MR. MORRISON HEARD BY LARGE CROWD HERE

He Made a Good Speech and Made A Fine Impression on the Voters Who Heard Him When He Spoke Here Last Saturday to a Packed House. Speech One to Appeal to Democrats To Wake Up and Fight the Party's Battles in the Old Way.

The Johnston county court house was filled to its capacity last Saturday afternoon to hear the Hon. Cam Morrison, of Charlotte, candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor, deliver a masterly address. He was introduced by Mr. S. S. Holt, Solicitor of the Recorder's Court, who in a short address told his auditors a little of the platforms of Mr. Morri- the Latin-American countries. son's opponents in the race, greatly to the delight of the Morrison supporters. He presented Mr. Morrison as the man who has been fighting his until now.

North Carolina democracy and comunder the domination of Russelism, the foremost features of today's news. Butlerism and their negro cohorts. of the great work of Aycock, Alder-

all with one accord gave him splendid or somewhere along the line to intered seven years ago, these special in- Esperanza.-Associated Press. terests no longer dominated and the country had made a most wonderful Mme. Deschanel Not to Accept Hat. record.

It is needless to try to attempt to give a synopsis of this great Democratic speech. It thrilled those who accept the \$5,000 hat offered her by heard whether they were his support- American milliners for her endorseers or supporters of his opponents. | ment of the Four Seasons of Milli-He had spoken more than an hour be- nery. The American creation was fore he ever mentioned his own can- made from material supplied by each didacy and then he told of his ambi- of the 47 states and decorated with tion to be Governor in order that he nine paradise plumes costing \$500 might be of greater service to the each. The society for the Improvepeople than he could be as a private ment of Millinery Art in France also in the ranks. He paid his respects to disapproved of the acceptance. his opponents in his own way. He never spoke disparagingly of either Mr. Page or Mr. Gardner.

Mr. Morrison's friends and supporters were very much pleased with and R. C. Hockaday went down near the speech and the impression it Holly Grove school house early Friday made on the people generally, and morning and got a 350 gallon copper claim that he is gaining ground in this still complete with cap and worm. county. The Ivanhoe Brass Band was They also destroyed 360 gallons of on hand and made music for the oc- beer which was made of ship stuff and casion. Mr. Morrison went to Dunn sugar. They say that a great part of Saturday evening where he made an blockade liquor around here is now address that night in that city. He made of ship stuff, this stuff making was accompanied to Dunn by Mr. a very low, mean grade of liquor .-George Ross Pou and Mr. W. L. Ellis. Benson Review.

MEXICO CITY AND VERA CRUZ REPORTED TAKEN

Carranza Himself Reported In Hiding In Vera Cruz and Arrest Imminent

-To Take Tampico Today.

Washington, May 9 .- An official telegram from Vera Cruz received at the state department today says a wire- to proponents of the \$1,400 maximum less message from Mexico City an- scale who based their arguments upnounces President Carranza has left on a misapprehension of the scale Mexico City and that General Obregon | now in vogue in the Durham schools. has taken the Mexican capital.

Advices to headquarters here of the Sonora revolutionists say Nuevo Laredo surrendered this morning after a fight in which there were three casualties and the commander of the Carranza forces was wounded.

day and Tampico would fall today or

EXECUTIONS IN MEXICO FEATURE LAST REVOLUTION

Change in Government Made With Remarkable Absence of Fighting-Various Reports About President Carranza—Communication Between United States and Mexico City Cut

Washington, May 10 .- Mexico's latest revolution after getting under way with a remarkable absence of fighting, apparently has not been without the usual tropical season of blood-letting.

