

SHALL WE HAVE SALARIED OFFICIALS?

People Should Know How Their Money Is Used and Authenticated by Correctly Audited Accounts, Says Mr. Williams—Draw a Line Somewhere.

Messrs. Voter and Taxpayer:

Gentlemen:—The accumulative fees and percentages now going into the pockets of our county officers as remuneration for public service will aggregate anywhere from \$18,000 to \$15,000 per annum; perhaps \$10,000 is nearer the exact amount. No man knows, and, under our present system, no man will ever know just how much. For a long while there has been an existing necessity for a just and business-like system regarding our county's finances; the times require it and the people are going to demand it. The richest county, State or nation on earth may become bankrupt when they get to the point of not knowing how much money they get, what they get it for and how they use it.

Now, sir, in the good old "days of long ago," when our county was comparatively young, numerically small and financially weak, clean, capable men of affairs would not have been expected to fill responsible official positions on a basis of salaried remuneration, for the very good reason that the county's meagre income would not have justified it, but, now, on the other hand, we find ourselves comparatively strong, powerful and rich. From our great numbers and children's children; pass resolutions

that wealth Beaufort county is drawing an ever-increasing Mafoedonic stream from an everlasting spring—the eternal revenues that "spoil a man and braves a woman to rule," and, sir, it is deucedly queer that with the quadrupling of values and trebling of resources throughout the county that our county's indebtedness should have sextupled in the same comparative length of time. Gentlemen, you know there is something wrong or terribly unworkable in our present system, and you have the right to know about it—the way and wherefor for such conditions.

We don't want a graft pile so big that men are tempted to scramble and fight, say and do every conceivable thing to get a finger on it. Corruptibility is not a patented article, and the right man can always be found to do your job at the right price.

We are able to pay our officials and pay them well—enough to be creditable to us as citizens of a great county in a great State, but for God's sake let us draw a line somewhere.

Now, men and brethren, let us all go out to the primaries and make ourselves felt on this question; so on record for a principle which means something to us, our children and our rich. From our great numbers and children's children; pass resolutions

USES GUN

Mrs. William H. Pedrick Tries Her Hand With Revolver on Negro Intruder.

Tuesday night Mrs. William H. Pedrick, wife of Policeman Pedrick, had her attention attracted to her back gate by the dogs barking. On investigating she discovered a negro man endeavoring to get on the inside, but he was defied by her dogs. She secured her pistol and proceeded to try her marksmanship on the intruder. He left without explaining his purpose. Mr. H. M. Jenkins, whose lot abuts that of Mrs. Pedrick, was in the act of putting his horse away for the night, and he came near being the victim of the shot instead of the negro. This same negro was seen trying to enter the home of Mr. William Jones on Monday night last.

along the line indicated, so that our next representatives may, unequivocally, know the sentiment of our people, and from election day we will not have six months to wait for a reform in our financial system.

In conclusion, the writer has no political ambitions for self or relatives, candidates, officeholders or political capitalists, and only wishes to see an economic, well-managed county government in which the people may know just how their money is used and authenticated by correctly audited accounts.

In the above, reference is had to the offices of sheriff, clerk or court, register of deeds and treasurer.

H. P. WILLIAMS

A SERIOUS CHARGE

Raleigh Man Arrested Charged with Blackmailing.

HIS AUNT THE VICTIM.

He First Demanded \$1,500, but Later Cut It Down to \$250.—Was Apprehended When He Presented Check at the Bank for Payment.—Member of an Excellent Family.

Raleigh, N. C., July 28.—Mr. Thomas Johns, a member of a prominent family, was arrested yesterday by Postoffice Inspector Kelly on the charge of using the mails for the purpose of blackmailing his aunt, Mrs. Thomas B. Johns, of West Raleigh.

Some time ago Mrs. Thomas B. Johns received a letter that was intended for Thomas Johns, relative to the Eccles estate in Charlotte, in which the latter is one of the heirs. Mrs. Johns either mislaid or destroyed this letter, whereupon Thomas Johns wrote her telling her that if she did not give him \$500 he would prosecute her for destroying his letter. She carried the letter to Postmaster Briggs, who turned the matter over to Inspector Kelly. The inspector told Mrs. Johns to keep quiet and she would probably receive another letter. She received another letter from her nephew, saying that if she would send him \$500 he would not prosecute her, but if she didn't he would place the matter in the hands of the proper authorities.

