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ASHEVILLE, N. C., SATURDAY AFTERNOON, MARCH 5, 1910.

An Acre of Corn That Yielded 226 2-3 Bushels

This is the corn that Batts grew. His prize were yield has interested the people of an entire continent. J. F. Batts' farm is at Garner, in Wake

Mayor Issues Order Against Proposed Mass Meeting-Esti-

mates of Number on Strike Run from 20,000 to

75,000 Negro Policemen Sent to Protect Em-

Only White Protectors Wanted.

DIRLADELPHIA, March 5.—The in charge of the strike has taken as

win the fight of the trolley-

When the end will

men for recognition of their union, is

The great majority of men in occu-

Aside from the tie-up of business

the authorities fear the thronging of

The great meeting of organized la-

or called for this afternoon has been

prohibited by the mayor's proclama-

tion. The big strike his made thousands apprehensive of trouble, and

they are not risking personal injury

by riding on the cars. The Rapid

not carrying many passengers.

The number of men on strike can-

by this will be known definitely to-

with find the city practically tied up.

From 20,000 to 75,000.

Director of Public Safety Clay says

not more than 20,000 walked out. The

oly claim the strike leaders make is

City officials say such great plants as the Baldwin's, Camp's, Midvale Steel Works, Brill's Car Works, and

other large industrial establishments

These plants, however, are open sop concerns. The committee of ten

.. To Prevent Real Suffering.

hat 75,000 workers are out.

are not crippled

orrow or Monday.

Lewis Hyder, an insane man of that 20,000 in the textile industry alone have walked out.

be ascertained. Labor leaders

Workers in unorganized in-

ber union men. The strike is confin-ed largely to the textile industry and building trades. The claim is made Promptly at midn

streets and consequent disorder.

pations affected by the general strike

come is problematical.

last night.

ployes Cause of First Disorder of the Day-

general sympathetic strike, the tion calculated to prevent real suf-supreme affort of organized to the general public

fering to the general public.

izations about \$7 a week.

with monkey wrenches.

welcomed as protectors.

started for their homes.

service was badly crippled.

ssion at their headquarters all last

night receiving reports from the vari-

Rioting which began in the north-

eastern districts is thought to be a

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forerunner of more serious trouble to

morrow when thousands of idle me

In strike benefits the men will re

ceive from national and local organ-

First Serious Disorder.

occurred when ball a dozen pegro po

that only white policemen would be

Labor Is Encouraged.

er house to protect employes.

The first serious disorder of the day

county. On the acre field pictured above there were about 19,000 stalks, and they produced 226 2-3 bushels.

3c PER COPY

Indiana 'an Wrote President in Behavior eridge and

Aldrich.

NOT MAKING TROUBLE

But President Man Thinks Indiana Ma Should Have Stood by Aldrich and Cannon in Tariff

Indianapolis, March 5 .- Lucius B. Swift, who reeclved a letter from President Taft, refused again to give of the Wellington disaster out any part of it for publication, but discussion of the subject has brought tendent O'Neill. Great tree out the fact that the letter of Mr. Swift, to which the president's was a reply, was dictated by a desire to help Senator Beveridge and by the belief that the reiterated utterances of the president in praise of the Payne-Aldich tariff bill is making it harder for the senator in his campaign for reelection. These friends are conversant with a part only of President Taft's letter, but they say that Swift failed signally in his object, and instead of getting sympathy for the insurgent cause he got praise for the men who stood pat in the house and senate.

claimed any intent of making trouble for Senator Beverldge, but there was very clear intimation in his letter that Beveridge ought to have sup-ported the bill. He is said to have referred in complimentary terms to the Indiana senstor, and then to have spoken of those who supported the measure in the highest terms of approval, and in this connection referre to Speaker Cannon and Senator Aldrich and said it could only be through mity on party measures that the renext congress.

It is denied that the president intimated that the party might find itself in a minority in the next national house of representatives. His references to party defeat were general is averred, that there was any dan-

ger of losing congress this year.

