

**BANKERS TO HAVE INNINGS.**

**Senator Owen Replies to Chicago Man's Currency Criticism.**

Washington, Sept. 1.—Senator Owen, chairman of the senate banking and currency committee, tonight made public a letter he had addressed to James Simpson, Vice President Marshall Field & Co., of Chicago, denouncing "artificial propaganda" against the administration currency bill in behalf of private interests, and denying the often repeated charges that the banking interests were not given proper hearings by the framers of the measure.

Senator Owen commented upon a telegram published in a New York paper from Mr. Simpson saying "We think the fullest exchange of opinion between framers of the currency bill and bankers absolutely necessary in order to avoid mistakes." This had been sent in reply to a query telegraphed broadcast by the newspaper asking for opinions on alleged lack of co-operation between the legislators and banking interests.

Reviewing the various congressional hearings and investigations preceding the drafting of the pending bill, the senator declared that just four days prior to the publication of the replies to this newspaper inquiry, the bankers of the country had been invited to appear before the senate committee on September 3 and that they already had been given four hearings before the framers of the bill.

"The propaganda now being carried on, led by the National City Bank of New York, which has circularized the country against the bill," concluded Senator Owen, "is obviously intended to discredit the administration and to make it appear that the bankers have not been consulted and that the committee is not well informed. Such representation will thus promote a private interest against the public interest. It is an open secret that these great concerns, like Morgan & Co., have publicity agents to whom they pay very large salaries and who are able to create fictitious and false public opinion unduly favorable to the contentions of these great financial companies.

"The business men of the country need have no fear that their Representatives and Senators in congress will act unadvisedly. The representatives of the big banks of the country have been given the most abundant opportunity to be heard. And after they had their Chicago meeting and presented anew their old contentions and requested further hearings, this opportunity was immediately afforded them by telegraph and the hearings set for 2 o'clock Tuesday, September 3."

**DR. SAMBON IN SPARTANBURG.**

**Comes to Address Pellagra Convention and Study Disease.**

Spartanburg, Sept. 1.—Dr. Louis W. Sambon, the distinguished head of the London School of Tropical Medicine, arrived here this afternoon from New York city, where he landed Saturday. He is accompanied by Dr. Schwartz, also of the London School of Tropical Medicine, who will assist him in his field work. Dr. Sambon will spend two weeks in Spartanburg studying pellagra and will be the principal speaker at a conference Wednesday, which will be attended by about three hundred out-of-town physicians.

Dr. Sambon has consented to deliver a public address. He is an Italian, born in Italy of a French father and English mother, but has lived for a number of years in England.

**WALKER AND SON HELD.**

**Youth Also Involved in Death of Harter.**

Hampton, Sept. 1.—The coroner's jury of inquest over the dead body of J. B. Harter, chief of police of Allendale, who was killed yesterday afternoon at Lena, this county, this evening rendered a verdict that the officer "came to his death by pistol shot, wounds from a pistol in the hands of J. F. Walker, aided and abetted by Ben Walker, his son." Ben Walker, the 11-year-old son of Joe. F. Walker, was arrested today, and the coroner's jury implicated him in the shooting of Harter.

**Appeal Dismissed in Beck Case.**

The appeal in the Beck case against the Northwestern Railway has been dismissed by the Supreme Court on the ground that the presiding judge has the right to allow an amendment of answer at any time before trial. Judge Fraser dissented.

The case is one to recover damages for alleged injuries done by the excavating of earth along side the railroad track at Beck farm. The railroad claimed that the dirt was on its right of way.

**Dispendency.**

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**Diarrhoea Quickly Cured.**

"I was taken with diarrhoea and Mr. Yorks, the merchant here, persuaded me to try a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. After taking one dose of it I was cured. It also cured others that I gave it to," writes M. E. Gebhart, Oriole, Pa. That is not at all unusual. An ordinary attack of diarrhoea can almost invariably be cured by one or two doses of this remedy. For sale by all dealers.—Advt.

**Caught a Bad Cold.**

"Last winter my son caught a very bad cold and the way he coughed was something dreadful," writes Mrs. Sarah E. Duncan, of Tipton, Iowa. "We thought sure he was going into consumption. We bought just one bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and that one bottle stopped his cough and cured his cold completely." For sale by all dealers.—Advt.

**Boys Killed by Lightning.**

Several Others Shocked When Stroke Hits Cotton House in Lee County.

Bishopville, Sept. 1.—Grayer Collins, white, aged 18, and John Austin, a negro, aged 15, were killed by lightning during an electrical storm in the Antioch section of this county late Saturday afternoon. Several other boys received a severe shock but will recover.

