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NEW MUNICIPAL OFFICERS TAKE CHARGE OF AFFAIRS

Start With a Clean Slate. Only one Appointive Officer Returned in the New Administration---New Faces in all the Departments.

The new municipal officers took over the affairs of the city last Monday night, and immediately entered upon their duties in a manner to cause the people to sit up and take considerable notice of their actions.

It had been rumored for some time that there was going to be a general shake up and a clean sweep of the petty officers, and this rumor was pretty well founded too, for new faces greet you almost everywhere in the administration of the city's affairs. Sam Sawyer is the lone survivor of the crash that befell the old administration, every appointive office to a man, having to walk the plank.

The old board convened in extra session at the City Hall at 8 o'clock to hold its final sitting to turn over the affairs to the new administration. A great crowd was on hand being there principally through curiosity to see the old go out and new come in. The minutes of the previous meetings were read, and on motion approved with the exception that where the minutes referred to the amount owed Clinton Johnson, damage done in condemning a portion of his lot for the extension of Burgess street. The minutes should read \$70.00 instead of \$50.00 so as to conform with the report of the jury appointed to condemn the lands for the extension of said street.

The newly elected aldermen were all present, namely Messrs. T. P. Nash, Mathias Owens, from the First Ward; M. N. Sawyer and J. C. Commander from the Second Ward, W. T. Love and W. T. Old from the Third Ward; C. H. Robinson and E. R. Outlaw from the Fourth Ward.

Mr. G. R. Little administered oath of office to all members of the new board, except Mr. M. N. Sawyer, it appearing that Mr. Sawyer had taken oath of office in the office of Mr. Little at the latter's office in the afternoon.

The retiring board then adjourned, and die.

It appearing that because of the large number of people in attendance and because of the warm weather it was on motion ordered that the Board retire to the court house for more comfortable quarters.

The new Board with all members present was promptly called to order by Mayor Flora. Immediately thereupon Mr. W. T. Love, from the Third Ward introduced the following ordinance which was unanimous.

Whereas, it is the purpose of the board of aldermen of Elizabeth City to have all laws and ordinances of state and city enforced, and whereas, it is calculated to bring reproach upon the penal administration of the City Government to have its public officers intoxicated, or patronizing places where near-beer or kindred drinks are being sold or drunk while on duty.

Now, therefore, it is enacted by the Board of Aldermen of the corporation of Elizabeth City:

First: That any public officer or employee of Elizabeth City being drunk while on duty, either from whisky, beer, near beer, or from any other intoxicating drink or drug, shall for the first offense be suspended from duty without pay for a period of thirty days; and for the second offense shall be dismissed from office.

Second: That any public officer or employee of the city who may be found guilty before the said board of drinking or near beer, or kindred drinks, or any other intoxicating liquors in

CITY TREASURER IN BAD FIX

CITY TREASURER SHORT \$1,100.

Loaned Most of the Money to a Friend And Now Can't Get It Back.

It's reported that George H. Wood, the retiring treasurer of Elizabeth City is short with his accounts with the corporation of Elizabeth City about \$1,100. Very likely an uncle of Mr. Wood will assist him to make the shortage good and his affairs with the city will be satisfactorily settled. Mr. Wood claims that he has loaned from time to time various sums to Tom Davis, of this city until the amount totals about \$800.

The Potato Situation.

Considerable quantities of potatoes have been received from Tyrrell and Currituck counties and other points on the other side of the sound this week. Today and Monday big diggings will be made and next week the bulk of the crop will be moved.

Scarcely 1500 barrels have been shipped from this county this week.

A prominent local commission merchant stated this morning that the potato crop in Pasquotank was practically a failure. A small acreage was planted and the dry weather caught the potatoes in the growing stage and cut them off. The crop will be exceptionally short this year.

FINE COLLECTION OF TWO-YEAR OLDS.

The finest collection of two year olds that has been seen in this section in a long time, are now stabled at the Albemarle park.

Trainer Fred Swertz has a collection of beauties, eleven in number; all two-year colts, and one of them weighs 750 pounds.

Trainer Bush, of Norfolk, arrived yesterday afternoon with thirteen Virginia beauties and will share the stables and race track with Mr. Swertz.

GRAY-SIMPSON.

Edward T. Gray, of Suffolk, Va., and Miss Mattie E. Simpson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Simpson, of Durant's Neck, Perquimans county, were married in the Register of Deeds office yesterday afternoon. Mr. J. W. Munden officiated.

Mr. Gray came here from Norfolk and drove to Durant's Neck in a buggy after his bride. He brought her here to be married.

They were accompanied by Miss Mabel Saunders and Mr. James Lane of Durant's Neck, who witnessed the ceremony.

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CELEBRATION FOR JULY 4TH

Big Parade, Much Fire Works, Motorcycle Races and Games of Ball—Something Doing all the Time On That Date.

