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CHARLOTTE, N. C., THURSDAY MORNING, JUNE 10, 1909.

EXERCISES ARE OVER

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TI'S CURTAIN DOWN the realities, but the facts remain the

After the address came the conferring of the degrees. The class of 1909 numbers 39, 28 young men and 11 young ladies going to the rostrum this morning for the degree of bachelors of art and from now henceforward and forever they are A.B.'s, women and all, for Trinity did not add on the degree of spinsters of art when some years ago she built the Woman's Building. Following is a list of the graduates and their homes:

Barden, Durham; Blannie Emmie Berry, Durham; Curtis Lee Bivens, Monroo; Lawrence Eley Blanchard, Hertford; Marcellus Arnold Briggs. Durham; Pearl Leola Brinson, Goldsboro: John Nelson Cole, Jr., Raleigh; Clayton Carlisle Cunningham, Waxhaw; Henry Clay Doss, Corpus Christi, Tex.; Frank Nicholas Egerton, Jr., the reunion, the parade of the veterell down on the Louisburg; Iver Ellis, Durham; Thomas Austin Finch, Trinity; Claude Flowere, Durham; Charles Ray Fousher to remain Durham; Robert Melvin Gantt, Belwood; Ada Pratt Godwin, Payetteville; Robert Calman Goldstein, Asheville; Thomas McMillian Grant, Wilmington: William Holland Hall, Elizabeth City; Durham; William Black Kiker, Polkham; Frances Watts Markham, Duron the Jr., Lumberton; Isabelle Bailey Pin- in turn. whom we would nix, Lancaster, Pa.; Joseph Harrell Potts, Amella Court House, Va.; Reggreeted with inald Blanchard Potts, Amelia Court for Cabell, re-elected General Evans House, Va.; Gilmer Siler, Atlanta, Ga.; to command. With tears streaming Garysburg; Thomas Bayton Suiter, the commencement liam Warren Watson, Wysocking; Lillian Marie White, West Durham; the saving grace Homer Henderson Winecoff, Concord; James Speight Wrenn, Siler City. THE CLASS FLAG LOWERED.

Two flags floated from the flag-pole which is called in front of Memorial Hall to-dayhas something the flag of 1909 and the flag of the class of 1904, which held a reunion automobiling here this year. The '04 flag was lowvere pinch that year closed this evening at 7:20-sunset. At this time the usual simple and to hurt you, impressive ceremony was carried out. When the sunset bell rings every Trinity man, no matter where he is, they did not is supposed to stop, uncover and walt with bowed head till the ceremony of rous in the lowering the flag has been finished. Dolliver as This evening the senior class assemot there and bled at the flagmast and when the bell it off con- rang the president of the class, Mr. short time. M. A. Briggs, of this city, lowered the "dark horse" candidate for the next flag, which has been floating over the meeting place. But, as it became eviclass for these past four years. The dent that the young Congressman, flag is folded and put in the archives merely desired to make a speech, the of the college and labeled as that delegates became noisy and calls of class' flag.

At the close of this morning's exercises Dr. Kilgo announced that Dr. out on a test of endurance. He an-Frank Brown, of Chicago University, had been elected to the chair of Eng- speech in Congress, delivered in anans," said Dr. lish, which was vacated by the resig- swer to Congressman Calderhead, of teacher can best nation of Dr. Edwin Mims. This de- Kansas, who charged that the Southand ability of a partment will also have another full ern people were lazy. Sisson received professorship, making with Dean Few, encouragement and some hisses, but three in all. In addition to these the he persevered. Finally he concluded The mark of three in all. question faculty this year will have four in a burst of elequence, saying:

B. N. Dukè had given \$50,000 for the erection of another dormitory to remides and sul- take care of the increased number of greatest monuments in your honor was the one to students applying for admission. The expected him to announcement was greeted with ap-

### ROWAN CROPS DAMAGED.

Heavy Rain Drives Creeks From Their Banks and Lands Are Badly Washed-East Spencer Residence Struck by Laghtning, But None of the Occupants is Injured-Other Salisbury

> Observer Bureau, 421 North Main Street, Salisbury, June 9.

