

ESTABLISHED 1821

LOCAL NEWS IN FORM  
MATTERS OF INTEREST  
READERS OF THE PATRIOT  
FAR AND NEAR.

**Goes to Roads.**—Steve Moorikis, who tried to pass a bad check on Crawford & Rees Wednesday, was tried in the city court Friday and sentenced to 18 months on the roads.

**To Repair Gibsonville Road.**—Auditor Davidson says the Gibsonville road will be repaired this fall. From here to the county home it will be repaired as the High Point road is being repaired.

**First to Give \$50.**—The Aberdeen & Rockfish railroad was the first "person, firm or corporation" in the state to subscribe \$50 for the North Carolina publicity bureau. It is hoped to get a hundred in this class.

**In Effect Today.**—The ordinance forbidding owners or drivers to leave automobiles and other vehicles standing on Elm street, in the business section, went into effect today. Two policemen are on the job of seeing the ordinance enforced.

**Will Resume Work Soon.**—County Auditor Davidson expects to resume work on the Greensboro-Asheboro road about September 1. Some of the road needs repairing badly, while the part nearest the Randolph line must be given a sand-clay surface.

**Will Re-Surface Road.**—The work of filling up the holes in the Greensboro-High Point road is progressing nicely. The places needing repair are dug out and then refilled with a mixture of stone, sand and asphalt. When this is done, the road will be given a new finish of asphalt.

**Get Copper Still.**—Sheriff Stafford and Deputy Sheriff Shaw made a trip into Clay township Saturday night and came back with a copper still. It was found 12 miles southeast of the city. The kettle, worm and cap were about a quarter of a mile apart.

**Will Remove Trees.**—The city commissioners have decided that the shade trees on West Market street between the Methodist and Baptist churches must go in order to give room for a wider and better sidewalk at this point. The sidewalk will be put down when the street work is finished.

**Morgan Surrenders.**—James Morgan, the Brown Summit negro who Sunday struck Walter Whitsett, another negro, over the head with a bottle, surrendered to the officers Thursday and put up a bond of \$100. In the meantime, Whitsett had been released from the hospital and is gone to parts not known at present.

**To Discuss New Building.**—All patrons and taxpayers are asked to meet at South Buffalo school house next Thursday, August 19, at 8 P. M., for the purpose of discussing and planning for a new school building. Everyone in the district is invited. The Women's Betterment Association will serve refreshments free.

**Poor Sand Was Used.**—The work of surfacing North Elm street was stopped again last week on account of the poor quality of sand being used. The sand was being obtained from Jamestown. It was decided that a washing machine should be installed in order that sand free from soil could be obtained for the surfacing work.

**Accepts Propositions.**—The city commissioners have accepted two propositions made them by George W. Pritchett. One of these is to install a turbine electric lighting system at the pumping station for the sum of \$200, and the other to trade the city a modern pump, the consideration to be two old pumps now in use at the station and \$50.

**Crops Looking Up.**—The recent rains have had a good effect upon all crops. Late corn will be much better than early corn this year. The tobacco crop is not as good as some years, but will be a good average crop. Upon the whole it is believed that farmers of this section cannot complain greatly. Much early plowing is being done, which foretokes a big wheat crop.

**Atlantic City Excursion.**—The annual excursion to Atlantic City and other New Jersey watering resorts will be operated by the Southern Railway from this section tomorrow. The round trip ticket is good for 10 days, with a privilege of extension upon payment of a small sum. Owing to the very low fare that will be in effect, it is likely that many will take advantage of it, as has been the rule in the past years.

**Buy Land at Rudd.**—A deed was filed Friday with the register of deeds for property transferred in Monroe township. The transfer was that of J. F. Jordan to D. C. Suggs and consisted of two tracts of land near Rudd station. The first tract adjoins the land of Walker and contains a little more than 90 acres, while the amount named in the second tract is 10.05 acres. The consideration for both tracts was \$1,600.

