POSTAL MEN JOIN STRIKE FIREMEN'S BEST DAY LAST BILL QUANTRELL YET ALIVE INDICTED FOR MANSLAUGHTER. TAKING OF TESTIMONY ON TOBACCO GROWERS MEET THE SOUTHERN'S POSITION 1.000 CHICAGO OPERATORS OUT CONTESTS ALL, INTER-STATE IS RESIDENT OF QUATSINO, V. I.

Solution Adopted in Meeting of Strikers That Every Operator in the City Holding a Card Shall be Called Out—Postal Men Demand 25 Per Cent. Increase. 8-Hour Day and Recognition of Union With Ultimate Aim of Aiding Western Union Strikers—Commercial Oper-ators Are to be Called Out To-Day—Situation More Serious Hourity.

Phicago, Ill., Aug. 9.—The 500 trators of the Postal Telegraph mpany struck to-night at 6 o'clock. with the 1,100 men out from o offices of the Western Union roughout the city, makes 1,800 en now on strike in Chicago.

were not passed upon the strike was It was the general feeling operators that the de-

It was said to-night by some of the operators who were present in the meeting that the intention of the

the Postal company was attended by no sign of disorder. When a whistle blown, the operators rose from keys with a cheer and walked There was not the slightest evidence of ill-feeling on either side. The men after reaching the street gave repeated cheers and then dis-

Shippy informed the leaders this afternoon that he would not allow picketing or violence, and he informed that none was intended, and that every effort would be made to keep the men peaceable.

The general situation throughout the West became more serious as the day lengthened.

playes, Chicago to-night is left with bout 35 commercial telegraphers, who are endeavoring to transmit the business of both telegraph companies, whereas under normal conditions fully 1,500 men are necessary to do the work in Chicago.

Other Western Union offices which became involved in the trouble today, together with the number of men who quit work, are:

Salt Lake City, 36; Helena, -40; Kansas City, 330; Dallas, 105; Fort Worth, Tex., 40; Colorado Springs, 10; Denver, 83; New Orleans, 60.

BUT TWO POSTAL MEN AT WORK

Superintendent and Chief All Who Remain at Keys in New Orleans Meeting to Decide More Called for

New Orleans, La., Aug. 9 .- Trouble developed at the Postal Telegraph oftice in this city to-night when an operator refused to work the Chicago wire. He was immediately suspended by the wire chief and the comsettle the matter if possible.

At the Western Union an extra operator who was ordered to make rewas discharged. The union operators, however, did not make an issue of the matter because the discharged operator was an extra man.

All the New Orleans Postal Telegraph operators, numbering about 60, left their wires pending the arrival of Supt. W. A. Porteous The Postal Telegraph operators did not meet Superintendent Port-

eous, but declared a strike because several operators had been discharged for refusing to work the Chicago The newspaper Postal operators also went out.

The Western Union operators remained at work, but a meeting was called for to-morrow morning for the local union to decide whether all New Orleans operators of the comcompanies should strike Superintendent Porteous and the chief operator were the only men who vere at work in the Postal office to-Mr. Porteous said he was making

preparations to fill the strikers'

STRIKE A DELICATE SUBJECT.

President Small, of National Union Says Mrs. Nichols is Storm-Centre. With Frisco Officers, Responsible for What His Happened.

aking of the telegraphers' strike

storm centre of the strike and she a permanent escape and the San Francisco officers of the brought to justice. company are responsible for what has appened. The latter have not lived DECISION FAVORS UNIONISTS. up to the agreement adopted two ago. When an investigation is something startling will come

"Oakland operators want to go but we are holding them back. et, however, that the whole trouwill be settled in two or three ys. President Clowery, of the estern Union, will have the facts befire him in 24 hours, and may set-tie it at once. I cannot say anything bout our demands, for everything is in a chaotic condition at prese

Dallas, Tex. Aug. 9.—One hundred and five Western Union operators I five Western Union operators at on strike at 750 o'clock to-th, constituting the entire force

alem Wins Hand Reel Race, Salisbury Grab Reel First Money and Asheville No. 2 and Asheville No. 1
First and Second Place, Respectively, in the Horse Mose Wagon Races
—The Winner of 100-Yard Dash, C.
C. Wood, of Rome, Ga.—President McNeill Declares the Tournament the Best the Association Ever Reld.—Victorious Laddies Celebrate in Various Ways—Salem, Morganton and Hickory in a Bowling Match.

