

THE RANDOLPH BULLETIN.

THE PRESIDENT'S TRIP SOUTH

Greeted by Enthusiastic Thousands at Petersburg and Charlotte

Charlotte, N. C., Special.—Welcome royally as the head of a united nation with all the honors which a patriotic and public-spirited people could bestow, and responding in a kindred spirit which inspired him to pledge his power to the obliteration of all sectional differences, the Hon. William Howard Taft, President of the United States of America, was for twelve hours Thursday the welcome guest of Charlotte and North Carolina. Culminated then the celebration in honor of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence with which all the cheering power of a Gulf coast rain-storm could but partially interfere. Never in the history of the City of Charlotte has there been a day so marked by a contest between the powers of men and those of nature, a contest which had a drawn battle as its final issue, with the honors, all things considered, well earned by the plucky celebritas.

Beginning hours before dawn, the rain, which was predicted set in with unrelenting violence, continued until a few minutes before the arrival of the President's train at 10 o'clock, ceased for more than two entire hours, only to descend again a veritable cloud-burst just as the rear of the mammoth parade had reached Independence Square, two blocks from the stand where stood America's Chief Executive in review. Its interference with the occasion on which it had in such unwelcome fashion intruded, forced the change of the place for the Presidential address from the open air reviewing stand to the Auditorium and the calling off of the military drills and the baseball game in the afternoon.

Unquestionably it deterred untold thousands from leaving their homes in other towns, and yet special after special rolled in in early morning crowds from front to rear with visitors who knew that whatever happened Charlotte would make good. And she did, so far as lay in human power, in the face of a twelve hours' rainfall three times the amount of that for the month's preceding 19 days.

The line from the Selwyn to the depot was filled with the best almost every one of whom saw President Taft in his open carriage. The Confederate and Federal veterans escorted the President from the Selwyn to the grand stand, where he was seated with Mrs. Stonewall Jackson on the right, and Governor Kitchin on the left. The parade was a pageant of beauty and suggestiveness as well as an industrial and trade exhibit. It was completed when the torrents of rain broke all into confusion. In spite of the adverse circumstances it was a day of glory for Mecklenburg and the Old North State.

The President's speech in the Auditorium was a measure of the breadth of the statesmanship of this great

H. H. ROGERS, THE GREAT FINANCIER, DEAD

New York, Special.—Henry H. Rogers, sixty-nine years of age, vice-president of the Standard Oil Company, moving spirit in the organization of the Amalgamated Copper Company, builder of railroads, and philanthropist, died at his home here at 7:20 o'clock Wednesday morning from a stroke of apoplexy. Death came about an hour after Mr. Rogers had risen for the day, mentioning to his wife that he was feeling ill. At 7 o'clock he lapsed into unconsciousness, and before the family physician arrived, he was dead. Mrs. Rogers, three married

PRESIDENT TAFT ENJOYS HIS TRIP TO THE SOUTH

Washington, Special.—President Taft, returning from Charlotte, N. C., reached Washington at 10:40 a. m. Friday. The President found Mrs. Taft much improved in health. The President recently was chosen as a trustee of the Hampton Institute, at Hampton, Va., and had accepted an invitation to speak there on Sunday afternoon. He stated on the train, however, that unless Mrs. Taft was able to make the trip with him, he would postpone his visit to the Virginia institution. On account of the bad weather, the President decided, after reaching the White House, that it would not be wise to undertake the trip at this time and he telegraphed, cancelling the engagement.

LAKE MONHONK ARBITRATION CONFERENCE ENDS

Mohank Lake, N. Y., Special.—With an imposing array of speakers, the fifth annual meeting of the Lake Mohonk conference on international arbitration concluded its deliberations Friday night. The speakers included the Right Hon. James Bryce, the British ambassador; Alfred Mosely, London; Representative Richard Bartholdt, of Missouri; Edward J. Wheeler, Frank Chapin Bray, and J. Richard Watson Gilder. Mr. Mosely, a member of the House of Commons, took up the causes which led to the present feeling between England and Germany, beginning with the now famous interview of the German Emperor.

