Investigation Into the Death of the Omaha Physician Develops a Series of Sensations—Mrs. Rice Testifies That She Promised to Kill Him and Then Suicide, But That Her Nerve Palled Her—The Physician Then Hired a Bank Clerk to Commit the Crime—Bank Clerk Takes. mit the Crime—Bank Clerk Takes the Stand and Admits Attempting Saicide, But Denies That He Knew Anything About the Doctor's Death.

Omaha, Neb., Sept. 8.-The coroner's inwest into the death of Dr. Frederick H. tin, who was found fatally shot at the door of his home in this city, develop-ed several sensations to-day. Mrs. Abbie Rice, the woman who was last known to be in Dr. Rustin's company on the night of his death, declared that Dr. Rustin been talking of committing suicide, but that he wished to disguise the act so as to protect his life insurance for the benefit of his family. After much imthe deed, and had said that it would be done that night.

DAVIS ON THE STAND. Later she identified Charles E. Davis, a clerk in a local bank and a member of a

prominent family, as the man referred to by Dr. Rustin. Davis was placed on the stand and testified that he attempted to commit suicide on the night in question by taking drugs furnished him by Dr. Rustin, but denied that he promised to kill the doctor,

or that he had anything to do with the latter's death. He said the drugs taken made him sick and he vomited, thus saving his life. He gave no special reason for wishing to end his life except that he had no desire to live. He said he had made previous attempts at suicide. Davis has not been arrested. Dr. R. W. Lavender, the coroner's

physician who made the post morten examination, described how the ball had passed straight through the abdomen and liver and lodged near the spine. He produced the bullet which he removed from Dr. Rustin's body.

Two witnesses who saw Dr. Rustin at midnight a block from his home, were called and testified to that fact. One of them, a special watchman, had stopped into the Rustin yard on his regular du-ties about 1 o'clock, but saw no person. Dr. Langfeld, the first physician to reach the Rustin home after the shooting said Mrs. Rustin telephoned him and he ran to the Rustin home only partly clad. He found Dr. Rustin lying on some cushions. The witness said Dr. Rustin asked in a sarcistic way:

You are not afraid of being shot?" NO PISTOL ON BODY.

Witness searched the dying man but found no pistoi on him, only some money and a watch. Dr. Langfeld told the Special to The Observer. coroner's jury he did not believe the wound was self-inflicted.

composed, but spoke seriously through-eat her examination which lasted for over an hour. Her dead husband's moth-men and other new men. Evergreens er attended her. Mrs. Rustin went mainly in the form of young pines through the ordest without apparent and cedars were the graceful ornaemotion and told a straightforward story, ments and decorations that relieved In reply to questions by County At-torney English Mrs. Rustin told this with the other trappings and drug-

of the shooting: though we have been beset with financial evening after the serving of refresh-difficulties. I had some money which ments some zealous members of the dined at home and went down town rang with tumultuous and ear-deafenabout 7 o'clock. My youngest daughter ing noises and every one became a and myself walked about a block with participator in the demonstration, him and I asked him to be home carly. He kissed the baby good bye and careas- plauder. ed me lightly. He telephoned about 10 e'clock that he was starting home. I Fire Destroys Denver Hotel; Four read a while and went to hed leaving the light burning in the hall I was awakened by a pistol shot close to the house and half awake ran to the window of my ewn room and then the children's room. Seeing nothing I went down stairs and opening the front door saw Dr. Rustin sitting in a chair, buddled up. I said. What has happened, Fred?' he replied 'A man has shot me

HEAVILY INSURED.

"I half lifted him from the chair and with my assistance he got to the door where his strength was exhausted. screamed to the maid who came down in her night clothes and together we got cushlons under him. I told him I was going to send for a physician and he said to mend for Dr. Lord. I selephoned Dr. Nived. Lord, who lived some distance from our In the opinion of officials of the fire bone, and then for Langfeld, just around department, the hotel was set after a little later Dr. Lord came. I was so made. egitated and bewildered I can hardly tell which followed. I never now the doctor have a pistol and saw nothing of one of the doctor but found no pistok"

cial troubles, saying her husband had a the fact that the hunting season had note for \$3,200 coming due at the First Na- opened on Long Island, and there is tional Bank on the day of the shooting considerable shooting daily in the Ske admitted he carried \$75.000 life insure outlying districts. Close investigaance some time back but that a con- tion falls to show that there has been siderable amount but larged for nonpayment of premiums. The inquest was president. not finished to-day.

