

Convention of Farmers.

Shot by Her Sister-inLaw.

Raleigh, Special.-Each year the North Carolina farmers' hold their convention at the Agricultural and Mechanical College, The date is August 25th to 27th. The Dairymen's Association meets at the same time. Henry C. Dockery, of Rockingham, is president and Dr. Tait Butler, secretary of the farmers' convention. R. H. Gower is president of the Dairymen's Association. It is the plan to have the Tobacco Growers' Protective Association and the North about, but it is thought that the Carolina Cotton Growers' Association meet here on the same date, if possible. A number of striking lee tures by United States and State experts will be delivered at this notable meeting and some of these lectures will be superbly illustrated.

Farmers' Institute Programmes. The programme for a number of the very numerous farmers' institutes and institutes for women to be held this year beginning this month have been prepared and are now being sent out by Dr. Tait Butler who is the director of these institutes. Taking, for example, an institute to be held at Green Level, July 15th, it is found that the subjects of discussion before the farmers are: "Preparation of the Land," by T. B. Parker; "Insect Pests and Measures for Their Control," by Franklin Sherman, "Care and Feeding of Farm Work Stock." by Dr. Butler; "Corn Culture," by T. B. Parker; "Harvesting the Corn Crop," by Dr. Butler. In the evening Mrs. W. N. Hutt and Dr. Butler will deliver free lectures, illustrated by stereopticon views, on the improvement of farm homes and the value of an agricultural education to the long to good families and the affair farmer. A programme for the women's institute shows that the following subjects will be discussed "Foods and Their Preparation and Use," by Mrs. Hutt; "Influence of Woman in the Home," by Mrs. Sue urday, over the assertion of Thomas V. Howell; "Prevention of Disease in the Farm Home," by Mrs. Hutt. In the afternoon there will be a joint meeting of men and women at which there will be talks by Mrs. Hollowell and by Mr. Sherman, these being urday afternoon The Evening Post suggestions for improvement of farm homes, etc. The State Department

of Agriculture offers a prize of \$1 for the best loaf of bread made from wheat flour and exhibited at the in-

Winston Negro May Die of Stab Wounds.

stitute.

Winston-Salem, Special. - Will Stewart, a colored youth abouth 13 years old, who was dangerously stabbed over the heart by Thomas Green, colored, about the same age, Sunday afternoon about 4 o'clock, is

Jefferson, Special. - News has wached here from Crumpler, ten miles northeast of Jefferson, that Mrs. Ada Francis, wife of Mr. Eli Francis, once a nominee for register of deeds of Ashe county, has shot and very seriously wounded her sister-inlaw, Mrs. Ida Francis. The report is that the women had been quarreling off and on for some time and that on the evening before the shooting they had a quarrel. It is not known wounded woman was envious about the way in which her sister-in-law dressed and held herself socially in the neighborhood. It has also been

whispered that there is a man in the case. No one was present when the shooting took place. There seems to be no friction between their husbands. Mrs. Francis was shot just below the heart and through the thigh, and it is thought that she will likely die. Both women are young and of good families.

Another Account.

Warrensville, Special .- News has just reached here of the shooting and perhaps fatal wounding of the wife of Roby Francis by her sister-in-law, Ada Francis. Both parties live at Crumpler, this county, where the brothers, Eli and Roby Francis, own a farm jointly, living in the same house. It seems that Roby's wife had for some time been jealous of her husband's attention to her sister-inlaw and the trouble came up over that. The woman evidently meant to kill, firing five shots at her victim, all taking effect. All the parties beis most unfortunate.

Eryan Denies the Statement.

Salisbury, N. C., Special .-- There vas much comment in Salisbury Sat-E. Watson, the Populist nominee for President in a public address last Thursday night that Bryan had said while in Congress he never would vote for a Confederate soldier. Satwired Mr. Bryan and asked if Watson had quoted him correctly. The following answer was received:

"Fairview, Lincoln, Neb. July 11. "John M. Julian, Editor Evening Post, Salisbury, N. C .: "Mr. Bryan said he never made

any such statement; that he voted for a Confederate veteran for Speaker of times. He voted for Speaker Crisp twice on roll call, first in the 52d Congress and again in the 53d and voted for him in caucus in the 53d that by giving his digestive system a Congress.

