THE SOUTH'S TIME IN 1908 IT SHOULD NAME NEXT-CANDIDATE

PARKER'S SIGNIFICANT SPEECH

Distinguished Jurist, in an Address Yesterday Evening in the Southern Manufacturers' Club, Declares That the Time Has Come When Southers Democrats Should be Recognized and They Themselves Should no Reception and Afterward Attends Banquet of Greater Charlotte Chib, Where Governors Glenn and Heyward Are Also Guests-Makes a Brief and Felicitous Address at Latter Function-Escorted to Charlotte by Mr. D. A. Tompkins and Spends

ances that has been made in the South the progress that is being made. In many a day was delivered here last A stirring meeting of the cotton growers will be held in Raleight toin many a day was delivered here last night by Judge Alton B. Perker, the national leader of the Democratic party, when he declared that the next Democratic nominee for the presidency of the United States should come from the South. He argued that the section of the country that furnished the votes should also furnish the head of the ticket.

Judge Parker was a guest of a number of his political friends.

On his way back from Mississippi, where he had been to address the Legaslature. Judge Parker stopped over at Camden to see his friend and fellow Democrat, former Governor David and renewed interest. The assembly Bennett Hill, of New York, who is shows a fine set of educators and a there resting and recuperating. Mr.

D. A. Tompkins, who has known Judge
Parker for several years and admires

H. Bain, of Goldsbore, North Carolina him very much, went to Camden yesterday morning and accompanied him to Charlotte, where he was met at the station by the following named gentlemen, composing a reception com mittee: J. L. Chambers, S. S. Mc-Ninch and J. P. Caldwell.

Immediately on arriving at his room Judge Parker prepared for supper, af ter which he appeared in the pariors of the club held an informal reception in company with Governors D. Heyward, of South Carolina, and R. B. Glenn, of this State, who were here to attend the banquet of The Greater Charlotte Club. Many of the leading Democrats of the city and county were here to see and hear the distinguished guest. The time before the formal programme, which had been arranged by a special committee, opened there general hand-shaking of easy, spicy conversation.

THE TWO GOVERNORS. "Governor Heyward, that splendid fellow, from the Palmetto State, who is nered and so attractive, sent a home t at Governor Glenn by remind ing him that it was time for the timehonored saying between the Govern-or of South Carolina and the Governor of North Carolina.

Judge Parker was the centre of attraction. Everybody wanted to get close to him and shake his hand. He stood in the middle of the floor and about him. His hands were busy, go ing out to be drawn back and thrust in the armholes of his waistcoat. In appearance the Democratic leader is a man of about six feet, with rudd; complexion, dark red mustache and bright, sparkling eyes. He is full of the glow of life, and sprightly spirits. He bubbles over with good humor, He bubbles over with good humor, yet is dignified and striking looking. As the crowd assembled Mayor Mo-As the crowd assembled Mayor Mo-Ninch announced that a committee would like to speak to Judge Parker, Glenn. As the gentlemen formed in of a committee composed of himself. S. S. McNinch, W. S. Lee, Jr., H. C. Long, Solicitor Heriot Clarkson, and C. A. Williams, stepped forward and said that his committee wanted to extend an invitation to the three visitors to attend the great Twentieth of May Celebration. In response to Capt, Robertson's happy speech-made answer for himself.

"I thank you for the honor," Judge Parker, "but I cannot say now. I would love to be here." "I will come if there is any change the world," said Governor Heyward, "if the State of South Carolina can do without me that long."

"I will be here unless Winston takes my place," declared Gov. Glenn. JUDGE PARKER IS INTRODUCED. Mr. D. A. Tompkins called the meet hig to order by saying: "Some of Judge Parker's political friends have asked him to come here, and they have also urged him to say something as to the Democracy of this country. We want tim to fell free to say whatever he sees if we are all Democracy News 1 fit. We are all Democrats. Now I shall let Mayor McNinch introduce

Mayor McNinch presented the honor-ed guest in a few well-selected sententences, saying, among other things, that the South felt very close to him. As Judge Parker spoke Governor Heyward stood at his left and Gover-nor Glenn at his right and the room full of men with eager ears. A SIGNIFICANT SPEECH.

the beginning the speaker said: Tompkins and Fellow Democrats: Il gives me pleasure to be with you at this time. I have been asked to say something of the future Democratic party. I will gladly do so. I have prepared what I will say, and every sentence has been weighed carefully. It is not long and I shall read it."

success or defeat, have railied around the standard of Democratic principles. "In an address before the Legislature of the State of Mississippi, a few days ago. I had occasion to insist that never before was it less possible to ig-nore the growing tendency to look to the government or State for support,

WAKE COTTON GROWERS. They Will Meet in Raleigh To-Day Confusing Rumors as to Wrock-Charters Granted—Raleigh News. Observer Bureau, 122 South Dawson Street, Raleigh, March 16.

