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Comptroller of the Currency Will Speak to Bankers of the State Gathered Here.

**OPENING SESSION LAST** NIGHT ONE OF WELCOME

State, City, Chamber of Commerce, and Local Bankers Join In Expressing Welcome To The Bankers of The State In Their Eighteenth Annual Convention Which Began Last Night With a Session In The House of Represent tatives

PROGRAM FOR TODAY

Bankers Association will meet in Hall of the Hause. Wednesday Moralog. May 13th, Wednesday Moraing, May 13th,
10 O'Clock.
Convention called to order. Roll
call. Reading Minutes.
President's Annual Address, Mr.
Gea A. Holderness, Tarloro.
Report of the Secretary and
Treasurer, Mr. W. A. Hunt, Hen-

Report of Delegates to American Bankers' Association, Mr. Leake S. Covington, Hockingham. Report of Standing Committees, "Federal Reserve Banking System—Its Effect on Country Banks, Especially Those Operating Under State Charter, Col. John F. Bruton, of Wilson. Appointment of Committees: On resolutions, on nominations, on

Wednesday Afternoon.
Baseball. Winston-Salem-Rai-Wednesday Evening, 9 O'Clock,

Convention called fo order. Address Hon. John Si Williams, Comptroller of the Cur-

Following this address a general discussion of the Federal Leserve Act, and its effects, will take place.

Joined in expressions of cordiality by the State of North Carolina, Ralsy the state of North Carolina, Rai-eigh last night extended its warmest welcome to the bankers of the State assembled in the House of Represen-tatives and with this hearty greeting the machinery of the eighteenth an-nual convention of the North Carolina Bankers' Association was put into Association was put into

motion.

With President George A. Holderness in the chair, and after welcomes on behalf of the State by Section 1 Presan Grimes; cretary of State J. Bryan Grimes; h, by Mayor James I. John son; for the Chamber of Commerce, by President John C. Drewry; for the local bankers, by Mr. E. B. Crow cashier of the Commercial National Bank, and a response by Mr. Walter E. Daniels, of Weldon, the first session came to a close and the bankers present began to look forward to the event of the meeting which will be the address tonight by Comptroller of the Currency John Skelton Wil-

Various forms of entertalnment in addition to the regular program has been arranged for the visiting bankers and their friends. Among the bank-ers present for the convention a numbrought their wives and daugh-These will be ets srtained by the

tera. These will be ets irrained by the ladies of Raleigh in becoming style. The Country Club, the Capital Cieb, the Elks Club haye been thrown wide the Elks Club haye been thrown who have been thrown when the country the state of the country was the country to the country that the country was the country to the country that th open to the visitors and the local rangements to insure the visitors a

royal welcome to Raleigh.

In honor of the occasion all the banks of Raleigh have agreed to close

their doors today at one o'clock.

Secretary J. Bryan Grimes, for State.

Hon. J. Bryan Grimes opened his welcoming address by declaring that the bankers association, although a young organization, has done a gr at good for North Carolina, and has al-

ready grown to that point where it has ceased to apologize for its existence or to explain its purposes. Speaking of the growth of the association and the growth of the banking interests of the State, Secretary Grimes quoted figures showing that in ing interests of the State, Secretary Grimes quoted figures showing that in ten years there has been remarkable development. "Few years ago the total banking capital of North Carolina was less than \$5,000,000 and now," declared the speaker, "there is more money than that invested in automobiles."

He told how in the past ten year He told how in the past ten years the deposits have grown from forty-nine of fitty militous to more than a hundred and sixty million dollars. The number of State banks have increased from a hundred and fifty to four hundred; the number of national from forty to more than eighty. Col. Grimes referred to the patriotism of the bankers when four years ago they nobly answered the call of Governor Kitchin to take care of the refund of the \$4,340,000 State bonds of 1880.

of 1880.

He spoke of the questions before the convention, the currency reform as represented by the Reserve Banking System and the proposed rural

"You are wise men," declared the Secretary of State, "you are particitie men, you are men who have the wel-fare of the commonwealth at heart and I believe it is up to you to solve these problems or as I know what you will devote yourselves to then gladly. In the name of the State, am glad to welcome you to the Capi-tal City, to greater Raleigh I may say because the people of Raleigh think it is growing greater all the time; and they think truly."