**Sink-Vaughn.**—Miss Pearl M. Sink was married to Mr. Numa M. Vaughn Thursday evening at 8 o'clock at the Moravian church. Rev. C. E. White, the pastor, officiated. Only a few friends were present. The couple will visit in Walnut Cove a few days and will return to Greensboro to make their home. Mr. Vaughn has a position with the North Carolina Public Service Company. His bride is a daughter of Mr. H. F. Sink, of this city.

**May Make Round Corners.**—The city authorities are endeavoring to get the consent of the federal government, county commissioners, Mrs. Fisher and Mr. Klutz, owners of the four corners at court square, to agree to having the corners of the sidewalks at the square rounded off, so as to make turning vehicles more easy at this point. It is believed that the consent will be obtained and the work done while the present street work is in progress.

**Baseball Situation.**—A meeting of friends of organized baseball was held in the court house Thursday night, and speeches were made by Mayor Murphy, who presided, and others. After a discussion of the situation, a motion prevailed that 2,000 benefit tickets at \$1 each be offered to the public. The purpose of this movement is to raise \$2,000 with which to pay players' salaries and other indebtedness. The club is about \$1,000 in arrears with the salaries of its players.

**Country Club Road.**—Work has been commenced on the concrete highway that is to be constructed from North Elm street at the city limits to Sunset drive, at the entrance to the Irving park and country club property. The road is to be constructed of concrete on both sides of the street car line and the street car line will be finished as the lines are in the city. The Irving Park Company has built a number of fine concrete drives in its property and about the club grounds.

**Two Men Injured.**—R. P. Boone and Percy Allred suffered a rather painful accident Thursday from a pistol in the hands of the former. Mr. Boone had just been handed the pistol by a small boy who was passing and, while examining the gun, in some way it was discharged. The ball passed through Mr. Boone's hand and lodged in the thigh of Mr. Allred, who was sitting in a chair at his side. While the wounds of both men are painful, the attending physician did not think them serious.

**Commissioners Meeting.**—All of the five Guilford county commissioners attended the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners at Morehead City, and they report an interesting gathering. Mr. J. Al Rankin says that one of the matters that interested him greatly was the proposition to ask the legislature to reduce the fees of solicitors in the state. The last legislature increased the fees, and as a result Guilford county has paid Solicitor Bower about \$1,800 during the last year for five weeks' work.

**Socialists Picnic.**—The first annual picnic of the Socialists of Guilford county was held Saturday at the old Union church grounds, between Summerfield and Oak Ridge. There was a large attendance, with an ample spread of choice eatables and excellent speaking by Prof. J. L. Fritts, of South Carolina. The local Socialists are highly elated over the successful outcome of the first endeavor at the encampment idea. These encampments are held annually in both Texas and Oklahoma with thousands of people in attendance.

**Will Take Testimony Here.**—Examiner McGee, of the interstate commerce commission, will hold hearings in Greensboro on September 21 for shippers protesting against proposed increases in freight rates on various commodities. The cases to come up for consideration are those of the North State Lumber Company against the Southern Railway; the Snow Lumber Company against the Raleigh, Charlotte and Southern Railway; the Guilford Lumber Manufacturing Company and the Owen M. Bruner Company against the Southern Railway.

**Fire Destroys Lumber Plant.**—Fire early Thursday morning destroyed the planing mill and shop of Mr. S. G. Lomax, at Brown Summit, causing a loss of about \$6,000, with only \$600 insurance. The origin of the fire is not known. When Mr. Lomax was awakened the flames had made considerable headway, and it was then too late to do anything towards extinguishing the blaze. The plant burned to the foundations, the machinery was ruined and the stock on hand was a total loss. Mr. Lomax had conducted the business several years and had a good trade. As one of the best citizens of the county, he has the sympathy of a large number of people.

**McLeansville Store Entered.**—An unknown person or persons broke and entered the store of Mr. S. T. Boone, at McLeansville, Wednesday night, and stole and carried away several boxes of tobacco and cigars, candy, clothing, etc. Mr. Boone thinks that the nocturnal visitors got goods worth at least \$50. Several empty tobacco boxes were found outside the store. Entrance was gained to the store by opening a hole with an augur big enough for one to stick his hand in and unfasten a door on the inside. It is probable that the thief arrived and departed on trains passing at night. About a year ago the store of Mr. P. V. Boone, just across the railroad from this store, was entered and robbed.

