

INTEREST IN BIG WARSAW ROAD MEET

Party Will Make Trip From Here—Wilmingtonians At Meeting in Watha

It is expected that there will be a large number of Wilmingtonians to make the trip to Warsaw Wednesday next week, to be in attendance at the good roads rally to be held in interest of the new Wilmington-Goldsboro highway, as the papers of all the sections along the proposed route are giving the matter considerable attention.

Today there is being held in Watha, one of the towns on the route of the big highway, a big "Good Roads Picnic." Several local good roads enthusiasts left the city early this morning in automobiles to be present at the rally. Among those who made the trip were Mr. W. A. McGirt, chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, Mr. R. A. Burnett, superintendent of roads; Mr. J. P. Herring, county farm demonstrator, and other persons. Chairman McGirt is on the program to make one of the principal addresses to the large gathering.

Chairman McGirt will head a party that will make the trip to Warsaw Wednesday to be present at the Duplin county rally, which promises to rival the great good roads meeting that was held in Burgaw some time ago when the Wilmington-Fayetteville Highway Association was formed and that highway was given birth.

Senator Rivers D. Johnson, of Warsaw is making big arrangements for the reception of a tremendous gathering of people from every county and town between Wilmington and Goldsboro. Dr. Joseph Hyde Pratt, of Chapel Hill, one of the enthusiastic members of the North Carolina Good Roads Association is lending every assistance to make the meeting a big success and will be one of the principal speakers of the occasion.

It is Chairman McGirt's idea to carry a large delegation from this city and he requests all interested and who intend to make the trip to notify him at the earliest moment.

SPOKE AT MEETING.

Mr. W. A. McGirt Addressed Good Roads Rally Held at Watha Today.

Mr. W. A. McGirt, chairman of the New Hanover Board of County Commissioners, was among those who made an address at the good roads rally held at Watha today.

Mr. McGirt is an enthusiastic good roads advocate and is well posted on the subjects of roads and of road construction. A number of other Wilmington people also attended the meeting.

DEATH OF MRS. MILLER.

Chadborn Woman Died at Hospital Here This Morning.

Mrs. E. H. Miller, of Chadborn, died at the James Walker Memorial Hospital this morning at 10:30 o'clock after an illness of two weeks.

The remains will be taken this afternoon to Chadborn, where interment will be made in the Chadborn cemetery Friday morning.

The deceased, who was 53 years old, is survived by four children and her husband. The children are Carl, James and Pearl Miller and Mr. C. E. Miller, all of whom live at Chadborn.

Season Not Open.

A number of enthusiastic hunters have, within the last few days been shooting marsh hens in the various sounds surrounding Wilmington and as so many have been out it is thought best by Mr. E. W. Nelson, acting chief of the Biological Service of the Federal government, to call attention to the fact that a number of migratory birds are still within the protection of the law.

In a letter to Sheriff S. P. Cowan he stated that the season is not yet open for band-tailed pigeons, little brown sandhill and whooping cranes, wood ducks, swans, curlew, willet and all shore birds except the black-breasted and golden plover. Wilson snipe, jack-snipe and the greater and lesser yellowlegs.

TO SPEAK HERE.

Congressman H. L. Godwin Will Address Voters of New Hanover.

Since the formal opening of the Democratic campaign here when Governor-to-be T. W. Bickett spoke at the Academy of Music, the New Hanover County Democratic Executive Committee has been busy lining up a number of speakers who will during the fall months address the voters of the county.

Prominent among those who have accepted an invitation to speak here is Congressman H. L. Godwin, who yesterday wrote Mr. Claude C. Cashwell, secretary of the committee, that he would be pleased to come to New Hanover and deliver an address. In the letter Mr. Godwin also stated that he was arranging for a joint canvass of the Sixth district with his opponent, Hon. A. L. McCaskill, of Fayetteville, but that his services could be had by the New Hanover Democrats either before the canvass began or after it had ended.

I had a wonderful dream last night—it it would only come true you would never have to work again. What was it? I dreamed you were dead.—Exchange.

NEXT MEMBER OF EDUCATION BOARD

Much Speculation as to Who Will Succeed J. O. Carr, Esq.—Meeting.

There is much speculation as to who will be named by Messrs. J. G. L. Gieschen and B. Solomon, the remaining members, to succeed J. O. Carr, Esq., as member of the County Board of Education. A number of names have been suggested. The board now constituted will hold a meeting tomorrow afternoon at which it is probable that the vacancy will be filled.

Under the law an election must be made on or before next Monday or else the selection will be left to the State superintendent of public instruction. The vacancy was automatically created when Mr. Carr qualified as United States District Attorney, which was on the 18th of August.

It is understood that Messrs. Gieschen and Solomon have had several persons suggested to them as suitable men for a place on the Board of Education and all of these have been given consideration. The term is only until the meeting of the next Legislature, which is in January, when the Representative and Senator from this county will have the power of naming the member for the remainder of the term. The Legislature will have to make two appointments at the next session as the term of Mr. Gieschen will expire July 1st of next year.

