FAIR FOLKS ARE INDICTED. TRUE BILLS ARE RETURNED

Grand Jury of Superior Court Pre-sents Judge Webb and Solicitor Clarkson With Four Indictments Against the Fair Association and Its Officers and Directors—Permitting Indecent Exposure and Allowing Games of Chance to Be Played Are the Two Charges—Defendants Had Two Charges—Defendants Had Employed Counsel—Case May Be Tried This Term of the Court.

State has the right to A further cause assignable for doubin both instances, the officers and directors will not only have to suffer the fine imposed, but the stockholdwill also suffer, as having shares in the corporation which is made a NAMES OF THE DEFENDANTS.

In each of the indictments for per- any further confusion. mitting immoral performances for allowing games of chance drawn clared that the North Carolina State against the officers and directors per- Federation of Labor had not endorsed

of the association; C. M. W. J. Chambers, treasurer of the as- as an organization did not contemsociation, and treasurer of the Charlotte Trust & Realty Co.; W. S. Orr, of the fire department of the city; J. F. Robertson, vice president of the association, and president of the Charlotte Trouser Company, and the M. Mayer Grocery Company; Z. T. Smith, director of the association, and a member of the city board of aldermen; E. S. Williams, director, and miderman; W. L. Bruns director, and member of the firm of Garibaldi, Bruns & Dixon; S. B. Alexander, Jr., director, and member of the firm of Alexander & Garsed, machinery salesmen; W. L. Long, director, and president and treasurer of the Long-Tate Clothing Company; L. A. Dodsworth, director, and secretary and treasurer of the Mayes Manufacturing Company; W. N. McKee, director, and member of the board of county com-

THE WITNESSES SUMMONED. In the bills presented to the court the names of the following citizens appear as witnesses who had summoned to testify as to their knowledge of illegal operations on the fair grounds: Messrs. W. W. Hayood, G. G. Scott, A. L. Beaver, Frank Beaver, R. M. Ramon, W. W. Irvine, J. W. Shaw, W. B. (Caldwell and Dr. Brodie C. Nalle. These same names appeared on the presentment placed in the hands of the court by the grand jury last in service which was at the December term of the criminal court. The presentment was a virtual indictment the only difference being that its nature indicated that the members of the grand jury had taken the matder into their own hands, and without an indictment from the hands of the solicitor had made an investigation of the operations in question. They summoned the above witnesses to testify in addition to the knowledge which came to them from their own observations

ACTION NOT UNEXPECTED.

This action on the part of the grand jury was not unexpected, and in fact, there was nothing left for this jury to do but to return true bills after the initiative steps on the part of their predecessors. A statement made to The Observer a few weeks after the fair closed by Solicitor Clarkson indicated that he would see that the attention of the grand jury would be called to the openness of the fair. In this interview he state din effect that he disliked to prosecute his own friends and men of such standing as the officers and directors of the fair association, but that as solicitor of the district, there was nothing remaining for him to do but to follow the action of the grand jury, no matter what it was. CASE WILL BE HARD FOUGHT.

A well-known official, whose name appears in the list of the personal defendants in this action, was speaking to an Observer man last night, and stated that the officers and directors of the association had paid no attention to the matter so for, and had employed no attorneys. They have felt that the matter would never be brought to court, so confidnt are they that their section was not in violation of the State laws. He further stated, however, that the defendants would secure an much legal talent as was necessary to properly present their contentions. This insures a hard-fought battle as At is expected that Solicitor Clarkson will call in some assistance,

It is not known yet whether the cases will be tried during this term of the court or not, but the chances size that they will have to lie over until the next term. The docket alponderous and will likely take all the time there is at this term. No matter when it comes up, this trial will doubt less prove nothing less than sensathe defendants, who represent in a large way a leading element of the city's financial and social strength.

Basketball To-Night.

The Mystice Five and the Southerners are scheduled to contest in a game of basketball at the Young Men's Christian Association te-night at \$:30 o'clock. The line-up will be as follows: Southerners—Hinson centre; Willmann and Green, forwards; Stewart and J. W. Kirby, guards. Mystic Five—Clark, centre; Benolt and Calder, forwards; W. C. Kirby and King, guards.

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ent John T. Miller, of North Mr. H. M. Victor's Residence Randlina State Federation of Labor, sacked by Thieves Twice During That He Finds Sentiment His Absence—Nothing of Value Carolina State Federation of Labor, Says That He Finds Sentiment Strong Among Labor Voters For Craig and Horne—Organization Not to Endorse Any Candidate,

est of his organization, spent yester-day in the city on business. When Be Tried This Term of the Court.

