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COOK VINDICATED SUUTHERN BUYS REWARDED. Diplomas of Merit Awarded for Agri-

Loose Confesses He Led About Selling Records to Explorer.

Trnth, and They Succeeded in Selling False Story to New York Paper.

New York City.-Captain B. S. Osben of this city, secretary of the Arcdealing with Dr. Cook, as published The State Bankers' Association of Arin a New York newspaper, was concocted for sale w shout regard to the

"In the presence of witnesses," said Captain Osbon, "I heard Loose say: 'I was out for the money, and I didn't care how I got it."

Captain Ospon does not believe that Loose's narrative as supported by his of products and yield per acre. amdavits was a part of any polt to discredit Dr. Cook.

Captain Osbon was not at liberty to to Washington next year. name the person who had obtained and drafted the contession. "A ship employer of Loose and a nian who has personal influence with him." know enough shipmates of the doctor who went into the antarctic with him to be sure Lr. Cook needed nobedy to fabricate observations for No doubt he set problems tor

Ottawa, Ontario.-"Captain Loose ed in a New York newspaper, is a lie of the country from teginning to end. We hope to

The letter, Captain Bernier states, is have begun right from Captain B. S. Osbon of New York, secretary of the Arctic Club of which the Canadian explorer is a

success of the journey.

regarding his alteged discovery of the ing in the building. pole is aimost completed. The committee declined to consider the statements of Captain A. W. Loose and George S. Dunkle of New York, who declared they prepared data for Cook.

NATIONAL AID FUR GOOD ROADS. President Taft Says Let the States Make Good Highways.

Tepeka, Kans. - National aid for permanent roads, a system of national highways connecting the capment of road making on a strictly business basis, are some of the suggestions made at the opening sessions of the tenth national good roads con-

function and that all the states ought take the case to the supreme court. to unite in an effort to promote good! reads. I dent think that the farmers are as much interested as they

Next to education a system of good roads is the greatest civilizer." Arthur C. Jackson, national president of the Good Roads Association, succumbed to heart disease. suggested the plan of national and state highways

CAMPAIGN OF EBUGATION.

Agriculture Department Will Help the Southern Farmers. Washington, D. C .- A somewhat unique campaign of education is 3)

culture in charge of the farm demonstration work in the south, which will have for its object a discussion of the farm methods and policies of the vari-

tions in the community or state visa ed, the entire series making a collect- ing shirtwaist makers belong. ed study of farm life, methods, op-Ga.; Jacksonville, Fla.; Anniston and and Lexington, Ky.

CONGRESS TO PROBE EXPOSITION.

Proposed Emancipation Show at Savannah to Be Looked Into. ance of the emancipation proclama-Senator Jones proposes that a decision shall be reached as to wheth- ing. er such an exposition is advisable. He committee on expositions.

TOM ROBINSON HANGED.

Alabama Murderer Pays the Death Penalty.

Russellville, Ala. - Tom Robinsen was hanged here for the murder of his wife and mother-in-law. The execution was in public at the request of Robinson, and was witnessed by a

great concourse of people.

SOUTHERN BOYS REWARDED.

cultural Proficiency. nerit were presented by Secretary Wilson in his office at the department agriculture to Bascomb Usher of South Carolina; DeWitt Lundy of STORY FRAMED FOR MONEY South Carolina; DeWitt Lundy of Mississippi; Elmer Halter of Arkansas and Ralph Bellwood of Virginia, all under 18 years, for special profi-Men Were After Money Regardless of ciency in agricultural pursuits. The recipients are among the 12,500 engaged in the boys' demonstration work in the scuth. Each planted one acre of corn and cultivated it under instructions from the department of agriculture. Dr. C. G. Knapp, who nas charge of the park demonstration E Bernier and others that Captain Washington to the boy in Mississippi August W. Loose has stated that his who should obtain the best results.