Mayor James I. Johnson Speaks.

Presiden Holderness then in a few words introduced Mayor James L. Johnson who spoke for the city of

Raieigh Mayor Johnson briefly welcomed the bankers, bearing out the sinterments of Col. Grimes that Raleigh has grown and is growing. "The banks," he said, "are the pulses of any community, and the banks of the State have stood in front rank of the banking institutions of the country." The city of Raleigh in this standard has excelled. "I hope," concluded Mayor Johnson, that you will so en-joy your visit that you will come

Mr. John C. Drewry, president of the Ruleigh Chamber of Commerce, in troduced for the chamber, declared "It is my duty as president of the Chamber of Commerce to welcome you to Raleigh, but it is a duty that a like to perform and I only wish that I possensed the language sufficient to express the welcome that Raleigh has express the welcome that Raleigh has

"Every North Carolinian is at home in every nook and corner of this homogeneous commonwealth. Our fair city belongs to the entire State of Carolina and every patriotic North pride in the Capital City."

Mr. Drewry brought applause when he declared that such was Raleigh's position in the banking world of the South that when the city of Rich that when the city of Richmond desires to to organize an insti tution, or consolidate services it is necessary to come to Raleigh for the capital and the men for the work. He closed his welcome in pleasing style making the bankers feel-that theirs is Mr. E. B. Crow for Bankers.

The Raleigh bankers are not sat-isfied with extending to us the use of their buildings, the welcome to their city, and all the conveniences accompanying it, but they must now come forward and in words express the welcome in their hearts," said Presi dent Holderness in introducing Mr. E B. Crow, cashier of the Commercial National Bank, who in a brief ad-dress, characterized by wit, ciever-ness, and hearty appreciation as well, spoke for the bankers of Raleigh, Mr Crow said he was somewhat like the old darkey who, after making a deposit in a certain bank, came back one morning to find the bank closed He was mourning the loss when a gentleman tried to console him, de-claring that other banks had failed "Yessuh, moaned the old ne

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HON, JOHN SKELTON WILLIAMS

This is Point Raised By Collec-tor Bailey Concerning Eligi-ble for Inspector

SAYS HE VOTED STRAIGHT

Secretary Daniels Believes The Raleigh Man Is Well Grounded In The Faith-Laurinburg Incident Blows Over-More Money To Seek New Markets-Delegation 'Agin' The Women

(By W. E. YELVERTON)

Washington, D. C., May 12 .- The Postoffice Department is investigating some difference of opinion on the pe some difference of opinion on the politics of L. T. Yarborough, the post-office clerk in Raleigh, who is an applicant for a position as postoffice in spector. Secretary Daniels, who wrote a warm letter of commendation of Yarborough, has written friends in Raleigh asking them to investigate Mr. Yarborough's political record with a view of comfirming his belief that Mr. Yarborough is a Democrat or proving that he isn't.

aBiley Says Republican.

Mr. Yarborough has for several years been a cierk in the Raleigh postoffice, but in 1911 passed a civil

postoffice, but in 1911 passed a civil service examination for postoffice inspector. He is now the only North Carolinian on the eligible list for the appointment. Representative Pou Secretary Daniels and others wrote strong letters for tim, but J. W. Bailey, Collector of Internal Revenu has written a letter to the Postoffic Department saying that Yarborough

in a Republican.

On file in the Department is a petition signed by the Republican members of the North Carolina Lerislature of 1911 commending Mr. Farberough, On his visit to the Department, Mr. Yarborough explained that Postmaster Willis Briggs, of Raleigh, had this petition signed for him during the Republican administration and told him at the time that it would be best to have no Democratis sign petition.

Mr. Duniels Thinks He is a Democrat. Secretary Daniels said today that he had always regarded Yarborough as a Democrat and believed that investigation will show that he is one. Mr. Yarborough told officials of the Postoffice Department here that he has never voted anything else but the straight Demochilic ticket.

Russell Matter Closed.