An unusually heavy downpour of rain, accompanied by much electrical display, visited this section last night. Farmers report much washing of next reunion. She possesses a very iends and all streams were near the is when we can high-water mark. Two and a quarter livery and she soon quieted the as-

In East Spencer lightning struck a chimeny at Mr. C. A. Nash's, made a Your con- hole in the floor and set fire to a keg still rebels, and we will die as rebels." a great of old paper under the house, killing a dog lying near the keg. None of the occupants of the house were in-

d. Some of A manufacturing plant which will stress both, turn out mantels and ornamental porch fixtures is announced as one of yell. the new concerns to be launched in the learn- Salisbury.

The Daughters of the Confederacy will break the monotony of the summer season with a concert at Merothinker who ney's Theatre Friday night. That the programme will be in charge of Mrs. ing, which might be construed one F. F. Smith and Miss Julia Crouch way or another. Finally, however, is sufficient assurance that the concert will be most beautiful and in-

Hon. Theo. F. Kluttz is at Niagara Falls attending a meeting of the na-tional convention of Knights of Honcommittee on law of the national

### MEET IN NEW ORLEANS NEXT.

Nobles of the Mystic Shrine Set Date of Meeting Back From June to April 12-Frowns Down on Wholesale Distribution of Liquor.

Lquisville, Ky., June 9 .- Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, in thirty-nifth an- Houston second with 695 nual convention chose New Orleans no more his for the 1910 convention, set the date ceived scattering votes. of meeting back from June 12 to it became apparent that Mobile had April 12, chose Potentate Elias D. oth because Jacoby, of Indianapolis, as imperial the band wagon, and the choice was outer guard, the lowest office on the made unanimous. imperial divan, and put the other officers forward one step, thus making was made unanimous and the conven-George L. Street, of Richmond, Va., tion forgetting, its disagreements of imperial potentate.

Shrines in Norfolk, Va., and El Paso, laughing, crying and even hugging Texas. A charter was refused Macon,

The imperial council let it be known that in the future it "frowns down all wholesale distribution of liquor," and should it continue as hot to-morrow. it will next year pass a resolution forbidding the distribution of expensive badges for exchange among Shriners, because it breeds mad souvenir hunt-

Captain of Schooner Drowned. Savannah, Ga., June 9 .- While attempting to board his yessel. schooner Tifton, to-night, Capt, Waldron, of Lynn, Mass., missed his footing and fell, struck his head against the schooner's side and rolled into the Savannah river. He A people decay not come up again and efforts to find his body have been fruitless. Waldron leaves a wife and four

United Confederate Veterans Adjourn Their Business Meetings on Heels of a Very Stormy Session—Thin Gray Line Will Form To-Day, This Being Closing Feature of Reunion of 1909—General Evans Read an Amouncement to the Convention Declining Re-Election, But Delegates Refuse to Let Him Retire— Congressman Sisson Hissed by Vetcrans, Who Were Sweltering in a Temperature of Over 100 Degrees. Memphis, Tenn., June 9 .- After reelecting General Clement A. Evans commander-is-chief over his vigorous but futile protest, and selecting Mobile, Ala., as the next place of reunion, the United Confederate Veterans adjourned their business meetings to-night on the heels of a very stormy session. The big feature of

ans, will be held to-morrow, and this parade will close the reunion of 1909. The only candidate for commander-in-chief placed in nomination was mander of the trans-Mississippi division. Just before nominations were in order, General Evans read an Malene Harrell, Sunbury; Leonidas announcement to the convention, in Herbin, Greensboro; Evelyn Jones, which he declined re-election. He which he declined re-election. said he had served in every capacity, ton; Edgar Wallace Knight, Rich from the lowest to the highest, and Square; Annie Lee Mann. West Durthat he felt that the highest honor in Rich from the lowest to the highest, and the veterans' gift should be passed ham; Richard Montgomery Norment, from one ex-Confederate to another

But the delegates disagreed with him and by a vote of 1,540 to 744 down his cheeks and shaking with emotion, the stately and aged sol-dier bowed to the commands of his comrades. His election followed one of the stormfest sessions of the vetwhich old-time delegates can recall.

