# **LOBBYING IS PROVEN**

Georgia Legislative Investigation Grows Interesting.

MEMBER OFFERED BRIBE

Overstreet and Lawyer Felder and a Scrap in Committee Room Narrowly Averted.

The investigation of charges of lob- ling testimony is given. bying held before a committee of the Georgia legislature grows more inter-

Representative W. D. Mills, of Cherokee county, was offered \$500 for his vote on the child labor bill, the sensational war of words and almost fight between Thomas B. Felder, Jr., of Atlanta, and Representative Overstreet, of Screven, and the testimony of Representative J. P. Knight, of Berrien, that he had seen whisky in the speaker's room were the main features said to be \$7.425. which came out at the session of the lobbying investigating committee Atlanta Thursday morning.

No end of excitement was created then Representative Mills told of having been offered the sum of \$500 to vote against the child labor bill, greater excitement was created when T. B. Felder, Jr., and Representative Oversctreet faced and glared at each other during the session of the committee over statements which were made, and great interest was aroused again when J. P. Knight, representative from Berrien, told of being approached by Martin Amorous about his vote on the bill to cause the Southern railway to ins corporate under the laws of Georgia. Mr. Mills, in his testimony, taid he clerks on certain trains. had seen people on the floor of the house and senate not members. "Dur-Mr. Mills, "I had two of my constitu- in the bustle. ents to make personal appeals to me to vote against the child labor bill. my home, and said they thought it best for the county that the bill should not pass. At home I heard from friends of mine that these par-

vote against the bill." Mr. Mills said he was improperly approached once about the child labor

ties had said if I voted for the child

labor bill I would be defeated for the

senate if I ran. Yesterday I heard

again that those parties had said they

would defeat me because I did not

"This was last year just out of the house. A young man came to me and asked me how I stood on the bill at | lians. present. I told him I was for it. He then said that the men who were fight- hear the dairymen, anent the milk ing the measure would make it to my financial interest to vote against the bill and that I would be given \$500 to vote for the bill."

T. B. Felder, of Atlanta, when the committee met said he had been namas a lobbyist and wanted to be heard. He was allowed to testify. He began by saying he had read with some surprise that Mr. Overstreet had named him as one of the lobbyists. Mr. Overstreet interrupted, saying he had not termed anybody lobbyists, but had furnished names to the commit-

sions they might desire. Mr. Felder continued, saying he lived at the Kimball in the winter and their heads into the fire. at the Sweetwater Park hotel at Lithia in the summer. These were the only houses he had. He had not thought it wrong to take members as his guests fact that Mr. Overstreet had been en- ing. terfained at the Piedmont Driving Club by a member of the Atlanta bar and at the Capital City Club by an-

other lawyer. When Mr. Felder stated that Mr Overstreet had been wined and dined by a member of the Atlanta bar in company with other legislators, Mr. Overstreet straightened up in his chair and pointing his finger directly at Mr. Felder, who was about three feet away, said:

You know d-n well that I was not was is a d-n liar."

say it is true," said Mr. Felder. r. Felder rose in his seat and Mr. Overstreet did likewise. The two men glared at each other. Then Mr. Overstreet started toward Mr. Felder. He was held back by Ferris Cann, a member of the committee, who was sitting directly behind him.

"I want the gentleman to understand I mean what I say," said Mr. Michigan.
Fedder.
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want the gentleman to understand I mean exactly what I say, and furthermore we can settle it right here," replied Mr. Overstreet. Chairman Hopkins rapped loudly for order. Other members of the committes interfered and declared that no fighting should tak place in the comter Bay Friday. Baron Speck appearmiltee room

KEPT CASH IN BUSTLE,

Loses Sum of \$7,300. Mrs. Augusta Van Clerke, of Shawnee, Kans., reported to St. Paul de mingham, Ala., Friday. tectives that she had lost a bustle conand negroes is reported from North taining \$7,300 while on the way to St. Paul on a Rock Island train. Mrs. Van Clerke, who is well advanced in years, said she feared to leave her money in a bank and that it would be

TORNADO STRIKES PITTSBURG-

safe if she put it in her bustle.

Two Killed, Sixty Injured and Great Damage Done to Mining Property. tornado passed through the thickly populated mining district north and east of Pittsburg, Pa., early Saturday every description and converting into in several instances.

