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Those who failed to attend the first of the lyceum attractions, given Friday night, missed an evening of delightful entertainment. The Lowery-Lawrence team rendered a most pleasing and wholesome program.

The reports of the political outlook from different parts of the country seem to leave nothing in doubt as to the result when the polls close in November, except the size of the majorities. The trend Wilsonward begins to assume the proportions of a landslide.

A contemporary reports that "two young Republicans rapped Wilson" in their remarks in behalf of their party. The rapping business is becoming pretty general, but one good feature of it, every rap seems to be a boost.

Some Records of the Wilson Administration: "New export records made in the month of September, more than half a billion dollars' worth of American-made goods sent to foreign markets"; "cotton bringing the highest price known to the staple in times of peace"; "national banks of the country stronger and in better condition than ever before"—Comptroller of the Currency Williams; "banks reflect more prosperity"; "smaller proportion of failures than ever was known to history, and more applications for charters for national banks bein[illegible] to Washington." These are but a few of the evidences of good management and its attendant prosperity gleaned from the front pages of a single issue of the daily newspaper.

The difference between the violation of Belgium's neutrality and Greece's neutrality is largely a matter of "whose ox is gored." In the former instance, Belgium resented the violation of its rights by the Germans and as a consequence was run roughshod over; but not until it had made a stand sufficiently lengthy to enable the Allies to so prepare as to prevent a speedy culmination of the conflict by the over-running of France as well. In the latter case the Allies have calmly taken possession without any regard, seemingly whatsoever, for the neutrality of Greece, and because of a division of sentiment among the people of Greece there has been no armed resistance to the encroachment of the Allies' forces. Consistency, thou art a jewel. The pro-Ally adherents can't with any degree of sincerity longer criticise the German action in the case of Belgium.

THE HUGHES CAMPAIGN WATER-LOGGED.

There is every evidence that the Hughes campaign has become water-logged. At least, the weather vanes of the political atmosphere see nothing but a falling off day by day of the followers of the ex-jurist.

There is nothing mysterious or puzzling about the situation. Mr. Hughes' campaign has not had since its inception a single sound prop. It has been an aimless reckless groping in the dark for an issue without success. The New York World sizes the situation up when it attributes the decline and prospective fall of the Hughes candidacy to its lack of the "one element without which no candidacy has a right to succeed—the element of good faith." Mr. Hughes has not voted fair with the American people. At the time when he was held in high esteem by all the people as a member of the United States Supreme Court, and when to all outward appearances he was giving his undivided attention to the important matters coming before that great tribunal, he was "gumshoeing" a campaign for the Republican presidential nomination. Being successful in that effort and becoming the standard bearer of the Republican party he has failed still to come out in the open and let the people, whose support he is asking, know where he stands. Instead of devising and presenting for the endorsement of the American people a constructive program in keeping with the times, his attention has been given entirely to tearing-down tactics. One by one he has tackled the great pieces of constructive legislation enacted by the Democratic Congress under the leadership of President Wilson and in every case he has discovered that the dirt under his feet was loose. Not content with the tactics of invective and vilification, Mr. Hughes' party is stooping to circulate charges and rumors which have no foundation, but by which it is hoped to disparage the Wilson adminstration in the minds of the people.

Surely, it begins to look like the Hughesites are falling back on the last resorts to stem the receding tide.

REMOVING DEATH TRAPS.

According to an announcement of the Southern Railway, ninety-three grade crossings have been eliminated in its improvement work on the main line between Orange, Va., and Central, S. C. Overhead bridges, under passes and changes of the routes of the public roads have all contributed to the doing away with the agencies of death.

The Free Press is not informed as to the number of grade crossings on the line between the two points in question, but the elimination of ninety-three is certainly making a good start to get rid of the menace to life and limb. The grade crossing is a relic of the past. It has no more place in modern railroading than the wooden death trap which, through the telescope route, furnished the slaughtering place for hundreds of people. The under-pass and over-pass go hand in hand with the modern steel construction in rolling stock and heavy rails, which are proving so successful in reducing wrecks and holding down the casualties, when derailments do occur. The Southern Railway is to be congratulated on the good showing, and may the record be only the beginning of a campaign looking to the riddance of every grade crossing on its line.

A SUGGESTION WORTHY OF CONSIDERATION.

The suggestion, carried in Thursday's Free Press, of the advisability of inaugurating a regular boat service between New Bern and Kinston, making connection with the proposed Baltimore-New Bern steamship line, is one that might prove worthy of consideration. A good deal of shipping comes into Kinston from Baltimore. The service by steamship to Norfolk and thence by the Norfolk-Southern, at present afforded, is very satisfactory from the standpoint of time in transit. A considerable amount of this business, however, could be classed as slow freight, and the lower rate which would obtain by an all-water route, would make it to the interest of Kinston business concerns to patronize such a line.

Whether the channel from Kinston to New Bern is capable of handling all-the-year-round boats of sufficient draught to carry the freight, which the running of the boats would warrant, is a matter, of course, that would have to be investigated but there are many advantages for a water route.

KINSTON IN THE LIMELIGHT.

Several days ago when Col. H. S. Leard, General Passenger Agent of the Norfolk Southern, and good friend of Kinston, was here to make final arrangements for handling the crowds expected next week for the second annual exhibit of the Kinston Fair, he commented on the marked improvements that were constantly taking place hereabouts and complimented very highly the Kinston spirit. He had already been to several other fairs, large and small, this year and remarked that none of them could exceed Kinston's undertaking. Said he, "You know, I haven't stopped talking about your first fair last year. It was a revelation to everybody who attended it, and the Kinston spirit which pushed forward and accomplished so successfully the big undertaking was truly remarkable and commendable." Col. Leard added that this year's fair was bound to be a big success. Said he, "Your prestige was established last year."