THE "HUGHES TEST."

Six New York Districts Cast Majorl-Nomination With Three Against Mr. Leob said this aftern Against the Governor,

New York, Sept. 8.—Results of the application of the "Hughes test in thirteen of the assembly districts of Republican primary elections to-day were decidedly interesting and decidedly contradictory. According to figures obtainable late to-night, six of the New York districts cast majorities for the re-nomination of the Governor and three against. All of the three King's county districts cast the fighters appears as evenly divided as when they last met. Supporters of Gans, contending that he was not in

L. Woodruff, of the Republican Sixte committee, declined to make any Minister Sent Up For Disorderly

nent at all to-night.
presentative Herbert Parsons. Representative hairman of the Republican county Leonard W. Snyder, of Norwood, O., who received

the districts, said to-night: and among others a bitter being in the foreign born and tene-ment house districts. In the districts that Governor Hughes carried the Governor Hughes carried the

A DEADLOCK IN IOWA.

Stand-Pat Republican Senators and Representatives Block the Nomina-tion of Governor Cummins For United States Senator—Progressives Threaten to Bolt the State Legislative Ticket.

Des Moines, Iowa, Sept. 8 .-- True to their pledge to each other, forty-two stand-pat Republicans in the the unexpired term of the late W. B. Allison, These forty-two Senators and Representatives refused to cast their votes for Governor Cummins, and with the forty-five Democrats who voted for Porter, they outnumbered the sixty-five Republicans who voted for Cummins, Not only did these forty-two stand-patters prevent an election to-day but they declared that it is their intention to continue in their course, deadlocking the Legislature if it is necessary to keep Governor Cumportunity he induced her to promise to mins out of the United States Senate, kill him and then take her own life. Arrangements to this end were made for came from all parts of the State to-Friday night, August 28th, but her nerve day for the legislative session, and failed. On Tuesday night following, Rus- also for the Republican judicial contin pointed out to her on the street car vention which meets to-morrow, they a man who he said, had promised to do failed to bring any adjustment of differences. Both sides say to-night that the entire series of ten attractions,

they will not yield. There is a disposition among many men of both factions to hurry up the primary law legislation for which the extra sesion was convened, and then

When the vote in the House was announced, it was found to stand as follows: Cummins, 44; Claude R. Porter (Democrat), 31;; Funk, 4; Williams Larrabee, With the stand-pat strength of tweny-eight votes scattered for various andidates, including Walter I. Smith, W. P. Hepburn, G. N. Haugon and A. F. Dawson, of the Iowa delegation in

aftered as in the House.

said he regretted that so many Re-publicans had found it necessary to dinance regulating the speed, etc., of au-

To-night much bitterness is there is open talk of bolling the from one street into another or in cross-State and legislative tickets at the log any street; and through and over any

stand-patters in both houses based provided with good headlights and must stand-patters in both houses based provided with good headlights and must stand-patters in both houses based provided with good headlights and must stand-patters in both houses based provided with good headlights and must stand-patters in both houses based provided with good headlights and must stand-patters in both houses based provided with good headlights and must stand-patters in both houses based provided with good headlights and must stand-patters in both houses based provided with good headlights and must stand-patters in both houses based provided with good headlights and must stand-patters in both houses based provided with good headlights and must stand-patters in both houses based provided with good headlights and must stand-patters in both houses based provided with good headlights and must stand-patters in both houses based provided with good headlights and must stand-patter and pattern provided with good headlights and must stand pattern their opposition to Cummins on the ground that they did not believe in dawn when the vehicles are in use. proceeding with an election until the people had an opportunity to express Merchants Want Bridges Replaced at their choice of a candidate

Reception to New Men at Davidson.

Davidson, Sept. 8 .- A great crowd wound was self-inflicted.

gathered last evening in the big hall-that body to build at once the deMrs. Rustin was called. She was well ways and recitation rooms of the stroyed bridges. The commissiongets gave to the big passageways a "My married life had been happy, at- homelike appearance. Late in the the night he was shot he succession till the whole passageway either as a classman or as an ap-

Lives Lost. Denver, Col., Sept. 8 .- Four men lost their lives and a score of persons were injured, several of them serious-ly, in a fire that gutted the Belmont listel, a three-story building, here to

