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## BRADLEY IS ELECTED THREE ARE ARRESTED ROADS TO COMPLY

City's History

Three Hundred and Eight Buildings Destroyed, Embracing Five Cigar Factories, With a Total Loss Esti-

mated at \$600,000.

Tampa, Fla., Special.—The entire extreme northeastren section of the city proper was destroyed by fire, which raged until interrupted from 9 a. m. to 1 p. m. Sunday. The area burned covered 55 acres or eighteen and one-half city blocks and three hundred and eight buildings were destroyed, with a total loss estimated at \$600,000.

The burned section included four large and one smaller eigar factories. numerous restaurants, saloons, boarding houses and over 200 dwellings oceupied by eigarmakers. The factories burned were, M. Stachelberg & Co., loss \$100,000; M. Perez & Co., loss \$50,000; Gonzales, Fisher & Co., branch of Stachelberg, loss \$40,000; Fernandez & Bro., loss \$20,000.

Cigar Factories Suffer.

All factories carried large stocks of tobacco and cigars. The area swept by fire embraced all that por-Michigan avenues and Sixteenth and Twentieth Streets. It originated in were made by the operating officials | the boarding house of Antonio Diaz, 174 Twelfth avenue, and fanned by a strong wind, spread out, fan-shaped. defying the efforts of the entire city fire department which was crippled during the past four months, almost by very weak water pressure, owing to the point of asking for receivers. to the smallness of the mains in that section. Occupants of over two hundred dwelling houses, thrown indition does not seem to have been to a panic, rushed out, attempting due to the enforcement of legislative (to save but little of their belongings. One fatality is reported, a Cuban woman in a delicate condition, who dropped dead from the shock, her body being rescued from the burning house with difficulty. In the big factories it was possible only to save money until about the 1st of Novem- the most valuable of records, books, he desired for perfecting Heany's ber. In fact, the month of October etc., and the valuable stocks of leaf was one of the best in the history of tobacco and manufactured cigars, ready for shipment, were left to the mercy of the flames.

> Fire Chief Overcome. Fire Chief Savage was overcome by heat and smoke early in the fire, but recovered later. Citizens volunteered assistance to the hard working firemen, but the spread of the flames was so rapid that little effectual work could be done.

Among the buildings, other than factories destroyed, were the hotels and cafes of Perez and Castro and Maximo Caras, six saloons, 12 restaurants and 10 boarding houses. The car barns of the Tampa Electric Company, containing 20 cars, were endangered, and owing to the destruction of trolly wires cars could not be moved. The big Seirenberg branch factory of the Havanna-American Cigar Company was also reached by the flames, but was saved and St. Joseph's Catholic Convent and Academy barely escaped. The fire finally burned itself out at the extreme

northeastern corner of the city. Fully half the people rendered homeless were out of work, owing to the dull season in the factories, and also practically out of funds and their shelter became an immediate problem.

Prominent West Virginian Dead.

Morganton, W. Va., Special.-Dr. Eli Marsh Tucker, formerly president of West Virginia University, died suddenly Sunday of appoplexy. He had apparently been in the best of health and last evening consented to take the nomination for mayor on the Citizens party ticket.

Chinese

#### to Surrender Japanese Steamer.

Pekin, By Cable.-It is announced the Chinese government will surren-Maru, which was seized on February 7th by the Chinese customs cruiser outside of Maeao while unloading a large consignment of rifles and ammunition, the rifles numbering several thousand. It was originally charged that an attempt was being made to bring war supplies into China for revolutionists.

#### News in Brief.

Two bombs were thrown at the Shah of Persia, one killing three outriders, but the Shah escaped.

A bomb was thrown at the carriage of President Alcorta, of Argentina, at Buenos Ayres, but failed to explode.

The Women's Enfranchisement bill nassed its first reading in the House . I the rest of the session.

### Lettettette TAR HEEL TOPICS

items Gathered From All Sections of the State 

Sensation at Fayetteville.

