

Local Showers Tonight and Tomorrow. Light to Moderate Southeast Winds.

FRED P. LATHAM ASKS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR EXPLANATION

DEMOCRATS MUST THROTTLE WASTE IN COUNTY FUNDS

Says There is No Hope for Improvement by Electing Some of Present Aspirants. Would Have Been no Deficit With an Efficient System of Audit.

Editor Daily News:

In your issue of July 19 and 20, you published some data pointing out certain facts which I think the people have a right to inquire why they exist. It should be the pleasure of the county management (if any one is brave enough to acknowledge connection with it) to explain why we are expending so much in excess of our income. As you are aware I had made some investigations along the lines followed by you, prior to the appearance of the issues above referred to, and had practically the same figures compiled in rough draft which was in course of revision for your publication when referred to statements appeared. A restatement here is unnecessary. Hence I shall only direct some suggestion at what I regard as errors, and misfits in our system—and question why others are maintained. Now that the lid is off and this miserable condition is exposed, is it not the duty of every loyal citizen in the county to manifest some interest. It is the duty of our organization to ask the co-operation all good Democrats in the coming convention irrespective of feuds or factions to assist in devising plans to correct these evils. Why in the name of justice and reason does the county pay its officials more than the service is worth. They are not an overburdened set of laborers. Their duties are no more arduous than the average man in similar employment. They practically fix their own hours of service, and have more freedom than the average business man. And yet the tax payers are called upon annually to part with approximately \$12,000 of their sweat soaked currency, to maintain these five officials, aside from the fixed expenses of the offices which they bring the total cost uncomfortably close to the \$13,000 mark. This too, when the duties of these offices are not so complex and exacting as to preclude any one of them from conducting a private business, without interfering with their public duties. Especially so in the case of the Treasurer and Auditor. They are not hampered in the least in the management of their private business, and their salary check each month is laden with much "velvet." For the Treasurer's office we have absolutely no use under the sun. Any of the solid banking institutions of the county would be glad to have its account and render the required service without further compensation than that accruing from deposits. The wording of the resolution which was responsible for the creation of the Auditor's office, and which was introduced two years ago in our County Convention, was as follows: "The Board of County Commissioners shall employ some suitable person, prescribe the duties and fix the compensation thereof." They displayed their usual wisdom and interest in public affairs when they "prescribed the duties and fixed the compensation" of our present Auditor. If we had have maintained an efficient system of audit for the past ten years directed by a diligent Board of County Commissioners we would not have this legacy of mismanagement in the form of a \$21,000 floating indebtedness hanging over us. But why continue pointing out these sore spots. Can we expect to secure the service of men who are capable of managing a difficult business of the magnitude of this county's affairs for a sum just sufficient to pay their hotel bill while on duty. Yet this year is no exception, and is producing its usual bumper crop of "General Manager" aspirants. But does the name of any (with possibly one exception) connect your mind with the hope that in their care the future management would be an improvement over the past.

Now Mr. Voter, the "Legalized Primary" another \$200 or thereabout waste) puts you on your mettle. We soon select men to take up the task of management for the ensuing two years. If you are satisfied with existing conditions you have not the public welfare at heart, and need give the matter no concern. If you desire an improvement it is your duty to give all these matters serious thought. It looks to me as though the Democratic organization has got to throttle this waste in unmistakable language in open convention and allow no technicality to excuse individual transgression before we reach a plan of sanity and economy in the administration of county affairs.

FRED LATHAM.

INTERESTING RACES CAR-SKADEN FARM FRIDAY

Great preparations are being made for the Matinee races at the farm of Mr. W. Car-Skaden next Friday afternoon, July 26. The races will start promptly at one o'clock. There will be two races for horses and one for ponies. There will be no purses. The admission fee will be adults 25c. Children 10c.

Tickets are now on sale at all the drug stores. Quite a crowd is anticipated going from this city.

Miss Marguerite Wallace of Morehead City, was the guest of Miss Olivia Jordan last evening en route to her home from Elizabeth City where she has been visiting friends.

LT. WOOLARD WEDS MISS LULA HARDISON

Lieutenant L. N. Woolard of Company "G" North Carolina National Guard, of this city, was happily married to Miss Lula B. Hardison, of Old Ford, N. C., at the residence of Mr. Bernie Ricks on Fleming Street last evening at eight thirty o'clock in the presence of a few friends and acquaintances of the contracting parties by Rev. H. P. Dalton, pastor of the First Baptist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Woolard will reside with the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Abb Woolard on Seventh Street.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. Joshua Hardison, of Old Ford, N. C., and is a young lady of many charms. The groom is a painter by trade and has many friends. The Daily News extends congratulations.