NEWSY GLEANINGS.

Henry Arthur Cadogau, Viscount Chelsea, died in London.

Agents of the big beef packers declared that the price of meat would be advanced again.

The Powers agreed to send a warship to Tangier to protect the lives and property of foreigners.

The Russian Ministry decided to present in the Duma a bill providing for workingmen's insurance.

The Pennsylvania Railroad having completed four tunnels is now considering a fifth for New York City,

Mexico's "revolution" is practically ended, according to reports to the Government at Washington, D. C.

The Japanese Cabinet formally resigned and the Emperor instructed Marquis Katsura to form a new Cabinet.

Two world's records for intrenching troops were broken by Company H, of the engineers' corps, at Fine Camp, N. Y.

Dutch colonists in Curacao have prepared a petition to Queen Wilhelmina asking for improved relations with Venezuela.

The United States Government. closed the Caracas Legation because of the confiscation and destruction of American property. The Russ, at one time the leading

Liberal newspaper of Russia, suspended publication on account of financial difficulties.

Martin R. Preston, now serving a twenty-five-year term in a Nevada prison for murder, was nominated for President by the Socialist-Labor party.

The Iron and Steel Trades Journal repeated its statement that an international steel trust, having a capital of about £150,000,000, would be formed in London.

PROMINENT PEOPLE.

Ex-Secretary Taft left Washington or Hot Springs, Va.

William J. Bryan began his porch campaigning at his home in Lincoln, Neb.

Charles H. Bond. a Boston cigar manufacturer, was found dead in a bathtub at Lynn, Mass.

Ricardo Arias, the Constitutionalst leader in Panama, resigned as a candidate for the Presidency.

Jonas Lauritz Edemil Lle, the Norweglan poet and novelist, died at Christiania. He was born November 5, 1833.

Professor Marvin went from Corto say good-bye to Commander Peary and his men, but signed for unother expedition.

The King and Queen of Wurtemberg made trips in Count Zeppelin's airship above their castle grounds, iear Friedrichshafen.

Herman Ridder, of New York City, visited William J. Bryan at Lincoln, Neb., and asked him to withdraw as a Presidential candidate.

Acting District Attorney Elder, of Kings County, New York, said he the House of Representatives three would appeal from Justice Bischoff's ruling in the betting cases. Mr. Sherman is still living on milk

> and vichy, but the doctors believe complete rest he will be benefited.

As Governor Bob Taylor, of T: nessee, fiddled his way to office and fame, so Bernard Dierkes, auditor of the city of St. Louis, Mo., hopes to achieve by song the Democratic nomination for State Auditor.

DEMOCRATIC PLATFORM

Formal Declaration of Principles of By the Denver Convention.

Following is the Democratic national platform:

We, the representatives of the Democrate of the United States in after the coming election-an elecnational convention assembled, af- tion to succeed in which the Repubfirm our belief in, and pledge our lican party must have that same suployalty t othe principles of the rarty. We rejoice at the increasing signs of an awakening throughout the

country. The various investigations further fact that during years of unhave traced graft and political corruption to the representatives of predatory wealth and laid bare the unserupulous methods by which they existing tariff iniquities. have debauched elections and preyed tariff by the reduction of import dar-

upon a defenseless public through the subservient officials whom through have raised to place and power.

The conscience of the nation is new should be placed upon the free list; aroused to free the government from and material reductions should be the grip of those who have made it made in the tariff upon the necessaa business asset of the favor seeking ries of life, especially upon articles corporations; it must become again competing with such American mana people's government, and be adminufactures as are sold abroad more cheaply than at home; and graduate istred in all its departments according to the Jeffersonian maxim of reductions should be made in such "Equal rights to all and special priv- other schedules as may be necessary ileges to none." to restore the tariff to a revenue

"Shall the people rule?" is the basis. overshadowing issue which manifests itself in all the questions now under discussion.

