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EDENTON, N. C., FRIDAY, OCT. 30, 1914.

The People Of Edenton Aroused.

Justice Miscarried But Later Meted Out.

In this issue will be found the resignation of officer Jesse Asbell from the police force of Edenton. This resignation comes about directly as a result of the following incident:

Saturday night Mr. George Lassiter was drunk and disorderly in Mr. L. F. Ziegler's store in the presence of a lady. Mr. Asbell was called in. Mr. Lassiter began cursing at Mr. Asbell; who attempted to arrest Lassiter. It resulted in an affray between the two men, Asbell being unable to fasten the nips on him, Asbell also threatening to use his club. Monday night Lassiter was tried before Mayor Tuttle and acquitted on the ground that the arrest was illegal, no warrant having been sworn out.

Wednesday night Lassiter and Asbell were both tried for an affray. The people had become wrought up over the decision Monday night. Wednesday night Mr. Herbert Leary was attorney for Lassiter and Mr. W. D. Pruden for Asbell. Mr. Tuttle stated that he was acting under advice from the town attorney, Mr. E. G. Bond, when he released Lassiter Monday night. Mr. Pruden cleared up certain facts of the law which resulted in Asbell's being cleared of doing wrong in the arrest and the court fined Lassiter \$5 00 and cost. The people are not able to see why Mr. Asbell should be scored by the town attorney for doing his duty and why the Mayor should not have been properly advised by the town attorney. We would like to have Mr. Bond come out in our next issue explaining his position, and who were the members of the Town Council that sent Mr. Bond over to the trial Monday night to act in capacity of "detective."

THE WAR

The fighting in Europe is no nearer decisive. All that can be said of it is that it is cruel in the extreme with the prospects of peace more and more obscure. Five German vessels sunk three British warships off the coast of Chile Sunday. Turkey has become involved, opposing Russia, which means defeat and suicide for Turkey at the hands of the Allies.

AMENDMENTS PROBABLY CARRIED

Thursday (our press day) was the day for the respective County Boards of Canvassers to give in returns of the election. Hence it is impossible to state definitely whether or not the amendments to the Constitution carried. But if we may judge by Chowan county they carried by a large majority. It is highly probable they were all adopted.

The Panama Canal has been closed to navigation by another landslide last Saturday. Col. Goethals hopes to have it open this week.

THE ELECTION TUESDAY

As was expected Democracy made almost a clean sweep in North Carolina and throughout the South. Both houses of Congress will have a democratic majority, though the democrats have lost considerably in this election.

New York went Republican by a big majority. Woman suffrage won in Montana but was defeated in six states.

THE BELGIANS

It is heart rending to read of the sufferings and needs of the Belgian people, a wealthy people driven to poverty and starvation by the cruelties of war. Ambassador Page cables from London "Many will starve now before food can reach them. Within three weeks 7,000,000 wanderers in that devastated land will face death unless outside help comes." A million homes are deserted and laid waste, Belgium is in ruins. It is to the credit of Americans that they are coming to the rescue of these starving people and we are glad that the people of Edenton have taken a liberal part in this relief work as will be seen elsewhere in this paper.

Chowan County Total Vote.

County Officers		
F. W. Hobbs, Clerk of Court,	333	
R. W. Boyce, Reg. of Deeds,	334	
G. W. Goodwin, Sheriff,	329	
T. E. White, Treasurer,	334	
Frank Wood, Commissioner,	331	
Z. W. Evans, "	330	
G. H. Baker, "	331	
T. E. Harrell, "	332	
Wm. Forehand, "	333	
M. H. Dixon, Recorder,	332	
W. J. Blanchard, Constable		63
3d Township,		
N. C. Senators		
Jas. S. McNider,	325	
W. L. Cohoon,	323	
Judge 1st District		
W. M. Bond,	329	
Representative		
P. H. Bell,	329	
Congress		
Jno. H. Small,	336	
Constitutional Amendments		
Vote in Chowan County		
Amendment	For	Against
No. 1	228	5
" 2	211	27
" 3	219	15
" 4	228	7
" 5	226	11
" 6	221	14
" 7	199	32
" 8	216	15
" 9	211	18
" 10	215	28

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J. W. BROWN ELECTED SHERIFF OF GATES COUNTY

One of the most interesting elections held in Gates county in years was that last Tuesday. Mr. J. W. Brown was a candidate for sheriff on an independent ticket against Mr. E. S. A. Ellenor, the nominee of the democratic convention. We have not the exact vote of every precinct, but Mr. Brown's majority is reported to have been 320. The people were very much wrought up on the subject and doubtless the greatest vote in many years. Mr. Brown's majority in Hunter's Mill Township was 119, in the Hall township 88 and decisive in every township in the county except Reynoldson township, Mr. Ellenor's home township where Mr. Ellenor's majority was 48. We regret that the vote of every precinct was not reported to us. We give below a report from Gatesville and Hall townships:

"Tonight ended the most strenuous and interesting political campaign that Gates county has ever witnessed. Though called a political campaign it was in reality a "sheriff campaign" for—and I am sorry to have to say it, but it's a fact—not one out of a hundred voters seemed to know that there was anything else to vote for. They knew that there was no opposition from the Republicans in the county offices. The only thing they knew in the way of a contest was, that E. S. A. Ellenor, the democratic nominee and J. W. Brown, the independent candidate were running for the office of Sheriff.

