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DR. WILKINS TENDERS RESIGNATION TO BOARD

Candidate For Lower House Legislature Resigns — County Executive Board to Meet Wednesday to Name Successor.

Dr. S. A. Wilkins, candidate on the Democratic ticket for the lower house of the North Carolina General Assembly has offered his resignation on account of the ill health of his wife. The Democratic executive committee has been called to meet Wednesday, September 15, at 11 o'clock to consider the resignation and to take such steps as are necessary to fill the vacancy. Chairman John G. Carpenter has issued the following notice to the Democrats of the county, women as well as men:

"Dr. S. A. Wilkins, of Dallas, has tendered his resignation as a candidate of the Democratic Party for representative in the Legislature. A meeting of the Executive Committee has been called for Wednesday, the 15th, at 11 o'clock, at the court house in Gastonia, to consider such resignation, and to take such necessary action with regard to the nomination of a successor for such vacancy, in case said resignation is accepted. This is to give notice to any and all Democrats of Gaston county, the women as well as the men, that they are invited to attend such meeting at the court house in Gastonia, on Wednesday, Sept. 15th, at 11 o'clock, A. M."

ILLINOIS CAMPAIGN BITTER TO THE END

(By The Associated Press.)

CHICAGO, Sept. 14.—One of the bitterest primary campaigns in Illinois' political history closed today with leaders of the two republican factions centering their fight on the gubernatorial nomination. At the polls tomorrow democrats and republicans will nominate candidates for senator, representatives and the various state offices, in addition to governor. Len Small, former speaker of the Illinois house, who is backed for the gubernatorial nomination by Mayor William Hale Thompson and his wing of the republican party, is opposed by John G. Oglesby, lieutenant governor, for whom Governor Frank O. Lowden has taken the stump. Two other republicans, Oscar E. Carlstrom and Edward N. Woodruff, also are seeking the nomination.

In the democratic contest for the nomination for governor, James Hamilton Lewis, former senator, is opposed by Garret O'Hara, former lieutenant governor. Seeking the nomination for senator on the republican ticket are W. B. McKinley, representative from the 19th district, the Lowden candidate; Frank L. Smith, favored by the Thompson faction, and Burnett M. Chipperfield, former representative. The democratic nomination is sought by Robert E. Burke and Peter A. Waller.

A development today in the republican fight was the announcement of Sheriff Charles W. Peters, of Cook county, that more than 1,000 men would be deputized to "preserve law and order at the polls," followed by a statement from Chief of Police Garrity directing the arrest of any of the deputies if they violated the law relative to carrying weapons.

A libel suit resulting from the campaign was filed by Mayor Thompson against Mr. Oglesby, damages of \$100,000 being asked. The suit was based on letters sent out over the signature of Mr. Oglesby which were said to attack the mayor as being "seditious and unpatriotic."

SECOND SENATORIAL PRIMARY IN SOUTH CAROLINA

(By The Associated Press.)

COLUMBIA, S. C., Sept. 14.—A second democratic state-wide primary, necessitated by the failure of any of the candidates for the senatorial nomination of the recent contest to poll a majority of the votes cast, is being held today in South Carolina. Senator E. D. Smith is seeking renomination, and has as a lone opponent George Warren, of Hampton. Both candidates conducted a spirited campaign and it appeared certain that a heavy vote would be cast.

Democratic nominees for lieutenant governor and state railroad commissioner also are being chosen in today's primary.

MAX REINHARDT RETIRES.

(By The Associated Press.)

BERLIN, Aug. 20.—The newspapers announce the retirement of Max Reinhardt from the active management of his chain of Berlin theaters. Reinhardt, who had dominated the German dramatic world for more than 15 years, is said to be disgruntled at his inability to induce the authorities to repeal or modify the amusement tax, which, he states, is burdening his enterprises to a point where they are no longer profitable. He will retire to his country seat near Salzburg, where he will devote himself to agriculture and some more complicated problems of dramatic art.

Gerhart Hauptmann, a dramatist, and Felix Hollaender, who has been Reinhardt's chief assistant, are mentioned as the joint succeeding directors.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MAKE 1920 TAX LEVY

Board of Commissioners Fix County Tax Rate at 58 Cents on \$100 Valuation.

At a meeting of the board of county commissioners held Monday the tax levy based on the new revaluation was made. The rate was reduced from \$1.44 2-3 to 58 cents and is apportioned as follows: Special road bond tax, five cents; special school tax, eight cents; regular school tax, 18 cents; county general fund, four cents; road tax, 10 cents; state school tax, 13 cents; total, 58 cents. The poll tax will be considerably less than it was last year.

