



# SENATORIAL CONVENTION MEETS HERE JULY 20TH 11 O'CLOCK A. M.

## COUNTY CANDIDATE AND POLITICAL GOSSIP

### Chairman Thompson Calls Meeting of Executive Committee to Determine Manner of Selecting Candidates.

Mr. C. E. Thompson, Chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee, has issued a call for a meeting of the Executive Committee of this county. The call is by a personal letter addressed to each member of the Executive Committee and reads as follows: Dear Sir:—

There will be a meeting of the Democratic Executive Committee of Pasquotank County at the Court House in Elizabeth City at two o'clock P. M. on Saturday, July 23rd. This meeting will be for the purpose of deciding upon the time and manner of selecting the County officers for the ensuing two year, and it is therefore very important that you should be present at the meeting in order that we may have the benefit of your opinion and advice.

Hoping you can be present, I am,

Yours very truly,

C. E. Thompson.  
Chr. Dem. Ex. Com.  
of Pas. Co.

P. S. It might be well for you to consult as many of the voters in your precinct as possible in order that you may ascertain their views about the manner of electing said officers.

As stated in the call of Chairman Thompson, the purpose of the meeting is to decide upon the time and manner of selecting the county officers for the ensuing two years. So far as the Tar Heel reporter can ascertain there has been no crystallization of sentiment with respect to the manner of selecting the nominees for the offices to be filled. Two years ago there was a general demand for a primary and it is possible that a primary may be had this year. It is understood, however, that the wishes of all candidates will be consulted before deciding upon either a primary or the convention system of naming candidates.

The local political situation is growing more interesting each day. At this hour the fight for the sheriff's office promises to be the most warmly contested. Sheriff Reid, who has filled this position so acceptably for the last six years is a candidate for reelection while Mr. C. C. Pappendick and Mr. C. C. Parker have entered the fight against him.

It is understood that both Messrs Pappendick and Parker contend that when Sheriff Reid was a candidate against Ex-Sheriff Grandy, that the present Sheriff used as his chief argument that Sheriff Grandy had held the office four years and that if he, Sheriff Reid, was elected, that he would not ask for it for a longer

term than Sheriff Grandy had enjoyed. This argument is appealing to a large class who are opposed to a long term of office.

So far, there are only two candidates for Register of Deeds. These are Mr. J. C. Spence, the present incumbent, and Mr. J. W. Munden, now associated with D. M. Jones & Co. Mr. Spence's popularity is attested by the large vote which he received two years ago, while Mr. Munden is regarded as a most formidable opponent because of his unusual popularity. He has as large an acquaintance as any man in the county and has been especially identified with the country people. He was formerly engaged in the mercantile business at Weeksville, and is prominent both as an active and consistent member of the Methodist Church and as a member of several fraternal organizations. It is expected that this contest will be a close one.

The office of Treasurer is sought by Mr. J. P. Thompson, the present incumbent, and Frank Pritchard of Providence Township. Mr. Pritchard is known as "Lame Frank" Pritchard and is so called to distinguish him from Mr. W. F. Pritchard, the surveyor. Heretofore Mr. Thompson's affliction has especially appealed to the sentiment of the voters and since Mr. Pritchard is also an afflicted man the contestants are more evenly matched than heretofore. Mr. Pritchard was formerly a school teacher and is a very successful farmer notwithstanding his affliction. It is understood that the argument of Mr. Thompson's friends is that he has filled the office acceptably and merited a reelection, while the friends of Mr. Pritchard argue that apart from the fact that Mr. Thompson has held the office a good while, that he has a lucrative and substantial business apart from the treasurer's office.

Mr. W. H. Jennings, the present Clerk of the Superior Court has been in office longer than any of the other officers, he having held this office since 1898. It is more

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### FEMALE HELP WANTED.

Any lady can easily make from \$18.00 to \$25.00 per week working for me quietly in her own home locality. This is a bona fide offer—one which will pay you to investigate, even if you can only spare two hours per day. No investment required. Turn your spare time into money. Write me at once for particulars. Address MARY B. TAYLOR, Box 30, Woman's Building, Joliet, Ill.