MRS. FULFORD ENTERTAINED LAST EVENING

In Honor of Misses Wallace and Dudley. House Guests Miss Olivia Jordan.

Last evening from eight thirty to eleven thirty, Mrs. A. S. Fulford, charmingly entertained at her home corner of Bridge and Second Streets, in honor of Miss Grace Wallace, of Morehead City and Marguerite Wallace of New Bern, N. C., the house guests of Miss Olivia Jordan and Helen Dudley, of Oriental, N. C.

No social function of the many given by Mrs. Fulford was more thoroughly enjoyed by the large number present. Merriment and pleasure reigned supreme during the entire evening and the hostess again proved that she was par excellence in her role as an entertainer. Delicious refreshments were served during the evening.

SPECIAL TRAIN FOR THE FARMERS

A special train of six cars left the A. and M. College, at Raleigh, yesterday for a three weeks' trip over the Atlantic Coast line to give instruction in live stock, drainage and implements. The train is in charge of E. N. Clark, agricultural and immigration agent of the Coast Line, and L. O. Schaub of the college and United States department of agriculture.

The live stock will be in charge of Prof. J. C. McNatt, of the A. and M. College, assisted by "Dutch" Neidig, the college herdsman and N. Stevens. Fourteen head of horses, cattle and hogs will be used for demonstration. Three of the best dairy cows in North Carolina are included in this number. The Jersey cow produced enough milk in eighteen days to equal her own weight. The Holstein gave 1,572 pounds of milk and 85 pounds of butter in 30 days. Her record for the year will be about 14,000 pounds of milk. A grade Angus steer and a pure bred Hereford, each less than a year old, but weighing nearly 1,000 pounds each, represents the beef breeds. Several calves will also be taken. Representatives of three breeds of hogs, Berkshires, Duroc, and O. I. C. will be taken from the college herd. A percheron stallion and mare and the colt less than a year old, but weighing more than a thousand pounds, are the horses that will be on this train.

Dr. Cooper Curtis of the bureau of animal industry United States department of agriculture, will emphasize the importance of the eradication of the cattle tick. This tick is so deadly to good live stock that the government will not allow any of the cattle to be unloaded at any of the stops.

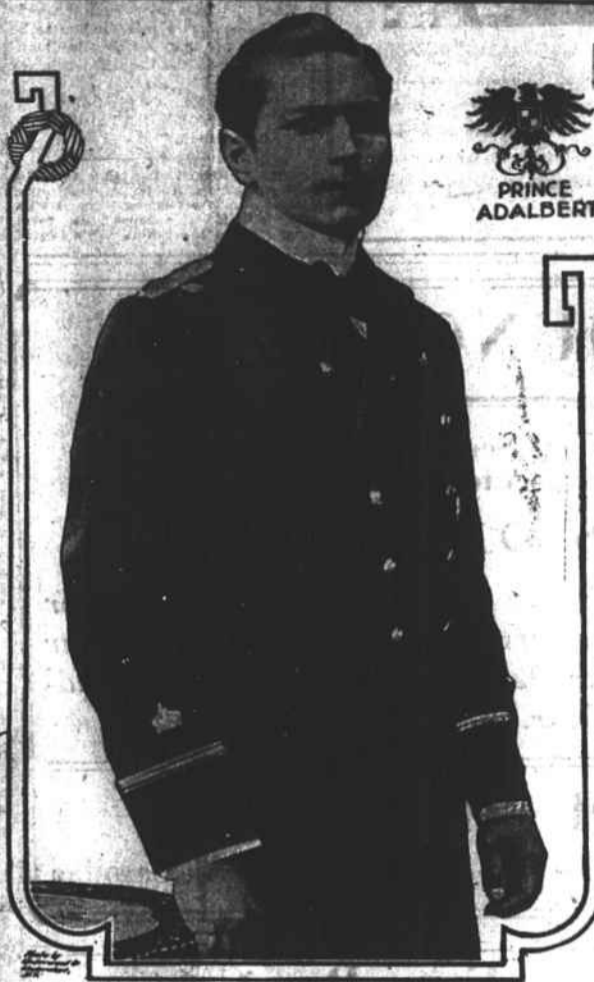
The drainage work will be in charge of Prof. M. E. Sherswin, of the A. and M. College, assisted by L. B. Knight. Specimens of cement and clay tile, of the various sizes, and an actual illustration of tile draining a piece of land, will be shown on the car. At each stop a ditch will be dug and the operation laying tile will be demonstrated.