The 1919 levy was as follows:
State 15 2-3
State School 32
Schools 51
County General 19
Court House Bonds 02
Roads Special 25
Total \$1.44 2-3

GEORGIA POSSE HAS NEGRO SURROUNDED

Josh Spillers Killed James Faulkner and Fatally Wounded Latter's Brother.

(By The Associated Press.)

MONTICELLO, Ga., Sept. 14.—Josh Spillers, the negro who yesterday shot to death James Faulkner and probably fatally wounded his brother, John, is surrounded in a swamp near here by a posse of several hundred citizens and his capture is momentarily expected. Bloodhounds are being used by the sheriff's posse to track the negro. It is freely predicted that Spillers will be lynched when caught.

The Faulkner brothers, prominent Jasper county farmers, went to Spillers' house yesterday afternoon to ascertain whether or not he was the party who had been spreading reports of their operating an illicit distillery. Called to the door of his home, Spillers answered by opening fire on the two men. The first shot struck James Faulkner just above the heart, inflicting a mortal wound. John Faulkner was so badly shot that reports from the Macon City hospital, where he was rushed, indicated that he will probably die.

Spillers fled from his home immediately after the shooting, and was later surrounded by a posse of several hundred men in a swamp not far from his home. The hunt was given over last night, temporarily, but was again taken up this morning by an even larger posse. Trained bloodhounds with the posse were on the negro's trail early this morning, showing, it is stated, that he has not left the swamp.

VICE-CONSUL RETURNING HOME ON LEAVE

(By The Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13.—John Y. Jordan, Jr., of Asheville, N. C., American vice consul at Brest, France, is returning home on leave. At the state department today it was stated that his return was in no way connected with the trouble which developed at a dance given by him in a Brest hotel on August 5, in which a number of men wearing the uniforms of French naval officers and several members of the American army and navy graves registration services figured.

According to reports of the affair as published in France several enlisted men in the American navy, attached to the graves registration service, as well as civilian employes of the service, were invited to the dance by Mr. Jordan. During the dance a man in a French naval uniform attempted to enter the ball room and was informed by Mr. Jordan that the dance was a private one.

An altercation followed in which companions of the man in the naval uniform took part. Several guests of Mr. Jordan joined in to protect the vice consul.

NEGRO SENTENCED TO DEATH FOR ASSAULT

(By The Associated Press.)

LYNCHBURG, Va., Sept. 13.—John F. Williams, negro, was convicted in the corporation court here this afternoon on the charge of attacking a white woman here a month ago and he was sentenced to electrocution November 13. The jury considered the case in eight minutes. Although Williams had previously confessed the crime, he pleaded not guilty upon arraignment today and denied any knowledge of the crime.

GOV. COX INVADES OREGON AND IDAHO

(By The Associated Press.)

EN ROUTE WITH GOVERNOR COX, HUNTINGTON, Ore., Sept. 14.—Governor Cox, of Ohio, today carried the democratic presidential standard into eastern Oregon and Idaho. Two addresses this afternoon and evening at Boise, Idaho, were his principal engagements today, but en route the candidate, with rear platform and other addresses, barred by his physician for a few days until his voice recovers its strength, was to confine his campaigning to brief greetings and handshaking. At Ontario, Ore., here and other stops en route, the governor's train was met by station gatherings.

GASTONIA IS 85TH CITY IN THE SOUTH

Preliminary Census Figures Show Many Changes in Rank Southern Cities — New Orleans, Atlanta and Birmingham Are First.

(By The Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—Remarkable growth in population has been shown by a number of Southern cities in the last ten years, preliminary statistics of the Bureau of the Census show. Announcement of 1920 populations have added five cities to those of the 100,000 class in the South, making a total of 11, while seven cities have advanced into the class with 25,000 or more population, making a total of 35 in that class. In all, the South has 45 cities with 25,000 or more population.

The cities which advanced into the 100,000 class are San Antonio, Dallas, Houston, Fort Worth and Norfolk. In this class Houston showed the largest rate of growth, 75.2 per cent. Dallas was second with 72.6 per cent; Norfolk third with 71.6 per cent, and San Antonio fourth with 67.0 per cent. Nashville showed the smallest rate of growth, 7.2 per cent. In point of numbers Dallas had the largest growth, the increase in the ten years having been 66,872. San Antonio was second with 64,765, Houston third with 59,276 and Norfolk fourth with 48,325. New Orleans, the South's largest city, showed a numerical increase of 48,144 which was fifth largest and a rate of growth of 14.2 per cent.