Under the instructions of Inspector Kelly Mrs. Johns wrote a letter and enclosed a check drawn on the Raleigh Banking and Trust Company in favor of Thomas Johns. This letter was registered and mailed at the West Raleigh postoffice Monday afternoon. The inspector kept watch on the letter and knew the very minute that Thomas received it. From then on he was shadowed by the officers.

Johns was employed at the Seaboard Air Line freight office and was boarding at Mrs. Hunter's, on Oakwood avenue. He is a member of one of the county's best families. His father, Mr. John A. Johns, is a well-respected and prosperous farmer of Southern Wake. His uncle, Mr. Thomas Johns, was for many years a member of the county board of education, and has been president of the Wake County Alumni Association of the University of North Carolina. He was related to the late H. C. Eccles, the well-known hotel man of Charlotte, and it is said he will receive \$1,000 from this estate.

A BARBECUE

Citizens to Give Tobacco Growers a Barbecue August 11.

The citizens of Washington are to give to the tobacco growers of Beaufort and adjoining counties an old-fashioned barbecue on the warehouse grounds Thursday, August 11. A committee, composed of Floyd J. Berry, chairman; Walter Credle, E. L. Archbell, George T. Leach, James F. Buckman, William Bragaw, John K. Hoyt, O. Rumley, C. D. Parker, Thomas H. Clark, George Hackney and Dr. Joshua Tayloe, has been appointed to make all necessary arrangements. Not only will the tobacco growers in Beaufort county be invited, but all the farmers in the counties contiguous who cultivate the golden weed.

In addition to the dinner several speakers of note will be invited to address the crowd. Music will also be furnished.

The citizens are determined that this occasion shall be one of the most pleasant and profitable ever given in Washington. Every farmer dealing in tobacco has a warm welcome to come and enjoy the day. There is no reason why every farmer should not be present. Washington always entertains royally—its past record bears out this assertion.

No stone will be left unturned to make August 11 a gala day, and fortunate indeed is the farmer who decides to come. A commodious and ample warehouse has just been completed for the prosecution of the tobacco industry, and it would be well for the farmers to visit the city and see for themselves how well the business men and citizens have succeeded in providing for their county friends. The tobacco season in Washington this year bids fair to be a crowning success. There is no reason why the market here should not be successful. The citizens of Washington are determined to give the farmers the very best service and everyone who brings his tobacco here for sale will make no mistake.

The barbecue is given for the purpose of bringing together those interested in the cultivation of the weed. It always does good when an occasion is advertised for the purpose of affording the farmers an opportunity to meet and discuss the problems of the soil. All tobacco growers have a cordial welcome. The day is being looked forward to with pleasure.

IS MOVING.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Marsh are moving to the residence on West Third street, formerly occupied by Mr. J. A. Dealey and family.

A RECEPTION

Miss Ayres Entertains in Honor of Her Guest—Occasion Much Enjoyed.

One of the most enjoyable social functions of the season was given at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Ayres last evening when their daughter, Miss Mae, entertained in honor of her house guest, Miss Annie Woodley, of Elizabeth City, and Miss Estelle Green, of Greenville. She received from 9 to 12. The home was brilliantly illuminated and decorated and everyone present entered into the pleasures of the evening with a spirit of enthusiasm. The feature of the evening was the guest writing a telegram on blank telegraph sheets. The problem was to write a sentence of ten words, the first letter of which after completion formed the word Washington. The trick was novel and occasioned no little merriment and laughter on the part of those present. The prize was won by Mr. Thomas Payne, who presented it to one of the guests of honor, Miss Estelle Green. Mr. Payne's telegram was as follows: "Wanted a sweetheart; I need a girl to officiate now." The prize which had been so worthily won was presented by Mr. Richard Neal in a neat and ornate speech. Delicious and tempting refreshments were served.

Miss Ayres proved to be a most attractive hostess. She entertains in a way that is pleasing and gracious.

STATE HORTICULTURALIST.

Mr. W. B. Hutt, the State horticulturist, is in the city look up an assortment of fruits and nuts to be exhibited at South Bend, Ind., this coming November. Last year this State came out third in the contest on nuts and fruits. The pecans that took the prize was raised in Hyde county. Mr. Hutt hopes to secure the first prize for North Carolina this year. Anyone having fruit or nuts they think suitable would do well to communicate with the secretary of the Chamber of Commerce.