# Cream of News. <del>\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*</del>

Brief Summary of Most Important Events of Each Day.

-The Georgia legislature and Governor Terrell take up the whipping of War of Words Between Representative Mamie DeCris, a young woman convict at the state prison farm, and order in- List of Injured Reaches Thirty-Vic-

-Experts declare that the will of the late G. W. Collier, of Atlanta, Ga., is an impression copy and other start-

-Central of Georgia railroad directors order 5 per cent dividend on first

preferred income bonds. in Terrell county, Ga., and two ne-

-Charles Johnson is sent to chaingang at Americus, Ga., for defrauding

negroes on the ex-slave pension fraud. -The amount due state of Alabama by Tax Collector Booker, of Lee county, who failed to make returns is now

-Southbound train No. 35, of Southern, was wrecked by some miscreant near Castonia, N. C., Londay night. Nobody killed. Engineer and two postal clerks injured.

-Two negroes attacked five white men in Greenville county, South Carolina. One of the white men is dying and the other four were slightly

-Board of arbitration to adjust difference Letween Alabama miners and operators met at Birmingham Monday. Trainmaster J. McCarthy, of the Grand A large number of witnesses will be Trunk.

-Postmaster General Payne has de cided to try baggage men as mail

-The bustle lost by Mrs. Van Clerke, in which she had hid \$7,300 ing the pending of the child bill," said has been found. The moeny was still

-Governor Durbin, of Indiana, has of the rescuers. written to President Roosevelt, stating They were stockholders in the mill at | that the latter's letter on lynching has | sounded a keynote.

-The trial of the Humberts continues at Paris. Mme. Humbert is the the judge and the witnesses as liars.

-The murder of the nussian consul at Monastir has complicated the Balkan situation. The czar has demanded the exemplary punishment of the airbrakes to work. murderer and also of all civil and mil-

-Dr. J. W. Lee. Methodist minister and pastor of a St. Louis church; ridicules high church views of Episcopa-

-The Atlanta board of health wil muddle, if they wish to talk, but will probably not order an investigation un-

-Augusta, Ga., will probably follow Atlanta's example and order an inspac-

-Charleston, S. C., was visitel by a errific electrical storm Sunday. Three persons killed by lightning in and

-A report was current that Dewey the absconding cashier of the bank at Newbern, N. C., had committed suicide cus employes. The greatest loss of tee to allow them to draw any conclu- in New York. It proved untrue.

-South Carolina negro woman de capitates her two children and throws

-President Roosevelt has written a letter on the lynching evil to Governor Durbin, of Indiana. The president thinks that speedy action by the courts to his house, especially in view of the in criminal cases would lessen lynch-

ritory Sunday night, which illuminated

a wide section of country. rying the administration. There are only 500 negroes in the navy, out the officers want to get rid of them.

-Boiler of the saw mill of the Minnesota Lumber Company, at Cutting, Ga., exploded, killing one negro and injuring nine oher employes.

-It is thought Cashier Dewey's wiled and any man who says that I stealing from the Farmers and Merchants' bank, at Newberne, N. C., will

> -Returns from the primary election in Mississippi verify former reports that Money won the senatorship and Vardaman the governorship.

-Twenty-three employes of Wallace Bros,' circus were killed and many others injured in railroad wreck it

-What purports to be the will o the late king of Yap reached Savannah, Ga., Wednesday. By the terms

of this document, the Savannah widow gets nothing from the estate. -Baron Speck Von Sternberg, whom Roosevelt greets as "Speckie, old boy," was received by the president at Oys-

ed in full court costume. -The Georgia Dairymen's Association adjourned at Athens Wednesday

to meet at Tallulah Falls next year. Woman Who Feared to Risk Banks -Two negroes, convicted of highway robbery, were executed at Bir--A fight between Croatan Indians

> Carolina. Several of the combatants wounded. -It is reported in Wall street that

the Standard Oil Company has acquired control of the Virginia-Carolina ciety's funds. Chemical Company. -Simon Banker and wife, who lived

in the mountains near Winchester, Tenn., were murdered and torch ap Colored Band Made Futile Attempt te plied to their house Friday night. Illicit distillers had accused them of informing revenue officers.