Of the cities of the 25,000 to 100,000 class, Miami, Fla., showed the highest rate of growth, its per centage having been 44.1, while Wichita Falls, Tex., ranks second with 38.8 per cent and Tulsa, Okla., third with 29.6 per cent. Tulsa advanced from 50th city of the South to 16th, Wichita Falls from 111th to 32nd, and Miami from 175th to 43rd. Other cities of this class which have more than doubled their population in the ten years are Knoxville with 114.1 per cent and Winston-Salem with 113.2 per cent.

It is not possible to give the 1920 rank of all Southern cities of 10,000 or more population as the population of several has not been announced. The following list shows the 1920 rank of cities of 25,000 or more which is not likely to be changed by the population of cities yet to be announced. The remainder of the list shows the relative position of the cities having less than 25,000 population. Their 1920 rank will show how they have grown in the ten years in comparison with other cities.

CITY	1910 Rank	1920 POP.
New Orleans	1st	387,210
Atlanta	2nd	200,616
Birmingham	3rd	178,270
Richmond	5th	171,667
Memphis	4th	162,351
San Antonio	7th	161,308
Dallas	8th	158,976
Houston	9th	138,076
Nashville	6th	118,342
Norfolk	11th	115,177
Fort Worth	10th	106,482
Jacksonville	15th	91,558
Oklahoma City	13th	91,258
Savannah	12th	83,252
Knoxville	25th	77,818
Tulsa	50th	72,075
Charleston	14th	67,957
Little Rock	17th	64,997
Mobile	16th	60,161
Chattanooga	18th	57,895
Portsmouth, Va.	27th	54,387
Macon, Ga.	20th	52,995
Augusta, Ga.	10th	52,548
Tampa, Fla.	22nd	51,252
Rosnoke, Va.	25th	50,842
Winston-Salem, N. C.	39th	48,398
Charlotte, N. C.	26th	46,318
Galveston, Tex.	23rd	44,255
Shreveport, La.	39th	43,874
Montgomery, Ala.	21st	43,464
Beaumont, Tex.	42nd	40,422
Wichita Falls, Tex.	11th	40,079
Waco, Tex.	31st	38,500
Columbia, S. C.	32nd	37,524
Newport News, Va.	44th	35,596
Austin, Tex.	28th	34,876
Wilmington, N. C.	33rd	33,372
Columbus, Ga.	43rd	31,125
Pensacola, Fla.	39th	31,035
Petersburg, Va.	35th	31,002
Muskogee, Okla.	34th	30,277
Lynchburg, Va.	29th	29,056
Miami, Fla.	175th	29,549
Fort Smith, Ark.	36th	28,811
Asheville, N. C.	48th	28,504
Raleigh, N. C.	46th	24,418
Meridian, Miss.	37th	23,436
Greenville, S. C.	54th	23,127
Laredo, Tex.	60th	22,710
Jackson, Miss.	40th	22,679
Spartanburg, S. C.	51st	22,638
Port Arthur, Tex.	118th	22,251
Baton Rouge, La.	59th	21,782
Durham, N. C.	49th	21,719
Danville, Va.	47th	21,539
Fine Bluff, Ark.	57th	19,280
Key West, Fla.	45th	19,039
Jackson, Tenn.	53rd	18,869
Waycross, Ga.	61st	18,068
Alexandria, Va.	55th	18,060
Vicksburg, Miss.	41st	17,931
Anniston, Ala.	67th	17,734
Alexandria, La.	77th	17,510
Denison, Tex.	64th	17,065
La Grange, Ga.	167th	17,038
Athens, Ga.	58th	16,748
Selma, Ala.	63rd	16,507
Amarillo, Tex.	92nd	15,404

MAINE REPUBLICAN BY BIG MAJORITY

Parkhurst Elected Governor by Majority 65,000 — Greater Than Any Previous Majority in State's History.

(By The Associated Press.)

PORTLAND, Me., Sept. 14.—Maine gave an overwhelming plurality to the republican ticket in the state election yesterday. With a total vote larger by 55,000 than the highest ever previously cast in the state, Frederic H. Parkhurst, of Bangor, was elected governor by a margin of 65,000 over his democratic opponent, Bertrand G. McIntire, of Norway. The plurality was 17,000 more than the largest obtained by any other gubernatorial candidate in the history of the state.

