

SURVEY OF STATE FROM THE CAPITAL

Superintendent Joyner Returns from Inspection of Schools in Several States and Canada.

NINE PARDONS ARE GRANTED CONVICTS BY GOV. KITCHIN

People in State Cautioned About Fires by Commissioner—Other State Items of Interest.

Gazette-News Bureau, Chamber of Commerce Rooms, Holleman Building.
Raleigh, Nov. 28.—State Superintendent of Public Instruction J. Y. Joyner is just back from a ten days' tour with other superintendents of public schools in the southern states through Indiana, Ohio, Maryland, and up into Canada, making a special study of model schools illustrating the benefits of centralization and consolidation. The run into Canada was especially to make a study of the agricultural extension work in connection with the great agricultural college at Guelph, Canada. The party also stopped with much profit at Hampton Institute, Va., to make a study of the agricultural and industrial work being done there for the negroes. Dr. Joyner says it was a most profitable and delightful trip, affording opportunity to study at first hand some of the best schools of the sort to be found in the whole country and will go far toward helping the superintendent to work out problems in their respective states improving the rural schools and placing within reach of country boys and girls better educational facilities of the sort most adapted to their needs.
The municipal and commercial bodies of Raleigh are adopting resolutions calling on the United States government to establish and maintain an adequate improved driveway from the city out to the National cemetery, one mile from the corporate limits. Special effort is to be made to get a bill for this through the next congress.

Nine Pardons Granted.
Nine pardons and commutations have just been granted by Governor Kitchin for convicts serving sentences ranging from one to 30 years. George Jay, Wilson county, is pardoned or other committed from 30 to 10 years from December, 1902. Nelson Stamey of Rutherford county, serving five years from April, 1909, for manslaughter, gets commutation to three years. James Branch, McDowell county, serving nine years for highway robbery, is pardoned. Ernest Allen, Surry county, serving one year for selling liquor, pardoned at the request of the judge and solicitor. C. W. Nash, Anson county, serving six months for trespass, pardoned. Tom Thacker, Rockingham county, serving 18 months for selling whiskey, pardoned at the request of court officers and others.
People Cautioned About Fires.
In a statement just issued to the people of the State Commissioner of Insurance James R. Young calls on every citizen having stove and flue connections for heating buildings to have them examined at once by some competent person or else do it himself. He says that a unusually large number of reports of fires are coming in from every part of the state and that he is convinced that many of these fires are due to defective flues and stove pipes.

Reward Offered for Birchfield.
Governor Kitchin announces a reward of \$150 for Alden Birchfield, wanted in Haywood county, for the murder of Larkin Cagle, October 10. The fugitive is a young white man, 23 years old, weighing about 120 pounds, and having his left arm paralyzed.

Ministers' Gymnasium Class.
The ministers' gymnasium class will meet tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock sharp at the Y. M. C. A. All the new ministers are invited to join this class. The regular meeting time is 10:30 a. m. on Tuesdays and Fridays. The meeting tomorrow is changed to 11 so that the members can remain for luncheon at the Y. M. C. A. at 1 o'clock. All the old and new ministers of the city are cordially invited to this luncheon that they may become acquainted with each other. Any visiting ministers in the city are also invited. Such will please phone to 739 whether they can be present.

Wendling Arraigned, Charged with Murder.
Louisville, Ky., Nov. 28.—Joseph Wendling was brought before Judge Gregory this morning to answer the charge of murdering Alma Kellner in of an upper bedroom while walking December 19, 1909. Wendling, church janitor, is charged with assaulting the girl who went to mass, then hid her body in basin.

Chicago, Nov. 28.—Twenty firemen, unconscious from smoke, were rescued by their comrades at a fire which destroyed the Lewis Merchandise store, loss to \$150,000.

COURT DIDN'T PASS ON MERITS OF CASE

Dismissed "Gerrymander" Case for Want of Jurisdiction—Kentucky Case Ends.

Washington, Nov. 28.—Leaving to one side the question whether or not states may "gerrymander" their territory for congressional districting purposes, independent of limitations by congress, the United States Supreme court today dismissed for want of jurisdiction the appeal from an attack on an alleged "gerrymander" in Kentucky.
The court held that it was without jurisdiction because the case concerned the congressional election of 1908 and the case raised only a moot question. Judicial proceedings were begun by the republicans in Kentucky in 1907 to test the alleged "gerrymander" of the state for congressional purposes.

PARLIAMENT HAS BEEN DISSOLVED

Liberals Will Go Before Country on Prerogatives of the House of Lords.