After Mobile, Houston, Nashville, Chattanooga and Oklahoma City had been put in romination for the next reunion, some one began to introduce outside speakers. Sweltering in a temperature of over a hundred degrees, the veteran delegates objected strongly and yelled vigorously for a But the disorder was desultory.

### CONGRESSMAN HISSED.

Finally John W. Apperson, commander-in-chief of the United Sons Confederate Veterans, secured the oor and introduced Congressman T. Sisson, of Mississippi, as the spokesman of the sons. Nearly every sit down" and "vote" were insistent. Sisson was game, however, and won nounced that he wished to repeat his

"The principles you fought for Mr. J. H. Southgate announced that were right in '61 and are right to-You were not conquered you are not conquered now, and the are the millions of pensions the Federal government pays to the widows and orphans your valor made and the forty-six thousand graves in Arlington Cemetery which the Federal government decorates each 30th of May. As long as these monuments are perpetuated to your honor, you need

erect no others." Sisson's speech was received with mingled cheers and hisses, and many Confederates left the hall in disgust. Others crowded around him swamped him with congratulations.

LADY QUIETS ASSEMBLY. Meantime, Mrs. Moore Murdock, of Dallas, Tex., was endeavoring to be heard. She wanted to second the nomination of Houston, Tex., for the masculine voice and manner of desembly. The veterans listened in patience until she declared:

'We have lived as rebels, we are Then pandemonium broke loose. It was difficult to tell whether the majority favored her sentiments or opposed them. Cheers were mingled with cat-calls and hisses, and above reverberated the car-splitting rebel

GOVERNOR HASKELL SPEAKS. Several other speakers were introduced, but no one heard their names Haskell, of Oklahoma, was introduced. Even he had a stormy greethe tired out the crowd and made a diplomatic speech, inviting the convention to choose Oklahoma City for

the 1910 reunion.
"You will find Confederate veterans in most of the offices of the State, Mr. Kluttz is a member of the from Supreme Court judges to con-mittee on law of the national stable," he said, "and you will find as hearty a welcome as you will find

anywhere on God's earth. Immediately after the Governor's speech the vote for the next reunion city began. Every one picked Houston, Tex., as the winner, but Mobile, Ala., seemed to have conducted, a gum-shoe campaign and it soon became evident that the Alabama city had won. She polled 1,384 votes with Oklahoma City, Nashville and Chattanooga rewon, there was a scramble to get into

General Evans' re-election likewise an hour before, adjourned to the tune Charters were granted to-day for of "Dixie," the delegates cheering,

one another. weather to-night continues The frightfully hot and oppressive. Many division commanders declare that they will withdraw their commands from the parade rather than lives of their old soldiers in the deadly heat.

Twenty Hurled Into Burning Building. Halifax N. S., June 9 .- Twenty men were hurled into a burning building while fighting a fire this noon in the plant of the Nova Scotia Furnishing Company. The roof of one of the buildings, on which the men were standing, suddenly collapsed. One man, James Tynan, a fireman, was killed and seven were injured in the accident. The loss was only about tion to take place in the White House. \$6,000. All the injured, it is believ- President Taft will make a short ad-

EVANS IS AGAIN COMMANDER BAIN AND LIMERION FREE MEN.

Governor Kitchin Issues "Checks For Freedom" to W. H. Bain, of Wayne County, Convicted of Assault on His Wife, and to Vic Limerick, of Rutherford County, Convicted of Mapsinughter-Sentegce of Francis Sumner, of Buncombe County, is Lightened to the Extent of One Year—State Forester Ashe Resigns and is Succeeded by J. S. Holmes, of Henderson County.

Observer Bureau, The Holleman Building.

Raleigh, June 9. Governor Kitchin pardons W. H. Bain, of Wayne, convicted of assault with deadly weapon and sentenced to two years on the public roads. The prisoner while drunk shot his wife, plead guilty and was properly sent to the road. Having been in jail and on the roads over a year the people think he has reformed. His wife has no means to support herself and baby.