Favetteville, Special .- S. M. Grant negro teacher in the State Colored concealed weapon. Grant was arsted, a pistol having been found his person, and in the mayor's art was bound over to the coming iminal court. Being unable to fursh bail, he was placed in jail. The rectors of the normal school were sand of the affair and after a veful investigation, including a ship. atement from Grant himself, deded that his dismissal was neces-

#### Hazers Have to Withdraw.

at could possibly be done in the atter, and express the belief that ere is now a sentiment among the e is now a sentiment among the more severe or brutal hazing.

#### Negro Killed Near Wilson.

Wilson, Special.-Wednesday night on H. H. Walston's wn as the Lane place, seven miles from Wil-Both men were drink- a similar manner. when the fight occurred. Hagan at 1 o'clock Thursday morning, ter bleeding profusely for five s. Both were negroes about 25 ig he skipped, going east from toga. The sheriff and deputies for Saratoga, but the negro could

#### Tragedy in Marshall.

Marshall, Madison inty, is to the effect that a fire at o'eleck Thursday morning in the tton mill district at that place deroyed a large double house and that Miss Blozer, 14 years of age, was ember of one of the famalies occuing the house. The other members the two families occupying the buse barely escaped with their lives. he girl's head, legs and arms were

#### New Charters Granted.

w charters were granted Thursday: plating self-destruction. ronley Brick Company, Wilming-The capital is \$10,000, with \$25,authorized: G. T. Flynn, W. J.

mpany. Wilmington, increasing the pital from \$100,000 to \$200,000. The David Dewyn Company, Besse-T City, with a capital of \$10,000; bert Knuckley, of Bessemer City, d David and George Dewyn, of parlotte, are the incorporators.

No Interruption of Publication. Raleigh, Special.—In the Superior ourt, with the consent of all parties accrned the temporary receivership The Evening Times was made peranent and Receiver Pace's bond ineased to \$5,000. There will be no

#### A Generous Offer.

Asheville, Special.—George W. ublic school purposes if nemselves another thousand, the n eight-months' term. The matter Il be considered at a mass meeting nd it is practically certain that the empulsory school attendance in buth Biltmore will also be voted.

## Southern Cuts Wages in Georgia.

Atlanta, Ga., Special.—A reduction f 10 per cent. in the wages of all mployes of the Southern Railway, penal servitude for blackmail. scept contract labor, such as engieers, firemen, etc., effective March st, was announced. A previous cut fines, saying they preferred jail.

A Mexican miners' plot to blow eers of the company. The general etrenchment policy adopted by the oad is given as a reason for the cut.

#### Jonesboro Mills Assign.

Raleigh, Special.-The Clark Manufacturing Company and the Eugenia ormal School, which is located in Manufacturing Company, the only is city, was dismissed from service two cotton mills at Jonesboro, in Lee a result of his arrest for earrying county, were placed in the hands of a Oxford being named by Judge Biggs, now holding court in Raleigh, as the receiver. The mills were in charge of David Clark, the capital stock being \$53,900 with 3,800 spindles and 101 looms. The financial depression caused the application for a receiver-

#### Tragedy Prevented.

Concord, Special.-A tragedy almost equalling that at Fayetteville Sunday, was prevented by the cool-Raleigh, Special.—The senior class ness of our Chief of Police Booker, the Agricultural and Mechanical when one Johnson, usually a quiet ollege reports that two men have citizen, tanked up on the "red-eye" en required to withdraw from the and defied arrest. He had the chief llege because they were implicated covered until Policeman Sides came the recent sensational hazing af- on the scene, when his attention was ir, and two others are on probation drawn to him. The chief took adending the result of further inves- vantage, and before Johnson knew gation. They appeal to the people what he was about he was on the way the State that all have been done to the guard house.

Burns May Prove Fatal. Gastonia, Special. - Mrs. Rhoda udents of the college that will make | Mauney, aged 35, wife of William impossible for the occurrence of Manney, an employe of the Gastonia Manufacturing Company, was so badly burned that she will probably die. Mrs. Mauncy was doing some washing in the yard at her home at the old mill and her dress caught from the fire under the washpot. Just one year Davis Hagan was severely cut by ago their 4-year-old son met death in

#### Debtors Idle, Couldn't Pay.

Tarboro, Special.-Execution was old. As soon as Ward did the served on M. P. Williams, a grocer of this city, judgment having been obtained by R. B. Peters Grocery Comt be found in that vicinity and is pany for \$198.86. The store is closed while the inventory is being taken. Mr. Williams says the cause of his embarrassment was poor collections of Asheville, Special .- A telephone debts due by those who are idle on account of being thrown out of work.

