

## CONSTITUTIONALISTS TO SEND REPRESENTATIVE TO THE PEACE CONFERENCE

Washington, D. C.—The Constitutionalists are preparing to send a representative to Niagara Falls to confer with the South American mediators who are endeavoring to settle the Mexican problem. This will be done with the distinct understanding that the representative is to give information as to General Carranza's purposes, without committing the Constitutionalists to any plan for the pacification of Mexico that the mediators may determine upon.

Jose Vasconcelos, now at Montreal on a financial mission for General Carranza, is understood to be the man chosen to go to Niagara Falls. Men in close touch with the Constitutionalists said that he would arrive there within the next few days.

The question of taking this step has been the subject of several informal conferences between Constitutionalists representative of the Washington administration recently and it is understood that General Carranza has given his consent.

It was reported on apparently reliable authority that another invitation may be sent to Carranza by the mediators to take formal part in the mediation proceedings. For the present at least, however, it is declared the Constitutionalists representative merely would give the mediators information without committing the leaders to any agreement.

### MEDIATORS HOLD CON.

On board the U. S. S. California, Mazatlan, Mex., May 22.—(Via wire less to San Diego, Cal., May 21)

An army of 5,000 Constitutionalists has occupied Tepic with a loss of 400 killed and an unknown number of casualties among the Federalists, and has begun its advance on Guadalajara. In advance of the moving troops a flying squadron of cavalry is working destruction to the Huerta lines of communication. Its main object being the crippling of the railroad from Mazatlan to Guadalajara.

The capture of Tepic was accomplished after a bloody struggle. Although the losses of the Federalists are uncertain it is known 200 of them were taken prisoners. Mazatlan is in a state of panic. The terror of the Constitutionalists' approach is augmented by the presence in their ranks of 700 Indians in war paint.

It is the general belief that before the Federalists retreat they will sack and wreck the city.

Federals Evacuate Saltillo. Juarez, Mexico.—A telegram received from General Felipe Angeles by H. Perez Abreu, head of the Constitutionalists' information bureau here, stated that Saltillo was evacuated by the Federalists.

The garrison at Saltillo was said to number 12,000 men under General Joaquin Maas. The town was believed to contain large stores of ammunition and supplies.

The only road of retreat open to the Federalists is said to be south to San Luis Potosi. The 250 miles separating the two towns is an arid desert and it is believed here that but a small part of the Federal garrison will be able to win their way through.

Villa Seeks Vengeance. Washington, D. C.—Vengeance and the lust for blood are the dominating factors in the battle which Villa is waging against the Federalists at Saltillo.

The wholesale execution of Federal officers at Paredon yesterday was confirmed at headquarters of the Constitutionalists here, who have received additional details of the battle showing that the victory of the rebels is complete.

Expecting to be treated as prisoners of war, the Federal commander at Paredon, it is said, surrendered with his staff. He and his officers were killed on the field as soon as they had been made prisoners.

All Spaniards in Mexico City are to be expelled from the city and from Mexico as Pancho Villa takes the capital, and those who have been active in aiding Huerta are to be put to death. This was stated here today by friends of Villa, who say the rebel general has a list of all Spaniards in Mexico City who have been active in assisting Huerta, and each is marked for death.

Secretary Bryan and other State Department officials declined to comment on the bloody aftermath of the battle at Paredon, but credence is given to Villa's claim of a complete victory.

The lack of stubbornness shown by Huerta's troops in recent conflicts is commented on significantly in official circles here.

## Evangelist F. H. Wright



### Holding Series of Meetings First Presbyterian Church

The opening services of the series of meetings at the First Presbyterian Church took place last evening and was attended by a good congregation. Evangelist Frank Hall Wright and his singer Walter E. Good, arrived here yesterday morning via the Norfolk Southern and were given a cordial greeting by not only the members of the Presbyterian church but the entire city as well.

Evangelist Wright chose as his opening discourse a great subject, speaking from the "Power of the Holy Spirit." It was full of old time power and convinced his audience at once that he was a worthy ambassador for the cause of the Master. Prior to the sermon Mr. Wright and

Mr. Good charmed those present with a vocal duet. The duet was followed by a solo by Mr. Good. Both are singers of high reputation and nothing but the very highest praise is heard on the streets today for their voices. After the excellent and stirring discourse by the evangelist he added to the interest of the evening by rendering a solo.

The prospects for a great meeting at the First Presbyterian church is propitious and everybody in the city has a cordial invitation to attend. There were services this morning at 11 o'clock. This evening at eight o'clock Evangelist Wright will preach again. The music will be one of the features.

### Brother Versus Brother At Fleming Park Yesterday Afternoon



PARSE BROWN.

Washington won its first game of the season at Fleming Park yesterday afternoon from Plymouth. The score was 5 to 0 in favor of the artists hailing from Washington. Parse Brown for the locals was an enigma for the visitors and the result was that all during the game he held the sluggers from the town on the Roanoke completely at his mercy. Only four hits were recorded against the local slabbist during the contest.

