

ENDORSES SOLICITOR HAMMER

Geo. B. Nicholson, of Statesville, Says the Old Democratic War Horse is the Man.

To the people of the 10th Judicial District:

There is perhaps no office more important and more closely connected with the vital interests of the people than that of Solicitor. It is in this office that crime, in a large majority of cases, meets its first accuser; it is in this office that indictments are initiated and started through the process of our criminal tribunals; and all manner of crimes and misdemeanors against society, against person and property, and which seek to destroy the peace and prosperity, safety and protection of our people, are prosecuted and punished. The Solicitor is the accessory of the Grand Jury, that greatest bulwark of the safety and protection of life, liberty and property. This office, then, at all times should be exercised by a man of legal ability and address as an advocate of the bar; and a man of large experience in the detection and prosecution of crime. He should be aggressive, not oppressive; he should be tenacious, not persecutive, and perhaps above all, he should be a man of moral courage, having always an eye single to the protection and preservation of society and the rights of the people, the just and adequate enforcement of the law, and the upholding and maintaining of the dignity of the courts, the constitution and the government.

Such a man is the Hon. W. C. Hammer, the present Solicitor of this District, whose re-election by a large majority in November is well nigh assured. At the death of the late Wiley Rush, whom the Democrats had elected to this office, Gov. Aycock appointed Mr. Hammer for the unexpired term. When Mr. Hammer was the nominee of the Democratic party for election, having been nominated without opposition, and was elected, he carried more votes in Iredell county that year than any candidate on the ticket, except the candidate for the State Senate. In 1906 Mr. Hammer was unanimously re-nominated, and elected, carrying more votes that year in Iredell county except one. This year he is the unanimous nominee of the Democrats of the District for re-election, and in Iredell there is not the slightest whisper of dissent of his re-election.

During his term of service he has made a bold and fearless officer, prosecuting criminals with relentless courage, superior ability and astuteness, and has done much in our county to break up the strongholds of wickedness and crime, and has encouraged and strengthened the citizenship of the county in maintaining the laws for the government of society and the protection of the people's rights. He has friends for he shows himself friendly, and he has a great big warm heart, throbbing with love for humanity and its cause; but so fixed and immovable is he in his convictions and so loyal in the discharge of his public duty, that friendship and favoritism know no immunity with him, and if necessary in the discharge of official duty, he will prosecute his best friend with all the untiring energy and zeal that he would the vilest criminal. Mr. Hammer is a true man, a gentleman, a learned lawyer, an able and fearless advocate and prosecutor; a terror to the criminal, and a loyal guardian of the peace, safety and liberty of the people. It is the unanimous testimony of the Iredell county bar, and every Democrat in the great rank and file of our every dominant party, that Mr. Hammer will have his usual majority in the county. His opponent is not known here, and will not be after the election.

Let every county in the District join hands with Iredell and give Mr. Hammer a good majority, and it will do much to discourage crime and to intimidate its sympathizers. Geo. B. Nicholson, Statesville, N. C., October 5, 1910.

Efforts are being made by the Republicans to scatter bogus tickets in every precinct. Let Democrats see to it that every Democrat has a straight ticket, properly printed.

Democrats read your tickets carefully before voting.

Let all Democrats on election day be careful from whom they get their tickets.

Some good Democrat in each township will be appointed to distribute tickets to Democrats.

An effort will be made to get Democrats to vote bogus tickets, printed incorrectly. Thousands of Republican stickers are being distributed. The plan is to have these Republican stickers put on Democratic tickets, the purpose being to get Democrats to vote the bogus tickets without their knowledge.

A GROSS INJUSTICE.

Mr. Cox Treated Unfairly at the Hands of the Columns of the Bulletin.

Asheboro, N. C., Oct. 31, 1910. Mr. U. S. Hayes, Editor of the Bulletin, Asheboro, N. C.:

Dear Sir: Referring to Mr. Charles H. Redding's failure to properly list his taxes for 1910, in an editorial in your last issue, you call upon me to print "an apology in the same paper which is responsible for first circulating the falsehood against Mr. Redding."

My attention having been called to the fact that Mr. Redding had reached his majority in May of this year, and that he had applied for and had been registered as a voter in Randleman township on or about the 15th day of October, I made personal search of the records to ascertain certain facts in regard to the gentleman, and it was disclosed to me that Mr. Redding had failed to lawfully list his poll, or any property for taxation, as is required of all citizens by law.

