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COL. ROOSEVELT ON T.C.& I. DEAL

Appears Voluntarily Before Steel Inquiry Committee and Reads Them a Lengthy Statement.

Almost Continuous Round of Entertain-

ment for the Japanese Naval

Hero in Washington.

Washington, Aug. 5 .- The United

States government, through President

Taft, Secretary Knox and Acting Sec-

retary of the Navy Winthrope, today

officially honored Admiral Togo. Al-

most a continuous round of entertain-

ment had been planned for the Japan-

ese admiral, who arose refreshed from

his fatiguing day in New York. His

program included calls upon and re-

Army and navy officers generally

were received by the admiral until

noon at his hotel. An audience with

President Taft at the White House

and a sightseeing tour were on the

program this afternoon. The day's entertainment will be brought to a

climax by a dinner at the White House

might encounter at the White House

tonight because of possible conflict of

hot weather and full dress uniforms to

be worn, army and navy officers are

Charles A. White Says He Was Afraid

of Foul Play as Result of His

Washington, Aug. 5 .- Fenr that he

Charles S. White, the confessed bribe-

taker, caused him to write a "farewell"

letter to his parents saying he had

told the truth in his story.
White asserted that this letter was

stolen from his satchel in a Chicago

that what you have sworn to here as

plain lies were truth."

slover Moore

"You wanted your parents to know

"White said a copy of the letter he

wrote to Senator Frazier of Tennes

MILLION PATENTS ISSUED:

The Millionth One Goes to Orkon, O.

Man For a Puncture-Proof Au-

Washington, Aug. 5 .- The millionth

patent issued by the United States pat-

ent office is announced by Commis

It is for a puncture-proof tire for

All Altitude Records Broken.

Etampes, France, Aug. 5.—Captain Felix, director of the military aviation school, today ascended 11,315 feet, breaking the height records. The official altitude record was held by M. Legagneux, who at Pau, France, last incompact rose to a height of 10,456

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hopeful cool weather will prevail.

In anticipation of discomfort they

tonight.

turn calls by Knox and Winthrope.

ALWAYS A TEMPTATION TO DALLY IN A CRISIS

But He Did not Yield to It-It Was Necessary to Act Suddenly and That Is What He Did.

EW YORK, Aug. 5 .- Col. Theoodore Roosevelt today took the witness stand in the congressional inquiry into the steel corporation to tell what he knew regarding the absorption of the Tennessee Coal and Iron company by the United steel corporation during the 1907 panic. Col. Roosevelt's intention to appear was kept a secret. He appeared in good humor, and greeted Chairman Stanley and other members of the committee enthusiastically.
"I'm glad to see you all," he declared to the committeemen; "I'm very de-lighted to see you indeed, sir," he he said to Representative Young, the republican member.

Reads Lengthy Statement

Col. Roosevelt took the stand im-Chairman Stanley announced that Col. Roosevelt did not come in response to a subpoena. After explaining what knowledge he had of the Tennessee Coal and Iron absorption by the steel corporation, Col. Roosevelt read a lengthy statement, thiroducing his subject by a description of the financial panic condition is the fall of 1707.

It was the administration's utmos duty," he read, "to prevent the spread of the panic before it became a dis-

Col. Roosevelt told of the brief con ference at the White House with H. C. Frick and E. H. Gary of the steel corporation, and Secretary Root. He read the committee letter, published in the senate records of the hearing on the Tennessee Coal & Iron case in

The Frick and Gary Interview. The Frick and Gary Interview.

Washington, Aug. 5.—Fear that he might meet with foul play as a result of his exposure in the Lorimer case, expressed the opinion that he did not according to testimony given by wish to stand in the way of saving the country from financial panic panic. velt said, had not been mentioned Col. Roosevelt went into details about serious financial conditions in New York, telling how he took responsibility to permit the steel company transfer, doing it on his own initia-

"It was a matter of general knowledge," he said, referring to banks and trust companies in danger in New York, "that they held Tennesse Coal & Iron company securities hav-ing no market value. The Gary and Frick proposition was," he continued, lalso was stolen. "that the steel corporation take over the Tennessee Coal & Iron company immediately.