There are many confusing rumors in Raleigh, regarding the wreck at Co.on, on the Seaboard Air Line road, and this was heightened by the fact that Seaboard trains were running into the city over the lines of the Southern via Greensboro. At an early hour it was impossible here to secure accurate information as to the real seriousness of the affair.

increase in capitalisation is placed at \$25,000.

Dr. B. F. Dixon, the eloquent State auditor, has accepted an invitation to deliver an address at Tarboro, on the occasion of the Memorial Day exer-cises there, and under the auspices of the Daughters of the Confederacy. Work is most actively being pushe the Night Here—Will Leave for Mome This Morning.

One of the most significant utter—laying in Cumberland county shows

morrow, when speeches will be made by C. C. Moore, president of the State organization, Attorney James Pou and President Winston, of the A. & M. The State charters the B. F. Hunt-

hey Furnsture Co., with R. J. Reynolds, W. P. Hill, M. D. Stockton and B. F. Huntley as incorporators. The au-thorized capital stock is \$125,000, of which amount \$1,000 has been paid in. The company will manufacture, seri and handle kindred lines of merchan-

Much interest is being manifested in the meeting of the Wake County Teachers' Association. The sessions of last evening and to-day have been characterized by a large attendance

National Guards, are in the city. They to-night inspected two companies in Raleigh, the Oak City Guards and the Raleight Light Infantry. The inspec-tion was held in Capitol Square and was witnessed by a large and varied crowd from all parts of the city. A plendidly arranged concert followed the inspection which was rendered by

Tom Heartt, who holds a responsible position with Judge Thomas Purnell, of the District Court, was this morning visited by a rare caller in the person of a negro about 45 years old man announced as he entered that he liked the appearance of the office and plates that the Speaker shall be the would therefore take up headquarters servant of the House. In defiance of there. Mr. Heartt responded rather to the constitution you have made your certain documents bearing the signa ture of President Roosevelt, and plastered over with all manner of unim-pressed seals of red and blue paper. Then the man of the office realized he was in the actual presence of a crazy man. Finally he persuaded the weakling to enter the court room, which was larger and might prove more desirable. Thus all trouble with the unfortunate was obviated, and Mr. Heartt was left alone but more ner-vous than he had been at the hour of his normal waking to the affairs of every day business and secretaryship.

APPLICATION DENIED.

Guilford Commissioners Refuse Fran-chise to Philadelphia Concern to Operate Trolley Lines.

Special to The Observer. Greensboro, March 16.-The board of county commissioners held a confer-ence here this afternoon with Mayor Wrenn and representatives of alder-men of High Point over the question of granting franchises for a trolley line connecting Greensboro and High Point. E. J. Justice, who was granted a franchise last week as trustee for a syndicate of capitalists, whose he declined to divulge, was not present to-day and at his request action was deferred on the granting of a franchise to a Philadelphia concern, represented by R. R. King and E. D. Steele. Mayor Wrenn stated that the board of aldermen of High Point had already granted a franchise in High Point to the Philadelphia concern and that they were perfectly willing to also grant one to Mr. Justice.

The board decided finally this after-noon to deny the application of the Philadelphia concern represented by R. R. King and E. D. Steele for a franchise for a trolley line between Greensboro and High Point. This de-cision was reached after the board had already decided to defer action

DUKE TRIAL DELAYED.

Systerious Disappearance of Important Witness for Defense in Divorce Suit of Brodie L. Duke Against Alice Webb Duke Causes Postponement of Trial. Special to The Observer.