**PRIMITIVE BAPTISTS HOLD MEETING HERE.**  
The Upper County Line Association of the Primitive Baptist church had a great gathering in Graham's warehouse Saturday, Sunday and today. Hundreds of delegates and visitors were here from all parts of the state, and it was estimated that 3,000 people attended the services in the warehouse yesterday.

The opening sermon was preached Saturday morning by Elder C. F. Denny, of Durham. Following this Elder O. J. Denny, of Charlotte, was chosen as moderator.

Saturday night there were sermons by Elders P. G. Lester, of Floyd, Va., and J. A. Ashburn, of Winston-Salem.

At 10 o'clock yesterday morning Elder P. D. Gold, of Wilson, and Elder J. T. Rowe, of Baltimore, Md., delivered forceful and inspiring sermons to a large and attentive congregation.

Yesterday afternoon Elder P. G. Lester, of Floyd, Va., and Elder Isaac Jones, of Pender county, addressed the largest congregation of the session. Elder Lester is an congressman and a fine speaker.

Last night Elders T. W. Walker, J. A. Shaw and J. P. Tingle were the speakers. They were heard with interest.

Today will witness the close of one of the most successful sessions ever held by this association, and especially since its division some time ago. The speakers at today's sessions will be Elders G. M. Corbett, F. W. Willard and J. C. Hooks.

**WANT THOMASVILLE'S CREDIT FOR \$50,000.**  
W. N. Cofer, of New York, promoter of the Carolina and Yadkin River Railway, wants the credit of the city of Thomasville to the extent of \$50,000 in bonds to finance the building of an extension of their road to Troy, Montgomery county. The Coler Company propose to pay interest and redeem the bonds without cost to the city. Part of the funds thus secured will also be used to equip the Carolina and Yadkin River Railway with a trolley system from Thomasville to High Point and to put in a complete trolley system for Thomasville.

The proposition includes the building of a trolley siding to every factory in Thomasville, which alone will mean thousands of dollars annually to the manufacturers. A prominent manufacturer expressed the opinion that the proposed system would be worth at least \$5,000 annually to him. The building of these sidings will eliminate the hauling of freight to the freight stations.

It is believed that the town will accept the proposition.

Miss Kathleen and Mr. Henry Teague have returned to their home in Martinsville, Va., after a visit to the family of Mr. S. W. Blackburn, at Guilford College. Miss Mildred Blackburn went with them and will visit in Martinsville a few days.

## PEACE NOTE TO MEXICO ALL EXCEPT CARRANZA ARE EXPECTED TO AGREE TO PROPOSITION.

The Pan-American appeal to all elements in Mexico to cease fighting and join in a sincere movement to restore constitutional government began to go forward from the state department Friday night.

First the document was dispatched in English to the various Latin-American legations in Mexico City, whose attaches translated it into Spanish and delivered it to the military leaders in that vicinity. Saturday the appeal in original Spanish was forwarded directly to Generals Villa and Carranza, governors of states and many other chiefs in different parts of the country. The text will be made public here in a few days.

With the appeal dispatched, this government will institute a friendly and persistent effort to induce Mexican leaders who have shown a disposition to oppose the movement to sacrifice their personal views in the common Mexican interest. That General Carranza will maintain the defiance he had indicated in his recent communications is expected by the administration, but it is regarded as possible that many of his generals and other adherents can be induced to join in a peace convention.

It is believed that if a few of the Carranza generals participate in a convention of the factions, it won't be long before organized opposition to a new government could be effectively checked. In this connection, it has been reported that Major General Hugh L. Scott, chief of staff of the army, who is remaining at the border at the request of the state department, is expected to perform important missionary work. As he knows many of the Mexican military leaders personally, it is believed he may exert a powerful influence.