During the campaign I called the attention of the people to the fact of this neglect, as I had a perfect right to do, every word and inference made being wholly true. Mr. Redding is represented as being a lawyer, and is therefore doubly culpable for the violation of the law in which he has indulged, and with which he has been charged. If he pleads ignorance of the requirements, he confesses thereby that he is a thoroughly-styled lawyer, and his only other recourse is to admit that he is a law breaker, in fact, no matter from what cause, as my further search today reveals the fact that Mr. Redding has even yet neglected to properly, legally correct the wrong he has done.

Under the circumstances, therefore, your advice to "an honest, just and upright man"—in respect to the incident referred to—were wholly gratuitous, inapplicable and uncalled for. As a test, however, of your sincerity in giving good advice, and your promise in acting up to it, I ask that you publish this letter in the next issue of your Bulletin.

I ask this in view of the fact that you have done me a gross injustice in the editorial of last week, as is revealed above.

Yours respectfully, O. R. Cox.

P. S.—It is, perhaps, proper for me to say that I am mailing a copy of this letter to The Courier with request to publish same.

Read your ticket carefully before voting.

PUBLIC SPEAKINGS

The Democratic nominees for the general assembly and for the county offices will speak at the following times and places:

Central Falls Friday night November 4th at 7:30 o'clock.

Hon. Walter Murphy will speak at the following times and places:

Liberty November 4th at 1 o'clock.

Ramseur, November 4th at night 7:30 o'clock.

Asheboro, November 5th at 1 o'clock.

Randleman November 5th at night 7:30 o'clock.

W. J. Miller, Chairman, Dem. County Ex. Committee.

Be sure you get your ticket on election day from the Democrat who hands out the Democratic tickets in your precinct and vote on your supposed regular ticket.

NORTH CAROLINA NEWS.

Live Happenings That Have Occurred Within Our State During the Week

Early Monday morning New Bern suffered a costly fire aggregating a loss of \$20,000.

A charter has been issued from Raleigh for a Spencer Social Club, at Spencer, for the purpose of advancing the social interest and pleasures of its members.

Miss Mariah Vogler, one of the best known and most active Christian workers of Wino-Salem, died suddenly last Monday morning. She was 75 years of age.

Solomon Morgan, aged 79 years, a prosperous farmer of Rowan county, dropped dead Monday at his home near Salisbury. He was in apparent good health until the summons came.

A news item from Winston-Salem the other day said that Mr. Carl W. Harris, of that city, while eating oysters in a local cafe, found a pearl in one of the oysters which a jeweler valued at \$25.

During the month of October the Winston-Salem tobacco market shipped 2,848,036 pounds of tobacco. Stamp sales aggregated \$227,482.93. Leaf tobacco sales on that market amounted to 4,627,573 pounds, this being an increase of 1,917,452 over the same month last year.

News comes from Mt. Gilead to the effect that Jesse Dennis, a son of Call Dennis, about 20 years old, shot and killed Jack Jarrell, about 20 years old, at Mingum, on last Sunday evening. The report says that the boys were well loaded up with corn liquor and that a dispute arose, which resulted in the killing of Jarrell with a pistol.

The State Primary Teachers Association will meet in Raleigh November 17, 18 and 19, 1910. At a meeting last year it was agreed upon that the teachers expecting to attend these meetings must notify the local secretary, Miss Royater, of Raleigh, at least two weeks in advance of the meeting, so as to provide for their entertainment while in attendance upon the meeting.

Much interest is in evidence in various parts of the State over the Aviation Meet, with Glenn Curtis aeroplanes exhibiting their wonderful powers at the State Fair grounds, in Raleigh, on the dates of Wednesday and Thursday, November 16th and 17th. Sunday's News and Observer, under a caption, "Many persons have got the flying fever," estimates the crowd that will be in attendance at the Aviation Meet between 30,000 and 50,000.

Two very peculiar accidents occurred in Forsyth county in one day last week causing the death of two little children. A little daughter of J. H. Everhart had her skull crushed by getting her head caught between a wagon hub and her father's barn, resulting in almost instant death. J. W. Bennett, a farmer, while gathering his crop of Irish potatoes, threw one about twenty steps, hitting his son over the heart, which killed him almost instantly.

On last Saturday there occurred in the Harris Chapel neighborhood of Rowan county, just five miles south of Salisbury, a horrible and heart-rending scene, when Mr. Henry Harris was summoned from his work in the field to his home to find his wife dying from burns and his child dead. It is supposed that the mother, while standing near the fire place with her child in her arms, was attacked by a fainting spell, which fell into the fire with the above horrible result.

TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.

Met in Session in Asheboro Saturday—Prof. Matheson, of Greensboro, Delivers Grand Address.

The Randolph Teachers' Association was in session in the graded school auditorium on last Saturday, with about sixty of the county's instructors in attendance thereupon. The purposes of the meeting were many and varying, but all of its aims were tending toward the betterment of the county schools.

