

SECOND DAY OF AUTO SHOW WAS WELL ATTENDED

Many Out of Town Visitors Here Afternoon and Evening.

THIS IS DEALERS DAY

Splendid Program by Pryor's Band and Soloists—Automobile Business "Looking Up."

Program for today at the Carolina Automobile show—Dealers' day.

- 1. Overture—"William Tell" Romaine. 2. (a) "March of the Toys," Harbert. (b) "Don't Take Away Those Blues," McKiernan. 3. Excerpts—"Bohemian Girl," Balfie. 4. (a) "The Dying Poet," Gottschalk. (b) "Dardanelles" (by request), Black. 5. Duo for flute and horn—Messrs. Wummer and Schumann. 6. Finale to "Egyptian Ballet," Lugnet.

- Part II. 7. Scenes from "The Magic Melody," Romberg. (a) "The Love Nest," Hirsch. (b) "A Scotch Patrol," Donatti. 8. Solo—"Paganini's" "Devil's Ladder"—Margaret Travers. 9. "The Daughters of America," Lamp. 10. Miss Carmela Ponselle—1. Aria from "La Favorita." Donatti. 2. (a) Lord's Risen, Rachmaninoff; (b) Fanchonette C. B. Clark; (c) To a Messenger, La Forge. Frederick Bristol at the piano.

- 11. Overture—"Fiddlers' Bach." Reminiscences of Chopin. 12. Xylophone solo—"Valse Caprice," Sassano Joseph Sassano. 13. Scene from "The Veil"—"The Veil," Herbert. 14. (a) "La Polka," Yrader. (b) "The Boy and the Birds," Hager. 15. Descriptive—"A Hunting Scene," Buccoloni.

- Part II. 16. Selection—"Floradora," Stuart—Messrs. Handzik and Stambaugh. 17. Duo for concert—"Short and Sweet"—Short. 18. Excerpts—"Fedora," Giordano. 19. Soprano solo—"A Heart That's Free," Robyn—Margaret Travers. "The Triumph of Old Glory," Fryer.

Conviction that business is alive, alert and is waking up in a rapid succession of jerks, each one putting prospects on the automobile map, was the honest-to-goodness thing that forced itself into the minds of automobile men Tuesday, the second day of the Carolina Automobile show, after 24 hours of watchful waiting on their part, not without some slight doubts also, at the end of which they found it in order to smile, and smile they did. "We did manage to make March equal to December, January and February in business, said one of the men who were going into a venture that would give birth to certain hope or a certain listlessness that might be drawn out for months. The assured hope that came to the automobile men yesterday was behind the smiles which they all wore when the day's work was done and the closing hour arrived. The ordeal was over and the men who do a business of \$87,000,000 annually in Charlotte and now hope to put it up to \$100,000,000 soon, felt that their lot was good.

Big Second Day. From a business standpoint the automobile show has already grown up into a successful maturity. Exhibitors went out Monday aware that they were going into a venture that would give birth to certain hope or a certain listlessness that might be drawn out for months. The assured hope that came to the automobile men yesterday was behind the smiles which they all wore when the day's work was done and the closing hour arrived. The ordeal was over and the men who do a business of \$87,000,000 annually in Charlotte and now hope to put it up to \$100,000,000 soon, felt that their lot was good.

Auto Show Telephone. Those wishing to communicate with the Automobile Show by telephone should call 9213. This is the number of the only local telephone in the show building. It is in the Observer's information and service booth, and some one is there from morning until night to answer phone calls and render other service.

Rotarians Invited To Meet In Winston-Salem In 1922

North Carolina Delegations Loudly Applaud Twin City's Invitation—Great Parade Staged in Norfolk.

McCulloch and Perrin Speak.

Special to The Observer. NORFOLK, April 12.—Winston-Salem is the only city which has issued an invitation for the 1922 district Rotary convention. This invitation was issued during the opening session of the convention this morning and evoked loud applause from the North Carolina delegations. The decision as to the next convention's location will be made in June by the district executive committee. Big delegations from Virginia and the rest of the Carolinas arrived on every train this morning, Charlotte turning up the second largest visiting delegation from the district. The morning session of the convention was featured by addresses by W. L. "Buck" Perrin, state senator, E. C. McCulloch, governor, and Crawford C. McCulloch, of Ft. William, Ontario, Canada, first vice president of International Rotary. The afternoon session of the convention was a very large and the best parades ever seen in this city took place. Over 500 automobiles took part and every conceivable foot of space was filled with a Rotarian high in spirits. The parade extended through the city to the army and navy bases and back to the city park, where boy scouts and school children staged a big pageant for the benefit of the visiting Rotarians.