Absolutely no resistance to the plan is expected from any source other than from General Carranza and in some quarters the feeling is growing that even Carranza himself may respond favorably to the appeal after he has studied its friendly tone carefully and sees that he has been misinformed in advancing its purposes. General Villa and his adherents made it clear in a statement issued by Diaz Lombardo, foreign minister to Chihuahua, that they are ready to eliminate themselves for the common welfare, provided there is no recognition of the old scientific group and that a constitutional government is restored.

## PRESIDENT CONSIDERS MEXICAN SITUATION.

President Wilson, on his return from Cornish, was given a comprehensive account of the Mexican situation by Secretary Lansing. The secretary told the president that official reports indicated that the situation in the vicinity of Brownsville was of a local character and that quiet prevailed at Vera Cruz, where there had been some anti-foreign demonstrations. He outlined in detail the discussion of peace plans at the New York conference of the Latin-American diplomats.

Neither the president nor Secretary Lansing was inclined to believe the situation required any further precautionary measures than have been taken in sending battleships to Mexican waters and more federal troops to the Texas border. They devoted most of their time to a discussion of the inter-American plan on which they are pinning their hopes for the early restoration of peace in Mexico.

On the eve of this action came an announcement from the Villa agency that Carranza had flatly refused to permit a peace conference between his representatives and those of Villa. Enrique C. Llorente, Villa's Washington representative, gave out letters which passed between him and Eliseo Arredondo, the Carranza representative. Llorente began the correspondence when Charles A. Douglas, counsel for Carranza, filed a brief with the state department calling attention to the presence in Washington of Luis Cabrera and Eliseo Arredondo as Carranza representatives and saying that "either or both of them, I am assured, will be glad to confer with any element of the Mexican people with a view of furthering the common interest and peace and welfare of the nation."

Llorente telegraphed Villa and was instructed to begin a discussion of peace terms. Arredondo replied he would refer the matter to Carranza, whose response came in the form of instructions to Arredondo not to enter into peace negotiations.

Secretary Lansing revealed that Villa recently had informed the state department he was willing to sign an armistice for three months or longer for holding a peace conference. Llorente said General Felipe Angeles now was in conference with Villa at Chihuahua relative to details of such an armistice.

Indications are that the Zapata elements are preparing to receive favorably the appeal of the United States and the Latin-American governments. Officials here hope many generals reported to be Carranza partisans ultimately will give their adherence to a peace conference.

Carranza's displeasure over the Latin-American movement does not alter the feeling of optimism among officials here, who declare unwarranted the inference that an attempt is to be made to invade Mexico's sovereignty. The Argentine foreign minister's reply to Carranza, issued by Carranza agency in Washington, in which it is stated that the Latin-American countries specifically understood at the outset of their conference that there was to be no impairment of Mexico's sovereignty represents the view of the United States government, whose effort is to obtain peace without resort to force.

Secretary Lansing said he did not know when the Latin-American diplomats would be called into conference again, but another session probably will be held within three weeks. The present plan is to wait ten days after reception of the appeal considering any replies received.

## HAITI ELECTS NEW PRESIDENT OF ISLAND.

Haiti elected a new president Thursday. Sudre Dartiguenave, president of the present senate, was chosen by 94 votes out of a total of 116 votes cast by members of the chamber of deputies. General Bobo, who led the latest revolution, and who was said to have a strong following among the poorer people in north Haiti, got only three votes. Dartiguenave won the election easily, his nearest opponent, Cauvin, receiving 4 votes and Thezan, the other candidate, four. One vote was a blank.

The election was accomplished without disorder. Anticipating possible trouble, Admiral Caperton, in charge of the American forces, had taken extraordinary precautions to prevent outbreaks, and American marines patrolled the streets. Everything is quiet at present, the people seeming content to accept the result of the election. Dartiguenave is considered the leader of the Conservative party and his election is believed to mark the turning of popular sentiment against Bobo and the revolutionary faction.

The adherents of General Bobo and the members of the other various revolutionary factions who have grouped themselves under the title of "the district committee," even before the election, protested to the state department at Washington against permitting the present Congress to elect a new president. In their protest the revolutionists declared that the Congress was chosen under military dictatorship two years ago, and does not in any sense represent the people.

