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PAIGN.

A. W. McLean Placed in Charge of Important Work in North Carolina by Democratic National Organiza. tion-Voters to be Kept Informed of Policies and Purposes of Party-A General Campaign of Publicity Will be Carried On-Mr. McLean Tells How President's Message on Mexican Situation Was Received.

Mr. A. W. McLean of Lumberton has been appointed by the Democratic National committee to take charge of the Democratic organization and pub. licity campaign in North Carolina. This is in line with the recently aetermined policy of the National organization to maintain permanent National headquarters at Washington and keep the people fully informed at all times of the work and aims of the Democratic party.

This information was briefly given in Washington dispatches to the daily papers of the State Friday and ler information was given. Mr. Mc-Lean returned Friday night from Washington and The Robesonian has obtained from him the following statement in regard to the new plan of the National organization and the work he has been appointed to do:

has followed the course of abandoning its headquarters and organization after presidential elections, while the Republicans have maintained perman. ent headquarters and looked after congressional elections.

"This time the Democrats have determined to maintain permanent headquarters and with this end in view the Democratic National committee and the congressional campaign committee have appointed an execu. tive campaign committee to have charge of this work. Heretofore there has been a good deal of duplication of work on the part of the Democratic National committee and the congressional committee, but now the work will be combined under the direction of the executive campaign commit.

"The main purposes are:

"To conduct an educational campaign throughout the Nation in order the next two weeks. to keep the rank and file informed as to the acts and purposes of the par-

"To keep up a Democratic organization with headquarters in Washing. ton, this central organization to keep in close touch with the organization in the various States.

"To carry on a general campaign of publicity. The Democratic leaders are particularly anxious to keep the achievements of the party, its policies and purposes, before the voters.

"It will be part of the work of this organization to look after any vacancies that may occur in the House or Senate of Congress with a view totilling such vacancies with Democrats. "A great deal of Democratic liter-

ature will be distributed and also ef. forts will be made at all times to get in touch with and overcome any dis. satisfaction within the party or factional strife.

"In order to carry out the work as planned considerable money will be needed, and each State will be expect. ed to contribute, probably on the basis of its electoral vote. Leading Denna crats in the various States will be fund."

Mr. McLean has been appointed to represent the National organization in to collect the part of the funds apportioned to this State and to aid the National committee in educaional and publicity work in North Carolina. All that the best possible selection was made in placing him at the nead of this important work in North Carolina. He is one of the best known ington. lawyers and bankers in North Carolina, and his effective work as chairman of the committee in this State which raised over \$15,000 for the Wilson campaign fund is an indication of what he will accomplish as the head of this new work.

In Saturday's News and Observer the following account was given of this proposed campaign:

"Mr. McLean's fellow-citizens have peen congratulating him on the important possition assigned to him by he Democratic National committee, hat body having designated him to ing and publicity campaign in this State. The Democratic congressional ommittee combines with the Demo. President Huerta and his Minister of stationed on the coast of Georgia. ratic National committee, and Mr. War.

DEMOCRATIC PUBLICITY CAM. McLean is to have charge of the work of publicity in North Carolina, for both these committees, which are acr. Confederate Veterans Well Entertain. S. D. Strain Elected Night Policeman ing as one under the direction of Mr. Thomas J. Pence.

> "From Mr. McLean it is learned that the National Democratic committee will systematically organize to keep before the people the achievements of the pary, letting the public know what has been done in the way of the tariff, currency, and other awake town of Fairmont. The folks measures of Democracy, so that the there were from all over. The num. record may be known. In this mat. ber of people that assembled to witter of publicity it is expected that ness and participate in the doings of each State will finance the work. In general charge of this, said Mr. Mc-Lean, is Thomas J. Pence, a North Carolinian, well known all over the country and popular wherever known. He is acting for Chairman McCombs, of the National Democratic committee, and is in charge of the offices established in Washington."

"Mr. McLean, who as president of the Bank of Lumberton and a prominent cotton mill man, was the chair. man of the committee in North Carolina which raised something over \$15,in Saturday's News and Observer ful- 000 for the Wilson campaign fund, and he will go to work at once to secure funds to conduct the publicity ing two and two; then the marshals, work in North Carolina and will put out literature over the State. He holds that advertising is as necessary to party success but on account of the heat and feebleas it is to business success many of the veterans it was "The Democratic party heretofore the plan of the National committee will prove of great value to the par. from the hotel the lineup went direct. ty. He proposes to let the people ly to the old Baptist church. know by means of his publicity work what is being done by the Democracy Each State has been requested by the National committee to raise a certain amount for the work and he feels that North Carolina will meet the call upon it. All who know A. W. McLean realize that he will go to work systeupon him by the National committee."

