

The Evening Dispatch.

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THE NEW YORK CONVENTIONS

Looks Like Chanler and Hughes

Present Democratic Lieut. Gov. Has a Strong Lead and Will Probably Land—Ambassador Hill Refuses to Run in Republican Convention, Which Makes More Trouble for the Anti-Hughes Folks.

Rochester, Sept. 15.—There is but little change in the political outlook here today. Up to noon the time of calling the convention to order Chanler is the favorite among the delegates, and probably will be the nominee. Less than one-third of the delegates were in the hall at noon, but in half an hour most of them were in their places.

Republican Convention.
Saratoga Springs, Sept. 15.—David Jaye, Hill, Ambassador to Germany, called today he would not accept the New York Governorship, so that the last hope of the anti-Hughes element to unite on a man is lost. Many others of prominence have been offered the nomination, but all decline and the leaders are floundering about helplessly.

BIG FIRE IN MAINE.

Hundreds of People Homeless and Great Property Damage.

Saco, Maine, Sept. 15.—Six hundred people homeless, half million dollars damage to property and eighty-five tenement houses and nine million feet of lumber consumed is the result of a fire which swept this city today. It originated in a lumber yard and high winds caused the rapid spread of the flames. The damage would have been much larger had not help arrived from Biddeford. There were many thrilling escapes from death. The flames were subdued about noon.

SHOT THROUGH LOVE.

Act of Frenzied Woman in New York
New York, Sept. 15.—A frenzied woman shot her husband through the heart because of his infatuation for another woman. Mrs. [Name] fatally shot Frank Pansea in his office in a skirt factory here today. Two hundred girls in the factory became panic-stricken. The woman was arrested.

Farewell Dance To-Night
Farewell Souvenir Dance at Lumina tonight. Everybody going.

"COW JUMPED OVER THE MOON."

Skyrocket Meat Prices in Chicago Today.
Chicago, Sept. 15.—Bacon is selling in this city today as high as Porter house—27 to 30 cents per pound. Cattle and hogs are scarce and are selling high. High prices for meat may be expected for some time.

AFTER COTTON FARMERS.

Night Riders in New Roles in Arkansas.
Jonesboro, Ark., Sept. 15.—Night Riders are organizing in the north-eastern part of Arkansas for the purpose of reducing the cotton acreage next year and compelling holding this crop. Farmers are being held up and threatened.

LOSES DISPENSARY CASE.

Judge Pritchard Sustained in South Carolina Matter.
Richmond, Sept. 15.—South Carolina loses its dispensary case, Judge Pritchard being sustained in every point by the Court of Appeals.

BUBONIC PLAGUE

Has Caused 3,000 Deaths During Past Few Days.
St. Petersburg, Sept. 15.—This city is facing a serious crisis from the Bubonic plague. Forty deaths have occurred in the last twenty-four hours, and one hundred new cases have been added to the list. There have been four hundred and five deaths in four days. The authorities seem to be unable to cope with the situation. There have been three thousand deaths since the outbreak.

To-Night at Lumina
Farewell Dance at Lumina tonight. Don't miss it.

Mad Dog Scare.
Some excitement was created yesterday afternoon by the antics of a supposed mad dog. The animal is said to have bitten a child, several other dogs, and chickens, before it was killed by Officer M. A. Jones.

MAYOR'S COURT TODAY

Emanuel Silvia, a White Man, Secures a Sentence of Thirty Days on the Roads, After Many Previous Appearances Before the Court, on the Charge of Being Drunk and Disorderly—Other Cases Disposed of at the Noon Session.

In the Mayor's court at noon today the case of most interest was that against Emanuel Silvia, a white man charged with being drunk and disorderly. Silvia was to have been tried yesterday, but a subsequent spree after his first arrest when he was released on bail necessitated the trial of the case until today.

Early Sunday morning Silvia was arrested at the corner of Seventh and Castle streets by Officer W. R. Applebury of the police force. The officer stated at the trial today that he exerted every effort to persuade Silvia to go to his home before placing him under arrest, but that the latter cursed him in such a vile manner that he was compelled to arrest him.

In placing judgment against Silvia today, Mayor Springer stated that he had accorded the defendant every consideration during the number of times he had appeared before the court, but that Silvia had finally reached the end of his rope so far as the leniency of the court was concerned. The mayor stated that as the defendant was even then under a suspended sentence of thirty days for a previous trial, he had no other alternative but to pass judgment, and this he did, sentencing Silvia to a straight term of thirty days on the county roads.

Martha Howard and Rena Davis, charged with vagrancy were released, but on the same charge William Brown had a sentence of thirty days on the roads presented to him.

