

FARMERS' MEETING YESTERDAY WAS LARGEST IN THE COUNTY'S HISTORY

Farmers and Representatives From All Sections Here to Hear and Learn How to Cultivate the Farm Successfully and to Make Stock Raising Profitable.

Congressman Small Moving Spirit

The farmers of Beaufort county met in educational meeting in this city yesterday at the courthouse to hear discussed a number of important topics with reference to farming.

There were two meetings held, one in the morning beginning at 10:30 o'clock and the other in the afternoon.

Farmers from all sections of the county were present and heard the discussion with interest, and no doubt to their profit. There was a large representation of farmers from the south side of the river and the Washington and Vandemere train was held until 4:30 p. m. for their accommodation.

The meeting had been arranged with the sole purpose of bringing substantial and practical information and benefit to those who are engaged in the cultivation of the soil. A number of these farmer's meetings have been held throughout the First Congressional district, due to the indefatigable efforts of Congressman John H. Small.

When the hour arrived to call the meeting to order the courtroom was packed with representatives from every section, and throughout both the morning and afternoon sessions gave a patient and close hearing to what was being said and done.

The meeting was called to order by Hon. John H. Small at 10:30 o'clock, who in well chosen words, explained the object of the meeting. And after a few words of thanks to the farmers of the county for their large attendance, Mr. W. H. Patrick, of Chocowinity, was made chairman.

Mr. J. F. Latham, representative from the North side of the river, and Mr. J. C. Thompson, of Beaufort, were named as secretaries. Congressman John H. Small made the opening address. He stated that 75 per cent of the population in this county, were farmers, yet, said he, agriculture has not made that progress it should have done in the last decade.

Mr. Thompson says the first step is by speeding to a high standard. This can be accomplished by communities purchasing a male of high standard to be utilized by the entire community. I know in my own experience,

CHICAGO READY FOR TAFT VISIT

The Great City of the West Has Completed Arrangements for the Occasion.

Chicago, Sept. 15.—The finishing touches to the preparations for the visit of President Taft were put on today. The President will arrive on the Lake Shore Railroad at 11:30 o'clock tomorrow morning and will leave the train at Garfield boulevard.

The program of the day will begin with a parade of 150,000 school children. The Commercial Club will tender the President a luncheon at the Congress Hotel at 1 o'clock at which he is expected to make a few informal remarks.

New York to Abolish Dives

New York, Sept. 15.—With the aim of wiping out the few remaining dives and disreputable drinking places in the city, the applications for a renewal of license filed by the 15,000 saloonkeepers of New York will be subjected to a most rigid examination.

ATTRACTION FRIDAY NIGHT

A well-told, consistent story, a cast of unusual excellence; a theme that is recognized by all thinking men and women to be one of the most serious menaces to the future welfare of society in general, and its evil results and the inevitable moral conveyed in a manner so convincing as to be actually startling.

This startling dramatic novelty will be the attraction at the opera house next Friday night, and to all lovers of the drama, will undoubtedly prove a dramatic feast. The story deals with the early struggles of a young foreman in one of the mills of the great iron corporations, who subsequently becomes its president.

His subsequent ruin at the hands of his erstwhile fellow conspirators in the "iron combine," the loss of his actress wife, who deserted him when adversity came, and his final rescue from prison and ignominy by the wife and daughter whom he forsook, form the basis of a story that has few parallels in the dramatic category of our present day "problem" dramas.

CREDITABLE STATEMENT

Attention is called to the most creditable statement in today's News of the Bank of Washington. This is another institution that is a credit to Washington. Its officials and directors are men of fine business acumen, and by their safe and wise business methods this bank occupies a high place in the financial world.

EIGHT MILLION DOLLARS GIVEN

Has Been Appropriated by State Legislatures for the Suppression of Tuberculosis.

Appropriations of over \$4,000,000 for the suppression of consumption have been made by twenty-eight State legislatures in session, during the past year, according to a statement issued today by the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis.

Since January 1, 1909, forty-three State and Territorial legislatures have been in session. Of this number, 28, have passed laws pertaining to tuberculosis; eight others have considered such legislation, and in only seven States no measures about consumption were presented. In all, 101 laws relating to the prevention or treatment of human tuberculosis were considered and out of this number 64 were passed.

Of the sixty-four laws passed, fourteen were in reference to building new State institutions. New State sanatoria for tuberculosis will be built in Pennsylvania, Connecticut, where three will be erected; Arkansas, Oregon, South Dakota, North Dakota and Florida. In New York, North Carolina, Indiana, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Maine, appropriations have been made for enlarging sanatoria, already being built or in operation.

Five States, Illinois, New York, Ohio, Minnesota and Iowa, passed laws giving their county officers power to erect tuberculosis sanatoria without resorting to a special vote. In Maine, Connecticut, Rhode Island, New Jersey, Michigan, Iowa and Kansas, laws providing for the strict reporting and registration of tuberculosis cases were passed.