The Governor commutes the sentence of Francis Sunner, of Buncombe, convicted of manslaughter and sentenced to two years and eight months. There are strong petitions for and against pardon. many thinking he shot in self-defense and should have been acquitted, others that the sentence was too light. The prisoner is a much smaller man than the deceased was. While on a train the deceased without provocation applied to the prisoner a vile epithet. The conduct of the deceased after they had alighted from the train brought on a fight in which the deceased was the aggressor. After trial and sentence, while the prisoner was out on bail and white hunting, he lost two fingers and about half the palm of his left hand, which renders him unable to do hard manwhich

While in jail, after sentence, Sumner discovered a plot to escape on the part of some other prisoners and revealed it to the jailer, who thinks information saved his life or lives of some of the plot-The prisoner's ord has been exemplary. The Governor reduces the sentence year and eight months on condition of his prison record continuing good and that he thereafter remain a law-

abiding citizen. The Governor also pardons Vic Limerick, of Rutherford, convicted of manslaughter and sentenced to The reasons for four months in jail. the pardon are that the defendant at the time of the homicide was only 15 years old. He killed his friend and playmate with a shotgun while hunting. The deceased after the shooting said it was an accident. The hunting. jury asked for the mercy of the court.

Among to-day's visitors was Lieutenant Governor William C. Newland, of Lenoir, who came on private busi-

ONE CHARTER GRANTED. A charter is granted the Gold Hill phone Company. the capital stock being \$10,000.

The State geological board met to It is composed of Governor Kitchin, ex-officio; R. P. Caldwell. of Robeson; Mr. Vann, of Edenton; of Asheville: Frank Hewitt. MacRae, of Wilmington, and State Geologist Pratt.

State Forester W. S. Ashe has reigned, and re-entered the States forestry service, and J. Holmes becomes State forester. has been in the United States forestry service and is a native of Henderson county. He is regarded as extremely capable.

Superintendent J. J. Laughinghouse, of the penitentiary, is now at the farm near Weldon, where the fate flood in the Roanoke river "ias done some damage to bottom lands. Chief Justice Walter Clark vesterday ited his farm in that section and says the rains were excessively heavy. Work is to begin at once on the Church of the Good Shepherd. corner-stone was laid in March, 1899. The marble pillars, costing \$5,000, have been ordered. They come from Vermont and will be the largest and

finest in the State. There was a surprise wedding here to-day, the groom being Mr. William Wilson and the bride Mrs. Mary Strong Calvert. Mr. Wilson, a native of Caswell county, is the corporation lerk in the office of the Secretary of State. He is a popular and admirable official. The bride is a daughter of the late Judge George Strong, of Raleigh, and is an admirable woman. She has for some years been the court stenographer of Wake Rev. Dr. I. McK. Pittinger, rector of the Church of the Goed Shepherd, performed the ceremony.

### PROPOSED INLAND WATERWAY.

donal Committee, Representative Small Among the Number, to

Make a Tour of Investigation. Washington, June 9-For the purpose of investigating that portion between Baltimore and Philadelphia of the proposed inland waterway, extending along the Atlantic coast from Boston to Key West, a congressional committee, composed of Representatives J. Hampton Moore of Philadelphia, president of the Inland Deep Waterways' Association and Representatives Alexander and Cocks of New York, Small of North Carolina. and Loudenslager of New Jersey, will start from Baltimore to-morrow afternoon on a trip through the Chesapeake and Delaware cansi.

Representatives Alexander, Small and Cooks have just returned from a trip down the Chesapeake bay through the raute of the proposed inland canal from Norfolk to Beaufort, N. C. With was the board appointed by the chief of engineers to make a survey of the route.