The Postoffice Department will take no steps in the case of G. H. Russell, postmaster at Laurinburg, unless complaint of political activity is filed Mr. Daniels Thinks He is a Der

complaint of political activity is filed against him. The letter of D. Stew-art and W. R. McEachin the Department regards as merely an inquiry and not a charge. First Assistant Postmaster General Roper has an-swered the letter and considers the incident closed unless something else is today to make his answer public.

Money for Commercial Agents.

The Senate Committee o nAppro

priations voted unanimously today to increase the appropriation for com-mercial agents from \$60,000 to \$75, mercial agents from \$60,000 to \$75,600, and to create another fund of
\$100,000 for additional commercial
agents to be regarded as attaches in
consulates of South American and
Europe. The object of these agents
is to scharge the foreign trade of the
United States in foreign countries.

Tar Heels Did Fine Work.

Senator Overman during his first years in the Senate pussed a resolu-tion creating this fund for commercial agents and two North Caro William Graham Clark, of Raleigh, were appointed as agents. The re-port on the activities of these agents shows such remarkable results that the committee today decided, without a moment's hesitation, to enlarge out a moment's neutation, to enlarge the scope of the work. The report shows especially large increases in the exportation of cotton oil and cot-ton goods as well as many other com-

Judge Cline for Suffrage. Judge E. B. Cline, of Hickory, has written certain North Carolina representatives asking their support of the resolution proposing woman's suff rage by Constitutional amendment. It is practically certain, however, that the Tar Heel delegation will vote soldly against such an amendment just as surely as they will vote solidly for the Hobson probibition amendment. The Prople Want Peace. Covernor Metcalfe, of the Panama

Canal Zone, called on Secretary Daniels today and in conversation with him expressed the belief that the masses of the people in the United States are for peace in the present Mexican situation.

"There is a top layer of business in-terests which is for war," said Mr. Metoalfe, "and the newspapers which are organs of this class are also for war, but when you come down the heart of the people you find the

for peace."

Mr. Thompson Fine Official.

Governor Metcalfe declared that
John W. Thompson of Raleigh, is
making a splendid official in the zone.

Durham Brigade Coming.

Candidates for postmaster at Durham and their friends are expected
to begin their march on the capitol
tomorrow, Delegations will be here
through the rest of the week to present their claims to Representativ Stedman. He will announce the soc cessful applicant about May 20. Secretaries Daniels and Housto and the North Carolina Senators an

and the North Carosina Benators and Representatives will be the honor guests at a reception by the North Carolina Society of Washington, at the Confederate home Friday night.

Tar Heel Visitors.

North Carolinians here include: E. C. Gregory and Walter Woodson. Saltsbury; Dr. Horace Palmer and Mrs. Palmer, Vaughn; L. P. Ahernethy, Asheville, and Col. and Mrs. W. N. Harris, Wilmington, Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. Pellowes have gone to New York where they will take a steamer for Europe to spend the summer.

The following fourth class post-masters in North Carolina were ap-pointed today: Joseph M. Wilcox, Carbonton: Duncan E. Marchison, Gulf; Maggie L. Sterling, Hassel.

They Would Establish New Government In Mexico To **Include Both Factions** 

WILSON HOPEFUL OF PEACEFUL SOLUTION

It Is Believed That The Control of Mexican Affairs May Be Turned Over To a Commission of Five, According To Plans To Be Submitted To Conference—Question Now is Whether Constitutionalists Would Be Willing To Let Huerta In

Washington, B. C., May 12 -- Elin ination of General Huerta and the es-tablishment of a provisional government in Mexico, in which both the Huerta and the Constitutionalists factions would be represented, is con-templated in a plan which the three South American mediators now are working out to be proposed for the solution of the entire Mexican prob-lem

This, the first intinuation as to the details of the mediation plans, became known today, though neither the mediators nor State Department officials would make any statement as to how nearly complete is the plan to be submitted to the American and the Mexican delegates when they meet the Bouth American—envoys at Nisgara Falls, Canada, next Monday.

May Be Commission.