In their petition for postponement the "district committee" asked that the United States government arrange to have a new assembly constituted, which should be made up of delegates from all the provinces to be chosen by the people themselves. To this assembly the committee urged that absolute freedom should be guaranteed in the choice of a president, and also permission to effect certain changes in the constitution and government of Haiti.

If the revolutionary sentiment is as strong among the classes as the leaders of the party claim, there is a serious possibility that the people of Haiti as a whole will refuse to abide by the election of Dartiguenave as president, and further outbreaks may occur. Should the United States government consent to recognize the present government with Dartiguenave as its head, it would make itself responsible to a large degree for the maintenance of such a government by force if necessary.

## GUILFORD MAY PROFIT BY ROAD PATROL WORK.

Recently secretary Forester of the Chamber of Commerce wrote Mr. H. B. Varner, of Lexington, about the matter of federal aid and patrol for roads. He has received the following answer:

"I am in receipt of your letter of the 7th, in reference to the patrol system of the Central highway. I have been working on this for some time and the United States office of public roads has made a proposition to furnish two engineers to supervise the maintenance of this road, and the American Highway Association is to furnish two automobiles for the engineers to use.

"The Central highway is 500 miles long, from the Beaufort harbor to the Tennessee line, through Guilford, Davidson and Rowan and on to the Tennessee line. I think that Col. Benehan Cameron has charge of looking after getting the contract signed up for Guilford county. Colonel Cameron's address is Stagville. It is very important that this matter be attended to immediately, for this reason: Winston-Salem never initiates anything, but after the thing gets started and has been on foot 10 or 12 months, they usually 'butt in' and take anything they can get their hands on that is not nailed down.

"If they haven't already done so, they will make a strenuous effort to keep us from having this patrol to run through Rowan county, but they will want to run it from Guilford to Winston-Salem and from Winston to Mocksville and on to Statesville. Their jealousy of Greensboro makes them get a move on and they want to absolutely take the National highway away from the county as much as they can, therefore, it is the wise thing for Greensboro to stand by Davidson and Rowan.

"I would appreciate it if you would see your county commissioners and explain to them what this patrol system means, that the supervision will be entirely in the hands of the United States engineers, and that they will have charge of the patrolmen through your county; that the county would be expected to appropriate \$50 a mile or whatever is necessary to keep the road in absolutely perfect condition. This one road will be an object lesson to the balance of your county, and the central highway will be an object lesson to the state, therefore, it will be of great benefit to North Carolina, so get busy and get the newspapers of your town to realize that they are interested in this particular matter."

## RALEIGH LAD'S HEROISM SAVES BOY FROM DEATH.

The heroism, quick wit, and good swimming of Speight Barnes, twelve-year-old son of Rev. A. S. Barnes, of a Methodist orphanage, at Raleigh, snatched another victim from the waters of Crabtree creek, near Raleigh, Friday morning, when Morris Cox, an eight year old orphan, slipped from the bank into the water.

The two boys were members of the party from Page dormitory of the Methodist orphanage, which, under the charge of Superintendent Barnes, spent the night on the creek. They were almost ready to return to the orphanage when, about 8 o'clock, Morris Cox, along with several other orphan boys, started up the creek fishing. Morris was higher upstream than the others. Attempting to throw his line into the water, his foot slipped and he plunged in. The creek is more than six feet deep at this point and the lad was unable to swim. He was struggling desperately when seen by Speight Barnes. Fully clad, the older boy jumped into the creek some distance away and swam toward him. Barnes is a good swimmer for his age and though the two went under the water, he brought the drowning boy close to the bank where they were pulled out.

**Bank Examiners Report Prosperity.**  
Prosperity reports from 100 national bank examiners, widely distributed, were made public last week by the comptroller of the currency. The reports, the comptroller said, show "generally a marked improvement, especially noted in those sections where there has been some depression.

"Crops everywhere are good, with only a few exceptions in the Middle West and in Maine, where continued heavy rainfalls have done some damage. The demand for money appears to be about normal and the banks are reported able to meet the reasonable demands."