

CITY FATHERS IN REGULAR SESSION

Election of Employees and Other Business at Monday Night's Meeting.

The following were the proceedings of the regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen on May 3.

It was ordered that the stables in the rear of D. M. Carter's store be torn down, having been erected in violation of the fire district ordinance.

Application of A. C. L. R. R. for permission to erect warehouse referred to chief of fire department with power to act.

Tom Redding, poll tax refunded, on account of age.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

W. B. Windley, clerk.
C. Morgan Williams, treasurer.
The present treasurer, E. H. Moore, having announced that he could not accept a reappointment at the present rate of compensation.

M. J. Fowler, chief of police and specific tax collector.

W. R. Pedrick, first assistant policeman.

Jno. M. Harris, second assistant policeman.

J. A. Dudley, third assistant policeman.

J. L. Peele, street commissioner, with police authority.

H. C. Carter, city attorney.

W. R. Cozens, J. M. Godley, L. A. Durand, car drivers.

W. M. Bell, keeper of clock.

E. T. Phelps, sexton Oakdale Cemetery.

Appointment of sexton for Cedar Hill Cemetery left with cemetery committee with power to act.

J. H. Bryan, superintendent elec-

tric plant.

W. R. Jones, engineer electric plant.

Miss Ella Matison, bookkeeper.

N. E. Mitchell, collector delinquent taxes.

M. F. Wright, sanitary inspector.

Dr. E. M. Brown, chief of fire department.

C. F. Harris, engineer Ocean steamer.

J. B. Forbes, fireman Ocean steamer.

The following committees were appointed:

A. M. Dumay, John K. Host and C. M. Little, finance committee.

Geo. T. Leach, Jno. C. Rodman, Geo. Hackney, improvement committee.

J. G. Chauncey, W. M. Chauncey and F. C. Mallison, ordinance and license committee.

W. M. Chauncey, E. R. Mixon, E. B. Cozens, cemetery committee.

J. G. Chauncey, E. B. Cozens and F. C. Mallison, fire committee.

E. R. Mixon, W. M. Chauncey and F. C. Mallison, auditing committee.

Joshua Taylor, R. L. Jones and W. H. Morgan, sanitary committee.

W. M. Chauncey, J. G. Chauncey and F. C. Mallison, police committee.

E. R. Mixon, Joshua Taylor and E. B. Cozens, street committee.

F. C. Mallison, R. L. Jones and E. R. Mixon, light and water committee.

W. M. Chauncey, W. H. Morgan and E. B. Cozens, wharves and dock committee.

A recess was then taken, subject to the call of the Mayor.

SAD DEATH

A Most Estimable and Popular Woman Died at the Fowle Memorial Hospital This Morning.

The entire city is saddened this morning over the news that Mrs. Caroline N. Francis was dead. The end came this morning at the Fowle Memorial Hospital at 2:45 o'clock. In the 54th year of her age. Several weeks ago Mrs. Francis met with the misfortune to fall at the home of her brother, Mr. W. P. Randolph, breaking her thigh, from the effects of which she never recovered.

Immediately after the accident she was taken to the hospital for treatment, where everything was done by loving friends and the skilled physician. While her death was sudden it was not unexpected.

The deceased was a native of the State of New Jersey, and was a sister of Mr. William R. Randolph, of this city, where she has been making her home since last winter. She was a consistent member of the Methodist Church. When the new Methodist Church here was erected about ten years ago Mrs. Francis gave the communion table which now graces the altar. It will ever stand as a monument to her love and devotion to the cause of her Master.

Her life was a living epistle, known and read of all men—an open book. Truly it can be said of her "She hath done what she could." The deceased was universally beloved and admired.

The funeral will take place at the residence of her brother, Mr. W. P. Randolph, tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock, conducted by Rev. M. T. Plyler, pastor of the First Methodist Church. The interment will be in Oakdale Cemetery.

The following are the pallbearers: T. E. Cutler, Edward Mallison, J. F. Thomas, Charles Wahab, J. B. Latham and Walter Crede.

BIG SHIPMENT.

Russ Bros. have received a big shipment of Victor goods, the most complete line in the South. They now have a Victrola on exhibition, the world's greatest instrument.