At a meeting of the operators held reel races took place this morning this afternoon a resolution was unanimously passed declaring that every operator in the city having a afternoon, The attendance both morning and afternoon was estimated A short time after the meeting had at 10,000, nearly equal to the opening officials of the Postal company closes and it is declared by Presisaking for an increase of 25 per closes and it is declared by President. In wages, an 8-hour day and dent McNeill sto have been without a gray, as Quantrell, Duffy having been recognition of the pnion. If these doubt the most successful in the history of the association.

In the hand reel races this mornmands could not be granted at once ing Salem took first money, time was correct in his recognition. Sharp and the move was evidently intended 26.3-5 seconds; Sallsbury second, time said he had been left as dead, and to bring about the strike at the pres- 27 4-5; Morganton third, time 29. instead of dying of his wounds at ent time in order to aid the West- Other records: Rome, Ga., 31 2-5; Louisville as history recorded, had

t be called out in the indistribution badly ganton, 22. (did not enter.

he meeting that the intention of the taking first money, time 32; Asheville No. 1, second, time 32; Asheville From Oregon he came to British Columbia nearly two decades ago and indications are that he left withection, and to do it so completely records were: Newbern Atlantic, 36; of the northwest coast of Vancouver

celebrating their respective victor at in the city and at the seashore. At that when his band was cut up he Wrightsville, four-men teams from had been bayonetted in the chest completing a bowling tournament for prizes of \$25, \$15 and \$5, respective-

C. C. Wood, of Rome, Ga., to-day has been marked by absence of onds, the world's record being 9 3-5 trouble of any kind. Chief of Police seconds. Last war the onds, the world's record being 9 3-5 tended to by the overworked sur-seconds. Last year the same runner geons. While they tended the others won the 100-yard dash in 10 1-5 seconds. The entries were George Seifert, Salisbury; Ernest Hill, Raleigh: Myron Whitner, Morganton; P. W. Dalliare and F. P. Bultman, Florence, S. C.; C. C. Wood and Grover Byars, Rome, Ga, and E. C. Stemple Salem. At the conclusion of the events this afternoon the Wilmington Chamical the strike of the Postal em- Engine Company gave a practical demonstration in front of the judges stand, making with the entire local department, a fine run down the course.

BONAPARTE WITH PRESIDENT. Many Matters With Which Depart-

ment of Justice Has to do Discussed at Six-Hour Conference at Sagamore Hill. Oyster Bay, Aug. 9.-After a conference of six hours with President

Roosevelt at Sagamore Hill to-Jay, Attorney General Bonaparte said on leaving, that while many matters with which his Department had to do had been thoroughly considered, none of them could be discussed for publication. "Yes, we talked about the Stand-

ard Oil," he replied in answer to a question. "No one has sent me a heck yet for the \$29,000,000 fine. that expedition, but went under the However, that litigation seems to be progressing satisfactorily. The Southern Railroad situation

was also gone over, but that also is pany's local officials were sent for to in a state of progression. We have knew Quantrell, and I told him I did. given the road an opportunity to come into the higher court, but of course, if they have no stomach for dief on the Chicago wire refused and a fight, we cannot compel them to him if he is alive? asked Colonel make one.

"There were many other matters talked of. We considered the Florida judgeship, where a successor is to be later several of Quantrell's men saw selected to the late Judge Swayne, but no conclusion was reached on the matter."

John W. Yerkes, former commissioner of internal revenue; William Allen White, of Kansas, and C. F. Connelly, were luncheon guests of the President.

WIFE-MURDERER STILL FREE.