WEEKLY DANCE.

The Country Club will have their weekly dance at club Friday night. Gas boat Cora will leave Powle dock promptly at 8.30 for the convenience of those that wish to go by boat, for which there will be a fare of 25c round trip charged.

AT THE GAITY TONIGHT.

An all around interesting and pleasing program will be presented at the Gaity tonight, consisting of three full reels.

"The Mule Driver and the Garrulous Mute" (Edison), a frontier story, well acted and developing the astonishing fact that a bulky mule team can, under certain conditions, make a mule talk. The story has some complications and is none too clearly presented. In the end the man who allowed himself to be arrested so his friend could escape, and who plays the part of a mute to save himself from the consequences, is released under very pleasant circumstances.

"The Step-Mother" is a beautiful drama, dealing with a subject that is not unimportant. The quality of this picture cannot be too highly recommended. There is a certain novelty in this story in that the plot and theme is something out of the ordinary. From every viewpoint it is a masterpiece of fine art in production of photography.

"The Parisian" is a powerful drama of thrilling interest with the scenes laid amid natural surroundings.

This is an all around good program and should not be missed by any lover of good pictures. Remember you always see the best ones first at the Gaity.

REGRETS MAKING STATEMENT.

To the Public: I am a brother-in-law of Mr. W. F. Winstead, of Winsteadville, N. C., and think a great deal of him. When I was last at North Creek it was currently reported that Mr. Winstead voted just as he saw fit and so informed Mr. Tayloe. Therefore, I suppose this information is what Mr. Tayloe based his statement on. I know Joe Tayloe well and am sure he desires to drive no Democrat out of the party, but would do all in his power to get every white man in Beaufort county to vote the straight Democratic ticket.

If I was misinformed, I regret exceedingly that I should have ever mentioned this matter to Mr. Tayloe. I make this statement voluntarily, in justice to both Mr. Winstead and Mr. Tayloe, who are both my friends.

W. R. PEDRICK.

Washington, N. C., July 28, 1910. I am indeed glad to be able to publish the above statement of Mr. W. R. Pedrick, as it gives me much pleasure to learn that Mr. Winstead is a good Democrat, and I hope he and all other good men, like myself, will always remain true to Democracy.

JOE F. TAYLOE.

IS INDISPOSED.

The many friends of Rev. J. A. Sullivan, pastor of the First Baptist Church, will regret to learn of his slight indisposition.

HE WILL NOT SULK A TRAIN ATTACKED

Old Officials Good, But will Support New Ones if Nominated.

NEW CANDIDATES ALRIGHT

Gives Reasons for Party Loyalty—Will Support the New Candidates if Nominated—No Democrat Will Be Ashamed for so Doing.

Mr. Editor: What a hubbub! When that grand old man was chosen term after term as sheriff of this county, there was the same old woeful cry, "Injuring the Democratic party." Bosh! Wasn't it the Democratic party electing him? I have been a faithful, though weak member of the good old party for many, many years, but when the day comes that this same good old party can be injured by keeping true and tried men in office, I am afraid the old man will have to stay at home. If every one of the present officers are renominated, as they will be, not a Democrat in Beaufort county will stay away from the polls on that account.

Yes, we have lost many votes since 1900, and all who have eyes to see know why. First cause—The amendment made elections easy and sure. The second cause—This county and entire State will have to face in four, if not two years hence, Put this in your hat.

I am personally acquainted with Messrs. Harns and Mixon, and know them to be good men. Mr. Mayo bears just as good a name as either of the others. Let every man who wishes to do so vote for them at the primaries. They will never be ashamed for so doing. But stop this foolish cry of injuring the Democratic party. That cry does the party more injury than keeping good men in office.

The present officials are good enough for me, and I shall vote for them at the primary. There is not one of them who has ever failed in the performance of his duties so far as I know. One of them as a speaker has ever been ready at all times and under all circumstances to preach the faith that is in him.

If the opposition candidates should happen to be nominated, I shall willingly and freely work and vote for them. I shall not sulk. There is neither spite or malice in my political make-up. I am just simply an old Democrat and can't help it.

Yours truly,

JOHN T. BELL.

Washington, N. C., July 28, 1910.

CAT EXTERMINATOR.