From behind the veil which obscures the events of the last few days are beginning to trickle the stories of wholesale political executions counter-executions, and other accompaniments which have so frequently marked struggles for supremacy in

Carranza is variously reported captured, in flight, or in hiding; Candido Aguilar, his son-in-law and minister of foreign affairs, executed with General Francisco Murguia, commander party's battles for 25 years, and has of the garrison in Mexico City, after never had any office or asked for one a wholesale slaughter of political prisoners, including fifteen generals; Mr. Morrison began his address by forces of the revolution in control of going back more than twenty years the Capital and most of the metropoliand reviewing the history of the tan cities of the country while American warships and marines continued pared it with the Republican party to move into strategic positions were

Communication between the United It pictured how North Carolina had States and the Mexican capital congrown along educational and material tinued intermittently and uncertainly. lines under Governors Aycock, Glenn, Reports received here of the cutting Kitchin, Craig and Bickett. He spoke of the telegraph lines which carry cable dispatches overland from Vera man and McIver in the great educa- Cruz to Mexico City are supported by tional awakening and how that part border reports that the line of Carof this time a school house was built ranza's escape is held by the Revoluevery day in this State. He compar- tionists. The telegraph lines which ed these achievements with the four stretch down over the Texas border years prior to 1900 when the match- and reaching across the Northern desless Aycock swept the State and be- ert, ordinarily connect Washington came the great educational Governor. with Mexico City, flicked off their He spoke for good roads, and bet- last dots and dashes yesterday afterter health conditions and was cheered noon and were occupied for a few heartily all along the way. When he minutes with a stack of dispatches spoke of the necessity of paying the which had been accumulating for teachers in our schools a living salary days. What happened in Mexico City applause. He spoke of the record of rupt them is one of the mysteries of the Democratic party in national af- a revolution. From all reports, Tamfairs under the matchless leadership pico, Vera Cruz, Monterey, and Puebof our President, Woodrow Wilson. la, as well as Mexico City, now are in He showed how the Republicans had the hands of the rebels. Search of always stood for the special interest, eVra Cruz has failed to find Carranza. but since Mr. Wilson was inaugurat- One report had him under arrest at

President Deschanel, of France, has refused to permit Mme. Deschanel to

Whiskey Still Captured.

Officers Claude Dixon, A. W. Perry,

Raleigh Teachers Receive Increase.

A salary scale with a \$1,200 maximum for white teachers based on the State's classification, was adopted by the Raleigh Township School Board yesterday afternoon and will be effective for the new school year. The new scale, it is understood, is acceptable -News and Observer, May 8.

Edwards' Hat in Ring.

Governor Edwards, of New Jersey, has become an avowed candidate for the Democratic momination for presi-Piedras Negras, opposite Eagle dent of the United States. Governor ried a bond election of \$150,000 for Pass, Texas, and Matamoras, oppo- Edwards says he is running on his additional schools in this city. A site Brownsville, Texas, the dispatch record as Governor of New Jersey, as maintenance fund for the schools was form adopted in Raleigh in April preciation of Mr. Gardner's attitude added, were expected to surrender to- its former comptroller and as a man this country for the past 25 years. I erected from this fund.

SENATOR OVERNAN SPOKE HERE MONDAY

Memorial Day Was Fittingly Observed Says Gardner Stronger Than Ever by Here With Appropriate Exercises -Senator Overman Orator of the Occasion. Soldiers' Graves Decorated and Splendid Dinner Given the Old Soldiers and their Wives.

Memorial Day was fittingly observed here yesterday with appropriate exercises, given under the auspices of the Holt-Sanders Chapter Daughters of the United Confederacy, Mrs. W. Sanders, President. The day was ideal and quite a crowd of people assembled in the court house to do honor to the occasion. There were about thirty Confederate veterans on hand. Their ranks are growing thinner and thinner each year and it isn't going to be many years until there will be none left to celebrate Memorial Day.