It was learned that the proposal might be the setting up of a temperary government to be undertaken by

e Constitutionalists and the the mediators. While the mediators have

drawn their invitation to tutionalists to send deleg on of Huerta to some turm of orary government in which he

t i shelieved that some such arrangement as this is the only possible one under which peace may be restored in United States. mediators would avert war between

Expressions of confidence that the the United States and Mexico came today, after President Wilson had discussed the whole situation with his official family.

The president is decidedly hopeful.

The president is decidedly hopeful. He is anxious that no untoward incidents or indiscreet acts on the part of any of the forces in Mexico should develop to cloud the horizon when the mediation conferences begin at Ningian Falis Monday.

Protection of Naxigation.

Secretary Bran. In a conference

Secretary Bryan, in a conference late in the day, explained at length to the three South American mediators that the lighthouse on Lobos Island had not been select in any military sense, that the keepers were free to come and go, but that the American had undertaken to keep burning as a protection to the world's navigation. Mr. Bryan the mediators also that the Navy the mediators also that the Navy and War Departments were seeking to in-vestigate the arrest of five South Americans accused of sniping by Americans during the landing at Vera Cruz, and that a report would be made probably temorrow.

O'Shaughnessy Sees President.
Nelson O'Shaughnessy conferred
with President Wilson at the White
House today. It was the first talk
he had had with the President since his arrival from Mexico and it was understood that some of the indigni-ties, including the Tampico incident which led to the break with Huerts, were discussed as well as some details that might come up in the mediation conferences.

onferences.
Justice Lamar, of the United States Sustice Lamar, of the United States Supreme Court, and Frederick W. Lehmann, former solicitor general, who have been named as the American representatives to the arbitration at Niagara Falls, Ont., spent the day studying reports and familiarising themselves generally wit the Menican problem.

can problem.
Silleman Incident Worries.
The mediators were more occupies in considering the protests made by Huerta against the seizure of Lobes Island and the detention of the five South Americans than in the gen eral subject of Mexican pacification They have had some misgivings about Silliman, but were confident tonight that he would get away unharmed. Jules Jusserand, the French Ambassador, called on Secretary Bryan to convey to him information from Mexico City, which indicated that Consul Silliman is still under guard Consul Silliman is still under guard in Saltillo. This preceded receipt of news, however, that Huerta had ordered Siliman released. Reports from the Mexican government to the French Embassy did not specifically mention Consul Silliman, but said that "all members of the American consultate in Saltillo are selfthat "all members of the American consulate in Saltillo are safe."

WHITE SLAVE LAW UPHELD.

Judge McPherson Says All Courts In-terpret It In Same Light.

Des Moines, Ia., May 12.—Judge Smith McPherson, in instructions to the grand jury in Federal Jourt here the grand jury in Federal Jourt here today, took exceptions to magazine articles and editorial comments, which he said were reputed to show that Federal judges of the country are not agreed as to the scope of the Mann White Slave Act.

"There is not a single judge in the United States who has not held that a man is guilty of white slavery if he takes a woman across the State line for any immural purposes what-

System Becomes Effective

FORCE IN RAILROAD WORK

on May Fifteenth

Left Position of Vice-President and General Manager Sea board Air Line in October 1912, To Take Up Position He Now Resigns - One of Ablest of Railroad Men

Charles H. Hix, president of the orfolk Southern Railroad, has re gned that position, his resignation

This was the authentic information received in Raleigh yesterday, and it caused great regret among friends of the road, for President Hix was justly regarded as a man of such constructive ability that when he was made president of the road it was felt that it would go forward in de-

It has been rumored for some months that Mr. Hix had given the Norfolk Southern directors to understand his resignation would be forthcoming unless the property was to be developed, and conditions much like those attending the resignation of Mr. E. T. Lamb, his predecessor, are said to have existed. Some predicted a year ago when Mr. Hix became president that he would sever his connection with the Norfolk Southern at the end of his first year unless methods in keeping with his career and that of other successful Southern managers were followed.