New York, March 18.-The mysterious disappearance of an important ter, vainly trying to pull himself back witness for the defense in the suit of Brodle L. Duke for absolute divorce and he fell to the sidewalk. He struck on his head and was instantly against his wife, Alice Webb Duke, to- struck on his head and was instantly killed. day secured an adjournment of the trial until next Tuesday. The witness is a Chicago physician. Sunday night last he left that city to come here to testify. Since then nothing has been heard of him. Who the physician was Mrs. Duke's lawyer would not say, but he told Justice Blanchard that he

Negro Executed for Criminal Assault.
Washington, Ga., March 18.—Richard Andrews, colored, was hanged here this affernoon at 2 o'clock for having criminally assaulted the 5-year-old daughter of J. B. Roberts, of this county, on the afternoon of January 25.

MISSOURIAN ASSAILS SPEAKER

Commenting on Means Used by Colonidoan to Secure Speaker's Recog-nition on Bill Permitting Lease of Public Land for Rubber Cultivation, Mr. Shackleford Waxes Hot—Says Members Have to Creep Into Speaker's Private Room and Make

Supplication—Session's First Fili-buster is Made Against Bill Abolishing Lieutenant Generalship. Washington, March 16 .- For an in-Longer Hesitate to Accept the Honors for Work Well Done—His Momentous Utterances Enthusiastically Received and Warmly Commended—Recent Candidate for the Burgwyn, of Weldon; J. G. L. Crocker, J. H. Ramsey, W. T. Grubbs, R. W. Fresidency is Guest of Manufacturers' Club at Lunciscon and Seaboard. The limit for ing the grade in question is the tegislative breach. There was an immediative breach. Prince, of Illinois, whose bill abolish- families in this city and throughout lative breach. There was an immediate call to arms on both sides and for three hours the friends of the generals fillbustered against the bill. The net result was that the previous ques-tion is ordered on the bill, and an amendment by Mr. Grosvenor, Ohio, is pending, which extends the time of the operation of the bill so as to allow the promotion of the two officers named. On this amendment the House was voting, but without a quorum, when adjournment was had until Monday, when the vote will be

> Previous to this, the first real fillbuster of the session, there had been four hours of debate on the legislative bill. Mr. Shackleford opened the programme with a severe criticism Speaker Cannon, which he was not alfinish. Then followed a somewhat lively debate on the appro-

ARID LAND FOR RUBBER. Mr. Shackleford's remarks were prompted by the consideration of a bill permitting the leasing of 5,000 acres of arid land in La Plata county, Col., to the P. F. U. Rubber Company for the purpose of the cultivation of

the rubber plant. Mr. Brooks, of Colorado, explained that there was evidence of a rubber famine in this country. The land in question, he said, was unfit for agri cultural purposes and had no mineral

Mr. Gaines, of Tennessee, presented an amednment to prevent the "rubber trust" from getting control of the enterprise.

Mr. Shackleford was given permis-sion to discuss the bill and had this to say about the manner in which Mr. Brooks got it up:

MR. SHACKLEFORD'S ATTACK "The gentleman was not recognized the Third Regiment Band of this city. until he first surrendered his constitutional rights as a representative of the people and crept into your private room, Mr. Speaker, there to supplicate you to extend him your grace "No member can submit any matter who entered the place ellently and to a vote of the House until he shall rather lent terror to the situation. The have first sought and found favor in your sight. The constitution committee so that no bill can be reported without your consent. Unless ou are willing, no member can move to discharge a committee from in the House.

"You sit, an enthroned despot, sub jecting the rights and destinies of this great people to the dictates of your

own unabridged will. OKLAHOMA'S SOLE FOE. "Who stands to-day between a progressive, enlightened people and the statehood to which they are entitled? You, sir. Only you. You crack you whip and a majority of this House cowers at your feet. You turn your thumbs down and the House deals a death blow to prostrate, bleeding Okla-

read in the morning papers that cle Joe" had given out flat-footed that he would not permit the House to con-cur in the Senate amendment on the statehood bill, and then proceeded: What a horrible announcement to

be made in a free country." The confusion in the House throughout Mr. Shackleford's remarks such that very few members knew what he had said, when Mr. Tawney stopped him with an objection. Just before the legislative bill was aken up the House agreed not to meet to-morrow.

When the appropriation made the order, Mr. Keifer, of Ohio, continued his speech in favor of restricting Southern representation. SAW ROOFER CLUTCH FOR LIFE.