"It was necessary for me to act Im mediately," he said, "before the stock exchange opened, or the transaction might prove useless."

"If I had not acted immediately in at extraordinary crisis I should have been a mere tittle. In every such crisis the temptation to inde-cision and non-action always exists. There is always an excuse for non-action. If a man is worth his salt automobiles and other vehicles he will give the people in trouble the pending upon rubber springs for its benefit of the doubt and act as the resiliency. The inventor is an Akron, situation demands if the law is not O., man. The bureau was organized situation demands if the law is not violated. Every step I took was as open as day." He was satisfied the acquirement by the steel corporation of the Tennessee Coal & Iron company did not change the corporation's legal status. He believed it would be for the public good. "Results proved the act was a good one, because the panic stopped," Roozevelt said. He panic stopped," Roozevelt said. He panic stopped," Roozevelt said. He panic stopped, "Roozevelt said. He panic stopped," Roozevelt said. He panic stopped, "Roozevelt said. He panic stopped," Roozevelt said. He panic stopped, "Roozevelt said. He panic stopped," Roozevelt said. He panic stopped, "Roozevelt said. He panic stopped," Roozevelt conefit to the people of Birmiugham district. "I should have proved unworthy of public office if I had not done as I did. Col. Roozevelt concluded his testimony at 12:20 this afternoon. He received the committee's thanks and expressed satisfaction that as a "plain American citizen" he was able to assist the committee. nituation demands if the law is not O., man.

"Bud" Linsey, a cotton mill opera-tive, said to have been deat, was run over and killed while walking on the tracks of the Union and Glen Springs railroad near this city. AN INSANE MAN IS CURED BY SHOCK OF COLLISION

Text Book Commission Reported to Have Set a Date for Going into the Basis of Rumors—Air

EXAMINATION AUGUST 24-25 FOR HIGH SCHOOL TEACHERS

of Expectancy, Suspense.

There Seems to Be a Lack of Teachers Who Have Qualified to Teach in the State High Schools,

Gazette-News Bureau, The Hotel Raleigh, Raleigh, Aug. 5. FTER a three hours' executive

session yesterday the state text book commission adjourned until Monday morning without making any important announcement. development beside the announcement by Chairman Joyner that the report of the sub-text book commis sion had been filed but would not be opened until next week was the news of the arrival here of the man from a distant state who may be able to clear up the rumors of questionable dealing that have filled the air for several days,

May Go Into Charges It is reported on what is believed to be reliable authority that the commission has set apart the first of next week to go into some of the serious charges that have been circulated and to clear up the atmosphere before the blds are opened or the report of the sub-commission becomes known. If it is found that there is no truth in the reports and there is much which points that way-then it may be that some of the book agents may be read out of the lists, especially if it is found that an effort has been made, as alleged, to form cliques to put through the adoption The same ough the adoption The same ecy pervades everything today as for the last few days and mone will discuss anything. If an investi-gation is gone into-and it is believed will result—there is probability that it will take a wide range, involving several matters, Among the book agents there is an atmos phere of expectancy and suspens

Special High School Teachers Examination. Although the state board of ex aminers for teachers has decided to only one examination yearly each July, there seems to be a lack of teachers qualified as state high school teachers and it has been decided to hold a special examination in Raleigh, in the office of the state superintendent of public instruction, August 24-25, beginning at 9 a. m. This will necessitate applicants for the examination to make a trip to Raleigh. County superintendents are naked to notify all those who would probably become high school teachers to take this examination. The examination will be under the same regu-lations as those issued April for the

July examinations. A pardon has been granted by Governor Kitchin to David Raines of Wayne county, charged with seducion and serving 12 months on the roads. This action is taken upon recommendation of the judge, soliciors, prosecutrix and her mother and entire jury upon condition that THE FIRST ONE IN 1836 he pay the prosecutrix \$25 and \$5 a month for 12 months after the birth