Mr. McLean says that the Demopersonality of President Wilson.

While in Washington last week

Commenting upon President Wilson's message to Congress on the Mexican situation, which he heard, Mr. McLean said: "It was received with the greatest approval, and in the general opinion that he is pursuing a most wise and statesman-like course in the Mexican matter."

Mr. McLean says that the currency and banking bill is also widely ap. proved and that juging from expressions he heard from members of Congress the Administration measure, the Owen-Glass bill, will be adopt-

MEXICAN SITUATION UN. CHANGED.

Administration Content to Wait for Expected Hopeful Developments.

Washington Dispatch, August 31. Secretary of State Bryan upon his return from a short lecture trip announced that nothing had been receiv-Mexico City to change the situation | an hour. that exists between this Government called on to furnish this campaign and the Provisional Government in Mexico City.

Mr. Lind, it was reasserted, would remain in Vera Cruz tomorrow at North Carolina. It will be his duty least so far as Administration officials That the administration still is content to wait for expected hoveful developments is apparent on every who know Mr. McLean will recognize hand, President Wilson planning to remain in Cornish, N. H., over Labor Day, nothing having arisen to demand his immediate return to Wash-

Reports of new orders for mobilization of troops in Mexico City by the provisional authorities caused no excitement in official circles here. At the War and Navy Departments officers were on duty all day, but no reports from the Mexican border were receiv. ed regarding attempts to smuggle arms into Mexico in violation of the strict neutrality order from President Wilson

Mexico City, Aug. 31-A wave of patriotism seems to be sweeping over eMxico, and from many States and ake charge of the Democratic organi. from all classes, it is announced, assurances of allegiance and offers of service are being received daily by

OLD SOLDIERS' REUNION

ed in Fairmont-Largest Crowd in History of Town, Exceeding All Expectations-Parade, Address and Dinner-Next Reunion Will Be Held at St. Paul's-Veterans Getting Feeble-Other Notes.

The old soldiers' annual county reunion was held Thursday in the wide. the day exceeded by far the greatest bond. expectations of the Fairmont folks. The crowd was estimated at 3,000, which is the largest crowd ever gathered in the town.

At about 11 o'clock the veterans and marshals assembled at the Robeson hotel and lined up for the parade, marching down Main street to the old Baptist church, where the speaking took place. The parade was led by Chief Marshal J. D. Andrews, mounted on a gay steed. Following him was the Parkton brass band, and it made good music; then came the old soldiers on foot, marchall mounted on horseback. It was in tended that the parade march over several principal streets of the town, thought best to shorten the route; so

The address of welcome was delivered by Mr. V. H. Taylor of Fairmont and Mr. J. A. McAllister of Lumberton made the response. Then Rev. D. P. Bridges of Fairmont introduced the speaker of the day, Mr. L R. Varser, of Lumberton. The band had a position in the church and matically to fulfill the dutie; placed played several selections in between the speeches. The church was crowd. ed to its capacity and there were cratic party is now a cohesive organ- folks enough left on the streets to ization for the first time since the have filled several more churches. It Civil War, and he attributes this fact was first intended to have the speak. Superior Court-McKenzie Trial Set to the wonderful work and forceful ing in the grove in front of the church, but thinking that it would be more comfortable and pleasant for the Mr. McLean talked with Senator veterans the committee on arrange. Lyon of Elizabethtown presiding and Simmons about the tariff bill and he ments decided to have it in the church. Solicitor N. A. Sinclair of Fayettesays that Senator Simmons expects The church was beautifully decorated ville being present to represent the that the bill will be passed within for the occasion and the center pews State. The grand jury was duly imthe aplause which greeted him Repub. of Fairmont, which is destined to the murder of Peter Jones, his brothlicans joined with Democrats. It is be a great city. Mr. McAllister in re- er-in-law, in Laurinburg last October, 60's. He was impressed with the B. Patterson of Maxton. good spirit shown the veterans by Fairmont. Rev. Mr. Bridges acted as master of ceremonies and he seemed perfectly at home on the job. After Mr. McAllister's address Mr. Bridges made a short talk, reciting a few of the incidents of the 60's, and then introduced the speaker. Mr. Varser is a good speaker and on this occasion he was tuned just right for speaking. ed at the State Department from He spoke for about three-quarters of