The Injunction Plank.

The courts of justice are the bulwork of our liberties and we yield to none in our purpose to maintain their dignity. Our party has given to the bench a long line of distinguished judges who have added to the respect and confidence in which this department must be jeasously maintained. We resent the attempt of the Republican party to raise a false issue respecting the judiciary. It is an unjust reflection upon a great body of our citizens to assume that they lack respect for the courts.

It is the function of the courts to interpret the laws which the people create, and if the laws appear to work economical, social or political injustice, it is our duty to change them. The only basis upon when the in-

tegrity of our courts can stand is that of unswerving justice and protection of life, personal libert; and of witnesses examined in the insurproperty. If judicial processes may be abused, we should guard them the open admission unchallenged by against abuse.

Law Should Be Modified.

at the personal request of the Repub-Experience has proven the necessity of a modification of the present lican candidate for the presidency law relating to injunctions and we reraised over a quarter of a million of dollars to be used in a single State iterate the pledge of our national platforms of 1896 and 1904 in favor during the closing hours of the last campaign. In order that this pracof the measure which passed the United States Senate in 1896 but tice shall be stopped for all time, wwhich a Republican Congress has evdemand the passage of a statute puner since refused to enact, relating to lishing with imprisonment any officer contempts in Federal courts and pro- of a corporation who shall either viding for trial by jury in cases of contribute on behalf of, or consent to indirect contempt.

the contribution by a corporation of Questions of judicial practee have any money or thing of value to be arisen especially in connection with used in furthering the election of a President and Vice President of the industrial disputes. We deem that the parties to all judicial proceedings United States or of any member of should be treated with rigid imparti- the Congress thereof. We denounce the action of the ality and that injunctions should not issue in any cases in which injunc- Republican party, having complete tions would not issue if no industrial onirol of the Federal government, for its failure to pass the bill introdispute were involved. duced in the last Congress to com-The expanding organization of industry makes it essential that there pel the publication of tac names it should be no abridgement of the right contributors and the amounts conof wege-earners and producers to ortributed towarl campaign funds, and ganize for the procetion of wages point to the evidence of their inand the improvement of labor condisincerity when they sought by an absolutely irrelevant and impossible toins to the end that such labor organizations and their members should amendment to defeat the passage of rights and provisions of a territorial not be regarded as illegal combinathe bill. The Rights of the States. tions in restraint of trade. Believing with Jefferson in "the We favor the eight-hour day on all government work. support of the State governments in We pledge the Democratic party to all their rights as the most competent the enactment of a law by Congress administration for our comestic conas far as the Federal jurisdiction excerns and the surest bulwark against anti-republican tendencies" and in tends, for a general employer's liability act covering injury to body, or "the preservation of the general govloss of life of employes. ernment in its whole constitutional We pledge the Democratic party vigor, as the sheet-anchor of our to the enactment of a law creating peace at home and safety abroad.' a department of labor, represented we are opposed to the centralization separately in the President's Cabinet, implied in these suggestions, now which department shall include the frequently made, that the powers of subject of mines and mining. the general government should be extended by indicial construction The Railroad Plank.

tariff reform now affected by the Re- tion and every other useful purpose, including the irrigation of arid lands, the reclamation of swamp lands, the eratic position on this guestion; but clarification of streams , the development of water power and the preservation of electric power generated a party which is so deeply obligated by this natural force from the control of monopoly; and to such end, we urge the exercise of all powers, national, State and municipal, both sepention to the signigeant fact that the arately and in co-operation. promised relief was postponed until

Panama Canal.

We believe the Panama canal will prove of great value to our country, and favor its speedy completion. Banking.

The panie of 1907, coming without any legitimate excuse, when the Republican party had for a decade been 🙏 interrupted powed no action whatever, has been taken by the Republican in complete control of the Fedral government, furnishes additional proof that it is either unwilling or incompetent to protect the interests of the general public. It has so linked the country to Wall Street that the sins of the speculators are visited upon the whole people.

