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McNeill Defeats Carpenter for Solicitor 9th District

Lumberton Man Wins in Second Primary by Majority of Over 2,000—Carried 3 of 4 Counties in District and Lost That by Less Than 100 Votes—Dove, Faulk and McMillan Won in Township Road Supervisor Contests—Result in State.

Mr. T. A. McNeill of Lumberton was nominated for solicitor of this, the ninth, judicial district in Saturday's primary over Mr. J. E. Carpenter of Maxton by a majority of more than 2,000 votes, according to reports received here from the four counties—Robeson, Bladen, Cumberland and Hoke—that compose the district. Mr. McNeill's majority in Robeson county was 1,662, the total vote in Robeson being: McNeill, 8,117 and Carpenter, 1,455. Mr. McNeill carried both Cumberland and Bladen counties, his majority being around 800 in each county. Mr. Carpenter carried Hoke by less than 100 majority, according to information received here.

This was a second primary, Messrs. McNeill and Carpenter receiving the largest vote in the first primary, when Mr. E. S. Smith of Eastford was eliminated from the race. Mr. McNeill led the ticket by several hundred votes in the first primary held on June 8.

Following is the Robeson county vote for solicitor by townships:

Vote By Townships

Alfordville—McNeill, 55; Carpenter, 48.

Britts No. 1—McNeill, 108; Carpenter, 13.

Britts No. 2—McNeill, 63; Carpenter, 0.

Burnt Swamp—McNeill, 55; Carpenter, 1.

Back Swamp—McNeill, 33; Carpenter, 0.

Fairmont—McNeill, 175; Carpenter, 110.

Gaddy—McNeill, 77; Carpenter, 3.

Howellsville—McNeill, 186; Carpenter, 6.

Lumber Bridge—McNeill, 51; Carpenter, 84.

North Lumberton—McNeill, 536; Carpenter, 25.

South Lumberton—McNeill, 334; Carpenter, 13.

Maxton—McNeill, 19; Carpenter, 336.

Grum—McNeill, 71; Carpenter, 2.

Parkton—McNeill, 99; Carpenter, 67.

Pembroke—McNeill, 248; Carpenter, 92.

Red Springs No. 1—McNeill, 81; Carpenter, 149.

Red Springs No. 2—McNeill, 40; Carpenter, 19.

Raft Swamp—McNeill, 60; Carpenter, 14.

Rennett—McNeill, 23; Carpenter, 33.

Rowland—McNeill, 148; Carpenter, 155.

Saddletree—McNeill, 101; Carpenter, 5.

St. Pauls—McNeill, 90; Carpenter, 152.

Shannon—McNeill, 7; Carpenter, 29.

Smiths—McNeill, 61; Carpenter, 15.

Sterlings—McNeill, 69; Carpenter, 1.

Thompsons—McNeill, 157; Carpenter, 81.

White House—McNeill, 86; Carpenter, 1.

Wishart—McNeill, 84; Carpenter, 1.

Road Supervisors

In second primaries held for road supervisors the following were elected: Rowland township, R. P. Dove; Thompson township, J. V. Faulk; Pembroke township, Oakley McMillan. The vote was:

Rowland—Dove, 178; J. McR. Bracey, 118.

Thompsons—Faulk, 124; W. A. Stone, 112.

Pembroke—official vote not learned, though McMillan was nominated over W. G. Kirk by 62 majority.

Other Results

Incomplete and unofficial returns indicate the following other results in the primary Saturday:

W. F. Evans of Raleigh, nominated by Democrats of Wake and Franklin counties as solicitor of the 7th district, defeating J. W. Hinsdale, also of Raleigh, by more than 1,800 votes.

Miss Lottie Lewis, a newly-licensed lawyer of Raleigh, won over L. D. Stephenson, incumbent, for county treasurer of Wake by nearly 1,000 votes. She is the first woman ever nominated in Wake to a county office.