As to a possible or probable suc-

cessor there is a rumor that a Mr. Young formerly an official of one of the great Western railroad systems. is being considered, and that if he is selected Western methods will be put into effect on the system, provided it is kept intact. There is some street talk that the final result may be the sale of the Norfolk Southern to the Atlantic Coast Line, as it is generally inderstood that since building the

Land, who resigned to become pre-dent of the Atlanta, Birmingham Atlantic Railroad. During the prehas been completed and opened, the business of the road making a steady progress. President Hix has kept in close touch with the people slong the road, and looked after the details of the operations closely. For years in railroad service he is a man of experience and that road which secures

He Rose On Merit. Mr. Hix began his career as a check clerk in the Saltville, Va., station on the Norfolk and Western. There he learned telegraphy. F he went to Buford as Norfolk & Western. From agent he was soon promoted to dispatcher and from dispatcher to chief dispatcher, his fidelity to his duties and his adaptability to the railroad work being the causes of his rapid promotion. iater he became yardmaster for the Norfolk and Western at Roanoke, soon winning a promotion to the po-sition of train master. His connection with the Seaboard

commenced in 1900, coming to that system as a train master. One year later, in 1901, he came to Raleigh as division superintension and spent a year or more. In 1995 he became general superintendent of the Seaboard with headquarters at Ports-mouth. After the Seaboard went into moun. After the seaboard went into the hands of receivers, Mr. Hix was made vice-president and general manager, holding this place until he accepted the presidency of the Nork Southern.
A Man Who Produces Results.

When elected to the presidency of the Norfolk Southern, Mr. Hix was warmly praised in an interview given out by Mr. John Skelton Williams, of Richmond, now Comptroller of the Richmond, now Comptroller of the Currency. Mr. Williams was at one dent of the Seaboard Air Line and for many years a member of its board of directors, and had ample opportunity to observe the work of Mr. Hix as a railroad man. He said of Mr. Hix:
"In securing the services of Charles

H. Hix as its president, the Norfolk Southern railway gets one of the ablest and most skilful railroad opera tors in this country, while the Sea-board system loses the man who, more than any other in its service. has been instrumental in securing for the Scaboard the excellent results which have been received since the receivership. It was also largely due receivership. It was also largely due to Mr. Hig's ability, skill and thorough knowledge of the Senboard system, and of the territory through which it operates, that the receivers of this property, in 1908 and 1969, were able to lift the road out of the condition of ruin and demoralization into which it had drifted under the management of men who had been imported into the property from the outside, and place it on a sound and

Recognizi "Recognizing the exceedingly valuable services which Mr. Hix had rendered to the system at the time of the selection of the Seaboard presi-dent a few weeks ago, there was a strong desire on the part of the Southern directors of the Seaboard sys-tem especially, that Mr. Hix should be elected to the presidency, and I urged this view with my associates, but the nominating committee select-ed as Mr. Meldrum's successor on the Seaboard the vice-president of the Seaboard the vice-president of the Eric Railroad, who however excellent his qualifications as a valiroad man, must necessarily take sorre time to acquaint himself with the Scaboard property and its territory."

Migrating Birds Protected.
Washington, D. C. May 12.—Despite arguments that the Federal mieratory bird law is unconstitutional, the Senate today defeated all efforts to cut down the \$59,000 in the agricultural appropriation bill for its en-forcement. Final action on the prop-osition will probably be taken tomor-

Resignation as President of Action Is General and Interest Seems About To Awaken Throughout the Field.

Committee On Education Rec ommends Million-Dollar Enment In South

VANDERBILT UP AGAIN FOR CONSIDERATION

Resolutions Submitted Asking That The Fight For Control of University By The Church Be Reopened and Carried Higher If Failure Then Erect New Institution and Send Old

(By the Associated Press.)
Oklahoma City, May 12.—"Our people must be brought to see that education diverced from religion lead to the spread of depravity and the destruction of the basic element of our Christian civilization and that the distinctive mission of the church schools is the development of spirit-ualized leadership." was the key note of the report

of the committee on education su mitted today to the general conference of the Methodist Episcopa hurch, South. Million Dollar End

tion unite in an endeavor to advance the work of Christian education and in raising \$500,000 of the proposed million deliar endowment fund during the present quadrennium. The report will be discussed later.