Income Tax.

We favor an income tax as part of our revenue system and we urge the submission of a constitutional amendment specifically authorizing Congress to levy and collect a tax upon individual and corporate incomes to the end that wealth may bear its proportionate share of the burdens of the Federal government.

The Navy.

The constituional provision that a navy shall be provided and maintained means an adequate navy and we believe that the interests of this country would be best served by having a navy sufficient to defend the coasts of this country and protect American citizens wherever their rights may be in jeopardy.

Popular Election of Senators.

We favor the election of United States Senators by direct vote of the people and regard this reform as the gateway to other national reforms.

Minor Issues.

Other planks in the platform call for an immediate declaration of the nation's purpose to recognize the independence of the Phillipines; denounces the growing increase of office nothers under the Republican administration as indicating a deliberate purpose to continue the Republicans in power; demands that the House of Representatives shall again become a deliberative body, controlled by a majority of the members and not by the Speaker; favors an immediate, liberal and comprehensive plan for improving every water course in the Union; condemns the action of the present Chief Executive in using the patronage of his high office to secure the nomination of one of his Cabinet officers; pledges the party to the enactment of a law to regulate the rates and services of telegraph and telephone companies, calls for honest and rigid enforcement of the civil service laws, favors the immediate admission of Arizona and New Mexico as separate States, declares that rules ani regulations in relating to free grazing,

lands should be left to, the of the States where the lands are situated; favors the extension of agri-

publican party in tardy recognition of the righteousness of the Demo-

these people cannot safely entrust the the Democratic Party as Set Forth execution of this important work to to the highly protected interests as is the Republican party. We call at-

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protective taiff as it has always here-

tofore received from them; and to the

Congress to correct the admittedly

We favor immediate revision of the

ties. Articles entering into competi-

tion with trust controlled products

Existing duties have given to the

manufacturers of paper a shelter be-

hind which they have organized com-

binations to raise the price of pulp

and of paper, thus imposing a tax

upon the spread of knowledge. We

tariff on pulp paper, lumber, timber

logs and that these articles be placed

Publicity of Campaign Contributions.

We demand Federal legislation for-

ever terminating the partnership

which has existed between corpora-

tions of the country and the Republi-

can party under the expressed or im-

plied agreement that in return for

the contributions of great sums of

money wherewith to purchase elec-

tions they should be allowed to con-

tinue substantially unmolested in

their efforts to encroach upon the

Any reasonable doubt as to the ex-

istence of this relation has been for-

ever dispelled by the sworn testimony

ance investigation in New York, and

the Republican national committee of

a single individual, that he himself

upon the free list.

rights of the people.

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still alive, but it is feared that he cannot recover. The stabbing occurred near the bridge across the railroad on Belew's Creek street, Salem. Green fled immediately after the affair and has not yet been captured. The wounded negro was taken to the office of Dr. Hall, colored, who rendered the necessary medical atten-

The State of State

Officers Shoot a Burglar.

Lexington, Special-Will Long, another of the negro burglars who has been operating in Lexington and High Point during the past few sucs. weeks, was captured but not until he was peppered with shot. Among the articles stolen from the Springs Hardware Company at this place was a 38-calibre, six-inch barrel Smith & Wesson revolver and when the officers called on Long to throw up his hands he reached for his gun, which was the Smith & Wesson. The oli cers had their guns ready and openei fire and after running for some fifteen of twenty yards Long fell.

Shelled by Shah's Soldieres.

Berlin, By Cable .- According to advices received the Khiavna quarter of Tabriz is being shelled by soldiers of the Shah. Machine guns are mounted in the street. Following the suppression of the recent revolutionary outbreak the streets leading to pears to be in danger. the Khivana quarter are being doubly fortified as they are considered the of her previous records and advanced centre of the revolution.

Rains Injure Melon Crop.

fared even worse.

John L. and His Divorce Suit.