York Wednesday owing to the slump houses, mine tipples and buildings of in stocks. New low records were made from the village of Oyster Bay to Sag. phia National League Baseball park,

ruin a strip of thickly populated terri- - The plant of Tuscaloosa, Ala.. tory eight miles long and two miles Light and Power company, was dewide. At least two persons were kill- stroyed Wednesday by the explosion ed and fully sixty were injured in the of a boiler. Two lives were lost and ter Bay by the secret service officer at various drug stores in the vicinity great damage done property.

# TWENTY-TWO DEAD CONVICTS FOR COUNTIES. RULE OF LYNCHEES

In Frightful Wreck of Circus Trains of Wallace Bros.

DISASTER WAS APPALLING

tims Horribly Mangled-Engineer of Second Section is Blamed for Wreck.

Wallace Brothers' circus was wrecked in the Grand Trunk yards at Durand, Michigan, at 4 o'clock Friday -Train strikes wagon at a crossing morning and twenty-two men, mostly employes of the circus, including a few of the performers, were killed outright. Thirty more were injured,

> some fatally. The show was traveling in two sections over the Grand Trunk tracks from Lansing to Lapere and the accident, it is said, was caused by the failure of the second section of the train to stop on time. The two sections were traveling near each other, and the second ran into the first at full

The engine of the second section and four cars of the first section were completely demolished. Much valuable property was destroyed and the loss to the circus people will be heavy. Some of those killed and a few of those injured were railroad people attached to the train. These include

Some of the animals were killed, the scene in the Grand Trunk yards after the collision being appalling. The wreckage of the engine and four cars were strewn about and piled higa, while the shrieks of the injured and the bellowing of the trightened animals could be heard above the hiss of escaping steam and the excited shouts

It was some hours before all the infured were rescued from the wrecked cars. Some of them were in terrible agony, and it is feared that many will die. Fifteen of the injured were star of the trial, frequently denouncing placed aboard special train and taken to a hospital in Detriot for treatment. The wreck, according to the state-

ment of the engineer of the second sec-

tion, was caused by the failure of the It was 3:45 o'clock when the first section pulled into the West end of the Grand Trunk yards. A red light was hung on the rear car to stop the

second section. Engineer Probst, of Battle Creek, who was running the engine of the rear train, says he saw this light and applied the brakes. To his horror, it refused to work. He reversed his engine, but the momentum of the train behind was too great, and with a crash that aroused all of the town

near the yards, the two trains met. Three cars of the stationary first section were telescoped and the eugine and five cars of the moving train were demolished. The rear car of the first section was a caboose in which the trainmen were sleeping and the next two were filled with sleeping cirlife was in the caboose. One of the wrecked cars of the second section was occupied by five elephants and several camels. One of the elephanis and two camels were killed outright, while the other animals and meir

With the exception of this car, none of the menagerie was wrecked, the other demolished cars containing canvas or wagons, and ...ere was com--A large meteor fell in Indian Ter paratively little excitement among the

wild animals As soon as they recovered from the -The color line in the navy is wor- first shock, the trainers rushed among the cages quieting the few beasts that were excited. The elephants in the wrecked car behaved with surprising the press, all clergymen, all teachers, calmness, and were led out of the

> The escaping steam and screams and cries of those pinned in the wreck made a horrifying spectacle. Coroner Farrar Friday afternoon impanelled a jury, which viewed the re-

wreck without trouble.

when the inquest will be held.

LASH USED ON MAMIE.

"Diamond Queen" Flogged Into Submission at Georgia Prison Farm. Mamie DeCris, a convict, has been put under the lash at the state prison farm at Milledgeville, Ga., and beaten into submission.

This took place last June, but the matter has been kept a secret until the present. Mamie, it will be remembered, was

the young woman who last winter gained considerable notoriety as a much-wanted diamond thief-her ad ventures gaining her the nickname "Diamond Queen."

### ERRING SKY I LOT.

ment of Eighty Thousand Dollars. In a letter written from Montreai, fessed that he was a defaulter to the which the road has enjoyed. amount of more than \$80,000 of the so-

SERENADERS DISAPPOINTED.

Serenade President Roosevelt.

In a driving rain storm Wednesday afternoon a brass band composed of -Two failures occurred in New | colored boys from the Jenkins orphan- red at Philadelphia as the result of age at Charleston, S. C., marched the horrible accident at the Philadelamore Hill, about three miles, to sere making a total of nine fatalities. Two nade the president and his family. hundred victims were treated at the The band did not reach the president's various hospitals and it is believed residence, being turned back to Oys that fully 100 more received attention of the baseball grounds.