Mr. Swift would be willing to give out the letter if he had the president's permission, but he will not ask it, and if the letter appears in print it must be at the instance of the president

322 BANKS DOING BUSINESS IN N. C.

An Increase During the Year of 11-Total Resources of \$57,-383,689.

Raieigh, March 5.—That there are 222 banks doing business under the supervision of the North Carolina corporation commission, having \$57,-282,689 aggregate resources, compared with 311 banks a year ago, with \$48,954,015 aggregate resources, is a showing in the summary of condition of banks at the close of business Jan-uary 21, issued by the corporation commission. Some notable items present status of the banks. Aggresate capitals, \$7,852,527; surplus, \$1,927,527; undivided profits, \$682,-239; time certificates of deposit, \$6.-203,887; deposits subject to checks. \$26,805,063; demand certificates of deposit, \$2,686,656; savings deposits. \$5,710,640.

improbable the United States will intervene in Nicaragua affairs, or offer to mediate between the two contending factions without request from both parties.

ciety.

These embrace geographic societies at Washington, London, Paris, Rome, Berlin, Antwerp, Brussels, Vienns, Dresden and Geneva.

DYNAMITE THREATS SENT CONGRESSME

They Are Warned by Letters from Chicago to "Get Busy

for the People."

Washington, March 5,teutions, postmarked Chicago, touching upon the high cost of living, charging congress with responsibility and threatwere received at the

FOR MR. BEVERIDGE for the people," some of the

48 Bodies Recovered

It Will Be a Month Before All Can Be Taken from Under Snow at Wellington, Wash

will not be recovered for month, according to Superintrunks carried down by the snow are entangled with the wreckage of cars and other equipment. This makes difrult the recovery of bodies. Danger of a second slide is

There still remain 33

Not Making Trouble. The president is said to have dis-

Under Amendment to the New Bill ings in Competing Corporations.

and predicated on differences over corporations, under an amendment to party measures, but he did not say, it the administration bill, agreed to by the house interstate commerce committee today.

> The Cummins amendment to the ostal savings bank bill, confining "To times of war," the investment of posta bank funds in government securities, was defeated in the senate by a vote

REPORTED COAL MERGER

to Report, Is to Be Controlled by One Concern.

Cincinnati., March 5,-Partial confirmation of the reported merger of coal mines in the New River district of West Virginia, by which 84 mines with an output of \$,000,000 tons will be controlled by a single agency at Washington, D. C., was obtained to-

be backing the deal.

Leading Scientific Societies of Ten Governments Accord to Peary This Honor.

Washington, March 5.—Formal recognition of Robert E. Peary as the disties here will ask the court to allow Hyder to be placed in the crimina Will Not Volunteer to Interfere.

Washington, March 5.—State department officials intimate that it is improbable the United State St STRODE BILL DEFEATED

Sumatra Tobacco Co. Have Effected a Merger

Pensacola, Pla., March 5.—A merg-er of all the Sumstra tobacco compa-ples in Florida has been effected, ac-cording to information received from

Formal Demand Is Made - For Increase in Wages

capitol yesterday.

"Dynamite will be your portion if you do not get busy letters say.

Wellington, Wash., March -All bodies of the victims

iminent. Thus far only 48 bodies have been rec bodies of passengers, railroad men, and an unascertained number of laborers, to be

GENERAL SYMPATHETIC STRIKE IN FULL SWING IN PHILADELPHIA

Express Co. Will not Be Required to

Open Uptown Office-Postal

Will Open Monday.

The corporation commission has de-

press company in reference to the de-

and of the town for an up-town ex

press office. The news was received in

eigh. The commissioners, however, decided that the Southern Railroad

must improve the surroundings at the depot. It is now reported that the

grounds will be comented in the near

uture. This will be a great improve-

nent and convenience for the travel-

totally destroyed by fire yesterday morning about 3 o'clock. Mr. Phillips was in Asheville at the time. The ause of the fire has not yet been decays of the fire has not yet been decays.

termined but it is thought by some to

have been incendiary. The building was owned by George Leverett.

