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N. C. DELEGATION AN IMPOSING ONE

Interested Business Men Appear Before Board of Engineers in Behalf of Dismal Swamp Canal.

The delegation from North Eastern North Carolina that gathered in Norfolk last Tuesday for the purpose of attending the hearing before the board of engineers in regard to the selection of a canal as a part of the inland waterway route, was an imposing one. This delegation showed that the people of this section are greatly interested in the Dismal Swamp Canal as a part of the Inland Waterway.

From South Mills and Deep Creek two steamers brought nearly two hundred influential citizens to add their voices and influence while other sections of Carolina were well represented before the Board.

The advocates of the Albemarle and Chesapeake Canal were also well represented and well supplied with arguments.

being an increase of 71 per cent and 63 per cent of total vessels by both routes

The steamboats, represent service chiefly local in each route; the tugs are mostly hired by the canal companies; and the motorboats many of them are service boats.

None of those classes represent competitive traffic passing between Chesapeake Bay and North Carolina waters which is carried in sailing vessels, barges and lighters. Of these three classes the number passing through Lake Drummond Canal was 883 greater and was 74.5 per cent of the aggregate of those classes by the two routes and the tolls on vessels of 100 tons and over is 25 per cent greater in Lake Drummond Canal.

Expand and Increase

Is it prudent to close up any channel of transportation to commerce? Is it not the foundation of the waterways policy to expand and increase? A railroad is seldom or never abandoned with some degree of efficiency it contributes its shares of facilities to the development and maintenance of that common stock of activities that means prosperity.

The Lake Drummond Canal was performing its mission before there were railroads; it has continued to do so for 30 years after a neighboring one was built and its mission is not ended.

Mr. Halstead Speaks

W. Ira Halstead, of South Mills, N. C. who represented the delegation from his section, told of the fertility of the region about South Mills of its products of the vast importance to that town and section which the Dismal Swamp Canal is and urged that it as well as the Albemarle and Chesapeake should be bought by the government and maintained as a free waterway. He made a telling speech for his people pointing out that though the government should indemnify the owners of the Dismal Swamp Canal and close it to navigation land of property in the South Mills Deep Creek region which he said would fall greatly in value should they lose their waterway.

Reb. Stuart, of the Norfolk Navy Yard then spoke urging the purchase of the Dismal Swamp Canal and shortly in came the imposing delegation from Elizabeth City bearing badges and filling the big court room to overflowing. They were headed by Mayor Zenas Fearing.

President Lamb's Argument.

President E. T. Lamb, of the Elizabeth City Chamber of Commerce in his address before the board said in part:

As I understand it, it is your province to give a full hearing to all parties interested in the purchase by the government of a route for the proposed Norfolk Beaufort Inland Waterway your report is to be the basis of an act of Congress providing for the purchase of the waterway route and no contract can be made by the Secretary of War unless recommended by you.

I shall attempt to present to you the consequence of the proposed change in behalf of those wards of the nation whose welfare is dependent upon the maintenance of the Dismal Swamp Canal.

If I can emphasize sufficiently your obligation as representatives of our national government to exercise a paternal care and protection over the property of the people, a purpose for which the government was founded and for which it continues to exist I shall present my cause with more courage and possibly more grace.

Let me assure you, sirs, it is a question of the greatest importance to those for whom I plead.

To close the Dismal Swamp Canal means the destruction of the proper-

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DID HE COME HERE?

He's big and bald and fat and round? He's the smartest thing that could be found? He knows it all from creation down? He can tell you how to run church or town? His knowledge is so great that he's about to bust? So in he went and began to cuss. Did he come here?

MR. AYDLETT REPLIES TO MR. GALLOPS' ATTACK

In Which He Sets Forth the Facts in Mr. Gallops Stock Deal.

Mr. Editor,

I regret to trespass on your space, but the attack upon me by D. T. Gallup cannot go unnoticed for fear some one may be led to believe that I have treated him unfairly.

I advertised his house and lot as trustee at his own request. He sent Mr. W. J. Woodley to see me who said Gallup wanted to have his property advertised under the deed of trust. Mr. Woodley said there were three mortgages upon the property, one made to secure Mr. Parker of \$1,500, and interest and one to secure Mr. C. H. Robinson for \$2,500 and the third one to him, Woodley and that they amounted to more than the property would bring at public sale. He said that Gallup wanted to know what I would charge to make the sale as trustee. I suggested to Mr. Woodley that if the mortgages were more than the property would bring, why not let Gallup convey the property to him (Woodley) in cancellation of the whole debt. He said that this was not what they wanted.