Man Who Had Lost His Footing on

Church Roof is Witnessed by Score of Persons in New York.

New York, March 16.—A desperate but ineffectual struggle against death was witnessed to-day by more than a score of persons who stood helpless to assist in front of St. Bartholomew church at Madison avenue and Fortyfourth street. Walter Cathle, a ro 60 years old, was the victim of the tragedy. He was at work on the roof of the church to-day when he lost his footing and fell, rolling swiftly down the incline. At the edge he managed to grasp a gutter, which runs along the eaves and his fall was arrested. For fully three minutes Cathie squirmed and clutched the gut-

TEN CARS DEMOLISHED.

heard of him. Who the physician was
Mrs. Duke's lawyer would not say,
but he told Justice Blanchard that he
could prove the innocence of Mrs.
Duke.

Another witness for the defense, a
physician connected with the University of Chicago, is said to be suffering
from pneumonia. Mrs. Duke's counsel stated that, although the sick man
would not be able to go out for 10
days, he will be prepared to so on
with the defense when he locates the
missing physician. Lawyer Champ S.
Andrews, who represents Duke, said
that he was prepared to show that the
missing doctor was quite devoted to
Mrs. Duke, and had known her long
before she married the tobacco man.

Special to The Observer.

Durham, March 16.—On account of
the wreck on the Seaboard Air Line
road near Ogburn yesterday afternoon,
Seaboard fast trains passed through
here from mid-night to poon to-day.
The last train to pass here was
north-bound and since then trains have
been passing over the main line, the
wreck dumage being repilled to that
extent. The first two trains to pass
trains. The wreck occurred at a point
near Ogburn and 10 freight cars were
demolished, tearing up some 300 yards
of track and causing delay and trouble
in traffic. No one was hurt.

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CALLS CANNON A DESPOT FOR NASHVILLE LADY'S DEATH. ment Physician of the Tennesse

Capital is Arrested Charged With Murder of Mrs. Mangram, Whose Body Was Found in Ohio River, and Gives \$10,000 Bond.

Nashville, Tenn., March 16 .- Dr. Herman Felst was arrested here today charged with the murder of Mrs. Rosa Mangrum, whose dead body was found in the Ohio at Cairo, Ill., about six weeks ago. Mrs. Mangrum left Nashville December 14 last, ostensibly stant in the House to-day there was a for a visit to St. Louis. Feist is a lation which would take away the warrant for the arrest was sworn out by Chester Mason, a brother of the

dead woman. Mrs. Mangrum was a beautiful woman and was related to promine.it the State.

Dr. Feist is said to have borrowed money from Mangrum and it is claimthose interested in his arrest that the doctor was seen with Mrs. Mangrum early in the evening on which she disappeared. The warrant charges Dr. Feist with robbery and

murder. Ball, which was fixed at \$10,000, was furnished after some delay and Dr. Feist was released from custody. An enormous crowd surged in the magistrate's court and out into the street during the proceedings, and excitement ran high when J. E. Mason, the bridge, aged father of the dead woman, made an attempt to get at the prisoner The agitated old man was removed from the room by an officer.

NEGRO'S GUN WORK IN CAFE.

Ex-Convict Who Had Been Ordered From a New York Establishment Empties Three Revolvers, Wounding Three Men-Captured Later After Hard Fight.

New York, March 16.-Eli Lucas, a negro ex-convict, who served a 20year sentence in Kentucky for murder, to-night shot three men in the Crescent Cafe, 108 West Thirty-secend street. The injured men are Roundsman John Walsh and Patrolman James Scott, both of the West Thirtioth street police station, and John Jones, manager of the cafe. The most serious injury was sustained by Scott, who was shot in the right shoulder. He will probably be paralyzed for life.

Fifteen shots were fired. The fifty patrons of the place sought safety behind the bar, under tables and behind barricades of chairs. Lucas, still shooting, backed out of the place and escaped.

Lucas entered the cafe in an ugly mood and was ordered out. This angered him and he pulled one of three revolvers he carried, and began the

Lucas was arrested late to-night at Fifty-sixth street and Broadway, after a fight which was almost as desperate as the original one in the cafe.

ON VIRGINIA MANUFACTURES.

Congre Bulletin Indicates Increase of 60 Per Cent. in Capital Since 1900 and 38 Per Cent. in Wages.

