

AMEND CHARTER

The Charter Committee Makes Report.

PEOPLE TO ELECT OFFICIALS.

Salaries of Officials—To provide for a Sanitary Tax of One Dollar and a Half—To Tax Butcher Shops and Oil Tanks.

The committee appointed to draft suitable amendments to the city charter have reported as follows:

To the Citizens of Elizabeth City:

Your Committee appointed by the Board of Aldermen, consisting of S. M. S. Rollinson, C. E. Anderson, T. P. Nash, G. W. Ward, E. F. Aydtlett, T. A. Commander and J. F. Snell, together with the Committee appointed by the Executive Committee of Elizabeth City, consisting of W. H. Weatherly, W. J. Broughton, Monroe Whedbee, W. C. Glover, F. M. Gries, and Z. Fearing, Jr., and T. B. Wilson, Frank Weeks and A. L. Pendtton, present by request of said Committees, to recommend changes in the Charter of Elizabeth City, beg leave to report that they have carefully considered the old charters, together with all recommendations handed to them by different citizens, and that they recommend the following amendments, viz:

1st. Amend the charter so as to make the city limits conform to the changes embodied in the report hereto attached which changes 4th ward.

2nd. Amend the charter so as to change the ward limits to conform to the above report.

3rd. Amend the charter so as to provide for an entirely new registration.

4th. Amend the charter so as to provide for the election of a Mayor, Clerk, Treasurer and Chief of Police by the qualified voters of the town, same to hold office for two years.

5th. Amend the charter so as to provide that any vacancies that may occur in any of the aforesaid positions, for any cause shall be filled by the Board of Aldermen.

6th. Amend the charter so that stipulated salaries shall be paid the Mayor, Chief of Police, Clerk and Treasurer, and that all fees and costs that they may collect from any source whatever shall be taxed in to the Town Treasurer without commissions; said salaries to be as follows:

Mayor \$600.00 per annum,
Chief of Police \$900.00 per annum,
Treasurer \$250.00 per annum,
Clerk \$500.00.

7th. Amend the charter so as to provide that the chairman of the Board of Aldermen shall preside over all meetings of the Board, and shall act as Mayor during the absence or sickness of the Mayor, and shall have all the rights and powers of the Mayor during the disability or absence of the Mayor.

8th. Amend the Charter so as to provide for a license tax on all butchers of not less than \$60.00 more than \$100.00 per annum.

9th. Amend the Charter so as to provide for a license tax on oil tanks located in town.

10th. Amend the charter so as to provide for a sanitary tax of \$1.50 on each household and for a tax of \$1.50 from each person who is not exempt from poll tax, for other purposes and make it a misdemeanor for failure to pay said taxes.

11th. Amend the charter so as to make it a misdemeanor for any person to sell or give within one mile of the town limits without having a license for the same.

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MANTEO.

Correspondence of the Tar Heel. Manteo, N. C., Dec. 29.

Calinda Tillett, cook at Mr. Whitehurst's boarding-house at Skyco, who disappeared from there very mysteriously some nights ago was found drowned in the sound near the dock not many days ago. Some suggest that she was enticed away and murdered as she was known to have about \$1700 in money which has not been seen since.

The county and town commissioners have purchased and have installed in the court house a new bell with improved fire alarm. It is a much needed improvement.

The proposition to have steam-boat communication directly between here and Elizabeth City has at last materialized, and the Thos. Newton, recently purchased by Mr. W. G. Banks, is undergoing repairs to begin its regular trips Feb. 1st. It is to be hoped that transportation will be improved.

Our popular Postmaster, J. B. Jennett, and wife, have returned from Washington D. C., where they visited their son W. B. Jennett who is in the light house service in Virginia. They report a pleasant trip. While there Mr. Jennett was looking to improvement of mail facilities in Dare county. He has been very active in the interest of our people and has secured a reserve fund for the Manteo office, and in addition he has been given a deposit in the New York Postoffice from which to draw for the purpose of cashing money orders.

Our Wanchese friends seem to display a spirit of jealousy occasioned by the rapid growth and development of Manteo. Some are even so rash as to advocate the removal of the court house from Manteo to the village at the South End.

AMONG THE SCHOOLS.

The Reporter Interviews The County Superintendent For The Benefit of Tar Heel Readers.

The white school teachers of the county will hold an educational conference at the Atlantic College Institute, in this city, to-morrow. Interesting papers upon the subject of education will be read. The teachers will exchange their views upon the subject of teaching and interesting discussions of new and improved methods of instruction will consume much of the time.

Mr. D. W. Morgan, of Mount Herman township has been appointed a member of the board of Education; to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Sheriff Reid.

Prof. S. L. Sheep county superintendent of public instruction has recently spent much of his time in visiting the schools of the county. He reports the attendance encouraging, especially among the white schools. He says that the white people are more awake to the necessity of an education than ever before.

The school at Sound Neck is without a teacher and the vacancy cannot be supplied. This reminds us that there is a scarcity of teachers not only in this county but in the district. Supt. Sheep has a number of applications for teachers, from other counties. It behooves the legislature to establish a normal school, in this section, for the professional preparation of teachers. The colored schools are better off than the white schools in this respect. There are colored normal schools in practically every section of the state while the one white normal school is situated at Greensboro.