### Girl Commits Suicide.

Kinston, Special. - Miss Nellie Fields, the 15-year-old daughter of arned to death. The girl was a Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Fields, committed suicide about 10 o'clock by shooting herself with a pistol at their home on Peyton avenue. Several weeks ago the young girl contracted the grip and had an unusually severe attack having been confined to her bed ever since. For several days she had been · despondent and depressed, but no Raleigh, Special.-The following one suspected that she was contem-

#### Working Up Water Power.

Greenville, Special.—A promoter ynn, J. H. Hooper and others, in- whose name is so far withheld, is in the city working up the organization Amendment to Independent Ice of a power company which is to be capitalized at \$5,000,000 and whose intention is to furnish power for the mills of Greenville and vicinity. The ones promoting the enterprise have talked with mill men and a well known mill architect. Nothing definite has been given out.

#### Waterways.

has his headquarters while engaged in surveying and preparing maps, etc., terruption in the regular publica- of the waters in this section to be on of The Times pending the ad- used by the government in the conistment of the paper's financial ob- sideration of the proposed inland

Greenville Bonds are Sold.

Greenville, Special.-The city of Greenville disposed of \$18,000 in reanderbill has agreed to pay \$1,000 funding school bonds at 103. The eniditional tax on property in south tire issue was taken by Thackston & Son, brokers of this city. The pre- neys for W. G. Dye and Henry Gibmium paid for the issue was \$525 the other property owners will tax. mium paid for the 1880 was nearly \$200. above the next highest offer, made by mount being necessary to establish a Cincinnati firm. Several bond brohigh school with three teachers and kers were here when the bids were opened. The bonds bear 5 per cent interest and under the present un satisfactory conditions of the market as will be voted. It is probable that the sale is considered very advanta-

#### News of the Day.

have married seven women illegally, was sentenced in London to 20 years'

Sufferagists who raided the British House of Commons refused to pay

A Mexican miners' plot to blow up all the Americans in camp at Sonora was frustrated.

Father Leo Hinrichs in Denver.

## COST OF CONTROVERSY

What the Railway Rate Dispute Cost the State - Interesting Figures From the Books of the State Auditor.

Raleigh Special to The Charlotte

An examination of the State Auditor's books reveals the following figures of expense in connection with the cost of the controversy between the State and Rairoad comreceiver, ex-Judge A. W. Graham, of panies in the railway rate litigation. Total litigation expense to State \$18,829.

Paid to lawyers: F. A. Woodard.. .... ... \$3,936 E. J. Justice..... 3,750 J. E. Shepperd...... 1,301 Aycock & Daniels..... 3,150 Winston & Bryant .......... 1,517 States Senator to succeed James B. Merriman & Merriman..... 835 S. G. Ryan..... 250 Other items:

Stenographer and auditing ser-

Attorney General and assistant

vices ..... 3.086

United States Court costs..... 758

Printing ..... 185 The cost of the extra session of the Legislature is yet to be alded, which will fully double the amount, bringpenses to the State to less than

Raleigh, Special.-Among the new charters issued Friday is one for the Buckstone Lodge Association. Manchester, Cumberland county, with a capital of \$50,000. The incorporators are J. H. Alexander, of Elizabeth, New Jersey: Henry D. Spears, New York; W. Strother Jones, Red Bank, N. J.; James F. Jordan, Greensboro.

The Bradshaw Electric Company, Charlotte, amends its charter, changing its name to "The Ideal Electric

Company." The Hamilton Drug Company,

#### MAIN BUILDING BURNED.

Oxford, is also chartered.

\$4,000 Fire Loss Sustained By Industrial Union Training School Southern Pines.