Roads in Georgia Will be Worked Free of Charge if Senate Amendments to Convict Bill are Approved.

Georgia counties will get convicts on the public roads after all, and those counties which desire to work them will not have to pay \$120 per year as provided by the Knight-Howell substitute which passed the house several

The state senate, at Monday's session, passed the convict bill by a vote of 36 to 2, with amendments which provide that counties wanting convicts can get them without any cost other than the maintaining of them. The counties which work them, however, cannot get any money derived from the hire of the convicts as is now the

The amendment limits the felony convicts to those serving five-year terms and under. Several other minor amendments were passed.

IMPRESSION COPY ALLEGED.

More Sensational Testimony in Fight Over Collier Will at Atlanta. The most sensational testimony yet

heard in the caveated Collier will case was given in the court of ordinary at Atlanta, Ga., Monday morning by George W. Collier, Jr., when among other things he declared that Judge J. N. Bateman had proposed to him that they "lock arms" in the matter of the control of the Collier estate, and in that way leave out Henry Collier, who is the third executor and to whom young Collier was at the time object-

A. Montgomery, formerly with the Southern Express Company, as a writing expert, was next placed upon the stand by the counsel for the Collier heirs. The witness testified that inc had examined the document filed in the ordinary's office as the will of George W. Collier, and that he believ-

ed that it was an impression copy. W. A. Healey, accountant and auditor for the Atlanta and West Point railway, stated when placed upon the stand that it was his opinion that the form of despotism. Of course mob alleged will is an impression copy and violence is simply one form of anhe thought it would be impossible .c write such in a neat manner upon similar paper, especially the signature.

SOUTHERN TRAIN WRECKED.

Switch Turned by Some Miscreant, None of the Passengers Hurt. Train No. 35, the Southern railway's

fast southbound train, was wrecked one mile north of Gastonia, N. C., at 11 o'clock Monday night, resulting in serious injury to Engineer Black and the colored fireman, and to Postal Clerks Birchfield and Sharpe. Southern railway officials declare

that the train ran into an open switch, but passengers on the train say that the boiler exploded. The train was crowded, but no pas-

senger was seriously hurt, though a

violence of the explosion. Later telephone messages from Gastonia indicate that No. 35 was deliberately wrecked, though the boiler of the engine had gone on the side track of the Ozark cotton mill. The switch had been turned and the red light that it always presents after being turned had been extinguished. Engineer Zeb the switch, and supposing that the track was safe, went ahead at full

DURBIN REPLIES TO ROOSEVELT.

Indiana Governor Says President Has Struck Keynote on Lynchings. Governor Durban, of Indana, Monday, sent a formal reply to the letter he feceived Sunday from President at Evansville. Governor Durbin says,

"I feel that you have struck the keynote of a national necessaity when you say all public men, all writers for dress the people, should with every energy unite to denounce such crimes and to support those engaged in putting them down, and declare the correlated doctrine that 'we must show that the law is adequate to deal with crime mains and adjourned until August 14, by freeing it from every vestige of technicality and delay.'

### TAX COLLECTOR RETURNS HOME

Owen Decides to Settle His Account

With State of Alabama. J. E. Owen, tax collector of Russell county, Alabama, who it was alleged had fled the country, arrived in Montgomery Saturday morning, accompanied by Judge H. T. Benton and his attorney, both of Seale, en route to his home in Russell county.

Several days ago the governor instructed the attorney general to bring suit against Tax Collector Owen: f. r his failure or refusal to settle with on because of what we have done. the state, his indebtedness, it was alleged, being over three thousand dol-

CENTRAL ENJOYS PROSPERITY.

Boston Preacher Admits Embezzle- Board of Directors Declare Handsome Dividend of Five Per Cent. The annual statement of the Central

Canada, to the pastor of his church in of Georgia railroad, which was pre- four battalions of Turkish troops, East Boston, Rev. Willard S. Allen, sented to the directors at a special treasurer of the Preachers' Aid Socie | meeting in Savannah, Monday, shows | a body of 1,700 Bulgarians near Soroty of the New England conference of an increase in earnings of \$1,416,000, vitch Friday. the Methodist Episcopai church, con- the largest increase by 18 per cent, The directors declared a dividend of

5 per cent on the first income bonds

NINE BLEACHERITES DEAD. List of Fatalities in Philadelphia

Grows Apace. Five additional deaths have occur

Deplored by President Roosevelt in Letter to Durbin.

