

PRESIDENT WEDS TWO WEEKS HENCE

Date For His Marriage to Galt Announced Today.

WILL BE A VERY PRIVATE AFFAIR

Only Members of the Immediate Family Will Be Present and No Invitations Will Be Issued—Honeymoon Trip Not Made Known.

Washington, December 4.—President Wilson and Mrs. Norman Galt will be married Saturday, December 18th, at Mrs. Galt's home, according to formal announcement made today at the White House.

It was also announced that the only guests will be Mrs. Galt's mother, her brothers and sisters; the President's brother and sister, his daughters and members of his immediate household.

It has been intimated to the diplomats who made inquiry at the State Department that no show in connection with the wedding is desired.

Joseph R. Wilson, of Baltimore, the President's brother; Mrs. Howe, his sister, and Mrs. Sayre will be guests at the White House when they come to attend the wedding.

MAJORITY FOR THE DEFENSE PROGRAM

Members of House Committees in Sympathy With The President.

Washington Dec. 4.—The Democratic nominations for the House committees announced today, which will be laid before the House Monday, assure support of the President's National defense program.

Five of the six new members of the naval committee are "big navy" men. Oscar Callaway, of Texas, named to succeed the late Representative Witherspoon, Mississippi, is opposed to any material increase in the navy.

The new members of the military affairs committee are said to be unanimously in favor of a large army. Majority Leader Claude Kitchin, who is opposed to the program of preparedness, said today that he was satisfied with the personnel of the committees.

The big college regatta at Poughkeepsie will be held on June 17th, next summer. It has been decided. This date is 10 days earlier than usual, and is set because of the tides.

FINANCE COM. OF A. AND M. COLLEGE IN SESSION

Greatly Pleased With Work That Has Been Done.

WANTS BACK STAR

Sentiment at College For The Return of Jacobs—Baptist Have Had A Big Year

Dispatch News Bureau, Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 4th. The financial committee of the A. & M. College yesterday elected Dr. Hubert B. Haywood, Jr., college physician to succeed Dr. Henry McKee Tucker who died last week.

Dr. Haywood's selection holds until June when the college will discuss seriously with the trustees the policy of choosing a medical director who will have charge of athletics at the college, a policy not entirely dissimilar to that of the University of Virginia.

In that connection there is a sentiment for the return of Jacobs, the great football star whose team was the last to beat Virginia. Doctor Jacobs was with the Rockefeller foundation until last year when he went to the West Indies.

The committee sent resolutions of sympathy to Max Gardner who was one of the victims of the Salisbury wreck which killed two and dangerously injured four.

The farmers representing the board of agriculture went out to the serum plant and saw the work of the state in its fight against hog cholera. They were greatly pleased with the plant which has reduced the cost of treating hogs so greatly and banished cholera in many places.

Tenth Congressional district lawyers who have been here arguing cases on appeal from their judicial division indicate early plans to retire. Congressman J. J. Britt and at least two Democrats are ready to announce.

Sol Gallert of Rutherfordton and Zebulon Weaver, of Asheville, appear to be the only men openly in the field, albeit the newspapers have said but little of any candidacy. Former Solicitor Hall Johnson says that he is out of it and his name will under no condition go to the primary.

Judge Mike Justice's friends are making a prodigious effort to get him into the primary. They do not believe that any man now in the race would contest the nomination with him if he would agree. Judge Justice seems dead against it. The very fact that Sol Gallert from the same means to run foredooms the Justices partisans. Mr. Gallert expects to speak out after the first of the year and the fight is understood to be between the Asheville and the Rutherfordton Democrats.

Down here the rumor of a dozen candidates had been circulated and such strife promised as to give Republicans hope of winning without trouble again next year. Hall Johnson (Continued on Page Six.)

HAMBURG OFFICERS SENTENCED PRISON

Judge Howe Pronounced Judgment Today and Appeal Taken

RELEASED ON \$10,000 BAIL EACH

Company Fined But One Dollar, For Reasons Given by The Court—Aged Director Sought Clemency For His Associates.

New York, December 4.—Dr. Karl Buenz, George Kotter and Adolph Hochmeister, of the Hamburg-American Line, recently convicted of conspiracy to defraud the United States government, were sentenced today to serve one year and a half in the Federal penitentiary at Atlanta. Joseph Poppinghaus was sentenced to one year. The Hamburg-American Line was fined \$1.