It's all together now for the celebration on July the 4th, and the greatest interest possible is being taken in it. The chamber of commerce committee on permanent organization held a meeting Tuesday afternoon and the following committees were appointed:

Committee on entertainment.—Mrs. I. M. Meekins, Mrs. R. T. Whitehurst, Mrs. H. D. Walker, Mrs. W. J. Woodley, Miss Lillie Grandy, G. R. Little, D. M. Jones, and W. J. Woodley, chairman. This committee held a meeting yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. I. M. Meekins in Main street and begun planning for the entertainment on this occasion. Other meetings of this committee will follow, in which all of the details will be worked out.

The finance committee, J. P. Overman, treasurer; W. H. Jennings George Brothers, Fred Zeigler, M. C. Crowson, N. W. Daley, A. B. Houtz and G. A. Twiddy. This committee met in the chamber of commerce rooms last night at 8 o'clock.

Committee on parade.—W. Ben Goodwin, chairman; Frank Scott, John Wells, Howard Kramer, R. R. Sawyer, Joe White and A. S. Cox. This committee will meet tonight in the rear rooms of the chamber of commerce rooms at 8 o'clock.

The parade will be one of the most interesting features of the celebration. It will be organized about 9 o'clock on the morning of the Fourth, and it will be an imposing one. Other features of the day's exercises will be the program rendered by the ladies in the auditorium of the high school and the address by some distinguished orator. At night there will be a big display of fire works.

Other attractions for the day will be the motorcycle races on the race track at the Albemarle park. Mr. Anderson has secured the use of the track and is now arranging a very interesting program of races. There will also be games of base ball at the ball park.

Every minute of the day will be filled with something interesting to the public; and there will be something doing all the time.

Secretary Lamb stated this morning that the Norfolk and Southern railroad will give special rates on this occasion and will run a special train to Norfolk for the convenience of the visitors.

Mr. Lamb also says that this is going to be one of the biggest days that Elizabeth City has seen in a long time and that there is going to be a record breaking crowd of visitors here.

LYNN RICHARDSON DEAD

Lynn Richardson died last Monday night at his home in Parsonage street after a long illness.

The funeral services were conducted over the remains Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock by Rev. I. N. Loftin, assisted by Rev. J. N. Buffalo. The interment followed the Hollywood cemetery.

Mr. Richardson was about forty years old and survived by a wife and three children, also by one brother, Capt. J. M. Richardson and two sisters, Mrs. Robert Mitchell of Camden Mills, Va., and Mrs. John Sample, of Gum Neck. He has lived in this city for a number of years being engaged in the grocery business. He was noted for his sterling business qualities and uprightness of character. A large congregation attended the funeral and interment.

A BIG STRING OF VICTORIES

The Tar Heels Regarded as the Fastest Team in the League—Stand Next to Top

The Elizabeth City Tar Heels are playing ball "for sure." They have won every game so far this week, and the team is now regarded the strongest in the league. From second place from the bottom, by a series of brilliant victories they have climbed to second place at the top.

Elizabeth City played Suffolk Monday and Tuesday and won both games. Wednesday the Tar Heels played Old Point the first of two games and won that too.

The standing of the clubs of the Tidewater league now is: In the second game on Thursday Old Point was walloped by a score of 23 to 0.

The standing of the Tidewater yesterday was:

	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Portsmouth.....	26	15	.634
Elizabeth City.....	26	17	.605
Norfolk.....	24	17	.585
Newport News.....	20	20	.500
Suffolk.....	19	25	.432
Old Point.....	10	31	.244

The Tar Heels came home this morning to play two games with the Newport News team today and tomorrow. Both of these games are expected to be fast ones and the "Tar Heels are confident that they will carry off both of these games.

The game tomorrow, (Saturday) is known as the Farmers game" and it is arranged especially for the country people who come here on Saturday. A large crowd of country people are expected to be in attendance.

\$3,000 For Lot.

The committee appointed by Clerk of the Court G. R. Little, to assess the value of the Hinton brothers' lot adjoining the graded school property has assessed the value of the lot at \$3,000. The lot is 90 feet by 500 feet and being next to the school lot is a very desirable piece of property for the schools to use as a play ground.

Those familiar with the prices of real estate in Elizabeth City consider the price assessed a pretty good one. Just whether both parties to the condemnation proceeding will accept the decision of Mr. Little's committee is not known. The controversy over this lot grew out of condemnation proceedings instituted before Clerk Little several weeks ago.

No More Smallpox.

Quarantine officer, Dr. Zenas Fearling reported to the board of county commissioners that he had the smallpox situation in the Newlands section thoroughly in hand.

The outbreak had made considerable headway before he was appointed. He immediately took charge of the situation and there has been no further outbreak of the disease.

Lawn Party Postponed.

The lawn party which was to have been given by the Senior Epworth League on the lawn of the City Road Methodist church tonight, has been postponed until some future date.