A. L. Abernethy of New Bern leads Major Matt H. Allen of Goldsboro in the 3rd congressional district by around 500 votes.

Don Phillips of Rockingham, an ex-service man, was nominated for solicitor in the 13th judicial district over G. H. Russell of Laurinburg, carrying every county in the district.

The nomination of Henry A. Grady of Clinton for judge of the 6th judicial over Geo. Ward of Duplin is indicated.

—Miss Grace Huggins returned last night from a visit to friends at Clinton, Mt. Olive and Faison, and resumed this morning her duties in The Robesonian office after a vacation of two weeks.

Train Service Not Interrupted As Result of Strike

Head of Shopmen Claims Walkout is "Practically 100 Percent—Railway Executives Say Train Service Will Continue Regardless.

An associated Press dispatch of July 2 from Chicago gives the following:

Railway executives, union leaders and the United States Railway Labor Board marked time today in the country-wide strike of shopmen while train service continued uninterrupted by Saturday's walkout.

B. M. Jewell, head of the shopmen, who ignored the orders of the labor board to appear before it and explain his strike action, spent the day at union headquarters receiving reports from all sections of the country. While he refused to give any figures, he asserted that the walkout was "practically 100 per cent."

Railway executives, however, claimed that probably less than 90 per cent of the 401,000 repairmen had joined the walkout which began at 10 a. m. yesterday. Because of the Sunday holiday, they said they had been unable to make a complete check of their shopmen, but that train service would continue regardless of how many laid down their tools.

With the union leaders refusing to treat with the labor board, the railway executives assert that the dispute was entirely between their former employees and the government, the labor board assuring the full protection of the government.

BURN PUNCTURED SQUARES

Farm Demonstrator Dukes Says Weevils in These Will Produce Crop to Attack Later Squares.

The boll weevil has appeared in the cotton fields throughout the county, according to Mr. O. O. Dukes, county farm demonstrator. The worst damage so far has been in the southern part of the county, Mr. Dukes says. He is urging the farmers to pick up and burn the squares that fall off the cotton as a result of being punctured. The weevils that these squares will produce are the ones that will attack the squares that are put on during the best fruiting season.

PEMBROKE SCHOOL DISTRICT VOTES \$40,000 BOND ISSUE

The Pembroke graded school district Saturday voted a \$40,000 bond issue for erecting school buildings for both white and Indians. The registration was 566, the vote for bonds 321 and against, 186. The majority against the total registration, 38.

—The county commissioners, the county board of education, the county road board and the county pension board are all holding regular meetings here today.

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Annual Field Day and Picnic at East Lumberton

Saturday was Red-Letter Day at East Lumberton—Address by Senator Varser, Two Baseball Games, One Between Teams Composed of Ladies, Races and Contests of Various Kinds and Great Picnic Dinner Were Features of an Enjoyable Occasion.

Saturday was indeed a red-letter day for the citizens of East Lumberton and many others who gathered there for the annual field-day and picnic. The program consisted of an address by State Senator L. R. Varser, two baseball games, races of various kinds, a horse-shoe pitching contest, a soda-cracker eating contest, a tug o'war and a bountiful picnic dinner. The program was carried out in splendid order that reflected credit upon Messrs. D. R. Bullock and J. F. Alexander, who were masters of ceremonies.

Address by Senator Varser

Citizens of both the Lumberton and Dresden cotton mill villages took part in the occasion and a spirit of co-operation could be seen on every hand. Mr. Varser's subject was "Citizenship," which was described as relations with and duties to others. The pursuit of happiness was named by the speaker as the chief purpose of citizenship. Duties of citizenship to ourselves, to others and to the government, were outlined by Mr. Varser, who urged the importance of supporting the government and the enforcement of the law. He painted a striking picture of the community that stands together for the betterment of the whole, as evidenced by the happy occasion held Saturday. The speaker was listened to with rapt attention by the large number present. Mr. D. R. Bullock introduced the speaker.