Washington, March 16 .- In a bulletin issued to-day by the Census Bureau giving the preliminary statistics for the manufacturing industries of Virginia for the year ending Dec. 31. 1904, it is indicated that there has een a material increase in the manufactures of that State. The number of establishments with a product of \$500 or over is given at 3.187, with a total capital of \$147,989.182, an increase in the latter amount over the figures for 1900 of 60 per cent. The total amount paid to salaried officials, clerks, etc., for 1904 was \$4,874,806 and to wage-earners \$27,943.058. an increase, respectively, of 21 and 38 per cent over the salaries and wages paid in 1900. The total cost of material used in 1904 was \$83,649,149 and the total value of the products \$148.856.525, an increase, respectively, over the figures for 1900.

THREE FIREMEN MEET DEATH Nine Others Seriously Injured at Fire

Which Destroyed Militia Armory at Camden, N. J. Camden, N. J., March 16.-Three firemen were killed and nine others seriously injured to-night at a fire which destroyed the old Sixth Regiment armory at Bridge and West streets, in this city, The dead are:

GEORGE W. SHIELDS. WILLIAM HILLMAN. WILLIAM JOBES.

The fire started in the boiler room of the armory building and quickly spread to all parts of the structure. About a dozen firemen were ordered into the building. Shields, Hillman and Jobes were crushed to death by the roof giving way, but the others managed to follow the line of the hose and escaped after most of them had been seriously lacerated and burned. ted and burned.

FOUR BURN TO DEATH IN HOTEL Defective Furnace Causes Fatal Fire in Michigan Village-Other Build-

ings Burned. Grand Rapids, Mich., March 16.-The usiness portion of the village of Tustin, Osceola county, was destroyed eary to-day by fire sement of the Hotel Compton from a defective furnace. Ten guests es-caped in their night clothes, while our were burned to death.

The dead: WILLIAM H. M'GRANE, proprieof the hotel. MRS. WILLIAM H. M'GRANE. EDWARD DEMOREST, porter. CHARLES WORKMAN, traveling

The financial loss is about \$22,000. Official Who Wrote Anti-Jewish Circular Ousted.

St. Petersburg, March 16 .- The auhor of the anti-Jewish circulars M. Levroff, an employe of the Minin the official hierarchy equivalent to councilor of State. He is the leader of the "League of the Russian Peo-ple." He has been dismissed from the ervice and arrested and will be pro-

New York, March 15.—All the outgoing officers of the Sloss-Sheffield Steel & Iron Company were to-day re-elected at a meeting of the directors in this city. One change was made in the executive committee, F. P. Olcott being elected chairman in place of Walter G. Oakman.

Jour Ordered to Leave Vindivostock. Vindivostock, Russia, March 16.—The Jawa here have been ordered to leave the city in three days.

CRASH AND FIRE KILL 35 WRECK AMID STORM IN ROCKIES

As Result of Undelivered Orders Heavy Grades and Blinding Snow Storm, Score of Lives Are Lost on Denver & Rio Grande, Several Foreigners Being Roasted Alive by Fire Following Collision—Was Wild Night in Mountain Canyons and Trains Mot Head-On at Casualties Confined to East Curve-Train-Relief Trains

Pueblo, Col., March 16 .- Thirty-five lapse in the vigilance of those who prominent physician of Nashville and lives were crushed out early to-day have been on guard to prevent legis- his arrest caused a sensation. The in a head-end collision of two passenger trains near Adobe, Col., on the Denver & Rio Grande Railroad, and a score of victims incincerated beyond identification by a fire that destroyed the wrecked coaches. More than a score were injured, but all will prob-

> The wreck was due to undelivered orders, heavy mountain grades, a slippery condition of the rails. Only the locomotives, baggage and day coaches were wrecked, the sleeping cars es- be learned, forced his way

Many of the dead were home-seekthree crushed locomotives set fire to a clearing in the splintered coaches and it was hours before all the bodies were recovered, the flames being so hot that rescuers could not approach the debris until the fuel burned out.

