

## NEW MEN AT CITY'S HELM

Messrs. J. K. Wolfe, C. A. Williams, M. M. Murphy, Herbert Irwin and Jo Garibaldi Named as Executive Board—Mr. W. C. Maxwell City Attorney and Mr. John M. Wilson Tax Collector.

The election of the new executive board of five citizens to have powers equivalent to those of the public service, public safety and health boards, was accomplished yesterday afternoon after a lengthy argument, and many motions by the new board of aldermen at their first meeting.

The new mayor, Mr. T. W. Hawkins, and twenty-one aldermen were sworn in shortly after 3 o'clock, in the mayor's office, at the city hall.

Immediately after the new officials had been inducted formally into their new offices, the choosing of the multi-powered executive board was gone through with and those elected are:

Messrs. M. M. Murphy, J. K. Wolfe, Herbert Irwin, Joe Garibaldi and C. A. Williams.

The election of the city tax collector was also held, and somewhat of a surprise was created by the ousting of Capt. W. B. Taylor, who has for many years served the city effectively, and the choosing in his stead of Mr. John M. Wilson, of the Long-Tate Company. Captain Taylor has made a good officer, performing his duties faithfully and satisfactorily to all former administrations under whom he has served. He is also a Confederate soldier. Mr. Wilson, his successor, is a young man, thoroughly posted in business and will be able to take care of his new work.

Col. W. C. Maxwell was honored by the board by being chosen city attorney. This election was somewhat in the nature of a surprise also as it was pretty generally thought that Mr. Brevard Nixon would be the man to get this position. In fact he was believed to have practically had enough promises of support to win the place. Colonel Maxwell, who has served as alderman in the outgoing administration, is most happily fitted for this work, and his services to the city in this capacity will be invaluable.

The re-election of Mr. Arthur H. Wearn as city clerk and treasurer, was accomplished without opposition, his excellent services in the past having been so well accomplished that there was no disposition whatever to make a change in that office.

In the election of city attorney Mr. Maxwell received 11 votes and Mr. Brevard Nixon received 9 votes, so that the vote was very close in this instance, attesting to the fact that both these gentlemen had many friends on the board.

**Voting For Executive Board.**  
When the matter of electing the executive board of four was taken up there were some seven or eight nominations, and when the vote was counted the result was declared as follows:

C. A. Williams, J. K. Wolfe and Herbert Irwin, were elected, receiving 12, 11 and 10 votes respectively; others receiving votes being M. M. Murphy, 9 votes; W. A. Bell, 8 votes; Joe Garibaldi, 4 votes; J. H. Phelan, 4 votes; J. A. Jones, 4 votes; D. P. Hutchison, 4 votes; P. M. Cave, 3 votes; John Todd, 3; T. J. Davis, 3; E. W. Thompson, 2; C. B. Bryant, 2; N. P. Cannon, 2; A. M. McDonald, 2, and the following named one vote each: R. A. Lee, Thomas Stewart, W. J. Fite, E. L. Sargent, Sam Bennett, J. H. Little and John R. Pharr.

Three members of the executive committee having been chosen, the aldermen prepared to vote for two additional members. The second vote showed that Messrs. Garibaldi and Murphy had ten each, so that there was no election. Other ballots followed and the vote narrowed down to Messrs. Garibaldi, Murphy, Hutchison, Neal. The next ballot showed that Messrs. Garibaldi and Murphy had received 12 votes each; others falling below this number and they were accordingly declared elected.

The election of this executive board which will prove to be a very powerful municipal body, in the handling of the affairs of the city, having been finally disposed of the aldermen proceeded with the election of the city attorney, city recorder, city clerk and treasurer, and city tax collector.

**The Recorder Re-Elected.**  
The election of a recorder, as forecasted in The Chronicle, resulted in the re-election of Mr. D. B. Smith, who was appointed several weeks ago by the mayor, to serve until the end of the outgoing administration.

At the meeting of the board of aldermen yesterday there was no opposition to the re-election of Mr. D. B. Smith as recorder, and he was chosen without opposition on the part of any member of the board.

**Caucuses Were Held.**  
The most sensational portion of the meeting occurred during the election of the executive board, when the charge that a caucus of some of the new aldermen had been held and a slate arranged, was made by Alderman Ernest Williams. The charge was apparently aimed at Alderman W. I. Henderson, who replied neither way, thus not denying the charge that a caucus was held. The so-called caucus succeeded in electing four of their choosing from among the most available, it is claimed, while the election of Mr. Garibaldi was accomplished in a sort of re-alignment of forces after the caucus vote had found out that it was about to be beaten in the election of one of its men named. Hence the vote was thrown to Mr. Garibaldi, and he was elected.