After Mr. Varser's speech Mr. Bridges informed the veterans that the next thing on the programme for them would be dinner at the Robeson hotel, where arrangements had been made to feed every last one of them. here had any knowledge of his plans. They were all given an excellent dinner. But just before leaving the church Mr. Bridges asked all the veterans who were over 75 years old to stand up, and 18 stood up. Those pres. ent numbered between 75 and 80. The meeting was well attended by the veterans, even though many of them were very feeble and some of them who entered the parade were unable to keep the pace. Time is rapidly making its impression on these boys of the 60's and it is possible that some of them who marched at Fairmont Thursday will never march again on earth with their comrades; but despite the fact that age is tell. ing on them, many of the dear old souls are lively and as quick to respond to the call of duty as they ever were. When the call was made for volunteers during the Spanish-American war Col. S. J. Cobb of Parkton was among the first to answer the call from North Carolina. In a short time he organized a company and for several months with his company was

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TOWN AFFAIRS.

to Succeed D. M. Barker, Resigned -Permission Granted White & Gough to Place Cluster Lights in Front of Store-Other Matters.

At a meeting of the mayor and town commissioners Friday night Mr. S. D. Strain was elected night police. man to succeed Mr. D. M. Barker, position as policeman at Raeford, as

At the request of Mayor White of the firm of White & Gough, permission was granted to place three cluster lights in front of their store on street lights.

Mr. V. D. Baker asked that something be done toward improving sidestreet committee with the request price. that they give the matter immediate attention.

Mr. E. G. Sipher requested that the electric light line be extended down Cedar street to the town common. Referred to light committee with power

Chief of Police H. H. Redfern and \$2,000 official and \$5,000 as tax collector, Mr. Page's being \$5,000, which was referred to Town Attorney H. E. Stacy for inspection.

civil engineer, be paid \$29.74, commission on paving work.

for Wednesday.

A 2-weeks' term of Superior Court convened this morning, Judge C. C. were reserved for the veterans. Mr. paneled and charged, the charge be. Taylor, who deliver the address of wel- ing along the usual lines. Mr. D. D. come made an excellent speech, assur. McCall is foreman and Mr. Geo. A. ing everybody, the young, the middle Barnes officer. No jury cases was aged and the old that they were disposed of this morning. The trial most heartily welcome to the town of W T. McKenzie, charged with sponding to Mr. Taylor's speech as- was set to begin Wednesday mornsured him and all the good folks of ing at 10 o'clock and a special venire the town that the veterans greatly of 125 was ordered. Among the outappreciated and were enjoying the of-town attorneys attending court tohospitality which was in evidence on day are Messrs. E. Graham Brown every hand. Mr. McAllister said that of Whiteville, V. H. Taylor of Fairthese annual reunions were a source mont, E. L. Wooten of Rowland, J. of great pleasure to the old soldiers. S. Butler of St. Paul's, W. H. Cox It gives them a chance to get together and R. B. Russell of Laurinburg,, B. and live over again the days of the F. and S. B. McLean and Hon. G.

In the Recorder's Court.

John Hardin, Indian, was before Recorder J. A. Rowland Saturday to anwswer a charge of disturbing religious services. Judgment was suspended on payment of costs. Ernest Hardin, also Indian, was to have appeared before the recorder to answer a similar charge, but skipped a \$100 bond, though it is understood that he will come in for trial Satur-

Douglas McLean and Alfred Green appeared before the recorder Saturday to answer charges of disturbance. Mc-Lean was fined \$5 and eosts and Green \$2.50 and costs.

Sam Patterson, colored, was up this morning for being drunk on the streets Saturday. Judgment was suspended on payment of costs.

First Bale Sold.

The first of this season's cotton crop marketed here was sold Saturday. Four bales were sold. The first bale was sold early Saturday morning by Mr. Peter Lamb, a tenant on Mr. J. A. McAllister's place about 4 miles south of Lumberton. Mr. J. T. Biggs, Sprunt's local buyer, bought the bale and paid 13 cents per pound for it. The bale weighed 440 pounds. Later in the day Mr. Biggs bought a bale from Mr. A. C. Davis and for it he paid 12 cents. The other two bales were purchased by Mr. L. H. Caldwell and he paid 11.81% cents.