Mr. W. B. Morton is the city's champion cat exterminator and his neighbors, those who have been molested lately by the cat family, owe him a lasting debt of gratitude. Mr. Morton hit upon a novel plan to exterminate them. He constructed a box trap after his own idea and during the past ten days has succeeded in capturing five—all of which have been delegated to that country where all cats go. Mr. Morton, on going to his box one morning, found more than he bargained for. What was his surprise to find that he had landed a fine fat possum. Since then the chickens in the neighborhood are not being missed so much.

MUCH IMPROVED.

The many friends of little Miss Elsie Cherry, who has been confined to her bed for several weeks with typhoid fever, will be glad to learn that her condition is much better. The news wishes her a speedy recovery.

FUNERAL TODAY.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Cammer took place from the Episcopal Church this morning at 10 o'clock, conducted by the rector, Rev. Nathaniel Harding. The interment was in Oakdale.

3 REELS AT THE GEM.

The Gem program last night was another pleasing attraction, and tonight the bill advertised if anything far surpasses that of last evening. "The Closed Door" is a strong vitagraph emotional drama of a type which leaves a lasting impression. The story is vigorously told, and so interesting that it makes the breath come quick during the most thrilling scenes.

"Maid of the Mountains," an Eclipse drama of interest with a setting of romantic scenery, well acted and beautifully photographed.

Like all the pictures that come from this house, it has numerous excellences and these will be found quite up to the Urban standpoint.

"In honor of the Matador" is one of those always interesting Mexican dramas, scenes of which center in and around the bull ring. Much opportunity is given for displaying many beautiful Spanish costumes, making this picture a great spectacle of the one.

"The Wizard's Walking Stick" is a magical comedy drama following along entirely different lines than the usual magic work. It will entertain as well as interest you.

The Entire train of Six Cars in the Ditch.

THE WRECK FORECASTED

Strikers at South Bend, the Centre of Strike Disturbances, Does Not Improve—The Non-Union Crews are Threatened—The Cars Rolled in the Ditch.

South Bend, Ind., July 27.—Mob attacks on a freight train, ending with the ditching of the entire train to kill crew were the chief happenings of six cars and an unsuccessful effort of the last twenty-four hours in the strike on the Grand Trunk Railroad. It is feared that the climax will be reached today. Strikers have threatened to kill all non-union crews.

The wrecking of the freight train was forecasted by the strike sympathizers when the half dozen cars, heavily loaded with emergency freight and under a heavy guard of special officers, left South Bend.

At Kingsbury the train was met near the station by a big mob of sympathetic friends of the strikers, who derailed the cars and rolled all into the ditch along the right of way.

An attack on the non-union crew occurred last night when passenger train No. 12, due at 6.40 P. M., arrived. The police had learned in advance that the strike sympathizers had a plan arranged whereby the crew was to be kidnapped.

Despite the heavily armed police who lined the tracks as the passenger train pulled into the station, the mob made a rush for the train and the police were so close to the cars that they could do little to protect themselves or the crew from the charge. Several shots were fired by persons in the crowd, and one man, believed to have been armed, was seized by the police. The crew stepped down among the officers and succeeded in gaining the baggage room of the station. More strike-breakers are to be imported from Chicago tonight and tomorrow.

PAMLICO BEACH

This Summer Resort is All That Could Be Desired.

Pamlico Beach is becoming to be the popular summer resort in this section of the State. Since the season opened there has been a steady stream of visitors, and all who have returned are loud in their praises not only of the management of the hotel, but of the pleasant way they have of reaching the beach.

Last Sunday it was the privilege of the editor of this paper to visit this resort. He had often heard of its attractiveness and suitability, but he had no idea or conception of its environments until he went and saw personally for himself. Pamlico Beach is all that is claimed for it. The hotel, under the management of Mr. J. B. Whitehurst, is ideally situated. The entire building has been entirely renovated from top to bottom. All the rooms are large and roomy and the cuisine cannot be surpassed anywhere. Mr. Whitehurst is well fitted for his duties. He is courteous, urbane and polite. He looks personally after the wants and desires of each guest. His table lacks nothing tempting and inviting. As for bathing and fishing, Pamlico Beach ranks well up with the famous resorts on the Atlantic Coast.