William Bryant and M. M. Brooks, charged with operating wagons without the proper license tags, were released as both presented good excuses.

Lucile Howard was charged with an affray, and the dark dame created some amusement when she stated that a difficulty was forced upon her by another woman at Ruth Hall last night during the progress of a "Bloomer Ball," the chief feature of which was the abbreviated skirts worn by the dusky dancers. The woman presented a good excuse and she was discharged by the court.

A case against Ellis Sherman, alleging disorderly conduct, was postponed until Saturday.

Everybody Going
To the Farewell Souvenir Dance at Lumina tonight.

LOCATION OF THE STORM.

High Winds Predicted for Today, But Will Diminish Tomorrow.
Observer Geo. W. Felger issued the following report this morning as to the storm and local conditions:

"The tropical disturbance is apparently central some distance off the Florida coast moving slowly to the northward. Hatteras reports a velocity of 34 miles from the northeast at 8 a. m.

A strong high pressure area has moved into the northeast sections, and in connection with the disturbances, northeast winds prevail along the coast.

"Rains have fallen in the southeast sections, and from Texas northward into Nebraska and Colorado.

The pressure distribution indicates partly cloudy weather for this section tonight and Wednesday with brisk to high northeast to north winds diminishing Wednesday.

At the Bijou.
The feature films at the popular Bijou theatre today are called "Miss Holds Puppets," and "The Knowing Birds." The first mentioned is a hand colored production and it is very pretty and attractive.

SURPRISE MARRIAGE.

Miss Annie Mason the Bride of Mr. Tate Bowen.
As a pleasant surprise to their friends came the announcement of the marriage of Miss Annie Mason, daughter of Mr. Ludwig Mason, and Mr. Tate Bowen. Without acquainting any of their friends of their happy purpose, Mr. Bowen and his bride repaired to the study of Rev. Fred D. Hale, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Sunday afternoon and there they were united in marriage by that minister. Both are popular young people and will have the best wishes of their many friends for a long and peaceful journey through life together. Mr. and Mrs. Bowen will make their home at the corner of Fifth and Harnett streets.

MAKE PLAIN STATEMENT

Commissioners Present Account of Work

They Show Clearly How the Bond Issue Money Was Spent and Why New Hanover County Should Continue the Road Work—They Give Figures and Tell of Future Work—Statement Cannot be Misunderstood.

The Board of County Commissioners this morning issued a signed statement relative to the road work done under the bond issue, giving the amounts expended and showing how they were expended and tell of what it is hoped to accomplish. The statement is clear and should be convincing so far as the need of New Hanover county for good roads. The statement was issued for the information of the public and is as follows:

There has been paid out for all purposes on permanent road improvements, account from January 1st, 1901, to December 1st, 1907, \$124,198.37
Paid for Turnpike, (see remarks below) \$ 7,500.00
Assets now on hand, itemized below 21,059.15— 28,559.15

Net cost of Macadam roads, \$ 95,639.22
Itemized Assets.
Rock crusher, boiler and engine. \$ 2,321.50
Road roller and 5 dump cars. 2,500.00
Steel cage for prisoners. 400.00
Rock bins. 227.41
1 Centrifugal pump. 100.00
1 electric pump. 804.98
Stockade at East Wilmington. 2,036.87
Hoisting engine and overhead trolley. 1,500.00
11 miles 16 carts wagon, tents, etc., estimated. 2,000.00
Present quarry, including rock uncovered, cost of poles, ties and labor building electric road from Fifth street to quarry, stables, fences, tools, tool houses, etc., estimated. 7,000.00
1 deep weight wagon, 1500
4 railroad cars, 2014.36
Total itemized assets \$ 21,059.15

Turnpike.
The Commissioners bought this road at above cost, expecting to give it a surface dressing and have a completed road, but found the shells so rotten that the top dressing would not bind with the old foundation, and consequently had to re-build the road entirely, at same cost as other macadam roads, less the expense of ditching and grading, (about \$400.00 per mile).

Assets.
The assets enumerated above represent cost of machinery, and does not include cost of installing. The estimated value of the quarry is low, when it is taken into consideration that the United States road expert stated in a public address that there is enough material in sight to supply the needs of the entire county, including city streets. Should the bond issue fail and the road work discontinue, the quarry and the trolley line would revert to their respective owners. The machinery, not being in general demand, would soon become worthless, and we estimate the loss to the county would be fully \$18,000.00.