The Victor is the whole show and you are the manager. So what is the use of going to a theater when you can bring the theater in your own home? That is the question the visitors are asking themselves today as they leave the store. And it's a natural one, too. Where, for instance, could you go to hear, all at one time, such artists as Caruso, Scotti, Van Rooy, Plancon, Journet, Mattio Battistini, Nicola Zerola, Dalmorse, Ancona, Gilbert, Sembrich, Mme. Gay, Melba, Farrar, Tetrazzini, Eames, Gaskin, Calve, Adeline Patti, Emmy Destinn, Abbott, Schumann-Heink, Homes, Maud Powell, violinists, all operatic stars of the first magnitude. Or such musical talent as Pryors and Sousa's band, Victor orchestra and the Vienna Instrumental Quartette. Or such delineators of popular hits as Murry, Sadler, Blanch Ring, Manuel Romain, Tally, Ada Jones, Collins and Harlow.

It is simply amazing the wealth of selections and standard of talent that the Victor list presents. Everybody—rich or poor, grave or gay—can find something in the Victor list to suit their taste.

Operatic numbers, popular sentimental "hits," the latest "rag" melodies, sacred selections, all in solos, duets and quartettes—vaudeville sketches and instrumental gems of various kinds are there in splendid conception to appeal to the most discriminating.

FOR A BIG CORN CROP.

South Carolina farmers have adopted the slogan: "Fifty million bushels of corn for 1910." The Greenville News says this is not a radical estimate. Last year's crop amounted to 27,000,000 bushels, and with the greatly increased interest in this crop the additional 13,000,000 can easily be assured. Commissioner of Agriculture Watson believes that the larger figures will be reached. What are North Carolina farmers going to do along the same line? Are they going to let their neighbors across the line surpass them in this most important farming feature? If South Carolina farmers can increase their crop 15,000,000 bushels over last year's cannot the North Carolina farmers do at least equally well? They should not be content with doing this, but should make every effort to surpass it. Every extra bushel of corn harvested in this State next fall means keeping so much money at home and thereby adding that amount to the State's wealth. South Carolina's extra 13,000,000 bushels of corn will mean not far from \$13,000,000 added to the capital of the men who produced them instead of draining the State to swell the bank accounts of the Western corn growers. If the farmers would look at the matter in this way—and it is the correct way—they would be more enthusiastic over the subject of a bumper corn crop for the State.

PLEASANT DAY IN COUNTRY.

The U. S. Club of Aurora, N. C., led by Miss Annie Swindell, spent a most pleasant day in the country yesterday, singing and playing games. The dinner given by them was much enjoyed by their invited friends.

We are glad to know the club is getting on so nice, hope more of the girls will join and am sure if they do they will have a nice time at the meetings held once a week.

TEDDY'S LAST DAY

He Spends the Time Sight-Seeing in Copenhagen.

HE LOSES HIS CLOTHES

Paid a Visit to Elsinore, the Scene of Shakespeare's Hamlet—The Crown Prince Shocked Because Roosevelt Had to Appear at Dinner in a Sack Suit in Which He Had Traveled.

Copenhagen, May 3.—Theodore Roosevelt, exponent of the strenuous, is having his fill of activity. The strain of his whirlwind European tour is telling even on him. As a result he was allowed two hours of sleep more than usual today, the program of sight-seeing being put back that far.

No definite formal program was arranged for the last day of the Roosevelt party's stay in Copenhagen. It was a tour of sight-seeing, for the most part, that took up the former President's time. The principal journey was to Elsinore, the scene of Shakespeare's "Hamlet." In connection with this it is interesting that the newspapers point out that Theodore Roosevelt could stand as well for the active type of man as Prince Hamlet stands for the introspective type. Each, they say, embodies the quintessence of the psychological traits of his kind.

Elsinore lies on the island of Seeland, at the narrowest part of the sound separating Sweden from Denmark. The town is 24 miles north by east of Copenhagen and has a population of 15,000, employed for the most part in the ship yards.

Crown Prince Christian today appeared to have recovered from the shock he sustained in common with the rest of the court when Mr. Roosevelt was compelled to sit down to dinner at the palace last night in the sack suit in which he had been traveling. Pressure brought to bear from official quarters, as well as the urgent demands of the American party, today resulted in the arrival of the Roosevelt baggage with all despatch.

Mr. Roosevelt asked that arrangements be made, if possible, for it to be sent to the Scandinavian peninsula over the same route taken by the party, and not by a roundabout route. Mr. Roosevelt regrets his failure to meet King and Queen, who went to the Riviera before it was decided that Mr. Roosevelt would remain in Copenhagen more than a few hours.