All the defendants were permitted to bail pending the suing out of a writ of error in their behalf. Bail was fixed at \$10,000 in each case and was accepted from a surety company. Sentence was pronounced after Judge Howe had overruled motion by William Rand, Jr., chief counsel for the defense, for a dismissal of the verdict on the ground that it was contrary to the evidence and the law in the case.

District Attorney H. Snowden Marshall, in moving for sentence, said it was his "painful duty to ask for substantial punishment; not so much for the effect on the defendants as to serve as a warning to others."

None of the defendants showed any emotion when sentence was pronounced. Prior to the opening of court they were surrounded by a number of sympathizers, with whom they chatted freely. Dr. Buenz told his listeners that his only regret was that the American people should believe he

had done anything to injure them or had anything but the kindest feeling for this country. Through Mr. Rand the aged director of the Hamburg-American Line, asked Judge Howe to take into consideration that his three co-defendants were his subordinates; that any offense they committed they were merely acting under his orders.

The nominal fine imposed on the Hamburg company was explained by Judge Howe as due to his wish to free the case as far as possible from "the odor of money." He said there was no evidence to show the company, as such, had entered into any conspiracy and was not possible for Dr. Buenz alone to have any power to bind it in any of the proceedings complained of.

The lighter sentence imposed on Poppinghaus was in view of the fact that he had occupied a subordinate position and merely carried out orders of his superiors without having actually participated in the planning of the conspiracy of which he was convicted.

In sentencing Dr. Buenz Judge Howe announced the court would be willing to support any movement to obtain clemency on account of the advanced age of the prisoner. "This case," said Judge Howe, "will undoubtedly be taken to the Court of Appeals and to the United States Supreme Court. If sentence is affirmed and it is claimed imprisonment will be a peril to Dr. Buenz, on account of advanced age, the case will be referred to the executive department of the government. This court will be willing to take any action as may be satisfactory in support of such a move."

Permits Issued—The following building permits have been issued by Fire Chief Schubbien: Elbert Hall, three-room dwelling, Meares street, between Third and Fourth, cost \$300; Mrs. E. Huggins, three room dwelling on James street, between Swan and Nixon, cost \$300.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, N. C. at 8 a. m. yesterday, 3.7 feet.

RUSSIAN HAVE NOT MADE MOVE

While Bulgars Are Being Rushed to Help Austria Fight Italy.

GREECE GRANTS VITAL DEMANDS

German Report Says Greece Has Made Concession to the Allies—Feeling of Optimism Pervades London But Hard to Say What Over.

London, December 4.—The much rumored Russian diversion against Bulgaria has not materialized, but the fact that no Russian official statement was issued last night gave rise to the hope in London that it is being withheld to give emphasis to this new phase of the Balkan campaign. Reports that have reached here from Bucharest say that three Bulgarian divisions have crossed Hungary en route to Italy, on the western front, which if true, would seem that Bulgaria does not fear a Russian invasion. Reports of such a shift of forces are as vague, however, as reports that Austro-German troops were rushed to other quarters eastward to face the new Russian menace.

Dispatches from several sources assert that both the northern and southern armies arc safely established in Albania, while the remnants from Monastir have reached the French camp at Gievglji, on Serbian territory, near the Greek frontier not far from Saloniki. A feeling of optimism over the near east situation seems to be growing here, but outwardly there is little to justify it, except on the theory that the Russian onslaught against Bulgaria will quickly crystallize, while the entente negotiations in Greece seem to be progressing favorably. From German sources news has been received that Greece has granted the Allies absolute control of the

BIG EXPOSITION HAS ENDED

This the Last Day of The Panama-Pacific Show In Frisco.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 4.—Today was the last day of the Panama-Pacific Exposition.

The sounding of "taps" from the lofty "tower of jewels," pressing of a button by President B. C. Moore that will extinguish the myriads of lights of the "Jewel City," the hauling down of the flag, the furling of banners and the singing of "Auld Lang Syne" will be the final and concluding act of the exposition, which opened February 20th last.

Newport, R. I., Dec. 4.—A breach of promise suit brought against William H. Scholls, chief master of arms at the Naval Training Station by Miss Oral L. Menalder of Chicago, and New York will be called for trial next Monday. Scholls has been for 25 years in the naval service. The couple met last summer during the visit of Miss Menalder, who is said to be a nurse. She alleges Scholls represented himself as single and a man of means, and declares he promised to marry her.

The British army in Mesopotamia is in retreat. The official announcement was made today that the forces had retired to Kut-el-Amara.