Selma, Aug. 9.—Ransom

om Godwin's Relatives Believed to be Helping Him to Escape Report That He is Surround an Outhouse Special to The Observer.

who Wednesday morning of this week brutally murdered his wife at their home near Kenley, is still at large, though every effort is being made to capture him. Sheriff Nowell received message this afternoon from a reliable party near the Godwin home saying Godwin was located in an outouse near his home and was surstarted for the place with a number of special deputies, but up to a late hour his capture had not been efstarted for the place with a number tempt at suicide was made here this of special deputies, but up to a late morning shortly before 10 o'clock hour his capture had not been effected. Godwin has a large circle of 40 years of age, shot himself through relations who, it is claimed, are as-sisting in every way possible to make temple. The would; be suicide is now Oakland, Cal., Aug. 9.—Simuel J. sisting in every way possible to make temple. The would be suicide is now mall, the national president of the good his escape. Bloodhounds were at the Mission Hospital with about an ommercial Telegraphers Union, put on his track and did much loud even chance for recovery. barking for the distance of about a mile, when they lost the scent entire- aration for the act. He wrote a note "The subject is too deficate to say ly. It is believed that on account of anything about. Mrs. Nichols is the his age he will not be able to effect she a permanent escape, but will soon be

Supreme Court Fulton County Superior Court is Case Involving Union of Cumber land Churches in the United States Superior Court in Union of Cumber-Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 9 .- The Supreme Court of Georgia to-day handed down a decision holding that the General acted within the scope of its consti-tutional authority when it voted for a union of all the Cumberland Pres-byterian Churches in the United States and the action of that b is to be recognized by civil courts. The decision has the effect of awardng the property of the Cumberlan 1 Thurch in Atlanta to that part of the nembership which upholds the Union General Assembly at Decatur, Ill., May 28. It also reverses the decis-ion of the Superior Court of Fulton county, from which appeal was tak-

Who According to History, Died of Wounds in Kentucky Hospital, Recognized by Member of Michigan Cavalry Who Cut Up His Force—Quantrell, Now Living Under Name of John Sharp, After Being Recognized by Former Cavalryman, Tells Thrilling Experiences Since Being Left to Die by Surgeons.

Victoria, B. C., Aug. 9.—Bill Quan-Sharp, who is over 70, weiry and each. a member of the Michigan troop of cavalry which cut up Quantrell's force. He stated to Duffy that he was correct in his recognition. Sharp Union men if the demands were Florence, S. C., 32 1-5. Graham fail-granted. Under the working of ed on connection. not granted. Under the working of the order all the operators working for brokers and commission houses will be called out in the moraing and will be badly business generally will be badly handlesped.

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Granam latitude and disappeared. He made his way to South America, fiving a number of years in Chile, whence he went to Texas, where he engaged in the cattle business, making considerable money which he exhausted. Then he went which he exhausted. Then he went There were 13 entries for horse to Oregon, where he punched cows hose wagon races, Asheville No. 2 and drove cattle over the mountains.

prizes of \$25, \$15 and \$5, respective-ly. Others are leaving for their homes on all departing trains. The day he had been left so that others with more chance of recovery could be athe got up despite his wounds and disappeared. That night, he says, he rode 70 miles. He then took flight

to South America. STORY OF QUANTRELL'S DEATH.

Rev. Thomas Cobb, Former Recruiting Officer Who Camped With the Famous Querella Leader, Relates His Death and Burial.

Kansas City, Aug. 9.—According to local history, Bill Quantrell, the guerilla leader, who, played so important a part in the Missouri-Kansas border warefare of the early days, died in the Sisters' Hospital at tournament attracted a score Louisville, Ky. Rev. Thomas Cobb. formerly pastor of the Methodist every way. Episcopal church, of this city, but located in Oklahoma. now Quantrell in Kentucky during the civil war. Cobb was a cavalry recruiting officer and at the time camp-

ed with Quantrell for two days and had many talks with him. He said. Quantrell then was in Central Kentucky. He was on his way to Virginia and Maryland to join Mosby. He had a skirmish with the Federal troops, the Twelfth Kentucky Cavalry, and was seriously wounded. He was not known as Quantrell during name of Captain Clark. "I was parolled in Louisville about

that time by Colonel Folsom. One day Colonel Folsome asked me if I Then he asked me if I would identify him, and I said I would if he were dead. 'Then you will not identify Folsom. 'No,' I replied. I was tak-en to view a body, but it was not that of Quantrell. But a day or two the dead body of their leader in the Sisters' Hospital and attended his funeral in the Catholic Cemetery. This, I believe, is the true story of Quantrell's death and burial."