Patrick Treadwell, a fireman of Crip ple Creek Col., who was stopping at the Belmont when the fire started, credited with having saved at least ten lives by inducing entrapped guests jump from the upper story windows across a five foot alley to the roof of an adjoining building, and next week, became known to-day. atching them in his arms. than a score of persons jumped from

the corner. Dr. Langfeld arrived first and and a rigid investigation is being

what occurred nor recall the events Reports of Attempt to Shoot the President Without Foundation. Oyster Bay, N. Y., Sept. 8 .- Sensa ter the shooting Dr. Langfeld warched tional reports that an attempt had been made to shoot President Roose Mrs. Rustin then described heir finan- velt apparently had their origin in any overt act directed against the out every day, covering various routes in the countryside, and it is not unusual for him to encounter parties of hunters Also, there is a shooting iti which engages in target practice

Mr. Leob sold this afternoon that King's County Returns Show a the sensational reports that some-Vote of More Than Two to Our one had tried to shoot the President were without the slightest foundation.

Nelson-Gans Bets About Even. San Francisco, Sept. 8 .- "Battling" New York and King's countles in the Nelson was defend his title as lightweight champion against Joe Gans.

decisive majorities against his re-nomination. The King's county totals showed a net vote of more than two to one sgains: the Governor. nomination. The King's county totals showed a net vote of more than two to one against the Governor.

All kinds of inferences were drawn to-night from the figures by advocates and opponents of the Governor's re-nomination. Chairman Timothy L. Woodruff, of the Republican East.

Conduct. Richmond, Va., Sept. 8.-Rev. reports was arraigned in the police court here to-day, fixed \$25 and sent to jall for The vote shows there is a strong six months on a charge of disorderly hes sentiment among certain conduct, following a police investiga-ients that vote the Republican tion of the instance of parents of tion at the instance of parents of Richmond children. guilty. He could not give bond.

American Suicides in Peru. legates to the convention will.

course, be for his re-nomination."

Mr. Parsens showed that Governor takes will have 73 delegates out of fin Manhattan and the Bronx. The districts in Manhattan selected of the "Hughes test" represented a contract variety of political and national employing and the results were as tive of Goorgia and had been employed by the Cero de Pasco Mining Company as book-keeper. The motives which led Mr. Davis to take his life are not known. Lima, Peru, Sept. 8.—Lawrence Bertrand Davis, an Ameri-

One of the most unique entertainnent propositions ever offered in the South will be given the people of Charlotte this winter in the splendide two stand-pat Republicans in the new Auditorium. The management State Legislature to-day prevented the has determined to spare neither effort election of Gov. A. B. Cummins to nor expense in getting together a the United States Senate to fill out series of attractions which will make the first Auditorium season one long

to be remembered. The policy of those in charge of this great undertaking will be to give the people of Charlotte the best attractions to be had at a price easily within the reach of everybody. There will be ten attractions in all opening Monday, October 20th, with a grand concert by the famous Victor and his Royal Venetian Band, now making their third, annual American tour. Mme. Grace Keye-Miller, a celebrated soprano, will be the soloist with the

There will be nine other attractions. all of the same high order as the opening number; and the price of a season ticket, including admission to will be only \$1 or an average of 10 cents for each attraction. As those who fall to purchase season tickets will be charged a general admission fee of 50 cents for each attraction it goes without saying that the demand for season tickets will be un-

through whom the attractions have booked, is now in the city and says Charlotte has the finest Auditorium in the South. Slow Speed Limit For Statesville.

Mr. Radeliffe, of the Radeliffe Entertainment Bureau, Richmond, Va.,

Special to The Observer. Governor Cummins was seen at his for some time but had not taken action effice after the vote in the Senate. He because the members were divided as to boit the decision of their party cau- tomobiles. The speed limit fixed by the city fathers is five miles an hour over the streets in what is known as the "fire pressed among the Progressives, and limits" and five miles an hour in turning polls if the stand-patters refuse to other streets of the city the speed shall ive their majority recognition.

In explanation of their votes the and motor cycles are also required to be not exceed 12 miles an hour. The autos the wonderful curative powers of his

Special to The Observer.

Durham, Sept. 8 .- At the regular meeting of the county commissioners to-day the Merchants' Association and memorialized represented ers declared that they are doing everything possible and they appear to tell the truth. Already threb steel companies have had their men here and the bridges will be replaced in the shortest time. The commissioners adjourned this afternoon.

Mr. Kitchin Speaks in Burke To-Day. Special to The Observer.