> fers in those states. Thousands of dollars of prizes were awarded this year throughout the south, the basis of the awards being the profits, written records, exhibits All southern states are making ar-

mansas offered a similar reward in

that state, while citizens of Virginia

and South Carolina duplicated the of-

rangements to send the prize winners In a brief address to the boys, Secretary Wilson declared that they and owner" he designated him, " a former the boys engaged in like work are "the only hope we have for the continued greatness and prosperity of the

He pointed out that the south now, in agriculture and manufacture, was prosperous as never before, because the men and women of the south had Loose by which to eneck his calcula- put into the work their own energy and ability, and, in no sense, were dependent upon the capital or the inhas confessed that his story publish- dustry of the people from other parts

"These diplomas," he continued, "are have his contession sworn to in a unique. No boys ever have received a similar recognition of their merit. This, in substance, is the statement Nothing I have done since I have been made in a letter received here by secretary of agriculture has given me Captain Bernier, commander of the more pleasure than to present them to canadian exploration steamer Arctic. You You have earned them. You

Philadelphia, Pa.-Five girls and It was Captain Bernier who receiv. Fireman Joseph T. Toner are known ed the first letter from Dr. Cook after to have lost their lives when the his dash to the pole announcing the six-story building occupied by Schrack & Sherwood, manufacturers Copenhagen, Lenmark.-The exami of undertaking supplies, was destroynation of Dr. Frederick Cook's data ed by fire. Twenty girls were work-

Killed in Salisbury, N. C., Fire.

Greensboro, N. C .- As the result of a fire in the business section of Salisbury, 49 miles sotuh of here, one person is dead, another fatally and a third slightly injured. Damage to the Empire Clothing Company's building

to the extent of \$50,000 was done.

Magic Would Not Quiet Winds. Juneau, Alaska.-Because She Shen ital of the various states, and of state Jim, an Indian medicine man, insisthighways connecting the various ed that by his magic he could quiet county seats, use of federal prisoners the winds, he and six relatives were for building roads and the establish- drowned while trying to reach Juneau from Gambler Bay in acanoe.

Newsy Paragraphs.

Captain Thomas Franklin, United ention here. A letter from President States army, accused of embezzing Taft declares against national aid to \$5,000 from the cadets' mess rund or any great extent. The president the West Point Military academy, of which Franklin was treasurer, plead-"My own views of the good roads ed guilty in the United States circuit question is that it is chiefly a state court. A question of jurisdiction will

Patrick Francis Sheedy, who for the last two years has owned an art store in New York city, but who for years before was prominent in sporting circles of all kinds under the simple name of "Pat" Sheedy, died in his rooms over his are galleries. He

A movement is on foot in Richmond, Va., looking to the removal of the body of Patrick Henry from its resting place at Red Hill, Charlotte county, Va., to the burying ground around old St. John's church, in Richmond, in which the Virginia patriot made his famous "Give me liberty or be undertaken in January by Dr. S. give me death' speech, and to erect A. Knapp of the department of agri- a suitable monument over the Red Hill grave. It is thought probable that the legislature will take the matter up at its next session.

Miss Annie Morgan, daughter of J. ous states visited and the means for P. Morgan, is a recent applicant for bringing about greater agricultural membership in the Woman's Trade Union league of New York city, and There will be a series of eight or when her name has been passed upon nine addresses, each treating directly she will become a regular member, of the agricultural work and condi- paying \$1 a year, which is the fee. This is the league to which the strik-

The will of Charles N. Crittendon, portunities and possibilities in the name of his daughter, Florence Critsoutheastern states. The meeting tenton, in fourteen cities of this will be held at Lynchburg, Va.; Char country, and in Shanghai, Mexico lotte, N. C.; Greenville, S. C.; Macon, City and other foreign cities, filed for probate in New York city, leaves half Huntsville, Ala.; West Point and his estate, estimated at between \$3,-Greenville, Miss.; Memphis, Tenn., 000,000 and \$5,000,000, to the National Florence Crittenton misison.