Still More Serbs Captured.—Berlin, Dec. 4 (Via London)—The capture of more than 2,000 Serbians by the Teutonic forces, is reported in today's official statement from army headquarters. The capture was effected in engagements with scattered bands in the mountain region.

WANTS STRONGER PROHIBITION LAWS

SUNDAY WITH THE CONFERENCE.

Sunday will be a full day at Grace Methodist church. The North Carolina Methodist Conference, according to its usual custom will observe the love feast at 9:30 o'clock. This service of prayer and testimony and song will be conducted by Rev. A. D. Betts and Rev. W. H. Moore. Bishop John C. Kilgo will preach at 11 o'clock and immediately following the sermon will ordain the class of deacons. At 3:30 in the afternoon the Memorial services to the dead of the conference will be held. Five have died during the year and memoirs will be read and words of testimony offered by members of the conference. At 7:30 in the evening Dr. E. F. Cook, secretary of the Board of Missions of Nashville, Tenn. will preach. The class of elders will be ordained by the Bishop Sunday evening at Fifth Avenue church.

Methodists Conference Would Have State Cut Liquor Out Entirely

SOCIAL CLUBS SHOULD GO AND BOOZE ADV. END

Strong Report of Temperance Committee Adopted by Conference Today—Durham Gets the Next Meeting—Numerous Board Reports Presented and Passed On.

A large amount of work was transacted at the morning business session today. There are still a number of matters of business to come up before the appointments can be read on Monday. It is impossible to say at just what time Monday the conference will reach this most important feature of the conference. Adjournment will be taken immediately afterwards.

The evening at 7:30 at Grace church the Board of Missions will hold their anniversary with an address by Dr. E. F. Cook, of Nashville, Tenn., secretary of the Board of Missions.

"I think it necessary," said Bishop Kilgo this morning, "to exhort the young brethren to sing more. I wanted to sing, 'How Happy Every Child of Grace,' but I don't want to sing a solo. Boulevard preachers don't sing my calico songs," so he raised instead "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus." The Bishop read a short scripture lesson from Paul's epistle to the Romans and prayer was offered by Rev. E. E. Rose. With the Bishop leading, the conference sang again, "I'm Glad Salvation's Free."

"I'm not surprised our fathers shouted," said the Bishop, "and I'm not surprised we've quit. They had something to shout about, but we haven't much." The Bishop said he has about 200 old timers and that nothing rested him and made him want to go to heaven more. He told the elders and preachers to root out of the miserable stuff that is being sold into the church. "I want you brethren to be a singing conference."

The secretary in the minutes of Friday's session announced that the collection for Paine College amounted to \$200.70. R. N. Fitts was advanced to the class of the second year. Neal Malloy McDonald and H. M. Jackson were readmitted. Dr. T. W. Ivey presented a resolution that in view of the fact that March 31st, 1916, is the 100th anniversary of the death of Francis Asbury, pioneer Bishop of Methodism, be it resolved, That the date be observed or as nearly that time as possible, by the preachers, in their charges by a sermon, address or some appropriate exercises, also that the preacher be appointed to preach the annual conference sermon next year be requested to make that the basis of his sermon.

The conference failed to pass a resolution to investigate the judgment of memorializing the General Assembly to abolish capital punishment. Dr. T. N. Ivey, editor of the Nashville Christian Advocate, a member of the North Carolina Conference, spoke to the conference and expressed his pleasure at being with his old conference again. He spoke in the interest of The Advocate and of the need of increasing the subscription next year. It is the only connectional newspaper. He announced an early doctrinal edition of The Advocate.

Dr. Ed F. Cook, of Nashville, of the Board of Missions, was introduced. He will make the missionary address at the anniversary tonight. Mr. Duke's Gift. The Bishop reminded the conference of the gift of Mr. J. B. Duke—\$55,000 annually to North Carolina Methodism; \$10,000 to worn-out preachers; \$15,000 to church extension; \$10,000 to missionary operations in the State, especially in the country churches toward which, the Bishop declared, his heart constantly turns. "He has a strong devotion to the Methodist church, of which he is a member, but he has not found in the city the simple high ideal of religion he was taught to believe in the country church. I regard this as one of the most significant events that anybody has ever undertaken in North Carolina. But in making this gift he said that he did not want