May Carry Fight Higher.
Resolution authorizing the Board control of Vanderbilt University in the courts of Tennessee and to remove the litigation to the United States courts, if necessary, with power to cease to co-operate in the mansgement of Vanderbilt if final decision is adverse and to consider pro-posals for the establishment of another theological school "at some point east of the Mississippi river" were presented by Rev. Dr. James Cannon, of Virginia, and James R. Pepper, of Memphis. Dr. Cannon is an advocate of church ownership and control and led the fight in Virginia involving the right of the Virginia Conference to confirm the sits select-ed for Randolph-Macon College. Mr. Pepper is one of the four minority trustees of Vanderbilt University and the church.

The resolutions were forwarded to the committee considering the value of the v

connection with the establish ment of a new university the resolu-tions would specifically instruct that "the charter of any institution so es-tablished shall guarantee the risht of the General Conference or some other government body of the church to determine the method of the seo determine the research of the trustees."

lection of the trustees."

Another section authorizes the Board of Education to surrender the charter granted by the State of Tennessee in 1895, secure a charter in some other State "and if necessary for the protection of the interests of church, to incorporate the Gen-Conference in some other State eral than Tennessee.

COXEY'S ARMY BWINDLES.

Three of Remaining Fourteen Desert and Get Jobs, (Br the Associated Press.) Hagerstown, W. Va., May 12.— 'General' Jacob S. Coxey's army, on

the march to Washington, reduced in numbers from fourteen to eleven, by three of these rivates deserting at Clear Springs, where the army camp-ed last night, arrived here today. The remained to work on the State road at Indian Springs.

**GET YOUR PROMISES IN** YOU NEED TO HURRY

The Biggest Extra Vote Offer on New Business That Will Be Made During the Remainder of the Contest is in Effect Until Midnight May 16th---Hustle New Candidates, Your Final Standing Will Be Effected By Wh You Accomplish Before Mid night May 16th.

RULE NO. 48.

Upon another page of this is will be found the sixth published nergetic people are looking so far field for opportunities that they miss ten with note amusement the ten dency of our bovine friends to eat he thistles that border the lots or fields in which they are confined even though the clover is thick beneath their feet. The same fault we find among ourselves. So often do we pass the good things of life which lie

The field covered by The News and Observer content seems to be on the verge of awakening to the possibili-ties presented by this competition. Some strength is indicated in cer-

good time to new subscriptions. The contest is as yet in its infancy, and before it get well started is the best time to regis ter for an award. Since it costs nothing and the gifts are little short of magnificent, there is really no reason for hesitancy in starting an aggressive campaign along progressive lines. Do not be afraid to ask for business. If the automobiles, costing in the ag-gregate more than \$10,000, are worth having, they are worth asking for. Seidom does anything of value come of its own volition. Some affort is always necessary, true, very often only a slight attempt brings remarkable results, and it is beginning to look as results, and it is beginning to look as though the minimum of exertion in this instance will prove of much profit to those who make this campaign.

Big Advantage to Be Gained.

The importance of taking full advantage of the present club offer of 200,000 extra votes for each club of

new subscriptions amounting to \$30 in strongly urged upon each and every candidate. This offer closes at midnight May 16th. All mail carrying subscriptions post-marked prior to 12 o'clock midnight May 16 will be ac-cepted. At no time thereafter will elub subscriptions count for as many votes as they bring now, so it is of the utmost importance that all con-testants procure as many subscrip-tions as possible, and get them to this office before 13 o'clock midnight, May 16th, or see that subscriptions are mailed to receive a post mark on May 16th. By neglecting to take full ad-vantage of this present extra certificate offer, a candidate loses ground. This period is an important one. The final result will be effected greatly by what you do before this period closes. Get your promises in now, Muster every bit of strength and pile up these extra certificates, so that your reserve will be unassailable. The end of the contest is almost in sight. A few short weeks and all is over. Your extra efforts now may mean success Make the next few hours count heavily in your favor. Explain to your friends the reasons why you desire their immediate Help. Show them that by giving you their subscription now time during the remainder of the contest. Perhaps you will meet those who wish to wait to help you until

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## NOMINATION BALLOT

To enter the Contest, fill out the Coupon and send to the Contest Department. Each contestant is entitled to one nomination good for

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Only one nomination will be credited to each contestant. Under no circumstances will the nomination name be divulged.