

Showers Tonight and Tomorrow

DAILY NEWS REPLIES TO STATEMENT OF CO. COMMISSIONERS

THE NEWS STANDS BY FORMER STATEMENT

That is to say, the Affairs of the County Have Not Been Economically Administered. This Paper Gives Facts for Information. Instead of Decrease in Floating Debt There Will Be Increase.

Since it was not the purpose of the News to deal in personalities in its discussion of County conditions, it does not propose to be drawn into them now by the statement of the County Commissioners.

In taking up the reply of the Board of Commissioners to criticisms in the News, the editor announces that he had hoped not to get into a controversy with the Board. If the members of the Board wanted to answer any charges which may have been made, why did not each member for himself write a reply instead of employing the County Attorney to write a general denial for all of them. The editor feels that he is somewhat handicapped in any controversy with the attorney for the Board.

The News is of the opinion that the citizens of Beaufort County are not so ignorant as the Board would have one believe. The tax-payers know something about what has been done in the County, although they have not had detailed information.

Before getting into details the personnel of the Board and their terms of office are necessary adjuncts to this article. Mr. F. H. Von Eberstein, the chairman, was first elected in 1908, and has been a member ever since; Mr. W. W. Hooker was first elected in 1908 and will have served four years at the expiration of the present term; Messrs. S. F. Freeman, O. B. Wynne, and W. F. Gaylord were elected in 1910 and their first two years of service will expire the first Monday in December, 1912. (These facts are all well known to the people, but since the Board thinks the people so ignorant the News will endeavor to make all statements absolutely clear so that there may be no room for supposition.)

The County's bonded debt was issued as follows: On August 10th, 1905, bonds to the amount of \$12,500 were sold. These were refunding bonds. The Board of Commissioners was then composed of Thos. H. Blount, H. G. Jordan, Fred Wolfenden, Geo. L. Swindell and B. D. Rowe.

On July 1st, 1908, there was \$50,000 worth of County bonds sold, for which the County received \$60,381.93. The following gentlemen were then on the Board: W. A. Thompson, Fred Wolfenden, R. R. Warren, W. H. Stancill, H. G. Jordan, John H. Odén and Thos. Green. These bonds were issued for the purpose of building bridges.

February 1st, 1908, another issue of \$25,000 was disposed of at a premium of \$2,295.12. R. R. Warren, W. H. Stancill, H. G. Jordan, Thos. Green, F. H. Von Eberstein, L. P. Harris and W. W. Hooker constituted the board at that time. These bonds were issued for bridges and current expenses. The Daily News has never charged that the present Board ever issued any bonds, however, since the Board enters a denial the matter will be dealt with.

The first section of the Board's denial as published in the News of August 5th, 1912, is as follows:

FIRST: With reference to the bonded debt of the County, this amounted to \$27,500.00 when the present Board began its term of office, and since then it has not been increased.

Therefore, you cannot charge this Board with any extravagance with regard to the bond issues. The only dealing this Board has had with that being to pay the interest thereon amounting to \$4,275.60 a year.

The Board should have defined what is meant by "this board," whether it applies to this term of

OUTLOOK IS BRIGHT FOR LYCEUM COURSE HERE

Practically only about eight more subscribers are desired in order to secure the Lyceum Course for the coming season for the benefit of the Washington Public Schools. An effort is now being made to secure the required number. The course promised for this season is one of the most attractive yet presented to Washington people. The attractions are all first class and have a national reputation for excellence in their respective class. The Daily News feels confident that if the course is secured for Washington that every subscriber to the course will be more than pleased.

FARMERS UNION AND PICNIC AT OLD FORD

Quite a number of citizens have gone to Old Ford today to attend the meeting of the Farmer's Union and make a picnic. President Alexander of the State Farmers' Union is to deliver the principal address of the occasion.

The ladies in the Old Ford district have prepared a sumptuous repast and the outlook is that the day will be a gala one.

Messrs. Z. Z. Grantham and V. V. Frye left this afternoon for Norfolk, where they will spend several days.

MILINERY OPENING

The ladies of the city are anticipating with pleasure of coming fall and winter millinery openings in the different stores handling this class of goods. Watch Daily News for respective announcements.

Whereas, it is desirable, necessary and most expedient for the best interest of said County to fund the debt now due and owing for said debt and current expenses.

Now, therefore, Be it resolved, by unanimous vote of all of the Board of Commissioners of Beaufort County, in regular meeting assembled, as follows:

Section 1—That in order to provide necessary funds to meet the current and necessary expenses of the County of Beaufort, the Board of County Commissioners are hereby authorized and directed to issue bonds of the County to the amount of thirty-five thousand dollars to be dated on the 1st day of November, 1911, and to mature on the 31st day of October, 1941.