The editor left Washington last Sunday morning at 8 o'clock on the steamer Hatteras, under the command of that prince of skippers, Capt. Herbert Bonner. The sail down the placid Pamlico was one of the most enjoyable parts of the day. Here courtesy is exhibited on all sides. Captain Bonner is not only a clever and accommodating officer, but is one of the most efficient on the river. The meals served on board would do credit to the finest hotel. Taken all in all, Sunday was a day long to be remembered by the editor. Those who complain of hot weather and long for exhilarating breeze should not fail to take in Pamlico Beach—there every want can easily be gratified.

UNCALLED LETTERS.

Remaining in the city postoffice for the week ending July 23, 1910:

Gentlemen—E. B. Bell, William Battelle, B. A. Crisp, Henry Conck, Rite Ebron, W. H. Hodges, Robt. Howard, Rye Latham, M. M. Obrien, J. H. Pearce, Thir. A. Richards, Baggage Agent Smith, J. W. Williams. Ladies—Miss Beattie Burns, Mrs. Helen Covington, Mrs. Fannie Carrow, Mrs. Helen Covington, Miss Stella Domett, Miss Ella M. Garnette, Mrs. Lucinda Kinsey, Mrs. Laura Lowery, Mrs. C. R. Linton, Miss E. Murray, Mrs. T. G. Morton, Mrs. Sarah Parker, Mary Jane Underhill, Mrs. W. H. Woodard, Nettie Wild, Miss Nellie Ward.

These letters will be sent to the dead letter office August 5, 1910, if not delivered before.

HUGH PAUL, P. M.

2 Days Week-end Sale Friday and Saturday

Our fourth Week-End Sale commences Friday, July 29th, and continues through Saturday until closing time—10.45 P. M. Again we hand you our poster showing many of our money-saving items to be had at our two-days sale. The crowds we are having every week is proof of REAL VALUES offered. We will have extra help in order to serve each and every one promptly, so you will not have to wait as on previous dates. Below you will find some of the offerings for our Week-End Sale. There are many others to be had, too numerous to mention, but here are some live values in staple merchandise, which you will pay a great deal more for any other time.

Domestics		Fancy Lawns	
Yard wide Bleaching and Cambric. Our regular 12 1/2c grade, 9c	Large Size Linen Huck. Special price, each, 11c	10c Grade for, 7c	
Yard Wide Bleaching and Cambric. Free from dressing. Regular 10c value for, 7c	Children's Tam o'Shanter Caps, 50c grade, for, 25c. Grade for, 17c.	12 1/2c Grade for, 8c	
Genuine Lonsdale Cambric, best grade, 11c	30-inch Linen Sheetings, always sold at \$1.00. Sale price, 88c	18c Grade for, 15c	
Yard Wide Unbleached Homespun, worth 8c. Sale price, 6c	2 1/4 yards wide Union Linen. Elegant cloth for suits and skirts, 48c	25c Grade for, 17c	
SPECIAL		Gowns	
Full 81x90 Sheets, Hemstitched. Extra fine grade. Regular \$1.25. Two days only, 98c	36-inch Sheer Linen for waists, 32c	We are offering regular \$1.25 Gowns, Lace or Embroidery Trimmed, long or short sleeves, 98c	
Large Size Sheets, 77c 90, for, 69c	36-inch Linen, thoroughly shrank, 24c	Muslin Gown, Lace Trimmed, V Neck. Only a few left. Good value at \$1.00, to go, 69c	
Good Large Size Sheet; no starch or dressing in this number, for, 37c	Middy Blouse Waists, 6 to 10 years, 48c	Ladies' Umbrella Drawers, plain, tucked or embroidered, bonnet, open or closed. Analus at 75c, to go at, 39c	
Pillow Cases		Ladies' 50c Corset Covers, lace trimmed. Made of Checked or Plain Nainsook, to go at, 39c	
Mohawk Valley, Torn and hemmed, Pair, 30c	HOSIERY		Light Calicoes, 5 1/2c
The best Pillow Case on the market. Size 16x26. Pair, 22c	50 25c Grade, Lace, 44c	Stetson Patent Leather Oxfords to go at, \$4.25	
Large Size Turkish Towel, Each, 11c	50c Silk Gause and Lace, 44c	Men's Athletic Shirts, 25c grade, Each, 12c	
Extra Full Size Turkish Towel, 21c	Gause Hose for, 9c	1 lot Men's \$4.00 \$5.00 Tan Oxfords, \$2.98	
Umbrellas		1 Broken Lot Oxfords. See Shoe Counter. One-half price.	

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