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SURE OF VICTORY.

Mr. Gough is Certain the People Will Win Fight for Just Freight Rates — Assured Governor Craig That Robeson County is in the Fight—Facts Which Railroads Cannot Explain Away.

Mr. Frank Gough, one of the six delegates appointed to represent Lumberton at the meeting of the Just Freight Rate Association in Raleigh last Thursday and one of the two who attended, ex-Sheriff Geo. B. McLeod being the other, returned Thursday night. He was accompanied to Raleigh by his small son and on account of the fact that Master Frank got sick Mr. Gough had to come back earlier than he had intended. He had to leave Raleigh at 3:45 o'clock Thursday afternoon, hence could not be present at the meeting of the Just Freight Rate Association and had to leave the representation of Lumberton, whose business men are intensely interested in this important matter, in the hands of State Senator McLeod. Mr. McLeod has not returned home yet.

Mr. Gough, however, was present at a special meeting of business men with Governor Craig Thursday morning and assured the Governor that Robeson county business men are solidly behind him in the firm stand he has taken in regard to freight rates—assured the Governor that Robeson was with him and that that meant that the State would be saved.

Mr. Gough is confident that the fight for just freight rates will be won by the people of the State. He was very much impressed with the remarks made by the Governor before the committee, of which he was a member, which called upon the Governor Thursday morning. Governor Craig was assured that the business men of the State are behind him. The Governor says the fight will be won—maybe not in a day, nor in two days, but it will still be won, and that before very long. The railroads are robbing the people of the State of \$5,000,000 a year and can well afford to spend \$1,000,000 or more to fight, and they will doubtless do that; but the Governor is confident that the State will get justice in the end.

This is a fight, of course, in which every man, woman and child in the State is concerned. The people, the consumers, pay the freight after all—the merchant does not pay it; not all of it at any rate. If 25 cents is added to the freight on a barrel of flour the consumer pays that freight; and the same way on everything else. So this freight rate discrimination against North Carolina touches every fireside.

The railroads cannot explain it away. Already, Mr. Gough says, \$5,000 have been spent in gathering data with which to confound the railroads when they contend that they cannot afford to give North Carolina points as cheap rates as are given points in Virginia. For instance, why is it that the railroads will haul a car of vegetables from Florida through Greensboro this State, to Richmond and back from Richmond to Greensboro cheaper than they will stop the car in Greensboro? Why will they carry a car of live-stock from Atlanta through Hamlet to Norfolk cheaper than they will stop that car in Hamlet?

No amount of explanation on the part of the railroads will explain away facts like these.

But Mr. Gough says he is sure, from the temper displayed by people gathered from all sections of the State in Raleigh last week, from the determined stand of the Governor, and the men at the head of the Just Freight Rate Association, that a brighter day is ahead and an end will be put to this discrimination that is rob-

SOUTHERN BAPTISTS

Meet Next at Nashville—Question of Free Education for Ministers.

St. Louis Dispatch, 15th.

The Southern Baptist convention today chose Nashville, Tenn., as the next place of meeting and fixed May 13th, 1914, as the date. The Rev. Geo. W. McDaniel of Richmond, Va., will preach the convention sermon. Rev. Forest Smith of Sherman, Texas, was named alternate.

A movement which has been going on quietly for several years to organize all the Baptists west of the Mississippi river into a separate convention was met by the introduction of resolutions by President E. Y. Mullins, of the Southern Baptist Theological seminary of Louisville, which were adopted, expressing feelings of fraternity and sympathy for the work being done in the Theological Seminary at Fort Worth, Texas, and Liberty, Mo.

The question of giving free educational advantages to young men who wish to enter the Baptist ministry was brought before the convention by Mr. Mullins. He offered a resolution, a call on the various States in the convention for a share of \$18,000, the money to go to the school of which he is the head and which is in debt for students expenses to that amount. He said that he believed that if the Baptists would offer free education to ministerial students, three hundred million converts could be won in China alone during the next 25 years. The resolution was adopted.

It was decided by the officers of the convention that the proposed amendment to the constitution allowing women on the floor as delegates would have to go over until next year, as it had not been introduced in the first day's session.

Aged Indian Defies Officers—Foolish by Strangers and Captured.

Maxton Special, 18th, to Greensboro Daily News.