After being put out of business for several months, the lottery men of Charleston, S. C., have combined forces and resources, hired attorneys and are now operating in deliance of the Washington, D. C .- Before congress authorities. As fast as -eir ticket makes an appropriation for govern, sellers are arrested the men are mental participation in the exposition promptly bailed out of the police staat Savannah, in 1913, to commemorate tion and a jury trial demanded. This the fiftieth anniversary of the issu- lottery business is done on a five and ten-cent scale, but involves hundreds of dollars at each daily draw-

The highest recorded price for hogs introduced a resolution providing for was exceeded at the National Stock the appointment of a commission of yards in St. Louis when a buyer gave five to decide that question. She De- \$8.65 a hundred pounds for some fine Dew bill, making an appropriation for specimens. Nothing approaching this the commission, has been sent to the price has been known in the open market here since 1893.

> The cost of living in New Jersey has gone up 37 per cent in the past ten years, according to Chiet W. C. Garrison of the state bureau of statistics. His figures, moreover, do not take any luxuries into acount, but are based merely in the prices of actual

A wonderful torpedo which picks up sounds and tracks it down is re-In a speech to the crowd, Robinson ported to be in the hands of the urged all to take warning of his fate British admiralty, by whom it will be and lead upright lives. He died just subjected very soon to exsaustive eleven minutes after the drop was trials. The principle of the microphone is utilized.

KING LEOPOLD II DEAD ZELAYA HAS RESIGNED. President of Nicaragua Quits Office to

Washington, D. C. - Diplomas of Death Claims Aged Ruler of the Belgians.

pold, there Being No Hereditary Heir to the Belgian Throne.

the doctors seemingly had the great claiming the new regime. est hopes for his recovery from the operation performed upon him for intestinal trouble. Courts, schools and theaters are closed, parliament and municipal coun- laya sent the following message to cil have adjourned, and mags are at congress: half mast in every city, wwn and village of the kingdom of Belgium

out of respect for the dead monarch. Leopold II. Under the constitution, the affairs of the nation are in control of the cabinet until Prince Al-

An official decree lauds King Leopold's career, and declares his creation of the Congo independent state an act unique in history.

"Posterity will judge Leopold a great king with a grand reign," it The filing of the will of King Leop-

old shows that he divided \$3,000,000 between his three daughters. Princess Louise, Princess Stephanie and Prin- term of office, which is to be filled by cess Clementine. This practical dis- a substitute of their choosing, with of their perths when the jump occurinheritance of his children signals the hope that this will result in good red. Mr. Russell was badly nurt by beginning of a gigantic legal battle to Nicaragua, the re-establishment or to obtain the king's wealth, similar peace, and particularly the suspento that which ensued on the death sion of the hostility of the United of their mother, Queen Henrietta. The exact amount of Leopoid's for give a pretext for intervention." tune probably never will be revealed. News of the president's action Senator Winer, the king's friend and spread through the city, and soon confidential legal adviser, told the As- great crowds moved through the over a considerable portion of it to States, Estrada and the revolution. the Baroness Vaughan and her children, and created a stock company

Leopold II, king of the Belgians, son of King Leopold I, upon whose from any responsible officer of the death, which occurred December 10. 1865, he succeeded to the throne, was

mained in his affections. Always conspicuous before the public on account of the nature of his charge substantially of murder in the private life, particularly in recent first degree. years, King Leopold has latterly had

King Leopold was looked upon as one of the shrewdest and ablest men of the time. He was essentially a man of business, cold, reticent and calculating. He was of a particular ly independent spirit, and more than once is said to have told other sovereigns, who attempted to advise him in connection with his private affairs reason, King Leopold had become estranged from many of the courts o.

Baroness Vaughan, who is said to have been the king's morganatic wife, occupies a chateau close to the pavil mother of two children.

There being no direct hereditary heir, the crown passes to Prince A. bert, the only son of Leopold's brother, the late Phillippe, count of Flanders. The new monarch was born April 8, 1875, and on October 2, 1900, married Princess Elizabeth of Bava-They have three children-

Prince Albert is one of the most popular members of the reigning speed. house of Belgium. His wife is equally popular, their home life being such as to attract the admiration and love of the people. He dearly loves clean and healthy sport. He is an accomdirigible balloon.