**The Meeting Spirited.**  
The new board after being sworn in as aldermen of the City of Charlotte, were addressed briefly by ex-Mayor Franklin, retiring, who spoke briefly of the past, and wished for the new board a successful and harmonious administration.

The board after brief delay assembled and were called together for the first meeting by Mayor T. W. Hawkins, who stated the object of the meeting to elect the various city officials who are according to the charter elected by the board.

As soon as the election of the executive board was proposed, Alderman Williams offered a resolution that the board should name a number of citizens who were suitable to the members and then submit this list to the mayor and ask him to name the executive committee therefrom.

This plan was opposed by Alderman Henderson and Alderman Stewart likewise offered some remarks to the effect that he vigorously opposed the plan, and thought that the mayor should not be asked to assume so much responsibility. Mayor Hawkins stated that he was also opposed to the mayor's assuming so much power—that it might cause antagonism and disapproval, and said that if the board should decide on this plan, it should also name a committee to cooperate with him in making the selections.

This was but the beginning of the debate on the method of electing the new executive board but after much more talking and several more resolutions, during which time Alderman Williams moved to adjourn and was ruled out of order, the board finally vote 11 to 10 on a motion to proceed with the election, and this carried, and the balloting began.

**The New Mayor Firm.**  
Those who attended the first meeting of the board were very favorably impressed with the manner in which the new mayor indicated that he would conduct this office during his term of administration.

While it was apparent that the mayor will not waste any time on peanut politics, if that article shall obtrude itself, and while it was easily deduced that he would rule with a firm hand, always with the view to the accomplishment of some definite purpose, it was also apparent that Mayor Hawkins will give both sides plenty of time to talk when there is a debate, and that he will not permit anything to get through without both sides being heard. The new mayor impressed the board as a man who will not abide trifles or listen to purposeless propositions, but that he will hold to the straight course and will keep the board always within the bounds of a strict parliamentary law without splitting hairs over fine points, and making decisions on technical grounds when the practical grounds seem to be the more weighty.

The new board likewise appears to have within its ranks all the elements that will furnish abundant debating and hot contesting of points and the outlook is that the new board will be able to furnish something interesting at every occasion on which they get themselves together.

The board as constituted is believed to be a safe and sound body, able to cope with anything that may come up for disposition, and that the board will keep things, on a plane where interest never lags, was decidedly apparent from the first meeting of yesterday afternoon.



"Of all the sad words that mortal ever writ, 'tis these three, you are it."

### JAMES F. BOYLE FOUND GUILTY OF KIDNAPPING

Man Who Stole Willie Whittle Is Found Guilty After Trial Lasting Less Than a Day—Willie Whittle, the Kidnapped Boy, the First Witness—Identifies the Prisoner—Court House Crowded at the Opening.

MERCER, PA., May 6.—Boyle was found guilty this afternoon of the charge of kidnapping Willie Whittle, after a trial lasting less than three days.

The penalty for kidnapping in Pennsylvania is imprisonment of from one year to life.

MERCER, PA., May 6.—The trial of James F. Boyle, charged with the kidnapping of Willie Whittle, began here to-day.

An immense crowd poured into the court room when doors were opened. The Whittle party came from Sharon in automobiles.

As soon as Judge Williams arrived, Mr. Whittle asked him if he thought the house was safe with so many people in it. The judge said it was alright with the number in it but ordered the doors closed and no more people were admitted.

Boyle entered a plea of not guilty and Attorney T. C. Cochran for the prosecution made the opening address.

Willie Whittle was the first witness. He identified Boyle as the man who called at school and took him away. Boyle said he had been sent to take him away on account of smallpox.

**WANT \$100,000 FOR MODEL BUILDING**

Andrew Carnegie Adds \$15,000 to \$20,000 Given by State to Winthrop College—\$65,000 Now in Sight.

Special to The Chronicle.

ROCK HILL, S. C., May 6.—Mr. Carnegie again remembers Winthrop College in a donation of \$15,000 to be applied to the model school fund. The State of South Carolina appropriated \$20,000 for this school, provided President Johnson should raise \$25,000 more. President Johnson has succeeded in raising \$65,000. It is his intention to secure a total of \$100,000, with which he proposes to make a model school that shall be excelled by none. Several years ago Mr. Carnegie gave \$30,000 for Winthrop College's library. This building is the pride of the college.