The exercises began at eleven o'clock, when Capt. John H. Parker, of Selma, arose and sounded "Taps". Following this Rev. S. A. Cotton, pastor of the Smithfield Methodist church offered prayer. One stanza of "Dixie" was sung and Miss Sarah Sanders of Raleigh read a short article showing the significance of Memorial Day. Then Mr. W. M. Sanders who has always been a great friend of the old soldiers introduced Senator Overman as the orator on this occasion. Mr. Sanders spoke of the glorious deeds of valor and heroism of the Confederate soldier and turning to the few who were present told them that we loved them and the community would forever keep alive and sacred the memory of those heroes who passed through so much for the love of home and country. In presenting Senator Overman he said that for only this sacred cause would the Senator have left Washington to come to North Carolina at this time,

In beginning his address Senator Overman said that he was not old enough to participate in the struggle for "The Lost Cause" but that he might be called "comrade" for he bore on his head the scar inflicted by a Yankee soldier. The address was a most fitting one calling to the memory of his hearers some of the heroic deeds of the Confederate soldiers and their wives who stayed at home and kept the fires of patriotism burning on the altars of the homes of the South.

He spoke of the greatness of North Carolinians and their deeds of valor on the battlefields, not only in the Civil War, but in the war with Spain and the Great World War. He spoke of the first soldier to give his life in the Spanish-American war-he was a North Carolinian and the son of the widow of a Confederate soldier. He told of how we all love the Stars and Stripes, but said there was no reason why the people of the Southland should not love the Stars and Bars. It is the flag of no country but is the emblem of "The Lost Cause," and should be loved as a parent loves the little shoes of a departed child.

The Senator, after telling of many glorious deeds and incidents of interest, turned his attention for a few moments to the League of Nations and said that it was a great pity that politics was brought in to defeat the great plan for ending wars.

The address was a good one and the people enjoyed his story of the days that are now no more, of the suffering and sacrifice of the men and women who lived in the days of the great Civil War and the few years that followed, when a fallen nation of warriors with all lost, save honor, returned to their desolated homes to begin the work of building the State. And how well they have succeeded all the world now knows.

Following the address the crowd repaired to the cemetery where flowers were tenderly laid on the graves of the Confederate soldiers who lie buried there.

Then the old soldiers and their wives and friends went to the lot just to the west of the Methodist church where a bountiful dinner was served

New Bern Votes School Bonds.

New Bern, May 8 .- By a vote of 549 to 24 New Bern voters today carcarried by a vote of 653 to 29. Two rings clear on this question. It says: in this matter and have tendered their local banks, causing a material growth of affairs in the business world of additional school buildings are to be The Democratic party can never be a unqualified support and today Mr.

JUDGE BIGGS DENIES THE M'MAHON CLAIMS

Reason of Refusal to Answer Questionnaire. Mr. Gardner Says If He Is Elected Governor He Will Exert Himself to the End That Every Citizen in North Carolina Has a Fair Chance and an Equal Opportunity.

(Sunday's News and Observer.) Declaring that Lieutenant Governor O. Max Gardner is stronger than ever by reason of his refusal to answer the labor-farmer questionnaire, Judge J. Crawford Biggs, in a statement issued yesterday afternoon replied to the claim of Mr. J. F. McMahon, chairman of the State Federation of Labor's Executive Board, that labor has asked no pledge of a candidate.

"The people of North Carolina no doubt read with great astonishment the statement given to the press by Mr. J. F. McMahon, Chairman of the Committee that framed the Labor Questionnaire, in which he stated that and 90 per cent of the usual. in submitting the Questionnaire they did not ask any candidate to pledge himself upon any of the questions ask-

ed, and that Labor asks no pledge. "A brief recital of the facts in connection with the Questionnaire will satisfy every person that the position which Mr. McMahon now takes is directly contradictory to the position he Let us examine the facts. The Questionnaire is addressed "To candidates for State officers and the Legislature" and begins with these words: 'Would you support the adoption of the following laws?' Then follows the fifteen proposed laws or questions. Is it not too plain for controversy that as remaining on farms." if a member of the Legislature should answer any one of these questions in the affirmative, he thereby would give his promise and solemn pledge that he would, to quote the language of the Questionnaire, 'Support the adoption' of that law? which can only mean that if a member of the Legislature, he would vote for such a measure.

"While the Governor would have no vote, yet if he had promised to support the adoption of such a measure, he would in good faith be expected to recommend to the Legislature the adoption of the proposed law which he had promised to support. If the plan pursued by the labor committee could not have the effect of pledging a candidate to the measure named in the event he agreed to support them, it would be interesting to know by what method a candidate could be pledged.