WOULD INVETIGATE CONGRESS.

Resolution Introduced Asking That Corruption Charges Be Proped. ruption against members of congress ion by the South Mississippi Conferand of the subsidizing of newspapers ence of the Methodist Episcopal for and against ship subsidy which Church, South, in the case of Rev. J.

resentative Hardy of Texas. He asks that a committee of two democrats and four republicans, three court established what is known as scheduled during the exposition to be opposed to ship subsidy and three fa- the locker club decision, wherein it voring it, be named to learn to what is held that a man may own and store extent money has been spent by those liquors where he pleases, and as much favoring and opposing ship subsidy as he pleases, if acquired legally. and to what extent newspaper writer | Liquors, the court says, are legitimate and lobbyists have been hired, if any. property. A rehearing was denied.

GREATER BIRMINGHAM ASSURED.

Supreme Court of Alabama Holds the King Bill is Valid.

ham is a legaly determined reality. York, with a large cargo of crossties, Not only has the legislature passed a grounded and went to pieces off Wimcomprehensive act for the enlarge ble Shoals, 25 miles north of Cape ment and extension of the city, but Hatteras, the captain, his wife and the highest courts in the state, in an the crew of 12 men all being killed and Canada at the close of a momenopinion handed down, declares that or drowned, is the story told by Jo- tous two days' conference. The decisact to have passed in full accordance siah Spearing, the sole survivor of ion to battle, long and hard, against with the organic law of the state. the wreck, who was brought here by the stand taken by the steel corpora-The court is agreed, the chief justice the steamship Shawmut of the South- tion in its policy of "open shop" was and every judge concurring.

Avoid Bloodshed.

Zelaya has resigned from the presidency of Nicaragua. He placed his resignation in the hands of congress. Apparently there was no other course for him to take. The people were at last aroused. The guns of the revolutionists threatened. The warships The Crown Passes to Nephew of Leoof the United States lay in Nicaraguan ports.

Managua has been seething for days. The spirit of revolt has spread even to the gates of the palace. Ze-Brussels, Belgium.—Leopold II, king laya surrounded himself with an armof the Belgians, died at 2:35 o clock ed guard. Unchecked, the populace Friday morning. The collapse occur- nave marched through the streets, tie Club, has written Captain Joseph work in the south, offered a trip to red suddenly and at a moment when crying for the end of the old, pro-

> will act quickly on his resignation, injured are being cared for at the for the people have demanded it. A companying his resignation, Ze-

fairs, publicly providing the rebels through the heroism of our troops. To avoid turther bloodshed, and for the reason that the revolutionists nave declared that they would put executive power, I hereby place in the hands of the national assembly the abandonment of the remainder of my States, to which I do not wish to

United States to Press Zelaya. of his estates in order to forestall a resignation of President Zelaya of possible raid upon them by the Prin- Nicaragua, was received with evident cesses Louise and Stephanie or the satisfaction at the state department

administration. It is said, however, that Zelaya's born at Brussels, April 9, 1837. His resignation, welcome as it is, has by fat.er was the former prince of Saxe- no means removed him from the at-Coburg-Gotha and his mother, Prin- tention of this government. Secrecess Louise, daughter of King Louis tary Knox's recent letter of dismis-Philippe of France. On August 22, sal to Senor Rodriguez, the Nicara-1853, he married the Archduchess Ma- guan charge d'affaires, plainly indi- and killed in the sleepers were in the rie Henrietta, daughter of Archduke cated the intention of the United Richmond sleeper, which was totally Joseph of Austria. She died Septem- States to hold Zelaya and his circle ber 19, 1902. There were three daugh- of advisers personally responsible for ters born of this union-Louise, Ste- the killing of the two Americans, Canphanic and Clementine. The two eld- non and Groce, and nobody here beer princesses have been estranged lieves that Zelaya's retirement matefrom their father, but Clementine re- rially mitigates his personal peril, as a defendant before the bar at which Mr. Knox has arraigned him on the

Bluefields, Nicaragua.-The Amerimuch of the world against him on can grip on Bluefields was tightened account of his attitude towards the when Commander Shipley of the Congo independent state. His great cruiser DesMoines, on the authority interest lay in the development of Rear Admiral Kimball, in command that country, for he was practically of the American forces in Nicaragua, the founder of it, and was its ruling issued a proclamation formaly stating that no fighting would be allowed at

THREE KILLED IN WRECK.