Ball Game Between Lady Teams

One of the features of the day's program was a baseball game in the morning between the young ladies of the Lumberton and Dresden mill villages. The score was 8 to 6 in favor of the Lumberton mill team. The batteries were: Lumberton mill—Miss Nina Bebbler and Miss Johnnie Ludlum; Dresden mill—Miss Ruby Alexander and Mrs. Sallie Barnes. Features of the game were the hitting of four home runs. Those getting home runs were Misses Lila Bullock and Johnnie Ludlum of the Lumberton mill team and Mesdames Sallie Barnes and Sallie Little of the Dresden mill team. A large number of fans and "fannettes" witnessed the game of 5-innings.

Winners of Prizes

Winners of the prizes offered for the various contests were:

Flat race, ages 4 to 5—Margaret Duncan; ages 6 to 7—Edith Edwards; ages 8 to 9—Laura Belle McCulloch; ages 9 to 10—Nina Lee Bristow; ages 10 to 11—Clara Singletary.

Relay race, ages 12 to 18—Cleo

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Still and Suspect Captured Today

60-Gallon Outfit and 4 Barrels of Juice Found in Jacob Swamp—Madrack Locklear Jailed.

Officers captured a 60-gallon copper whiskey still in the Jacob Swamp about three miles west of Lumberton at noon today. Four barrels of beer and a small supply of the finished product were also captured. Madrick Locklear, Indian, was arrested in connection with the capture and is in jail here. The posse making the capture and arrest was composed of Rural Policemen A. R. Pittman, J. H. Carper and D. C. Ratley and Deputy R. C. Miller. The still was set up ready for business.

Stores Will Be Closed Tomorrow

Lumberton will suspend business tomorrow for the Fourth. An agreement to close for the day is being circulated this afternoon and at the time of going to press it had been signed by a majority of the merchants. The banks of course will observe the day, as usual.

Negroes Arrested on Charge of Robbing Freight Cars at Elrod.

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—Mr. Jno. M. Hutchinson of Fort Mill S. C., has accepted a position as pharmacist in the North State drug store. He began work Friday.

Mr. Thomas Kinlaw of Howellsville was a Lumberton visitor Friday.

Paving and Water and Sewer Extension in Lumberton

Much Street and Sidewalk Paving Now Under Way and More Proposed—Water and Sewer Lines Are Being Extended—Now Reservoir.

Street paving for which contract has been let and which is now under way:

Elm street from Sixth to Nineteenth; Chestnut from Sixth to Fourteenth; Elizabeth town road from Elm to Chestnut; Fourteenth from Chestnut to Walnut; Fourth from Chestnut to Walnut.

Sidewalk Paving Under Way

Sidewalk paving for which contract has been let and is now under construction:

Second street from Chestnut to Cedar; Fourth from Chestnut to Pine; Seventh from Chestnut to Pine; Elizabeth town road from Elm to Chestnut; Fourteenth from Chestnut to Walnut; Elm from Fourteenth to Nineteenth; Chestnut from Ninth to Fourteenth.

Street Paving Proposed

Petitions have been filed with the town commissioners asking for the following additional street paving:

Fifth street from Chestnut to Willow; Seventh from Chestnut to Walnut; Eighth from Chestnut to Walnut; Tenth from Caldwell to Chestnut; Fourteenth from Elm to Chestnut; Walnut from Fourth to Fourth.

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COTTON MARKET

Middling cotton is quoted on the local market today at 22 1-4 cents the pound.

BRIEF ITEMS OF LOCALS NEWS

—Regular communication of St. Alban's lodge, No. 114, A. F. & A. M., Tuesday at 8 p. m.

—Mr. Gregory Lennon of R. 5, Lumberton, brought in a load of fine home-grown watermelons today.