EIGHT MEN KILLED BY HAIL IN GALVESTON, TEXAS

Galveston, Texas, Special.—An unprecedented hailstorm Monday in Uvalde county cost at least eight lives. James Carpenter, 70 years of age, returning to the Southwestern Ranch, where he was employed, sought shelter in a cattle and killed him on the head. Hail struck him from a height of 100 feet. Seven Mexicans were many miles from shelter, in the open prairie, when the storm caught them. All

GEORGIA ROAD TIED UP.

General Manager Scott Makes the Announcement That "No Trains Are Moving"—The Governor Instructs Authorities to Take All Steps Necessary to Protect Life and Property.

Augusta, Ga., Special.—The Georgia Railroad was completely tied up Sunday night. The management is not trying to move trains, simply announcing that it has the means and the equipment to proceed and will do so when the State announces that it is ready to protect its property and employes. The strikers are standing pat. They assert that they have not been and will not, parties to any violence. Sympathizers with the strikers, it is set out, have done all the hurt that has been done.

General Manager Thomas K. Scott, at 6 p. m., made the announcement that "no trains are moving." Governor Hoke Smith has wired the sheriff of McDuff county to co-operate with the municipal authorities and to summon all deputies necessary to protect life and property. It is in this country that Thomson is located and it is at Thomson that the crowd issued their ultimatum Saturday night that no trains should pass carrying either munitions or negro freemen. Governor Hoke Smith has also asked the sheriff there to keep him fully advised of the situation.

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Williams on Dixie.

Natchez, Miss., Special.—The big formal event of the stay of the battle-ship Mississippi at Natchez was the banquet Saturday night to the officers of the vessel. Governor Noel was present and spoke on "Mississippi, a loyal member of the school of Dixie, a leader in moral and material progress." The feature of the stay was the speech of John Sharp Williams Saturday afternoon at the presentation of a magnificent beaten silver punch bowl to the battleship by the City of Natchez. The bowl was made for exhibition at the Jamestown Exposition. Mr. Williams said:

"As a complete and crowning testimonial of the sincerity and fervor of this welcome, Captain, you will soon, at Horn Island, receive as the gift of the State herself, a silver service with the noble lineaments engraved upon it of the steadfast chieftain of a storm-craddled Confederacy, which has passed, not unworthily, into history. As a partial testimonial, I have the honor now to present these pieces of silver. Let them remind you in distant seas, not only of the duty hereafter doubly beholden to be well performed, but of the sweet land of Dixie, the fairest part of the whole earth. When you meet an enemy's ship, and I hope you may never have to meet one, sink her and then quaff from these cups a toast to victory—victoria Americana—but if she sinks you, as she has chances to many a brave ship, well handled, then for the honor of the sweet women of Natchez, let these modest pieces of silver go down with the ship, and not become enemy's booty to shame their name."

Runaway Horse Kills Young Lady.

Augusta, Ky., Special.—Effie Townsley, the 16-year-old daughter of Samuel Townsley, of Johnsonville, Brecken county, was Saturday found dead on the road near her home. She had been riding a spirited horse which became frightened and ran away with her, throwing her off, dragging her over the rough road with her foot caught in the stirrups.

Are Denied Licenses.

Jefferson City, Mo., Special.—The Missouri Supreme Court Saturday sustained the State law, which denies licenses to insurance companies, which pay any of their officers salaries in excess of \$50,000. The decision was on an application from three large eastern companies for a writ of mandamus to compel the State Insurance Department to issue license to them. The writ was denied to the petitioners—the Equitable Life Assurance Society, of Prudential Insurance Company and the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company.

Shops Curtail.

Spencer, N. C., Special.—Again a cut has been made in the working time of the force at the Southern's shops. The men were put on nine hours, six days a week, a month or more ago, but recently the work day was cut to eight hours. Saturday the entire force, with the exception of the round house men, are off, an order having been sent out, beginning on a five-day-a-week schedule.

THE NEWS IN BRIEF

Items of Interest Gathered By Wire and Cable

GLEANNINGS FROM DAY TO DAY

Live Items Covering Events of More or Less Interest at Home and Abroad.

At Uvalde, Texas, last Monday a hailstorm of unprecedented severity, slugs of ice weighing 8 and 10 pounds, fell and eight persons were instantly killed by being in their line of descent. Foylerville, Mich., was visited by a tornado last Saturday that damaged 250 houses to the extent of \$40,000. Twenty-five families are homeless.