J. C. B. EHRINGHAUS.

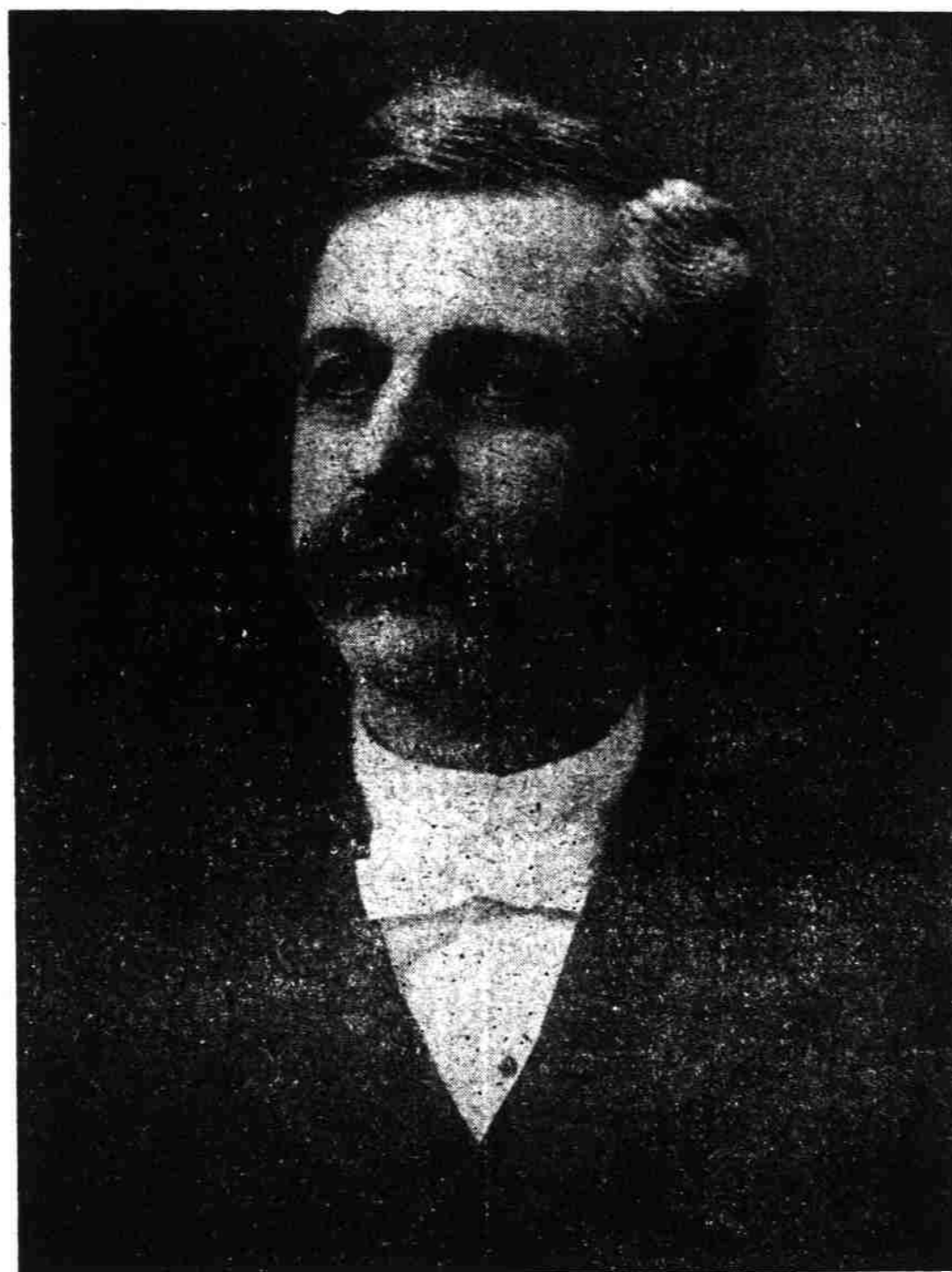
### Nominated last week on the 138th ballot for Solicitor

*Some time ago the Republican bosses had him cartooned with F. F. Aydlett pushing him up a tree to get the plum but these radicals had the plum too high and Aydlett too short so as they thought Bluker could not get it.*

*Ever since that cartooning these dirty rads have been heaping their abuse on Aydlett to kill of Ehringhaus for solicitor.*

*It now turns out that Ehringhaus was not Aydlett's candidate any more than he was any other good Democrat in Pasquotank County. The thing that assisted Ehringhaus more than any other thing else was the continuous tirades made by these Republicans.*

*These imported Radicals haven't yet learned that whatever they want the good people don't want.*



EDWIN FEREBEE AYDLETT

*The most hated man by the local Republican bosses. Mr. Aydlett has always been a leading spirit in the business circles of this town, he has never sought office but has often been urged to accept places of trust and honor but preferred to be content practicing his profession. It is only when the political season rolls around that he gets busy for his friends. He does not pose as a leader but is known as a pusher when ever he joins hands with the boys they generally push their man high enough to get the plum while he is a man of state reputation he has only recently achieved prominence brought about by the abuse of the local radicals bosses when ever the radicals make war on a prominent Democrat the good people know the abused is doing good work for the country.*

