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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1908.

**County Democratic Ticket.**

For the Senate:  
**W. T. SHAW.**

House of Representatives:  
**T. F. WHITLEY,  
H. S. HARRISON.**

For Sheriff:  
**J. R. PATTERSON.**

For Register of Deeds:  
**W. T. CLEMENT.**

For Treasurer:  
**NOAH BIGGS.**

For County Commissioners:  
**S. D. BRADLEY,  
W. D. BASS,  
S. T. THORNE,  
W. W. ROSSER,  
STERLING JOHNSON.**

The world's greatest men grew upward from the lower classes, while the world's meanest men grew downward from the upper class.

A gentleman from up the county reports that he is actually afraid to chop down a tree in the woods for fear it will fall on a ring politician.

It has been reported here that the big barbecue dinner given by the ring ticket at Aurelian Springs last Friday was a decided success. The report further says that there was a half of a pig left for each man present. Verily, verily, this must be a mistake.

King Chairman of the Boss ticket, the voters of the county would like to know why you had five young, able-bodied men of Scotland Neck exempted from the payment of their poll tax? We know you and the other gentleman were caught in the attempt to wrong the county, but what the voters want to know is why you did this thing.

Fusion with the Republicans seems to be the only cry we hear from the ring bosses against the new Democratic ticket. Every man who knows anything at all about the new ticket knows that this is a falsehood pure and simple, and the King Chairman of the boss ticket knows there is not a word of truth in his statements. If the King Chairman of the boss ticket is so honest in his doctrine, why did he make a house to house canvass of Halifax township before the primaries with a Republican postmaster against two Democrats? Now King, tell the voters of Halifax County why you did this thing.

When the old records in the Register of Deeds office were re-indexed, why was it that Mr. E. L. Travis received two thousand and two hundred dollars for the job when it was understood with the Board of County Commissioners that he was to do the work for one thousand dollars? This fact is well known, and the tax payers of Halifax County would like to have this matter fully explained. Now, Mr. Tra-

via, the people want your answer; you were the contractor and took the job for one thousand dollars, now tell the tax payers why you made the commissioners come across with the extra twelve hundred dollars.

**Mr. Biggs' Proposition.**

Mr. Biggs proposes to give three-fourths of the income to the office, if elected, to help school the white children of Halifax County. If that is not entirely satisfactory to the people, he will give all the income to the schools of the county, and is willing to back it up with a ten thousand dollar bond.

Is there a voter in Halifax County who would refuse his own children the benefits of this offer? Is there a voter who would refuse to vote for Mr. Biggs just because some little two by four ring politician said so? Exercise your own convictions in this matter and don't be fooled any longer by false promises. Read again the letter below:

**MR. BIGGS' LETTER.**

Hon. B. D. Mann, Ch'mn Democratic Executive Committee.

Dear Sir:

I desire to express to the Democratic voters of Halifax County my hearty and sincere appreciation of the high honor they have conferred in nominating me as their candidate for Treasurer of Halifax County.

I am in full sympathy with the movement and shall use my utmost endeavor and exercise every honorable means in my power that shall make for the success of the ticket,—the election of which shall make not only for the upbuilding of the material interests and the promotion of the welfare of the county, but shall be a vindication here in Halifax of the watch-word emanating from that Peerless Standard-bearer of Democracy—William Jennings Bryan, THE PEOPLE SHALL RULE. Indeed it is time that the voters assert their sovereignty by electing their own candidates and refusing to swallow the bitter dose that the so-called bosses would ram down their throats.

I have been reliably informed that the duties of the Treasurer of Halifax County are not arduous nor difficult to perform. Hence, in my opinion, the compensation received is entirely out of proportion to the work involved. So, if elected, it is my purpose and desire not to accept a single cent by way of compensation or remuneration for my services, but to devote all the emoluments of the office over and above the actual necessary expenses incurred in the exercise of the duties thereof, to the promotion of the welfare and the upbuilding of the material interests of the County, and shall pay over any and all sums, save necessary expenses, coming to me by virtue of said office, to the Public School Fund of Halifax County.

Let us emphasize the fact that we are true Jeffersonian Democrats and in full harmony with the great principles of Democracy, that we are laboring in behalf of and for the material advancement of the best interests of all the people, that we solicit the vote and would enlist the active co-operation of every man in the county who desires to promote its well-being.

With best wishes for the success of our ticket, I have the honor to remain, Yours, etc.,  
**NOAH BIGGS.**

**T. F. Whitley.**

Mr. Whitley is a lawyer and business man of Scotland Neck. He took up the study of law at home, I am informed, and after his business cares were over for the day he worked over his law course at night till he mastered

**The Fair and Unfair Resolutions; Which of The Two Will You Support?**

**RESOLUTION OF OCTOBER 7.**

This resolution to the nominees for senate and legislature of Mass Meeting Democrats, that we favor a legalized primary under some plan similar to the Australian system, that is, to allow no one nearer than fifty feet of the polls except holders of same, also that every candidate for office shall qualify by paying an assessed fee to cover cost of said primary election; qualifying shall entitle him to have his name printed on the official ballot, then voters can have the entire ticket before them and vote without being coerced or browbeaten.