With a view of electing for the vacancy a man who would be supported for re-election in the Legislature, Messrs. Gieschen and Solomon, are understood to have called upon Representative L. Clayton Grant a few days ago and discussed the matter with him, going into the question quite fully. The names of several persons are understood to have been mentioned in course of the conference. Neither Mr. Gieschen nor Mr. Solomon would make a statement for publication when seen by a Dispatch representative yesterday and Mr. Grant, who was seen today, also declined to be quoted on the question.

He did say, however, that he had not as yet told the members of the board who he would support in the Legislature to fill the vacancy. It is presumed, however, that before the meeting tomorrow afternoon he will notify the board of his choice for the position, as it seems to be the desire of all that the person who is named be acceptable for the longer term, as no one would want to be chosen for the office only to be replaced by another in three months.

Among those suggested for the position are Woodus Kellum, Esq., Senator W. B. Cooper, Mr. J. Allan Taylor, J. D. Bellamy, Jr., Esq., Mr. D. L. Gore and possibly others.

COTTON PRODUCTION CONTINUES HEAVY

Washington, Sept. 14.—Under the influence of large demands and resultant high prices the production of copper during the last six months has exceeded that of any equal period in the history of the industry.

The United States Geological Survey states that there has been a steady rate of increase in the output of copper since early in 1915. The production during the last half of 1915 considerably exceeded that of the first half, according to the report by B. S. Butler, of the Geological Survey, and during the year the refineries produced, from both domestic and foreign ores, a total of 1,634,000,000 pounds was produced from ores mined in the United States.

The price for the period has averaged above the highest price received for copper at any time in recent years, the average for the first six months of 1916 being more than 26 cents a pound. The cost has doubtless increased slightly, as the important copper companies have increased the wages of their employees; but this increase has been largely offset by decrease in cost due to working plants at the maximum capacity. Many small mines are operating that could not be profitably worked under normal conditions and this, of course, tends to increase the average cost per pound.

The profits of the producing companies have been large and as much of the output is sold several months ahead of delivery the prosperity of the industry is well assured for the remainder of the year, so that 1916 will doubtless be the most profitable year in the history of copper production to the present time and possibly for years to come.

League to Make Protest.

Vienna, Sept. 14.—To protest against the legal prohibitions and hindrances to marriage in Austria, the Austrian Women's Union is organizing a series of demonstrations. In a manifesto issued to the public the Union declares that it is surprising that at a moment when there is a general desire for an increase of population the state itself prevents whole categories of persons, especially women, from marriages.

Left For Raleigh—Sheriff S. P. Cowan and Deputy Sheriffs Reynolds and Keen left this morning for Raleigh, where they will place the prisoners convicted at this week's term of Superior Court in the State's prison.

The Imagist Poet—What do you think of this? It is the latest child of my fancy.

The Critic—It might have been worse. It might have been twins.—Exchange.

GREAT MOVIE COMING.

Thomas Dixon's "The Fall of a Nation," Will Be Here Soon.

"The Fall of a Nation," the latest of Thomas Dixon's stirring novels, will be seen on the moving picture screens of North Carolina beginning in Charlotte, October 2, and the great picture comes recommended as highly as did the "Birth of a Nation" and the "Battle Cry of Peace." The picture will be seen at the Academy of Music here at a date to be announced later.

The Tar Heel author, who wrote "The Leopard's Spots," "The Clansman," and many other books and plays descriptive of State events and scenes, presents his imaginative views of the origin and destiny of the United States. The play is styled by him "a bugle call to arms for National defense." In the exciting seven reels are shown some of the things the writer believes that would happen to our country should, at the close of the European war, all of those powers make war against the United States.

In the great military play are some of the most spectacular battle scenes ever produced in moving pictures. Intertwoven is a pretty love story.

SEMINOLE RELIEVED.

Cutter Tampa Will Patrol Coast While Local Vessel Is on Ways.

Wires orders have been received by Capt. Preston H. Uberroth, commanding officer of the coast guard cutter Seminole, to the effect that the coast guard cutter Tampa had relieved the local vessel until the Seminole had been overhauled. The Seminole will be hauled out on the marine railway of the Wilmington Iron Works tomorrow or next day.

While the Seminole is having her bottom scraped and painted and undergoing other repairs the cutter Tampa will patrol the North Carolina coast; also the South Carolina coast, to which it is regularly assigned; Charleston, S. C., is the present headquarters of the Tampa. The best part of two weeks will be consumed in getting the Seminole in shape for the fall cruises.

RECORDER'S COURT.

Ross Kennedy Sentenced to Three Months on Roads—Appeal Taken.

Ross Kennedy, the young white man who some time ago ran over with an automobile and injured Deams Padgett, a young white boy, was this morning sentenced to serve three months on the county roads by Judge Emple, of the Recorder's court. Kennedy, who was represented by Woodus Kellum, Esq., took an appeal to the Superior Court. Bond was fixed at \$100.