Few Kinstonians have really stopped to analyze and appreciate what a splendid impression was created by the success of last year's fair and what an opportunity is given this year for still further good work and none can appreciate as do the outsiders what the culmination of the community spirit has meant in the way of beneficial publicity for this section.

Let every citizen hereabouts lend his unstinted co-operation to make of the four days next week all that it is possible to make of them. Let the good people who come from Kinston's trade territory return to their homes with the song on their lips. "Great is Kinston" and The Free Press will continue to help them tell its story.

"HITTING THE NAIL ON HEAD."

Honorable N. A. Sinclair, Democratic elector-at-large from North Carolina, in his address before the voters of Buncombe county, in Asheville last week, hit the nail on the head when he declared that the Republican party was born of sectionalism, and that it had always hated the South. The Republican party has always represented special interests and sections and its leaders, who have occupied the White House, have never undertaken to reflect the sentiment of the South on matters which pertain not only to the South, but to the Nation in general. Appointments have been made throughout the South by Republican Presidents which not only failed to reflect the wishes and sentiments of the majority of the people of the localities, but in many instances were exceedingly distasteful and obnoxious; and they were made not when there was lack of acceptable material in the party ranks, but often with every earmark of intentional affront to the feelings of the Southern people. Not until the Democratic Administration came into power and began to deal out with an even and just hand regardless of section or locality did the American people, so far as their government is concerned, truly appreciate what it means to be united people enjoying, without partiality or favor, the full benefits of the government.

Paducah, Kentucky, added to the list of victims done to death in Judge Lynch's tribunal Monday when two negroes were swung up and their bodies burned. One of the victims of the mob's wrath was thought to have been guilty of a heinous crime and the other was guilty of condoning the offense and sympathizing with the brute. The first, had his guilt been proven in any court of law would have suffered the death penalty and, the second, loose-tongued and irresponsible, as many of his race are would have no doubt been adequately punished for his indiscretion. The mob, however, didn't see it that way but, as usual, took matters into its own hands and brought its State and community into disrepute and unenviable publicity. The good people of Paducah were not responsible, howbeit they will have to suffer most. It was the same old story, an irresponsible set of fellows in the mad desire for revenge trampled the law under their feet.

Mr. Kitchin remarked in his address Tuesday that he would like to convert the Republicans in his audience although he did not expect them to make any confession. If the State Democratic Committee continues to send their "big guns" to Lenoir to tell of the great record of Democracy, and the Republican friends continue to find seats in the audience, we don't see how they are going to keep from becoming converted, for the truth is bound to prevail sooner or later.

SOCIAL And PERSONAL

Mrs. C. Lupton of New Bern has been on a short visit here.

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Miss Pocahontas Brix has returned from Ayden, where she spent a few days with friends.

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Mrs. W. Frank Strong and daughter of Chapel Hill are guests of relatives here.

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Mrs. D. S. Weeks of Florida, who recently visited relatives here, is now spending a few days with kinspeople in New Bern.

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Mr. W. S. Hamilton has returned from a few days' stay in Raleigh.

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Mr. J. I. Brown is on a business trip to Norfolk.

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Miss Lida Lee Rhodes has returned from a visit to relatives in Rocky Mount.

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Miss Brownie Taylor spent the week-end with relatives in Greene county.

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Mrs. J. S. Walthour of Danville, Va., is spending a few days with friends here.

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Mr. Ed. Winfield has returned to his home near Bath after a visit to relatives here.

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Miss Edith Morgan of Suffolk, Va., is a guest of friends in the city.

Mrs. A. K. Robertson of Wilmington is spending a few days in the city.

CONFIDENT WILSON WILL HAVE AN EASY TIME IN ELECTION

Democratic Leaders Predict Landslide; President Himself Satisfied

PENNSY WAS AGREEABLE

Crowds In the Republican Stronghold Gave Executive Glad Hand — Two Strenuous Weeks Ahead of Campaigners

(By the United Press)

Shadow Lawn, Oct. 21.—Back after what he regards as the "most successful trip" of his campaign, President Wilson today prepared to launch his most vigorous efforts during the two remaining weeks before election.

Wednesday he leaves for Cincinnati, returning Saturday.

Democratic leaders no longer merely hope that Wilson will "carry the election." They are predicting an absolute "landslide." They are a very confident group. They believe the sentiment from crowds at every stopping in rock-ribbed Republican Pennsylvania indicated the "way of the wind." The President is confident the majority of the voters will be favorable to him.

SIMMONS TO BE THE SPEAKER AT RALLY OF JONES DEMOCRATS

(Special to The Free Press)

Trenton, Oct. 20.—The Democrats of Jones county are planning to have a big rally at Trenton on November 6 the day before election, at which time Senator Simmons will speak. A barbecue dinner will be served and a brass band will be had if possible, to add spirit to the occasion. The Jones people are very fond of Senator Simmons, and are looking forward to this occasion with a great deal of pleasure.

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FOUR CHARGED IN ASSAULT WARR'NTS

Four cases of assault were pending trial in the City Court Friday morning. Defendants were Elvin Sparrow, alleged to have assaulted and threatened to kill his wife by cutting her throat; Keller Williams, accused of striking and kicking Jesse Chestnutt; Harry Davis, charged with simple assault on Leland Davis, and Geo. Reed, indicted for assaulting Will Richards with a bottle.

SPARROW SENTENCED FOR ASSAULTING WIFE

Elvin Sparrow, a white youth, was sentenced to six months in Police Court Friday for an assault upon his wife and threatening to kill her with a knife. He appealed and went to jail in default of bail. Sparrow is said by the police to be a handy person with a knife; he has served time for a murderous assault on a mill foreman with such a weapon.

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