

MANY MATTERS MENTIONED.

CITY FATHERS HOLD REGULAR SEMI-MONTHLY TALKFEST AND ADJOURN LATE.

Many Petitioners Came up with Requests—No Recorder Appointed—Bonds Referred to City Attorney.

The "City Fathers" met in regular monthly session Tuesday night in the City Council chamber with all of the Councilmen present with the exception of Alderman McLaurin, who was out of town, and touched lightly but critically upon many matters which they did not finally dispose of. The meeting showed that the councilmen have got into the habit of keeping late hours when away from home, refusing to adjourn last night until almost midnight.

When the session of council opened there were several persons present to make various requests. Mr. T. E. Fraser was present for Dr. A. C. Dick on behalf of Miss Elizabeth White. He asked permission to replace a decayed sill with a new sill in the old White building near the corner of Main street and the Court House square. He stated that he had looked into the matter and that under the charter of the city he had the right to do this but that the police had stopped the work and that he came before council asking that the work be allowed to proceed. He stated that the supreme court of the State had decided in favor of parties who wished to repair buildings at other places, but that to save time he had decided to come before council to see if it would not accede to his request. The matter was taken up in regular order.

Dr. J. A. Mood appeared to request the same favor at his building on the corner of Main and Dugan streets. He stated that he thought that to replace the rotten sills with new sills and lower the fire risk and make the building more homely in appearance. Just here Mr. Glenn asked about the matter of encroachment upon Dr. Mood's land by the city, that had been brought up at a previous meeting of council. Dr. Mood stated that he had not come before council to say anything about that matter, but since it had been brought up, he would state his side of the question. He said that the city had encroached upon his land to an extent of about twelve or thirteen inches and that the resolution passed at a previous meeting of council was not at all satisfactory to him. This matter also came up in the regular order of business.

Mr. Burkett asked that council refund certain money paid by him as a fine in the Recorder's court for carrying a pistol, and that the pistol be restored to him. He said that several parties had threatened his life a few days before the time that he was caught carrying the pistol and that he knew they were in town on that day, and that he thought, under the circumstances he was justified in carrying it. The matter was taken up later.

W. T. Andrews asked that he be permitted to dig a dry well on his place out on Manning avenue, to be used until the city could extend the sewerage line to that part of the city. He stated that the well would be almost two hundred feet from the nearest pump and that he did not think that it would be injurious to the health of his neighborhood at that distance. He said there were only a few persons in that neighborhood who had city water. Council then reverted back to the regular order of business, the minutes of the two previous meetings were read and approved, after which the report of committees were heard.

Mr. Wright reported for the Police Committee that a new Janitor was needed in the City Hall. Mr. Booth stated that he had already made arrangements for getting a new one and the matter was dropped. Mr. Booth also stated that he would have lights put in "Wall" street, the alleyway north of the Sumter Savings bank, at once. Mr. Wright then read the report of the Chief of Police for the month which was received as information. He stated that the Sumter Ice, Light and Power company was short on lights for about 188 hours. He said that he had done what he could in the matter, but that he would go to Mr. Moses again with the matter and see if some satisfactory arrangement could not be made, as at present the arrangements were not satisfactory to either party, the city or the light and power company. It was decided to put a small incandescent light on Mendrick street between Harvin and Magnolia streets. A large hole in the middle of the street was ordered filled during the coming week, if possible.

The Committee on Public Works then made its report. Mr. Lee, at the request of Mr. Booth, the chairman, stated that both Berghaus & Moffitt of Orangeburg and the Charleston Engineering and Contracting company had sent in their bonds and that both parties had already

going to do and that they would begin the work in a few days. The bonds were turned over to the City Attorney to be investigated to see if they were for sufficient amounts and if they fulfilled all specifications.

Mr. Lee then took up the matter of work done on the streets, stating that \$144.00 and some cents had been expended on them in the past month. He said that the work on Dugan street was completed and that preparations had been made for work on Harvin street. He said that he thought that it would be better to put a concrete curbing on Harvin street that a brick one, as it would last longer and would be much better in many ways. He submitted estimates of the cost of the two curbings, the brick at a cost of \$382 and the concrete at an estimate of \$60. The committee on Public Works was ordered to have the concrete curbing put in.

He stated that on ten acres of corn land the city had raised 216 bushels of corn and 8,620 pounds of peavine hay.