Tar Heel Visitors at the National Capital. Observer Bureau Congress Hall Hotel,

Washington, June 9.
The following-named North Carolinians were here to-day: B. F. Keith, of Wilmington; A. E. Helton and M. D. Bailey, of Winston-Salem, and Baylus Cade, of Shelby, Representative Cowles called at the

White House to-day. Wright Brothers to Get Medals. Washington, June 9 .- To-morrow Wilbur and Orville Wright, the aerothe gold medals awarded them by the Aero Club of America, the presenta-

SEVERAL PARAGRAPHS PASS

Senate Adopts Finance Committee's Amendment Increasing the House Rate on Wool Top Waste and Other s From 20 Cents Per Pound to 30 Cents Per Pound-Gamble and Crawford Desert Ranks of So-Called Progressive Republican Warren Advocates a Generally Increased Duty and LaFollette & General Reduction-Dolliver Declares That There is a Rag Trust In Existence But Warren Makes a De-

Washington, June 9 .- The senatorial managers failed to realize their expectations of being able to dispose the woolen schedule at an early hour to-day, but instead were still engaged upon that schedule, when at 5:30 o'clock the Senate took its usual recess. Some progress was made. Several votes were obtained and thus a number of paragraphs were passed upon. Among these was the paragraph on top waste, etc., on which the committee amendment increased the House rate on wool top waste and other wastes from 20 cents a pound to 30 cents a pound, and which, on a division of the Senate, was adopted but their names are withheld for the by a vote of 40 to 30. This was a present. finance committee change and the committee scored its usual majority on this as on all other votes of the

with these exceptions, the ranks of vote was also obtained upon the com-mittee amendment increasing the duto 25 and that on tops from 18 to 20 cents, the committee prevailing in both cases.

Speeches were made during the day of it. Senators Warren and LaFollette, the former advocating, as on yesterday, a generally increased duty, while the latter contended, as on previous occasions, for a general reduction. The two Senators evgaged in a sharp controversy, during which Mr. LaFollette said that those in the Senate who believed with him had increased from nothing to a dozen. He said he expected further accretions from the

Probably the most interesting, if not the most important development of the day was a declaration by Senator Dolliver that a rag trust exists. The lows Senator declared such to be the case, but he was contradicted by Mr. Warren, who declared that if such a trust existed he would know about it and he added that he had no knowledge of it. At the beginning of the day's session a letter was read from ex-Governor Durbin, of Indiana, advising prompt action on the tariff bill.

?'r. LaFolette occupied the entire night session without concluding his speech. The genate adjourned at 10:25 p. m.

### INCOME TAX UP TO-DAY.

Proposition Will Be Discussed in Senate But Action Will Be Post-poned—No Chance For a Tax on Corporations as a Compromise-Democrats For Income Tax.

Washington June 9 .- A tax upon orporations, as a substitute for an income tax, does not appeal to the Senate. This was demonstrated today by a canvass of that body, It developed that practically the same Senators, who are opposed to the income tax, are also against the cor-poration tax. The income tax supporters decline to be sidetracked with

a corporation tax idea. President Taft wanted a two per cent tay placed on the dividends of corporations. Senator Aldrich agreed this at a conference with the President, provided the advocates of an income tax would withdraw that measure. The plan, however, was repudiated when presented to Senators Cummins and Borah, "the progressive" Republican leaders of the

income tax idea. The income tax proposition will me up to-morrow for a vote, but a motion will be made to postpone action and the indications are that practically all of the Republicans will support the postponement.

During the afternoon, some doubt was expressed in informal discussion of the corporation tax proposition as to whether President Taft favored a tax on dividends or a tax on the net earnings of corporations over \$100. 000. Both plans were discussed

Whichever idea is favored at the White House, it is said that no support could be found among the Senators who advocate the adoption of an amendment providing for a tax on

The indications are that the only form of compromise among the Republican Senators that can be adouted is the reference of the income tax amendment to the judiciary committee with instructions that there shall be reported early in the next session a measure which the committee believes will stand test in the Supreme Court as to its constitutionality Mr. Culberson, minority leader, in

statement to-night called attention to the Democratic attitude. "I have no doubt that all Democrats will support the income tax amendment and will insist upon prompt disposition of it to-morrow.'