Central Train Collided With Train on the M. & B.

Macon, Ga. - Three persons were killed, one fatally injured and seven more or less seriously hurt when a to mind their own business. For this Central of Georgia northbound passenger train at Harris City, Ga., crashed into the combination secondclass, baggage and mail car of treal No. 42, eastbound, of the Macon and Birmingham road.

Engineer Rogers of the Central, ion where Leopold died. She is the shortly after the werck, was arrested on a warrant charging him with manslaughter. He waived preliminary hearing, and is out on bond. He claims the track was rendered slick by the frost and that the sand pipe failed to discharge sand on the smooth rails, and for this reason he was unable to control his engine. He also claims that his airbrakes were Prince Leopold, 8 years; Prince defective. Passengers on the train rial hall at Washington, D. C., in a Charles, 6 years old, and Prince Ma- say the engineer ran by two stations rie Jose, who was born on August 4, before he reached Harris City, and as he approached Harris City the engine was running at a high rate of

The dead: A. H. Hargue, a by stand-Rawls, joint ticket agent, Harris City. The accident occurred at the crossplished horseman, enjoys motoring, ing of the two roads and was due, acand has taken a flight or two in a cording to statements from railroad officials, to a frosted track.

Methodist Minister Expelled.

New Orleans, La.-Both expulsion from the ministry and from member-Washington, D. C .- Charges of cor. ship in the church follow the decishave been made in various American W. Crisier. He was found guilty of newspapers are recounted in a resolu- a charge of gross immorality. tion introduced in the house by Rep-

Decision in Alabama Liquor Case.

Crew of Schooner Drowned.

Charleston, S. C .- That the fivemasted schooner Governor Ames, Montgomery, Ala.-Greater Birming- bound from Brunswick, Ga., to New ern Steamship Company.

SOUTHERN RY. WRECK

Managua, Nicaragua.-Joe Santos Disaster Occurred Greensboro, North Carolina.

12 KILLED AND 25 INJURED

Coaches of Train Left the Track on a Trestle and Plunged Into Creek Below.

Grensboro, N. C .- Local passenger train No. 11 on the Southern Railway, known as the Richmond and Atlanta train, was wrecked at Reedy Fork trestle, 10 miles north of here. There is no doust, that congress 12 persons were killed and 25 hospital. The dead are:

A. P. Cone, supermtendent of the Richmond and Danville division of the Southern Railway, with headquar-"Ine painful circumstances in which ters at Richmond; H. C. White, travthe country is plunged call for acts eling auditor, Wasnington, D. C.; of abnegation and patriotism on the Isaac Dammals, porter on the Richpart of good citizens, who are the wit- mond sleeper; C. B. Nolan, Pullman conductor, Greensboro; Frank W. Kiilic by the heavy hand of fate. The by, an expert accountant of Anniston, ber takes the oath of succession next country is staggering under a shame- Ala.; Virgil E. Holcomb, Mount Airy, Thursday, the day after the funeral less revolution which threatens the N. C.; Ed Sexton, Denton, N. C.; Richof his uncle, before the joint houses nation's sovereignty and a foreign na- ard Eames, a prominent mining engiof parliament in the senate cham-Brodnax, Richmond, Va.; Ed Bagby, with arms, which has only resulted in Richmond, Va.; Charles T. Broadtheir being defeated everywhere field, Americus, Ga,; Henry Stribling, Atlanta, Ga.