Henry Clemmons, the negro who yesterday ran into a telephone post with an automobile and did damage to both the post and the car, was tried on a charge of reckless driving. He was fined \$5 and costs.

The case of Perry Clemmons, a young white boy, who was arrested yesterday afternoon in a charge of the larceny of a bicycle, had his case not pressed with leave. According to the evidence the boy intended to ride the bicycle around the block and he stated that he thought it was the bicycle of a friend of his who had been in the habit of letting him ride when he was not using it.

E. A. Bell, white, charged with violating the driving ordinance, was fined \$2.50.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS.

Officers for the Ensuing Year Elected At Meeting Last Night.

Wilmington Council, Knights of Columbus No. 1074, last night held election of officers for the ensuing year, the following being elected: Grand Knight, Geo. P. Galvin. Deputy Grand Knight, Paul J. Banchon.

Financial Secretary, William Sheehan, Jr.

POSITION OF SWISS AS TRADE RELATIONS

(New York Journal of Commerce.) It has been reported in late dispatches from Europe that the Swiss government has reached a trade agreement with the government of the German empire. By virtue of this arrangement the imports into Switzerland of certain commodities, such as coal and iron and other necessities of industry, will be permitted by Germany. In exchange, Switzerland is to permit the exportation of cotton and foodstuffs owned by Germans. It does not yet appear exactly what action the Entente Allies will take to meet this, for they are anxious to retain the friendship of the small neutral nation, and yet they cannot be expected to allow to exist a convenient avenue by means of which the Germans can break the effect of the stringent blockade maintained for the past two years.

The position of Switzerland during the present war has been one of extreme difficulty, and it is remarkable how successful the country has been in preserving its neutrality. It is entirely surrounded by the warring nations. In area, it is only about twice the size of the State of New Jersey and has but little more than the estimated population of that State in 1916; that is to say, about three and a half millions of inhabitants. These people are by no means homogeneous in race or language. It is estimated that over two-thirds, or about 71 per cent, speak German; 21 per cent, speak French, and 5 per cent, Italian. In addition; a small number of mountain people speak a peculiar language known as Rumanisch. As might be expected, the country as a whole is pro-German in sympathy, but Americans who were in Switzerland during the fall of 1914 noted a decided change in sentiment in favor of the Entente Allies when Turkey entered the war on the side of the Germans.

The Swiss also are divided in religion. Some of the States or "cantons" have Protestant, others Catholic, churches as the established religion, and several of them have both forms of belief recognized by law as equally enjoying the support and protection of the government. In fact, one of the characteristic features of Swiss life is the toleration and respect these above-mentioned races and religions have for each other. Switzerland must be cosmopolitan on account of its origin, its geographical situation, and its diverse racial elements. On the other hand, it is held together by the potential danger of this same geographical position. The Swiss have learned through their history that self-defense is a prime requisite of their national independence. They have natural barriers of great strength for frontier defense, except in the north, where the Rhine river and Lake Constance form a more or less precarious boundary against German aggression.

This same outside pressure is one of the great reasons for the strength and vigor of the extremely democratic form of the Swiss Government. It is a federation pure and simple, with local government delegated to the Cantons and their sub-divisions, while the two houses of the National Parliament, meeting separately or in joint session, are the center of power in the National Administration. The Federal Executive, a Commission of seven men, is elected by the Parliament; but its work is largely administrative under the direction of the representatives of the people. The so-called President is the chairman of this Commission, but with no special powers beyond those of his colleagues. The initiative and referendum are distinctive features of both National and Cantonal governments, but their use, as President Wilson has pointed out, often has been for the purpose of passing laws of a low grade, of merely the result of popular clamor rather than reasoned public opinion.

It is the fashion among some American "reformers" of a more or less radical turn of mind to go to the Swiss governments for various political epidemics in order to increase what they term the "popular control" of our own governments. They forget that the Swiss people are compelled by outside pressure to work their government successfully, and after all Switzerland is a small country, with much less economic difference among its people than in the case of the State of New Jersey for example, not to mention the immense extent and varied life of the people of the United States. Switzerland has no sea coast, its largest city Geneva is approximately the size of Elizabeth, New Jersey; it has financial and industrial interests, it is true, but they cannot be mentioned in the same breath with those of our own country, so small are they in comparison.

The Swiss people, due to their common-sense, their much-discussed system of military training, and the successful working of their government for the reason mentioned above so far have steered a safe course of neutrality amid the rocks of the diverse warring interests of the great European powers. Should they continue to stand the strain and emerge untouched by the conflict it will be a great tribute to their ability and political sagacity. Further than this, it will prove only the success of their Government for themselves, and not that it is the most perfect Government in the world, as some observers persist in saying.

"Muzzer," asked the four-year-old, "did you hear the stépladder when it tumbled over?"

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