

SUGGESTS BOND ISSUE FOR CITY

Mr. John A. Mills, in Resignation As Alderman, Hopes to See Better Streets For Raleigh

TO BE COMMISSIONER

Had Agreed to Take Position Vacated by Chairman Johnson and Feels That He Can be of Greater Service as Commissioner—City's Finances Economically Administered—Gives Reason Why Raleigh Should Vote Bond Issue of \$500,000 for Streets.

Mr. John A. Mills, formerly president of the Raleigh & Southport has tendered his resignation as alderman of the city of Raleigh, to which he was elected to succeed Mr. Joseph G. Brown, and will accept the place of commissioner on the Wake county board of commissioners, succeeding Chairman D. T. Johnson, resigned. In tendering his resignation as alderman Mr. Mills stated that at the time he accepted it he did not know that he could not hold two offices and desired to be relieved because of his promise to take the other position and of the better opportunity to serve the people if afforded.

The board of aldermen has not yet decided on a man to take Mr. Mills' place. The board was to have met last night, but the meeting was adjourned until next Friday night. In his letter of resignation Mr. Mills suggests a bond issue for street improvements. His letter in part follows:

The Resignation.
"I hereby tender my resignation as a member of your board to take effect at once.

"My reason for resigning this office is that previous to my election to your board I had agreed to accept a vacancy that was expected in the board of county commissioners. When I accepted the position on your board it had not occurred to me that I could not legally hold two offices. I feel that because of my agreeing to accept the appointment on the county board that I owe my first duty to the county.

"I feel too that if I can be of any service to either board, I can serve best the interest of the county at large.

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I have tried to inquire into the affairs of your city. The inquiry I have made leads me to believe that your city is economically handled and that the funds of the city are wisely and judiciously handled. I believe that any careful investigation will bear me out in this conclusion.

Bond Issue Needed.
"It is true you need streets paved and a newly equipped fire department, but your annual income is not sufficient to do this, and for this reason I heartily recommend that the citizens of Raleigh authorize a bond issue of at least \$500,000 for this work.
"You are compelled at the present time to spend for patch work on your streets enough money annually to pay interest on at least half of a \$500,000 bond issue."

PRIMARIES HELD IN MANY COUNTIES

Under the democratic plan of organization primaries are being held today in all those counties of the state to select delegates to the various county conventions, unless otherwise provided by law, which will be held May 25. In Wake county both the democratic and republican primaries will be held Saturday, June 1. The people will not vote on their choice for president, though there is no law against such a thing, and the Underwood people, who are anxious for a popular expression in this state, will have to take their chances with the other candidates at the state convention.

The people of Wake county will nominate legislative candidates June 1. Another primary to be held in August will determine the county officers.

John R. Staton, Joyce, Ky., had an exceptionally severe attack of whooping cough. He says: "If it had not been for Foley's Honey and Tar Compound I would have been compelled to quit work. Instead, I never missed a day, and Foley's Honey and Tar Compound gave me instant relief and is the only cough medicine we ever use." Contains no opiates. King-Crowell Drug Co.

Some men don't seem to want a reputation for paying their debts.

THE OHIO PRIMARIES

"Tearing On Old Camp Ground" Big Fight Going On

Buckeye State is Scene of Political Warfare—Everybody Has Knife Out and Looking Out for Number One—Ohio Has Two Favorite Sons in Fight.

Columbus, Ohio, May 18.—The battle-ground in the contest for the presidential nomination in each of the two big parties is now centered in Ohio, where for the first time in its history, a presidential primary will be held on Tuesday, May 21. The Buckeye State has two "favorite sons" in the field, President Taft and Gov. Judson A. Harmon, one of whom is battling for renomination at the hands of the republicans, and the other struggling for his elevation from the governorship to the presidency, through the support of the democrats.

The names of candidates on the primary ballots are as follows:

Republicans—Robert M. LaFollette, William H. Taft, Theodore Roosevelt.

Democrats—Judson Harmon and Woodrow Wilson.