Four congressmen were elected by large pluralities. Congressman Wallace H. White, Jr., John A. Peters and Ira G. Hersey retained their seats and in the first district, where Congressman Louis B. Goodall, republican, did not seek reelection, Carroll L. Beedy, of Portland, republican, was chosen.

Every member of the state senate will be republican, while of a membership of 151 in the state house of representatives the democrats succeeded in electing 13. In the last legislature there were two democratic senators and 41 democratic representatives.

The vote of the state for governor, with returns from forty small towns and plantations in remote districts missing, was:
Parkhurst (R.), 133,817; McIntire (D.), 89,249.

The increase in the total vote was very largely accounted for by the presence of women at the polls for the first time. All over the state women showed themselves eager to grasp the opportunity of exercising their new privilege and they were undaunted by a heavy downpour of rain in the afternoon. The results showed that most of them voted the republican ticket.

As the returns came in, showing from the first evidences of a tremendous republican sweep, democratic state leaders were silent as to the possible significance of the vote with relation to the presidential election in November. Colonel Parkhurst, after being assured of his election, gave the viewpoint of the republicans in a statement in which he pointed out that the campaign had been vigorously contested by the democrats on national issues, and said that the outcome gave "most conclusive evidence that the voters of Maine resent the autocratic and un-American administration that the democrats have given us." He declared that it was "equally an endorsement of Harding and Coolidge."

Matters of merely state importance were hardly touched upon in the campaign. The leading speakers were men of national prominence, both parties striving to effect a good showing in the "barometer state," the only state in the Union to hold its state election in advance of the voting for president. The republicans' addresses were delivered by Governor Calvin Coolidge, of Massachusetts, vice presidential nominee; Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, Senator Joseph P. Frelinghuysen and others. The democrats sent into the state Franklin D. Roosevelt, candidate for vice president; Secretary Daniels, former Secretary William G. McAdoo and Homer S. Cummings, former chairman of the democratic national committee. The chief theme of all these speakers was the league of nations, upon which they upheld their respective national party platforms.

Shawnee, Okla.	68th	15,348
Sherman, Tex.	69th	15,031
Paris, Tex.	76th	14,939
Bristol, Va.-Tenn.	65th	14,776
Gadsden, Ala.	82nd	14,737
Bartlesville, Okla.	148th	14,417
Brunswick, Ga.	90th	14,413
High Point, N. C.	96th	14,302
Marshall, Tex.	74th	14,271
St. Petersburg, Fla.	238th	14,237
Ardmore, Okla.	102nd	14,181
Argenta, Ark.	78th	14,048
Salisbury, N. C.	125th	13,884
Rome, Ga.	70th	13,252
Lake Charles, La.	75th	13,088
Laurel, Miss.	105th	13,037
GASTONIA, N. C.	162nd	12,871
Cleburne, Tex.	86th	12,820
Rocky Mount, N. C.	115th	12,742
Monroe, La.	89th	12,675
Natchez, Miss.	71st	12,608
Johnson City, Tenn.	104th	12,442
Greenville, Tex.	99th	12,384
New Bern, N. C.	91st	12,198
Tyler, Tex.	85th	12,085
Tuscaloosa, Ala.	107th	11,996
Guthrie, Okla.	73rd	11,757
Hot Springs, Ark.	62nd	11,695
Sapulpa, Okla.	108th	11,634
Greenville, Miss.	95th	11,560
Albany, Ga.	112th	11,555
Corsicana, Tex.	93rd	11,356
Goldboro, N. C.	151st	11,296
Temple, Tex.	79th	11,033
Florence, S. C.	127th	10,968
Biloxi, Miss.	116th	10,937
Valdosta, Ga.	119th	10,738
Charlottesville, Va.	136th	10,688
Wilson, N. C.	138th	10,653
Staunton, Va.	81st	10,617
Del Rio, Tex.	—	10,589
Anderson, S. C.	94th	10,535
Florence, Ala.	139th	10,529
Corpus Christi, Tex.	110th	10,522
Columbus, Miss.	98th	10,501
Abilene, Tex.	97th	10,274
Dothan, Ala.	130th	10,034

CITY COUNCIL FIXES TAX RATE AT 86 CENTS ON \$100

The city council in regular session assembled Monday night determined the city tax rate, heard a delegation from the Ministerial Association and passed upon a number of routine matters. The tax rate for 1920 is 86 cents. The details are given below.

The delegation from the Ministerial Association consisted of Revs. J. C. Galloway, D. D., J. H. Henderlite, D. D., J. W. Cauty, Johnson, W. A. Hough and G. R. Gillespie. They appeared before the council seeking legislation looking toward the remedying of certain violations of Sunday observance in the city and immoral conditions in general.