Not only did Brown twirl goal ball and in such a way as to make the visitors feel like they had "bit off more than they could chew" but the local nine gave their hopes to the pitcher's fine support.

Gardner at short and Davenport, the "pill" receiver came in for much applause for their superb work. They showed Plymouth at every turn how the trick is done.

Not satisfied with the walk-over



J. BROWN.

Washington gave the team from Plymouth yesterday afternoon they are game and as we go to press are endeavoring to turn the trick.

In the game yesterday Washington made 5 runs, 8 hits and no errors. Plymouth made no runs, got 4 hits and 2 errors.

The batteries were Washington—Brown and Davenport. Plymouth—J. Brown and Jones. Umpires, Warren and Knight.

Taylor on second covered an immense amount of ground and he with the two Browns, brothers, as the twirlers, were the life of the game. The locals here are not anxious to make money out of their games they only desire to simply make expense and it behooves the lovers of this exciting game to encourage them to this extent.

Quite a number are witnessing the contest this afternoon.

### WELCOME VISITOR.

The many friends of Capt. George G. Howard, who for years was a resident of Washington, now residing at Oronoke, are glad to see him in the city. His schooner the William T. Parker, is now at South Creek loading with lumber.

### HERE TODAY.

Among the visitors to Washington today are: D. Lesofsky, Belhaven; A. C. Latham, Behaven.

### APPOINTED POSTMISTRESS.

Miss Margaret Mann, daughter of S. S. Mann, has been appointed postmistress at Swan Quarter, N. C.

### MARRIAGE SUNDAY.

Justice of the Peace S. L. Willard on Sunday last united in marriage at his home at Old Ford, N. C., Mr. Albert Woolard and Miss Lizzie Harrison.

It's Restful in Washington Park.

## AUTO PARTY IS FEATURE CHAUTAUQUA

Will Be Big Boost For The Town. Has Been Tried Before With Great Results. Committee Will Make Announcement.

The old slogan "Boost for your own town" is in Washington, N. C., just as fresh and young as though it had not served to incite civic activity in dozens of communities throughout the United States. It comes here in different dress, however, being garbed in a Chautauqua robe of gay summer colors. The committee of Chautauqua guarantors is full of enthusiastic interest in a boosting plan to advertise Chautauqua week, to be held here.

The plan is to have a motor party a pleasurable outing in which pennants for Chautauqua and the town colors and decorations and as many attractive features as possible will figure. The trips will be made in and around the town and everyone who is interested in Chautauqua and in the pleasures of automobilism is invited to take part in the big party.

Following the custom of last year, the cars will be offered for use by the committee members owning cars and by any other citizens who are willing to lend either their presence or their motor cars for use in the outing.

The automobile party is arranged as a feature of Chautauqua publicity. It is regarded by the committee and by the Chautauqua Association as an effective means of advertising the Seven Joyous Days. It is also regarded as a big boost not only for Chautauqua, but for the town in which it is held. It has been tried before with good results.

Definite arrangements for the automobile party will be made very soon and the committee will undoubtedly make announcement of the plan as soon as it is completed.

## ALLEN SHOW ATTRACTION SAT. NIGHT

The Allen Minstrels will be the attraction at the Atlantic Coast Line hotel tomorrow night under their own tent. This company has visited Washington for several years and is always greeted by a packed house. One of the best bands travelling with a show in the Southern States is with them.

The performance is conducted upon a big plane. Some of the best artists on the road today are connected with the Allen Minstrels. The prospects are that the show will be generously patronized.

### PURCHASES FARM.

Postmaster Hugh Paul today purchased the 250 acre farm of Mr. H. D. Entley, located on Blounts Creek. It is the intention of Mr. Paul to develop it and make it one of the most desirable farming tracts in the county.

### VISITORS TODAY.

Dr. A. K. Taylor of Aurora, and Mr. J. D. Eborn of Bayside, N. C., were welcome visitors to the city today.

### FROM BINGHAM SCHOOL.

Mr. William Blount who has been attending school at Bingham, Asheville, N. C., the past session returned home this morning to spend his vacation.

### BACK FROM PITT.

Mr. W. Car-Skaden has returned from Pitt county, where he has been engaged in doing horse dental work since Tuesday.

### Righto.

The doctor may use hieroglyphics in writing his prescription, but he takes care to write his bill so we can understand it.—Norman Haggood.

## GIVE PARADE OF AUTOS ON THE STREETS

Two Carloads of Studebaker Cars Received By The Harris Hardware Company Yesterday. Parade Was An Unique One.

That was a novel and unique sight on the streets of Washington yesterday afternoon when the well-known hardware firm of Harris Hardware Company gave a street display of the famous Studebaker automobiles. The firm here on yesterday received two car loads of this make of cars and adopted the scheme of displaying them to the public. All the principal streets of the city were paraded. With flags flying, horns blowing they gave a spectacle of parade citizens, both ladies and gentlemen stood on their porches and with cheers gave the Studebaker brought to Washington at one largest shipment of automobiles ever a good send-off. This is the time and shows that the people of this section are fast falling in line and purchasing the late means of travel.