Taxation.
Should the bond issue carry, it is not probable the present tax for roads, (6c on each \$100), would be more than at present, as increased valuations would probably provide sufficient funds, but even should it become necessary to provide by taxation for the interest on the proposed issue of bonds, 2c on each \$100, or 20c on the \$1,000, this would provide more than enough to pay said interest, so that it is plainly apparent that the bond issue cannot cause any great increase in taxes. In any event, the poll tax would not be increased. If the proposed bonds are issued, and it becomes necessary to provide for same by a levy of 2c per year on each hundred dollars, the cost of continued good road building would be as follows:
On \$ 500.00 10 per year
On 1,000.00 20 per year
On 10,000.00 2.00 per year
On 100,000.00 20.00 per year
Should the bond issue fail to carry, the Commissioners will be compelled to adopt one of the following alternatives:
First. Levy the maximum amount of tax, \$2.00 on each \$1,000, as now provided by law, which would be:
On \$ 500.00 1.00 per year
On 1,000.00 2.00 per year
On 10,000.00 20.00 per year
On 100,000.00 200.00 per year

OVER 3,000 BALES

Big Cotton Receipts in Wilmington Today—Over Two Thousand Bales Came From the South—Another Steamer Reaches Port.

The receipts of cotton today are the largest so far this season. Quite a large bunch of the fleecy product came in by rail today, going to Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son. The receipts today are 3,365 bales, most of which arrived by the Wilmington, Columbia and Augusta. Via this road 2,634 bales were received, and the others came in as follows:

Atlantic and Yadkin, 596 bales; Wilmington and Weldon, 85 bales; and Carolina Central, 50 bales.
The price quoted on the Wilmington market today is 9 cents.
Another steamer is in to load cotton and has taken berth at the Champion Compress. She is the British ship Tuskar, 1,969 tons. She comes from Philadelphia and makes the fourth steamer now in port for cotton.

FATHER McGLAUGHLIN

Dubbed the Best Indicator Handler in the Carolina Association by the Greenville (S. C.) News.
The Greenville News has the following interesting article, concerning Father McLaughlin, a well known umpire who finished the baseball season in the East Carolina League.
"Mr. J. J. McLaughlin, better known to the baseball fans as 'Father Mac,' arrived in the city yesterday and will be here until tomorrow. Mr. McLaughlin was an umpire in the Carolina Association of baseball clubs during the past season and was regarded as the best handler of the indicator in the circuit.

"Since the close of the Carolina League season, he has been in the Eastern North Carolina League, but as that organization has also closed now, he will rest until next season, when it is hoped that he will resume work in the Carolina circuit. There are few more impartial umpires than him and he has a pretty good eye, too. There was very little kicking on his part during the season.
"Mr. McLaughlin thinks that the Carolina Association should have a very successful season next year. This past season was a hard one on all leagues as money was tight, but with the country in better condition 'Father Mac' thinks that 1909 will be a banner baseball year.

"The Eastern North Carolina League was a fast organization. Mr. McLaughlin says, but it would hardly compare with the Carolina Association. He says that they had a genuine case of ball fever in Wilmington and that the attendance there would average nearly a thousand a game.
"Father Mac is interested in Joe Jackson, and hopes that the Brandon boy will make good in the American League. He says that he believes that Joe will hit them all right up there, after he gets his eye on the ball. He is also interested in Barre, and thinks the ex-Spinner has a good future.

"McLaughlin is a great admirer of Manager Stouch. He thinks that there is nobody just exactly like 'Tommie.' During the baseball season when any fan whom the popular umpire knows, would meet him on the street, he would nearly always ask him if he had seen 'Tommie' lately. Manager Stouch is also a great admirer of the umpire.
"The fans were glad to see Mr. McLaughlin yesterday, and it brought back memories of the baseball season. All hope that he will wear the blue blouse in the Carolina Association next season.

Farewell Souvenir Dance
Farewell Souvenir Dance at Gay Lumina tonight.

Second. Stop all road building, turn all the prisoners now serving time on the road, over to the sheriff, pay 25c per day for each, or about \$600.00 per month, get no benefit, and in addition, allow the very efficient machinery we now have on hand to go to wreck and ruin, at a loss, as stated above, of about \$18,000 to the taxpayers.
Can the county afford to stop progress because of the above cost? Is it right to tax the people of the southern section of the county and city for roads built in other sections, and not give them good roads? It is the intention of the Commissioners to macadamize the road leading from the southern section of the city and to connect the turnpike with Castle street, in the near future. With present equipment and supply of road material in sight, the county is in better condition to build roads than ever before, and consequently cheaper. The United States road specialist stated in his public address that the average cost of macadam roads in the United States was about \$5,000. At the quarry, he stated that if this county could build its roads at \$4,000, the cost would be cheap.

Respectfully submitted,
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September 15, 1908.

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