The Postal Telegraph company will

open its o ce Monday morning for business. D. J. Hill, the district fore-

weeks arranging the handsome quar

Alma King of Winston-Salem, who is to be managing operator, is in the

town setting ready to take charge of her duties Monday.

the State hospital twice, is now in the county jail after a lively chase given

him several days ago by the officers before being captured. The authori-

department of the State hospital, so that he may be kept securely.

Movement for the Present, It is Uaid.

Richmond, Merch 5.—Hy a vote of 26 to 12, the Virginia scoate restorous defeated the Strode bill providing for a popular vote on the question of

popular vote on the tast tate-wide prohibition. It was understood to be the death nell of the state-wide prohibition notwhent so far as is concerned the greatest assem-

ers in the Hustler bullding.

ie home of W. H. Phillips was

ing public.

message to the Hustler from Ral-

Gazette-News Bureau.

Hotel Gates.

Hendersonville, March 5.

They Are Forbidden to Have Hold-

ransportation lines are brought un der the inhibition against corporations acquiring interests in capital stock, o the purchase or lease of competing

Cummins Amendment.

Eighty-Four Mines' Output, According

The Guggenheim interest is mid to

AS DISCOVERER OF THE POLE

BY VOTE OF 26 TO 13 Probably Fifty Killed By Another Snowslide

Avalanche Descends on Body of Workmen Clearing Snow, from Tracks of Canadian Pacific, Carrying Them to Death in the Canyon Below.

Vancouver, H. C., March 5.—In a a rotary engine, when the larger slide came down, carrying them to their death in the canyon below.

At first it was believed all the 100 men were killed, but later it was found that many escaped, and now telling were weracter. More than talk was departed.

The men were it were character period of the worst ever experienced in this section of the locky.

State Senator Travis, A. P. Kitchin and C. W. Dunn, Are Shot Down by

E. E. Powell.

Scotland Neck, N. C., March 5 .-Conditions have quieted down today, after the high excitement following the shooting yesterday, on the main tilled and properly fertilized. cided in favor of the Southern Ex- the order went into effect at midnight licemen was sent to the traction powthoroughfare, of State Senator Travis, The Assemblyman Kitchin, brother of Gov. employes resented the presence of the negro officers, and Kitchin, and Chief of Police Dunn, by thousands of idle persons on the made a concerted attack upon them E. E. Powell, a merchant. The injured men are resting well. While it The police retired in bad order, Emcannot be stated they will recover, the ployes telephoned police headquarters indications are that their wounds will not result fatally. The escape of each from death was remarkable, as they were shot at close range. Congress-man Kitchin, also brother of the as-National guard officials are keeping semblyman, arrived today from Wash-Transit company has nearly 1000 cars any call in the event of further dis-in operation today, but the cars are order. lagton, and is at his brother's bedside It is declared there existed no cause

for the shooting, State Senator E. I., Travis and Rep-Encouraged by messages of sympa resentative A P. Kitchin, brother of Governor W. W. Kitchin and Conthy and offers of assistance from la bor organizations in all parts of the gressman Claude Kitchin of the Sec-Labor leaders assert that by tonight country, the union workers of many ond North Carolina district, and Dep-uty Sheriff C. W. Dunn, all of Halifax ousands more employes will lay trades ceased work last night and in down their tools and that Monday augurated what promises to be one county, were shot down on the main of the greatest sympathetic strikes The tie-up now appears less com-elete than sanguine labor leaders pre-ganized labor. The committee of ter street of the town yesterday afternoon by E. E. Powell, a wealthy and promi-

say at least 75,000 organized workers nent citizen. dustries in Philadelphia far outnum- as well as many unorganized sympa-Details of the shooting are meager. According to the best information thizers of the street car men have alobtainable Powell met his three vic-Promptly at midnight union orchestims walking along the street to-tras playing in the leading hotels and sether. He approached Senator Travcafes picked up their instruments and is and asked him his reason for not replying to a letter he had written Representative Kitchin, think-Union cab drivers and chauffeurs him. also abandoned their posts and the hotel and railroad cab and automobile placed his hand gently on his should placed his hand gently on his should-

