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## BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

Starkville, Miss., April 5, 1910.  
Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Starkville, met in regular session, in the Mayor's Hall, this the 1st day of March, 1910, at 8:00 p. m., all officers and members being present.  
The Minutes of the previous meetings were read and adopted and the following business transacted.

MAYOR'S report for the month of March, 1910.  
Fines assessed..... \$75 00  
Fines collected..... 33 00  
Fines outstanding..... 42 00

Respectfully submitted,  
H. A. BEATTIE, Mayor.  
Ordered by the Board that said report be received and spread upon the Minutes.

COLLECTOR'S report for the month of February, 1910.

For water service..... \$91 87  
For light service..... 704 67  
City Accounts..... 2 50  
Privilege Tax..... 3 14  
Street Tax..... 3 00  
Found Pen..... 4 25

Total..... \$1,109 43  
Turned into Treas. \$1,109 43.

Respectfully Submitted  
W. O. PAGE, Col.  
Ordered by the Board that said report be received and spread upon Minutes.

The Supt. of Water and Light Plant and Street Commissioner's reports were read and ordered spread upon Minutes.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

To the Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen:  
I submit below a statement of all funds received and paid out by the City Treasurer during the first quarter 1910 and showing the total cash on hand at the close of business April 4th, 1910.

MATURING BOND AND INTEREST FUND  
Bal on hand last report..... \$ 2982 30  
Recd. during quarter..... \$ 1057 25

Paid for warrants..... 974 56  
Paid for Coupons..... 562 50

Bal on hand this date..... 2502 49

SCHOOL FUND.  
Bal last report..... 618 54  
Recd of collector..... 2114 34  
Recd State distribution..... 1236 06  
Recd Sheriff polls..... 535 44

Paid for warrants..... 4494 98  
3843 93

Bal on hand this date..... 651 05

GENERAL IMPROVEMENT FUND.  
Bal last report..... 774 25  
Recd from Collector..... 2790 25

Paid for Warrants..... 3564 60  
1346 56

Bal on hand this date..... 2218 04

GENERAL FUND.  
Bal last report..... 314 52  
Recd H. A. Beattie, Fines..... 78 50  
Recd Privilege Tax..... 16 45  
Recd Street Tax..... 30 00  
Recd Pound Pen..... 9 25  
Recd City Taxes..... 4210 56  
Error in receipt Warrant 470..... 1 00

Paid for warrants..... 3819 81  
Bal on hand this date..... 840 47

Total credits..... 6212 05

WATER AND LIGHT RENTS.  
Overdrawn last report..... 581 58  
Paid for warrants..... 2856 11

Recd of Col during quarter..... 3437 69  
2897 96

Overdrawn this date..... 539 73

Total cash on hand..... 5672 32  
Respectfully Submitted,  
W. J. ROUSSEAU, Treas.  
Starkville, Miss., April 5, 1910.

The assessment against the Standard Oil Co. for back Privilege Taxes for years from 1904 to 1909, for peddling was ratified by the Board.

Ordered by the Board that the Street Commissioner give 30 days notice in writing to the owners of property on Main Street from its intersection with Main Street, running west to Short Street, connecting Main and Lampkin streets, and on the short street that runs from the intersection of Washington and Main streets to its intersection with Lampkin street, at the southwest corner of the Burns property, and on the north side of Lampkin street and Greensboro road from east corner of Methodist church property to a point at A. W. Reynolds gate, and on the south side of Lampkin St. and Greensboro road from the east corner of Z. E. Yeates residence to a point at H. H. Reynolds gate, of the necessity of constructing walks along said street pursuant to an ordinance passed November 17, 1909, and at the expiration of 30 days for the giving of said notice, if said walks have not been constructed, the Street Commissioner is ordered to construct or have constructed said side walk and keep an accurate account of the cost thereof and report the same to the Board at the next regular meeting after the completion of said walks.

The Board ordered a concrete crossing between Dr. Eckford's office and J. L. Martin's store.