George J. Gould, who, with his son, Jay Gould, was in one of the Pullmans when the train jumped the down their arms when I surrender the track and who was reported dead, escaped uninjured. He, with his son, Jay, and friend, R. H. Russell, of New York, former editor of the Metropolitan Magazine, had just gotten out coming in contact with a car stove and is at the hospital.

The derailment of the train was caused by a broken rail about 200 feet from the trestle that spans the small

At the point where the first coach sociated Press that Leopold turned streets, shouting for the United ing broken, about 18 inches from a joint, the rail was broken into fragments for several feet and torn en-Washington, D. C .- News of the tirely from the crossties. The truck wheels ran on the ties until near the trestle, when the outside wheels went over, allowing the brake beams and and elsewhere here, but not one sylaxles to fall on the guard rail of the lable of comment could be elicited bridge. As the last coach was about on the trestle the five coaches toppled over, broke loose from the mail and express car and tumbled to the mud and water below.

The Norfolk Pullman fell in the water, while the Richmond sleeper, just in front, landed only partially in the water. The most of the injured demolished.

FINAL CROP ESTIMATE.

Average Weights Per Bushel of Crops Also Given. Washington, D. C .- The crop reporting board of the department of

agriculture in a bulletin just issued estimates the average weight per measured bushel of various crops to be as follows: Spring wheat 57.1 pounds; winter wheat 58.4 pounds, and oats 32.7

pounds, against 57.3, 58.3 and 29.8 pounds, respectively, last year. The quality of corn is 84.2 per cent against 86.9 last year. The final estimates indicate the harvested acreage and production, important farm crops of the United States, in 1909 and 1908, to have bene as follows: Bushels. Acreage. Crop-

Corn '09 . . . 108,771,000 *2,772,376,000 Corn '08 . . . 101,788,000 2,668,651,000 446,366,000 Win wheat '09 28,330,000 437,908,000 Win wheat '08 30,349,000 Spg wheat '09 18,393,000 290,823,000 Spg wheat '08 17,208,000 226,694,000 All wheat '09 46,723,000 737.189,000 664,602,000 All wheat '08 47,557,000 1,007,353,000 Oats '09. . . 33,204,000 Oats '08 . . . 32,344,000 *—Bushels of weight. 807,156,000

CONFEDERATES AID MEMORIAL.

General Evans Gives Support of Veterans to Washington Memorial. New York City.-General Clement A. Evans of Atlanta, Ga., commanderin-chief of the United Confederate Veterans, has pledged the support of his organization to the building of a \$2,500,000 George Washington Memoletter received here by Mrs. Henry F. Dimock, who is heading a movement to provide adequate quarters for all national patriotic and other societies.

"We commend every effort to continue in this country," General Evans er, of Harris City; J. L. Williams, a wrote, 'the ascendency of the name lystander, of Harris City; H. C. of George Washington. Your purpose accords with the desire and hope of this great patriotic southern organization, that our country should be the most enlightened, useful, united government in the world."

HOOK WURM CONVENTION.

Rockefeller Promises to Favor Tampa for Meeting.

Tampa, Fia.-In a letter received here, John D. Rockefeller, who donated \$1,000,000 for the extermination of the hook worm, promised to favor Tampa as the meeting place of the general conference of those named desire and requesting the secretary the catafalqua and paid homage to on the hook worm commission.

Montgomery, Ala. - The supreme | be one of the many important events held here during February, celebrat- in command of the department of the ing the benefits that will accrue to Tampa on the completion of the Panama canal. Extensive arrangements are being

made to entertain the commissioners.

LABOR TO FIGHT U.S. STEEL CO. Stand Taken Against Open Shop by Union Labor.

Pittsburg, Pa.-War was declared upon the United States Steel Corporation by the leaders of organized in 1909 than there were in 1906, when labor throughout the United States the beer halls prevailed. reached by the labor conferees only lyn to 34.08 per cent at Seattle, Wash. | court of the United States. after hours of debate.