Tuesday Deputy Sheriff W. W. Smith, in company with James A. Shaw, W. O. Burnes and G. H. McCallum went out about five miles in the country from Maxton to serve a writ of ejection on Math Locklier, a Croatan Indian. Math is over 80 years of age but still active and well preserved and fully capable of taking care of himself against all comers, resisted the writ and pulled his gun on the visitors. All departed deciding the climate was not good for their health in that immediate vicinity.

Saturday Deputy Sheriff Britt, of Lumberton came up to assist Mr. Smith and these two with Calvin Lowery, a Croatan Indian, drove out to the house in a car. Mr. Britt was a stranger and the Lowery Indian fooled Math out, Mr. Smith not being in sight. It seems that he was expecting a visit from the officers for he was sitting in the door with a gun across his knees. On getting to the car he was placed under arrest and his wife was also arrested, she having assisted him on the previous visit of the officers by threatening to use a hatchet.

The two prisoners were brought to Maxton and while he was away his property was moved and the house locked up. Mr. Smith refused to prosecute and asked that he be turned loose.

Fourth of July Celebration.

That Fourth of July celebration, in which the entire county is expected to have a part to play, is being much talked. Plans are on foot to make this occasion one of great interest. It will consist of varied forms of amusement. It is to be a big Robeson county celebration of the Fourth of July in Lumberton.

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RED SPRINGS REVIEWS.

Community Shocked by Suicide of Mr. Savage—Automobile Accident — Death of Mrs. Peter Smith—Graded School Closes—Other Items.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Red Springs, May 17—Mr. J. S. Longfellow and Mr. John Coley spent part of last week in Benson, where Mr. Longfellow purchased an automobile.—Mr. J. A. McRae, who has been teaching at Raeford, has returned home for the holidays.

Miss Lillian Britt gave her graduation recital in the auditorium of the Southern Presbyterian College Monday night and one of the largest audiences ever seen in the auditorium for a recital was present. Miss Britt has been very popular in Red Springs the four years she has been here and everyone likes to hear her sing.

Mr. D. A. McQueen and Mr. Hudson of Rowland attended the recital at the college Monday night.

Mr. D. D. Hinson has been appointed chief of police, Chief R. B. Lindsay having resigned to accept the rural police position.

Miss Mary Lou Britt and mother, of Tifton, Ga., are visiting at the college this week.

Dr. Vardell has just returned from a business trip to Atlanta, Ga.

Mr. John F. McEachern and son Graham, of Raeford, were in town part of this week.

On Wednesday morning the entire community was shocked when it was learned that Mr. J. N. Savage had ended his life by shooting himself in the forehead the night before. Mr. Savage was a furniture dealer who had an up-to-date store and a large number of customers all over this part of the county. He came to Red Springs from Scotland Neck and started business in the Singleton block. The last seen of Mr. Savage was Tuesday night when he left the hotel for home. Then he seemed to be in good spirits, having been joking with some of his friends. Mr. Savage was a man whom everyone liked and his friends were numbered by his acquaintances. He leaves a wife and two children, aged five and eight. The remains were taken to Scotland Neck and the interment was at that place Thursday afternoon.

On Wednesday afternoon Mr. B. W. Townsend while running his automobile struck a tree and gave himself a severe jar, besides breaking the car up pretty badly. Mr. Townsend had his bird dog in the car with him and it suddenly stood up and licked his face, and it was while trying to push it off that he lost control of the car. Mr. Townsend is a good deal better now and no doubt will be out when this goes to print.

Mr. J. A. Singleton and Miss Jessie Singleton of Dundarrach were Red Springs visitors Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Peter Smith, widow of the late Colonel Smith, of Wakulla, passed away at the home of her daughter-in-law Mrs. Mattie Smith Thursday morning. The interment was made at Centre Friday morning. Mrs. Lucius McRae and Miss Polly and Mr. Arthur McRae attended the funeral.

On Friday night the Daughters of the Confederacy of Red Springs gave the play, "The Feast of the Little Lanterns" in Raeford. A large crowd attended the play in spite of the threatening weather.

The graded school closed one of its most successful years Friday afternoon and Prof. Dowd and his assistants are to be commended on their thorough work.

We are sorry to report the serious illness of Mr. J. E. Dowd.

Mrs. Charles Manly Stedman, wife of Representative Stedman of the fifth district, died at her home in Greensboro Saturday. She was 73 years old.

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FOR DEMOCRATIC SUPREMACY.

Permanent Headquarters in Washington and Educational Campaign.

Washington Dispatch, 16th.

The campaign for Democratic supremacy at the polls in 1914 and 1916 was opened here today when the executive campaign committee of the Democratic National Committee organized and discussed preliminary plans.