We also condemn any primary law that tends to disfranchising of true Democrats now or hereafter. We also favor publishing of receipts and disbursements of county funds quarterly in some county paper, same to be let to lowest bidder, as this is just to commissioners and tax payers alike, and lessens criticism of former and inspires confidence in latter.

Again, voters of Halifax County, we set before you the above resolutions. One of which leads to a free and unstiffed ballot; the other to a disfranchisement of that ballot. One stand for a legalized primary divested of every restriction that would take away a single privilege to vote as we please; the other stands for a primary that will bar you from the Democratic primaries of the future unless you pledge yourself, soul and body, to support whomsoever nominated, regardless of principle, character, or otherwise. One believes in a voting privilege as broad as our freedom; the other believes in a voting privilege as narrow as Russianism. One believes in the sovereignty of the people; the other in the sovereignty of the few. In short, one stands for the people; the other for the bosses. Which of the two will you vote to be supreme? Which of the two will you trample under foot? Which of the two deserves to be consigned to oblivion? Voters, we had better consider these resolutions a little more before casting our ballot in November, for an unstiffed ballot is the only salvation of this country.

it, took his examination and began the practice. He is a man of striking personality, and of an uncommonly brilliant mind, and with a backbone equal to a whale. He is a busy man and asked no office of anybody. But when he was informed that the people wanted him to take Mr. Hilliard's place he consented simply because he felt like he could not afford to refuse when his fellow citizens were calling him. He is a Democrat of the first order, and could never have been induced to run on any other ticket. He is an honest, clever man, and one whom you can neither buy, nor scare, nor beg off when he once makes up his mind. Uncle Sam's navy can't frighten Tom Whitley from his course when he has chosen it. He is one man you can depend on to stand by you even after the colors have been shot down. He stands once and for all for pure politics, and is an enemy not only of corrupt means, but of the corrupt men behind the means. He will represent the county ably and well, and will help to redeem old Halifax from the odium cast upon in the last legislature, when a representative was trying to legislate a measure back on his home town which he had previously settled by a majority vote of about three to one, and settled in a mass meeting to which he had agreed it should be settled. Mr. Whitley will help to redeem the county from the impression which everybody in a thousand miles of Raleigh had of us when that representative went home. We regret very much Mr. Hilliard's health will not permit him to run, as he is better known.

**RESOLUTION OF AUGUST 17.**

Resolved by the Democrats of Halifax County in Convention Assembled:

"1. That the Legislative nominees of this Convention be and they are hereby instructed to use their best efforts in the next Legislature to procure a compulsory legalized primary for the nominees of all the elective county officers of Halifax County, including the legislative nominees.

"That, in event of failure to procure such compulsory legalized primary, the Executive Committee of the Democratic party of Halifax County be and are hereby instructed to hereafter hold a legalized primary for the nominees of all elective County officers, including the Legislative nominees, in accordance with the present law (Acts 1907, Chap. 926) and acts amendatory thereof.

"3. That, among other rules for the holding of such primaries, the following shall be one:

"Only Democrats shall participate in said primaries. Nor shall any Democrat participate in said primaries who, if challenged, shall refuse to pledge himself to vote for the nominees of the pending primary, nor shall any Democrat participate in such primaries who did not vote the Democratic ticket in the next preceding general election, unless prevented from so voting by sickness, absence out of the County, or the disqualification of non-age or non-residence.

But to those who may not know Mr. Whitley let me say, he will represent the county just as efficiently as Mr. Hilliard could have done. And no one who casts a vote for him will ever have cause to be ashamed of it. He will not sail in under false colors, and then turn his back on those who had trusted him.

A DEMOCRAT.

**From a Junior Democrat.**

Mr. Editor:

We are advised by some of the older heads not to vote the new ticket; that it is not Democratic. Why is it not? Because we are not willing to be whipped in line and vote as the bosses dictate? We are called "bolters." Mr. Editor, these same men were the biggest kickers and raised more sand than anyone else after the notable 17th. "Oh! yes we're going to do this and that." What have they done—a little talk with the bosses—and they are "backsliders." The most pitiable sight in the world is to see a frame dressed up in men's clothes and bossed by a few men, as some of these old fellows are. Some have gotten so shaky and weak-kneed that they have been made to advise the people that they wish to have their name taken off the new ticket. We want the best, and truest men old Halifax produces. What has the machine ever done for we voters—sucked us for all we were worth. They could not get enough money so they made us pay 64 cents more poll tax than was lawful—that is not all they did, but enough. Do we want such men to represent us, no, as the free and independent voter

will prove on the 3rd of November. Have they ever shown up the county's balance sheet as The Progress has been calling for the past twelve months? No, and they dare not, especially at this time, but it will come and to their sorrow, for we "Bolters" wont spare them after the 3rd. It will be up to us then and we will show the people where the tax money has been going and we wont make you voters pay a tax that is unconstitutional either. Brother voter, we have them on the run. Keep up the good work and when the 3rd of November comes around prove to the world that old Halifax has men left who cannot be bought.

A JUNIOR DEMOCRAT.

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This the 12th day of October 1908.  
**IVEY WATSON,**  
Executor of William Burnett.  
R. C. Dunn, Attorney.

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