A REMEDY IS SUGGESTED

Speedy Trial and Punishment for Heinous Crimes Would Stay Mob Justice-Growth of Lynching Cause of Great Alarm.

In a letter, the publication of which

was authorized Sunday, President Roosevelt commends Governor Durbiu, of Indiana, for the attitude he assumed recently respecting lynching. The president also embraces the opportunity to express his own views in reference to lynching and mob violence, generally, pointing out that mob violence is merely one form of anarchy and that anarchy is the forerunner of tyranny. The president vigorously urges that the penalty for crimes that induce a resort to lynching shall be applied swiftly and surely, but by due process of the courts, so that it may be demonstrated "that the law is adequate to deal with crime by ireeing 't from every vestige of technicality and

President Roosevelt's letter in part

to Governor Durbin follows: "Oyster Bay, N. Y., August 6, 1903, Mr. Dear Governor Durbin: Permit me to thank you as an American citizen for the admirable way in which you have vindicated the majesty of the law by your recent action in reference to lynching. I feel, my dear sir, that you have made all men your debtors who believe, as all far-seeing men must, that the well-being, indeed the very existence, of the republic depends upon that spirit of orderly liberty under the law which is as incompatible with mob violence as with any archy; and anarchy is now, as it always has been, the handmaiden and

forerunner of tyranny. "All thoughtful men must feel the gravest alarm over the growth of lynching in this country, and especially over the peculiarly hideous forms so often taken by mob violence wnen colored men are the victims; on which occasions the mob seems to lay most weight, not on the crime, but on the color of the criminal. In a certain proportion of these cases the man lynched has been guilty of a crime horrible beyond description; a crime so horrible that as far as he himself is concerned, he has forfeited the right to any kind of sympatny whatsoever.

No Sympathy for Criminal. "The feeling of all good citizens that such a hideous crime shall not be number of people were bruised by the | hideously punished by mob violence is due not in the least to sympathy for the criminal, but to a very live!y sense of the train of dreadful consequences which follow the course taken by the mob in exacting inhuman vensuch cases, moreover, it is well to remember that the criminal not merely sins against humanity in inexpiable and unpardonable fashion, but sias particularly against his own race, and does them a wrong far greater than any white man can possibly do them. Therefore, in such cases the colored has been wet." people throughout the land should in every possible way show their belief that they, more than all others in the community, are horrified at the commission of such a crime and are peculiarly concerned in taking every possible measure to prevent its recur-Roosevelt, concerning the recent mob | rence and to bring the criminal to immediate justice. The slightest lack of vigor, either in denunciation of the crime, or in pringing the criminal to

justice is itself unpardonable. "Moreover, every effor, should be made under the law to expedite the proceedings of justice in the case of such an awful crime. But it cannot be ben returned to Europe and who renecessary in order to accomplish this to deprive any citizen of those fundamental rights to be heard in his own defense, which are so dear to us all and which lie at the root of our libwas received formally in his new diperty. It certainly ought to be possible by the proper administration of the laws to secure swift vengeance upon the criminal; and the best and immediate efforts of all legislators, judges and citizens should be aduressed to securing such reforms, in our legal procedure a to leave no vestige of excuse

geance through violent methods. "The nation, like the individual, cannot commit a crime with impunity. If we are guilty of lawlessness and brutal violence, whether our guilt consists in active participation therein or stairs to the gallows, but denied that to win and the voting continued unit in mere connivance and encouragement, we shall assuredly suffer later he had been convicted. He said that

"Sincerely yours, "THEODORE ROOSEVELT."

WAR IN BALKANS BEGINS.

Turkish Troops, Supported by Artil. lery, Route Force of Bulgarians. Advices from Salonica state that supported by artillery, met and routed

The Macedonian central revolution ary committee had fixed August 21 as the date for the general rising, and had appointed Boris Sarafoff, commander of the revolutionary forces.

WEALTHY, BUT HOMELESS.

Suffering With Cancer, Man is Forced

to Lodge in Poor House. Possessed of property said to be worth thousands, and denied admis- ference existing between the coal a negro, acting in the capacity of an sion to hotels and hospitals because miners and the operators of Alabama, officer, arrived in the city to arrest he is suffering from cancer, Andrew Murray, of Brocklyn, has been admit- Monday. ted to the county poor house at Bing-The convention met in the council hampton, N. Y. His pockets were

### A STANDARD OIL GRAB.

Virginia-Carolina Chemicai Company Under Control of Rockefeller Through Purchase of Stock.