"The people of North Carolina cannot be misled by such specious reasoning as contained in the statement of answer: 'It would be unjust to the State next week. general public to enter into pledges nearly a year ahead, which might in the event of my election, fetter my judgment when the time to act should come, and I think except where the line of policy is marked out by the platform of my party, I should feel free to advise with the General Assembly from time to time as prescribed by our Constitution, in the light of the knowledge I then shall have and as shall appear to me to be for the public welfare.'

"Again in his Kinston speech:

"'My conception of the high office of Governor of North Carolina is the open way to untrammeled service to the whole people of the State. I like office. I covet the opportunity of approaching the performance of all public services absolutely unfettered by pledges and unhampered by promises.

"I boldly declare to you today that shall be elected Governor absolutely unfettered by public pledges and private promises to any class or group or I will not be elected at all.

"'Class distinction, class consciousness and class appeal should have no place in democracy. My conception of social, industrial and political justice is embodied in these words, 'Equality of Opportunity.' I propose, if elected Governor, to exert myself Carolina has a fair chance and an equal opportunity.

"'My platform is the platform of the Democratic party.'

class party. Its obligations must ev- Gardner is stronger than ever."

STATE'S WINTER WHEAT CROP. MCADOO'S CHANCES

The Condition on May 1 Shows 88 Per Cent On An Acreage of 12 Per Cent Less Than Last Year.

(By Frank Parker.) Raleigh, N. C., May 10 .- "Our primary bread crop is threatened with the tremendous reduction of thirtyfour per cent from last year" announces the North Carolina Cooperative Crop Reporting Service. "The winter wheat acreage to be harvested in the United States is more than thirty per cent less than last year. The May 1st forecasts are for only 484,647,000 bushels on 34,165,000 acres compared with a final estimate of 731,635,000 bushels produced last year at an average yield of 14.7 bushels per acre. The abandonment to May 1st of the acreage sown is practically twelve per cent, with a condition of but 79 per cent of a full crop.

"The North Carolina crop shows about two per cent abandonment with a condition of 88 per cent, on an acreage of 12 per cent less than last year

"As with wheat, the acreage of the United States is greatly reduced, but the 85 per cent condition shows a acreage is eleven per cent lesss than last year and has a condition of 91 per cent of normal, for the rye crop.

"The United States present acreage of hay crops estimated to be the same and his committee took in framing as last year, with a good condition, and sending out the Questionnaire, and reports show 10.5 per cent of last The North Carolina estimates indi- but endorse. cate a six per cent reduction in the acreage of hay, with a 90 per cent condition of the present growing crops. Sixteen per cent of our last year's hay was reported on May 1st

PRINCETON SCHOOL TO CLOSE.

To Begin With Friday Night Exercises by the Primary and Grammar Grades.

The school close at Princeton will begin Friday night of this week with exercises by the primary and gram

mar grades. The baccalaureate sermon will be delivered Sunday night, May 16, by Rev. J. J. Murray, of Smithfield.

Reciter's and declaimer's contest Monday night, 17. Music recital Tuesday night, 18. A play will be given by the school

GENERAL NEWS

Wednesday night, 19.

Senator Hiram Johnson, Republican candidate for the nomination for President, is planning to make four speeches in North Carolina, within Mr. McMahon. He realizes now that the next few weeks, probably at Wilthe people approve the position which mington, Raleigh, Greensboro and Mr. Gardner took when he said in his | Charlotte. He will probably be in the

Senators Kenyon, of Iowa, and Borah, of Idaho, are going to make speeches in North Carolina, in the interest of Senator Johnson for nomination for the Presidency.

The Farmers Bank and Trust Company is soon to open a new bank in Mount Airy with a capital of fifty thousand dollars.

Senator Hiram Johnson, of California, has declined to consider second place on the Republican national tick-

Cortland Smith, president of the American Press Association, was before the senate investigating committee making inquiry into the news the thought of freedom of action in charged that the news print interests had "cornered" the market and conspired to regulate the production so as to keep prices mounting.