The municipality today presented a formal invitation to the Roosevelts to attend the banquet planned to be held in the city hall.

AURORA W. & V. DEPOT IS BURNED

Fire was discovered in the passenger and freight station of the Washington & Yandemere road at Aurora last night about 8:30 o'clock. The entire roof of the building was on fire before it was discovered. Not only was the freight and passenger station destroyed, but about 50 yards of the track on the yard. The origin of the fire is thought to have been the result of rats. The loss is estimated to be about \$5,000. The work of rebuilding will commence at once.

RIVER ROAD STATION NEWS

Last Friday night the Dixie Lumber Company's steam sawmill at Bunyon was destroyed by fire.

Mrs. S. A. C. Swindell, of Washington, is visiting Mrs. C. M. Little for several days.

Mrs. W. F. Pippin, of Bunyon, is visiting friends at Ayden.

Mrs. Nelson Sheppard, of Bunyon, and Mrs. Flave Allgood and children, of Washington, were guests of Mrs. L. M. Sheppard last Friday.

Mr. E. F. Black, of Duck Creek, has been spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Black, at Bunyon.

Miss Estelle Allgood, of Red Hill road, spent last week with her sister, Mrs. J. L. Allgood.

Mrs. Thad Congleton and children and Mr. Claud Congleton visited relatives at Walla Walla Saturday and Sunday.

Rev. C. E. Lee filled his regular appointment last Sunday at Bunyon. Miss Lillie Allgood was a guest of Misses Dora, Stella and Annie Congleton at Bunyon Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Allgood and children, of Broad Creek, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Allgood last Sunday.

Miss Julia Pinkham, of Pinetown, who has been visiting Mrs. J. B. Allgood, returned home Monday.

May 2. NOCOMIS.

It's the same with women who have compliments as it is with other angles. The big ones always get away.

Perhaps you have noticed how some men hurry to get nowhere in order to do something they have no excuse for doing.

NEW ROOMS

The New Rooms to Be Dedicated Next Sunday Afternoon.

The dedication of the new Young Men's Christian League rooms will take place next Sunday afternoon in their new rooms over the J. H. Harris Plumbing & Supply Company's store.

They have fitted up in attractive style reading and writing rooms in the front and the auditorium is in the rear.

Rev. J. A. Sullivan will make the address of dedication. Mr. Collin H. Harding will make the report showing the financial status of the league and President N. C. Newbold will give those present some idea of the league's plans for the future.

There will be special music. A full program of the meeting will be announced through the columns of the Daily News later this week.

EDITOR R. L. GRAY LEAVES THE WILMINGTON STAR.

Wilmington, May 2.—The Star today carried the editorial announcement of the retirement of Editor Robert L. Gray, who leaves May 15 for Richmond, Va., to become chief editorial writer on the Richmond Virginian. In the meantime spending a brief holiday at his former home in Raleigh. Mr. Gray carries with him to his new home the very best wishes of a host of friends in Wilmington for his success in his new and larger field of endeavor.

SCHOOLS

Parents Guests of the Washington Public Schools.

While the inclemency of the weather kept a great many away, quite a number of the parents were present this morning and at the noon exercises.

These exercises are very interesting and should be attended by a large number of the parents. You should remember that it is your child who is interested. If they see you present it fills them with pride and with a desire to do better and accomplish more at each exhibition; not only this, but it will be an inspiration to you.

Below is given a program of the morning and noon exercises:

Exercises 9 A. M.—Grade 5A.

"The Blue and the Gray." Eleanor Berry.

"Music in Camp." Elizabeth McIlhenny.

"Guilty or Not Guilty." Bernice Nicholson.

Grade 2A.

"Three Little Bugs." By Adelle O'Brien.

Grade 1A.

Song, "Three Little Kittens." By three girls.

Songs, "Ten Thousand Times Ten Thousand," "The Creator," "The Merry Mountaineers." By the school.

Noon Hour—Kindergarten.

Song, "First Flying Lesson." Sam Johnston.

"Bee Song." Hannah Fulford.

"Swing Song." Nine children.

Recitation, "The Cunning Old Cat." Zoph Potts.

"The Cow." Stevenson. Josephus Latham.

"The Happy Thought." Four children.

Grade 1B.

Concert recitation, "The New Moon."

Grade 1A.