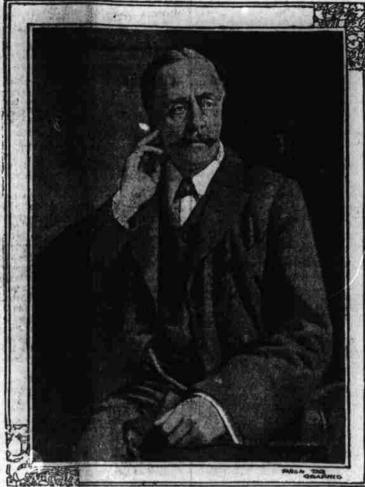
Hookworm Dispensaries. Dr. John A. Ferrell, hookworm ctor for North Carolina, says that the dispensaries now in Halifax, Sampson, Robeson and Columbus countles are doing fine work in hookworm eradication and that in about two weeks these outlits will be moved to four other counties. Northampton has already made provision for get-ting one of the field hospitals. More than 2000 cases of hookworm disease were treated last week.

The store of E. H. King on Hills last night of about \$40 worth of gro ceries. A strange occurrence about this robbery is that it is the third time this house has been entered in a periad of two years. There have recently been a number of small rob-beries about the city but the police seem unable to get the effenders. Droughts Seems to be Broken.

Reports from the weather bureaucm to indicate that the drough throughout the state has been broken and it is believed there will be no and it is believed there will be no further difficulty for lack of water for the rest of the year. That this has been the severest drought in this section for the last 15 years is berne out by figures in the local weather bureau office. Up to August 1 there was a deficiency of 12.42 inches.

The local observer of the weather turent has compiled the rainfall gures for the first seven months of he last 25 years and as given below trove an interesting study: an interesting study: Ratefall for 25 Years.

Again Balfour Displays His Political Sagacity



THE RIGHT HON APTHUR JAMES DALKOUR

London, Aug. 5 .- A. eader of the opposition in the house of commons, again displayed that po- parliament bill in the shape in which litical sagacity which for so years has given him undisputed leadin the lower chamber that he purposed on Monday to move a vote of censure of the government for having rule." obtained from King George the prom-

The unionist leader had kept his announced his late him to move a rate vote. Nevertheless it is a subtle means of censure his followers broke out in for satisfying Mr. Balfour's rebillious motion follows:

lesty by his majesty's ministers where- members of the Halsbury revolt as by they obtained from his majesty a the wisdom of their procedure.

J. Balfour, pledge that a sufficient number peers would be created to pass the it left this house is a gross violation of constitutional liberty by which, people will be precluded from again

This move will change nothing ise of sufficient peers to pass the veto the actual situation. The bill will be defeated in the lower house and carried by the house of lords, where own counsel, and when he ruse and Lord Curzon will move an identical rounds of applause. Mr. Balfour's followers with a phrase, and is proposed at the psychological moment "That the advice given to his ma- when doubts had begun to assail many

Saturday's Cotton Market Very Nervous, Unsettled MAYOR OF CHARLOTTE

Opened Seven to 12 Points Lower Under Renewal of Selling. Went Down to 15 or 20 Und er Liquidation and Bear Pressure, Later Firmed Up on Covering, Etc.

morning was very nervous and unset- no cables from Liverpool, where martied. The morning opening was 7 to ket will be also closed Monday.

12 points lower under a renewal of

A Sharp Rally. yesterday's selling movement. During the first few minutes prices eased off to a net decline o fabout 15 and 20 from Havana toward New Orleans, points, under liquidation by buyers of were followed by a sharp raily later

buying, bull support and covering, es net 2 points higher to 7 points with prices during the middle morning lower.

EW YORK, Aug. 5.-Following about 14 points lower on August, but yesterday's sensational fluctua-tions the cotton market this crops. Owing to a holiday, there were

> A Sharp Rally. Rumors of a tropical storm heading

yesterday morning and continued bear in the morning. Selling was heavy pressure. Later the market firmed up on trade The market closed feverish, with pric-

ARRANGING FOR THE STATE COUNCIL MEET

Local Juniors Making Ready for the Big Gathering August 21, 22 and and 23-The Program.