London, Nov. 28.—The second parliament which met February 15, was dissolved today in pursuance of the program of the liberal government to go before the country on the question of prerogatives of the House of Lords. The king's speech was notable for brevity. His speech sounded a note of regret that opposing party leaders had failed to agree in conference over reformation of the upper chamber.

NOCK, NATIONAL BANK AUDITOR, FOUND SHORT

Arrested in Detroit; Wanted at Newport News—Short Between \$8000 and \$9000.

Detroit, Mich., Nov. 28.—Milton R. Nock, aged 27, bank auditor, was arrested in Detroit on a warrant from Newport News, Va., charging violation of national banking laws.
Advices from Newport News state that Nock is short between \$8000 and \$9000 in his accounts with the First National where he was employed until a year ago. Nock lived here with his wife when arrested.

TWENTY-THREE BODIES HAVE BEEN RECOVERED

Newark, N. J., Nov. 28.—A careful revision of the list of casualties in the factory fire disaster here Saturday showed that 23 young women lost their lives in the disaster.
A search of the ruins revealed no more bodies. Nineteen other persons were injured.
All Newark mourned today; flags were half-masted on private and public buildings and signs of grief were everywhere displayed.

Battling Nelson Knocked Out

San Francisco, Nov. 28.—Battling Nelson of Hegewisch (Chicago) Illinois, will no longer menace the lightweight belt. For the first time in his fighting career the "Durable Dane," a shell of the once great pugilist, was knocked out Saturday beyond all dispute. Owen Moran, from Birmingham, England, did the feat.
Moran knocked Nelson out in the eleventh round of a scheduled 30-round event, his victory being clean and leaving no room for argument as to his complete mastery over the one time champion.

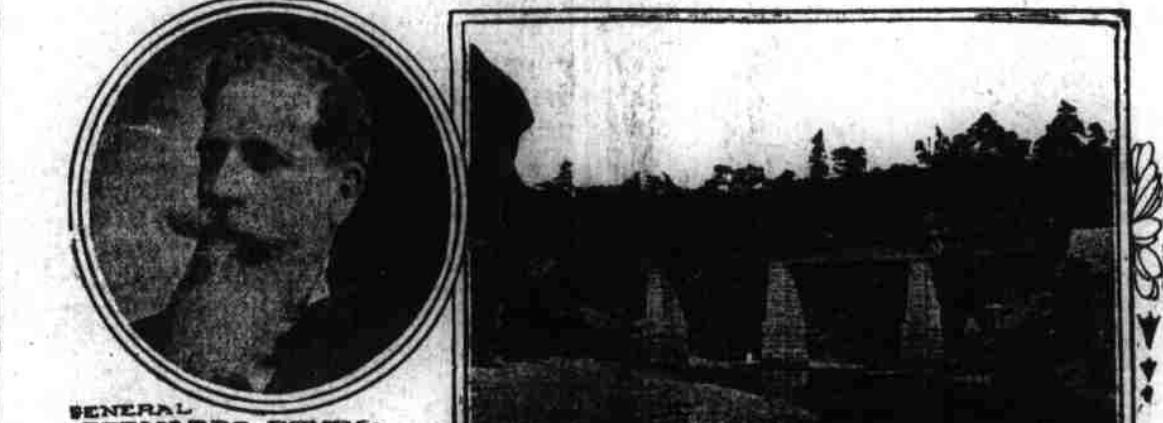
Joe Turner Wants to Wrestle Drake

Joe Turner, who is known to the wrestling world as "Young Hackenschmidt," was in Asheville today passing en route to Chattanooga. Hackenschmidt is looking for another match with John Drake of Asheville. He says that he is willing to wrestle Drake here, in Charlotte or any place; that each man put up a sidebet to be agreed upon and that the match will be on to a finish. Drake and Hackenschmidt have met before. Drake won a match and Hackenschmidt won a match and now it is proposed to wrestle on the 11. It was not learned this afternoon whether the match had been arranged.

Cotton Merchants' Books in Hands of Accountant

Liverpool, Nov. 28.—Forwood, Camp & Co., cotton merchants, have placed their books in the hands of a public accountant.

REVOLUTIONISTS ARE ROUTED BY FEDERALS



WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—The entire republic of Mexico, excepting the state of Chihuahua, is quiet, according to a telegram received by the state department from American Ambassador Wilson at Mexico City. The revolutionary party seems most active in the remote districts of Chihuahua. The Mexican government, Wilson says, is adopting energetic measures to suppress outbreaks.