The State of Pennsylvania has appropriated \$2,000 for the education of a dumb and blind Kathryn May Frick, nine years old, who shows many of the characteristics of Helen Keller.

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Prof. A. S. Lovenheart, of the University of Wisconsin is believed, has found an antitoxine for tetanus germs.

The cotton compress at Fort Smith, Ark., was consumed by fire Monday together with 5,000 bales of cotton. The flames broke out at many places simultaneously, indicating incendiary arson. The loss was about \$300,000, covered by insurance. Tracy & Co., of New York, went into the hand of a receiver, the assets supposed to be half a million and liabilities a million. Three thousand gallons of water from Jordan river, was poured into the sewer in New York recently because no one attached any importance to it—a financial failure.

Washington Affairs.

The Senate Monday confirmed the President's nomination of Oscar S. Straus to be ambassador to Turkey and Wm. W. Rockhill to be ambassador to Russia. The Washington, Baltimore and Annapolis Electric Company ordered smaller cars, and it is said the annual saving will be \$150,000 through the use of direct-current motors.

President Taft has returned from the Petersburg and Charlotte functions. He is one of the worse of the trip, notwithstanding the deluge in Charlotte. President Taft wrote a letter to Governor Stubbs, of Kansas, revoking the appointment of Robert Stone and resenting the attempt to drag him into a factional fight. Torpedo boats are to be given a test in the battleship maneuvers this summer.

Foreign News Notes.

Two thousand men are on the way to reinforce the Russian troops in Persia. Rome papers regard the exchange of messages between the Kaiser, Francis Joseph and Victor Emmanuel as insuring the continuance of the triple alliance. Emperor William is to spend several weeks in England next fall. Though reported to be resting at the Ju Ja ranch, ex-President Roosevelt engaged in writing an account of his adventures.

The trophies of Mr. Roosevelt's and the job for the taxidermist is thus far one rhinoceros, six lions, two giraffes, 20 smaller kinds of game and a variety of birds, a python and others. It is claimed for Germany, that she will soon be prepared for airship war with a system of stations suitable for operations.

WASHINGTON NOTES

Senator Gore's resolution, directing the committee on finance to conduct an investigation into wholesale and retail prices of commodities, was discussed before the Senate Tuesday at some length. Seeking to have the resolution adopted, Mr. Gore said he wished to have statements concerning the extortionate prices of retail dealers fully probed so that the country might know just where the responsibility for high prices rests.

That the cotton manufacturers sell their products, with an agreement as to the price at which they are to be sold at retail, was the substance of a charge made by Mr. Gore. Demanding proof of this assertion Senator Gallinger said that what the country is demanding is prompt action on the tariff bill. He added that it had been ascertained that the business interests of this country were losing \$10,000,000 a day by the holding up of the tariff bill.

At times provoked much merri-ment by ready retort and denouncing the protective tariff policy, Senator Gore spoke at length and until 12 o'clock, when, under the rules of the Senate, the unfinished business which was the tariff bill, was to be taken up. Before that was done, in response to an appeal from Mr. Bailey, the Senate agreed to vote on Mr. Gore's resolution, amended as suggested by Mr. Bailey so as to require the appointment of a select committee of four—Republican and three Democratic Senators to conduct the investigation asked for, and by a vote of 50 to 29 it was referred to the committee on finance, Senators Bristol, Crawford and LaFollette, voting now with the Democrats.

Mr. Simmons, of North Carolina, while speaking in the Senate in support of the contents, made by Mr. Stone, relative to the issue of imported razors, said that the Democrats were ready to vote on the tariff bill at any time and that it was the recalcitrant element of the Republican party, which was delaying the measure. "As soon as you can get their consent to take a vote on this measure," he said, "you can get ours."

A vote was then taken on an amendment by Mr. Stone restoring the Dingley rate on razors. It was rejected by a vote of 36 to 43, the Republicans voting in the negative. The Democrats being Beveridge, Bristol, Brown, Clark, Crawford, Cummins, Dooliver, Gamble, LaFollette and Nelson. Describing the men who have come before the committee on finance in connection with the tariff bill, "silk hats and kid gloves and carrying gold-headed walking sticks," Senator McLaughlin on the floor said he had failed to see any one there who could be classed as a consumer. "I have not seen any one there," said the Senator from Mississippi, "the cut of whose job would indicate to me that he is a farmer, a mechanic, a blacksmith or other laboring man."