—License has been issued for the marriage of Jas. W. Lewis and Miss Bessie Jane Walters; Snyder Osborne and Miss Vivian Phillips.

—Mr. A. H. Hinds has recently added a room 15 by 16 1-2 feet and also 50 feet of porch to his residence, in the southern part of town.

—In order to lessen danger of accidents, those who drive cars to the fair grounds for ball games and park outside are requested to leave their cars facing the road, ready to drive away without backing.

—Lumberton lodge No. 245, I. O. O. F., will install officers Thursday evening of this week. Other important business will be transacted and all Odd fellows are urged to be on hand. The meeting opens at 8 o'clock.

—Mr. J. H. Teague, manager of Efrid's department store here, left yesterday for Wilmington to attend a meeting of the Efrid store managers at the Orton hotel today. The local Efrid store will be closed tomorrow—July 4th.

—Mr. M. A. Odum says his car did not pass over the body of Mr. Neil Smith of Fairmont at the Fair grounds Wednesday of last week, as stated in Thursday's Robesonian. The fender struck Mr. Smith and knocked him down, according to Mr. Odum.

—Mr. E. M. Britt and small daughter, Jamie Malloy, and Mr. W. S. Britt returned Thursday night from Wrightsville Beach, where they attended the annual meeting of the State Bar association. They made the trip to Wilmington in Mr. W. S. Britt's car.

—Mesdames Geo. L. and J. A. Thompson returned Friday night from a month's trip through the West. They visited many points of interest while away and report a great trip. They were accompanied by Dr. S. R. Thompson of Charlotte, son of Mrs. J. A. Thompson.

—Mr. A. Weinstein and family returned Saturday night from Baltimore, Md., where they had been since Mrs. Weinstein's death on June 22nd. They were accompanied by Mr. Weinstein's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar M. Israel of Birmingham, Ala., who will spend several weeks here.

—Around 100 feet of sidewalk put down Friday and Saturday on both sides of East Second street was taken up and replaced today on account of a shipment of inferior cement. The work was condemned by both Mr. Fred Robeson, who has charge of the paving, and Mr. C. A. White, engineer in charge.

—An astonishingly large number of people depend upon the town clock, the clock in the dome on the court house, for the time of day. This clock has been out of commission for the last two weeks and there has been much complaint. A part of the works was broken and had to be sent to factory for repairs. It is expected that the clock will be running again soon, according to County Auditor A. V. G. Wishart.

—At the meeting of the North Carolina Bar association at Wrightsville Beach last week Mr. R. C. Lawrence of the local bar was named as delegate to the convention of the American Bar association and Mr. T. L. Johnson, also of the local bar, was named as alternate to the convention of State and local bar associations which will be held in connection with the convention of the American Bar association.

—A banquet given by St. Alban's lodge No. 114, A. F. & A. M. in the lodge hall Thursday evening was attended by 150 Masons, several out-of-town Masons being present. A 3-course dinner was served. Mr. F. K. Biggs had charge of the banquet arrangements. Several short talks were made and third degree work was put on. The occasion was an altogether delightful affair, according to those present.

—Laurinburg Exchange: Luther J. Tucker, it is learned, has been appointed postmaster at Maxton and will shortly succeed Mrs. Bessie Nicholson, who has been postmaster there since the death of her husband a few years ago, having been appointed to the position by President Wilson to succeed her husband. It is said that Mrs. Nicholson will continue to work in the office but Mr. Tucker will be the new postmaster.

—John Koss and F. E. Fisher were arrested here Thursday on the charge of driving an auto while in a drunken condition. The arrest were made by Chief of Police D. M. Barker and Policeman Ed J. Glover at the request of St. Pauls officers. They were given a hearing Friday before Recorder Jno. S. Butler of St. Pauls. Both pleaded guilty. The fine and cost totaled about \$50, according to Chief of Police Barker, who attended the trial. Fisher hails from Parkton, while Koss said he was from the North.