

MUCH ENTHUSIASM WAS MANIFESTED AT THE MEETING

Democrats Contributed Liberally to The Support of Woodrow Wilson.

TREASURER MACRAE EXPLAINED REASONS

Crowd Was Small But Enthusiasm Ran Riot—Resolutions Drafted and Accepted.

What can be done if sufficient "push" is correctly applied was ably demonstrated last night and the old adage of "where there is a will there is a way" was again proven true as gospel by the handful of Democrats who braved the rain and wind to attend the meeting of the Woodrow Wilson Club and hear why the present administration should be returned to power. The meeting was held at the court house and was a success from every standpoint. The campaign to raise funds in behalf of Mr. Wilson's re-election was launched and met with hearty response. Two thousand two hundred and forty-two dollars was raised in less than five minutes and if one is to judge by remarks then there is a good deal more where that came from. If Mr. Wilson could have looked in on that meeting he would have had no cause to regret that he first realized he possessed a mind in Wilmington. But to tell of Mr. Wilson discovering his mind at this point would be running ahead of the story, so it must wait.

The principal address of the evening was delivered by Mr. Hugh McRae, Treasurer of the Finance Committee for North Carolina, and the object was to raise campaign funds in behalf of the present administration—not for the purpose of buying votes, but to advertise what the present administration has done—to meet the Republicans with their own weapon and to insure Mr. Wilson's return to the White House. Other Democrats were heard from and while Mr. McRae started off in a mild manner, Secretary C. C. Cashwell, of the County Democratic Executive Committee, brought the meeting to a "fire-eating" close lambasting the "Doubtful" Roosevelt and raking the "Bewhiskered" Hughes across the coals to the delight of his listeners. It was a meeting that combined all elements, but which showed an undercurrent of Democracy that was plainly visible at all times. The desire of all present to see Woodrow Wilson returned to power, was apparent at all times.

If there were any Republicans present, Democracy's ranks are in all probability swelled to that extent for after listening to what such men as Colonel Taylor, Mr. Cashwell, Treasurer, McRae, Chairman McGirt and Senator W. B. Cooper had to say the most doubting Thomas would have been convinced that the Democratic ticket was the ticket that should be voted in the coming election. It is hard to believe that the rankest Republican in the county could remain Republican if he had heard the virtues of Wilson and the iniquities of the Republican party aired as they were aired last night.

Mr. McRae pleaded for thorough organization, declaring that results could only be obtained in this manner. He held the achievement of the Democratic administration up as the principal reason why it should be returned to power and he declared the Democratic ranks are more enthusiastic for Mr. Wilson today than they were four years ago. Mr. McRae is hopeful that North Carolina can exceed her accomplishment of four years ago when she turned in \$20,000 toward the support of the one President since Lincoln.

The fact that such men as Thomas A. Edison, Dr. Elliott, Henry Morganthau and Henry Ford are supporting Mr. Wilson is enough to cause the ordinary man to vote that way, according to Mr. McRae. While Mr. McRae is convinced that Mr. Wilson will be returned to power he is also convinced that it will be no walk-over and it is for this reason that he is urging all to lend every assistance in the coming election. Mr. McRae told his listeners that the Republican party can get all financial assistance needed because Mr. Wilson had trod on the toes of big business and certain individuals and they are very anxious to see him defeated, but he added that legitimate business had not suffered at the hands of the present administration and because the masses—the great common people—have benefited they should rally to his support and contribute their mite, just as other individuals will contribute their bank books in support of the Republican candidate. Money and votes are necessary to re-elect Mr. Wilson and Mr. McRae sought to drive this point home.

The speaker read an article why Henry Morganthau became a Wilson standard bearer—why he resigned his post as ambassador to Turkey to take charge of the Woodrow Wilson Campaign Committee. Mr. Morganthau was quoted as saying that he felt the call of religion—religion of a new Democracy. The former ambassador was quoted further as saying that he—

MAY ESTABLISH LABOR BUREAU

Council Considers Question of Colored Laborers Leaving The City.

If the Chamber of Commerce and the Rotary Club will recommend a bond issue and assume the attendant responsibility, the Council can handle the colored labor situation is the gist of the discussion engaged in between Councilmen and interested citizens at this morning's session of Council. What Council wants is something concrete to work on and if the two above referred to organizations will supply it, employment will be secured for the colored laborers who are quitting the city and following labor agents to the North.