The fire insurance on School building was equally divided between the four insurance agents.

The school at Cotton Mills was extended.

F. M. Hale was re-elected school trustee.

The Board decided to ask M. & O. R. R. Co. for cheap rates on material to build new road.

The Board adjourned until April 7th.

W. O. PAGE, Clerk.  
H. A. BEATTIE, Mayor.

Adjourned meeting Thursday night, April 7th, 1910. The Board met pursuant to adjournment; all members present except Don-

key.  
F. L. Wier was elected a member of the Board of School Trustees.

Bridges moved and Nason seconded that Mayor Beattie, Alderman Howard and Clerk Page be appointed a committee to make arrangements to raise the money to build City part of new road.

The Board adjourned until Friday night, April 15, 1910.

W. O. PAGE, Clerk.  
H. A. BEATTIE, Mayor

## For Mayor.

Mr. L. R. Howard, the present popular Alderman-at-large, announces for Mayor of the City Starkville in the News this week.

Mr. Howard is a young man of sterling worth and integrity, a man of affairs and whose interests are fully identified with that of every citizen. He is one of the largest property owners and a successful man in business.

If elected, we believe that Mr. Howard would make a good and efficient mayor.

He asks the voters to consider his claims and desires their support for which he will be grateful.

## To the Lot Owners of Fellowship Cemetery

The Trustees of Fellowship Cemetery beg to announce that they have employed a regular sexton who will be in charge, and keep the grounds in perfect order. To do this successfully we have decided to assess each lot owner the sum of \$2.00 per annum, the payment of which will guarantee that the lot thus assessed will be kept in perfect order without further trouble or expense to the owner. This assessment is to be paid to the Secretary of Ridgely Lodge No. 23, I. O. O. F., who will receipt you for same. Provisions of the deed under which the lots were sold says that it is "With the understanding that this lot is to be used for the burial of the (white) dead, and to be under such rules and regulations as are now, or may hereafter be prescribed for the Cemetery by the Lodge."

We hope to have the hearty co-operation of the public generally, and the lot owners especially, in this matter, as it will enable the Trustees to make Fellowship Cemetery what it should be—a credit to the town and people.

Recognizing the necessity of keeping the Cemetery in uniform order, we feel sure that this plan will meet with your hearty approval, and thank you in advance for your help and co-operation.

R. B. NEAL, Chairman  
SIMON FRIED  
WILEY N. NASH  
WILLIAM WARD  
W. F. PIERCE  
THOS. J. WOOD  
T. W. WOODWARD  
Trustees Fellowship Cemetery.

By order of  
Ridgely Lodge No. 23, I. O. O. F.  
Thos. J. Wood, Noble Grand.  
W. H. Miller, Secretary.

## For Mayor.

Just at going to press Mr. Jno. W. Carpenter dropped in upon us, handing in his announcement for mayor of our city.

Mr. Carpenter is too well known for us to add anything of advantage to his candidacy. He is to the native born, conservative but most progressive.

If elected, in our opinion, would make an ideal mayor. He asks the fair and impartial consideration of the voters. This is reasonable and fair.

## SENATOR BILBO. Issues Statement to the People of Mississippi.

### Lays Bare the Scheme of "Purse-Yites"

Poplarville, Miss., April 20, 1910.  
To the People of Mississippi.

Never in the history of Mississippi has there been waged at our capitol city such a bitter and disgraceful fight with the friends of the common people and a clean government on the one side and the mercenary politicians and corporate influences on the other.

The Mississippi Legislature which adjourned last Saturday, sine die, will go down in history as one of the most extravagant and outrageous on record. It was my unpleasant duty to lead in the fight, to turn the light on the corrupt influences and methods used in the recent contest for United States Senator. And while the world may never know all the questionable doings of this "dark lantern" caucus, yet enough has been revealed to let the people know that the manhood of Mississippi must arise and come to the rescue of the toiling masses of our beloved State.