To Whom Bid These Shin Bones and Hair Belong? Topeka, Kas., Aug. 9 .- Mention of discovery of W. C. Quantrell as

being alive in British Columbia calls to mind the fact that in the State historical rooms are two shin bones and a lock of hair supposed o be those of the famous traider. have been there since May, 1888 when the mother of Quantrell and W. W. Scott, of Canal Doyer, O., opened the grave said to hold Quantrell at Louisville, Ky.

SHOT HIMSELF IN HEAD.

Boney Campbell, of Asheville, Tries to End His Own Life With a Pistol -The Suicide Planned With Much Care.

Asheville, Aug. 9.-Another

Campbell made most careful prep instructing that his trunk be searched, saying that the money the pocket book on the table was all that he had.' Before sending the buiet into his head Campbell dressed himself as if for some social function. He donned his best suit of cago; vice presidents, A. Emerson clothes, clean collar and cuffs and Eve, Asheville; Frank L. Stevens choicest cravat. He even took the New York; William Ballinger, Kan ecaution to place a bowl from the himself to fire the intended fatal

The man's markmanship, however, was bad. The bullet that was intended for the right temple was fired of the face near the cheek bont. No cause has been assigned for the rash act although it is said that the than has not been in gon't health for some time and that he was fre-quently despondent. His wife is now in the insane asylum.

City of Carthage, from Philadelphia via Port Natal, is ashore off Wadamiraki, with tank full of water and second hold leaking. Arrangements

CHARLOTTE, N. C., SATURDAY MORNING, AUGUST 10, 1907.

Brakeman of Colliding Train Reld
Responsible for Terra Cotta Wreck, in Which 46 Persons Were Killed and as Many Injured.

REEN BATTLE OF COUNSEL SOLICITOR

Objection After Objection Follows
Almost Every Word Asked Withnesses in Peonage Case—First olutions Co

Washington, Aug. 9.—The grand jury of the Supreme Court of the Dis-trict of Columbia to-day found indictments against Henry H. Hildebrand, engineer; Frank H. Hoffmeyer, conductor, Ira C. McClellan, fireman, and Ralph Rutter, brakeman, of train 2120, of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, which on December 31st, last, land at Quatsino, recognized John under bond in the sum of \$5,000

VIRGINIA EDITOR DISAPPEARS.

it Seems. Special to The Observer.

Danville, Va., Aug. 9.—A speal from Chatham, the county seat, says: and Petersburg, not to be gone more than three days, but two weeks have elapsed without any tidings from him. union was to cripple the telegraph facilities of Chicago in every direction, and to do it so completely that public sentiment would be brought to bear heavily on the two brought to bear heavily on the two telegraph companies, and in this manner force a settlement between manner force a settlement between falled on coupling.

No. 1. second, time 32 1-5. Other engaged in logging at different comps of the northwest coast of Vancouver Island until 10 years ago, when he became a trapper of the northwest coast. Six or seven years ago he went to Quatsino, where he was made car carer at West Vancouver mines. baby girl have anxiously awaited his

CHARLOTTE GUNNERS WIN.

J. E. Crayton Leads Amateur's and Mr. E. H. Starr the Professionals at Wilmington Gun Shoot,

Special to The Observer. Wilmington, Aug. 9.-The inter-State tournament under the auspices of the Wilmington Gun Club closed here this afternoon, J. Crayton, of Charlotte, led the ama-teurs both days, with 187 of 200 the first day and 183 out of 200 the second day. John W. Todd, of Charlotte, was the second high amateur the first day, 182 out of 200; and Dr.

professionals both days, scores 191 painted vase offered by the Hunter Arms Company, Boushee and Stokeley, tied, 22 out of 25, and Boushee won the gun offered by the Ithaca Arms Company, 24 out of 25. The of visiting shots and was a success

STANDARD OIL TOUCHES BOTTOM Several Stocks Quoted in New York Reach New Low Record Levels

During Day's Trading. New York, Aug. 9.—Several stocks quoted in New York fell to new low record levels to-day. Notable among them was Standard Oil, which at one time during the day reached 466, the lowest point touched in many years. A little later the stock was offered at 475 with no bidders. Several years ago Standard Oil sold above \$600 per share and to-day's price indicates a shrinkage in value computed on the local capital stock of more than \$300,000,000. Other stocks that sold at a new low record to-day were the common and preferred shares of Interborough Metropolitan Company, which operates the consolidated traction lines on Manhattan Island. The Interborough Metropolitan common sold at 11, and the preferred at 33 These figures are just about 1-2. one-half the price of several months ago.