Mr. R. G. McCormick, who lives near Elrod, is a Lumberton visitor

Self love is the greatest of flatterers La Rochefoucald.

REAL ESTATE DEALS.

Messrs. W. F. French and Ira Bullard Secure Option on Valuable Lot-Messrs. Fuller and Townsend Trade Lots.

Messrs. W. F. French and Ira Bulard have secured from ex. Sheriff Geo. B McLeod an option on the lot the corner of Chestnut and who resigned last week to accept a Fourth streets at present occupied by the sales stables of Deese Brothers, stated in Thursday's Robesonian. His the blacksmith shops of P. P. Green salary is \$65 and he gives a \$1,000 and the plant of the Robeson Soda Water Co. for \$12,000. The sun; of \$100 was paid to clinch the option. which is good until January 1st next. The lot is 108x108 feet.

This lot was most favorably con-Elm street. In Thursday's Robeson, sired by the postoffice site agent ian it was stated that Mr. White who visited Lumberton some time would ask for this permission as the ago for the purpose of purchasing a shown at the Pastime theatre this entering wedge of a plan to make site for a postoffice building for the evening. of the business portion of Elm street \$10,000 that the government has apa great "white way," as it is supposed propriated, but the price of \$12,000 that others will follow suit and that was in the way. There has been some enough merchants will purchase these speculation as to whether or not some lights to do away with the light arrangements would be made to sewires that furnish current for the cure this lot now for the postoffice site, provided the Government would accept it-it falls a little below the requirements, which call for a lot walks on Caldwell, Ninth and Tenth | 115x135-but Messrs. French and Bulstreets. This was referred to the lard probably will hold it for a higher

Messrs. L. C. Townsend and John C. Fuller traded some real estate today. Mr. Townsend swapped his lot on Elm street, in front of Mr. R. D. Caldwell's residence, to Mr. Fuller for a lot on Chestnut street in front of the residence of Mr. E. L. Holloway. The lot on Elm that Mr. Townsend Town Clerk and Treasurer G. T. Page traded to Mr. Fuller is filed their bonds, Mr. Redfern's being 54x108 feet and the one he gets from Mr. Fuller is 108x108 feet. Mr. Townsend says he expects tobegin at once the erection of a modern residence on his lot. Mr. Fuller before trading for It was ordered that Mr. Ira Mullis, this lot on Elm owned the lot of 89x 108 feet adjoining it. So this gives Mr. Fuller a lot of 143x108 feet on Elm, or all the lot between the residence of Mr. H. B. Jennings and the Redmond residence in which Mr. C. B. Redmond lives.

> -A Mr. Gwathney from the Chesnee Mills, Chesnee, S. C., will succeed Mr. G. F. Brietz, whose resignatio nto accept the superintendency of the Kinston Cotton Mills was mentioned a week ago today in The Robe. sonian, as superintendent of the Dresden Cotton Mills. He will take charge on the 10th inst.

-The John T. Biggs Company has hade some changes in the interior of the store during the last few days. Quite a bit of new shelving has been put in on the first floor and on the second floor a number of changes have been made in order to take care of increased business. The fall goods are coming in and more space is necessary.

-Messrs. Frank Nash and Douglas McLean will leave this evening for Davidson College—their second year and Messrs. Eli Wishart, Jim Cowan Guy Townsend and Braxton Branch will leave tomorrow to enter Oak Ridge Institute. Mr. Guy Townsend has been mailing clerk for somd time in the Bank of Lumberton.

-Rev. Dr. W. R. Cullom, Bible professor at Wake Forest College, will preach at the First Baptist church next Sunday morning and evening.

-Mr. A. E. White, senior member of the firm of White & Gough, left last night for New York and other Northern cities, where he and Mr. Frank Gough, junior member of the firm, who left Friday night for Greensboro and was to join Mr. White in Richmond this morning, will spend two weeks purchasing goods for their department store. They will stop over in Washington today and tomorrow to see what can be done in regard to a postoffice site for Lumberton, for the purchase of which the Government has appropriated \$10,000.