I then agreed with Mr. Woodley if Mr. Gallup would request me to sell it I would do so, and would not make him any charge. Mr. Gallup refused to accept this favor from me, and wrote the following letter.

Elizabeth City, N. C. July 18, 1910.
E. F. Aydlett,

Dear Sir:—

As Mr. W. J. Woodley holds the notes given to Mr. Robinson for stock in your company and is now demanding his money for same, there is nothing else I can do but let the property be sold. Mr. Woodley tells me that you offered to perform the trustee duties free of charge. This I am unwilling for you to do and I will pay

for the newspaper advertising and pay you \$5.00 for writing the deed. I did not want to pay 5 per cent. on the sale is why I wanted this made clear and if I have not misunderstood Mr. Woodley as to your agreement you will please write me to that effect and go ahead with the sales on some Monday at 10 o'clock A. M.

Yours truly,

(Signed) D. T. Gallup.

After receiving this letter in which Mr. Gallup refused to accept my offer to make the sale free of charge, I then suspected that he had some other motive for insisting upon my making this sale than that of merely satisfying his claims and wrote him the following:

July 19, 1910
Mr. D. T. Gallup, City

Dear Sir:

Your letter of the 18th received asking me to write you. Mr. Woodley came in my office, claiming to come at your request and said that you desired me to make the sale of your property without charging you the 5 per cent. He said that he had three mortgages on your property and it was mortgaged for more than it was worth at public sale. After talking with him about the matter I told him if you desired the property sold and would so request me I would sell it and charge you no commissions. It seems that he reported this to you and you do not desire to accept it. I quote from your letter:—As Mr. Woodley holds the notes given Mr. Robinson for stock in your company and is now demanding his money for same, you were one of the promoters of the company and urged it as

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TAR HEEL RADICALS DON'T STAND IN

Democrats Have Got Some Choice Plums--Other North Carolina Radicals Kicked Out for Other Men.

Thomas J. Spence of Washington, D. C. in writing to his paper, the News and Observer has the following to say in regard to North Carolina Republicans and their standing with the national government:

"A Tar Heel Republican who drifted into Washington recently had taken station in the national political situation as it affects North Carolina and he was in anything but a cheerful frame of mind.

"Do you know," said this politician who is well known in the State, we Republicans are a lot of chumps. We have been eating out of the hand so long that we have lost all sense of resentment, unless we can get up a scrap with one another. As regards that particular kind of entertainment we have the whole world beat. What I have in mind is the appointment of another North Carolina Democrat to a big office. I notice that Joe Holmes has landed himself in a six thousand dollar job and his appointment is of course, charged up to North Carolina which means that it will be thrown up in the face of every North Carolina Republican who may have the hardihood to ask for a Federal office outside the limits of the State.

"A lot of Federal officeholders in North Carolina have to yell for Taft but they don't reflect the real sentiments of the voters. No administration has ever treated North Carolina Republicans so shabbily. Mrs. Taft has passed around two six thousand dollar jobs to North Carolina Democrats and what has he done for the members of the party who elected three Congressmen in the last election. He kicked Richmond Pearson out as Minister to Greece about the time he got Teddys chair good and warm. Then he bounced John C. Daney as recorder of deeds of the District of Columbia. These were the

only two first class positions held by North Carolina Republicans. And while he was at it. Mr. Taft rubbed the dirt in. Look at the appointment of Judge Connor over half a dozen good Republicans. The only son thrown our way is the little old attorneyship given Tom Settle which appointment is for no specific time and is apt to expire any old minute.

I am for Teddy and the crowd that has captured the organization will never be able to make us line up a delegation for the re-nomination of the present occupant of the White House. Things have been too lean for North Carolina Republicans with this Taft administration. At least that is the way I feel about the situation.

There are 997 midshipmen at the Naval Academy and Senators and Representatives of North Carolina and other States will have the opportunity to nominate 431—nearly one half of the total number—for admission. When the fall term of the Academy begins a month hence there will be over two hundred vacancies in the new fourth class.

North Carolina Senators and Congressmen will have the appointment of fourteen midshipmen to Annapolis Senator Simmons has one vacancy, while Congressman Kitchen in the second, Thomas in the third, Godwin in the sixth and Grant in the ninth districts have one each. Representative Cowles in the eighth district has two appointments. Before March 4th next Congressman Small in the first district, Kitchen in the second, Pou in the fourth, Morehead in the fifth and Grant in the tenth districts will have one appointment each. Congressman Webb in the ninth district will have two appointments to make.