## WILL PAVE STREETS BRICK AND ASPHALT

### The Report to Pave Main Street With Asphalt Precipitates a Fight--Close Vote and Mayor Breaks Tie for Main Street.

It is a source of confidence to the tax payers of the town of Elizabeth City to know that the committee appointed to take into consideration the matter of street paving, is composed of men of tireless energy and sterling integrity. For several weeks this committee has worked both night and day for our common good. With such men leading this worthy movement the community has a right to feel congratulated. There is not the slightest whisper or intimation of graft or unfair dealing such as characterizes a similar movement in many towns and cities.

The pains taking investigation made by the sub-committee, composed of Messrs. D. M. Jones and J. B. Flora well illustrates our contention that the utmost care is being taken in this matter of paving the streets of Elizabeth City. The report submitted by these gentlemen at the meeting of the Board of Aldermen on Monday night, will be read with interest by the tax payers of the community. The report is as follows:

Your committee appointed to investigate the streets of several towns and having completed this work we beg to submit the following report:

"We visited Newbern, Goldsboro, Raleigh and Norfolk. In Newbern we found they were using brick exclusively, laid in two ways. One laid on 4 inch sand cushion filled with sand which cost \$1.53 per square yard, and a part of the business section laid on a 3 inch sand cushion with a concrete filler, cost \$1.63 per square yard. We also found they had thirty five miles of Granolithic sidewalks with a 4 inch concrete base and a 1 inch Granolithic top which cost them 83c per square yard.

We find that they are somewhat divided in opinion as to the laying of this brick. The mayor Mr. C. J. McCarthy is much in favor of the cement filling, while the chairman of the street improvement committee favors the sand filling which he says is less noisy of the two. We also talked with several commissioners and prominent people and all of them agreed it was a very noisy street and that a smooth pavement with less noise would be much preferable especially in the residential section. This city has a bonded indebtedness of three hundred and twenty thousand dollars.

In Goldsboro they are laying about fifty thousand square yards of Bitulithic pavement. The mayor J. R. Higgins and the engineer R. A. Colvin took us out where they were actually doing the work. They paid \$2.15 per square yard for the first job, laid sometime back as a sample, and for their present job are paying \$2.00 per square yard.

Their committee made a veery

thorough investigation before going into this and visited the following cities, making inspections of the various kinds of pavement Norfolk, Washington, Baltimore, New York, Pittsburg and Cleveland. On their return they awarded the contract to The Atlantic Bitulithic Co., without opening the matter to competitive bidders at \$2.00 per square yard. They have about twenty three miles of sidewalks laid and about two more miles to be laid, making twenty five miles in all, on a 4 in. concrete base and a 1 inch top dressing which cost 74c per square yard. This was constructed by Bigler Bros. They have a bonded indebtedness of three hundred and eighty five thousand dollars.

In Raleigh they have contracted and were about ready to begin work on two of their most prominent streets for an Asphalt pavement to be constructed by Peters Bros. at \$1.70 per square yard, with a 4 inch concrete base. Mr. W. A. Cooper chairman of their improvement committee told us they made a very extensive investigation and in their opinion found that the Asphalt pavement was superior both in beauty and lasting qualities. Taking in consideration the cost and were well pleased with the contract in every particular. Mr. R. B. Sewell their civil engineer corroborated this. The chairman says he would not pay any more for Bitulithic than he would for a good job of Asphalt and the engineer says he wouldn't turn around for the difference, as he believes if it is properly laid, we could get a good job with either. The streets where this asphalt is to be laid are already paved with granite blocks which are to be removed and used for gutters. They have not done so much sidewalk pavements as the other two towns which readily shows in entering the town. Some sections being of brick, some of concrete and some of other material.

In Norfolk we found their last contract was for Bitulithic using this in the suburban residential section. Mr. W. B. Taylor their assistant engineer took us put where they were making the streets and were very much pleased with the job, this makes a beautiful and noiseless street. Dr. Dowdy, chairman of their improvement committee joined us, and seemed to think Bitulithic pavement was the best, and most desirable he much preferred it to the Asphalt. But the engineer said he could not go to a city on asphalt where it was laid properly and said he would take us over Charlotte St., which had been laid nine or ten years ago, was still good and in perfect order and a beautiful drive. We also examined

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