### RAILWAY OFFICIAL SCHANGE.

R. W. Finistor, Agent at Durham, Be Trainmaster at Pinners Point and J. W. Roach Becomes Agent at Durham. Norfolk, Va., June 9 .- C. L. Cand-

r, agent of the Southern Railway at Atlanta, Ga., will succeed E. T. Lamb as general agent at Norfolk of the Southern Piedmont Air Line and Chesapeake Steamship Company, effective June 15, when Mr. Lamb becomes general manager of the Norfolk & Southern Railway. J. S. Bergeman, trainmaster, succeeds Mr. Lamb as superintendent of the Norfolk division of the Southern from Pinners Point to Danville, Va., and Selma, N. R. W. Finlator, agent at Durham, N. C. becomes trainmaster at Pinners Point, and J. W. Roach, agent at Durham. M. S. Hawkins becomes agent at Norfolk, and J. S. Parker assistant agent with headquarters at

#### Heads Class at West Point. West Point, N. Y., June 9 .- Stuart

Godfrey, of Milford, Muss., will be graduated from West Point at the head of his class next Friday, Among plane inventors, will be presented with the first fifteen members of the graduating class, who will enter the eneineer corns are: Francis C. Harrington, of Bristol, Va.; Herbert L. Tay-Gainesville, Fia., and Gilbert Van B. Wilkes, of Washington, Ky.

NEXT REUNION IN MOBILE TWO PARDONS GRANTED VOTES ON WOOL SCHEDULE THE BENBOW CHANGES HANDS. Popular Greensboro Hotel is Taken

Over by a Syndicate Composed of Lucal and Foreign Interests—The Price Said to Be in the Neighborhead of \$150,000-May Be Discontinued and an Office Building Erected on the Site.

Observer Bureau, The Bevill Building. Greensboro, June 9.

The biggest real estate deal ever onsummated in Greensboro closed to-day, when Mr. Charles D. Benbow sold to Mr. James F. Jordan the Benbow Hotel and the adjoining property on the west side of South Elm street, with a total frontage of over 250 feet. It is understood that the deal represents something like The most valuable part \$110,000. of the property sold for as much as

\$750 a front foot. Mr. Jordan, who represents a syndicate of several local gentlemen and foreign interests, has held an option on the property for the past month. Among the Greensboro gentlemen interested in the deal are Judge S. B. Adams and Messrs. W. R. Land and J. T. Pruden. The others concerned in the transaction are Northern men,

Further than that the transaction means the closing of the Busbow Hotel July 1, when the purchasers are to take charge of the property, it cannot Senators Gamble and Crawford de-serted the so-called progressives, but Mr. Benbow did not sell his steam heeting and lighting plants nor his that contingent remained unbroken. A hotel furniture and fixtures. There is a rumor that the five-story section of the property-that part occupied ty on shoddy from 20 cents per pound by the hotel-will be remodeled and converted into an office building, a big irdustrial corporation owning eccupying a portion building and

> The property is situated in the heart of the business section of the city, and when it became rumored several days ago that negotiations were in progress looking to a transfe of ownership, there was immediate activity in the real estate market here and several persons became bidders for the Benbow property. Mr. Benbow, who thus disposes of

large share of his real estate holdings in one transaction, has made no statement as to what line of business he will devote himself to in the future. He owns other valuable business property on South Elm street, tesides much suburban and rural property. He refuses to deny or confirm a rumor to the effect that he will convert the Benbow Arcade Building, opposite the Benbow Hotel, into a hotel.

# AT THE NATION'S CAPITAL.

The Most Important Happenings of a Day Briefly Summarized. Washington, June 9.-The most important happenings in the national

capital to-day were as follows: In the consideration of the woolen schedule of the tariff bill by the Senate, the finance committee won several victories, three of its amendments to increase the rates by the House on wool top and other wastes. on shoddy and on tops being adopted discovered a rag trust, which was denied by Senator Warren. Senators Warren and LaFollette were the prinipal speakers, the former speaking in favor of increased and the latter in favor of lower duties.