DEVOTED MOTHER DIES OF GRIEF

Mrs. Thomas Wilcox died at her home on Fearing Street last Saturday morning after a long and lingering illness. She was about fifty years old and is survived by three children two daughters and one son.

The funeral services were conducted over her remains last Sunday afternoon from the home by Rev. J. E. Ferebee and the interment followed in Hollywood Cemetery.

The following were the pall bearers: T. P. Nash, F. M. Newby, M. B. C. Pepper, Richard Creecy, Charles Reid, and W. A. Jackson.

Mrs. Wilcox was an estimable woman, was noted for her many deeds of charity and kindness. She died of a broken heart caused by grief over her son James who is serving a thirty year term in the penitentiary upon the charge of murdering Miss Nellie Cropsey. Mrs. Wilcox was a healthy woman who enjoyed life, until her son was convicted and sentenced to the penitentiary. Then her health began to decline and the past several years of her life have been pathetic indeed.

A prophecy, so it is said, occurred in connection with her death. During her last days while she was in a critical condition, she was often heard to declare that a little grand son of hers Ernest Williams would be buried with her. At the time the little child was well. Last Friday the child was taken very ill and died last Sunday night. The remains were interred Monday, the grandmother having preceded him only one day.

Mrs. Wilcox was a splendid mother and was devoted to her children.

She spent her last days in carrying around a petition for the pardon of her son. The petition was largely signed by the most prominent citizens of the town who could not withstand the tears of the aged and suffering mother. The petition is said to have over fifteen hundred names on it. Death came to release Mrs. Wilcox from her mental sufferings before the petition had a chance to go up to the Governor.

VETERANS ATTEND REUNION

The following members of the William F. Martin Camp of Confederate veterans spent several days in Norfolk this week attending the reunion A. J. Bailey, Joe Carmine, Cader Jennings, W. N. Parker, N. G. Davis, J. M. Haskett, J. N. Burgess, Daniel Jennings, D. B. Bradford, W. I. Sawyer, L. G. Pipkins and J. T. Spence.

P. S. Shipp the only Federal soldier that lives in this city went with the Confederate veterans.

The veterans report a splendid time at the reunion in which the Norfolk people did every thing in their power to make them enjoy themselves.

Miss Beulah Gallop returned Sunday from a visit to relatives in Columbia where she has spent some time. She was accompanied home by Miss Lola McCleese of Columbia who has spent some time here this week visiting her.

Pa whats fluent speaker: One of the kind you are glad to hear because the things he says never cause you to change your opinion.—Chicago Record Herald.

Democratic Primaries Held some surprise

G. R. Little Nominated for Clerk of the Court. T. J. Markham for Representation. No Nominative for Register of Deeds

Yesterdays Democratic primaries were the most interesting that have been held in this county in a long time. The liveliest interest was taken and in a majority of the voting precincts, a large vote was polled.

Several surprises were developed as the results of the primaries were made known last night.

The greatest surprise was the defeat of W. H. Jennings who has been clerk of the court for the past twelve years. He was considered one of the strongest men on the ticket. The failure of J. C. Spence to secure a majority of the votes cast and to secure his nomination was another surprise that his friends were not looking for.

Sheriff Reid's large majority was very gratifying to his host of friends.

The results of the primaries as the latest returns show this morning are as follows: For Representative, Thos. J. Markham 654; W. O. Saunders 463; M. L. Davis 112; M. C. Stanley 60; W. P. Walston 62. Mr. Markham

was nominated having received a majority over all the candidates.

W. H. Jennings received 555 votes and G. R. Little 687. Mr. Little's majority was 132. For clerk of the court. For register of deeds J. C. Spence received 594 votes; J. W. Munden 571; F. M. Newby 191 votes. It took 678 to effect a nomination and Mr. Spence lacked 84 votes to have enough to secure the nomination.

For treasurer J. P. Thompson received 691 votes and Frank Pritchard received 480 votes.

For sheriff Charles Reid received 833 votes; C. C. Pappeidick 432 votes; C. S. Ives 32; C. C. Parker 97.

Sheriff Reids majority over all was 268 votes.

A second primary will be held in next Thursday for the purpose of effecting a nomination for the office of register of deeds.

The county commissioners nominated are: G. M. Scott, W. P. Williams, G. D. Sherlock, Eugene S. Scott and J. C. James, Jr.

Route.	Route.	Increase
Steamboats	416	698
Tugs	481	620
Vessels (sailing)	191	409
Barges	103	783
Rafts	6	61
Lighters	96	81
Motorboats	330	228
	1,678	2,872
		1,194