

### AUTO DEALERS OF TWO STATES MEET

#### Three Hundred Assemble at Charlotte and Effect Organization

(Special to The News and Observer.)  
Charlotte, Sept. 24.—Some three hundred automobile dealers from North and South Carolina gathered here today and effected a permanent organization of the automobile dealers of the Carolinas.

The convention endorsed all the good roads measures which appear to be worth attention. The Townsend bill especially, which would appropriate Federal funds to aid State highways, and also the Dyer bill, which will make it an offense to transport a stolen automobile from one State to another.

Harry G. Meek, business manager of the National Automobile Dealers' Association, spoke this afternoon, as did also George Fritz, field secretary of the National Automotive Equipment Association and George McCutcheon, southeastern director of the National Automobile Dealers' Association.

The convention was welcomed at 10 o'clock by Robert Lassiter, president of the Chamber of Commerce. A luncheon was served at the Southern Manufacturers' Club at noon, and the final business session began at 1 o'clock and ended at 5.

**Officers Elected.**  
Officers were elected as follows: Lee A. Folger, Charlotte, president; H. S. Dowling, vice president; J. B. North Carolina; A. M. Gibbs, Columbia, S. C., vice president for South Carolina. Secretary and treasurer to be elected by vote of the delegates.

Delegates from North Carolina: W. M. Glanney, Greensboro; M. A. Kishner, Raleigh; E. C. Sawyer, Asheville. For South Carolina: E. V. Piane, Columbia; E. F. Bates, Greenville; A. M. Wickham, Charleston and H. C. Dargatzis, Florence.

#### OPERATIVES' TRIAL DEFERRED A DAY

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was therefore adjourned until Thursday morning.

T. D. Maness, of the defense, in his speech on Tuesday, charged that the prosecution was changing to persecution, and he was bitter in his arraignment of the local textile interests for retaining the legal talents of Albemarle. He has no criticism of local attorneys, he says, but the fact that all are retained is certain indication of unfairness to the defendants.

A. C. Huncycutt is the one member of the Albemarle bar who has not been retained. He says that he wishes to be free to express himself in his newspaper when things are over, and the time has come to speak out. Mr. Huncycutt was approached by the mill interests, but not by the defendants.

De Porter, picketer, who was shot on the morning of the fight at the gates, is not faring well. It was necessary today that he be anesthetized that the physicians might probe the infected wound.

Judge Thomas A. Jones, who was called away yesterday, returned this afternoon and will assist the defense in the remainder of the trial.

#### ALL PLANTS IN BIRMINGHAM DISTRICT ARE IN OPERATION

Birmingham, Ala., Sept. 24.—All plants in the Birmingham district are in full operation and officials of the company declared they had ample forces of men at work in all the steel mills and blast furnaces. Strike leaders asserted they were satisfied with the situation and that within the next few days workmen in practically all the skilled crafts in this district will lay down their tools and join the ranks of the steel workers.

While the report that the electrical workers had declared their strike off was denied today, it is reported that a number of electrical workers who walked out at the American Steel and Wire Company plant Monday returned to work today.

The outstanding feature of the situation today was a mass meeting held at the Ensley city hall, at which B. W. King, business agent of the machinists union, announced that the blacksmiths, machinists and foundry men had been ordered out by their chiefs, and that all members of these unions were expected to join the ranks of the steel strikers.

**Strike Is Called Off.**  
Wilmington, Sept. 24.—The strike at Carolina Shipbuilding Corporation's plant, involving more than a thousand men, was called off today pending an investigation of grievances by representatives of the Emergency Fleet Corporation and Shipping Board.

### MANY CHILDREN SNAP SCHOOL AT WINSTON

#### Plan To Enforce Attendance Law; Speakers Booked For November 2

(Special to The News and Observer.)  
Winston-Salem, Sept. 24.—The city and county authorities are planning to enforce the school attendance law. It is announced there are twelve thousand children of school age in Winston-Salem, and that only about half of this number are enrolled in the schools.

Distinguished speakers are to make addresses in this city on Sunday, November 2, under the auspices of the National Anti-School League. Those scheduled for that date include Congressman W. D. Upshaw, of Georgia; Dr. George W. Morrow, of Michigan; Rev. J. D. McAllister, of Tennessee and Rev. Arthur Holloway, of Colorado. They will speak at the local churches and also at a mass meeting in the afternoon.

#### Breaks Another Record.

Dayton, O., Sept. 24.—For the third successive time, Major R. W. Schroeder, chief test pilot at McCook field, broke the world's two-man airplane altitude record this afternoon when he ascended to an indicated height of 30,000 feet, or approximately six miles. A La Perre two-passenger plane was used in the flight.