The first thing on the program was the demonstration work as applied to the practical test of the first and second grades of the graded school here. This feature of the exercises were doubtless beneficial, as it was more of a practical application of teaching than any advanced theory.

At 11:30 o'clock, Prof. J. A. Matheson, of the department of pedagogy of the State Normal, delivered an instructive address to the body of educational workers. The main theme of his address and the principal thought that he attempted to drive home to the minds of the teachers was the importance of handling each individual pupil in such a way as to reap the very best results. His speech in its entirety was of a high order and instructive, to say the least.

The afternoon session of the meeting, which was short, was devoted to the perfecting of the organization of a Teachers' Reading Course.

A Word of Timely Advice.

Editor Courier:

Please allow me space in your valuable paper to say a few words in behalf of the Legislative ticket. While no word of mine will change the situation, yet I feel it my duty to say a few words. The Republicans claim that Messrs. Cox and Carter are too old and too closely connected with the manufacturing interests of the county to fill seats in the legislative halls of North Carolina. They are both over twenty-one years of age; have paid taxes in Randolph county for some years; have helped build up the county to the high standard it has attained, and have built for themselves records that no man need be ashamed of. But they say they are wealthy and will only work for the wealthy class and will not work for the poor. Both of these men started out in the world as poor men. They have tasted the cup of poverty and have not forgotten its bitterness. And they are always ready to help those who have not been so fortunate as they have been in climbing fortune's ladder. They are both men of experience, energy and intelligence, and men who have made of their own. They will use their influence for the betterment of Randolph county and the state at large and not be merely mouthpieces for a gang of political bosses and Federal office hunters. Messrs. Redding and York are perhaps fine boys, but they have never built a record for themselves, and Tige's, Holton's and Butler's records are mighty rotten at the foundation for young unexperienced boys to build upon. It is certain to tumble with them, for the thinking voters of Randolph county are surely not willing to trust the affairs of county and state in their hands again after the records they have made. And if they should be elected they would only be the mouthpieces of Carpet bagger bosses. North Carolina is making rapid progress in agricultural, educational and all other pursuits for the betterment of the state, and Randolph is one among the foremost counties in the state at present and we can all afford to take the long step backwards and turn this good old county of ours over to the Republicans. Let every good Democrat go to the polls on the 8th of November and take his neighbor with him and cast a solid vote for Cox and Carter and the full Democratic ticket, and Randolph will keep pace with the leading counties of the State.

Voter.

Look out for bogus tickets. Be certain to read your ticket carefully and see that the name of no Republican is printed or pasted on it. Take your tickets only from some good Democrat who has the tickets for your precinct.

KEEPS TAB ON "TIGE."

With Things Put Down in Black and White, Tige Finds it Impossible For Him to Crawlfish.

October, 28, 1910. To the Editor of The Courier:

Some time ago I read in The Courier a statement from one of your correspondents that Mr. L. D. Mendenhall, postmaster at Randleman, had stated in one of his campaign speeches, that he had run me off the stump two years ago, and all the way to South Carolina. Under date of October 14th, I wrote Mr. Mendenhall as follows: "Mr. L. D. Mendenhall, Postmaster, Randleman, N. C."

My dear Sir: I understand that you, in your campaign speeches, have made the statement that you ran me off the stump and out of the State two years ago by propounding questions to me that I could not answer. You now have the opportunity to make the statement to me personally, and to say whether you really ran me off the stump and out of the State, and also to state what questions you propounded."

Under date of October 17th, Mr. Mendenhall answered as follows: "James M. Way, Spartanburg, S. C."

Dear Sir: Your favor of the 14th received I beg to assure you that I did not make any such statement as you quote. I said that since you and I made a canvass together you had removed to South Carolina. I meant no reflection, and would be glad to join you in a canvass again. The question referred to was that at the time, in October 1906, you stated that there was in the treasury \$11,000. I am sorry The Courier sees fit to misquote me. I have the highest personal regard for you and wish you an abundant success in your chosen work.

Respectfully, L. D. Mendenhall.

It would be best for Mr. Mendenhall not to get the matters he discusses in his campaign speeches tangled, and it would be far better for him to quote all I said when he refers to me. In that campaign I carried a large book with me and every statement referring to official records was either read or quoted from copy. It is true that I made a reference to an "eleven thousand dollars," but it was a reference to the miserable support the Republican administration gave to the public schools. I said, "In 1897 they spent for actual running expenses of the rural schools \$11,711.44, and in 1899 this amount had dwindled down to the pitiable sum of \$10,698.94." I think what it was that made such a lasting impression on the Randleman postmaster's mind was the fact that his party for 1897 to 1899 had decreased the expenditures for rural schools \$1,012.50. This is the "eleven thousand dollars" that Mr. Mendenhall has gotten mixed up in his mind, and I have no doubt it made a great impression, for the figures were taken from records made by the Republicans themselves.