The people were not forgotten in the caucus alone, but you have only to look at the record of the Legislature, with its 100 or more public offices created, with its raise in salaries of nearly all officers, with its seven or eight million dollars appropriations, and you will see that the taxpayers were never dreamed of.

People of Mississippi! Don't mistake the issue! The fight between the classes and masses, between the corporate influences and the people is on! and it will be a fight to the finish.

It is now a matter of history that when the "gang" of political corruptionists failed to defeat the finding of an indictment before the Hinds County Grand Jury, they then threw, at the suggestion of Dulaney's attorneys, the whole affair into the State Senate of Mississippi for the professed purpose of investigation but it is now known that the scheme was to secure the State's evidence, white-wash the guilty parties, defeat justice, confound the public as to the real facts, expel or condemn me and to "recommend themselves powerfully."

I was fully aware of the fact that the "gang" both in the Senate and out of it that had pulled off the greatest and most reprehensible political trick in Mississippi politics would crucify me if they could, when I revealed their infamy. I know that the corporations of South Mississippi, especially the G. & S. I. R. R. had me marked ever since I entered public life, because I have dared to oppose them in the interest of the people. The corporate tools and grafting politicians scoured South Mississippi as with a fine tooth comb for something to damn the man who dared to expose the methods of the enemies of a clean government.

Of course they and all who are in sympathy with them think it "perfectly awful" to expose their damnable methods. Why I'm informed that one of these little poker-playing Senators has actually resigned because Bilbo was not expelled for exposing the crookedness of the recent caucus. If this honorable (?) Senator would tell the people of Mississippi the TRUE reason for his deserting Ex-Governor Vardaman after two or three weeks of the recent caucuses had expired the people of Mississippi would better understand his present action. I understand that there are more of these honorable (?) Senators to resign. Let the good work go on!

At no stage of this fight have I been doubtful of the ultimate outcome for I knew that I was right and truth will prevail. I shall not be surprised if the "gang" continues their effort to damn me but you can't fool all the people all the time.

The immortal (?) 28 Senators who thought they were so honest, upright, and worthy of belief, did not dare to prefer any charges against me. Why? Because all the slanderous rumors and corporate concoctions produced by the "gang" had vanished into the air when the facts were made known. The world now knows that the majority of the Senate was interested in my damnation and the vote on my expulsion would have been practically the same before the investigation as after. They were

trying to cover up the conditions brought about by their own doings in the secret caucus. It is no secret that the two honorable (?) Senators who were supposed to represent the Senate in the investigation, were in daily conference with Dulaney, the Percy Brothers and their attorneys, during the Star Chamber Proceedings of the Senate. These same two Senators were members of the immortal steering committee of the late glorious (?) secret caucus. It is a strange coincidence. The request of the 25 upright (?) Senators for my resignation, the resolution having been adopted after President Hebron had surrendered his gavel and all my friends left the Senate in a body, and coming after they had failed to expel me was ridiculous and amusing in the extreme—their nerve in this case being in proportion to their infamy. In response to this I have two good reasons for not complying with their request.

First—The people of the 4th District gave me my commission. I have done my sworn duty as God gave me light to see it. I have been true to their interests and to them alone am I accountable and to them I stand ready to give an account of my stewardship.

Second—And I would resign if it were not for the further fact that I would see all of the 28 Senators in h— before I would gratify their desires.

When 30 or 40 of the leading citizens of South Mississippi from all the walks of life, came to Jackson to vouch for my life, work and character and many thousand more stood ready to come and only half a dozen personal and political enemies could be found to attack me, I feel safe to leave my case to the fair minded citizenship of Mississippi.

Little do I care for what the 25 Senators that voted for the (Percy-Dulaney) resolution against me THINK for they are only 25 very ordinary men. I know that I'm right, that my people are with me and I believe the people of Mississippi will approve of my work. I know further the motives that prompted their votes, all of which will be revealed in the course of time. Dulaney's and the "gang's" actions since I appeared before the Grand Jury has proven his guilt to all fair minded people.