#### Will Meet Railway Men.

London, Sept. 24.—Following a conference between Sir Eric Geddes, the new minister of transportation, and Premier Lloyd George it was announced that Sir Eric would meet the leaders of the railways Thursday morning.

### CONCERNED ABOUT ALEXANDER'S VISIT

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Shipbuilding Company. Wilmington is already so popular according to Chairman Payne, of the Shipping Board, that ships bearing that name are often confused.

At the instance of the Chamber of Commerce there, Senator Simmons took the matter up with the Shipping Board and today received an answer to his letter. In it, Chairman Payne suggests that the Chamber of Commerce of Wilmington and the people there get together and select some other name which would be representative of the

community and yet not duplicate the name of any vessel now in the merchant marine.

"I would like very much to comply with your request," he writes (Senator Simmons), "were it practicable to do so. There are, however, three registered vessels now flying the American flag and bearing the name 'Wilmington.' One of them is a schooner, built in 1915, another is a wooden steam vessel, built in 1914, and the third is an iron screw steamer, built in 1882. While it is probable that this vessel may, within a short time, be stricken from the list, there will still remain two bearing the same name. In addition, as you know, there is a naval vessel by that name. It would be very confusing to have still another vessel of the same name added to the list."

**Pension of Bob Cowan Increased.**  
Congressman Godwin's office today had introduced in the House a bill to increase the pension allowance of Robert H. Cowan, of Wilmington, from forty to fifty dollars. Mr. Cowan, who served in the Spanish-American war as second lieutenant of Company K, Second North Carolina, is totally incapacitated. Many Wilmington people have interested themselves in his case in the hope that his pension allowance might be substantially raised.

He is a brother of James H. Cowan, secretary of the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce, and a son of Captain John Cowan, who commanded a company in the War Between the States and who was at one time president of the Wilmington, Charlotte and Kutherford railroad. Mr. James Sprunt, of Wilmington, recently made an appeal to Congressman Godwin in behalf of Mr. Cowan, but the Congressman is informed that the pension cannot be increased above \$50.

### STATE HIGHWAY IS GIVEN BIG BOOST

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commission to act in conjunction with the State Highway Commission and the proper county road officials.

"Fourth—We hereby call upon the Senators and Representatives of North Carolina, and especially those residing in the 16 counties composing the highway, to have such legislation enacted at the first meeting of the General Assembly of North Carolina, as will enable the said counties when incorporated, as above mentioned to borrow a sufficient sum to build said highway with national and state aid, the amount borrowed shall be refunded in 25 years from the date of the issuance thereof, 1-25 part in serial denomination plus accrued interest; that said funds shall be used solely and exclusively for the purpose of constructing the aforesaid highway out of hard surface material.

"Five—That for the purpose of the better prosecution of the construction of the Wilmington-Charlotte-Asheville highway we recommend that there be appointed five members from the association, that the president of the association be chairman ex-officio, which said committee shall be known and designated as executive committee with full power in the premises to do all things necessary in furthering and obtaining necessary legislation to build said highway.

"Six—Resolved, that we earnestly request the Governor of the State and the members of the General Assembly to make more liberal appropriation for good roads in the State of North Carolina.

"Seven—Resolved, that the Wilmington-Charlotte-Asheville highway association, in annual meeting, approve of the principles of the so-called Townsend bill, now pending in Congress and calling for the creation of a Federal highway system, in charge of a Federal com-

### Bill to Retire Capt. Stockard.

Major Stedman today introduced a bill to place Captain James Stockard, of Greensboro, of the medical corps on the retired list of army officers with full pay. Captain Stockard was wounded at the battle of Gettysburg. He served twelve years in the army making him eligible for retirement when incapacitated.

Major Stedman returned today from Manassas battlefield where he went with several comrades as the guest of Congressman Moore, of Virginia, to review old scenes. He stopped over at Halifax to take a look at the will of George Washington.

**Wants Airplane for Smithfield Fair.**  
Congressman Poy is doing his best

to get an airplane for the Johnston county fair in Smithfield November 4-7. He took the matter up today with the war department. Mr. Poy has just appointed John Ellis Grimes, of Smithfield, as a midshipman to the United States Naval Academy.

Joshua William Bailey, of Raleigh, stopped over in Washington this afternoon for a business trip that carried him after a business trip that carried him to Baltimore. He called at the office of Senator Simmons and conferred with the Senator relative to the political situation in the State.

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issue. Furthermore, be it resolved, that this association express itself in favor of a renewal of the present Federal road act upon its expiration in July, 1921, providing the Federal and State money shall be expended upon roads which are included in well defined State systems.

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