which to prepare for the trial. It was stated also that they had been assured that the defendants would be here at the present term of court ready for trial. Neither of the defendants was present, but Judge W. S. O'B. Robinson was in court with their renewed bonds. Late this afternoon the grand fury returned a true bill against the Butters.

Miss Allie Cole, a young woman who came to Greensbore from Georgia a few months ago and took a position as saleslady in a South Elim street store, created quits a sensation in a cafe last night, when she attempted to commit suicide by swallowing poison. She went into the place with a gentleman friend, who, after giving an order for supper, went to the postoffice, about half a block distant. During the absence of the friend, Miss Cole took the poison, informing a party of young men at an adjoining table of what she had done and adding that the act was entirely voluntary on her part. A physician was hurriedly summoned, and by the prompt use of restoratives and a stomach pump, the young woman's life was saved.

SPECIAL ATTENTION TO SIEZEL.

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of an inquiry concerning the dealings of Mr. Harriman as president of the Union Pacific Railway in the stocks of other railroad companies, many or which are commession's inquiries should be confined to cases in which complaint had been made. He said privately should be properly regarded in proceedings begun by the commission for its own purposes. He also said that the powers conferred in the interstate commerce law exceed any which have ever been delegated by a constitutional body of lawmakers.

THE DISSENTING OPINION.

The dissenting opinion concurred first of January to Messrs. Rowlett E.

DEATH RATE LARGE PAST YEAR

THE DISSENTING OPINION.

In a dissenting opinion concurred in by Justices Harlan and McKenna, Justice Day dachered the effect of the opinion of the majority of the court would be to materially narrow the scope of the interestate commerce law, most has whole term. Vice President These three justices took the position of the questions of the commission, so far as they were sustained by the United States Circuit Court for the southern district of New Yerk, were entirely proper under the law-and should have been answered by Harriman and Kahn. Justice Harlan of the commission's questions should have received responses.

Justice Moody did not participate of the general agency on the first of January to Messrs. Rowlett E. Harlas and Rufus Y. McPherson, of Raleigh, both of long experience in this field. Mr. Barnes and Rufus Y. McPherson, of Raleigh, both of long experience in this field. Mr. Barnes having been associated with Mr. Raney during almost his whole term. Vice President Passmore, of the Penn Mutual, pays a very high tribute to Mr. Raney'n long, faithful and valuable services, and regrets his retirement, but is sure he has worthy successors. Mr. Raney will have a cottage in the country near Raleigh, and will amuse himself by farming, etc.; of course, merely sea recreation. He has one of the most beautiful homes here, quite near to his splendid gift to the city, the Office of the country that the guestions should have received responses. Justice Moody did not participate Olivia Rancy Memorial Library.

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BUTLERS' CASE CONTINUED HARRIMAN CASE DECIDED CENTRAL HOSPITAL REPORT | BEV. G. H. ATKINSON RESIGNS. | THE BROWNSVILLE AFFAIR WELFARE WORKERS MEET ATTACK ONCARACAS PAPER

Take Up Work Now Held by Rev.
George Belk.
Special to The Observer.

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Atkinson tendered his resignation
yesterday morning as paster of the
Monroe Presbyterian church. The
resignation was accepted and a committee was appointed to present it to
the Mecklenburg Presbytery. Mr.
Atkinson desired to resign last spring
to take up work in the home mistion
tield in Ohistoina, and had offered
his resignation, but reconsidered it
and afterwards withdrew it. He will
go to Albemarie, where he will take
up the pastoral work now in charge
of Rev. George Belk, who is to become synodical evangelist, and will
also act as president of the Albemarie
Normal and Collegiste Institute.

Rev. G. W. Belk Resigns. Rev. G. W. Belk Resigns.

cial to The Observer. the members. His resignation takes effect January Lst, when he will take up the work of general evengelist for North Carolina, to which position he was recently elected by the Synod. Since Mr. Belk has been here, a period of three years, the membership of the church has more than doubled, and a beautiful new church has been erected at Porters, six miles from here. A great addition has been made to the Albemarie Normal and Collegiate Institute which was largely NEGRO BOY ELECTROCUTED.