FIRE ENDANGERS MANY INSANE Laundry, Lighting and

Plant of Large Pennsylvania Insti-tution Destroyed—Loss \$20,000. - alladelphia, Aug. 9.-A building containing the laundry, lighting and heating plant of the Pennsylvania mospital for the Insane in west Philadelphia, one of the largest private institutions in the country, was de-stroyed by fire this afternoon. The fiames started in the laundry and gave much concern to the hospital at-

hundreds of insane patients who are confined in several of the buildings. Patients, mostly women, in buildings nearest the burning structure, were removed to other buildings refrom the fire. There was little mote excitement among them. A number of persons in the institution undergoing treatment for slight nervous diseases formed a fire brigade and gave valuable aid to the attendants. The

tendants responsible for the safety of

REPORTERS LEAVE ASHEVILLE. Mountain City Man Che

loss is estimated at \$20,000.

Vice Presidents -Matter of the Next Meeting Place Left With the Executive Committee, Asheville, Aug. 9.-The ninth anconvention of the National

Shorthand Reporters' Association adjourned to-day after electing the following officers: President, William Whitford, Chi-

sas City, and Lafayette Temple, Baltimore. Secretary-treasure drick C. Hill, of Trenton, N. The matter of a meeting place for next year was left with the ittee. The reports of the standing committees were read and acted upon, and the convention closed with votes of thanks to the city, the press and the hotel proprietors, Many of the delegates will remain here for the balance of the week.

Immediate Trial for Maettle chran to-day allowed the petitic ments charging responsibility for the death of Mrs. Pet Magill, the first wife of Magill. The Magills are at liberty on \$5,000 bonds pending trial.

Almost Every Word Asked Witnesses in Peonage Case—First Person Called is Justice of Peace Harding, Who Said Warrants Were Issued for the Foreigners by Numbers Instead of Names—The Interpreter Takes the Stand and is Followed by the Sheriff Who Served the Warrants—Slow Progress Being Made.

Special to 'she Observer. cording to a number of persons who of the negligence of the trainmen in lowed by argument between op-

The first witness was Justice of the warrants upon the application of Kline, under which the alleged were not issued for certain persons by name, but by number. Later a list of fictitious names were attached by the magistrate, not at the instance or in the knowledge of defendant. Certain parties were arrested by number under these war-

rants. The interpreter, Yakova Spivakoveske, the second witness, testified that he was taken to Greenville by American Tobacco Company. Special Agent Hoyt after the preliminary trial of Kline, and with the alleged peons was held in jail as witnesses for the government and the alleged peons were ascertained; dictment for the government was drawn, charging that Harris Mor-tinovitz, alias No. 63, and eleven given had been returned to peonage by Kline. In the bill each twelve The interpreter also testified that he he had been musician in the orchestra at Morehead.

Justice Harding was recalled and In the argument over every question contained in the matter of objections both sides gained some points on gathering time within James I. Johnson was the second applying for warrants, and asked highest to-day, 179 out of 200.

E. H. Starr, of Charlotte, led the Government counsel strongly ob- to agricultural colleges and jected, but were overruled on this, Judge Purnell saying what passed between them at that time was competent, but nothing subsequent. The judge added, however, that if defense was depending upon the State statute of landlord and tenant act that was already a nullity under the Federal act. Counsel replied they were not depending upon the landlord and tenant act but upon Section 3431 of the code of 1905, which was read.

Witness then stated that Kline inquired of him if there was any North Carolina law to punish, persons for violating contract, when he showed Kline Section 3431 and the latter asked for warrants. He said he did not want them to return to work but wanted the law to take its course. The warrants were never docketed.