Maj. Lee also stated that the Charleston Engineering and Contracting company would, while here, endeavor to place concrete paving on the sidewalks of several of the streets, they working the matter up among the citizens on the streets who would pay half of the cost of the paving. This was sanctioned by Council.

Mr. McKeiver for the Opera House Committee reported that the rope for shifting scenery had been put in and that the matter of reduction of insurance rates on the building had been taken up with the insurance people and that he thought the insurance could be reduced somewhat.

The matter of allowing bicycles on Broad street was brought up by Mr. Glenn who stated that he had been requested to ask that they be allowed to go back on the sidewalks. The matter was discussed for some time but when it was put to a vote, the resolution to allow bicycles to go on the sidewalks on that part of town was defeated. It was decided that extra measures of precaution would be taken to keep them off, as it was now against the city ordinance.

A letter from Mr. J. G. DeLorme was read asking that he be allowed to build a galvanized iron building back of his store on South Main street. His request was granted.

A letter from the colored Masons was read thanking council for allowing them to parade the streets during their meeting in this city. It was received with thanks.

Mr. J. B. Raffield's resignation from the office of Recorder was accepted.

The matter of selecting a Recorder was then brought up and debated for the greater part of a half hour. Letters were read from M. L. R. Jennings and Mr. Charles Piskney, applying for the position, but, as it was shown that no regular office hours had been required of the Recorder previously, and it was doubtful that either of the applicants would hold the position for any length of time, if elected, and if they would be on hand at any time to fill out warrants should they be needed, it was decided to defer the matter until the next meeting of council. Mayor Jennings was in favor of filling the position at once as he refused to hold court for the Recorder any longer. He stated that he would resign his position as Mayor before he would take up the duties of Recorder for any length of time. Several motions were made and afterwards rescinded. At one time it was moved that the council go into election and several had already cast their ballots when it was decided to rescind the motion. Mr. Glenn stated that he had tried to get several persons to apply for the position but that they had refused to do so, stating that the salary was not sufficient. Some members of council thought that either man was a good man for the place but stated that they did not want to elect someone to have them resign in a short time, and that they did not think that either applicant knew how much of his time was expected of him and that council and the police did not know whether they would always be nearby when it was necessary to have warrants filled out. Mr. Cuttino thought that they ought to go slow and look around them before selecting anyone at all and at least find out if the persons applying could give the proper amount of time to the office. It was finally decided to put off the election of a Recorder until the next meeting of council, and to see in the meantime if other applicants could not be secured for the position so that there would be a larger number to choose from.

A large number of bills were then read and referred to the various committees for approval. The matter of payment of a certain bill in which the city, Mr. J. W. McKeiver, Mr. H. W. Hoop and No. 3 reel team were interested was again brought up and discussed for considerable time. Mr. McKeiver stated that he wanted the fire boys protected. No action was taken in the matter.

It was decided to grant the petitions of Dr. A. C. Dick and Dr. J. A. Mood, while at the same time a motion was carried to the effect that

the City Attorney be instructed to look into the matter of whether or not the ordinance was constitutional and could be enforced or not, council wanting to know the exact status of the ordinance.

The matter of the city's encroachment upon the land of Dr. J. A. Mood was again brought up but it was decided to let the matter drop until Dr. Mood took some further action in the matter.

The request of Mr. Burkett that he be refunded the fine money paid to the Recorder was refused. It was decided to refer the matter of the pistol to the City Attorney to see if the city had the right to confiscate the weapon.

The dry well which W. T. Andrews had requested permission to build came in for its full share of discussion, some of which was rather heated. Mr. Cuttino moved that the request be not granted, but after the discussion Mr. Wright substituted a motion to the effect that council refer the matter to the Board of Health with the recommendation that it be granted, until the city can build a sewerage main that far out. In the discussion rendered by the request it was shown that there were several dry wells now in use in the city where there was a sewerage line running near by to which the sinks could be attached. Mr. Cuttino said that he thought that all of them ought to be closed up at once and that the ordinance passed in 1899 to the effect that no dry wells be allowed in the city be revived and enforced. He was opposed to them and thought that they were very injurious to the health of the community. Mr. McKeiver and Mr. Wright thought that, as the city could not afford to furnish the sewerage line for those living out on Manning avenue, it ought to grant them the dry wells. After the matter had been referred to the Board of Health it was dropped.

