meteor, wool crepe, Summer dresses in cotton crepe, figured silks and Rayne, broad crepe de chine and other patterns of most stylish design.

In the suit department will be found the most fashionable designs in fashions, the new blues such as Copen, Sapphires and peacock, and other stylish colors. This department is extremely popular and was visited by hundreds of ladies yesterday.

In dress goods this store has one of the most complete assortments ever brought to the city. There are the silk gabardine, Florentine, embroidered and chille crepes, the Cheney shawl-proof foulards, foulard silks, all the latest shades, the new Shantung crepes in different colors, Persian silks and silk chiffons, Charmeuse crepes, Bulgarian chiffons, bronzes and all other new colors, moles and poplins, silk and all the new shades such as the tango, mustard, pumpkin, Labrador blue. There is also a full line of trimmings with gilt and silver effects that are so popular now.

The store decorations for the opening which are the work of the decorator, Mr. H. V. Jenkins, are in keeping with the dainty and artistic crepes in three windows which show in a definite way the latest styles in dress goods, millinery and coat suits.

At Gaylord-Platt's opening of Gaylord-Platt on Front street is one of surpassing beauty. A large part of the second floor has been converted into an artistic millinery department where there are on display 500 or more different patterns of hats of the latest designs. It was thronged yesterday with interested shoppers. A hundreds of other millinery selections, furnishing entertainment of a most enjoyable kind.

First and foremost, of course, in hats is the tango, a most attractive color, rolled very high at one side with suitable trimmings to please the wearer. Then there is the Travmore; the Hesitation, with high vaginal filled in with flowers; the new Shantung crepes in Tagle, Milan and Leghorn shapes; the Fifth Avenue, and others of most stylish design. There are hats for the children, too, made in the elaborate hat department. The trimmings include large and small flowers, fruits and ribbons of every description, paradise aligrettes, ostrich feathers and pompons, extra trimmed hats and untrimmed ones in profusion, so that the most fastidious may be pleased.

Immediately to the front of the large store room on the second floor will be found the coat suit and ready-made dress department. Here are all the latest styles and fashions, including the popular tango and new blue colors. The dress goods include crepe de chine, silk and cotton crepes, moire silks, poplins and other fashionable fabrics. A feature of this department is the elaborate display of neckwear.

The art and needlework department was visited by a great number of women and not one that saw the beautiful display of draperies, stamped embroidery, draperies of the most exquisite designs, lace curtains that was not more than pleased. One of the features of the art and needlework department is the teaching of those who desire to learn any stitch in embroidery or crochet work, this being absolutely free of charge.

While the second floor is given over entirely to the women the store room downstairs is filled to overflowing with gentlemen's furnishings of the latest styles, shoes of all kinds, dress goods, novelties and other dry goods.

ARCHITECT'S PLAN MADE.

Much Interest in Miss Swain's Suggestion for Hospital Sun Parlor.

Mr. J. F. Leitner, the architect, has completed the plans for the sun parlor which Miss Greta Roberts Swain has suggested that the public build at the James Walker Memorial Hospital for the women of the public ward. The plans have been turned over to Miss Swain and she is now busy securing the funds with which to have the work done. It is estimated that it will require \$850 to do the work.

Miss Swain has been very much gratified that the public has received her suggestion with such a hearty response. She already has a large number of pledges and expects to have the money in hand within a short time. Those desiring to contribute to this laudable enterprise should communicate with Miss Swain at her home, No. 608 Orange street.

APRIL FIRST

The Beginning of Our Fifteenth Year AS A DEPOSITORY FOR THE SAVINGS OF THE PEOPLE; ALSO THE BEGINNING OF Next Regular Interest Quarter The Officers and Directors of this bank will appreciate a Deposit from you at this time, and your money will receive a Full Quarter's Interest on July 1st—exactly three months from date. We suggest that you remember the old "People's" on or before April 2nd with a deposit, either large or small, and also call the attention of your friends to the fact that it is our Anniversary as well as our next interest quarter YOUR BUSINESS IS ALWAYS WELCOME HERE.

Peoples Savings Bank "THE HOME OF SAVINGS."

JURORS FOR FEDERAL COURT

Spring Term Will Convene in Wilmington May 11th for Two Weeks' Session—Jury List.

For the purpose of drawing the jurors for the spring term of Federal Court which convenes in Wilmington May 11th, Col. A. L. Blow, of Raleigh, Clerk of the Eastern District of North Carolina, was in the city yesterday. He and jury Commissioner C. C. Chatham drew the list of jurors yesterday morning in the office of Deputy Clerk S. P. Collier. Judge Henry Groves Connor, of Wilson, will preside over the spring term of court. The jurors drawn for the first week of court are to appear on Tuesday, May 12th, the second day of court and those drawn for the second week are to appear on Monday, May 18th. Following is a list of the jurors: Bladen county—J. L. Wilson, R. M. Melvin, John R. Davis. Brunswick—A. M. Chinnis. Cumberland—F. A. Marsh, A. H. Slocumb, Jr. Columbus—J. W. Hasty, J. A. Hall, Duplin—J. G. Boone, John R. Dobson. New Hanover—Paul C. Cantwell, R. Aubrey Farley, M. W. Divine, Giles W. Westbrook, Samuel J. Davis. Pender—Albert King, J. D. Alderman, Leslie Moore, A. M. Bowen, Sr., R. F. Pridden, Hansen Mallard. Richmond—Thomas Russell, Chas. J. Jones, T. T. Bartley, Wm. Lawrence Gibson, J. R. Coley. Purvis, Frank Lamb, E. S. McNeill. Sampson—M. J. Hobbs, Dudley Shaw, Calhoun C. Johnston, Allen Daughtry. Scotland—J. A. Campbell, John R. McLaughlin, W. P. Scholl, R. D. Gibson, J. T. Postick, A. R. Walters, E. L. Norton, J. Hester Paylor, Monroe McLaughlin. The following named have been drawn for the second week: Bladen county—J. A. Ellis, A. A. Brunswick—W. A. Mintz. Cumberland—E. C. Fields. Columbus—S. E. Memory, J. L. Green. Duplin—S. W. Cavanaugh. New Hanover—S. M. Boatwright, J. E. Hatch, G. T. Emmart. Pender—J. B. Davis, A. L. Pridgen, Richard A. McDonald. Sampson—Richard A. Ingram, J. W. S. Robinson, Bascom Spell. Scotland—A. F. Lytch, J. W. Mason.

WILMINGTON WANTS CHARLESTON'S GOAT.

Spirited Rivalry Marks Inter-City Membership Contest.

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However, the same spirit prevails elsewhere, and for that reason the fight promises to be a hot one. The following telegram, which the local association has received from the Charleston association, has been posted at the Y. M. C. A. here, and the local lads are bent on getting Charleston's goat: "J. D. Huntington, General Secretary, Y. M. C. A., Wilmington, N. C. 'Charleston has a wholesome respect for Wilmington because you are virtually in one of the best buildings in the South. We want to put you on notice, however, that we like nothing better than a real hard scrap and unless your membership is more loyal than ours we are going to show the way that leads to the cup.'

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No matter where the eczema, pimples or other breaking out occurs, whether on the face, hands, legs or body, the application of Hokara should take place. And in the worst or most chronic cases should be cured in a short time.

Advertisement for The Wilmington Savings & Trust Co. featuring "April First or Second!" and "Deposits made on or before above dates will bear interest from the First." The ad includes the company name, address (110 Princess Street), and a logo for "THE WILMINGTON SAVINGS AND TRUST CO."

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