All Quiet Today.
El Paso, Texas, Nov. 28.—A message from Chihuahua City says that all is quiet following the fighting of yesterday. The fight was six miles west of Chihuahua. Twenty revolutionists were killed.
Revolutionists Routed.
Chihuahua Mex., Nov. 28.—In an engagement near this city which lasted from 9 o'clock in the morning until 2 in the afternoon Sunday, 600 federal troops routed a force of 400 Maderistas, driving them repeatedly from strong positions and compelling them to take to the wooded mountains. The revolutionists lost 15 killed and many wounded. There were no fatalities on the federal side, but several including three officers, were wounded.
General Navarro was in command of the federal forces.
He left Chihuahua at 5 o'clock yesterday morning at the head of four companies of the second battalion and two squads of cavalry from the thirteenth regiment. Near Fresno, twelve miles out, one of the squads of cavalry fell behind to guard the road. They were ambushed by the rebels, who opened fire from hills on both sides of the road.
Captain Florentino Garcia with 50 troopers drove the enemy from their position.

Rebels Dislodged.
Captain Garcia waited for a portion of the forces who had gone forward to reinforce him before pursuing the insurgents. Meanwhile, the latter took position on another hill a short distance away and prepared to resist an attack.
Within half an hour General Navarro reached the scene with his infantry and opened fire. Again the rebels retreated, only to seek a new position from which they were again dislodged.
They made a determined stand behind a stone wall. The firing was heavy and here most of the loss of life occurred.
Finally the rebels broke for the mountain, pursued by the infantry for three miles. The cavalry did not join in the pursuit because of the rough country.
Behind the wall the bodies of fifteen rebels were found and ten dead horses.
The federals abandoned the pursuit to make camp and care for their wounded. Several of the most seriously injured were sent here for treatment.
Artillery and cavalry left late last night, it was said, making a detour to intercept the rebels.
All Quiet in Northern Part.
Laredo, Texas, Nov. 28.—Sunday was a day of tranquillity in northern Mexico, according to official advices received by General Villar commander of the frontier forces of the Mexican army. Detachments stationed at different points between Matamoros and Ciudad Portillo sent dispatches early tonight and all were of the same tenor, that practically normal conditions prevailed. Similar statements were received from the detail of troops stationed along the border on the American side of the Rio Grande. General fear of a formidable uprising in the southern republic seems to be dissipated.
Captain Hagadora of the United States army, commander of Fort McIntosh, reported everything quiet at Minera, Texas. He confirmed the Associated Press dispatch that evidence had been found at that town of the presence of armed revolutionists, but explained that they had disappeared, either having made their way into Mexico or hidden in the brush. The captain further vouchsafed the information that his soldiers had come upon a box which had contained a large amount of ammunition and which bore a Laredo mark.
If present plans are carried out company A of the 23rd infantry stationed at Minera will be ordered back to Fort McIntosh on Wednesday.

Government Seeks Dissolution of American Sugar Refining Co.

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—The federal government began one of its most important actions against a great corporation said to have violated the Sherman anti-trust law. Henry A. Wise, U. S. district attorney, filed in Federal court, a petition asking for the dissolution of the American Sugar Refining company and 29 other corporations which comprise the so-called sugar trust. The petition charges illegal combination in restraint of trade, and asks from the court relief in whatever form may be necessary, including receivership. It deemed advisable.
Thirty companies composing the sugar combine have an aggregate capitalization of \$230,000,000 and control a large percentage of the output of sugar in this country. The combine is able, the government alleges, to fix prices arbitrarily. The petition charges that the companies have violated the law, and oppressed competitors. Railroad rebates and customs frauds are mentioned as some of its devices. The suit is expected to rank in importance with those of the government against the Standard Oil company and the American Tobacco company now pending in the Supreme court.

WILL TAKE TESTIMONY IN CRAGGY LUMBER CASE

W. D. Turner of Statesville Appointed Special Master—Will Determine Amount of Claims.

Judge J. E. Boyd heard certain phases of the Craggy Lumber company bankruptcy case at Greensboro Saturday and at the end of the hearing appointed W. D. Turner of Statesville as special master in the case to determine the amount of the secured and unsecured claims against the company and also to determine the value of the assets of the company. The special master is to hold a hearing here December 1 when testimony is to be taken. He will make his report to Judge Boyd at Greensboro December 12, drawing conclusions as to facts and the law.

Hearing Resumed.

Yazoo City, Miss., Nov. 28.—The trial of L. C. Dulany, charged with giving a bribe to Senator Bilbo to influence his vote in choosing a senatorial candidate, was resumed today.
Argument continued on the question whether the state can show a general conspiracy to influence legislators or not confine the inquiry to the alleged transaction between Bilbo and Dulany.