A New York special says: By the purchase, Friday, of \$12,000,000 par value in stocks and bonds of the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company, Shandard Oil interests. It is reported, secured control of the great fertilizer and sulphuric acid concern of the

Rockefeller interests already control the American Agricultural Chemical Company and the American Cofton Oil Company. They also control the American Linseed Company. These various chemical and vegetable cil companies give to the Rockefellers practically a monopoly of the phos

phate and cotton oil business. It is believed that the raid in Wall street which terminated Thursday just before the close of the market, and which was begun on Tuesday by the remarkable offer of the Consondated Gas Company to sell \$9,000,000 worth of new stock when stockholders confidently expected that a dividend much larger than that would be paid, was for the purpose of unsettling the market and securing this chemical

After the whole market had been thrown into a state of demoralization under heavy selling of Consolidated Gas and United States Steel shares, the chemical stock was attacked and false rumors of trouble in strong houses were circulated. This brought thousands of shares of the chemical stock into the market, and they were eagerly seized by Rockefeller brokers.

BATTLE OVER COLLIER WILL.

Sensational Testimony Brought Out Ordinary's Court in Atlanta. An Atlanta dispatch says: The hearing in the case of the cavea;ed

Collier will, which disposes of over \$1,000,000 worth of property, was begun before Ordinary John R. Wilkinson Friday morning. The hearing of the testimony of the three witnesses to the execution of the will and the testimony of Judge J. N. Bateman, one morning session.

Miller, O'Connor and White, who were constables in the court of Judge Bateman at the time of the execution of the alleged will and who, it is alleged, witnessed the signing of the document, all swore when placed upon the stand that they had witnessed the signature of Mr. Collier to a document, which Judge Bateman at the time informed them was the will of Mr. Collier. Otherwise their memory upon the subject was somewhat defective and each became considerably mixed when cross-examined.

The testimony of Judge J. N. Bareman alone consumed more than an hour. The only excitement of the horning occurred during his state ment, when Attorney Charles Hopkins, for the caveators, who was questioning the witness at the time, asked:

"Judge Bateman, why are certain

signatures upon this will blurred? Hasn't it been wet at one time?" Judge Bateman half way sprang from his chair upon the witness stand, as he flushed and replied: "No sir, it has not been wet, and you have no right to state that it has. Attorney Hopkins quickly turned

around and faced him as he replied:

"I have a right to state what I please. and furthermore I may prove that it At this juncture several of the lawyers arose hastily and helped restore

"SPECKY" OFFICIALLY RECEIVED.

German Ambassador Visits Roosevelt and Presents Credentials. Sagamore Hill, President Roosevelt's country home at Oyster Bay, was the scene Friday of an interesting ceremony. Baron Speck Von Sternberg, who has been minister plenipotentiary of Germany to the United States since Ambassador Von Hollecently, on retirement of Mr. Von Holleben, was elevated to the rank of am-

"WILL TELL OLD MARSTER."

bassador, presented to the president

his credentials as ambassador, and

lomatic rank by President Rosseveit.

Two Negroes Hanged in Birmingham Alabama, for Highway Robbery. At Birmingham, Ala., Friday, Will

highway robbery, were executed Jones was hanged first and died in he had been a famous crook. Asked

TEXT-BOOKS MEASURE

Few Minor Amendments

Adopted in Georgia Senate With a

The Georgia state senate, by a vote of 34 to 4, Thursday passed the house bill providing for state uniformity of text-books. Several minor amendments were reported, some of them suggested by the authors of the house bill, and these were adopted. There is but little difference between the senate and the house upon the measure.

Will Settle Trouble Between Miners

ARBITRATION BOARD CONVENES.

and Operators in Alabama. The board of arbitration recently se-

chamber of the city hall at 10 o'clock, fined with bills when he entered the Judge George Gray, of Delaware, pre-

## THE NEWS OF A WEEK IN SOUTH (AROLINA.

Beheaded Her Two Children. Lizzie Aiken, a negro woman 40 years old, was committed to jail Sunday for beheading her two daughters. The crime was committed in Colleton county. The heads were severed with an ax, then she threw them into a fire.