Section 4—Provides, that the proceeds arising from the sale of the bonds issued under the provisions of this resolution, shall be applied solely to the necessary current expenses of the County of Beaufort.

The entry on their minutes shows a discrepancy somewhere. In their statement they admit that there was only a \$15,000 floating debt when they went into office December 1910, while on September 1911, we have them endeavoring to sell \$35,000 bonds for no other purpose (as alleged by them) than the paying of current expenses and the then floating debt. Two questions naturally arise. If the Board had been decreasing the floating debt at the rate of \$6,250.93 in less time than two years, why should they want to sell any bonds at all?

Again, if the floating debt amounted to \$21,000 (the amount alleged by the News to be owing May 31, 1912) and the commissioners were able to pay expenses without any further deficit, why should they want to sell \$35,000 bonds to pay the floating debt and current expenses?

What was to be done with the extra \$14,000?

Information has not been forthcoming thus far.

The present Board alleged that the floating debt of the County was \$25,000 on September 5th, 1911. If this was true, what became of the \$20,000? That is the difference between the \$15,000 floating debt when the present Board went into office and the \$35,000 which they desired to sell within less than one year after they took oath of office. And how did they reduce that debt from \$25,000 to \$21,000? This being the amount owing at the end of the fiscal year, May 31, 1912. These are mat-



Uncle Sam—Honesty, What Are You Running for, the Presidency or for Revenge?
—From the New York Herald

One Third World Can Be Visited on Friday Night

In all your life no such chance as this will be given again in the history of the town. The countries visited will be France, Egypt, Japan and Iceland. All those wishing to take this trip are asked to be at the school building Friday night promptly at 8:30 o'clock.

The entire trip requires only a wonderfully short space of time. Don't bring any cumbersome baggage, but by all means bring your fare of 40c for one ticket or 75c. for two taken separately. Twenty-five cents for all school children. Ten cents for each country.

Refreshments will be served. At last the deserving citizens of Washington will have a chance to see the world—a third of it. This opportunity is given on Friday night. While enjoying your trip you will be assisting the Athletic Association and thereby aid in getting out a team for the coming year of which any citizen may well feel proud. Help the boys to have a winning team.

LYRIC THEATRE PICTURES PLEASES AUDIENCE

"They Were Good"—that was the reply heard from the patrons that visited the Lyric last evening.

Seldom does the Lyric have a program of pictures that receive criticism, they are always a class very elevating, and something instructive as well as entertaining.

Today's program features another bill that is beyond par, where every minute of your time is taken up with real interesting dramas, or exciting war stories with surroundings of beautiful scenery.

Owing to the cool evenings this place of amusement is largely patronized, the management spares no expense in making his patrons comfortable. Opens daily from 7:30 to 11.

A visit to the Lyric tonight means real live refreshment, where you can enjoy an excellent class of pictures at a small expense.

EGGS FROM AIR NEXT HE SAYS

Chicago, Sept. 25.—Dr. Paul Walden, of Riga, Russia, predicted here last night that the next great feat of chemistry will be the making of eggs from air. Dr. Walden, who is president-elect of the Ninth International Congress of Applied Chemistry to be held in St. Petersburg in 1913, further predicted that a variety of nitrogenous foods will be made from the air some day.

"I consider it practically certain that at no distant day we will be drawing food supplies from the air," he said. "Professor Berthelmann, of Germany, has already succeeded in making the simple compound nitrogen and hydrogen. This shows that we will be able to make more complex compounds. An egg is a complex compound of nitrogen, oxygen, sulphur and hydrogen. The chemical process of the hen will be imitated in the laboratory in the undertaking. Formerly we were able to do very little with the uncombined nitrogen in the atmosphere. Now that we are able to harness it, the possibilities are wonderful."

HERE YESTERDAY

Mr. Larry I. Moore, of New Bern, N. C., was in the city yesterday consulting with the directors of the Pamlico Cooperage Company. It is expected that this company will begin rebuilding their plant which was partly consumed by fire at an early day.

CONSTRUCTION OF M. E. COLLEGE TO START THE FIRST OF JANUARY WILL BE READY IN FALL 1913

Bishop Henderson Charms Washington. Tendered Reception at Elks Home Last Night. Preaches to a Large Congregation at the First M. E. Church.

In no city that I have visited since my elevation to the episcopacy have I been received with more genuine cordiality.

I desire to express through the columns of the Daily News my personal and official appreciation of the interest and permanent co-operation in the construction of the institution of learning to be established in Washington under the auspices of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

I shall recommend to Dr. Nicholson, the secretary of the General Educational Board my approval of the work.

BISHOP T. S. HENDERSON.