Raleigh, N. C., Special. The main building of the Industrial Union Training School and Orphanage was destroyed by fire early this morning, the total loss amounting to about \$4,000. The building, pipe organ, furniture, etc., were a total loss.

This school is for the industrial training of colored youth and is under the supervision of Rev. J. M. Henderson, president. The institution had the endorsement of Grover Cleveland and other eminent men .-News and Observer, Raleigh, N. C.

The Building of the Southbound.

Winston-Salem, Special - The building of the Southbound Railroad from Winston-Salem to Wadesboro is now being agitated all along the line. The people look upon it as a "good thing" for every section through which it would pass. It is reported that Lane Bros., railroad contractors, who double-tracked for the Southern, are now engaged in preparing a bid for construction work on the South-

#### Looking Into Immigration.

Raleigh, Special .- Agents of the United States Immigration Commission from Washington, Messrs. Kellett, Ball and Bacon, are in Raleigh on official business. While in North Carolina they will also visit Wilmington, Charlotte, Winston, Fayetteville and some other points. They say they find out people favor a restricted immigration, limited to desirable classes.

Bond Secured For Men Charged With Murder.

Chester, Special.—Messrs. S. E. McFadden and A. L. Gaston, attorson, two of the young men charge with killing Reuben Douglas, colored a few days ago near Richburg while attempting to arrest one of his sons. appeared before Judge R. C. Watts at Winnsboro and secured bond for their clients in the sum of \$500 each, the motion not being resisted by the solicitor. The bond was readily furnished, and the young men are again at

## The News in Paragraphs.

Queen Wilhelminia of Holland and her husband escaped injury when a trolley car hit their carriage. The czar told a delegation from the

Douma property rights must be inviolate. reported revolt in India and Ceylon. An arraignment of anarchists was made in the funeral sermon over

# Kentucky Chooses Republican In Connection With Frauds in Agree to Adopt the Nine-Hour Severest Conflagration in the

DEMOCRATS FOR HIM ONE HIGH OFFICIAL IMPLICATED

Republicans Vote Solidly For Bradley and With the Assistance of Four Democrats Succeed in Landing the Former Governor in the Senatorship, With Only Four Votes to the Good.

United States Senator

Frankfort, Ky., Special.-Amid scenes of wildest excitement, former Governor William O'Connell Bradley, Republican, was elected United received 64 votes, four of which were the State primary.

ed by party friends and urged to destroying public records. ing up the total expense to the State | withdraw their support from Bradley to \$38,000 or more, into which the and re-elect Senator James McCreary \$17,500 the railways offered and the or any Democrat they might name Governor accepted is to be thrown but the four men declared that the and this will bring the actual ex- proposal came too late. The Democratic leaders even promised a caucus sented.

.The ballot as recast resulted as follows:

Bradley 64; Beckham 15; James 15; McCreary 10; Mayo 5; Allen 2; Ellison 1; Stanley 1; Blackburn 1; Cantrell 1; Ellis 1; Cammack 1; Sullivan 1: McElroy 1; Hunt 1.

In a speech accepting his election Bradley promised to use every effort as senator to procure the repeal of the 6-cent tax on tobacco.

Representative Lillard was the only one of the four Democrats to explain his vote for Bradley. He said he thought the time had come to 'throw the machine." and, although he did support the Democratic ticket for 40 years, he believed his vote for Bradley "was the best Democratic vote he ever cast."

The Republicans voted solidly for Bradley, the caucus nominee. It had been held from the beginning of the contest (over six weeks ago) that a majority of a quorum was sufficient for an election, and with 126 members present it reuired 64 votes to elect. The votes of the four Demoerats who have steadily refused to vote for former Governor Beckham various Democratic opponents of Beckham.

Winner by Four Votes. Bradley received 64 votes to 60 for Beckhaml 1 for Allen and 1 for Blackburn. The Democrats left the hal in an attempt to break the vote, but later returned and the vote was ordered ratified.

Senators McNutt and Chariton and Representative Meuller, of Louis-Boyle, were the Democrats who voted with the Republicans for Bradley.