The Harris Hardware Company is being congratulated upon the novel way in which they advertised the Studebaker.

## MOTHER'S DAY AT BAPTIST CHURCH SUN.

Next Sunday morning at the First Baptist church a most interesting program is scheduled for the eleven o'clock service. Instead of the pastor, Rev. H. L. Gay, delivering his usual sermon the hour will be observed as Mother's Day. There will be several addresses and the feature of the occasion will be the music furnished by the church orchestra and the choir.

All the ladies attending this service are requested to wear a white flower. All are cordially invited to attend.

### ACRE ITEMS.

The farmers of this vicinity are hustling now. Right many are growing tobacco this season for the first time.

The new residence of Mr. N. T. Harris is near completion, which will be a neat home.

The county convicts under the efficient supervision of Capt. Hodges, have added much to the improvement of public roads here.

Mr. W. A. Respass made a flying trip to Hunters Bridge and Bath and other points Monday. He has a speedy machine.

Having been appointed by the U. S. Postoffice Department as Postmaster at Pinetown, Mr. David T. Winkley amid the congratulations of many friends took charge of that office May 15th. He is a very worthy young man and will doubtless make good.

A short while ago the Farmers Cooperative Union organized a branch lodge at Acre schoolhouse and we are informed that their membership is increasing rapidly.

Mr. L. Harris, our efficient R. F. D. man, visited near Washington Sunday afternoon. "Oh, you!"

The political pot of Beaufort county is already simmering lively. Who knows that it will not get too hot for some of the old officers and boil them over outside. We would advise that they be up and doing.

We learn that there are thousands of acres in the dismal near here being planted in corn. To make a trip there and see the extensive work which is fast converting a vast dismal forest into wide areas of fruitful fields is really worth while.

Oh ye itemizers from all the four corners of this good old county of Beaufort, bestir yourselves a little and tell the news. We like to learn what is doing in all the beautiful elsewhere.

### VISITING HERE.

Mrs. J. W. Smallwood, of New Bern, N. C., is the guest of Mrs. W. A. B. Branch on North Market St.

## ALL INVITED TO MEET MISS HERSHEY

Representative Of The Forth Coming Chautauqua Is To Confer With The Guarantors at Chamber of Commerce Tonight.

Miss Grace Hershey representative of the Chautauqua which is billed to be given in Washington for a week during the latter part of June is expected to arrive here this afternoon. Miss Hershey will hold a conference with the guarantors of the Chautauqua in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce in the Baugham building this evening. All citizens interested in this attraction for Washington, which promises to be one of the most entertaining given here in years, are requested to meet with the guarantors. The ladies of the city have a cordial invitation to attend.

Miss Hershey will make all temporary arrangements and other representatives of the Chautauqua will follow her later. It is to be hoped that a large number of the citizens will be present. The meeting is a very important one.

## FIRE RESULTS DUE TO THE WATER SHED

Residents of Wallace, Idaho, now claim that results of the disastrous forest fires in northern Idaho in 1910 are being made evident in the changed flow from a watershed then burned over which furnishes the water supply of the city.

This basin included an area of approximately two thousand acres and was formerly well timbered with trees from 50 to 200 years old. These were almost wholly destroyed by the fires of 1910. From this watershed the city gets its supply not only for domestic purposes but also for the development of electricity for power and light, so that the maintenance of a considerable flow is essential to the city.

It is stated that before the fires the flow of the stream at its lowest stages was never below one thousand miners' inches, the unit of measurement which has been used. But since the fire, the records show that the minimum flow has fallen to about 250 miners' inches and it is now necessary for the company which furnishes water, light, and power to expend a considerable amount of money each year in developing power from steam and use a considerable part of this power in pumping water. Records of the weather bureau at Wallace show that the precipitation for the years since the fire has been about normal for the region. This seems to demonstrate to the townspeople that the unevenness in the flow must be due to the destruction of the forest cover of the watershed and not to any change in climate or precipitation.

In view of the situation, the forest service has undertaken to reforest the denuded watershed. Some planting has already been done and eventually all of the watershed which is included within national forest boundaries is to be reforested. The people of Wallace are taking considerable interest in the work and express themselves as thoroughly in sympathy with the effort that the service is making. The experts of the department, however, point out that the planting will probably have no immediate effect, yet it should influence run-off as soon as forest conditions are restored, and re-establish eventually a more stable stream flow. In the meantime the forest officers are taking measurements of the stream in connection with the records of precipitation, to determine just what relation exists, and what results will follow reforestation.

IN THE CITY. Mr. Frank B. Lewis, a clever knight of the grip, is here the guest of his family on North Market street.

Children Love Washington Park.