There being no further business council adjourned to meet again at the time for their regular session on the fourth Tuesday in the month.

IN THE POLICE COURT.

Mayor Jennings Settles Several Cases to the Advantage of the City.

There were several cases up in the Recorder's court Tuesday for the first time in more than a week. As there is no Recorder at present, Mayor Jennings acted as such and gave out a few doses that will not be forgotten in a short time by the offenders before him.

The first criminal up was the Rev. M. M. Martin, who was charged with cruelty to animals, the cruelty having been shown by his driving a horse which was not in condition for such work. He pleaded not guilty but upon his own testimony it was shown that the horse was a very sickly animal and was in no condition to be driven, so he paid a fine of \$10 into the city treasury.

After the first case the criminals came up in pairs, whether from timidity or because they could not get along well together was not shown by the evidence. Abbie Brailsford and Jerry Ford were up on the charge of fighting, to which they both pleaded guilty. The evidence showed that they had indulged in a little fracas in which a bottle was broken on the head of the one while a brick was used against the head of the other. Mayor Jennings fined each of the offenders \$5 or 20 days.

Warren Robertson and Tom Richardson were charged with drunkenness and breach of peace. It was shown that Richardson was not at fault and that Warren Robertson, who had knocked Richardson down, but who had forgotten all about it, was much at fault, so the one was allowed to go "scott free," while the other was asked to pay a fine of \$10 or to serve 30 days on the gang.

Charley Brailsford did not like being gayed about his brother, so he jumped on Richard Williams, threw him down and showed him what he could do for him if he just tried. Richard was smaller than Charley so could do very little except get a police officer to help him out of his trouble which he straightway did. Both of them were up before the Recorder as the consequence. Both pleaded guilty to the charge of fighting, but as the evidence showed that Williams had suffered and Brailsford had not, the Mayor made Charley pay a fine of \$1, or serve 4 days. The sentence was made light because the offenders were very young.

WOMAN BURNED TO DEATH.

Mrs. Jerome Bryant Supposed to Have Fallen Into Fire in Epileptic Fit.

Easley, Nov. 8.—Mrs. Jerome Bryant was burned to death near Slabtown last Saturday. She was in a room alone and before assistance could reach her she was fatally burned and died in a few minutes. She was subject to epilepsy and it is thought she fell in the fire after one of those attacks.

WILDER WINS OVER OPPONENTS.

Small Vote Cast in County for Nominees—Probably only One Primary.

| | Wilder | Bowman | Spohn | Zuckey |
|----------------|--------|--------|-------|--------|
| Sumter: Ward 1 | 41 | 8 | 7 | 13 |
| Ward 2 | 93 | 57 | 58 | 37 |
| Ward 3 | 51 | 11 | 10 | 16 |
| Ward 4 | 73 | 2 | 11 | 10 |
| Oswego | 2 | 2 | 14 | 5 |
| Concord | 51 | 4 | 7 | 12 |
| Rafting Creek | 5 | 5 | | 19 |
| Wedgfield | 29 | 1 | | 1 |
| Privateer | 72 | 6 | 1 | 1 |
| Shiloh | | | | |
| Stateburg | | | | 11 |
| Mayesville | 14 | | | 21 |
| Manchester | | | | |
| Dalzell | 9 | 20 | | 19 |
| Total | 440 | 119 | 108 | 185 |

There was a very small vote cast in Sumter county Tuesday and the only enthusiasm shown was in the race for Auditor between the four candidates for that position.

So far as is now known, with all the boxes in the county except those at Shiloh and Manchester, reported Wilder has a majority of 28 votes out of the 852 so far heard from. The two boxes unheard from may make a second race necessary, but it is probable that the vote will not be changed, save to give Wilder a greater lead over his opponents.

As the State officers were already elected in everything except name, no interest was manifested in voting for the party nominees. The amendments did not arouse much interest either save that for an additional Justice on the State Supreme court, which was generally favored and voted for.

No one considered the candidacy of Richardson seriously so the Federal box was generally slighted and, despite Congressman Lever's request that everybody vote, few took the trouble to cast in their ballots.

Interest was manifested in the election of Governors of Ohio, New Jersey and New York, where, to the delight of the many who waited to hear the returns, the Democratic nominees were elected.

GIRL IGNORANT OF PERIL.

Swing Pails of Deadly Explosive Thinking it Water.