It was a wild, stormy night in the mountany canyons when the two heavy trains met. Blinding snow darkened the rocky gorges and speed was not high

ENGINEERS WERE HELPLESS Suddenly headlights flashed out, and it was realized by the engineers that something was wrong. According to Fireman J. H. Smith, of the west-bound train, Engineer Walter Cosbett applied the emergency brakes, but the slippery rails allowed the momentum of the heavy train to carry it on to the fatal crash impact was scarcely noticeable.

but the trains crushed and ground in to each other. The helper engine of the west-bound train acted as a cushion, minimizing the force and weight of the heavy mountain engines. This helper was crushed together like so much paper and the other locomotives ran through the mesh of iron and plowed each other to pieces.

Fireman Smith was the only one of the engine crews to escape. The baggage car of the west-bound train broke in two and three coaches were squeezed together. The baggage car, the mail car and a coach of the eastbound train buckled, but none of the cars telescoped

FOREIGNERS ROASTED ALIVE. Hardly had the noise of the wreck ceased when a sheet of fire rai west-bound train every seat was ocwere home-seekers. A number of forterror they gave up life without making any attempt to reach saftey outside the burning car. They sank to the floor of the car and were roasted alive. The cooler ones in the car, seeing their danger, rushed for the windows and doors and with the of the passengers in the rear of the by the rough handling they received or by flying glass.

When the occupants of the two sleeping cars saw that nothing could be done to check the flames, they aided the trainmen in pushing back the Communication was opened with the Pueblo office of the railroad

Portland, a mile from the wreck and a relief train with physicians was dispatched to the accident. The injured were placed in the sleeping cars and brought to Pueblo with the passengers of the east-bound train, who were unhurt. Another relief train came from Florence to take away the uninjured portion of the east-bound

investigation by responsible persons

WILLIAM HOLLIS, engineer. WALTER COSSLETT, engineer. H. D. SUDDUTH, fireman. EDWARD E. BAIRD, deputy sheriff, ARCHIBALD WHITNEY, prisoner

in charge of Baird WILLIAM BURNSIDE, MRS. DAUGHTER and CHILD, all of Kansas. A. N. BARELO, Salida, Colo. MISS GRACE BARKLO, Salida,

ENOS M'PARLANS, express

PEARL HEWITT, Lebo, Kansas, MRS. CATHERINE HEWITT and BABY BOY, Lebo, Kansas. EDWARD COWLEY, Lebo, Kansas. FRED JONES, Lebo, Kansas. FRED LEMECOOLEY, Denver.

WINONA HEWITT, Lebo,

Kansas. The Utah & California express, bound, left Pueblo an hour and a half and New Mexico express, east-bound, at Florence. This order was change and the west-bound train was directed to pass the east-bound train at Beaver, about 12 miles east of Florence. The order should have been delivered to

the train brew at Swallow, but for

some reason the operator there ne-glected to deliver the order. In the

meantime the east-bound had received

west-bound train at Beaver. No other orders intervened the wreck. It is impossible to determine the ex-act number of dead on account of the incineration of many bodies. The number of victims burned is said to be at least 20. The railroad officers asserted during the day that only 15 persons were killed.

York of clearing away the debris of the wreck began at daylight with the aid of two wreckers. It is announced that the tracks would be entirely clear The monetary damage to railroad property is \$200,000. In addition to this, much baggage and mail were

PAMILY NEARLY WIPED OUT. One of the pathetic tragedies of the disaster was the wipping out of all but two of the family of Taylor Hewitt, of Lebo, Kansaa. Father, mother, daughter, grandchild and the wives of the sone are missing. The two sons, E. A. Hewitt and W. L. Hewitt, are

among the injured in the hospital here, each of them having leg fractures in addition to of) injuries. E A. Hewitt said that he d a dream several months ago in \ his family was all killed. He sale ne saw just as plainly as he later saw the real wreck, everything that took place af-

Some of the victims were pinioned inder the wreckage and burned alive before help could reach them. Most of the injured were on No. 3, which was heavily loaded. No 16 carried comparatively few passengers and these escaped, generally, with a slight shaking-up. Relief trains were at once despatched to the scene from Pueblo and Florence, but the work was necessarily slow, because of the smoke from the burning wreck and because of the cold weather. The first train bearing injured reached Pueblo shortly after 6 o'clock.