They were picking cotton at the time and when they saw the approaching storm stopped in a cotton house, which was struck by lightning.

**Vandalism in Greenville.**

Greenville News.

One acre of cotton was destroyed and five cows were poisoned on the place of Constable Green Howard on Thursday night, and in spite of the fact that Sheriff Rector scoured the Gowansville section with his bloodhounds no trace of the guilty parties was found. A telephone message reached the city yesterday morning that the trouble had occurred in the Gowansville section and Sheriff Rector rushed to the scene immediately. It was found that unknown parties had poisoned five of Mr. Howard's cows with paris green and that they had destroyed about an acre of cotton by beating it down with a flail. It is understood that the officers have a clue to the guilty parties and that arrests will follow. None of the cows have died as too much paris green was used, the cows refusing to eat much of the food with which it was mixed.

A very sad accident occurred at Workman last Friday. Two little sons of Mr. W. S. Kennedy were playing with a shot gun, when it discharged and one of the boys received the load in his right arm tearing the arm nearly off, so much so the arm had to be amputated. The boy also received a flesh wound in the left arm.—Manning Times.

**NEW ELECTRIC LINE.**

Augusta-Columbia Construction to Start.

Augusta, Ga., Sept. 1.—After a meeting of the directors of the Carolina & Georgia Railway company was held today it was announced that construction work on the projected electric line between Augusta and Columbia will begin in about 30 days. Michael P. McGrath of New York, contractor of the road, who came here direct from Washington State, where he has been delayed by a contract of magnitude, attended the meeting, having arrived in Augusta this morning. It was definitely decided that the electric line shall go by way of Trenton and Johnston, after leaving Graniteville, instead of by way of Eureka, and that a branch line shall be built from Johnston to Greenwood, making Johnston a junction point.

The bonded indebtedness of the road was authorized to be increased from \$2,000,000 to \$3,000,000 and two new directors, J. A. Lott and J. M. Cranston, were elected.

This afternoon James U. Jackson, president of the road, the contractor, Mr. McGrath, Chief Engineer Shand and Mr. Lott left for Trenton and Johnston. They will go tomorrow over the proposed line from Johnston to Greenwood, and, it is understood, will go from Greenwood to Columbia.

**Protests and Contests.**

Kingstree County Record.

We regret to learn that there is a protest or contest being entered against declaring the result of the recent dispensary election on the face of the returns. In a Democratic election, where the voters on both sides are white men, we do not think the will of the majority should be brushed aside on technical grounds. Should there be a question of fraud, it alters the case; but, so far as we can learn, in this election there is no allegation of fraud by either party. The Record took no part whatever in this election; as a matter of fact, the editor did not even vote, being content to leave the issue with those who went to the polls to vote according to the dictates of their consciences. Had the dispensary won by a single vote, we should have made no complaint; but it seems that, after a thorough investigation, the majority, small though it be, is in favor of no dispensary.

It is not a question of the size of the majority, or how many voters failed to express their choice, but the principle is at stake, whether or not the majority shall rule. Our conception of democracy is that the minority shall yield to the majority. When this principle is set at naught the genius of democracy is lost.

Anyone who has studied our election laws recognizes the fact that they are so complicated that it is almost a matter of impossibility to carry out all the conditions prescribed. We have in mind one election where at a certain poll the managers had been drilled by a very capable attorney and yet when the contest came, very serious flaws were picked in the conduct of the election at this same precinct. With this in mind, we doubt seriously whether, in the recent election, there was a single precinct where the conduct of the election fulfilled the letter of the law. That being the case, the State board of canvassers or the supreme court, even, will be loath to declare an election null and void or to allow the throwing out of certain polls on technical grounds to trim the majority vote below that of the minority.

**GREATEST AIR FEAT ON RECORD.**

French Aviator Makes Letter S and Flies Upside Down.

Juvisy, France, Sept. 1.—The darling French aviator, Pegoud, who on August 20 made a parachute drop from an aeroplane from a height of 900 feet, accomplished a much more remarkable feat today, which at first sight appears to have been a piece of extraordinary aerial acrobatics, but which experts declare was an epoch-making experiment towards the attainment of safety in the air. Briefly, Pegoud caused his monoplane to describe a gigantic letter S in the sky during which he was flying upside down for about a quarter of a mile.

The strictest secrecy was maintained prior to the test and only a few persons were present when Pegoud took the air. He mounted rapidly to a height of more than 3,000 feet, describing a curve; then the forward part of the machine was observed to incline towards the earth.