LATE NEWS NOTES.

mills will be idle during the latter

part of the month because of the cur-

tailment policy enforced by the high

General. Many spindles in Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Maine cotton

price of the raw material. One large plant will be shut down for ben days and others will close for a week. Holding fast to a handbag in wnich were \$12,000 worth of diamonds and other jewelry, \$2,000 in railroad and findustrial bonds and insurance policies for \$30,000 on property in Oakland, a well dressed woman believed to be Mrs. Ina L. Cummings, of St. Louis, was found lying ill in the street at Monterey, Cal. The woman could give little account of herself. She said she had a daughter named Mrs. Daniels, at Carel-by-the-Sea. From papers found with the woman it

is presumed that her first husband

was W. P. Stewart of St. Louis. She is about fifty-five years old. China is planning to spend seven years in reorganizing its navy. The most striking items in its program will be carried out from 1911 to 1916, when the government will have built eight first class battleships, twenty cruisers, ten gunboats and three flotillas of torpedo boats. China intends to proceed immediately to develop naval gases, expand the naval school and enlarge the dockyards. She also plans the creation of an admirality board and the establishment of a new naval academy and to recruit a force

Washington.

Senator Depew introduced a bill appropriating \$250,000 in aid of the American emancipation exposition, which it is proposed to hold at Savannah, Ga., in 1913, in commemoration of the fiftieth anniversary of the tional legislation and progress during signing of the emancipation procla-

The first break in President Taft's cabinet probably will come with the retirement of Secretary of War Jacob M. Dickinson to enter the United States senate as successor to James B. Frazier of Tennessee whose term expires March 4, 1911. Mr. Dickinson has practically decided to enter nessed the unique spectacle of a the movement for the education of member of a republican president's adults; the supervision of rural cabinet seeking election to the senate as a democrat. Moreover,, another democrat, General Luke M. Wright, one-time member of a president's cabinet, and the immediate predecessor of Secretary Dickinson in the Taft cabinet, will direct the Dickinson campaign.

Representative Hobson spoke in the house on the "Philosophy of the Naval Policy for the United States," and said in part: "I believe it is of great importance that the sixty-first congress at this session should authorize the construction of at least four battleships of the first class."

Congressman William M. Howard of the Eighth Georgia district was re-appointed regent of the Smithsonian institution. The appointment was made by Speaker Cannon. The other regents on the part of the house are Daizell of Pennsylvania, and Mann of

Illinois. What an important factor in the commerce of the United States is furnished by paper and its kind is shown by a bulletin just compiled by the bureau of statistics of the departof paper and products have increased from \$2,000,000 in 1889 to \$12,000,020 in 1909 and the exports have increased at a large rate also. During the last ten years American manufacturers have sold in foreign markets paper and manufactures value at \$50,-000,000, and during the same period | the United States has spent for the same products of foreign manutacture

about \$70,000,000. Congressman Lee, of the Seventh Georgia district, introduced a bill for the improvement of the Coosa river. The measure carries \$241,069 for a lock and dam at Horse Leg shoals; \$282,000 for lock and dam No. 4, and \$134,000 for a lock and dam No. 5. All these are located on the Coosa river below Rome. The congressman has secured surveys of the river and favorable recommendations for the project, and if there is a river and harbors bill at this session of congress he hopes to get substantial appropriations for the work, which means so much to Rome.

A bill providing for a central national bank of America to be established at Washington, D. C., with branches in various cities throughout the country, was introduced in the house by Representative Fornes of New York. The bank is to nave a capital of \$100,000,000, three-fifths of which is to be subscribed for by the United States trasury through an issue of fifty-year gold bonds. The rethe various national banks of the country. Branches are provided for Boston, Denver, St. Louis, Atlanta, San Francisco and Portland, Ore.

Representative Hardwick of Georgia wants to know if it is true that the navy department helped to search for the yacht of Colonel John Jacob Astor when it was reported lost recently in the West Indies, and if so, why, and how much money was spent by the department in the quest. He introduced a resolution indicating this The conference, if held here, will public welfare," to inform the house

Major General Leonard Wood, now east, will be the next chief of staff of the army, Secretary Dickinson announced. General Wood will succeed General J. Franklin Bell, whose term expires next spring.