Centreville, Special.-Mrs. John L. Sullivan plans to land a knockout on the divorce schemes of the "big felgood.

'He recommended an ex-Confederatte for the postoffice and while in Congress he sustained the best relations with ex-Confederates. He refers any enquirers to the people of the South who helped to nominate him three times. In the Denver convention every Southern State excepting two were instructed for him, and of these Louisiana, adopted a resolution endorsing him but not instructing. The delegation, however,

voted for him as a finit. The other State was Georgia, where the delegates were elected upon State issues rather than upon national is-

"W. J. BRYAN."

By Wire and Cable.

The engagement of Rev. Dr. Carter Helm Jones and Mrs. Lizzie Hutter Christian, of Lynchburg, was announced.

A mother, afflicted wi th reliigous mania, branced and slashed her young son in the belief that he is the Messiah.

Walter C. Butler was put on trial in Richmond for the murder of John V. Hairfield.

Former President Cleveland's will. which was probated at Princeton, does not disclose the testator's wealth There has been fighting outside of Tabriz and American Consul Doty ap-

The turbiner Lusitania broke all into the 25-knot class of flyers.

- Will Enter the Gate City.

Wilmington, Special .- The heavy Greensboro, Special .- It is learned rains of the past several days are re- that the Southern Power' Company, ported to have done incalculable in- with headpuarters in Charlotte, will jury to the cantalope crop in this run its lines into Greensboro in the section, which is just now beginning mear future. A sub-station will be to move in appreciable volume .It is built here and the company will be said also that the transportation peo- prepared to furnish electricity for ple are now refusing to accept ship- Born lighting and the company are ments except where they are prepaid. now engaged in securing rights-of-The crop is said to be about normal way through the county, and it is but that the quality is lacking. While presumed that an application for a watermelons have also fared rather franchise to operate in Greensboro badly, it is said that cantalopes have will be made to the board of aldermen in a short while.

Judge Neal on Jury System.

Raleigh, Special.-In his charge to the grand jury Judge Walter H. Neal took occasion to comment on the fact of the large number of homicides in the United States as comlow." She declared that she will pared with European countries. He tight in the Brooklyn courts when declared that the great difference was the case comes up. She once tried to due to non-conviction here. He did get a divorce but her husband defeat- not attribute this to the fault of the ed her. She says John has won the men composing juries and the lawheart of a wealthy widow, but she yers, but to the jury system which, intends to see that it does him no permits counsel to challenge twentythree men without reason,

A suit to collect \$658 revealed that Paul Morion, presiden of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, was president of the "Parliament of Infinite Wisdom," the Vedanta society conducted in New York City by Guru Paramhamsa, "The Tiger Mahatma," of India.

Railroads Lose Tax Suits.

Montgomery, Ala., Special.-Judge

A. D. Savre, of the city court upheld the contention of the State in the foreign corporations franchise tax suits, the result of which is to sustain the law and bring to the treasury annually something like \$100,000. The fight against it was made by the Louisville & Nashville and other railroads.

Freight on Lumber Adjusted.

Washington, Special .- That the freight rate on yellow pine lumber from Arkansas and Texas points should not be higher to Des Moines than to Omaha was decided by the inter-State commerce commission. The greater Des Moines committee had complained against the Chicago Great Western, Missouri Pacific and Wabash and other railroads that 271-2 cents per 100 pounds is unjust as compared with 23 cents from the same territories to Omaha.

Prize Fight Promoters Arrested.

Denver, Special.-The principals seconds, managers and club officials who participated in a prize fight between Jim Barry of Chicago and Jim Flynn of Pueblo, Wayside Athletic Club, Petersburg, were arrested immediately after the conclusion of the bout on the charge of aiding and abetting a prize fight. They were at once released on \$590 bonds.

To Celebrate Battle.

Sulphur, Okla., Special .- Confederate veterans from all over the Southwest will gather here on August 10th, to celebrate the anniversary of the battle of Oak Hill, or Wilson Creek, investments. in Missouri, the first clash and the first great victory for the Confederate forces west of the Mississippi. At this meeting the Oklahoma and Indian Territory divisions of the United Gonfederate Veterans will be merged into a single State division.