CENTRAL UNION BIG HEARING IS FAVORS BONDS SET FOR JUNE 1

Labor Approves Two Million Dollar Road Issue.

Body Representing 23 Locals and 5,000 Workers in City on Record for Better Roads.

The Charlotte Central Labor union, including representatives from the 23 affiliated unions of the city, with a membership of approximately 5,000 workers, has endorsed the \$2,000,000 road bond issue to be voted on by Mecklenburg county citizens on April 19. This action was taken at the regular meeting last night, at which the road bond issue was the principal consideration, previous announcement having been made that this issue would be discussed and acted upon at the meeting.

The road bond proposition now before the people of Mecklenburg was discussed at some length, both advocates and opponents presenting their arguments in favor and opposed, the endorsement having finally been given by a very large majority, A. J. LaTour, secretary, reported, following the meeting. Every one of the 23 affiliated locals were represented at the meeting last night and these representatives will take the bond issue proposition back to their locals at the meetings to be held within the next few days. The secretary reporting that the bond issue will be endorsed by the movement, in addition to the seven locals that have already given their endorsement.

Officers of the union announce as a general proposition that they are in hearty accord with any movement that will lead toward the betterment of the people or conditions of the communities in which they live. This movement, they say, is one of those that act upon the resolution favorably as carrying out the general policy of the organization. Already seven of the largest locals in the city have given their endorsement to the road bond issue in no uncertain terms and the belief is that each of the remaining bodies will give their approval and endorsement at the next meetings. All will hold meetings before the election, it was reported.

Those already on record, in addition to the central body, representing all of the locals, include the typographical, electricians, sheet metal workers, carpenters, plumbers, molders and building trades council.

FIRST A. R. P. PRESBYTERY MEETS IN BESSEMER CITY. Charlotte ministers of the Associated Reformed Presbyterians met in Bessemer City attending the two-day meeting of the first presbytery of the church in session yesterday and today. With them are elders from each of the churches.

Included in the group leaving here yesterday morning were Rev. Dr. W. W. Orr, Rev. W. B. Lind, Rev. E. F. Griffith, Rev. W. H. Quinn, Rev. W. M. Hunter of the city, and Dr. G. R. White, Dr. R. G. Miller, Rev. R. A. Stroup and Rev. J. M. B. Graham of the county. Rev. W. W. Boyce of Mooresville, and Rev. E. L. Hamilton of Troutman, joined the Charlotte and Mecklenburg ministers here.

REJECTION OF VERSAILLES LEAGUE OF NATIONS

Harding's First Message; Full Text Is Given Here

WASHINGTON, April 12.—President Harding's message to Congress was as follows:

Members of the Congress: "You have been called in extraordinary session to give your consideration to national problems far too pressing to be long neglected. We face our tasks of legislation and administration amid conditions as difficult as our government has ever contemplated. Under our political system the people of the United States have charged the new Congress and the new administration with the solution—the adjustment, reconstruction and restoration which must follow in the wake of war. "It may be regretted that we were so illly prepared for war's aftermath, so little made ready to return to the ways of peace, but the effort to find our normal, onward way again. "The American people have applauded the situation, and with that understanding they will give to us the influence of deliberate public opinion which ultimately becomes the edict of any popular government. They are measuring some of the steps we have taken, and will join in the give and take which is so essential to firm re-establishment. "First in mind must be the solution of our problems at home, even though some phases of them are inparably linked with our foreign relations. The surest procedure in every government is to put its own house in order. "I know of no more pressing problem at home than that of restricting our national expenditures within the limits of our national income, and at the same time measurably lift the burdens of war taxation from the shoulders of the American people. "One cannot be unmindful that economy is a much employed cry, most frequently stressed in production appeals, but it is in vain to make it an ostentatious and compelling purpose in both legislation and administration. The unrestrained tendency to heedless expenditure and the attending growth of public indebtedness, extending our federal authority to that of state and municipality and including the smallest political subdivision, constitute the most dangerous phase of government today. The nation cannot restrain except in its own activities, but it can exemplar in a wholesome reversal. "The staggering load of war debt must be carried in orderly fashion and gradual liquidation. We shall hasten the solution and aid effectively in lifting the tax burdens if we strike resolutely at expenditure. It is far easier to do so than to do it in the fever of war. Our expenditures were so little questioned, the emergency was so compelling, appropriation was so unimpeded that we little noted millionaires in the United States are now the only ones who are not taxed." (Continued on Page 2.)