Several gentlemen, representing the Rotary Club, and others, interested as citizens, appeared before Council and asked that something be done to stop the exodus of colored laborers for, as Mr. E. P. Bailey pointed out, these men are going to be in demand when the compresses and various other industries start their full working season. The levying of a heavy tax on labor agents who come here and employ labor was not urged, as the gentlemen interested did not think such would be lawful, but they did urge that some kind of labor bureau be established to provide employment for the colored man. The idea of the city borrowing money and using it for street improvements was discussed. If this was done it would be possible to give all unemployed negroes work and there would be no necessity of their leaving the city. One gentleman who employs many laborers pointed out that it was only the unemployed who are quitting the city. Mr. Bailey was of the opinion that the better wages are not attracting them away from the city, but the lack of work.

It was pointed out that Wilmington is being drawn on more heavily for labor than any city in the State and the reason advanced was that there is no work to be had here by the colored men. The building of better schools for the colored was mentioned as one of the things that would hold the city's colored population here and keep it satisfied.

Mr. C. C. Chadbourn told Council that too much was being said of the high prices paid for labor and too little of the many laborers who left and returned dissatisfied. According to Mr. Chadbourn the very things that should have been suppressed have been given wide publicity and the things that should have been published have been suppressed. He called on the press to exert its influence in keeping the colored people here and he added that the press could do more good than Council and everyone else combined.

City Attorney Robert Ruark does not believe labor agents can be taxed and is of the opinion that the laborers will have to be induced to remain here despite the tempting offers held out by these agents who are busy now in all parts of the South.

Mr. D. H. Howes, speaking for the Rotary Club, asked that some concrete action be taken relative to an extension of water pipes in the northern section of the city to lessen the danger of fires. He was told by Council that the matter had been acted upon but nothing could be done until money was obtained with which to do the work. Mr. Howes pointed out that the interests in that section employ many men and pay big taxes but are not provided with fire protection. This was not disputed and he was told that relief would be given just as soon as such was possible. Mr. Howes was supported by Mr. W. M. Atkins. The proposed work will cost approximately \$6,000, and as Councilman McCall pointed out the money was not to be had unless by a bond issue or to borrow it on the open market and he was of the opinion that the city had borrowed enough already. The laying of pipes in the northern section of the city is only one of many improvements that are being asked by citizens and while Council would gladly make all improvements asked it is impossible with the present condition of finances.

The question of whether Annie Pervis, colored, can conduct a dance hall in the city limits came in for a bit of discussion and the issuance of a permit was finally left up to Councilman Hall, who is in charge of the police department. If Mr. Hall sees fit he will issue a permit and if the Pervis girl conducts anything other than an orderly house she will be subject to arrest.

BAGS TWO STILLS

Deputy Kennedy Makes Raids Near Goldsboro And Mt. Olive. Mr. J. R. Kennedy, deputy internal revenue collector, has returned from Goldsboro and Mount Olive and reports that he captured a distillery near each of those places. The one near Goldsboro was in what is known as Moccasin Swamp and was of 220 gallon capacity and manufactured grape, apple, and cane brandies and corn whiskey. Three men were arrested and charged with being the operators. The still captured near Mount Olive was near Odum's Mill and was of 60 gallon capacity. One of the alleged operators was captured.

FIRE PREVENTION DAY OBSERVANCES

Hours of Exercise to be Held at Public Schools Announced by Mr. Blair.

Announcement of the Fire Prevention Day exercises to be held in the public schools here next Monday in accordance with the proclamation of Governor Locke Craig, was made by Mr. J. J. Blair, superintendent of the city's public schools, this morning. The exercises will begin at the high school at 9 o'clock and end at the Hemenway school at 12:45 o'clock.

At each of the schools Col. James R. Young, of Raleigh, State Insurance Commissioner, will deliver a short address on "Fire Prevention." Mr. Raymond-Hunt, assistant general manager of the Tidewater Power Company, will also make an address on the subject of electric wiring. Each of the schools will have short exercises at the time assigned to them.

Following is the suggestive program for October 9:
9:00 o'clock.—High School.
9:30 o'clock.—Union School.
10:15 o'clock.—William Hooper School.
11:00 o'clock.—Isaac Bear Memorial School.
12:00 o'clock.—Cornelius Harnett School.
12:45 o'clock.—Hemenway School.