The committee on arrangements for the entertainment of state coun- thing all right. We dock Monday cil meeting Jr. O. U. A. M. have about completed the program, which will be in the hands of the primer next was received this morning from Capweek. The program will be an clab- tain Mitchell of the Anchor liner Co orate eight-page affair done in red, lumbia, which, on the way from Glasder; the cover will be of wood pulp lands, the cover will be of wood pulp paper from the Champion Pibre company's plant at Canton. The badge, which is a very handsome affair, is white and blue, the colors of the ormade of red, white and blue ribbon east of Cape Race when she collided with an ice-berg. Her bow was damwith a medallion attached with a

photograph of Pack square. The committee with the assistance of the secretary of the board of trade, has sent out several hundred Asheville booklets and hotel lists and are

LINER STRUCK ICEBERG REPORTS ALL IS WELL

-Officials Say the Vessel Is not Much Damaged.

Wireless Message from the Columbia

New York, Aug. 5-"All well, every morning."

This reassuring wireless dispatch gow, humped into an Iceberg Wednes aged above the water line.

Will Investigate Preferential Rates.

ances and preferential rates alloged to be given by interstate carriers, in offi-cial classification territory, to short times of railroads serving the iron and steel industries, will be investigated by the interstate commerce commis-The date of the inquiry is un

on and Party at Kingsti

to Be Relieved, but Committee **Decides to Let Them** Try It Again.

ACTION TO BE DEFERRED ON COTTON TARIFF MEASURE

At the Request of Senator Simmons, in Some Forecasts Made by Col. Claywell Order That a Hearing May Be Given to Cotton Mill

ASHINGTON, Aug. 5 .- Wool tariff revision was today a shuttle between the full conference committee, representing the senate and house, and the sub-committee of Senator LaFollette and Rep resentative Underwood who charged with the task of adjusting the differences between the two branche When the conference ommittee were called together Messrs LaFollette and Underwood reported that they were unable to agree upon a compromise, and asked to be relieved Mitchell, Cleveland, Yancey, Madison of this responsibility. The full committee then made a futile effort to reach an agreement.

Underwood try again, and the bill was again turned over to them together with the farmers' free list bill, over which there are serious differences be ween the senate and the house. Underwood said it would be several

Action Deferred on Cotton Tariff Bill deferred action on the cotton tariff revision bill until next The postponement was at the request of Senator Simmons, in whose state are large cotton mill interests affected by the proposed 21 point average cut. on cotton duties. A hearing will be

Senator Smoot expressed the opin-ion that the bill would be reported Senator Williams urged that it be reported favorably. A vote was not taken. The bill must be re-ported by next Thursday.

Says Some Reports About Water Famine Have Been Exaggerated-Never Without Water.

Charlotte, Aug. 5 .- Mayor Bland of this city requested The Associated Press to handle the following stateent from him relative to the publicity that has been given the recent vater famine in this city.

The statement is as follows: The city of Charlotte has never been without adequate fire protection More than 2,000,000 gallons of water have been on hand always. The water was cut off several hours for a week, just for the sake of conserving the fire protection supply. This was inconvenient to the citizens but never dangerous. The supply is now about normal with constant pres ure on the mains.

The tank cars employed to bring water from the Catawba river during he crisis will soon be discontinued, being no longer necessary. "The health conditions are excel

lent-copious rains having fallen dur-ing the last 24 hours, which have greatly relieved the altuation."

CHAIRMAN MACK PRAISES **ACHIEVEMENTS OF FOSS**

Says He Has Secured More Progres sive, Constructive Legislation Than Any Predecessor in 50 Years.

Buffalo, July 5 .- Chairman Norman E. Mack of the democratic national Monthly, that Governor Foss has "secured more progressive constructiv egislation than any other Massachusetts governor in 50 years." Mack presents Harmon and Mar-shall as presidential possibilities.