Three young ladies of Winthrop College were graduated in music last Monday night. They were Misses Jessie Rivers and Elizabeth Wilcox, of this place, and Miss Lucille Dandle.

The Johnny Jones Carnival will be here next week for the benefit of the Hamilton-Carhart Band.

The young people of this place contemplate having a moonlight picnic at the Southern Power Company's plant next Friday night.

### GOVERNOR GUILD A LA HOBSON

Massachusetts' Chief Executive Says the United States is Practically Defenseless Before Japan—A Dangerous Situation.

MEDFORD, MASS., May 6.—Governor Guild in an address to the faculty and students of Tufts College, to-day said that the United States is to-day practically defenseless before the Japanese. He said he realized that there was a steady movement toward peace in this country but disarmament by one country was suicidal. He said that one nation having interests in the Pacific is preparing for war with some one. Her army is three times the size of ours, her spies are stirring up revolt in the Philippines, and working on the Panama Canal. Our soldiers of peace, the State militia, should be encouraged.

### UNUSUAL NAVAL PROGRESS IN 1908

\$125,000,000 Worth of Ships Launched—Longest Step Forward Was Taken by Germany—Plans for Manoeuvres of America's Fleets—Target Practice Will be Held Off Coast of Virginia.

WASHINGTON, May 6.—Something like \$125,000,000 worth of warships were launched by the principal nations in the year 1908. In displacement these ships represented exactly 250,000 tons. This displacement is represented by twenty vessels, thus distributed: Ten battleships, 174,400 tons; one coast defence battleship, 3680 tons; five armored cruisers, 58,700 tons; four protected cruisers, 12,650 tons. The nations which have launched these vessels number nine, as follows:

Germany—Four battleships, Nassau, Westfalen, Rheinland, and Posan of 18,000 tons each; one armored cruiser, Blucher of 15,000 tons; two protected cruisers, Emden, 3600 tons, and Kolberg, 4300 tons; total, 94,900 tons.

England—Two battleships, Collingwood and St. Vincent, of 21,000 tons each; one protected cruiser Boadicea, 3400 tons; total, 44,500 tons.

Austria—One battleship, Erzherzog Franz-Ferdinand, 14,600 tons.

Brazil—One battleship, Minas-Geraes, 20,000 tons.

Denmark—One coast defence battleship, Peder-Skram, 3680 tons.

United States—Two battleships, Michigan and South Carolina, 17,900 tons each; total, 35,800 tons.

France—One armored cruiser, Waldeck-Rousseau, 14,000 tons.

Italy—Three armored cruisers, Amalfi, 10,100 tons; San Giorgio and San Marco, 9800 tons each; total, 29,700 tons.

Japan—One protected cruiser, Mayami, 1350 tons.

In this list it will be seen that Germany is an easy first, having launched considerably more than double the tonnage that England has—the first occasion on which the German shipyards have turned out more than the British.

Not a Cent Extra for Fleet Repairs.

Navy Department officials not only refute the stories that have been printed in the last few days to the effect that the American battleships are practically useless as a result of the long cruise around the world, but are most emphatic in saying that the country is to be congratulated on knowing that it has such tremendous fighting machines that are capable of standing so much wear and tear and demonstrating to the world the superiority of American workmanship and genius. The statement of Secretary of the Navy Meyer that the cruise probably cost this country in the neighborhood of \$1,500,000 more than if the ships had remained at home does not mean that this amount of money had to be put into repairs occasioned by the around-the-world cruise. In fact, very little of that amount of money is being spent in repairs. Officials of the different bureaus of the Navy Department unite in asserting that most of this money has been spent in coal and oil which were consumed on the trip.

The bureau of construction of the Navy Department reports that there is very little excess of repairs that can be charged solely to the cruise, and officials say it won't amount to but a few dollars and probably not as much as \$100,000.

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### 200,000 Workingmen Strike at Buenos Ayres

BUENOS AYRES, May 6.—Two hundred thousand workingmen, embracing all branches of the public and all trades are on strike here to-day and business is practically at a standstill.

At Rosario, the second city of the republic, between 25,000 and 50,000 men are out and trouble has begun at La Plata.

The condition has been effected as a protest against occurrences of May 1, when in a clash with the authorities a number of persons were killed and wounded.

### Great Opium Smuggling Plot is Being Uncovered

SAN FRANCISCO, May 6.—Secretservice men and revenue agents are scouring the coast to-day in an effort to discover the rendezvous of opium smugglers involved in a plot disclosed to-day, and said to be the biggest in the history of this port. Big operatives in China and the United States are said to be involved.