Story, "Henry Penner." Mary Rhodes.

Story, "Little Red Riding Hood." Marjorie Hoyt.

Story, "The Pig Brother." Elsie Harris.

Folk Love Rhymes. By the grade.

Grade 2B.

Concert recitation, "By the Shores of Glitche Gulner."

Song, "Little Gypsy Dandelion."

Grade 2A.

Song, "Little Johnny Rankin."

Recitation, "Grandpa's Spectacles." Frances Leach.

Grade 3A.

Recitation, "The Comet." Jack Oden.

Recitation, "Little Orphan Annie." By four boys.

Recitation, "My Auntie's Scolding." Lalla Latham.

Recitation, "A 6x9 Rhyme." Henry Handy.

A light luncheon was served by the Domestic Science department.

The rooms of all the different departments are decorated with the work of the children occupying the rooms. In the hall will be found specimens of work from different departments. They are all worthy of your inspection.

Give encouragement to the children and to the management "who are doing so much to place education on the highest plane" by being present tomorrow morning. At 9 o'clock the exercises will be repeated by the various grades. At noon there will be special exercises by the Grammar and High School grades. Both the Manual Training and Domestic Science departments will be in operation tomorrow. A light luncheon will be served by the Domestic Science department.

BEGIN FRONT.

Judging from the work now being executed on the J. H. Harris Plumbing & Supply Company's new building, when completed the front will be one of the most attractive in the city. The design is certainly a most attractive one.

PROGRAM

The Following Exercises to Be Carried on at the State Library Memorial

Music. Washington Band.

Prayer. Rev. J. A. Sullivan.

Song. "Old North State." Children of Confederacy.

Recitation. Miss Elizabeth Tayloe.

Hymn. "Ten Thousand Times Ten Thousand." Choir.

Solo. "Face to Face." Mr. Chas. Whitton.

Introduction of orator. Hon. Stephen C. Bragaw.

Memorial address. Hon. J. Bryan Grimes.

Song. "Boys of Dixie." Children of Confederacy.

Presentation of Cross of Honor. Hymn. "Memorial Day." Choir.

Benediction. Rev. N. Harding.

Music. Washington Band.

ADVOCATES MR. SIMMONS.

To the Democratic Voters of Beaufort County:

Mr. E. A. Daniel, in a letter published in the Washington Progress and the Daily News, more or less strongly dwells at some length upon a statement made by Mr. Norwood L. Simmons, in his letter announcing his candidacy for the solicitorship. The statement referred to was as follows:

"I was born and raised in Beaufort county. I have cast my lot with her people, and her interests will always be endeared to me."

This is a frank, manly assertion of a simple fact, and neither by direction nor indirection nor by any twisting or turning can it be construed to the disadvantage or prejudice of his friendly competitor in the race for the solicitorship. To do so would be a reflection on the intelligence of the honest Democratic yeomanry of Beaufort county.

There is no crime in birth or birthplace; both are accidents—sometimes fortunate and sometimes otherwise. Let us hope that they may not prove disadvantageous to either candidate by stirring up sectionalism and factionalism in local Democratic ranks. Nor is the young manhood of the two rival candidates to be considered a drawback to either when coupled with the character, qualities and experience which eminently qualify both of them for the solicitorship. Their candidacy is an open, fair, free field, and they entered it in the spirit of honorable, friendly rivalry—and let the best man win through the people's choice.

There should be no indulgence in personalities or any seeming bitterness in this campaign—nor any newspaper controversy between the rival candidates—all should be peace, harmony and good will. Knowing Mr. Simmons personally and in a business way as well as I do, and appreciating his high character as a man, lawyer, citizen, and Democrat, I and others who know him, are more than sure that he would withdraw from the race before he would countenance, in the slightest way, the use of any but honorable and manly methods to secure his nomination.

In this connection it may be well to state, from my own personal knowledge, so there can be no possibility of misapprehension upon the part of the public that there are certain phases of the campaign out of which capital has been attempted to be made to the prejudice of Mr. Simmons. Notably the candidacy of Mr. W. M. Bond, Jr. It was whispered around that Mr. Simmons was merely running in Mr. Bond's interest, and later would transfer his following to the latter. On the face of it, this was preposterous, for no one, no matter how popular he may be, can carry the votes of Beaufort county in his pocket, besides Mr. Bond has withdrawn from the canvass, which proved this was false.