I wonder why it was necessary for the Percy's and all their satellites to hasten to Jackson and stay and work day and night during the farce proceedings before the Senate.

Why was it that the venerable Senate didn't give me a fair deal? I'm not afraid of the verdict of a just people when all the facts are made known to a candid world. Just wait until you read the evidence.

I shall be pleased to meet these gentlemen on the stump and discuss the whole affair before the white Democrats of Mississippi and then the people can decide who the "self-confessed liar" is. Yours for a Clean Government.

THEO G. BILBO.

## STURGIS SLOCAL.

BY MISS SALLIE BEVILL  
Mrs. Maude Prewitt was a guest in the home of her aunt, Mrs. C. B. Hannah, Sunday.

Mr. Rand Shropshire and Mrs. Jennie Dabbs have been visiting their mother this week.

Dr. Tom Greene spent Saturday in town.

Miss Ilah Woodson spent Sunday at home.

Miss Maggie Sullivan spent Saturday in Starkville, shopping.

Mr. C. B. Hannah left Monday for the ReUnion.

Miss Maggie Sullivan attended the State Teacher's Association at Meridian this week.

The sick are all improving.

We had quite a little snow storm Monday. A novel sight to many of us. Some of the older people recall a similar storm in April 1876.

Miss Edith Sullivan is spending this week with Mrs. Allie Greene.

## LONGVIEW LOCALS.

Miss Ida Richardson returned home Saturday, where she has been spending a week in the home of her cousin, Mrs. Allie Hall.

Mrs. Dora Sowell, from Kosciusko, was the guest of Mrs. Nannie Eakin Friday.

Mrs. Ethel King, from Durant, made us a flying trip Thursday and returned Friday.

Mr. Jack Wallace, Mrs. Fannie Richardson's son-in-law, spent Saturday and Sunday with her.

Mrs. Eula Sanders and Miss Verna Eakin, were the guest of Miss Ethel Sanders Friday.

Miss Maggie Shurden spent a few days here in the home of her sister, Mrs. Myrtle Pennel, last week.

Mrs. Alice Ramsey, from town, spent Sunday in Longview with relatives.

Mr. Grover Carpenter looked very "sporty" Sunday, he has his eye on some girl here. Who is it, Grover?

Miss Ida Richardson visited her aunt, Mrs. Ida Sikes, Sunday although her "friend," Mr. Charlie Montgomery, "accompanied" her.

Mr. J. I. Cummins and Mr. Jack Veazey visited New Hope Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dolhem departed for Aberdeen Sunday.

Mr. W. H. N. Seitz made a flying trip to Starkville Saturday.

Mrs. Alice Seitz visited her sister, Mrs. Annie Crow, Saturday.

## A Good Man Gone to his Reward.

Mr. Wm. McCann died last Saturday morning about 2 o'clock at the home of his son, Mr. Will McCann at Longview, aged about 74 years. He had been confined to his room for several weeks, but his condition was not regarded as serious. Three members of his Lodge, Odd Fellows, Rev. W. A. Jordan, Messrs. R. B. Neal and Wm. Ward paid him a social and fraternal visit the evening before his death. He was very appreciative of the call and was in fine spirits. His death, coming as it did the next morning, was a shock to his friends.

The remains arrived here Sunday on the 10:13 a. m. train and conveyed to the home of Mr. J. J. Henry. The funeral services were held at 2 o'clock, conducted by Rev. W. E. M. Brogan assisted by Rev. W. A. Jordan followed by interment at Fellowship Cemetery by Ridgely Lodge No. 23, I. O. O. F.

Mr. McCann was an honored and respected citizen of Oktibbeha County, where he resided from boyhood, except the years of the war. He was a confederate soldier, true, faithful and loyal throughout the four years' strife. He was a man of many noble traits of character.

Friends sympathize with the bereft widow in her loneliness at the separation of fifty three years of companionship and the son and other relatives in which the News sincerely joins.

A devoted husband, an indulgent father, an upright citizen and friend has gone to his reward. "Peace to his Ashes."