The abolition of beer halls at the national soldiers' homes did not make for sobriety and religious observance among the veterans, according to the report of the inspector. This report says that there were 1,026 more trials for drunkenness in the various homes

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The Associationg is Almost as Extensive as That of the National Educational Association.

Charlotte, N. C., Special.-The next meeting of the Southern Educational Association will be held here on the 28, 29 and 30 of this month. This will be one of the largest, most important and notable educational gatherings that ever assembled in the South. The last meeting at Atlanta was the largest in its history. The association has been largely reconstructed and has now developed an organization almost as extensive as that of the National Educational Association.

Among the subjects that will be discussed in the general session are the following: Educational ideals and problems of the New South as compared with the Old South; the industrial development of the South-the development of Southern rural life and public schools in relation to it: the movement for the improvement of school houses and grounds; the call for educational citizenship; national aid to Southern schools; educathe year; the trend of state administration to public schools; present status of illiteracy in the Southern States; methods of state and local taxation for public schools; present conception of negro education in the South; methods of educational campaigns; the service of the state university; present status of college edschools; the improvement of teachers; Southern summer schools; development of rural high schools; secondary agricultural education in the South; secondary education in Europe; European and American trade schools, etc.

The most progressive Southern university, colleges and normal schools will make exhibits of their equipments, special facilities, etc., bearing especially upon the professional preparation of teachers in secondary and elementary schools. Some of the leading Southern industrial high and elementary schools, also several kindergarten schools, will exhibit the work they have done.

The railroads have granted half rates and hotels will also give special rates. Charlotte is a large commercial and industrial center, and an excellent place for meeting.

Madriz Will Accept Office.

Managua, Nicaragua, Special.ment of commerce and labor. Imports | Jose Madriz, judge of the Central American court of justice, at Cartago, who has been put forward as candidate for the presidency to succeed Zelaya, received an enthusiastim reception on his arival here. Long before he reached the capital Madriz was the object of cheering crowds. He was met by delegations from various departments, and acclaimed all along the way from Corinto to Managua. I shall accept the honor which has been offered me. I am not the candidate of Leon, but of the entirerepublic. My chief concern will be to appease the ancient sectionalism

which has divided certain localities,"

To Meet in Charlotte. Charlotte, N. C., Special.—There is to be held in Charlotte Tuesday, January 4, a meeting of all the cotton yarn spinners of the South and representatives of the leading commission houses of the North, for the purpose of considering conditions in the cotton yarn trade with the view to

Superintendent and Guard Indicted. Atlanta, Special.—After a rigid inspection of conditions in the city prison a grand jury indicted Superintendent D. M. Vining and Guard P. Corner, and pronounced the conmaining two-fifths is to be offered to ditions "inhuman, incrediable and vile." The jury's report told of overpowering stenches, infectious in New York, Chicago, New Orleans, filth, torture machines and other alleged horrors seen in the men's and the women's quarters, white

securing a better price of yarns.

Paid Homage to Leopold.

Brussels, By Cable.-The body of King Leopold lay in state in the royal palace Sunday, while thousands who had patiently waited their turn to be admitted, filed silently before of the navy, "if not incompatible with their late sovereign. In the presence of Prince Albert and the officers and dignitaries of the court and government, the coffin had been borne to the mortuary chamber, while priests chanted the Miserere and a procession of nuns, with bended heads, told the rosery for the dead. The ceermonies were elaborate.

Standard Oil Files Appeal.

St. Louis Special.-The appeal of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, its subsidiaries and the seven individuals, against whom the government recently won its dissolution suit in the United States circuit court, was filed here. Sixty-five instances receipts at the fifty largest postoffices. in which the circuit court is alleged Every office reported an increase to have erred are cited as reasons varying from 5.08 per cent at Brook. for taking the case to the supreme