When the voters came to the polls, and were handed the slip with the Amendments to the Constitution, they would ask what they were for. They had not studied them, in fact they knew nothing about them, whatever, and in many instances, on account of their ignorance they would not vote either for or against them. Some on the spur of the moment, thinking that the seventh Amendment meant an increase in their taxes, voted against it, and others, much to the shame of it, voted against the tenth.

It seems to me that while some of the campaigners were out—supporters of both sides—they would have called the voters' attention to these Amendments. They should have explained them, and showed wherein they should have been voted for as a whole.

Well, it seems as if Democracy has received a horrible blow in "Old Gates County," from the fact that the nominee of the Party was defeated by the Independent candidate by a majority of 320, but I hope that two years from now the Party will come back again in all its glory, and "Old Gates County" will never again experience a similar campaign.

Well, here's to you, Mr. Brown, I wish you a most successful term. May you disappoint some of your opposers."

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"Election Returns for Hall Precinct, Hall Township Gates County.

Sheriff:
J. W. Brown, 126 votes.
E. S. A. Ellenor, 37 "

Solicitor:
John C. B. Mhringhaus, 76 votes

Senators:
W. L. Cohoon, 71 votes
J. S. McNider, 71 votes

House of Representatives
G. D. Gatling, 71 votes

Clerk of Superior Court
W. T. Cross, 70 votes

Register of Deeds:
T. E. Hofer, 71 votes

County Treasurer:
R. T. Savage, 71 votes

Coroner:
L. Hofer, 72 votes

Surveyor:
W. F. Eason, 70 votes

County Commissioners:
E. H. Eure, 72 votes
J. R. Hill, 72 "
T. J. Carter, 72 "

Constable:
K. Parker, 86 votes
C. E. Sawyer, 43 votes

Justice of the Peace:
H. W. Harrell, 55 votes
N. Knight, 55 "
J. P. Tinkham, 41 "

We wish to state that the conduct of all was excellent during the entire election.

Willeyton Items.

Mrs. M. A. Williams is visiting friends in Cofield, N. C.

Miss E. Briding Parker left on Saturday to take charge of her school near Hobbsville, N. C.

The residence of Mr. W. B. Umphlett was endangered on Saturday night when a spark from the chimney ignited dry leaves on the roof burning a large hole in the roof. The neighbors responded at the call of the bell and soon had the blaze extinguished.

Mrs. D. A. Willey and little son are spending a few days with Mr. Joshua Whedbee in Middle Swamp.

Mr P. D. Green lost a valuable horse last week

Wiggins' X Roads

Mr. J. B. Benton and family visited friends Saturday night.

Carroll Griffin and Noah Boyce were callers here Saturday night. Mr. Herbert Taylor was the guest of Miss Eunice Jones Thursday night.

Mr. Ephriam Morris passed through here Sunday enroute to their home.

Henry Hart and Willie Brinkley were callers in Virginia Sunday.

Mr. H. Sawyer and family visited at Mr. Jacob Spivey's Sunday.

Those who called at Mr. J. N. Brown's Sunday afternoon were Messrs C. J., Corbell and R. Jones, Willie Taylor, J. S. Pierce Vernon Beamon, Joe Norcum, Herbert and Lyeurgus Brinkley. W. J. Ellis is on the sick list.

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Muddy Cross News

Mrs. Jesse Riddick was the guest of Mrs. J. W. Overman Monday evening.

Messrs. Allen Briggs and Julian Rountree called on Misses Annie and Sallie Riddick last Wednesday night.

Lee Trotman made his usual call last Friday night.

Misses Lola and Geneva White spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Polly Stallings.

Mrs. Jennie Ward spent a few days last week with her brother Mrs. J. W. Overman.

Messrs. Hurley Rountree and Lloyd Carter called on Misses Lizzie and Maggie Moore Saturday night.

Roulac Bagley was the guest of Misses Jennie and Annie Overman Friday night.

Messrs. Noah Mobbs and Chas. Mitchell were the guests of Miss Janet Bagley Sunday night.

Messrs. Aerman Boyce, Gussie and Willie Briggs and John Parker called to see Misses Jennie and Annie Overman Sunday night.

Miss Zena Blanchard spent Saturday afternoon with Misses Annie and Sallie Riddick.