STATE OF TEXTILE TRADE STILL AN ADVERSE FACTOR

New York, Aug. 5.—Cotton now fulfills earlier promises of a large yield. The re-entrance into the stock market of erstwhite prominent operators was the signal fer a sharp advance in options in the lafter part of the present week.

The state of the textile trude continues advecse, as shown in the indefinite shut-down of a large print mill in Massachusetta, with further curtalliment in North Carelina.

Improvement is rejected in size.

LaFollette and Underwood Ask General Impression in Washing-

ton Is That Senator Will Be

Voted for on General Elec-

tion Day, in 1912.

ABOUT POLITICAL FUTURE

of Morganton-Gossip of North Carolina Politici-

Gazette-News Bureau, Wyatt Building, Washington, Aug. 5. HERE is much speculation here as to the time the senatorial primary will be held in North

Carolina. The general impression is

that it will be on the day of the election, November, 1912, after the local fights for nominations are over and at a time that everybody is at the polls. "I am anxious to see how many ounties go solidly," said Kitchin had Person and Stokes and Johnson, Dare, and all the Tenth district, save Haywood, in the fight for governor three

years ago.' Representative Webb is not worryng about his future. In opposing Canadlan reciprocity, as provided in the Taft agreement, he believes that he represented his constituents.

A Remarkeble Tar Heel.

Former Sheriff Kerney of Franklin county, is a remarkable Tar Heel. He s three score and ten, and learning to walk on an artificial leg. Mr. Kerney and the misfortune to break his leg Wednesday, and lose it about six months ago. At his age none but a vigorous person would survive such an ordeal as he passed through.

Sheriff Kerney and Senator Sim-mons are good friends. The senator called on him the other night. A Buttonholing Campaign.

The North Carolina senators were n the thick of the fight on the wood bill. Senator Simmons was one of the first to suggest and urge a coalition of democrats and insurgents. Senator Overman did not enthuse much over this proposition, but good democrat that he is, when the caucus acted he stood hitched. After the LaFollette bill was substituted for the Underwood bill he did some very clever work in getting house members agree to ask for a conference. He indulged in a button-holing campaign, before. He saw the serious situation that confronted the democrats. House Leader Underwood, and a real leader he is, did not want to treat with the senate, but Senator Overman others helped to bring him around.

Some Predictions. Robert T. Claywell, hardware merchant, politician, democrat, and an-tronomer, of Morganton, spent the other day in the city getting the lay of the land and shaking hands with

Col. Claywell, who generally knows what he is talking about, thinks that North Carolina will send Senator Simmons back to succeed himself, and Representative Webb to represent the Ninth district, and, when the time comes, fit the toga on Senator Overman for a third term.

"I am sure that Simmons will be elected senator," said Mr. Claywell, "and that Yates Webb will be our

representative, and that Overman will have no serious opposition. "Another thing I am pretty certain of, and that is that North Carolina democrats like Harmon — Governor Harmon, the democrat who gets there -and prefer him to Wilson and oth-

I saw here the other day, walking down Pennsylvania avenue, Col. Walter Redbone Henry, one of North Carolina's most interesting characters.

Among other things he were a long black coat, all buttoned down before, and a large tan hat, and a troubled

I was on the street car and did not have an opportunity to pass the time of day with the crstwhile populist,

of day with the cratwine popular, and he did not see me.

Col. Henry, who is as picturesque a North Carolinian as ever lived, took me back 12 or 15 years ago when Marion Butler, the one man who gives North Carolina democrats chills, ague and fever, was in his political glory.

Those were great days in the Old. and fever, was in his political glory.

Those were great days in the O
North State. Then Joseph Pearse
Caldwell, the Charlotte Observer—
brains, its character and its life—
in his prime. Every morning, whe
ever one happened to be, the Observe
was like wine. There was nothing
the dishrag, spineless existence abo
it. The little chafts from the o
man's pen went under the hide of th
person they were directed against at
to the very heart of the reader. Som
times the editorials that warmed to
Senator Butler were not more tim
two lines long, but they had culter at
force.