From the daily papers I get the information that Mr. Holton is advocating free public school books. He had first better give a justified bend that if his party is elected the county will have public schools, and then he can talk about free books. If his party goes backward at the rate of \$500.00 a year in its expenditures for the public schools, as it did in the years mentioned, there will be no public schools in a few years, provided the Republican party is elected. They had better advocate public schools first, and show that the party would provide them, if elected, and then they might, with some propriety, discuss free text books.

I do not consider Mr. Mendenhall's statement, that he ran me off the stump worth taking space for, but if you care to use it that way, you may publish what I have to say.

First, let me dispose of his charge. I began to canvass with Union township, and if I was not present every day till the end of the campaign my memory serves me very badly. Suffice it to say that the Democratic candidates thanked me for "knocking 'Tige' out of the box" in his home town on the last day of the campaign. I stuck to the campaign every day; he did not. I also met him at his own appointment at Central Falls on Monday night before the election, and while it may seem innocuous in me to say it, yet what I did for Mr. Mendenhall that

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HIGHLY ENDORSED.

Mr. C. M. Thompson, of Lexington, Passes Worthy Encomiums Upon Solicitor Hammer.

To the people of the 10th Judicial District:

Lexington, N. C., Oct. 5, 1910. The office of Solicitor is one of importance to the people of the District. Upon the Solicitor depends the proper enforcement of the criminal law in the District.

The man who fills that place should be an experienced practitioner, an able lawyer, a wise, just and humane man.

He has to meet and measure arms with the ablest lawyers of the State, who are frequently employed to defend men charged with violation of the criminal law, and the Solicitor should be able in all cases to take care of the interest of the State.

While the Solicitor should be both able and courageous, he should also be just and humane, and see that the powerful shall not evade nor escape the penalties of the law, and likewise see that the enforcement of the law shall not be oppressive and severe upon the poor, ignorant, and friendless, who are tried in the courts.

The past record of W. C. Hammer as Solicitor has shown that he possesses in large measure, all the qualifications required for the office. He is active in the discharge of his duties; his abilities are such that he can take care of the State in all cases; at the same time he is just, humane, big hearted enough never to permit his office to be used to oppress the humble and helpless.

The public welfare requires that the present able, experienced, safe Solicitor be kept at his post of duty.

Respectfully, C. M. Thompson.

Interesting Statistics

The Tar Heel, one of the publications of the University of North Carolina, in a recent issue contained the following interesting statistics concerning the students of the University. Their various religious denominations are classified, to-wit:

Methodist, 246; Baptist, 185; Presbyterian, 154; Episcopalian, 105; Lutheran, 19; Christian, 17; Roman Catholic, 13; Hebrew, 4; German Reformed, 12; Moravian, 4; Friends, 1; Adventists, 1; Disciples, 2 Universalist, 1.

As to the occupations in which the parents are engaged, the following are noted:

Farming, 243; merchandising, 138; dentistry, 13; law, 64; medicine, 57; manufacturing, 45; banking, 11; tobacco, 4; salesman, bookkeepers, 15; insurance, 6; government service, 9; teaching, 22; drugs, 9; publishing, 6; fishing, 5; mechanics, 40; telegraphy, 1; tailoring, 1; livery, 1; architecture, 11; chemistry, 1; police, 1; lumber, 16; brokers, 5; railroad, 23; ministry, 30; mining, 4; stock raising, 6; real estate, 15; dairy, 1; hotel, 4; promoting, 1.

Sixteen States of the Union outside of North Carolina send a total of 55 students to the University this year. Cuba sends 4 and Japan 1.

Card.

To whom it may concern: This is to certify that I have examined the records of my office with reference to the act fa cases referred to in the Randolph Bulletin of last week and all other act fa cases and do hereby certify that Wm. C. Hammer has received no fees as solicitor in Randolph county except legal fees pursuant to judgments of the court duly rendered.

W. C. HAMMOND, Clerk Superior Court of Randolph County.

Nov. 3, 1910.

A Card.

This is to certify that I have examined the records of the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Montgomery county and that Solicitor Wm. C. Hammer has collected no fees except legal fees during his term of office. No illegal fees have been collected or paid to him or to any other officer for him. Illegal fees are not collected or paid out in this office.

(Signed) Chas. A. Armstrong, Clerk Superior Court Montgomery County.