The plot was revealed by a Chinese merchant who feared the stock of opium they had on hand would not bring the original cost price with the smuggled product coming in.

### AERONAUT HURT; MACHINE WRECKED

Lieutenant Calderara, an Italian Pupill of the Wrights, Fatally Injured—Engine Stopped and Machine Dropped.

ROME, May 6.—Lieutenant Calderara, a pupil of the Wright brothers, in aerial navigation, was perhaps fatally injured to-day in making a flight. He stopped the car, hung stationary for a moment and then dropped like a shot.

The car was almost totally wrecked and the aeronaut was cut, bruised and unconscious.

The ascent was made easily enough and no cause for the accident is yet known. Calderara was one of the most promising of Wright's pupils and was intensely interested in aerial navigation.

### THE RALEIGH BONDS LEGAL

Supreme Court Gives Decision in Municipal Building Case.

MANY SUCCESSFUL LOCAL SCHOOL TAX ELECTIONS

Opinions Handed Down in 18 Cases, One from Mecklenburg—Meeting at Washington, N. C. in Interest of Waterways—Governor Kitchin States His Reasons for Pardoning Maj. Martin—A Respite for Junius McKoy and a Commutation for Zeke Austin.

CHRONICLE BUREAU, RALEIGH, May 6.

In the batch of opinions delivered this week by the Supreme Court was one, Hightower vs. the city of Raleigh, involving the legality of the issue of \$125,000 bonds authorized by the last Legislature for the erection of a new municipal building and auditorium, the Supreme Court affirming the ruling of the lower court by Judge Lyon that the act authorizing the issue without the question being submitted to a vote of the people was constitutional. This means that there is now no obstacle to the sale of the bonds at the highest market price and the erection of the much needed city building and auditorium with the least possible delay. It is probable that the new building will be completed within the next 18 months at the furthest and that Raleigh will be in a position to call for the next big State Democratic and other conventions.

**Opinions Delivered.**  
The delivery of opinions this week by the Supreme Court involves 18 appeals from various parts of the State as follows:

Norris vs. Laws, Wake, new trial; Hightower vs. Raleigh, Wake, affirmed; Battle & Clark vs. Lacy, Wake, affirmed; Baker vs. Railway, Anson, reversed; Richardson vs. Richardson, Anson, affirmed; State vs. Davis, Gaston, a new trial; Lynch vs. Melton, Cleveland, affirmed; Cotton Mills vs. Railroad, Lincoln, affirmed in both appeals; Whitlock vs. Dixon, Mecklenburg, affirmed; Pearson vs. Telegraph Company, Caldwell, affirmed; Webb vs. Lumber Company, Caldwell, affirmed; Booker vs. Eller, Wilkes, affirmed; Williams vs. Casualty Co., Wilkes, affirmed; Garrison vs. Railway, Buncombe, affirmed; Hauser vs. Western Union Telegraph Company, Alexander, new trial; Manufacturing Company vs. Rowe, Pender, per curiam, affirmed; Raynor vs. Railroad, Lenoir, per curiam, affirmed; State vs. Logan, Rutherford, petition for tertiorari denied.

**Several Successful Elections.**  
Reports of successful local tax elections for the improvement of schools are coming in to the State Department of Education rapidly now and there are still probably 75 of these elections to be held within the next 30 days. Among those just reported are Mount Holly, bond election and increase of tax rate from 30 to 45 cents; Washington, N. C., local tax by overwhelming majority; Morven, Anson county, local tax; Hamlet, school bonds.

**In Interest of Waterways.**  
Col. J. Bryan Grimes, Secretary of State, has gone to Washington, N. C., to participate in a meeting there for the purpose of allowing citizens in the territory affected, to express to Engineer Earl I. Brown, of the engineer corps, their views on the question of deepening Pamlico river to Washington, N. C., and Tar river up to Greenville, the idea being to get a depth of 10 feet as high as Grimsland and as deep as practicable from there to Greenville. Col. Grimes is also interested in a note he has just received from engineers carrying out the survey that it seems now that it may be necessary for the course of the Intra-Coastal Waterway to include Holy Shelter Bay, Pender county in getting a course from New River to Northeast river.