A scene of the wildest excitement prevailed before the result was announced, the Democrats demanding a recapitulation. Beckham came on he floor and reelased the Democrats from their primary nomination pledge. Many Democrats sought to change their votes the majority going to Congressman James.

Many Hurt in Wreck in Texas. Laredo, Tex., Special.-Four persons were seriously injured and 25 others hurt early Tuesday when Charles G. Gates' Mexican touring train was ditched 12 miles north of here. Most of the passengers were from Toledo, O., and the middle West. The wreck was caused by the engine's axle breaking. Nine coaches of the train were ditched.

#### Big Bank Consolidation.

Chicago, Special.-The announcement made of the practical completion of arrangements for the consolidation of the American Trust and Savings Bank and the Hibernian Banking Association, with a deposit account of forty-three millions and a capital of four millions five hundred thousand startled financial circles here. Negotiations were taken up last fall, but were interrupted by the panic.

### Bomb Thrown at the Shah.

Washington, Special .- A cable dispatch received here from Teheren by the State Department states that an attempt to assassinate the Shab of Persia was made, but his majesty Japanese are said to be back of a escaped. A bomb was thrown at the royal carriage and killed several persons, but the Shah entirely escaped injury. The cablegram does not con tain minute details.

## the Patent Office

Arrests of Third Assistant Examiner Barton, Henry W. Everding, a Patent Attorney and, John A. Heany, an Inventor, Bring to Light a Scandal in the Patent Office.

Washington, Special.-Three arrests here Thursday brought to light a scandal in the patent office which has been under investigation since early in February, and which revolves around an invention valued at McCreary. Bradley's term of six more than \$5,000,000. The parties aryears will begin March 4th, 1909. He rested are Ned W. Barton, third assistant examiner of the patent ofcast by Democrats opposed to for- fice, Henry W. Everding, a patent atmer Governor Beckham, leading torney of Philadpehia, and John A. Democratic candidate for senator, Heany, an inventor of York, Pa. who was endorsed for the office at They had been indicted by the United States grand jury for conspiracy

#### Heany's Leads to Arrest.

The indistment charges that the three men, "with an intent to steal patent office certain letters, specifi- fronted. cations and amendments relating to to select a candidate, to which the patents and unlawfully and wilfully name of Beckhain would not be pre- destroyed them. The investigation for an extension of the nine-hour law tion of the city between 12th and was made upon information that as by the inter-State commerce commisa result of a conspiracy John A. sion some astonishing statements Heany had been given a patent on an invention for manufacturing filaments and electrodes for electric

incandescent lamps. The facts disclosed by the investigation were of such a character that they were presented to the grand jury. It is alleged that through connivance with New W. Barton, Heany and Barton outrivaled more than 20 of the largest electrical concerns in the country, striving to get off party shackles and to break up the same patent. All of these concerns had filed applications for a patent, but from time to time. Barton, it is charged, would see the ways did not feel the stringeney in specifications and employ whatever invention. To be successful in this plan it was necessary to destroy certain records, and file substitutes

therefor. Nabbed in Court House. Secretary Garfield, after a conference with Commissioner Moore, called upon District Attorney Baker last Friday and the latter immediately were transfered to Bradley from the presented the case to the grand jury. Subpoenas were issued Monday, directing Barton, Heany and Everding to appear before the grand jury, and at 3:50 Thursday afternoon the indictments were returned before Justice Stafford in criminal court, and bench warrants were at once issued for the arrest of the accused men. Under some pretext the three men had been kept in the court house and Deputy Marshals Stutler, Hawkins ville, and Representative Lillard, of and Reid served the warrants im- which the country has suffered is not mediately. Assistant District At- due to fundamental causes. They Taggart, who have worked up the Justice Stafford who fixed bail for they were still making efforts to pro-

cure bondsmen. The accused men said they cared the fact of their innocence would be proven.