Explosion in Asphalt Mine.

Durant, Okla., Nov. 28.—An explosion occurred in the Jumbo asphalt mine, near Antlers, Okla., this morning. It is reported several miners are slain.

DISTURBANCE OVER W.N.C. MOVING NORTHEASTWARD

Winds Shifting to High Northwest on South Atlantic Coast—Storm Signals Displayed.

Washington, Nov. 28.—According to the weather bureau, the disturbance over western North Carolina will move northeastward with winds shifting to high northwest on South Atlantic coast tonight. Storm signals have been displayed on Norfolk section from Jacksonville to Norfolk.

RECEIVED FORTY CENTS; MESSAGE COST CO. \$300

Western Union Failed to Transmit Message and Supreme Court Allows Damages.

Washington, Nov. 28.—Because the Western Union Telegraph company failed to transmit a message from Detroit, Mich., to Kansas City, Mo., after accepting it, the United States Supreme court today held the telegraph company for more than \$300 damages. The company received 40 cents to send the message.

AMERICAN BLUE JACKETS FLEEED BY FRENCHMEN

Sailors Loaded Down With Spurious Coins—Protest Entered by the Journal of Paris.

Paris, Nov. 28.—Bluejackets of the American fleet have been loaded down with spurious coins by rapacious merchants and the latter also have been overcharging the Jack tars, according to the Journal in an article condemning the practice.

Three Rescued from Abandoned Schooner.

St. John, N. B., Nov. 28.—Three men were rescued today from the dismantled and abandoned schooner Lone Star, in the Bay of Fundy, by the Canadian Pacific liner Mount Temple. News of the rescue was received by wireless.

German Bank Suspends.

Frankfurt-on-Oder, Germany, Nov. 28.—The Vererins bank today suspended, pending examination of its affairs. Its deposits total \$1,250,000. It is said the bank invested too heavily in mortgages of land companies.

THE WEATHER.

For Asheville and vicinity—Clearing and much colder tonight with cold wave Tuesday, fair and colder. For North Carolina—Rain followed by clearing and much colder tonight. Cold wave in extreme west part Tuesday, fair, colder.

PEONAGE CHARGES STAND SAYS COURT

Alabama Men Given Prison Sentences on Peonage Conspiracy Charge—Will Serve Time.

Washington, Nov. 28.—Sentences of imprisonment imposed upon S. W. S. Harlan, Robert Gallagher, C. C. Hilton and S. E. Huggins of Alabama on peonage conspiracy charges, were today allowed to stand as legal by the Supreme court of the United States. These were the first convictions under the recent crusade of the federal government against peonage.

ALDERMEN WILL NOT ASK FOR CURFEW LAW

By Close Vote City Attorney Was Not Instructed to Draw up Amendment to Charter.

During an executive session of the board of aldermen Friday night, following the open session, and after the disposition of the financial matters for which the executive session was asked, Alderman Fitzpatrick called up the question of the proposed curfew law. Informally discussed in the regular meeting, and the proposition to require the city attorney to draw up an amendment to the city charter to be presented to the next legislature was defeated by one vote, Mayor Campbell casting the deciding vote. Those who opposed the proposition say that there had been no formal demand made for such a law, since no formal petition had come before the board and therefore they had nothing to act upon. Further, there are several proposed changes to the city charter to be considered before the legislature meets and the whole matter will probably be threshed out at that time. The board simply did not desire to jump into anything without knowing where about it and anyway they were of the opinion that it would be better considered all at once.

A WAGON FACTORY MAY BE ESTABLISHED HERE

Parties in Communication With Board of Trade Relative to Matter—Fine Location.

In a country where so much development is going forward there is a great demand for farm, log and lumber wagons. Throughout this western section great quantities of lumber and acid wood are being gotten out; in the cities and towns there is much street and road work being done, all of which demands wagons of some style or other.
In this connection it is understood that a proposition is now on foot to establish a wagon factory in Asheville. This city is peculiarly fitted for such an enterprise, being so near the raw material district as well as in a district where there is great demand for wagons. This city with its fine chance of one and probably two lines of railway within a short space of time would then become an even better distributing point. There are some parties in communication with the board of trade having in view the establishment of such a factory in this city, and will doubtless do so with proper encouragement and if certain conditions are met with.

FORMER POSTMASTER IS HELD FOR EMBEZZLEMENT

Victor H. Reynolds, Formerly Postmaster at Sandy, Bound Over Under \$500 Bond.