HARDING'S PLAN FOR PEACE IS CONSIDERED WEAK AND ABSURD

Message Makes Little Impression in Washington.

DEMOCRATS TO GIVE RECOMMENDATIONS FAIR TREATMENT.

FIGHT TARIFF, HOWEVER

HARDING READS MESSAGE FOLLOWING WILSON'S LEAD; LATTER CRITICIZED BY G. O. P.

BY H. E. C. BRYANT. WASHINGTON, April 12.—President Harding's message did not make much of an impression here today, for it is not clear on important questions.

Democrats were interested in the fact that Mr. Harding followed the lead of Mr. Wilson and read what he had to say. For appearing in person Mr. Wilson was called "King" by G. O. P. leaders.

Democrats are preparing to give the Harding recommendations fair consideration, but they see no good in the emergency tariff bill, and will fight it to a finish. Representative Kitchen, if he is able, will lead the assault in the house, and Senator Simmons in the senate.

The plan for peace is considered weak and absurd. Democrats on the ways and means committee plan to issue a warning that passage of the tariff bill, as proposed by the republicans, will add upwards of three-quarters of a billion dollars a year or more to the cost of living of the American people. A report is being drafted by the minority for submission before the end of the week on the effects of the proposed legislation.

Experts have been preparing information as to the operation of the various duties. It is contended that the tax rates on wheat, produce, meats and wool will make the expense of living mount into hundreds of millions of dollars additional and that \$100,000,000 also will be added to the nation's sugar bill.

Senator Simmons, discussing the message, said: "I was much pleased with much of the President's address, but the democrats will dissent from his views on the tariff and taxation. Especially do I disagree with his views on internal taxes. His foreign policy must be very startling to the allies and confusing to his party. I had expected that he would urge the league of nations, but thought he would offer in its stead something more than mere platitudes."

AUTO DEMOLISHED WHEN IT STRUCK OIL TRUCK. An Oakland five-passenger car was completely wrecked and an Alameda man slightly injured yesterday afternoon when the automobile crashed into a Texas company oil truck at a service station on the Salisbury road, three miles from the city.

The injured man was brought to town and taken to a physician's office. It was stated that a garage concern sent out to salvage the wrecked Oakland brought back nothing but the rubber tires and the cushion off the rear seat. The passenger in the Oakland was named McMann. He was reported to have escaped with slight hurt.

It was declared that the Alameda car driver saw the oil tank truck, but believed it was going to turn to the left at the service station, causing the Oakland driver to steer his car in a wrong direction, hitting the heavy tank truck with terrific blow and demolishing the Oakland.

DELEGATES NAMED TO THE STATE MEDICAL MEETING. The Mecklenburg Medical society has elected four members as its official representatives and members of the house of delegates in the approaching convention of the North Carolina Medical society, which convenes in Pinehurst April 26-28 in annual session. In addition to the official representation, members say that at least a score of Charley physicians will attend the state meeting this month.

The delegates elected are Drs. B. J. Witherspoon, L. W. Hovis, R. Z. Linney and J. E. S. Davidson. Alternates are Dr. J. Mack DeArmon, H. P. Barrett, Reid Patterson and R. W. Petrie.

The president of the state society is Dr. Thos. E. Anderson of Statesville. Dr. Wm. J. K. Hayes is secretary of the state society.

PRESIDENT IN HISTORIC MESSAGE CALLS FOR PEACE WITH SOFTENED BY CONGRESSIONAL DECLARATION

Favors Ratification of Sections of Versailles Treaty Which Protect Specifically American Rights and Interests in War Settlement—Declaration Answered in Tremendous Demonstration Led by Republican Senators and Representatives; Irreconcilables Claim Complete Victory.

Emergency Tariff Placed at Head of Line—Domestic Legislation, and Committee Report to Support Fordney Measure Today—Tax Revision and Railway Situation Stressed—Declares Faith in Merchant Marine and in Principle of Armament Reduction, but Aaks for Legislation on Neither Subject—Lesser Measures Endorsed Might Prolong Session of Congress Until Snow Files—Message Long and Never Finished Until Eleventh Hour.