Asheville, Dec. 14.—Jesse Johnson, a pegro boy, was electracuted on the Biltmore Estate this afternoon by coming in contact with an electric light wire of 2,300 volts. It seems that the pegro, whose father died at the Mission Hospital two weeks ago

noon, while playing with a loaded pistol, Henry Groves Conner, 42

viding For the Establishment of a Tribunal—Retired Army Officers Are to Compose the Tribunal Which Will Take the Matter of Re-Enlist-ment of the Negro Troops Out of the President's Hands—Many Comthe President's Hands—Many plaints of the Work of Socret tectives Have Poured Into Foraker's Office—President's cial Message is Received and Bu-SENATE SUMMARY.

The Brownsville affair consumed nearly the entire session of the Senate yesterday. Senator Foraker obtained, the floor early in the day and read letters from a former soldier of the Twenty-fifth Regiment telling of the procedure of government detectives in attempts to get a confession from him. Mr. Foraker introduced an amendment to his original bill for the re-culistment of these soldiers providing that a commission of three re-tired army officers he created to determine whether discharged soldiers are innocent of complicity in the shooting up of Brownsville as a prorequitte for their re-culistment instead of leaving that duty with the President as provided by the Warner hill.

Following closely upon these remarks the President's message giving the results of the War Department's investigation of the Brownsville affair was read and Mr. Foraker again Henator Carter announced that to-day he would speak upon the postal savings bank bill and would ask that it be made the unfinished business of the Senate. At 3:14 the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE SUMMARY,

House yesterday passed a measure providing for Si-cent gas in Washington. The bill now give to the Senate as well as another bill abolishing "bucket shops" in the District.

A bill providing for free lectures in the public schools was voted down.

An attempt by Representative Henry, of Texas, to obtain a change in the reference of a bill prohibiting the marketing of future contracts on agricultural products brought forth

New Tork, Dec. 14.—With a session of the woman's department, at which of Spain, Dec. 14.—The new the capture of the Venezueian c gnard ship Alexis by the Dutch of the committee on welfare work for government employes, of which she is chairman, the National Civic Federation opened its annual meeting here to-day. Morning, afternoon and evening sessions were held, all devoted to discussion of the general topic of this annual gathering—the promotion of friendly relations between employers.

A crowd of citizens, including friendly relations between employers and employes and the consideration of measures designed for the welfare of the working people.

Both Mrs. Tatt and her husband are on the list of speakers for this year's meeting, the President-elect being scheduled to speak to-morrow mea. A pitched battle tween the employes of the semilores of the semilores.

Otto M. Eidletz, former chairman of the board of governors of the Building Trades Employers' Association, president of the International Association of Machinists, followed, James M. Lynch, president of the International Typographical Union was another speaker. Herman Ridder, president of the American Newspaper Publishers' Association, discussed Trade Age.

the agricultural committee, that his committee would soon grant hearings to farmers' unions and others on this subject. The House voted to adjourn Saturday, December 19th, to Monday, January 8th, and adjourned for the day at 5 p. m.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Senator Foraker to day introduced an amendment to the bill providing for the re-britishment of negre troops discharged without honer because of alleged participation in the affray at Brownsville, Tex., and addressed the Senate concerning the amendment. He proposes in his new measure to establish a tribunal consisting of retired army officers, before whom evidence may be gabrilited as to the guilt of the defendants themselves might appear to answer charges.

The measure is also drawn practically to take out of the hands of the principle of the trade agreement plan. MELVILLE INGALLS SPEAKS.

CITIZENS HOSTILE TO CASTRO

PRICE FIVE CENTS.

of this crowd were plainly hostile Castro and to the steps taken by mez. A phoned battle ensued tween the employes of the paper the crowd on the streets. Many sh were exchanged, and tha fight lasted for five minutes. Several a were wounded and one has since d The police were summoned and with they appeared on the scene are with rifles the crowd disparsed.

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