Sheriff L. W. Tucker, of Pitt county, was the next witness and testifled to a warrant being carried same by Kline, how he proceeded to the railroad camp and through the camp interpreter, Joe, warrant was read to the men, whom Joe pointed out as being certain numbers. Nineteen were arrested. Kline told Joe, the interpreter, to tell the men all who wanted to return to work to stand out on one side. Ten stood out and nine were taken to jail and kept two nights and one day. He could not tell any of their names. The sheriff also told of another time when Kline telephoned him. He went to Kline's office and was met on the steps by a man with a war-The man took him in a vehicle belonging to Kline and carried him two miles north of Greenville, where he arrested four who had run away from camp and took them to The trial was set for that afternoon, but he had engagements out of town and knew nothing that took place with the men later. When he returned they were gone On cross-examination the from jail. sheriff said he did not hear the bill of indictment read in court yesterday and could not say if any of the persons named in the bull among those arrested under the justice's warrant. Joe, the interpreter, said the men who returned to work stated they were anxious to do so.

Court adjourned a little beroe 2 o'clock until Saturday morning. Valuable School Furniture Wantonly

Special to The Observer.

Greenville, S. C., Aug. 9 .- A committee of the board of trustees of the city graded schools, while making a regular summer inspection of school buildings and property this afternoon, found that the Oaklawn school North Main street, had been entered by vandals and a valuable piano and clock, besides desks and other pieces of furniture, literally smashed. Tae loss is several hundred dollars, the tains that it is not fighting union plano being the product of a number of entertainments and amallpersonal contributions to the school. It is absolutely worthless now. The other things will aggregate a good try of the city will be complete and sum also. The guilty persons or the motive for the deed is not known. The deed was probably committed case and every means will be hausted to convict those who comitted the deed. ex-

Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 9.-Holcomb con, of Albany, Ga., aged 35, capitalist and prominent business many talist and prominent business many found dead at the Aragon Hotel here late to-day and on a table at his bedside were bottles partly filled, his bedside were bottles partly filled. indicated that he had been dead many hours. The result of the inquest has not been

BROOKS

At Pilot Mountain Yesterday the State Tobacco Raisers Passed Resolutions Commending Roosevelt for Fighting Tobacco Trust—The Address of Solicitor Brooks Extremely Sensible, Plain, Effective—Next Annual Meeting at Raleigh—Officers of the Association Elected—R. K. Westfield, of Surry County, Made President—The Association Has 3 100 Members Has 3,100 Members.

Special to The Observer. under the name of John Sharp, according to a number of persons who
cording to a number of persons and serious injury of property and the first question asked the
spacious church building was filled to
the doors with the sturdy tillers of
the doors with the soil who gathered here to discuss

of the negligence of the trainmen in
lowed by argument between have conversed with him. J. E. Duffailing to observe the block signals at
fy, a prominent timberman, who reTakoma station. None of the indictTakoma station. None of the indict-A short time after the meeting had at 10,000, nearly equal to the opening cently became interested in timber ed. men have been apprehended, but was asked but what was objected to, and formulate some definite plans by solved demands were presented to day. With to-day the tournament land at Quatsing, recognized to objection overruled or sustained. which it is hoped that the condition of the tobacco farmers, those in the Every inch of ground has been piedmont section especially, will be benefited.

the Peace Henry Harding, who issued part of the State where tobacco is Tobacco growers from nearly every grown, were present and the deepest interest was displayed. There were at peons were arrested. The warrants least 500 people in the church, including the ladies others came in before adjournment for dinner.

There was one very noticeable thing about the convention to-day. Very little was said in regard to a reduction of acreage, which phase held first place at the former convention. This gave way to a discussion as to how best to prevent the farmers from giving their tobacco away to the A SPLENDID ADDRESS.