The implements will be in charge of T. D. McLean and I. O. Schaub, of the farm demonstration work, United States department of agriculture. Various plows, harrows, cultivators and weeder, will be taken and as far as possible, a demonstration of these implements will be made at each stop.

Demonstrations will begin promptly at 9:30 A. M. and 2:30 P. M. Two stops a day will be made. Among the stops are Pictolus and Aurora on July 27.

SCHOONER GAILLARD HERE
The schooner Mary Gaillard, Captain Thornton in command, arrived by port this morning from Norfolk, Va., with a general cargo of merchandise for the wholesale firm of E. R. Nixon and Company. The schooner is now discharging her cargo.

FAVORITE SON OF THE KAISER



PRINCE ADALBERT

Prince Adalbert, the favorite son of Emperor William of Germany, was born in 1834 and is very popular with the people of his country. He is an officer in the navy and at first it was the emperor's intention to send him to visit America with the German squadron which came over this summer.

Right of the United States to Levy Tolls is Inherent

Special to the Daily News.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 24.—"The right of the United States to levy tolls or to exempt American ships from the payment of tolls while going through the Panama Canal is inherent in our government; any other view is wholly unwarranted by the facts in the case," said Senator Clarence D. Clark, of Wyoming, chairman of the Judiciary Committee of the Senate, in the course of a discussion of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty relating to the operation and use of the Panama Canal. His view is most generally accepted by Senators but there is in the Senate a considerable number of its members who take the position that the Hay-Pauncefote treaty, which took the place of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty of the early fifties, makes it obligatory on the part of the United States to charge tolls on American ships engaged in the coastwise and foreign trade the same as on ships of other nations.

"If this view should prevail," said Senator James A. O'Gorman, of New York in an interview on the Panama Canal bill, "the American people will be greatly surprised that so little regard for American rights was manifested at the time of the adoption of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty, because, if the view alluded to be correct one, it must follow that while the United States has expended \$400,000,000 of American money in the construction of the canal its citizens must be denied the rights that are enjoyed by the subjects of Great Britain and of every other foreign power. I cannot imagine that condition nor will I believe that the late John Hay, who executed the treaty on the part of the United States, ever thought for a moment that we were to be stopped from exempting American ships from the payment of tolls because of certain clauses of the treaty which are

now interpreted to mean that very thing.

"It does not seem possible that the right possessed by every other nation on earth with respect to the Panama Canal, our Canal, is denied to our own citizens by a composition, or convention, called a treaty, which is not remarkable for its precision of expression or its respect for the Monroe Doctrine."

Senator O'Gorman then voiced what seems to be a growing sentiment, that behind the protest of Great Britain lurks the influence of the railroads of Canada and the United States which have been enabled to secure the co-operation of the British foreign office, thereby embarrassing the government of the United States in the attempt now being made for wholesome legislation to keep railroad controlled ships off the Canal, so that competition may live and thrive.

"The railroad companies have been incorporated for railroad purposes," continued Senator O'Gorman, "and they have destroyed competition wherever they have been permitted to secure control of competing water transportation facilities.

"If drastic legislation is needed to make competition wholesome on the Canal then I stand ready to vote for that legislation, because I have a lively appreciation of the possibility of the injury which may be done the American people if the railroads are not kept out of the Canal.

"We should exempt from the payment of tolls all American shipping going through the Canal and we should see to it that railroad-owned steamships should not use the Canal. Such action on the part of the American Congress in my judgment would not violate the language and cannot violate the spirit of the treaty that has been involved against us."

JOHN MITCHELL HAS TAKEN AN APPEAL

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 24.—John Mitchell, vice-president of the American Federation of Labor, sentenced to nine months' imprisonment for contempt of court, growing out of the Bucks Store and Range Company case in the district supreme court, took an appeal today. A \$4,000 bond was furnished. In the same case Gempers and Morrison were recently sentenced—Gempers to one year and Morrison to six months.

WILSON BUSY ON HIS SPEECH

SEA GIRT, July 24.—Woodrow Wilson began writing his speech of acceptance yesterday, for delivery August 7. He spent the night at a friend's home and today denied himself to callers and will remain in seclusion until the speech is finished. He expects to spend today, tomorrow and a part of Thursday on it. Dr. Wilson says he expects to make the speech short as possible, although brevity would not be his principal aim.

DEM. COUNTY CONVENTION TO MEET TUESDAY, SEPT. 27

Saturday, September 7 Recommended by County Executive Committee Suitable Day for Holding the County Primary.

The Democratic County Executive Committee met at the Courthouse yesterday at noon in response to a call issued by the chairman Mr. Lindsay C. Warren for the purpose of recommending a date for the county primaries and also for fixing the date for the county convention.