-Postmaster D. D. French, Assistant Postmaster R. O. Edmund and the postoffice clerks. Messrs. Clifton but have promised to write some. Blake, John Q. Purnell and Miss Ida Sessoms, went Friday to Philadelphus to attend the public debate between the Philadelphus and Orrum schools. Messrs. Willie Floyd and W.

B. Ivey represented the Or. rum school and Sam McKay and R. D. Caldwell & Son, with whom he Furman Barnes represented Philadel. has been since, will about the first of phus. Mr. Barnes, who was on the next year begin business for himself winning side, until recently held a po- in the store on Elm street at pres. sition here in the postoffice, resigning ent occupied by Blacker Bros. Messrs. that position on the 23rd of last Blacker Brothers do not know yet month to enter school. He expects to where they will move. Mr. Carlyle leave this week for Wake Forest Col- will handle ladies' furnishings, dry lege. Mr. French says he certainly goods, notions, shoes, children's ready did do some good speaking.

BRIEF LOCAL NEWS ITEMS.

-Mr. Bunyan Stansel has been ap. pointed postmaster at Allentown, which is a fourth-class office.

-The county commissioners and board of education are holding their regular monthly meetings today.

-Assistant Postmaster R. O. Ed. mund will hold a civil service examination here on the 13th of this month. The examination will be for postal -A "slit" skirt made its appearance

on the streets of Lumberton yesterday but did not create a ripple of excitement. What do you know about -"Omens of the Mesh," Vitagraph, and "The Branded Arm," a Pathe

Mexican story, will be the pictures -License has been issued for the

marriage of Martha Prevatt and Thomas A. Parnell; Ludie McQueen and McF. Floyd; Vera Byrd and Sam-Stone; Mamie Cox and John Britt.

-Mr. M. D. Powers of Barnesville has accepted position as clerk at the Waverly hotel. For about two years Mr. Powers has held a position as clerk with Mr. L. E. Tyner at Lowe. Mr. Powers began work at the hotel yesterday.

-Mr. R. M. High of Vanland been your accepted a position as clerk in J. D. McMillan & Son's drug store. He began work Saturday and succeeds Mr. Eli Wishart, who, as has been mentioned in The Robesonian, resigned to enter school.

-Rev. S. E. Mercer, president of the Carolina College at Maxton, passed through town Saturday en route to Wadeville, where he goes in the interest of the college. He says that the school will open on the 10th, and that prospects for a big opening are

-Quite a number of young folks enjoyed an auto truck ride Friday night into St. Paul's and return. There were two trucks and about eight couples. Mr. and Mrs. Regan McIntyre were the chaperones. The occasion was gotten up by Mr. Elwood

-Mr. C. M. Fuller left Friday afternoon for St. Louis, Mo., where he will spend several days buying mules and horses for his large stable, Second and Chestnut streets. He will probably return about the last of the week and it is expected that his first shipment for this season will arrive about the first of next week.

-Mr. I. V. Britt of Mt. Eliam is among the farmers in town today. Mr. Britt is one of Robeson's farmers who lives at home and boards at the same place, and then helps the city folks by brining them corn and meat. He sold one dried ham to Mr. L. H. Caldwell today for \$7.70. The weight of the ham was 35 pounds.

-Miss Eloise Jones entertained Friday afternoon from 3:30 to 5:00 o'clock at the Waverly hotel, home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Y. Jones. It was a birthday party. It was an occasion of great joy for quite a crowd of the little folks. Refreshments consisting of cream, cake, grapejuice and mints were served. Eloise is 11 years old.

-In remitting for his Robesonian Mr. J. R. Thames who lives on route No. 8 from Fayetteville, says that Mrs. Thames, who is a daughter of Mr Spurgeon Jones of Robeson county, underwent a serious operation three weeks ago in the Highsmith hospital at Fayetteville but that she is getting along nicely and it is thought that she will be able to return home in a

-Messrs. S. F. Caldwell and W. G. Pitman returned home Saturday from their trip to Europe and say they had a great time. They landed in New York Thursday. They left Lumberton July 11 and visited all the principal cities and points of interest in Ireland, Scotland, England, Holland, Belgium and France. They were too busy to write while away thing for The Robesonian about their trip at their earliest convenience.

-Mr. R. R. Carlyle, who was a clerk in the department store of Messrs. Caldwell & Carlyle before that firm was succeeded by Messrs. \_to\_wear, etc.