Washington, Nov. 7.—Total ignorance of the danger that surrounded her and under the impression she was carrying water, 11-year-old Mildred Anderson today tripped along in each hand a pail of nitroglycerine, which had been prepared for shooting an oil well on the Cameron, near here. As she carelessly swung the pails half a dozen oil drillers stood breathless a hundred yards away, fearing every moment to see the child hurled into eternity.

At a quiet command from her father, the child set the pails down and was taken out of danger. The men, unnerved, suspended work for the day.

Negro Captured.

Joby Richardson, the negro who shot Really Wilson on the night of the 27th at a hot supper near Brogdon, Wilson later dying from the effects of the wound, was captured near Lynchburg Tuesday about noon by deputy sheriff J. S. Sykes and constable Muldrow, and is now in jail awaiting trial.

Deputy Sykes, as soon as he knew of the death of Wilson, kept a sharp look out for Richardson and heard several days ago that he was in the Mayesville section of the county. Investigation proved that Richardson had left there and gone to Lynchburg where he was found yesterday by Mr. Sykes.

He was brought on to the city last night and lodged in jail.

Reception Given for Bride.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Lee gave a reception in their handsome residence on the corner of Main and Warren streets Tuesday afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock for Mrs. R. D. Lee, Jr., who has lately returned from her bridal trip to points north.

The guests were received by Mrs. Richardson and Mrs. Kingman and introduced to Mrs. R. D. Lee, Jr., who with Mrs. R. D. Lee were the hostesses of the occasion. Refreshments were passed by the Misses Richardson and Miss Tobin, Mrs. Richardson presiding at the punch bowl.

The affair was given that young Mrs. Lee might meet and become acquainted with the young people of the city and the friends of her husband.

The reception, which was for ladies only, was a great success and much enjoyed by all present.

The early frost was more damaging to cotton than first estimates indicated, and the yield will be considerably reduced in this section.

REPUBLICANS CARRY TENN.

Tennesseans Elect Hooper Their Governor by a Majority of About 15,000 to 18,000 Votes.

Nashville, Tenn., Nov. 8.—Summed up, the results of today's election appears to be B. W. Hooper, Republican and fusionist, chosen governor by 15,000 to 18,000 majority; B. A. Enloe, Democrat and fusionist, for railroad commissioner by a large majority and a possible small fusion majority in the legislature. Both sides claim the senate.

Most of the middle and west Tennessee Democratic counties, nearly all of which went for the independent judicial ticket in August last, returned to the regular column today, but by such small majorities that they were overwhelmed by the heavy Republican vote in east Tennessee counties.

In the congressional races, R. W. Austin, Republican, appears to have defeated N. W. Hale, independent Republican, Sells, Republican, defeated C. H. Lyle in the First, Zed Massey, Republican, was elected to fill out the unexpired term of W. P. Brownlow. In the other eight districts the Democrats have won.

PROHIBITIONISTS WIN IN GREENVILLE.

Landslide Against Dispensary is Result of Attempt to Make County Wet.

Greenville, Nov. 8.—With probably two-thirds of the vote in this county accounted for, results show a landslide for the prohibitionists on the question of dispensary or no dispensary. Twenty-eight precincts out of 46 give returns on this issue of 696 for and, 1,929 against the dispensary.

Returns for the county and State officers and the constitutional amendments are very difficult to obtain, these issues being lost sight of in the dispensary question.

Section 14 of article 10, in regard to abutting property owners which is practically the only one on which anything definite is learned, figures show 344 for and 32 against. Thomas Brier, a colored candidate for congress on the Republican ticket has received a few scattering votes; none are reported for Thompson, socialist candidate for governor.

The election here has been very quiet. The dispensary was the main issue and a large number voted on it alone, very little interest being shown in the other issues. The vote was lighter than was expected, and it is probable that not much over 4,000 were polled.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH REVIVAL.

The Interest and Attendance at the Christian Revival Continues to Increase.

From the Rally Item, Nov. 9.

Evangelist Stiles spoke last night upon the subject: "The Herald of Christ." He said in part:

"It is altogether a mistake to suppose that the world is unwilling to hear an intensely earnest and positive religious discussion. More people go to hear that than any other kind of discussion whatever.

The only one thing in which all mankind is interested is the great question of the salvation of the soul.