Ten States have this year granted nearly \$100,000 to be spent only for the education of the public about tuberculosis. In some States traveling exhibitions will be used, while in others lectures and literature will be the chief means of education. The States making provisions of this sort are California, New Jersey, Kansas, New York, Rhode Island, Iowa, Minnesota, Porto Rico, Delaware and Texas.

The statement of the National Association calls particular attention to one fact which shows the remarkable interest in anti-tuberculosis work, evoked during the past year, namely, that fully one-third of the \$4,000,000 appropriated this year is by special legislation and for new work. The last Congress appropriated, in addition to this sum, nearly \$1,000,000 for the maintenance of the three Federal sanatoria in New Mexico and Colorado. It is estimated besides that the numerous county and municipal appropriations made or to be made for tuberculosis work for next year will aggregate at least \$790,000, making the official public expenditures in the United States for the wiping out of tuberculosis at least \$5,000,000.

Bankers Visit Steel Town

Chicago, Sept. 15.—The two sections of the American Bankers' Association, those dealing with trust companies and clearing houses, met this morning in annual convention.

TAFT STARTS FOR THE WEST

Began His 13,000 Mile Tour of the West at 10 O'clock This Morning.

Boston, Mass., Sept. 15.—President Taft began his 13,000 mile tour of the West and South at 10 o'clock today. The departure from the South station in this city was without incident. The President, accompanied by Captain Butt, his military aide, and his assistant secretary, confidential messenger and secret service officers, reached the train five minutes before leaving time.

In the station the public was barred behind the gates of the concourse, and those who surrounded the President's car of the special train were mostly officers and railroad employees. Just before the train moved out the President stepped from the observation room to the rear platform of the car and smilingly bowed his acknowledgments to the cheers of the crowd.

The President's first stop will be Chicago, where he is due to arrive tomorrow morning. He will stay for 24 hours. His itinerary for the remainder of the week will embrace Milwaukee, LaCrosse, Winona, and Minneapolis.

Attractive Window at Hoyt's Store

One of the most striking window displays is now to be seen in the popular store of J. K. Hoyt. A stone balustrade stretches the length of the window and in the center is a gateway with posts surmounted by globe lamps which are lighted at night and throw a soft glow over the model standing there, which is dressed in one of the newest fall style suits.

AT THE GEM LAST NIGHT

All who went to the Gem last night—and that was a great many—were very enthusiastic over the pictures. The story of Little Nell, in the Old Curiosity Shop appealed to any lover of Dickens. The Little Marchioness was simply perfect, and was the picture of implicit mischief.

At Cottage Grove Farm Last Night

Miss Ethel Archbell entertained her guests at Cottage Grove, in honor of her guests, Misses Louise Fowden, of Wilmington, and Mae Blount, of Chocowinity. About thirty or forty young folk drove out to the pretty suburban place and the colored Japanese lanterns gleaming through the trees and along the porches, made the scene picturesque.

FREEWILL BAPTIST

The Freewill Baptists will have prayer meeting services at the Masonic Hall this evening, conducted by Elder Joseph Hodges. Their quarterly meeting will commence next Friday night. Rev. J. T. Butler, will conduct the services.

STREETS WIN BY 36 VOTES

Washington is to have improved streets, for at the election held yesterday in the different wards to decide whether or not Washington shall issue bonds to the amount of \$25,000 for street improvements, it was carried by a majority of 36. The total vote in the city for street improvements was 293; against street improvements, 25. There were 221 votes cast. In order to have carried the election for street improvements a vote of 257 was necessary. A great many did not vote.

Last Day of Contest

This is the last day of the great baby prize contest. Positively no votes will be allowed after midnight. There are only three ways of adding to your votes for the favorite baby now. You can secure votes from the Gem Theater by coupons given out tonight. You can secure votes by purchasing articles of jewelry from A. G. Smither & Co., or by bringing in repair work to be delivered at some future date, provided cash accompanies order. There are some very fine bargains offered in their window in connection with the gradual reduction sale. It is entirely possible that the result of the contest will be changed at the last moment by some purchase from their list of bargains.

As an encouragement to those still trying, the following offers are made. Double coupons will be given at the Gem theater tonight. The Daily News' offers for subscriptions still holds up to midnight. There will be a special reduction of one dollar for every ten dollars spent at A. G. Smither & Co., either in sales or repairing, or a discount of 10 per cent on all money coming in on this contest.

Many persons will be glad to see the contest end. It has been a strenuous campaign, and many persons would like to sit up and await the result. The following committee will open the ballot box and count the votes: W. K. Jacobson, W. J. Vaughan, and C. D. Parker. If possible the result will be ascertained after the contest closes tonight and it will be announced in The News tomorrow afternoon, together with the number of votes cast and the number of votes of the successful contestant. The enterprising firm of A. G. Smither & Co. deserve much credit for launching so fine and popular a contest. We shall look for their next business exploitation which may appear at an early date.