The speaker of the day was Mr. A. L. Brooks, of Greensboro, solicitor of through his translation the names of this district. In introducing Mr. Brooks the president paid a glowing of affairs which was most serious. also the number by which each was tribute to him, declaring that the designated. On this the bill of in- association was indeed fortunate in felt itself obligated to do everything having a man with it to speak to them in eloquent terms, whose heart was with the people of the others named and alias numbers commonwealth. The solicitor devoted some little time to the present condition of the tobacco farmer and the names had eight separate counts, causes which have led up to it. First, was the lack of organization. Almost had been regularly employed by the every other class of citizenship is government some three weeks or organized and labor for the benefit more ago to translate the language of of one another. The lawyers, doctors, the foreigners in this case. Previously bankers, merchants and men in almost every business or profession are organized and there is no reason why testified further about the warrants, work together through the sub-livi- junction, and pending final determision of the central organization, the nation of its case, put these rates infarmers should be able to know by cross-examination of Justice Hard- pounds the amount of tobacco that ing. The defense wanted to show will be raised that year. This would applying for warrants, and asked price of their product. The solicitor daughters to the training where they can learn much of the hour and perhaps no speaker has ever made a more favorable impression upon the tillers of the soil of the Tobacco Growers' Association than he.

> AFTERNOON SESSION. At 2 o'clock President Key rapped for order for the afternoon. The annual address of the president was the first thing on the programme for the afternoon session. Tis report showed that there were 3,100 members of the association, with the financial affairs in first-class condition and increasing interest throughout the State. One of the features of the afternoon session was the aldress of the State lecturer, Mr. J. O. W. Gravely, of Rocky Mount, The folensuing year: President, R. K. Simmons, Westfield, Surry county; first vice president, John L. Bailey, of Wilson; second vice president. Samuel Paschal, Stokes county; third vice and the Southern Railway. president, G. G. Moore, of Person county; treasurer, W. G. Sampson, of Pilot Mountain; State lecturer, J. O. W. Gravely, of Rocky Mount. The board of directors: Rev. G. O. Key, J. L. Balley, P. B. Neal, J. O. W. Gravely. The election of a secretary was left with the board of directors.

He was listened to with rapt atten-

tion and was frequently applauded.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted: "Resolved, That we, the tobacco growers of North Carolina, in convenion assembled, rejoice at the move of the President of the United States to stay the hand of the tobacco trust to the end that honest competition may be restored and fair prices re-

ceived for tobacco." "Resolved, Second, That we hereby tender our support in any and every way possible, to bring about a successful consummation of the move." At 5 o'clock the association adjourned to meet again on the second Friday in July, 1908, in Rajeigh.

FOURTEEN BUILDINGS TIED UP. More Than 150 Union Mechanics Fail to Report for Work on Structures Being Erected in Washington by Contractors Affiliated With Employers' Association.

Washington, Aug. 9 .-- As a result of the general strike of building trades unions yesterday more 1.0 union mechanics failed to report for work to-day on buildings being constructed by contractors affiliated with the Employers' Association. Fourteen buildings, representing a total cost of more than \$1,000,000, are tied up. Fifty non-union mechanics building, located on from New York, Philadelphia and Pittsburg went to work on the new Academy of Music, one of the buildings affected. The Employers' Association main-

> men, but that they will not tolerate the "closed shop." Labor leaders claim that by Monday the tie-up of the building indus-

> that the strike will continue until tae Employers' Association agrees not to employ non-union mechanics.

Struck Down By Lightning and In-stantly Killed. Special to The Observer.

Reidsville, Aug. 9 .- While en to his home five miles north of Reidsville this afternoon, Mr. Green Crad-dock was struck by lightning and in-stantly killed. He and Mr. W. B. stantly killed. He and Mr. W. B. Williams took shelter under a burn during the severe electrical storm. gained consciousness and will recover, ed the State from Radical rule. Craddock's age is about 50 years notes were paid by the State and he leaves a wife and eight next day the appointment was

SPEAKS REVIEW OF THE ALABAMA CASE

catement Concerning Railroad's Recent Controversy Given Out by J. S. B. Thompson, Assistant to President Finley—Company, Not Intending to Defy Laws in Removing Case Which Provoked Trouble, Felt Obligated to Do Everything Possible to Prevent Deplorable State of Affairs—Negotiations Leading to Adjustment Reached Were Begun by Officers of the Road. by Officers of the Road.

sand Hickory in a Bowling Match.