During the progress of the fire one man was seen hanging from a car "For God's sake, save me, he cried, but the heat was too intense for the rescuers to reach him, -He before the slowly roasted to death snow storm, a sharp curve and the eyes of the crowd around the burning wreck. Many thrilling rescues were report ed. One man whose name could not

SAW HIM SLOWLY ROASTED.

caping almost unscathed, as in the coach that had received the brunt of Eden disaster on the same road in the shock, and seeing a young girl who had been pinioned under a seat, en-1904, when part of a train ran into a deavored to lift her to a place of safe flooded canyon through a washed-out ty. As he raised her the girl died in his arms.

The rescuer dropped his burden and seized a man who was lying under a ers bound for the Northwest. The roof timber. He dragged the man to the wreckage, where others carried him to a place of safety. This one rescuer saved four persons A correspondent who returned from the wreck says that the car in which he believes 25 persons were killed was completely consumed. He also states that a dry goods box had been placed alongside the track and the bones of the bodies which were entirely burned up were placed in it This box was brought to this city by

> JUDGE PARKER AT ROCK HILL Addressed the Young Lady Students

of Winthrop College and Driven Over the City.

Special to The Observer. 6 o'clock for Charlotte. Judge Parker was met at the depot by a committee of citizens and was driven at spoke for a few minutes to the young lady students of that institution. was then driven over the city, there being several carriages in the party When shown by one of the young ladles a picture of hanging on the wall, Judge Parker said: "He always pushes everything he undertakes; no wonder you have such a nice college here. large crowd greeted Judge Parker at

NINE FIRES IN NEW YORK.

Over 100 Tenants, Clad Only in Night in Deep Roof for 15 Minutes-

New York, March 16 .- Nine fires, none of them particulraly serious as far as financial loss is concerned, but which resulted in great hardship to frozen hydrants, occurred in New house in West Fifty-third street were crew who were unhurt managed to driven, either half-dressed or in their reach the open air. Many were injured night clothes, upon the roof of the building, where the snow was nearly six inches deep and from which they could not escape. They pelled to stand for about fifteen minutes before firemen with ladders were The fire was in the basement and the smoke drove them to the roof. of the other fires were in buildings occupied for business purposes

Disastrous Fire in Buncombe.

Special to The Observer. Asheville, March 16 .- J. H. Lance, of Arden, this, county, was in the city to-day and told of a destructive fire which occurred at Arden early yesterday morning when a considerable amount of property and the family of R. L. Garvin barely escaped with their lives. The stock of goods and the store-house of Charles Pressley, the store-house of R. P. Youngblood and a carload of corn stored therein were totally destroyed. The dwelling of R. L. Garvin was burned to the ground and the inmates were awakened just in time to escape with their lives,

Special to The Observer Msheville, March 16.—The trial of the personal damage suit of A. W. Hemppany, from McDowell county, is in progress to-day in Superior Court. Mr. Hemphill is suing the concern for \$20,000 for alleged permanent injuries sustained while an employe of the company about two years ago. The case is being hard fought and every points contested. Negligence on the part of the company is charged in not providing safe equipment.

Executive Committee of Truckers' Association to Meet April 20.

Special to The Observer. Wilmington, March meetings of the executive committee of the board of directors of the East Association are called to be held here April 20. It is announced that matters of vital importance concerning transportantion and the movement of the strawberry crop will be confid-

ered.

Widely Known Catholic School Destroyed by Fire.

Shreveport, La., March Vincent's Academy, established 10 years ago and one of the most widely known institutions in the South, was destroyed by fire this afternoon. Loss, \$60,000; insurance. \$12,500. The fire originated from a defective flue while the teachers and pupils were at lunch. Almost a panic resulted, but all escaped without injury.

Atlanta, Ga., March 16.—Professor K. G. Mathewson, acting president of the Georgia School of Technology, announced to-day that Andrew Carnegie had agreed to give the school \$20,000 for the erection of a library building, provided the school will furnish the sum of \$2,000 annually for the maintenance and support of the library. The gift will be accepted.

MR. HOLTON'S NOMINATION

WILL BE CONSIDERED TO-DAY

ommittee, of Which Senator Foral is Chairman, Will Meet To-Day Determine Whether District torney's Nomination Shall be Long Held Up --- Urging Erection Held Up --- Urging Erection Bridge Over Pamlico River-F mer Congressman Elliot, of Son Carolina, Appointed Grave-Mark —Mr. Small's Bill for Drainage Dismal Swamp.