r and uttered words intended to The committee of ten remained in Without further words Powell drew pistol and shot Kitchin down and in quick succession fired on Travis and Dunn, both victims falling to the PINCHOT HAS CONCLUDED ground. Powell then walked to his store and securing a shotgun barri-caded himself, resisting arrest. No effort was made to arrest him and surrendered to an officer and was tak

en to the county jail at Halifax.

The builet which struck Kitchin a eye and was later taken out below the ear by surgeons. The ball which laid Travis low knocked out several teeth and split his tongue. Dunn was hit below the left shoulder blade, the builet ranging upward.

The nature of the letter over which the travely extends to the letter over which

the nature of the letter over which the tragedy centers cannot be learned, as Powell refuses to talk. Both Travis and Kitchin are among the most prominent citizens of the state and Powell is a wealthy property owner. The shooting has astonished eastern North Carolina.

Mr. Talt Accepts.

Washington, March i Presider Fait has spectified an invitation to ad-dress the Presbyterian General Assem-bly in Atlantic City, May 22.

Brevard Business Men Have Subscribed Over \$250 for Prizes in the County Corn Contest.

MERCHANTS' ASSOCATION HEADS LIST, WITH \$130

The Translation

Later Later Sum Raised in a Few Days, and Much More May Be Added Be-

> fore Canvass Closes.

Gazette-News Bureau The Franklin. Brevard, March 5.

Transylvania has suddenly leaped into the front rank among the counties in the corn growing movement, This county may soon take first place in the amount of money offered for

culation here. The Sylvan Valley News has called attention from time to time, to the importance of the demonstration work, but there had been no sign of popular interest in all these weeks since The Gazette-News published the preliminary announcenents as to corn contests.

But the leaven was working. This became manifest a few days ago, and within the past week business men of Brevard have created a subscription fund of \$257.50 to be offered for The canvass is not yet coin pleted, and no one knows what the outcome will be. Indications are that a fund larger than that at present raised in any other western county will be subscribed. The magnificent subscription of \$130 came from one organization—the Retail Merchants'

The News says in its laste

AT SCOTLAND NECK terday:
"On Saturday March 12 there will a mass meeting of Transylvania a mass meeting of Transylvania. rmers at Brevard court house

"This meeting is called in the interest of the corn growing contest, and all matters relating thereto will be discussed, judges selected and rules adopted to govern contestants. It is hoped that all sections of the county will be represented, and that farmers all over the county will enter and strive for the prizes. Nobody in this county knows how much corn can be grown on an acre of mountain land and they will never know unless the

"We believe that every man who enters the contest will get big pay in increased yield, for every hour time and every dollar's worth of fertilizer he puts on the acre, and the essons he will learn will be worth all it costs him.

"In order to make this effort a s cess there should be as many entries as possible. Every farmer should have an opportunity to watch an acre that is entered for a prize-either his own acre or a neighbor's, as keeping in touch with the growing crops will teach many valuable lessons.

"Farmers, come out to the mass meeting. Take an interest in this contest, as it is for your benefit that it is inaugurated. You are the ones that will profit by the contest, and you must make the rules to govern each contestant. You are the only ones that can win the prizes and unless you strive for them the contest will be of little value to any one."

In one corner of Transylvania coun-

ty there is a state experimental farm, Some of the farmers have studied the workings of this farm and have gained better knowledge in the cultivation of corn. Other farmers are reading closely the agricultural articles and are resolving to do some experimental Brevard merchants realize that the

advance of the farmer means prosperity of the community.

RECITAL OF TESTIMONY

It is Expected Secretary Ballinger Will Take the Stand This Af-

Washington. Pinchot concluded his testimony fore the congressional committee inquiry today, by staing anewhe had practically no persumbed of matters of which hetestified.