The school census for 1903 is now being compiled. In number of children of school age there will be but little increase over last year. In attendance and enrollment; a noticeable increase is expected. Last years census gave Pasquotank county 4419 children

between the ages of six and twenty one. Of this number 2252, or a little over half were whites. Only about one half of the number were enrolled last year and, as correctly as we can ascertain, only a fourth of the number can be certified with any thing like regular attendance.

There is forty nine teachers of public schools in this county. Twenty seven of these are white.

There is nothing to bar the attendance at school of the majority of children. One time there were complaints of bad roads and the distance of schools from the pupils. The roads are in good condition now so far as predictions are concerned and no child is farther than two miles distant from a school.

When asked about the probable consolidation of small school districts; Prof. Sheep that sooner or later it would occur. The necessity of this is apparent when we cite an instance right here in this county. Take Nixonton township! It has three schools with a combined attendance of not more than thirty five pupils. One of these schools reports an attendance of only 8 to 10 pupils. By consolidating these three districts the one school would have a total appropriation of \$450.00 or the combined appropriations of the three districts. This sum would be sufficient to conduct a 9 months school say nothing of providing additional comforts. And then the consolidation of these three districts would remove no pupil more than two and a half miles from the school.

A New Route Suggested.

Our Fairfield correspondent says that the Inland Water Way project is receiving no little discussion in Hyde county. The people over there are suggesting a route that is not only a very feasible one but one which has many points superior to others now under consideration. The route suggested by these people is to continue the waterway from the mouth of Pasquotank river to Alligator river; from the head of the Alligator through the low lands of Hyde to lake Mattamuskeet from thence through the lowlands of the southern part of Hyde into the Pamlico sound. This route is but little longer than others under consideration and aside from other advantages; the Inland Waterway if carried through there would develop the countries of Tyrrell, Dare and Hyde whereas these counties would otherwise profit but little by the acquisition of the waterway. Another argument advanced is that should the inland waterway ever have to be used as a place of refuge for our ships in time of war its being the farther inland would prove invaluable. On the other hand should the waterway go through Croatan sound our fleets could be easily bombarded from the Atlantic.

This newly proposed route is an interesting one, as a glance at your map will tell.

Farm Notes.

WORK FOR THE MONTH.

The higher range of values for all agricultural products which has now continued for more than two years still hold good; indeed, in respect to some of these, prices have still further advanced during the year just closing and this satisfactory condition of affairs for the farmer will, we think, be not likely to soon come to an end, certainly not so long as labor continues to be so well employed as at present. The consumption of all the staple products of the farm and of most of the luxuries some of which like tobacco, we produce largely in the South is enormous, and it would require an immense over-production of these to seriously affect market values whilst business continues good. Whilst we have had large wheat and 'out' crops and an immense corn crop, yet these and especially corn came at a time where was no large surplus. (Continued on fourth page.)

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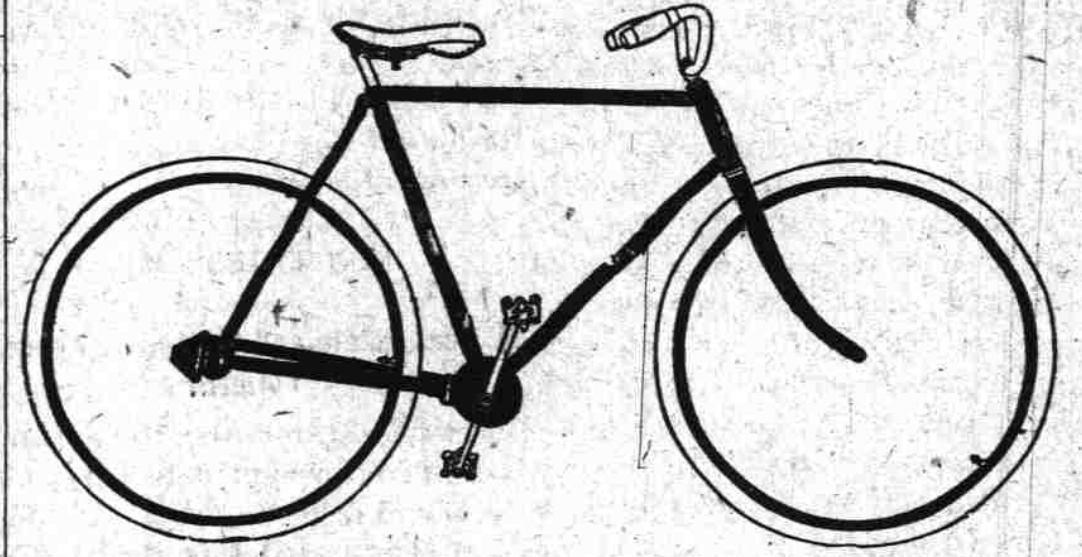
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Flora Building, Main St.

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P. DeLon,
Bicycles, Supplies and Repairing,
Poindexter Street



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Fowler & Co.

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