John Norris, chairman of the committee on paper of the American Newspaper Publishers' Association, addressed the finance committee in a plea for free wood pulp and lower du-

y on print paper. The Interstate Commerce Commission and the shippers and railroads interested in the Spokane rate to postpone until fall the hases of the case still in controversy. The congress of Roman Catholic missionaries began a three-day session at the Catholic University America.

### WILKINS JURY TIED UP.

Inable to Decide as to the Guilt or Innocence of the Alleged Goldsboro "Black Hand"—Wilkins a Physical and Mental Wreck From "Dope." Observer Bureau,

The Holleman Building. Raleigh, June 9. The Federal Court has a "hopelessiy fivided" jury in the case of Charles Wilkins, of Goldsborp, charged with writing

wo "Black Hand" letters to J. E. Cole prosperous merchant of Goldsboro, and threatening to blow up Cole, his store and family if \$100 was not forthcoming. Wilkins admitted writing the letters but his counsel, Aycock and Winston made fight for him on the ground that he was so addleted to the opium habit that his will-power and power of discriminating between right and wrong were destroyed. There was evidence that he took as much as one and a half ounces of the drug each day, with consequent physical and mental wreckage; that he read constantly novels of the "Black Hand" and Jesse James sort.

Wilkins' wife and two children attended the triat. His wife was an important witness in his behalf. He testified that under influence of a drug, he often saw "green alligators with yellow heads. The prisoner is clearly a mental and physical wreck from "dope" and the jury is divided as to the degree of responsi ility for his conduct.

### ROBBED MAIL BOXES.

Police of Boston Believe They Have Uncarthed a Gang, Which Has Been at Work Some Time. Boston, June 9 .- In the arrest to

day of Edward C. Dano, who is charged with robbing a private mail box and the raid of the alleged opium resort, the police claim to have unearthed a gang they believe to have been concerned in robbing mail boxes in Boston and New York since May. In an investigation of the premises where Dano resided, Postoffice Inspector Jennings discovered mail matter, which had been opened with checks drawn upon many concerns, including the Enterprise National Bank, of Charleston, S. C.

Norris Before Senate Committee. Washington, June 9 .- John Norris,

chairman of the committee on paper of the American Newspaper Publishers' Association, was heard to-day by the Senate committee on finance in support of free wood pulp and lower duty on print paper. He spoke for nearly an hour, the burden of his argument being that paper can be procured as cheaply by American mills as by Canadian mills. No action taken by the committee beyond listening to Mr. Norris' argument.

### LIQUOR EXPERTS PUZZEED

PRICE FIVE CENTS.

LAWYER SPRINGS UNIQUE TEST

Colonel Felder Puts to Rout the E pert Liquor Men With a Mysterious and Apparently Test on Liquors Furnished the Dispensaries of the State—The \$10.50 Grade is Shown Up as a Mixture of Coloring Mat-ter, Cologne Spirits and Extract of Rye—Manager of the New York and Kentucky Company Brands the Test a Humbug—Lawyer Says Proof of Its Genuineness Will Be Forth-

Observer Bureau 1230 Berkeley Building. Columbia, S. C., June

The dispensary investigation was unusually entertaining to-day. A new test of whiskey made by the prosecution, and which was apparently a real puzzle to the experts present, separated the contituent parts of the liquor, and applied to Hunter's Baltimore rye, selling now to the dispensaries at \$10,50 a case, showed it to be made of coloring matter, cologne spirits and extract of tye, worth according to the experts less than \$1 a. case. The test applied to whiskey bot-

tled in bond showed pure whiskey. Another interesting revelation was that hig orders for liquor signed by Directors John Black and J. B. Wylle, and M. H. Mobiey as clerk, were delivered in person by Jim Farnum, who demanded the commissions on them.

This new test, which Colonel Felder applied to a bottle of Frunter's Baltin rye, made by the Lanahan people, and which is still being sold to the county boards throughout the State, is a coloress fluid, which Coionel Felder was explained to and furnished him by a whiskey expert. It does its work perfectly in about two minutes after being poured into the tube containing the liquor and shaken a bit. The test was applied to a bottle of Hunter's, which Colonel Felder said he bought in a South Carolina dispensary under the name of John Smith Chairman Murray, who is a wholesale druggist, was much interested, as were all the other members of the comm and the liquor men present.