Governor Kitchin made public to-day his reasons for pardoning Major W. H. Martin, who embezzled \$16,000 from the State Treasury while institutional clerk to State Treasurer Worth. After stating the fact that Martin had served eight years and four months of his ten years sentence, the Governor says: "He has been a model prisoner. The solicitor and trial judge and many citizens recommend the pardon. Owing to his commutation for good behavior, under its continuance, he would have but a few months more to serve. He is in his 69th year. The physician at the State prison says he is very feeble, has spent much time in bed this year, that he seems to be going down the hill all the time and further confinement would endanger his life. His offense was great; his punishment has been great. Owing to his age and the condition of his health, with the danger to his life from further confinement, leniency can now be extended without violence to justice. And therefore, with the unanimous consent of the Council of State the pardon is granted."

Zeke Austin, who is serving four

### MRS. REILLEY PRESIDENT

State Federation of Women's Clubs Elects Officers.

DR. STILES DELIVERS INTERESTING ADDRESS

Charlotte Woman Honored at Meeting of Club Women at Raleigh—The Other Officers—Expert in United States Hospital Service Talks on "The Condition of Women and Children Among Tenant Classes"—Sanitation is Important. CHRONICLE BUREAU, RALEIGH, May 6.

The North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs this afternoon elected officers for next year as follows:

President, Mrs. Eugene Reilley, of Charlotte.

Vice presidents—Mrs. Sol Well, of Goldsboro and Mrs. James Briggs, of Raleigh.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. W. C. A. Hammel, of Greensboro.

Corresponding Secretary—Miss Camille Holt Hunt, of Lexington.

Treasurer—Mrs. Alice Field, of Kingston.

General Federation State Secretary—Miss Margaret Lovell Gibson, of Wilmington, retiring president.

Auditor—Mrs. Harris, of Henderson.

"The Condition of Women and Children Among Tenant Classes," was the subject of a lecture before the Federation of Women's Clubs to-day by Dr. C. W. Stiles, chief of the division of geology, United States Public Health, Marine Hospital Service, in which he treated effective means of combatting germs of malaria, typhoid and, especially the hookworm, that has come so much in the limelight of late. He declared the responsibility for the bad conditions he pictured very largely with the landlords in that they fail to provide ordinary sanitary conditions for the premises rented. An inquiry as to what remedy could be applied best to check "hookworms," Dr. Stiles said (quoting) administered to the patients and the providing of sanitary closets would eradicate the disease.

He declared that an investigation by himself as to the sanitary conditions had shown an astoundingly widespread lack of sanitary closets, one large Southern college even being found lacking in this respect. A declaration by Dr. Stiles that the personal worth of the average Southern girl of the tenant class to which he referred was a thousand times better than it was generally reputed to be and that they would measure up well with their sisters in more favorable environments elicited applause from the ladies.

**30,000 DEAD; 35,000 HOMELESS**

This in the Adana District Alone—Lawlessness Continues—Several Killed There Yesterday.

CONSTANTINOPLE, May 6.—A dispatch from Adana, Asiatic Turkey, dated Monday says that Adana is still lawless. More people were killed in the city yesterday. There are 30,000 dead in Adana province as a result of the massacres and 35,000 homeless and penniless refugees are wandering in the villages.

The deaths in Adana city alone are estimated at 6,500. Adana is terrorized by four thousand soldiers, who are looting, shooting and burning.

No respect is paid to foreign properties. Both the French schools have been destroyed, and it is feared that the American school, commercial and missionary interests in Adana are totally ruined.

The new vali has not as yet inspired confidence. There is reason to believe that the authorities still intend to permit the extermination of all Christians.

The troops here are making a pretence of throwing "water" on the flames; instead of water they use kerosene and are thus purposely adding to the conflagration. Apprehension is felt here regarding the American missionary stations at Hadji and Tarsus. All letters and telegrams sent out through Turkish channels are censored.

### PARENSIS GERM WILL SAVE HIM

Chester Jordan, Under Sentence to the Electric Chair, Will be Operated On.

BOSTON, MASS., May 6.—The developments, new in criminal history, in the case of Chester Jordan, convicted of murder in the first degree for the killing of his wife, may save him from the electric chair.

An operation known as "lumbar puncture," has been decided upon in his case. A quantity of the spinal fluid will be drawn from his spine and tested for the presence of a paretic germ. If it is revealed that he is suffering from paretic he will likely escape the electric chair.

years from Buncombe county for manslaughter, receives from the Governor a commutation of sentence to three years, so that his term will expire in April 1910. The commutation is on recommendation of many citizens and because there seems to have been considerable provocation in that the deceased had insulted his wife.

Hon. W. C. Maybury Dead.

DETROIT, MICH., May 6.—Former Mayor and Congressman William C. Maybury died at his home here to-day of uremic poisoning.