Washington on last evening, under the auspices of the Woman's Betterment Association, tendered Bishop Theodore S. Henderson, D. D., LL. D., one of the bishops of the Methodist Episcopal church, a reception at the Elk's Home for the purpose of giving the citizens an opportunity to meet the distinguished divine and also to extend him a generous welcome to the city.

The occasion proved to be one of the most pleasant and enjoyable held in the city in some time. Quite a number called to pay their respects. All who met the bishop were charmed with his personality. The distinguished visitor was introduced to the callers by Hon. John H. Small, who was the bishop's host while a visitor here.

Several addresses of welcome were made. Among those speaking were Hon. John H. Small, Mrs. John C. Rodman, in behalf of the Woman's Betterment Association of whom she is the president; Mayor Collin H. Hardin, Rev. H. B. Searight, Mr. John G. Bragaw, Jr., in behalf of Rev. Nathaniel Harding, Rector of St. Peter's Episcopal church; Superintendent N. C. Newbold, of the Washington Public Schools; Superintendent W. L. Vaughan, of the Beaufort County Schools; Mr. W. M. Kear, Captain George J. Studdert, Mr. W. K. Jacobson and Rev. J. H. Warren.

Bishop Henderson responded to the addresses of welcome in words of lucidity and attractiveness. He was most happy in his response.

After the speech-making and the introductions had been concluded the Betterment Association, through a bevy of young ladies, served light refreshments. The occasion was a conspicuous success.

Bishop Henderson is in the city looking over the site for the proposed college to be established at Washington Park by the M. E. church, permission for which has already been granted by the General Board of Education of the M. E. church. The Bishop will now make his recommendations and what the outlook is to the General Board of Education of the Church and it is expected that actual work will begin on the college buildings by the first of January. The work must commence by this time in time for the completion of the buildings in time for the opening of the institution in the fall of next year.

Bishop Henderson is very much pleased with the site for the college and most favorably impressed with Washington.

Rev. Dr. Thomas Nicholson, the secretary of the General Board of Education of the M. E. church, with headquarters at New York, is expected to visit Washington on October 22, after which the plans and specifications for the college buildings will be drawn and submitted to contractors and within a short time thereafter work is expected to begin upon the construction.

Bishop Henderson hopes to be present when the cornerstone of the main building is laid. The Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. church have expressed their willingness to give \$10,000 towards the erection of a \$20,000 building in connection with the college for the purpose of teaching Domestic Science. The laymen of the church are looked to for the remaining \$10,000. One thousand dollars of this amount was subscribed last night by Bishop Henderson and a layman of the church has subscribed \$1,000. It now only requires \$8,000 to have this much needed and essential building a certainty.

This morning Bishop Henderson visited the Washington public schools where he made a short address to the pupils. It is needless to state that every teacher and pupil enjoyed it immensely.

On last evening at the First Methodist church, Bishop Henderson, through invitation of the pastor and official board, occupied the pulpit and delivered one of the most delightful and thoughtful sermons heard in Washington in years. The subject of the bishop was "The Burning Heart," and for over forty minutes the gifted pulpiteer held his large audience spellbound. While his language was simple, it was eloquent—in a word sublime from beginning to end. The occasion was one of delight and will be long remembered by every one present.

Bishop Henderson is one of the younger bishops of his church and judging from his appearance bids fair to take active part in the councils of his great church for many more years to come. Washington feels honored by his visit and the episcopate city hopes the day is not far distant when he comes again. A warm welcome is his always.

This morning before Bishop Henderson left on the Norfolk Southern train for Norfolk, accompanied by Rev. J. H. Warren and Mr. Charles Flynn, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, he called upon Rev. Nathaniel Harding at the Episcopal rectory on Main street, where greetings were exchanged.

SUNDAY SCHOOL INSTITUTE CLOSED ON YESTERDAY

The Sunday School and Epworth League Institute closed with the session of last night and Mr. Brabham the efficient field secretary of the Sunday School Board of the North Carolina Conference returned to his home in Raleigh this morning. The main thought for discussion yesterday was teaching and the use of black boards, etc., in Sunday School work. Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather there was a goodly attendance yesterday. The institute has been the means of accomplishing much good. Washington was glad to have the institute and hopes that it will be assigned here again at no distant day.

The Chicago Cubs had it on the Giants this season to the tune of thirteen games to nine.

MAKING IMPROVEMENTS.

Mrs. W. L. Laughinghouse is making improvements to her already attractive residence on West Second street.

Manager Clark Griffith, of the Washington team, figures that his youngsters will be strong enough next year to romp away with the American League pennant.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS IN TODAY'S NEWS

- Southern Furniture Company
- Doane
- James E. Clark
- The Hub
- J. K. Hoyt
- Miss Hattie Hemby
- Lyric
- Wm. Bragaw & Co.
- Russ Bros.