The children were 3 and 5 years old. When first arrested, the woman admitted the crime, saying she got a message from God, through a dog, that she must sacrifice her children to save the world. She has been attending revivals recently.

Children Cremated. At Welford, a small township near Spartanburg, Sunday night, four negro children were burned to death in a burning building. Charley Hines and his wife, well known colored people, left their homes early in the evening in charge of their five children, and went to the colored church, about a

mile away, to attend services. While away the house caught on fire and burned down on the heads of four of the children. The oldest child, a boy about 10 years of age, jumped from a window and was saved. The others were burned to a crisp in the conflagration. The coroner will inves-

Some News of Senator Tillman,

A dispatch from Milwaukee, Wis. says: Senator Tillman arrived at Fifield Monday morning as the guest of Rublee A. Cole, a Milwaukee lawyer, and went at once to the homestead at Pike and Round lakes, in the nor hwest part of Price county, where Mrs. Tillman and Miss Hill, of Georgia, her niece, have been for the last two

weeks, as guests of Mrs. Cole. A Kansas City dispatch says: Sena tor Tillman, of South Carolina, now has his name enrolled in the lost pass record of the Burlington Railroad Company. Notice was posted at the union station that Senator Tillman's annual pass had been lost. Mr. Tillman's pocket was picked on his recent lecture tour with Senator Burton.

Wrong Man Elected to Office. The defective eyesight of one of the members of the Aiken county board of control is responsible for the election of the wrong man as dispenser in the town of Aiken. At the meeting at which the dispenser was to be elected it was announced that the incumbent, G. T. Holley, had received two votes against one for his opponent, A. C.

Barnett. Holley was declared elected. There had been a long fight against Holley, and his re-election created much surprise. Two of the members of the board declared to each other that they had voted for Barnett. Each was surprised at the other's staicment, and the mistake is accounted for by the fact that the writing '1 the ballot was not very plain and that the chairman of the board, who voted against Holley, is a very near-sighted man and declared the vote against his own candidate because of the fact that he had not read the ballots correctly.

To Establish a Refinery. B. Raman, representing the Carolina and Western Sugar Refining Company, arrived in Charleston from New Orleans a few days ago. Mr. Raman was in consultation with leading capitalists and business men of Charleston, and later he stated that the object of his visit was to establish a large sugar refinery in the city. He said that ne did not care to go into the details of his enterprise until his plans had been formally laid before the local commercial bodies. He declared that the Carolina and Western Sugar Refining Company would, if given proper support, have a large plant in operation within a few months. Leading Charleston merchants and business men are understood to be interested in the en-

Fraud Charged In Voting Contest. Charges of traud in a popular voting contest is the latest sensation in Columbia. The contest which a few months ago looked like an innocent one, has now taken on more serious proportions and will finally be decided

by the courts. The prize was a piano offered by piano manufacturing company for the most popular lodge or society in Cofor those who undertake to wreak ven- Hudson and Will Jones, negroes, hav. lumbia. At first there was little intering been convicted on charges of est taken in the voting, but later the contest grew more interesting, and finally narrowed down to two sociefifteen minutes after the drop fell. ties—the Knights of Columbus and the An hour later Hudson ascended the | Clerks' Union. Each was determined he was guilty of the crime of which the opposing sides had many thousands of votes to their credit. When the end came the returns showed that if he had ever killed anbody, he re the Knights of Columbus had a majorplied: "I will tell Old Marster about ity of something over 48,000. This large majority was a surprise to the Clerks' Union, and they at once started an investigation, claiming that 190, 000 votes more than the original number authorized had been cast. The

> of the two organizations is entitled to its possession. The case is an unusual one and the proceedings will no doubt be most in-

> knights denied all charges of fraud

and claimed the piano on the face of

the returns. The Clerks' Union insti-

tuted claim and delivery proceedings,

and Sheriff Coleman took charge of

the piano until the court decides which

Negro Deputized to Arrest His Wife Atlanta Constitution: A unique and very remarkable legal procedure devellected to consider and adjust the dif- oped in police circles yesterday when began its sittings at Birmingham, his own wife who had run away from Bill Adams, a negro laborer, who

lives in Greenville, S. C., came to Atlanta with a warrant for Rosa Adams. his wife, charging her with mortgaging Gordon,

furniture which cia not belong to her. Policeman Cooper assisted Adams in making the arrest and the woman was found and locked up. Adams stated that he had been deputized as an officer to serve the warrant and

make the arrest. The woman stated that she had run away from her husband because he had treated her in a cruel manner and she was afraid he would kill her. She denied that she had mortgaged furuiture not her own.