WASHINGTON, April 12.—Final rejection of the Versailles League of Nations by the American government was proclaimed by President Harding in a solemn proclamation of the President of his administration. Speaking before the new Congress, assembled to write the political and economic reconstruction, the President declared that he would not sign the Versailles treaty until the November elections. Instead, he asked for a declaration of peace and for ratification of those sections of the treaty which protect specifically American rights and interests.

In the existing league of nations, world service may be rendered, but this republic will have no part," he said. "The world to the world in general, and to our associates in the league, the principle of armament reduction will be a separate measure passed at the last session and vetoed by President Wilson. For the permanent tariff bill that is to be framed later, Mr. Harding made his faith in a maintained merchant marine, although the exact words of the chief executive, the senatorial group of the President was claiming a complete victory, declaring that with the passage of the treaty endorsed by Mr. Harding, the world would be a better place."

An emergency tariff to correct serious disorders in American industry was placed at the head of the President's requests, and within an hour after he finished speaking, the House ways and means committee agreed to report tomorrow the emergency measure passed at the last session and vetoed by President Wilson. For the permanent tariff bill that is to be framed later, Mr. Harding made his faith in a maintained merchant marine, although the exact words of the chief executive, the senatorial group of the President was claiming a complete victory, declaring that with the passage of the treaty endorsed by Mr. Harding, the world would be a better place."

Probably more than \$5,000,000 changed hands yesterday as a result of the real estate transfers recorded yesterday in the office of the register of deeds, several large transactions having been placed on record.

Two transfers recorded involved about \$12,000 each, while two others contained considerations of around \$5,000, numbers of others having given the "avoidance clause" of \$100 and other considerations.

The biggest consideration was \$12,000, given as a price paid for lot on Pembroke avenue, Myers Park, by E. O. Bacon and wife to The Carolina Company.

Another big transfer was the sale of approximately 22 acres of land in Mecklenburg Heights, including 11 small tracts ranging from an acre and a half to two and a half each, parts of the Dr. C. G. McMann estate. The property was sold by W. M. Smith, commissioner, to the Mecklenburg Farms company. The consideration was \$11,700.

H. B. Heath purchased from the Carolina company three lots on Brevard court, at the rear of Latta arcade, the consideration having been \$5,500.

The Charlotte Consolidated Contractors company sold to Cyril Granville Smith and wife a lot on the corner of Morehead street and Oriole avenue, the consideration having been \$4,500.

Other deeds filed for record yesterday are as follows: W. H. Hager and wife to Turner Land company, lot on South Cedar street, for \$100, etc.

Lula Walker to William Jackson and wife, lot on South Long street, for \$350.

M. B. Rose and W. A. Matheson, Jr., to R. E. Faud, lot on South McDowell and East Boundary street, for \$1,000, etc.

T. J. Troublefield and wife to R. S. Garmon and wife, two lots on Georgia and Mecklenburg avenues, for \$1,000, etc.

Mr. Harding's definite stand against the league covenant was not a surprise to republican leaders of the senate, although the exact words of the declaration was an unsettled question until shortly before the executive left for the capital to deliver his address. The first draft of the manuscript was completed long after midnight, and when the proof sheets came from the public printer this morning the President cancelled the regular Tuesday cabinet meeting and summoned republican members of the foreign relations committee to the White House.

In conference with the committee members, the President considered the foreign relations sections of the address for more than an hour, hearing the advice of mild reservationists as well as irreconcilable conservatives. Afterward, the exact wording of the declaration was an unsettled question until shortly before the executive left for the capital to deliver his address. The first draft of the manuscript was completed long after midnight, and when the proof sheets came from the public printer this morning the President cancelled the regular Tuesday cabinet meeting and summoned republican members of the foreign relations committee to the White House.

Without exception the senators as well as irreconcilable conservatives were assured afterward their satisfaction with the President's views, though there was a wide divergence of views among them regarding the league of nations. The ratification of the Versailles treaty with the league and other portions omitted.

JUDGE PRITCHARD WANTED BRITT TO SUCCEED HIM. ASHEVILLE, April 12.—Three weeks ago sensing that he would not stand upon a federal bench, the late Federal Judge Peter C. Pritchard, fourth circuit court of appeals, wrote a letter addressed to the public and expressing his desire that ex-Congressman James J. Britt, of this city, would be appointed his successor, it was learned today.



Fair and warmer than yesterday, probably showers Thursday.

It's a good plan to keep your trouble 24 yourself until you find a fellow who is looking for it.