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Senator Foraker's committee room the information was to-day given the writer that the sub-comm tee, of which the Ohio Senator is chairman, would certainly be held tomorrow to consider the nomaination of District Attonery Holton. The clerk to the committee said he was not aware of the fact if any more charges had been filed by Congressman Blackburn or his friends during the past two or three days and a persistent report was incirculation to-day to the effect that members of the sub-committee are inclined to report the nomination favorably. Of course nothing officially can be made known until to-morrow, but at least two Senators who have looked into the situation are being quoted to-day as taking the view that the answer of Mr. Holton to

all charges have been reasonably satisfactory. FOR BRIDGE OVER PAMLICO. E. L. Travis, of Halifax; Mayor Stewart and S. C. Stevens, of Washington, N. C., are among to-day's ar-rivals from the State. The last two named gentlemen called at the War Department to discuss the matter of building the proposed bridge across Pamilco river which will permit the Pamilco & Raleigh Railroad to enter Washington. There has been some objection to the proposed structure, it is now felt by the visiting North Carolinians that the Department en-gineers are taking a more favorable Rock Hill, S. S., March 16.—For an hour this afternoon Judge Alton B. Parker was the guest of Rock Hill. He arrived at 4:45 o'clock and left at to be postmaster at Goldsboro, had been favorably reported by the committee and that the nomination mittee and that the nomination now occupied a place on the Senate calenonce to Winthrop College, where he dar with other nominations that will be confirmed at the next executive ser-

> NORTH CAROLINA LOSES. North Carolina loses out on the contest for the position of commission to mark the graves of Confedeate soldiers who died in Northern It was announced at the War Department to-day that the position would go to former Congressman Elliott, of South Carolina. North Carolina had at least two candidates who expressed a willingness to serve without remu-neration. It was stated to-day that the position would perhaps be worth about \$3,500 to the former South Carofina Congressman. Mr. course, a Confederate veteran and pos

> essed all the other qualifications. Representative Small, of North Caro lina, has introduced a bill providing that \$3,000,000 of the money hereafter arising from the sale of public lands. which would otherwise become a part of the reclamation fund, may be for the purpose of constructing a suitable and comprehensible system of drainage of the lands comprising what is known as the Dismal Swamp ated partly in the State of Virginia and partly in the State of North Caro-lina. The bill provides that the money shall be expended under the supervision of the Secretary of Agriculture and that all the expense of such construction for a period not exceeding 10 years shall be assessed against the lands to be drained in proportion to

> the benefits thereto. The Dismal Swamp was former about 40 miles by 25 miles in area, but part thereof has been reclaimed by rea son of the construction and operati of what is known as the Dis Swamp Canal which intersects Swamp Canal which intersects tedge of the swamp. In the center the swamp is Lake Drummond, made famous in the closing days of the last century by a famous poem. The surface of Lake Drummond is some sev eral feet higher than that of the Elizabeth River, upon which Norfolk is has also a higher level than the chy of Norfolk, therefore, it is practicable to drain the same.

> The drainage of this swamp would open up thousands of acres of the most fertile lands in the country, whose fertility would continue undiminished for generations to come. nore inviting returns could be for than from the investment of this

> This does not appear to be so novel a proposition. Senator Hanbrough, of North Dakota, introduced in the Sate and the Senate has passed a providing for the drainage under eini-lar conditions of certain lands located in six countles in the State of North Dakota. This bill came over to House and is now pending before the House committee on public lands. It the government wishes to make a te porary investment in the drainage of lands, no finer opportunity is offered than is presented by this in Dismal Swamp, the most fertile in the world.

> Mr. Holton Leaves for Wash Special to The Observer.
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> Winston-Salem, March 16.—District Attorney A. E. Holton left to-night for Washington. The sub-committee of Senators is scheduled to meet to-morrow to decide whether the charges filed against the district attorney by Congressman Blackburn justify, or are entitled to, further investigation.

OPENS FOR GREENE-GAYNOR

Savannah, Gs. March 16. days of either preliminary p of the actual conduct of the and Gaynor trial, the govern by this afternoon closed its of George I. Wisner, civil and it engineer and a member ternational board that is with the waterways between ed States and Canada, was witness for the defense, he being designed to show the