ONLY ONE TEST KNOWN. Manager Curiel, of the New York and Kentucky Company, who was on the stand at the time, and who has been in the wholesale business for many years, selling Duffy's mait, among some 300 other brands all over the country, testifled just befere Colonel Felder came forward with his trick, that there was no test known to the trade whereby liquor could be separated into its constituent parts, except a chemical test, which reveuled nothing of importance. The same test applied to a bottle of

Green River, which is a bottled-in-bond whiskey, showed no such separation. This led Colonel Felder to tell how his experience and investigations had satisfied him as to how the ordinary "Fuss X" liquor sold in dispensaries is made. One hundred and eighty proof alcohol im reduced by the addition of an equal amount of water, a half pint to the barrel of what is known as extract of corn is added, and to lage it a ball of potash (concentrated lye) is added to make it one

ried, as a sixth ball produces instant death. Mr. Curiet wanted a bottle of the new concoction to take home and make some ests with, and Mr. Felder told him that before he got through with him he would prove that his pure whiskies sold to the State were of similar make-up as the

year old, two balls to make it two years

old, five balls to make it five years old. This is as high as the age can be car-

Baltimore stuff. In this connection Colonel Felder in a relaxation period of the investigation told the commission a good story about an old toper at a temperance lecture. The lecturer had demonstrated to the audience the effect of whiskey on meat by pouring some whiskey on a strip of meat in a tube. Instantly the meat turned green and gave off green streaked clouds. The toper asked permission to examine the tube and when he had done so

through his glasses, asked the lecturer: "Do you mean to tell me that liquor has that effect on meat in the human stomach 7"

"I do sir, absolutely." "In that case I will eat no more meat." SAYS TEST IS A HUMBUG. Mr. Felder's test afterward applied to

he New York and Kentucky Company's Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey, which is now selling from the Charleston dispensaries and which is selling elsewhere over the ecountry and advertised in the religious papers as a medicine to make people live 100 years, showed the same result when applied to the Hunter's, Mr. Curiel promptly said he belied the test a humbug. Mr. Pelder then teased him a bit about having saked for the test and then told him he would have the pert who furnished the test later take the stand and prove the test an absojutely infallible one, recognized as such both by the whiskey trust and the Federal government.

This was followed by a number of cita tions from the New York and Kentucky Company's books to prove that the com pany had sold liquor it get \$10.50 to \$13 case elsewhere over the country from \$9 to \$10 a case, this to show that the company was selling at the higher price here in order to be able to pay the commissions.

## CANADIAN CANAL BROKEN.

Lock Wrecked by Steamer Ramming Her Bow Through Lower Gate Loss to Canadian Government Will Reach \$250,000. Sault Ste Marie, Mich., June 9 .--

With all the weight of Lake Superior behind it, an enormous torrent water rushes to-night through four million dollar Canadian canal. The lock was wrecked to-day when the steamer Perry G. Walker, rammed her bow through the lower gate. The canal, encased within its walls this evening, was a tremendous spectacle including the water-falls and a

giant whirlpool. The upper gates were open when the Walker crushed open the lower gates and the tremendous power of the rapids was given instant play. The big steamer Assiniboia moored within the lock chamber, She rammed the Walker from her path, the Assinibola's port anchor ripping a hole in the Walker's side.

The Assinibola swept into the open

reaches of the river below. Her cargo shifted and this gave her a comsiderable list, and several plates on her port side, forward of amidships, were loosened. The loss to the Canadian govern ment will probably reach \$250,000; and the damage to the Crescent City

is estimated at \$100,000.

Wets Carry Ohio County.

Pittsburg, June 9 .- A telephone report received here to-night from Youngstown, Ohio, where an im ant local option election was held today, says that with eight precincts in was the city and county yet to from, the "wets" have a majority of