Economy in Administration.

The Republican Congress in session exercise complete control over interjust ended has made appropriations State commerce and the right of each amounting to \$1,008,000,000, ex-State to exercise just as complete ceeding the total expenditures of the control over commerce within its borpast fiscal year by \$90,000,000 and

leaving a deficit of more than \$60,-We demand such enlargement of 000,000 for the fiscal year. We dethe powerr of the inter-State comnounce the needless waste of the merce commission as may be necespeople's money which has resulted sary to cuable it to protect persons in this appalling increase as and places from discrimination and shameful violation of all prudent extortion and to compel the railroads conditions of government, as no les to perform their duties as common than a crime against the millions of carriers. We favor the efficient superworking men and women from whose vision and rate regulation of railroads earnings the great proporition of engaged in inter-State commerce, To this end we recommend the physical these collossal sums must be extorted through excessive tariff exactions valuation of the railroads by the inter-State commerce commission, such and other indirect methods.

Pensions.

valuation to take into consideration the original cost of construction and We favor a generous pension policy all elements of value that will render both as a matter of justice to the the valuation made fair and just. We surviving veterans and their defavor such legislations as will prohipendents and because it tends to rebit the railroads from engaging in lieve the country of the necessity of business which brings them into com Imaintaining a large standing army. petitions with their shippers, also leg Natural Resources.

islaton when will assure such reduc-We repeat the demand for internal tion in transportation rates as condidevelopment and for the conservation tions will permit, care being taken to of our natural resources, contained in avoid reduction that would compel a reducton in wages, prevent adequate service or do injustice to legitimate

We assert the right of Congress to

ders.

We heartily approve the laws pronibiting the pass and the rebate, and we favor any further necessary legislation to restrain, correct and prevent such abuses.

Tariff.

We welcome the belated promise of ment of our waterways for naviga-

cultural, mechanical and industrial education, believes in the upbuilding of the American merchant marine without new or additional burdens upon the people and without bounties from the public Treasury; favors the application of principles of the land laws of the United States to Hawaii. in the interest of homesteaders; demands for the people of Alaska and Porto Rico the full enjoyment of the form of government; favors Federal aid in the construction and maintenance of post roads, deprecates the use of the navy for the collection of private debts, and advocates the organization of all existing national public health agencies into a national bureau of public health; insists upon the full protection of our citizens at home and abroad and demands that all over the world a duly authorized passport issued by the government of the United tSates to an American citizen shall be proof of the fact that he is an American citizen and shall entitle him to the treatment due him as such

Telegraphic Briefs.

President Roosevelt, in an official statement, exonerates Taft from responsibility as to the khaki contract. Indepdent telephone companies are preparing for a big fight against the Bell monopoly.

It is said that the Baileys took more than \$200,000 in gold out on the steamer Goldsboro,

Frank J. Gould and his wife are said to have become reconciled again.

Kills His Sweatheart.

Mayfield, Ky., Special.-In a gun and knife fight at a protracted meeting near Black-burg last week Wayne Lawrence shot and killed Annie Gannister and was himself parhaps fatally stabled. The trouble arose over Bannister's objection to Lawrence escorting his daughter home.

Rev. Dr. Adolf Guttmacher was elected a member of the executive committee of Jewish rabbia.

VALUE OF PIMENTOES. Not every one is as familiar with the canned Spanish red peppers/ (pimentoes) as they should be. The peppers are tasty additions to soups, salada, etc., and are delicious stuffed with bread crumbs, rice or meat or fish mixtures and served as an entree or served whole as a garnishment and relish with the steak .- Indianapo-

previous platforms, the cuforcement of which Mr. Roosevelt has vainly sought from a reluctant party and to that end we insist upon the preservation, protection and replacement of needed forests, the preservation of the public domain for home seekers, the protection of the natural resources in timber, coal, iron and oil against monopolistic control, the develop-Ha News.