Some people, like the Pharisees of old, have shrunk away from all goodness and nobleness, and withered into the nunnery of a soul. God have mercy on the religious nunneries that are started up in our churches. No skepticism, however logical its philosophy may seem, will soothe the conscience or rock it to rest with an everlasting lullaby. No agnosticism or worldliness can soothe the undying worn, nor quench the inward fire that smolders in the restless soul. Only through faith in Christ, the manifested love for God, can the soul find peace.

Christians are to be voices crying in the wilderness. They are to be witnesses. They are to prepare the way for the coming of Christ into Sumter.

Friendship, already glorious, becomes divine when it means not only the bond between two human souls, but the bringing of the friend also into fellowship with the Lord Jesus.

Human love, the most glorious thing there is on earth, becomes more divine and precious than anything merely earthly when it is a golden chain that leads the loved one to Christ."

Miss Kimble, the popular soloist, sang, "Nobody Told Me of Jesus."

Evangelist Stiles will preach tonight on "The Divine-Human Christ."

Miss Kimble's solo will be "He Knows it All."

This is one of her best solos and those who miss hearing it will miss much. Song service begins promptly at 7:45.

CONGRESSIONAL FIGURES.

Changes Necessary to Bring About Democratic Control.

Washington, Nov. 7.—All over the United States the people will tomorrow choose the members of the 62d Congress to represent the forty-four sovereign States of the Union. Maine and Vermont held their elections in September.

The total membership of the House is now 391; majority 196. Present Republican membership, 215; present Democratic membership, 172; vacancies, 4; Republican majority, 43.

In order to gain control of the House it will be necessary for the Democrats to elect 24 members, while the Republicans may lose 12 and still hold control. Of the 24 necessary to secure control by the Democrats, two members have been elected from Maine.

The vacancies were caused by resignations and death of members. Samuel L. Gilmore, of Louisiana, Democrat; Chas G. Tirrell, of Massachusetts, and Walter C. Brownlow, of Tennessee, have died, and Gordon Russell, of the 3d Texas district, has resigned.

Legislatures will be elected in twenty-seven States, by which United States Senators are to be chosen. Of the 30 Senators whose terms expire March 4 next, 24 are Republicans and 6 Democrats. Maryland, Mississippi and Vermont already have elected their Senators.

Reports that have reached Washington today are that both sides are claiming victory everywhere and nothing but a close count will determine the victors.

Never in the history of the country, perhaps, has so much interest centered in an election that was not for the purpose of electing a President. It is recognized that as New York and Ohio go tomorrow, so, in all probability, will go the whole country two years hence in the national election. In addition to this the wonderful influence of Col. Roosevelt has been felt keenly. Nothing but an official count will tell what the result will be.

PROGRESS IN GRAFT CASES.

Henry Samuels Confesses to Having Paid out Money for Trade.

Chester, Nov. 9.—In the trial here of Black and Rawlinson, former directors of the South Carolina State Dispensary, and Lee Solomons, former liquor salesman, for conspiracy to defraud the State, Attorney General Lyon today, offered in evidence the "little red book," kept by Henry Samuels, of Chester, former whiskey salesman as a memorandum of rebates, required by the board from salesmen. Whether Samuels was one of the alleged conspirators remains undetermined. John T. Earley of Cincinnati, who represented the Fleischmann liquor interests declared he paid director John Black of Columbia "money in form of rebates."

He said: "I did so because I thought it would influence him to give me orders." He took the money and I got the orders. The \$2,500 draft made on Earley by Black in favor of Henry W. Black was offered in evidence. Earley identified it and said that in all he had paid Black between \$4,000 and \$5,000, that he usually paid him rebates of from \$1, to \$3 each, on every barrel Black bought of him.

Earley declared Black had not forced him to pay these rebates. Witness considered he was merely dividing his commissions with Black.

C. D. Dudley of Kentucky, who formerly represented Clarke Bros and Co., distillers of Peoria, Ill., said that once Directors Black, Wylie and Rawlinson ordered out 2,600 cases of whiskey on which Dudley paid them \$4,000 in rebates. The draft was put in evidence. Dudley said of this Wylie got \$1,200, Rawlinson \$1,200 and Black \$1,700.

Friday may see the conclusion of the case. At least six attorneys will be heard in argument. The State's case has not been finished.

Senator Elihu Root declares that if the G. O. P. loses New York it will lose its hold on the nation. And Teddy, too, will lose somewhat his grip on the big stick.—Atlanta Georgian.

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