Potato Market

Yesterday quotations were: New York, \$5.50 to \$5.75 per bbl; Philadelphia—Fancy stock sold as high as \$6.50 per bbl. Baltimore—\$5.50 to \$5.75 per bbl. The quotations represent actual sales made yesterday morning on these markets.

A JUNE FESTIVAL SOON TO BE HELD IN ELIZABETH CITY

Sunday School Carnival on Court House Lawn. Interest Now Centers in Who Shall be Queen of the Festival.

Blackwell Memorial Sunday School, during the last week in this month, will hold a June festival on the court house lawn. At present only the bare outlines of the program of the day are announced, but the occasion promises to be one of unusual interest and attraction.

Over the festivities of the day the queen of the festival is to preside. There will be music by Zeigler's band and the Sunday school orchestra led by Mr. Skinner. One of the chief events of the afternoon will be the children's parade, which will consist of toy vehicles of every kind, size and description bedecked with flowers or otherwise suitably decorated for the occasion. A prize of \$5 in gold will be offered for the most original, pretty and attractive turnout in this parade, and there will, no doubt, be a large number of entries.

But at present interest centers in the contest as to who shall be queen. This question will be decided by a voting contest, which has already begun. At Mitchell's department store, at Gallop and Toxey's, and at Owens' shoe store, ballot boxes have been placed and at these places every one will have the opportunity of casting votes for his favorite. Votes will be sold at a penny apiece, and the contest will be open until further notice. Every evening at 5 o'clock the votes will be counted and announcement of the result made at Mitchell's.

This festival should arouse interest and enthusiasm throughout the town. Further and more definite announcements will be made later. Those who have already been entered in the contest are as follows:

Name.	Votes.
Miss Minnie Toxey	116
Miss Margaret Sheep	40
Miss Helen Aydlett	15
Miss Nellie Grice	10
Miss Fannie McMullan	10
Miss Mary G. Gilbert	10
Miss Lillian Mae Stevens	10
Miss Mildred Commander	5
Miss Olive Adylett	10
Miss Virginia Flora	10
Miss Grace Strahl	19
Miss Kate Brothers	10
Miss Fannie Banks	10
Miss Mary Bright	10
Miss Verna Ferabee	10
Miss Geneva Swain	10
Miss Callie Perry	10
Miss Elizabeth Derrickom	10
Miss Jennie Kramer	10

Judge Ward Ill

Mrs. Ward received a telegram telegram Tuesday afternoon from Tarboro announcing the sudden illness of Judge Ward, while holding court. She left immediately to go to Tarboro to be with the Judge.

His illness was caused by an attack of vertigo and it is hoped that the judge will make a speedy recovery.

Held Meeting

The Baraca and the Philaetha Union of the Blackwell Memorial church held a very interesting business meeting Monday night at the home of Misses Mae and Bertha Chappelle in North Road street. The regular semi-annual election of officers was held, after which various games were indulged in for the amusement of the party. The event was very enjoyable.

BOAT CARNIVAL IN AUGUST

Sailing Crafts of All Kinds Will Be Here to Contest For a Trophy

Secretary Lamb of the Chamber of Commerce is planning to have a big boat carnival here some time in August, and this is going to be one of the most unique and, at the same time, one of the most interesting events ever to occur here.

It's Mr. Lamb's plan to interest the boatmen of the lower sound section, into coming here in a contest for a trophy.

This carnival will mean a big aggregation of all kinds of sailing crafts and the harbor and docks filled with these boats will present a very pretty scene.

Boat racing will be the main feature of this carnival, although there will be a number of interesting events on the program. The plans have not been perfected yet; but Mr. Lamb says that we are going to have the carnival.

It's well for our sailor friends in the lower sound section to get busy painting up their crafts for this occasion.

SUFFERING FROM MENTAL ABERRATION.

Deputy Sheriff Raper went to Raleigh Thursday to take Thomas Palmer, Jr., to the asylum.

The many friends of the family will be pained to learn of the misfortune of the young man, who is suffering from mental aberration. It is hoped that he will be speedily restored to health.

Mr. Palmer is a member of an excellent family of the Weeksville section of this county, being the son of Mr. Thomas Palmer, Sr., one of our leading citizens.

For some time past the young man has been acting so strangely that his friends have been anxious about his condition. Recently he became violent and it became necessary to carry him to Raleigh where he could be properly treated.

Promotion Party

At the home of Mrs. Claud B. Williams on Road street, Miss Mayo Williams, last Friday evening, entertained twelve of her school-mates and friends in a little party celebrating her promotion to the sixth grade.

With games and fun and school girl chatter, and with delicious cream and cake to cap the climax of the evening's enjoyment, the time passed all too rapidly for the young folks, who bade their hostess good-bye with genuine regret.

Those present were, Lula Ballance, Eva Jones, Eva Berry, Pearl Berry, Francis Williams, Janie Garrett, Stella Garrett, Jeanie Cohoon, Marcella Collins, Mary Casey, Esther Woodley and Lillian Britte.

The box of candy offered as the prize of the evening was won by Miss Francis Williams.