Through glasses the spectators saw the propeller and the monoplane further incline until it was perpendicular with the earth. It seemed as if nothing could stay the head-long plunge. As the machine dropped swiftly the tail dipped again towards the earth and the pilot appeared head downward. Seconds, which seemed hours, passed. With an almost imperceptible curve the machine shifted its course to a straight line, the pilot in the same position. How long he remained upside down the anxious watchers could not determine, but it was long enough to cause them to believe that he would never right himself.

Presently the monoplane dipped again and, with a graceful curve, assumed an erect position. Pegoud flew for a few minutes to and fro and descended by a series of beautiful spirals.

On landing the aviator said: "Everything went splendidly. The levers answered the slightest touch. I remained for a long time head downwards because I wanted to, not because I couldn't help it. The sensation is strange, but not unpleasant, and the machine did not pitch at all. "I went very slowly so as to avoid subjecting the machine to too violent strain, but had I wanted to I could have righted myself much more quickly."

Pegoud's experiment was prompted by the theory recently expressed by Louis Bleriot, that in the paramount problem of attaining safety in the air automatic self-righting devices and parachutes are beside the question; that they are just as much at the mercy of a sudden violent gust as the ordinary air craft.

**BLEASE NOT TO BE CANDIDATE?**

Interesting Story About Governor Printed in Anderson Paper.

Under the caption "Will Governor Blease Be a Candidate for Any Office in Campaign Next Summer," and with headlines four columns wide and extending nearly half way down the front page, the Anderson Intelligencer, which has been one of the few newspapers in the State to support the Governor through thick and thin, printed on Tuesday a story that will, no doubt, be read with interest by the people of South Carolina, particularly in view of the oft-repeated declaration of the Governor that he will be in the race for the United States Senate. The article seems to have been based on several paroles recently issued to Anderson County prisoners, and is as follows:

That Governor Cole L. Blease will not be a candidate for office next summer is the opinion of many leading Anderson County Blease supporters. Recent actions of the Governor in extending executive clemency, affecting Anderson County, is the cause of this belief, and is shared by many of the most prominent Blease men of the county.

Actions of the governor in these instances were a complete surprise, as much so here as anywhere in the State, and his supporters are lined up now on both sides. Friends of the men paroled claim that his action in releasing them from the penitentiary will strengthen him, while others are as thoroughly confident that it will lose for him in this county at least 2,000 votes. The whole matter has resolved itself into just this:

Many of Governor Blease's most influential supporters are openly condemning him for his recent actions, and declaring they will fight him if he ever again offers for office; while on the other hand, large numbers who have heretofore been lukewarm towards him, because he had not taken favorable action in the cases of their imprisoned friends, now declare they will take off their coats and pull for Blease for the senate.

It is being freely talked by many Blease and Anti-Blease men that the Governor sees the handwriting on the wall and has determined to clean out the penitentiary. Some few in the ranks of his strongest supporters are of the opinion that he will throw wide the gates of the penitentiary before he leaves the governor's chair. But this extreme view is taken by only a few.

The Intelligencer does not care to express itself on the recent paroles, especially on the more noted one, since it has friends on both sides. Every citizen is familiar with the facts and will express himself as either favoring or condemning this particular act as well as the governor's whole course during his administration, at the polls in the next election, in case the governor offers for office. He has that right, and the governor himself has declared that, God permitting him to live until that time and his health to be retained, he certainly will be a candidate for a seat in the senate of the United States.

**COCHRAN READY TO QUIT.**

United States District Attorney to Send in His Resignation Now.

Anderson, Sept. 1.—It was announced from the law offices of Quattlebaum & Cochran here that Ernest F. Cochran, a member of the firm had decided to tender his resignation as district United States attorney for the district of South Carolina within the next few days. Mr. Cochran sent the announcement to Anderson from Watkins Glenn, N. Y., where he now is staying for the sake of his health.

The cause of Mr. Cochran's decision to resign the district attorneyship is declared to be his desire not to stand in the way of the plans of the present administration.

Mr. Cochran was appointed district attorney by President Roosevelt to succeed John G. Capers. He was reappointed by President Taft in 1910 for a term of four years. This would expire January 1, 1914, but his resignation will mean the appointment of a Democrat to this office immediately.

A number of men have been mentioned in connection with the appointment for district attorney, among them being J. Fraser Lyon, former attorney general of South Carolina; Francis H. Weston, State senator from Richland county, and J. William Thurmond of Edgefield, for a number of years circuit solicitor.

**WEATH OF THE SOUTH.**

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Contract for Structure at Big Springs Awarded.

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