Freshet Closes Mills in Pennsylvania Philadelphia, Pa., Special.-More than six thousand mill employes are out of work and every mill along the Schuylkill river at Manayuk and Schyulkill Falls, is closed as the result of a freshet in the river. Fami-

#### money loss is heavy. Captain Brotherton Dead.

Atlanta, Ga., Special. - Captain William H. Brotherton, a Confederate veteran and a leader for many life of Atlanta, died at his home here Thursday night. Captain Brotherton was born near Benton, Tenn., years ago. At the outbreak of th civil war he entered into the service as second lieutenant of the Thirtyninth Georgia Regiment and was later promoted to the rank of Captain. Since the war he has made his home in this city.

#### By Wire and Cable.

The British army and navy estimates show an increase of \$3,000,000 over last year.

Thousands of sightseers visited the American warships at Callao.

The new Educational bill was introduced in the House of Commons. Southern Railway employes had an over the threatened wage reduction.

# System Without Delay

NO. 30.

EIGHTEEN BLOCKS BURNED OUT CLAIM IT WILL WORK BADLY

New Order of Affairs Will Mean the Employment of Thousands of Additional Operators, the Closing of a 7 arge Number of Small Stations, and General Inconvenience to the Traveling and Shipping Public.

Washington, Special. - American railways have made arrangements to comply with the provisions of the "nine-hour law." The operation of the law will mean the employment by railroad companies of several thousand additional operators and the closing of a large number of small stations on the 4th of March. The discontinuance of railway service at many points, it is realized, will induce at least temporary inconvenience to the traveling and ship-The four Democrats were surround- to defraud the government and for ping public, but, in order to reduce operating expenses which now seems necessary, the operating officials of the railways believe that this is the only way they possible can meet the and destroy," carried away from the situation with which they are con-

#### Astonishing Statements.

During the hearing of applications of important railways. A good many lines, owing to a reduction in their revenues, and to their inability to command the cash necessary to meei their pay rolls, have been forced. In the opinion of railway officials expressed at the hearing under oath and in private conversation this conlaws or to the incapacity of railway management. Most of the railroad officials attribute the difficulty to the unfortunate banking situation which developed last September. The railthe business of American railroading. One railway official ventured the statement that in the country to-day there were 300,000 idle freight cars, and one line which he instanced was declared to be hauling empty cars backward and forward because it had not vard room or sidings to ac-

#### commodate them.

Note of Confidence. Not a single official of a single railway line who appeared before the commission, however, expressed the belief that the present industrial depression would be lasting. In the testimony of nearly every witness before the commision there was a note of confidence because all of them practically believed that the stringency in the money market from torney Jesse A. Adkins and Hugh point out that the crops last year were good; that prices were excelcase for the government, consulted lent; that industrial enterprises throughout the country were flourthe defendants at \$10,000. Later ishing. It was merely the inability to command ready cash and the hoarding of money by panic-stricken individuals which produced so sudto make no statement other than denly the remarkable depression from which all have suffered. They practically uniformly express confidence that the return of prosperity will be almost as sudden as was the coming of adversity and in their arguments as to the enforcement of the nine-hour law they pointed out to the commission that such a return of prosperity might seriously embarrass them in complying with the law, becouse it would render it difficult to lies occupying cottages along the rivcommand the services of competent operators in sufficient numbers to er have also been forced to flee. The meet the needs of prosperous condi

## Falls Through Trestle and is Drown

Gaffney, S. C., Special.-Coroner years in the political and business Vinsett was notified that a negro had der the Japanese steamer Tatsu been drowned Saturday night in Buffalo creek, about four miles north of Gaffney. Accompanied by Dr. J. N Nesbitt, the county physician, he repaired to the scene and learned that while two drunken negroes were crossing the trestle over Buffalo creek (a large and deep stream) one of them fell through.

#### Prominent Alabama Railroad Man Dead.

donce in Selma. Mr. Niel has been associated with the Southern Railway and its predecessors 36 years. He was the father of Edward A. Niel. of unfruitful conference with officials | Buffalo, N. Y., traffic manager of the of Commors and was then shelved for Buffalo & Susquehanna Railroad.

Selma, Ala., Special.-Andrew J. Niel, 70 years old, died at his resi-

# Surveys for Consideration of Inland

Beaufort, Special-Mr. Alfred Sheney, of Kinston, is here, where he

geous to the city.

Carl Von Veitheim, who is said to