In the natural amphitheatre on lege presented Tuesday afternoon Constance Mackay's fairy masque, "The Forest Princess," before an audince of 2,500.

The five year old child, Austin Williams, of Wilmington, who mysteriously disappeared several days ago, was found Tuesday afternoon drowned in the Cape Fear River.

to the end, that every citizen in North er be the whole people, fostering the harmonious development of every legitimate interest.

"The Democratic party in its plat- have given expression of their ap-

SAID TO BE GROWING

Governor Cox of Ohio Said to be Favored by Democrats for Vice President-No Deadlock At San Francisco Anticipated.

Washington, D. C., May 8 .- Aside from Hiram Johnson's assault on Hoover today, Washington's political interest at the close of another week spent itself in appraising the effect at San Francisco of the smooth but sweeping campaign being made by the Democrats for William Gibbs Mc-Adoo and Governor Cox.

Mr. Hoover featured in the day's fighting with a telegram to Senator Capper about price of sugar in which he flayed the administration for some alleged omissions but Mr. Hoover's telegram to the Kansas Senator wouldn't hold a torch for the things the Johnson managers say the Hoover "organization" did in the California primaries.

The general consensus of opinion among the Democrats is that the San Francisco convention will spend a day fair outlook. The North Carolina or two eliminating favorite son candidates and get down to business. When business is reached, they expect to see little short of a ratification meeting. Mr. McAdoo and Mr. Cox are, so far as administration Democrats are concerned, chosen for the two big places on the ticket and year's crop now remaining on farms. the convention will have little to do

> Not that there isn't going to be anything to make the San Francisco convention lively. * * Woman suffrage before a convention of seasoned Democrats in North Carolina presented no such spectacle as everybody expects to see when Governor Edwards, of New Jersey, arises to step on William Jennings Bryan's corns. And Hoke Smith, Charles F. Murphy and the Tammany organization, J. W. Bailey of Texas and the much bewhiskered J. Hamilton Lewis, of Chicago, will be on hand to make the proceedings immensely lively.

> The fact that there is to be no great deadlock at San Francisco over the selection of a candidate is borne out by the failure of any avowed candidate for the nomination to make a showing. Already, 642 delegates have been selected to the convention and only 256 are instructed.

> Of those that are instructed, only 74 are pledged to any one candidate and all the dope for the last week eliminates Governor Cox, of Ohio, as a serious contender for the presidential nomination. His own State, however, and Kentucky instructed their respective delegations of forty eight and twenty six for him.

> The next best showing in the instructed column is for Herbert Hoover and when he allowed himself to be branded he surrendered any claim to the thirty votes of Michigan which were given him as the result of the Democratic primary early in April.-R. E. Powell, in News and Observer.

The Hospital For Cripples.

June 8 is the day appointed for the ceremony of laying the cornerstone of the hospital for crippled children, near Gastonia. This is the enterprise so long the objective of the life of Mr. R. B. Bobington, and who is now in enjoyment of the happy prospect of seeing his dream accomplished. The institution is to be known as the North Carolina Orthopedic Hospital, print shortage in Washington Friday, and it is an institution dear to the hearts of the Masonic and Pythian fraternities, whose members have given it substantial support. It is destined to prove one of the most useful institutions in the South, for it will Flora MacDonald's College campus at make sound timber of hundreds of lit-Red Springs, 80 students of the col- tle cripples who have been entering womanhood and manhood under distressing conditions of handicap. The laying of the cornerstone of this hospital will mark a great day in the history of the State.-Charlotte Observer.

A Profitable Deficit.

Kansas farmers lost 43 cents an acre on the wheat they grew last year according to the Secretary of the State Board of Agriculture. With "Hundreds of people in every walk | the deficit many of them bought new of life, including organized labor, automobiles and a great many bought oil and mining stock. In addition, many deposited their losses in the in Kansas bank deposits.-Nebraska State Journal.