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Wilmington, Aug. 9.—Inter-State banner day of the State Firemen's tournament. The hand and grab tournament. The hand and grab for races took place this morning. Montgomery Ala., Aug. 9 .- J. S. B. Mr. Thompson says:

"In October, 1906, a sult brought against the Southern Railway Company in the Talladega circuit, five months prior to the passage of Senate bill No. 86, requiring foreign corporations to take out a license. On July 24th, 1907, the Southern filed a peititon to remove this case from the State court to the Federal Court and in consequence of its doing so, its license to do ousiness in Alabama was canceled. This step on the part of the Southern Railway Company was not taken with any purpose of defying the laws of Alabama and it is believed by counsel that it was not forbidden by Senate bill No. 86. The State authorities however, did not take this view of the matter and the Southern Railway Company was indicted in Perry county.

A SERIOUS CONDITION. "The claim that the Southern had forfeited its right to do an inter-State passenger and freight business along its line presented a condition "The Southern Railway Company

in its power and make every possible sacrifice to prevent a deplorable state of affairs from arising.
"Accordingly it immediately opened negotiations with the public authorities of the State in an earnest endeavor to bring about a peaceable and orderly solution of the whole dif-ficulty. It was demanded of the Southern Rallway Company that it should, pending the determination of the fairness and reasonableness of the passenger and freight rates fixed by the acts of the Legislature, give up the tillers of the soil should not the protection of the interiocutory in-

to effect. ROAD YIELDS TO LAW.

"The Southern Railway Company, while satisfied that it was proceedthat Kline had no criminal intent in enable the farmers to control the ing in a legal and orderly way in defense of its property rights, after a witness what was said at the time, urged the farmers to send their boys careful consideration of the matter, did not believe it in standing out against this demand where they can learn much of the but that in the interest of a peacealost art of cooking, housekeeping and bie and arderly conduct of its afsociology, Mr. Brooks spoke over an fairs and the avoidance of angry controversy, it was performing its public duty and subserving its public uses to make this concession. agreement on this basis was then

reached." RESTRAINING ORDER MODIFTED

Allows Southern Railroad and Connecting Lines to Put Into Effect New Passenger Fares and Freight Schedule on Certain Con in Alabama,

Montgomery, Ala., Aug. 9 .- The restraining order issued some time ago against the State to prevent the operation of laws affecting railroads was to-day modified in the Federal Court to allow the Southern Railway and all connected lines to put into lowing officers were elected for the effect the 2 1-2 cent passenger fares and the State freight schedule the rates on commodities in the State. This is to carry out the agreement recently made between the State

than one thousand miles of railroad in the State. At the same time rates following named were elected as the on freight will be cut down very much on the articles which are most common use by the public cluding fertilizers which have been a bone of contention all along. That Governor Comer intends force the other railroads to dollow the Southern and put in the lowered

The effect of this order will be to

reduce the passenger fares on more

freight and passenger rates is indi-cated in an interview given out today, in which he says: "I shall charge every officer of the State that any violation of our criminal laws, whether by individuals trusts, no matter how small the dividual or how great the magnate, is a violation of the law and is alike made amendable. If in the execution of any of the recently enacted statutes there should be any part of them ineffective in operation, I would not hesitate a minute to call the Legislature together and change them so as to give full force and effect."

DR. J. F. ENSOR DEAD.

Postmaster at Columbia and a Very Prominent Man of South Car Expired Yesterday Afterno —One of His Libstal-Hes Deeds Recalled.

Observer Bureau, 1209 Main Street, Columbia, S. C., August 9,

Dr. J. F. Ensor, for the past ten years postmaster at Columbia, superintendent of the State Hospital for during reconstru the Insane former chief surveyor of the port of Charleston and for several deputy general collector of internal evenue, died at his home here this his afternoon in 724 He was a native of Maryland served six years in the Federal are in the war between the States as geon. He came here in 1868 served as medical purveyor for Freedman's bureau in this Stat A few years ago, when Dr. Ens re-appointment as postmaster it in his behalf and told how in G ernor Scott's reconstruction istration Dr. Ensor had gone adelphia and raised \$10,000 the institution's credit had