The committee agreed upon permanent headquarters in Washington, the organization of an educational campaign and harmonious co-operation with the Democratic Congressional Committee, with a continuous militant party organization from now until after the next Presidential election, at least, Representative A. Mitchell Palmer of Pennsylvania, caucus chairman of the House and recognized as the President's spokesman in that body, was made chairman and Rolla Wells, of St. Louis, treasurer of the Democratic National committee, treasurer. At the permanent headquarters Thomas J. Pence, of North Carolina, the former correspondent, who conducted the Wilson press campaign will be in charge as manager of publicity. With him already is Col. John I. Martin of Missouri, sergeant-at-arms of the last and other National conventions of the Democracy. Plans agreed upon today contemplate the sending of Democratic Washington letters to approximately 10,000 weekly newspapers and 2,000 daily newspapers that have no special correspondents at the National capital. All this will require a large fund and the committee decided to appeal to the States for contributions.

The situation generally and the need for immediate, organized campaign work were discussed at two sessions of the committee. The conference will be resumed tomorrow. The committeemen, accompanied by Mr. Pearce called at the White House and explained the plans to President Wilson, who voiced his hearty approval.

Superior Court—Trial of Important Case Begins.

A week's term of Robeson Superior Court began this morning, Judge G. S. Ferguson of Waynesville presiding. The trial of Katie Ann Locklear vs. W. A. Savage et al., for conversion of timber, began this morning, the jury being selected and one witness examined before the adjournment for the noon hour. It is supposed that the trial of this case will consume about three days. The firms of McNeill & McNeill and Britt & Britt are appearing for the plaintiff, the firms of McLean, Varner & McLean and McIntyre, Lawrence and Proctor appearing for the defendants. About 100 acres of land and about \$600 worth of timber are involved. The case was argued before the Supreme Court last fall, going up from judgment of non-suit rendered by Judge Whedbee, the Supreme Court sending it back for a new trial.

Messrs. B. F. and S. B. McLean and J. P. Wiggins of Maxton, A. P. Spell of Red Springs, E. L. Wooten of Rowland, W. F. McMillan of King's Mountain are the out-of-town attorneys attending court today.

New Meat Market.

Mr. C. J. Bogan, of Laurinburg, has rented from the John T. Biggs Company part of the store on Chestnut street used by this company for warehouse. Mr. Bogan has rented 20 feet of the front of the store in which he expects to open up a meat market. Contract for the place was closed last week and it is expected that the market will be opened up within the next few days. This store adjoins the one occupied by Messrs. R. C. Birmingham and Glonnie Wishart, whole sale grocers.

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THE FINAL SUMMONS.

Mrs. Alie Rozier of Baker's Chapel.

Mrs. Alie Valine Rozier, relict of the late McKoy Rozier, died last evening at 8 o'clock at her home at Baker's Chapel, about 5 miles from town on the Elizabeth road. She was about 63 years old had been failing in health for a year or more and for the last month or so had been confined to her bed practically all the time. Since Friday the end had been expected most any hour. The funeral was conducted from the home this morning about 10 o'clock by Rev. A. J. Groves, of Barker's. Interment will be made in the family burying grounds near the home.

Deceased is survived by five sons—Messrs. J. A., H. J., N. E., S. McK. and R. C. Rozier—and three daughters, Mrs. E. O. Johnson, of route 1 from St. Paul; Mrs. Sam Allen, of route 5 from Lumberton, and Miss Rebecca Jane Rozier.

Mr. F. M. Davis, of McDonald.

Mr. F. M. Davis, 41 years old, died this morning at 5 o'clock at his home at McDonald. For a year or so Mr. Davis had been failing in health and his death was not unexpected. Early yesterday morning he became suddenly worse, soon became unconscious and never regained consciousness. The funeral will take place tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock at Iona Presbyterian church and will be conducted by Rev. Mr. Latimer, pastor of the church.

Mr. Davis conducted a mercantile business at McDonald and was also a cotton buyer.

Deceased is survived by his wife and three children, ranging in ages from 2 to 7 years—two girls and a boy. His father, Mr. J. K. Davis, and five brothers, all of whom live in the McDonald section, also survive. Deceased is a brother-in-law of Mr. Lawrence Parber of Lumberton and was for several years in the employ of Mr. O. C. Norment of Lumberton.

Mrs. Mary J. Smith of Wakulla—Mr. W. R. McCoy.