Saturday, September 7th, was recommended as the day for holding the primaries.

Friday, September 27, at 11 o'clock, was fixed by the committee as the date for holding the county convention.

At the meeting of the executive committee the chairman recommended that the following be assessments to govern the candidates for the primary to be held on September 7. The recommendations were adopted and they will be presented to the county board of election tomorrow for approval.

ASSESSMENTS

Sheriff	\$20.00
Register of Deeds	18.00
Treasurer	15.00
Legislature	10.00
Coroner	3.00
Surveyor	3.00
Commissioner	3.00
Constable	2.00
Justice of Peace	1.50
Recorder Washington, Long Acre and Chocowinity Townships	6.00
Clerk Washington, Long Acre and Chocowinity Townships	4.50
Recorder Richland Township	2.00
Recorder Pantego Township	2.00
All other elective township officers	1.50

All of these amounts include the tickets of each candidate.

Sec. 9.—Primary Law Beaufort County—"That the several candidates for legislative and county offices shall at least five days prior to any primary election, file with the clerk of the Superior Court of the county a notice in writing that he will be a candidate in such primary election, and the office for which he will be a candidate, which notice shall be signed by him and the said Clerk shall endorse on the back of each notice the date filed in his office, and shall preserve the same subject to the inspection of any elector. The said clerk shall have a complete list of all of said candidates printed, with instructions thereon as to how many persons each voter may vote for each office, and distribute the same at each precinct on the day of said election, for the information of the voters, and the managers must post at least five of said lists in conspicuous places at the precinct.

Sec. 10.—Primary Law Beaufort County—"To provide funds for holding such primary elections and paying the expenses thereof, each candidate for the legislature and for county offices shall, at least five days before such primary, pay to the chairman holding such primary such sums as may be assessed by the board herebefore provided for, not exceeding the sum of \$20.00; and each township candidate \$2.00; and each district candidate \$5; and each state candidate \$3.00; and, failing to pay the same, shall not be entitled to participate in said primary: PROVIDED, if there is any surplus after paying all expenses of said primary it shall be prorated among the candidates. The said fund shall be paid to the clerk of the court, who shall use same to print tickets and distribute at the different primaries, and any other purpose and expense necessary to the proper conducting and holding said primaries of the different parties, shall be separately paid and accounted for by the clerk and the fund paid by the candidate of the respective parties shall be separately applied to the primary of such party. The fund to be paid by the candidates to be fixed by the executive committee of the party to which he belongs subject to the approval of the said board."

PART CARROW PROPERTY SOLD ON YESTERDAY

Dr. P. A. Nicholson and Mr. John G. Bragaw Jr., have purchased from Mr. H. H. Carrow and wife and Mrs. Samuel R. Carrow thirty six feet of their property on Main Street. The entire frontage of the property calls for seventy-three feet half of which has been purchased by Messrs. Nicholson and Bragaw and has a depth of two hundred and ten feet. Dr. Nicholson has purchased twelve feet front and Mr. Bragaw twenty-three feet front. The consideration for the property was \$10,200. The papers for the transfer of the property were passed yesterday and recorded. It is the intention of the new owners to considerably improve the property at an early day. It is one of the most valuable and attractive sites in the business portion of Washington.

LARGE AUDIENCE HEARS SINGER AT THE LYRIC

Again last evening Mr. Buzzell sang at the Lyric to a large and appreciative audience. His song was well handled and greatly enthused those who are lovers of good singing. The management is certainly putting the feature reels in excellent motion pictures over the screen these days. Last evening pictures received comment from all sources and were pronounced to be some of the best that has ever been exhibited there. The temperature has no effect on these hot days while you are in this place of amusement, cool, refreshing breeze that renders a refreshing taste to the brain from worry and overwork. For real high class amusement you have no desire to attend anything of this nature other than that of the daily program now at the Lyric.

SAVINGS & TRUST CO.

As will be seen elsewhere in the Daily News the Savings and Trust Company, one of the city's strong banking institutions, announces that it pays four per cent on deposits which is compounded four times a year. Heretofore this bank has been compounding its interest only twice a year. This will be interesting news to the bank's numerous patrons and is another step forward.

Mr. L. J. Redditt, of Edward, N. C., attended the meeting of the Democratic County Executive Committee yesterday.

Miss Neta O'Brien returned home last evening from Durham, N. C., where she has been visiting friends for the past three weeks.

- NEW ADVERTISEMENTS
- IN TODAY'S NEWS
- J. K. Hoyt.
- Lyric.
- Postum Cereal Co.
- Southern Furniture Company
- Atlantic Hotel.
- Doana.
- A. C. Hathaway.