North Carolina Methodists to do less." Rev. John C. Wooten read the following resolution: "Resolved, That this conference express its great appreciation of the munificent gift recently made through Bishop Kilgo to the Methodist Church of North Carolina for the support of the superannuated preachers, home mission work and the church extension board. "That the secretary of the conference forward to Mr. Duke this resolution and assure as a conference and individuals appreciate this evidence of his good will toward the church in North Carolina which so much has appreciated by him and other members of the family. (Signed) JOHN H. J. C. WOOTEN. J. T. GIBBS." Rev. J. H. Hornaday read part of the joint board of the reporting what had been done this year and making the appointment the various districts next year. Report Sunday School Board. The annual report of the Sunday School board was read by Mr. C. F. Bland, of Washington, N. C. The report recommended a special emphasis on teacher training work next year also a greater missionary zeal along plans laid down by the Sunday School board. Attention was directed to the Federation of Bible classes to be held at Fayetteville, January 19th and 20th. Mr. C. R. Pugh, of Elizabeth City, was announced a new member of the Sunday School board.

The report of the Epworth League board was read by Rev. W. W. Peel reporting an encouraging growth during the year. There are now 132 churches representing a membership of 640, \$1,215.04 has been raised during the year for missions, the total amount raised during the year \$7,401.58. Mr. I. W. Medlin has been elected field secretary.

The board recommended that anniversary day be observed on the 2nd Sunday in May, also that institutes be held in every district during the year, that the pastors be requested to support the Epworth League Conference and that Thursday of next year be given to the Epworth League anniversary. The report was adopted.

Conference Goes to Durham. Rev. H. M. North, pastor of Memorial Methodist church, Durham, brought an invitation to Memorial Church next year. The church next year observes its 30th anniversary and during its history the conference has never met there. Rev. J. M. Daniel brought an invitation to Jarvis Memorial Church, Greenville. Memorial Church Durham, received 114 votes, Jarvis Memorial 25. The next Conference will meet at Memorial Durham.

Orphanage Report. Rev. J. W. Beadley submitted the report of the Methodist Orphanage. The need is not more children, but more money. The treasurer reported cash received during the year with balance from last year \$30,131.27, balance now in hand \$1,528.64. It was recommended that January be set aside as orphanage month. Out of what is received to furnish adequate fire protection.

The following were confirmed members of the board of trustees of the orphanage: W. R. Allen, Goldeboro; J. C. Biggs, Raleigh; R. R. Covington, Laurinburg; J. S. Carr, Durham; L. S. Massey, Raleigh; R. N. Page, Biscoe; W. E. Springer, Wilmington; Graham Woodard, Wilson.

Memorial Service Postponed. It was voted to postpone the memorial service for those who have died (Continued on Page Three.)

CLOTURE RULE IS IN DOUBT

Selection of Clark May Endanger Adoption by Democratic Caucus.

Washington, December 4.—With fighting over the president pro tem. of the Senate settled by the renomination of Senator Clarke, of Arkansas, the Democrats, in caucus again today, turned their attention to the cloture rule.

Prospects today were that the plan to adopt a cloture rule in the Senate would be endangered by reason of the Clarke victory, despite the fact that the caucus ended harmoniously. The caucus agreed to vote on the cloture at 5 p. m. today.

Democrats of the House also meet in caucus today to approve committee assignments, made by the majority members of the Ways and Means Committee. The committee completed the task last night.

No changes were made in the chairmanship of any of the important committees.

The fight to restrict debate in the Senate, Democrats agreed later today in conference, should not be urged on the opening day of Congress and will be postponed until later in the week. In view of this Democratic Leader Kern telegraphed Vice President Marshall, at Indianapolis, that it will not be necessary to be present on the opening day. The Vice President wishes to delay coming on account of the illness of Mrs. Marshall.

The Senate will be called to order by the secretary and the first business will be the election of Senator Clarke, of Arkansas, as president pro tempore. What form the rule fight will take later in the week is not known, as the caucus is still debating the cloture.

When the caucus was resumed it was announced that the idea to make a cloture resolution a party matter had been abandoned. The opponents of the effort to limit debate were too strong.

TRYING TO LAND THE CONVENTIONS

Four Cities Have Delegations In Washington After the Big Event.

Washington, December 4.—The campaign on the part of various cities to capture the coming Democratic and Republican National conventions was given an impetus with the arrival here today of the vanguard of delegations from Chicago, St. Louis, Dallas and San Francisco.

The Democratic National committee will meet here next Tuesday and the Republican committee a week later, to select convention cities. Dallas and San Francisco are in the race for the Democratic convention only. The former city is prepared to offer a certified check for \$100,000, as an inducement. Chicago and St. Louis, each with \$200,000, want both conventions. Subscribe to The Evening Dispatch, 35c the month.