In the republican party, both Taft and Roosevelt organizations are making claims of victory.

At the Roosevelt headquarters it was predicted today that the colonel would capture a majority of the district delegates, and it was further unofficially claimed that he would sweep the state.

The Taft forces control the state center and executive committees, the congressional organization, and 75 of the 88 county committees.

They claim they will sweep the state, capturing every district delegate and all the delegates at large.

While Senator LaFollette still has an organization and an open headquarters here in charge of former State Senator Moses B. Carnhart, no claims are being advanced as to the outcome of the primaries and it is believed that he will run a poor third, though his supporters hope to see him ride to victory on the crest of the wave of dissatisfaction occasioned by the Roosevelt-Taft controversy.

In the democratic party a stronger fight has probably been made than in any other state in the nation. Gov. Judson Harmon, who was elected to his office by the largest majority even given a democrat in seeking the state delegation to Baltimore as opposed to the candidacy of Gov. Woodrow Wilson. There has been a great deal of insurrection against Governor Harmon and prominent men of his party, including Mayor Newton Baker, has led the fight for Wilson and has repeatedly denounced Harmon as a



THOMAS WADE.

Whose years of faithful service as steward to John Jacob Astor, was rewarded in the deceased multi-millionaire's will by a bequest of \$10,000. In commenting on the windfall Wade said: "I would rather have Colonel Astor back than his money."

"reactionary" and "a tool of Wall street." However, the Harmon men control the democratic state organization and show little sign of worry over the outcome.

On the other hand the Wilson men claim that their candidate will not only carry the state, but will beat Harmon by a large majority.

The republican primary is designed to select 42 district delegates, some instructed; others, uninstructed, to the national convention. In addition to these delegates, representing the 21 congressional districts, some delegates to the state convention, which will select the 6 delegates at large, will be chosen directly at the primary, while other districts will select delegates to a county convention, which, in turn, will choose the delegates to the state convention.

The democrats will hold what is known as a "preferential" primary instructing all of the district delegates to the Baltimore convention.

From the start, the campaign in Ohio has been spectacular, and special trains have been dodging about from city to hamlet in the interests of one candidate or another. It was at Columbus, in an address before the constitutional convention, that Colonel Roosevelt threw his hat into the ring, and it was at Toledo a short time later that President Taft gave it his first vigorous kick. Since then the war has raged intermittently and neither side has seemed to have the advantage.

Among other prominent leaders who have toured the state were Senator LaFollette and William Jennings Bryan—both of whom created the most intense interest and discussion.

The result of the primary will be crucial to the republican candidates. Should Colonel Roosevelt capture a majority of the delegates to the Chicago convention from the president's home state, it is believed that Mr. Taft's candidacy will be pronounced hopeless and a "dark horse" will be groomed for the race. If, on the other hand, the president should receive an unqualified endorsement from Ohio republicans, it is conceded that this would largely offset the adverse effect of the Illinois and Pennsylvania primaries and place Taft in a commanding position.

HEADQUARTERS CLOSE

Roosevelt Camp in Greensboro Closed—Did God Work.

(Special to The Times.)
Greensboro, May 18.—Roosevelt headquarters in Greensboro opened shortly after the announcement that the former president was a candidate—will be closed this afternoon, and Col. W. S. Pearson, who has been in charge, will probably return to his home in Charlotte today. The purpose for which the headquarters were opened—namely the handling of matter and aid in securing delegates from this state to the national convention for Colonel Roosevelt, was more than accomplished, and yesterday Colonel Pearson received the congratulations of many delegates who stopped off here after attending the state convention. Colonel Pearson is firmly of the opinion that Colonel Roosevelt will be nominated, and said today that in all probability Roosevelt headquarters would again be opened in Greensboro this year—after the national convention and in the interest of Roosevelt as a candidate for the presidency of the nation, rather than for nomination.

Anticipating.

"Mercy, Laura, what do you mean by beginning to write just as soon as the train pulls out?" "Oh, I'm just writing a postcard to my husband, telling him we arrived safely."
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