LIVERY STABLE MOVED

Mr. Howard Winfield, who has been engaged in the livery business on Market street at Chubbey's old stand for the past five years, has purchased the Thomas P. Howard stables and has moved there, where he will be pleased to see his many customers and friends. His new place of business has been repaired and altered and he is now in a position to accommodate as many as 75 teams. His stables are among the largest in Washington and have every accommodation.

DIXIE CHANGES HANDS

The News was informed this morning of the change to be made at the Dixie theater, the firm existing as the Dixie Theatrical Amusement Company, to Messrs. Aronson & Brown, Henderson, N. C. The change was made last Monday and will run a few days longer under the same management. This it will be closed for about two weeks for making many improvements, in the way of steam heating and well ventilated, for the coming winter, same will have over 200 sky lights and will seat over 200 people, and will be supplied with the regular theater chairs and a complete change entirely. The above firm is now operating seven moving picture shows and this makes eight, and it will be quite a boost for Washington as these gentlemen are experienced show men.

A Runaway Near Washin-ton Park

There was a slight accident yesterday near Washington Park in which the horse belonging to W. B. Norton & Co. overturned the wagon and broke one of the shafts. Mr. Charlie Payne was in the wagon at the time and was tossed out. The horse was stopped by Mr. Charles Norton before he had gone many steps and little or no damage was done.

AMERICAN GIRL WEDS ROYALTY

An Alliance of American Millions and European Royalty Consummated.

Dingwall, Rosshire, Scotland, Sept. 15.—An alliance of American millions and European royalty, the first on record, was consummated today in the little Catholic Church of Dingwall. The bride was Miss Anita Stewart, of New York, who several years ago came into possession of an immense fortune through the death of her step-father, James Henry Smith. The bridegroom was Prince Miguel of Braganza, eldest son of the Duke of Braganza, Pretender to the throne of Portugal.

The wedding ceremony was a most brilliant affair. The route from Tulloch Castle, the temporary residence of the bride's mother, to the church, was spanned by triumphal arches made dazzling with color by a multitude of flags and ensigns, and by escutcheons representing the arms of the House of Braganza. Enthusiastic masses of people lined the roadway and cheered the wedding party and guests most heartily.

Gentlemen of the Braganza household, in full dress, and wearing many orders and other decorations, had charge of the church. They received the ladies and gentlemen, the former in gorgeous toilets, and many of the latter in splendid uniforms. Among the first to arrive were a delegation sent by the Austrian emperor, consisting of thirty noblemen. Their attendance was in recognition of the fact that the bridegroom holds a high station at the Austrian court, while his family is intimately connected with the Austrian royal family.

Among the representatives of the bride's family were Sir George and Lady Cooper, brother-in-law and sister of the late James Henry Smith, and Mr. and Mrs. Anthony J. Drexel, the latter the bride's aunt. Other American guests included members of the Astor, Gould and Stewart families.

The interior of the church was made beautiful with artistic floral decorations, softened by the judicious use of priceless draperies brought from Paris for the occasion, contrasting nicely with the colors of the ladies' toilets and with the uniforms of the military guests. The family pews, richly draped with velvet and gold, were reserved for the members of the Braganza family and for relatives of the bride.

Bishop Chisholm, of Aberdeen, officiated at the marriage in full canonicals, assisted by Father Frazer, of the local parish. The bride was given away by her brother, W. Rhineland Stewart, Jr., and her only attendant was her cousin, Miss Margaret Drexel. The bridegroom was attended by his two brothers. The bride and bridegroom left the church to the strains of a wedding march, and were driven away in an open carriage, amid tremendous outbursts of cheering, to Tulloch Castle, not far distant, where the wedding breakfast was served to 500 distinguished guests.

President Diaz's 79th Birthday

City of Mexico, Sept. 15.—Today being the 79th birthday of President Porfirio Diaz, large crowds of officials and private citizens called at the national palace to tender their congratulations to the chief executive. The army officers were received first, then a committee from the American Colony Society. At noon the members of the diplomatic corps were received in the Hall of Ambassadors. In the evening the President will, in accordance with time honored custom ring the Independence bell, thus ushering in the celebration of the Mexican Independence Day.

Answer the w. a. ad. is always an interesting errand—and your next experience may show you some wholly novel phase of life in this city.

New Advertisements in Today's News.

- A. C. Hathaway—Wharf Property. Washington Park. "Rub-No-More." Knight Shoe Co.—Patrician Shoes. J. K. Hoyt—Opening Sale. T. W. Phillips & Co.—Dry Goods.

You Cannot Clip Any More Coupons from The News, but You can Secure Votes by Paying your Subscription Before Midnight Tonight.