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The grand jury of the Superior seen by an Observer man and asked sacked from top to bottom, trunks beseen the court Mr. C. C. Bates, foreman, at for a statement with reference to the ing overturned, chests burst open, and ing overturned, chests burst open, and ing overturned topsy-turvey every-goods heaped topsy-turvey every-goods heaped topsy-turvey every-goods. sitting yesterday, prepared and sentiment, particularly in labor cir-nded over to Judge James L. Webb cles, in different sections relative to where. handed over to Judge James L. Webb cles, in different sections relative to where. Had the thieves been looking and Solicitor Heriot Clarkson four bills of indictment against the officers while the federation had not officially could not have been more rigidly and directors of the Mecklepburg Fair Association, and the association itself as a corporate body. Only two offenses are charged in the four counts. The officers and directors are indicted in two instances, personally, for was backing Mr. Klitchin, but that this writches of negotiable value for nothallowing Indecent exhibitions and im-moral performances to be shown dur-he had visited quite a number of the a-brac was molested. By a fortunate ing the county fair last October, and cities in the State and had talked with oversight, the chest of silver, which also for permitting games of chance to a large number of labor men and that was left behind was not touched the be played at the same time. These two the great majority had expressed first trip, no attention being given it safe charges identically are made out themselves in favor either of Mr. because of its inconspicuous position.

against the association as a body cor-porate. The State has the right to Relative to an article which ap-tents carried over to Judge Burwell's porate. The State has the right to go draw its indictments in such circumstances and has a right to pros-cumstances and has a right to pros-ecute the defendants personally and indirectly through their affiliation his position the first of the new year the chest, but nothing was to be with the fair association. The theory as organizer for the North Carolina found. Mr. Victor can account for is advanced, however, that the main Federation, Mr. Miller stated that but one article missing, a fine razor. reason for bringing two counts each such was not the case. The article in Nothing else was taken. While any against them was for the purpose of question read as follows: "Beginning amount of white dress goods were strengthening the position of the prosecution. Should the State fait to make Tye will resume his position as State no finger prints or marks of any kind out a case against the officers and organizer for the North Carolina Fed- to indicate who the night-prowlers directors under the bill presented by eration of Labor, an office which he might be. They acted deliberately, the grand jury, then it has the pre- has held for eight years, with the ex- for their visits must have lasted for the grand jury, then it has the pro-rogative to take up the case against ception of this year." Mr. Miller, who hours each night. The police have the body corporate, and vice versa. is the official head of the North Car-been notified and they are working on olina State Federation of Labor, asked the case. ling on the defendants is this: in that this statement be made: "Mr. case the State sustains its contentions Tye is not connected in any capacity nor has he anything to do with the North Carolina State Federation of Labor and, such being the case, in no Sunday school Sunday afternoon at 3

organizer." statement President Miller

Continuing, President Miller sonally, the names of the following any candidate for a State office for the simple reason that it did not con-Messrs. & B. Alexander, retired, sider that the time was ripe for any such action. He intimated although reswell, secretary of the association; he did not say it that the federation plate endorsing any candidate for State office.

> For Commissioner of Labor and Printing.

M. L. Shipman, of Raleigh, candidate for the Democratic nomina-tion for Commission of Labor and Printing, spent a few hours in the city yesterday on his way to Raleigh. Mr. Shipman looked hearty and seem-ed to be in the best of spirits politically. The other candidates mentioned for this office are Mesars. W. W. Haywood, of Charlotte; J. B. Sherrill, of Concord; T. G. Cobb. of Morganton; W. W. Wilson, of Raleigh, and L. E. Powers, of Rutherfordton.

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Craig and Horne—Organization Not to Endorse Any Candidate.

Mr. John T. Miller, of Raleigh, president of the North Carolina Federation of Labor, who has been traveling through the State in the interest of his organization, spent yesterday in the city on business. When This chest was emptied and the con-

At The First Baptist Sunday School. event could be hold the office of State o'clock will be unusually attractive Misses Grace ' Cranford and Irving asked published in order to prevent Harding. "The programme in detail is

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Closing hymn.

Farmers' Union to Be Organized. A call has gone out for the asto-day in the county court house for the purpose of formally organizing a county division of the national Farmers' Union The organizers of this ounty have done through work and claim they have a number of sub-di-visions in operation and believe that a flourishing county branch will be

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C. Jones to defend Dave Gregory his wife who are charged with murder of the former's father. Zeke Gregory, several weeks ago near Davidson College. Solicitor Clarkson stated that he would not ask for a verdict of first degree murder. but would ask for a verdict either of second degree murder or manslaugh-ter. The case will come up Monlay afternoon when the court convene Both these attorneys have recently come to Charlotte for the practice of their profession and their friends will watch with exceeding interest the progress of this important case.

Handsome Dental Equipments. Dr. R. H. McLaughlin, dentist, has recently installed in his office in the Davidson Building handsome dental equipments, one of the chief features being an engine made by the Ritter Dental Company. The engine is op-Dental Company. The engine is op-erated by electricity and is a decided securing power for filling and treating

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C. L. Alexander figure as the defend ants. Both these gentlemen, through their attorneys, decided to take the matter to higher officials than the city courts and have asked the grand case and take official action thereup-

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