It was decided not to let the negro ake the woman. The warrant was regular, but the fact that the prisoner's husband was the officer was, in the officers' opinion, sufficient reason not

to turn over the prisoner. The woman will be held until the authorities at Greenville can be heard

Has No Significance. W. B. Chisholm, manager for the state of South Carolina, of the Vir-

ginia-Carolina Chemical Company, gave out a statement a few days ago in regard to the various reports that have been set affoat to the effect that the mills of the company in Charleston have shut down. Mr. Chisholm said that owing to the large quantity of Manufactured fertilizer held by the company that the shut-down of its Charleston mills might be more complete than it had been in former summer months, but he denied that there was anything unusual or siginficant in the shut-down of the plants. He said he knew of no reason for the heavy decline in the values of the company's securities and he predicted a rapid

recovery as soon as fall operations were resumed. It was commonly reported that three of the smaller local plants of the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company had not shut down, but that they would be dismantled. It was claimed, how-ever, by persons connected with the company, that this action had been contemplated for a year and that it consequently had no special bigui-

ficance just at this time. LOST BUSTLE IS RECOVERED

And With It Mrs. Van Clerke Gets Word was received by union depot officials at St. Paul. Monday that the

missing bustle in which \$7,300 had been sewed by Mrs. Van Clerke, of Shawnee, Kans., and which she supposed she had dropped from a Rock Island train while en route to St. Paul has been found. She, in the hurry of leaving her old home, had forgotten the valuable article and returned

home just in time to save it from he

ing burned as rubbish by new tenants

of the house.

SAW MILL BOILER EXPLODES. One Killed, Seven Injured and Building Totally Wrecekd. An explosion in which one man was killed and seven seriously wounded occurred Friday morning at Cutting Ga., a small saw mill town on the Atlantic Coast Line. There were two boilers, one of which exploded with

terrific force, completely wrecking the mill and blowing the other boller 30 feet from its bed.

DEWEY CLEANED OUT BANK. Absconding Cashier of North Carolina Institution Swiped \$125,000. The shortage of Thomas W. Dewey, absconding cashler of the Farmers and Merchants' bank, of Newbern, N. C., proves to be \$125,000, said to be

to \$5,000. Dewey left only \$1,500 in the bank. Gambling in cotton futures is one way in which the money went.

Stem Merch to Keeping

the largest embezz ement in the his

tory of the state. The reward for

Dewey's capture has been increased

MILES PRESIDENTIAL BOOM. Prominent Boston Republicans Appl lousto Honor Retired Generality A Miles presidential boom has been started by prominent republicans 12 Boston, particularly the old soldier element, who are of the belief that President Roosevelt, in permitting Miles to retire from the army without even reference to his distinguished service to his country, has placed

Miles as a presidential possibility.

PRINTERS IN SESSION

Forty-Ninth Session of Typographical Union Convenes in Washington, The forty-ninth session of the Interational Typographical union began at the Columbia theatre, Washington, D. C.. Morday morning with a large majority of the 315 delegates present Chairman Whitehead, of the local committee on arrangements, presided, while by his side sat Secretary Cortelyou, of the department of commerce and labor; Public Printer Palmer, and a number of other prominent men.

TEN STRIKERS SHOT DEAD.

Trouble on Russian Railway Brought to a Short Stop by Soldiers. Ten striking workmen were killed and eighteen were wounded as the result of a volley fired by troops at Mikhailovo, Russia, on the Tiffis-Batonm rallway, July 28. The strikers attempted to stop trains and a detachment of soldiers was summoned. Tae soldiers were greeted with a shower of stones and revolver shots. After repeated warnings, the troops were

GENERAL GORDON TO ATTEND.

Among the famous men who are to

Georgian Will be Among Guests of New Hampshire Veterans.

ordered to fire.

be guests of the New Hampshire Veterans' Association at its reunion at The Weirs Lake Winnepesaukee; this month, are Lieutenant General Miles, Baron Von Sternberg, German ambassador and a veteran of the Franco-Prussian war, and General John B.