As a result of the ministers' protest certain cafes in South Gastonia were ordered closed on Sundays from 10 to 1 o'clock, from 3 to 5 and from 7 to 9 o'clock. The attention of the city council was also directed to the insults offered ladies by certain drivers of automobiles on the streets of Gastonia. Those found guilty of questionable advances

will be prosecuted to the limit of the law. These representations were made to the city council following a meeting Monday of the city ministers and of the Gaston County Baptist Ministers Association, both of which bodies denounced in no mild terms the growing immorality in the city and county. Strong protests were registered. As a result, a county-wide campaign against vice and immorality will soon be launched from the pulpits of the county churches.

The city council gave the ministers a very cordial welcome and assured them that their interests were appreciated. They were commended for their action in wishing to cooperate with the legal authorities.

The City Council of the City of Gastonia in regular session on September 13th, 1920, made the following tax rates applicable to the City of Gastonia for the year 1920. A statement is given of last year's taxes that the tax payers may know how the present rate was derived.

	1919	RATE REVENUE	RATE REVENUE
		DERIVED	DERIVED
Rate of taxation for city purposes, including interest on all bonds was on old valuation, per \$100 value	\$1.20	\$ 79,694.86	
Rate of taxation for school purposes	.50	31,862.90	
Totals			\$110,557.76
	1920	RATE REVENUE	RATE REVENUE
		ESTIMATED	ESTIMATED
Total real and personal property value for the City of Gastonia under the revaluation act in the sum of \$23,751,418.			
Rate for city purposes as follows:			
Sinking fund for bonds issued prior to 1919	\$.07	\$ 17,422.00	
Interest on bonds issued prior to 1919	.13	29,950.00	
Interest on bonds issued after 1919	.11	25,800.00	
Sinking fund for bonds issued after 1919	.03	7,400.00	
NOTE: The law allows a levy in excess of the 10 per cent limitation for payment of principal and interest on bonds issued after 1919.			
For general city purposes	.17	40,508.00	
Total for city purposes including interest and sinking funds for all bonds			\$ 51 \$121,080.00
For schools in City of Gastonia			
Under a special act passed at the special session of the Legislature of 1920, the schools of Gastonia were allowed to levy a tax on the value of all real and personal property in a sum not exceeding 35c; the local school board certified to the City Council a rate of			
Total rate for City of Gastonia			\$.86 \$204,109.00
SUMMARY OF RATES			
Sinking fund for bonds	\$.10		
Interest on bonds	.24		
General city purposes	.17		
For Public Schools	.35		
Total			\$.86
Poll Tax	\$2.00		
Cemetery	\$1.00		

BOTH PARTIES IN N. Y. CHOOSE CANDIDATES TODAY

(By The Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—Enrolled republicans and democrats of New York state went to the polls today to vote for candidates who seek party nominations for the various state offices as well as for United States senator, representatives in congress and seats in both houses of the legislature.

Leaders of both parties predicted a large vote. The most important contests of a state-wide nature are for United States senator and governor on the republican ticket and for United States senator on the democratic ticket. United States Senator James W. Wadsworth, Jr., who received the endorsement of the unofficial republican state convention, is opposed by Mrs. Ella A. Boole, state president of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, and George Henry Payne, city tax commissioner.

Nathan L. Miller, of Syracuse, former judge of the court of appeals, designer of the unofficial republican state convention for governor, is opposed by Senator George F. Thompson.

The contest for the senatorial nomination on the democratic ticket is between Lieutenant Governor Harry C. Walker, of Binghamton, and Mayor George Lunn, of Schenectady. Lieutenant Governor Walker is the designee of the unofficial democratic state convention.

M'SWINEY'S DEATH WOULD PUT AN END TO IRISH NEGOTIATIONS

(By The Associated Press.)

LONDON, Sept. 14.—Negotiations for the settlement of the Irish question which are described as the most promising as yet initiated will be nullified if Terence MacSwiney, lord mayor of Cork, dies in Brixton prison, where he is continuing his hunger strike, says the Dublin correspondent of the Times.

Secret negotiations on the basis of full self-government within the empire have been going on during the last three weeks between the most prominent leaders of modern opinion and influential republicans, he declared. The moderates have at last been told, he adds, that nothing further can be done while MacSwiney is near death, and if the lord mayor dies the last hope of settlement on the proposed basis will disappear.

AUTOPSY HELD OVER BODY OF OLIVE THOMAS

(By The Associated Press.)