INCREASE IS SHOWN.

Considerable Gain in Personal Property—Fewer Polls Listed.

The recapitulation which has just been compiled by Capt. Thomas D. Meares, city clerk and treasurer, shows a net gain of \$158,112 in the taxable values of property in the city of Wilmington. The total value of property listed for taxes this year is \$17,370,418, as against \$17,212,306 for last year.

The value of real estate for the current year shows a gain and this is likewise true of personal property. However, there is a slight decrease shown in the valuation of corporation and bank stock and a falling off in the number of polls listed, both white and colored.

The comparative statement of the taxable values for this year and last follows:

	1915.	1916.
Real estate	\$12,128,800	\$12,178,438
Personal	890,527	1,010,687
Solvent credits	770,103	766,318
Stock in trade	1,308,176	1,414,136
C. & B. stock	2,119,700	2,000,839
Total	\$17,212,306	\$17,370,418
Polls:		
White	1915 3,228	1916 3,196
Colored	1,310	1,283
Total	4,538	4,479

MAINE MEMORIAL TABLET FOR W. L. I.

Navy Department Will be Asked to Give Metal Molded Battleship Wreckage

Application is to be made the United States Navy Department by the Wilmington Light Infantry, for a Maine memorial tablet which are being offered to all naval, military and civil organizations who wish to commemorate the sinking of the U. S. battleship Maine, in Havana harbor, just prior to the Spanish-American war.

The tablets are of metal taken from the Maine when that vessel was raised from its resting place in Havana several years ago and were made at the ordnance factory in Washington, D. C. They may be had by worthy organizations upon application of the Navy Department.

It is the idea of the members of the W. W. L. I. to secure the tablet and place it in a conspicuous place in their armory on Market street. The following committee was appointed last night at the regular monthly business meeting to file the application: Messrs. G. T. Swain, J. F. Farrar and W. K. Gayler.

Suggestion to secure the tablet was brought up by Mr. R. E. Tapp, a Reserve Corps member, who stated that he had received all necessary application blanks from Secretary Joseph Daniels, to whom he wrote in regard to securing one of the tablets for the W. L. I.

REMODELING STORE.

Book and Stationery Firm to Enlarge Its Business.

Work on remodeling the Market street store building of the C. M. Yates Company, booksellers and stationers, was begun this week and will be hurried to completion. The proposed improvements, which will include the installation of steam heating apparatus, will cost approximately \$5,000. The interior of the store will be renovated, an elevator installed, the building re-roofed and the rear of the edifice will be extended back to the alley. The messanine floor will be extended in the rear so as to include the entire building. The entire first floor is to be used for the retail trade of the Yates Company.

This firm has occupied the building for the last 25 years and during that period its business has expanded until the entire building is required to meet its needs. The plans for the improvements were drawn by Mr. J. F. Lettner, architect, of this city, and Mr. J. G. Osterman has the contract. Several weeks will be required to complete the proposed improvements.

Safe Deposit Vault

You cannot thoroughly appreciate the security afforded by the individual lock boxes in our Safe Deposit Vault until you make a careful inspection. We would like to explain to you the different details which contribute toward making the protection as near perfect as possible.

\$1.00 Per Year--Only a Few Vacant

The Wilmington Savings & Trust Company

110 PRINCESS STREET.

NEGROES IN MAJORITY.

One Hundred and Thirty-nine Arrests Made During Past Month.

One hundred and thirty-nine arrests were made by the police department during the month just ended and of this number 103 were colored and 36 were white. Fourteen different offenses were committed. More were charged with larceny than any other offense and of the 20 so charged 19 were negroes. Of the eight arrested for drunkenness five were white and the remaining three colored. This was the only violation in which the whites led over the negroes in number arrested. Two were arrested for criminal assault, one white and one colored.

Thieves robbed the armory of an absent Indianapolis battery and did not even get a smell of powder.—Laporte (Ind.) Herald.

TEAM MEMBERS ANNOUNCED

Work of Canvassing the City and County Will Start Today.

A whirlwind campaign to secure the remainder of the subscriptions to the capital stock of the Carolina Packing House Company got under way today and results are expected. The campaign was to have started yesterday but because of the inclement weather was postponed. The ten teams, enumerated below, will make a thorough canvass of the city and Messrs. J. P. Herring and L. B. Sasser will work in the adjoining counties. The campaign is to extend over a period of two weeks and possibly longer.