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NORTH STATE NEWS NOTES

Items of State Interest Gathered from Here and There and Told Briefly for Busy Readers.

For a "State Forest."

Raleigh, Special.—Governor Kitchin, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 39, Laws of 1909, has issued a proclamation making for thirty years a "State Forest of North Carolina" of all land belonging to George W. Vanderbilt lying above contour line 2,000 feet and situated in the counties of Buncombe, Transylvania, Jackson and Haywood, totaling 111,545 acres, providing all the necessary provisions of the law are carried out. As a half cent an acre is to be paid to the school fund annually, this will give \$557.73 to the schools of the counties named.

The property to be made into a "State Forest of North Carolina" is that situated above 2,000 feet elevation and consists of the following number of acres: Transylvania county, 25,308 acres in Brevard township, 19,510 acres in Gloucesterville township, Henderson county, 10,754 acres in Mills River township; Haywood county, 1,010 acres in East Fork township, Buncombe county, \$300 acres in Avery Creek township, 4,300 acres in Biltmore township, 5,000 acres in Limestone township, 6,300 acres in Upper Homying township, and 3,500 acres in Lower Homying township.

The act under which the proclamation is made is to render secure from damages and notably secure from damages by fires such woodlands in North Carolina as are situated above the contour line of 2,000 feet. These lands so situated are held to be too cold and too humid for successful agriculture, their value being in wood and timber. The lands thus set aside are to be advertised in three consecutive issues of papers in the counties in which they are situated at the expense of the land owner and the owner is to pay annually into the school fund of the county a half cent an acre. The Governor is empowered to appoint at his discretion and with the approval of the commissioners of the county in which the land is situated such wards as may be designated by the owner or owners of the land, who are to pay the ward's who are to arrest without a warrant for crimes committed against real estate and to enforce the law against trespass and notably against fire having the power of sheriffs, the minimum fine to be \$50 if the crime is in the jurisdiction of the Superior court, and \$25 if in the jurisdiction of a justice of the peace.

Shows His Appreciation.

Wilson, Special.—The following letter of gratitude was received in this city a few days since from Judge Connor, acknowledging receipt of a copy of the resolutions passed in mass-meeting in Wilson on the night of May 10th in regard to his appointment by President Taft to the judgeship of Eastern North Carolina. In the letter he says:

"I can hardly find words to express to you my grateful appreciation of the continued kindness of my home people. It sometimes seems to me that I overtax them in that respect, but they always so generously respond that it is an inspiration to me. The actions of the citizens of Wilson on this occasion adds another to the many obligations under which I live to them. "If any honor has come to me during my life, the fact that it has in some degree given pleasure to the people of Wilson county, has enhanced its pleasure to me more than I can express. "Will you kindly express to the Chamber of Commerce at their next meeting my sense of gratitude for their great kindness?"

Indian Dies From Wound.

Asheville, Special.—Allen Whipperwell, the Indian from the Cherokee reservation, who was shot in the old Hix Souther "soft drink" place on North Lexington avenue a week ago, died Friday morning at five o'clock at the mission hospital from the effect of his injury. Wade Wilson, the young man charged with the responsibility for Whipperwell's hurt and who was released on bond last week upon report that Whipperwell was doing well and would probably recover, was placed in the custody of officers Wednesday afternoon and that night and Thursday night remained locked up in the city jail. An inquest was held Friday afternoon when evidence relative to the fatal shooting was had. Witnesses testified in effect that the Indian was attempting to tomahawk Wilson when the pistol fired, whether as a result of scuffle or by Wilson, was not just plain. The jury returned a verdict exonerating Wilson and he as promptly released from custody.

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GREENSBORO FEMALE COLLEGE CLOSES.

Greensboro, Special.—Wednesday was graduation day at Greensboro Female College and the graduating exercises were held in the college auditorium Thursday at 11 o'clock, these being a large and interested audience in attendance. The day dawned bright and clear, just an ideal May day and ideal commencement weather.

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