Maxton Special, 15th, Charlotte Observer.

Mrs. Mary J. Smith, who for two weeks had been visiting at Red Springs, died in the hospital here today, aged 79 years. She had been ill since leaving her home here, although up to this time she had been very active for one of her years. Mrs. Smith was the widow of the late Col. P. P. Smith of Wakulla. She leaves a large family of children.

Failing to rally from the amputation of his leg occasioned by blood poisoning which followed a paralytic stroke, Mr. W. R. McCoy, a prominent farmer, who lived about two miles from here, died today, aged about 50 years. About a week ago the attack of paralysis occurred but the operation was deferred on account of a weak heart. Today it was seen that the operation must be performed if the life was to be saved, but Mr. McCoy could not survive the shock.

The funeral will probably take place at Center church tomorrow, the deceased having been a member of this congregation. He was unmarried but a brother and sister, who live in Alabama, survive.

Notices of New Advertisements.

Tombstones and monuments—
I. V. Hooper.

Ridpath's History of the World at a bargain.

Best building brick—J. G. Layton, Dunn, N. C.

Reward for return of mileage book.

Farm for sale—W. H. Kelly, Atkinson, N. C.

Fresh groceries at M. M. Leggett's.

Excellent brick at right prices—
Tar Heel Brick Co., Fayetteville, N. C.

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BRIEF LOCAL NEWS ITEMS.

—Good middling cotton today 11c.

—The nomination of P. J. Caudell to be postmaster at St. Paul's was sent to the Senate Thursday by President Wilson.

—There will be a regular meeting tomorrow evening of St. Alban's Lodge No. 114, A. F. and A. M., for work in the second degree.

—The Lumberton Cotton Mills office building, Elm and Second streets, was equipped with fire escapes last week and the job of equipping the opera house with fire escapes, begun some time ago, was completed last week.

—Mr. Raymond Reynolds, who for about a month had been undergoing treatment in a hospital in Charlotte, came home Saturday evening. He was taking treatment for ulcer of the stomach. His condition is much improved.

—"Richard, the Lion Hearted," Biograph, and "The Little Sheriff," Essany, will be the pictures shown at the Pastime this evening. The first named will be appreciated by lovers of Scott, while the latter will please everybody, children and grownfolks too.

—Mr. W. P. Ryan, who for nearly a year had held a position as stenographer in the Lumberton Cotton Mill office, has resigned to accept a position in the Atlantic Coast Line Ry. offices in Wilmington. Mr. Ryan left yesterday morning for Wilmington, where he began work this morning.

—Messrs. H. M. Beasley & Bro., who conduct a livery business on West Fourth street, purchased Friday the grocery business that has been conducted for the past two or three years by Bullock Bros. at the foot of West Third street, near the old wooden bridge. The business changed hands Saturday, Mr. W. B. Beasley being in charge.

—Miss Ina Yarbor, who for about two months had been teaching a private school in the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Bryant, who live about 6 miles from town on the Elizabeth road, left Friday evening for her home at Hope Mills. Just before taking this private school Miss Yarbor closed a six-months' school at the Meadow school house, about two miles from town.

—Mrs. G. G. French, and infant daughter, Margaret, and son, Master Berry Godwin, returned Saturday night from Richmond, Va., where they had been with Mr. French who is undergoing treatment there. Mr. French's condition is improving rapidly and it is expected that within about three weeks he will be able to meet Mrs. French and the children at Buffalo Lithia Springs, Va., where they will spend the summer. Mr. French may come to Lumberton for a short stay before going to the Springs.

Several Cases to Be Aired in Mayor's Court This Afternoon.

Jerry McLaurin, Rock Hill—alias Robt. Neill—and Dr. Tom Buzzard—alias Sandy Jackson—all colored, were jailed Saturday by Chief of Police Redfern on charges of retailing.

Charley Smith and L. C. Meyers will be given a hearing this afternoon on charges of being drunk and disorderly on the streets Saturday night. Arch McMillan, colored, was jailed Saturday night by Night Policeman Marvin Barker for being drunk on the streets.

Henry Hill, a white boy who says that he is 12 years old, was arrested and jailed last night by Policeman Barker on a charge of stealing. The boy appears to be a "hobo." He arrived here Saturday on a freight train and says his home is in Richmond, Va. He is charged with stealing a ring and some other small trinkets since he arrived in Lumberton.

All these cases will be tried before Mayor Pro Tem. Proctor this afternoon.