The make-up of the ten canvassing teams is as follows:
Messrs. W. A. McGirt and I. W. Cooper; W. W. Love and M. W. Jacob; Milton Calder and Geo. F. Galvin; J. W. Yates and J. F. Roache;

BIBLE CLASS.

Winter Study Will be Taken Up by Boys' Division of "VY."

Beginning tomorrow night the third annual Bible Study Class of the Boys' Division of the Y. M. C. A. will be inaugurated. Supper will be served, as customary, and it is expected that there will be nearly 100 boys in attendance.

Mr. Odie B. Hinnant will make an address tomorrow night, using as his subject, "What the Bible has Meant to Some Boys I Know." The courses that will be studied during the winter will be outlined.

LABORER WAS INJURED.

Struck by Scantling While Working on the New Custom-house.

Tom Crawford, colored, employed as a laborer on the new custom-house, was seriously injured about the head and face late yesterday afternoon when a heavy scantling that was being removed from the tool-house fell and struck him. The negro's face was badly lacerated by nails contained in the piece of timber. After medical treatment had been given him he was removed by friends to his home on Green street.

INSTITUTED SUIT.

Negro Seeking to Recover \$5,000 for Damages to His Toes. Suit was instituted in the Superior Court yesterday by George Simpson, colored, for the recovery of \$5,000 damages from the Harris Granite

Quarries Company, for injuries to his foot sustained while employed in the company's quarry, near Neverson, N. C.

Simpson alleges that because he was not warned that a blast was to be fired he had three toes broken and suffered other injuries.

GOES TO JACKSONVILLE.

Popular A. C. L. Man Promoted—Will Leave City This Week.

Mr. W. L. Waring, Jr., who has been connected with the Atlantic Coast Line here for a number of years, has been made chief clerk in the office of the assistant general freight agent at Jacksonville, Fla., and he and Mrs. Waring will leave this week. While the change is a promotion for Mr. Waring there is much regret felt over his leaving the city where he and Mrs. Waring are known and liked by a large number of friends.

Liquid Tar Shampoo For Ladies

One washing will remove a lot of Dandruff and allay itching scalp. The continued use will cure you altogether. Price twenty-five cents and sold exclusively by

James M. Hall
DRUGGIST.

Bon Marche You Are Sure to Get New Goods Here. **Bon Marche**

New Merchandise Is Arriving On Every Express--New Showing Each Day

We are constantly adding to our assortment of Fall goods. The line is kept fresh through the arrival of new merchandise, so that it makes no difference how often you came here, there will be something of interest, something of merit to view on each visit. Get the habit of meeting your friends here in the "Very Center of Things."

Announcing a Complete Toilet Goods Section

This dainty and attractive department is in the front of the store, and contains practically every article that you could desire. You'll find what you want, when you shop for toilet articles here. Here's a few of the items that we sell, with their prices:

Mary Garden's perfume, 1-2 oz. sizes, for \$1.25.	Djer Kiss perfume, priced at \$1.75.
Mary Garden's perfume, 1 oz. bottles, for \$2.50.	Violet Sec Toilet water (Hudnut) 75c
Houbigant's Ideal perfume, price at \$2.75 ounce.	Odorono, two sizes, 25c and \$1.00.
Houbigant's Jes Jures perfume, priced at \$4.50 ounce.	Amoline deodorant powder, two sizes, for 20c and 35c.

The Lucky Blue Bird Handkerchiefs

Lucky indeed is the person who secures one of these blue-bird handkerchiefs. They are delightfully embroidered in blue, in the blue-bird design. A neat kerchief at 15c.

Crepe de Chine handkerchiefs in the pastel shades add the finishing touch to the Fall costume. A lovely line to sell at 25c.

Centemeri Kid Gloves

Cooler Weather is bringing many women here to buy Fall gloves. They are finding the Centemeri kid gloves, solid colors and contrasting stitching, a little more stylish and slightly better finished than the average glove.

We have carried this make in Asheville for more than 20 years, and know it to be the best obtainable. The Alberta glove is sold here at \$1.25 pair. Free fittings.

New Stock of Counterpanes in the White Goods Section

The White Goods Department has been moved to the rear of the store. Here you will find a number of splendid values in new Spreads.

White spreads, and spreads embossed in colors, for single and double beds, priced at \$1.25 to \$7.50.

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