Again, at the recent meeting at the courthouse, it was rumored that every lawyer in Washington went before the grand jury to indict the commissioners. This I am reliably informed is not true, for neither Mr. Simmons nor Mr. Daniel appeared before the jury in question, but on the contrary, both took positive stand in favor of the commissioners.

In conclusion, I confess I am in favor of Norwood Lee Simmons' candidacy for the nomination to the solicitorship—for I know him well as a man, lawyer, citizen and fellow Democrat. I have the highest appreciation of his manhood, character and ability—and think he has few competitors—and no superiors for his age in this State or elsewhere. His life is clean, and is pitched on a high plain of rectitude and moral excellence. He has had more experience in the trial of criminal cases than any lawyer of his age in this State. He is also a fluent, graceful public speaker. The office and duties of solicitor—aside from his being the counsel to the court—almost wholly pertain to the code of criminal procedure. Such being the case—without prejudice to his friendly competitor in the race—I am first last and all the time in favor of Mr. Simmons' nomination for solicitor, and bespeak for him the suffrages of the Democratic voters of Beaufort county.

Respectfully,

Geo. W. Bible.

Capt. J. D. Silverthorn, of Middleton, is a Washington visitor today.

Mr. J. L. Allgood, of Jessams, is in the city today.

A FEW HOURS OFF

Madrid is Marching on the Rebels' Capital.

THE CITY IS IN TERROR

By Means of Smuggled Letters From Managua, From Agents of Estrada, It is Learned of the Cruelties Inflicted on Revolutionary Sympathizers.

Bluefields, Nicaragua, May 3.—The Madrid army today began the last stage of its march on Bluefields, and an attack is but a few hours off, according to advices received here today by the provisional government officials. The city is in terror. The Americans who financed the revolution led by General Estrada have prepared to flee, abandoning all hope of success. The American colony here today considered a last appeal to Washington for intervention. Letters smuggled from Managua, the Madrid capital, from agents of Estrada reached here today, telling of horrible cruelties practiced on revolutionary sympathizers under the direct order. It is alleged of Madrid. Men have been tortured in the Madrid dungeons, and women have been ravaged by the followers of the president. Even the children of Estrada sympathizers, say the advices, have not been spared.

SKIPPER CAUGHT.

Policeman William R. Pedrick received a telegram from Mr. John R. Proctor, from Norfolk, today, stating that he had caught William Skipper, who escaped from jail in this city last week. He will be brought back to this city at once.

This makes three of the four escaping prisoners that have been apprehended.

Sheriff Geo. E. Ricks left this morning for Norfolk, to bring back Skipper.

MAYOR'S COURT.

There was only one case before the Mayor at the city hall this morning. It being State vs. J. N. Bell, for being drunk and disorderly. He was fined \$1 and cost.

THE GEM.

The Gem was highly complimented upon the excellence of its pictures last night. The program was much enjoyed by those in attendance. Tonight another good program covering a wide range of subjects will be shown.

The Dancing Girl of Butte, a Biograph drama of considerable power, tells an interesting love story of the love of a newspaper artist for a dancing girl. When he discovers the truth regarding her occupation she convinces him of her purity and sincerity. Strong dramatic power is exhibited. The picture has a happy ending.

The Wreck at Sea is a beautiful scenic picture that always has a fascination for everybody.

The Arrogant Dentist is a good comedy picture of much merit.

Those attending the Gem tonight will have the privilege of seeing one of the finest ocean pictures ever put out by the famous Gaumont Co. Illustrated song tonight.

MASS MEETING.

It was ordered at the regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen on Monday night that a mass meeting of the citizens of Washington be called to meet at the City Hall Thursday night at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of discussing whether or not the citizens owning the property along the streets to be paved should pay one-eighth of the costs of paving as provided in the charter.

C. H. STERLING, Mayor.

PASTOR INSTALLED.

Rev. H. B. Seagrath, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, this city, has returned from Greenville, where on last evening he assisted in the installation of Rev. R. S. Deal, as pastor of the Presbyterian Church of that town. Mr. Seagrath delivered the charge to the pastor. The service was solemn and impressive. Quite a large number witnessed the installation.

- NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.
- Gem Theater.
- Gaiety Theater.
- Jas. E. Clark Co.—Underwear.
- The Hub—Men's Clothes.
- J. K. Hoyt—Dress Goods.
- Brooks' Shoe Store—Pumps, &c.</