Morganton, Sept. 8 .- Hon. W. W. Kitchin, the Democratic nomines, for came to me from my relatives in Haver- class of '07 raised their class yell. Governor, will address the citizens of hill, Mass., when we were married ten This proved a reminder to the under-Governor, will address the citizens of years ago but that has been spent. I graduate of how much stronger they morrow at 1 o'clock. The Morganton had been absent visiting friends in Ells- were in point of numbers and lung Band will furnish music for the occa- is in charge of the hearquarters, or worth two weeks prior to the death of power and forthwith the various sion and the people of Burke are Colonel Dillingham himself can allow, Rustin, having returned four days yells began to sound forth in rapid looking forward to the occasion with ways be found at W. L. Hand's drug

> Death Sentence Passed on Negro. Norfolk, Va., Sept. 8 .- Henry Smith,

a negro, charged with criminal as-sault upon aged Mrs. Powell, of Portsmouth, was upon his second trial in the Norfolk county Circuit Court, to-day found guilty and sentenced by the jury to die. Judge Bain fixed Oc-tober 13th, for the electrocution which will be the first since the abolishment of hanging in the State. Parker May Be Made State Chair-

man. New York, Sept. 8 .- That Judge Alten B. Parker, Democratic nominee for the presidency in 1904, is likely to

FINE ATTRACTIONS OFFERED. HE MAKES THE DEAF HEAR

REMARKABLE POWER SHOWN. Colonel Dillingham Males an Application of His Fangus Plant Juice Remedies and a Cabarrus County Citizen is Cured of an Affliction Which Had Nearly Destroyed His Sense of Hearing—The Public Learning of the Curative Powers of This Medicine, is Making Large Purchases—Many Mail Orders Coming in—Large Crowds Attending the Nightly Entertainments.

Mr. W. D. Bell, of Cabarrus county, is one of the most substantial oilizens of that county. He is everywhere regarded as a man of high character and reliability. For the gast ten years or more he has been afflicted with increase. afflicted with ringing, roaring noises, and was gradually losing his sense of hearing. No previous treatment had any permanent effect on the allment and the conviction grew that Mr.
Bell would sooner or later become
entirely deaf. Yesterday Mr. Bell
visited Charlotte to attend to some
business matters. While here he inbusiness matters. While here he incidentally learned that Col. Frank A. Dillingham, the proprietor and manufacturer of the "Plant Juice" remedies, was in the city, and had already performed some remarkable cures for deafness. Mr. Bell visited Colonel Dillingham at his headquarters at W. J. Hand & Co.'s dry ters at W. L. Hand & Co.'s drug store, and presented his case. Colonel Dillingham's assistant imme-diately proceeded with a liberal ap-plication of his famous "Plant Juice plication of his famous "Plant Juice Liniment." . To the utter surprise of precedented. The sale of tickets Mr. Bell he conversed with Colonel opens Thursday morning at Jordans. Dillingham's assistant in an ordinary tone of voice, and could distinctly hear every word uttered. He regarded the benefit as little less than marvelous, and, after purchasing a liberal quantity of the "Plant Juice Liniment," went away the happiest man in the county.

And yet this is but one of the dozed until afternoon. There Cummins Statesville, Sept. 8.—What the Statesreceived 21 votes, Porter, 14; while ville motorists have been fearing has the 14 votes of the stand-patters were happened. The board of aldermen, which ens of cases that have been benefited most cases leaving a request that the matter be not made public. It is even known that some people have been relieved of deafness, and that the general public was not aware that they were thus afflicted. In every where a request for application is made the request is complied with. Colonel Dillingham says there are enough happy people over the results to tell it to the world, and he is well satisfied to humor those who want the world kept in ignorance of

Tuesday night's entertainment drew another tremendous crowd at Fourth and Poplar streets, and besides listening to a very pleasing entertain-ment given by the black-faced ar-tists, many listened with interest to the lectures and illustrations. During the day the drug store sales

of the medicines showed an increase over any previous day, and the per-sonal interviews keep the gentlemen busy throughout the business hours. The mail order business has also increased to a great extent, and a number, of very strong testimonials have been received from persons who have been benefited by the use of the medicines.

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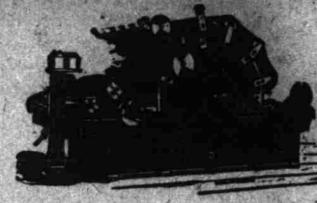
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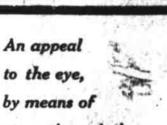
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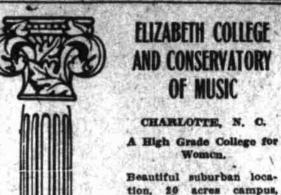
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