Victor H. Reynolds, former postmaster at Sandy, N. C., who was arrested Thanksgiving day charged with embezzlement of funds of the United States postoffice department in connection with the money order department at his office, was given a preliminary hearing Saturday before United States Commissioner McCall and bound over to court on \$500 bond. Mr. Reynolds' brother was sworn in as temporary postmaster at Sandy.
It is alleged by the government that Mr. Reynolds has failed to account for \$223.97 which should belong to the department. The Asheville office is the depository for the Sandy office and it was shown that no funds had been deposited with the money order department since April 30.

Safe Deposit and Trust Co. Closes.

Bath, Me., Nov. 28.—Safe Deposit and Trust company closed today because of a heavy loss of deposits by withdrawals.

The Population of Illinois.

Washington, Nov. 28.—The population of Illinois is 4,532,191, according to the thirtieth census. The increase is 217,042 over 1900.

KIDNAPPED GIRL HAS BEEN FOUND

Miss Grace Ralph, Seventeen Years Old Nebraska Girl, Rescued from Silivero.

SUFFERED MANY INDIGNITIES AT HANDS OF NOTED BANDIT

Was Almost Exhausted from Ill-Treatment Found—Kidnapped from Ranch Several Weeks Ago.

Tampico, Mex., Nov. 28.—Miss Grace Ralph, a 17 years old Nebraska girl, who was kidnapped from a ranch near Tampico several weeks ago by Segundo Silivero, a noted bandit, was rescued and brought here today. She suffered indignities at the hands of Silivero, and was almost exhausted from ill-treatment when she was found.

NAVY OVERCOMES ARMY ON THE FOOTBALL FIELD

Clean, Hard Fought Battle Gives Victory to the "Middies"—Kick from Placement Won Game.

Philadelphia, Nov. 28.—That old rule which teaches that if one cares to succeed he must try, try again, was forcibly brought to mind on Franklin Field Saturday when the Navy in a hard and clean game of football defeated their old rivals, the Army, by the score of 3 to 6. After six attempts to boot the ball from placement over the West Point goal line, Dalton, the sturdy half back of the Midshipmen's team, succeeded on his seventh effort and the three points which he had been striving for, looked good to the Navy and proved to be sufficient to win the game. It was a pretty kick, squarely between the goal post and was made toward the end of the last period of play. A kick almost broke the Army's heart, but true to traditions the Army stuck to it and did not show the white feather.
The Navy deserved the victory for the Midshipmen put up a sterling game and outplayed the cadets from the initial kick-off down to the instant when Field Judge Fuels declared the contest at an end.

Of Dalton's seven attempts at goal from the field, three were made from the thirty yard line. The last which succeeded was from the 25 yard line; there was one from the 35 yard and one mighty effort 51 yards from the Army goal. All but three of his kicks carried to the goal line, but the stiff wind from the northwest which blew across the field carried the ball to one side of the posts. Dean, the star punter of the Army made two attempts at field goals, one from the 44 yard line and the other at 45 yards, but neither kick came near a score.

Played With Broken Rib.
Annapolis, Md., Nov. 28.—After the return from Philadelphia of the victorious navy football squad last night it was learned that Ingram C. Sowell, the midshipman quarterback who played almost the entire game with the West Point cadets yesterday, was suffering from a broken rib and probably a punctured lung.
The injury was received during the first few minutes of play, but Sowell paid no attention to it, and his hurt was not known to any one else until the expiration of the first period. The quarterback's chest is very heavily muscled, and it was perhaps owing to this that examination on the field did not disclose serious injury. He was allowed to continue playing but was told not to run with the ball. He disregarded this order, however.

M. ZAGEIR ASSIGNS

M. Zageir, who has conducted a clothing business on South Main street for some years, today filed a petition in bankruptcy giving his liabilities as \$5,621.43 and assets as \$3,758. The secured claim is a note for \$400 to the Wachovia Loan and Trust company, and unsecured \$5,218.38. The largest single creditors are Levin Bros., of Baltimore, \$123.35, and Hopkins Spence company \$445. There are a number of creditors. The stock is estimated at \$3500, store fixtures \$250.

Canadian Pacific Train Wrecked.

Winnipeg, Nov. 28.—A Canadian Pacific express train was wrecked at Mackenzie, Ont., today. Several passengers were injured.

Six Robbers Arrested.

Cincinnati, Nov. 28.—Six men arrested here today are identified as robbers of \$12400 from a bank at Miamora, Ohio, November 7.

Twenty-seven days to Christmas.

NOVEMBER 28.

What Are You Going to Get for Father?