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BRIEF NEWS NOTES FOR THE BUSY MAN

MOST IMPORTANT EVENTS OF
THE PAST WEEK TOLD IN
CONDENSED FORM.

WORLD'S NEWS EPITOMIZED

Complete Review of Happenings of
Greatest Interest From All
Parts of World.

Southern.
For the first time in the history of the New Orleans cotton exchange, the last few days of trading have shown a big clean-up on the bear side of the market. Estimates of the profits vary, but more than one prominent trader says at least \$2,500,000 was taken in, very largely from bulls trading in the New York exchange. The weekly statement of the New Orleans clearing house shows an increase in business of \$68,000.

A renewal of the heavy selling movement in the cotton market seemed calculated to remove whatever doubt may have existed following the big decline that at last leading bull interests, including Eugene Seales, Colonel Thompson, the New Orleans operators, and others who have figured so prominently in the market reports of the last two years as having taken fortunes out of cotton, had largely thrown over their holdings. Various estimates were ventured as to the probable losses of the bulls and their friends, all of which ran up into the millions. In spite of a feeling that rallies were to be expected after such drastic liquidation as that of several days past, local sentiment still seemed of a very bearish average after the close of business here, and there was talk in some quarters of 11 and even 10 cents cotton.

Through an arrangement perfected between the United States weather bureau and the Southern Bell Telephone company, more than 25,000 Southern farmers began receiving the daily weather reports by telephone on July 1.

To fight the threatened outbreak of the Southern pine beetle, a bark boring insect which caused enormous damage to healthy living timber in the Virginias in the early nineties, and which has recently been reported in different sections of the South, a forest insect field station has been established in Spartanburg, S. C., by the bureau of entomology of the United States department of agriculture. Recognizing the importance of concerted action and that the danger is common to all timber owners, the Southern railway is endeavoring to call the attention of timber owners throughout the South to the activity of the bureau in this matter.

The tariff committee of the American Cotton Manufacturers' association representing a dozen Southern states, held an all-day executive session in Charlotte, N. C., framing the position of the Southern textile manufacturers on the proposed revision of the cotton goods tariff. Briefly stated, the Southern manufacturers oppose any revision of the cotton goods tariff at this time, and their reasons are set forth in a lengthy letter to congress.

The reign of prohibition in Montgomery county, Alabama, which has been on in the city and county since 1909, was officially killed at a local option election held when voters went on record by a majority of more than 4 to 1 in favor of a reversion to the "wet county." Results from the various booths showed that more than twenty-five hundred of the voters were in sympathy with the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors, as opposed to about six hundred against it.

Russell county, Alabama, on the Georgia border, opposite Columbus, went wet by a large majority in the recent election.

General.

That there exists a gigantic, county-wide arson trust with headquarters in Kansas City and representatives in nearly all the large cities, the members of which make a business of setting fire to buildings to enable the owners to collect insurance, was the sensational charge made by State Fire Marshal C. J. Doyle, in an address delivered before the Chicago Association of Commerce. Members have been found at work in Bloomington, Springfield, Ill.; Pittsburg, Cleveland, New York, Buffalo, St. Louis, Chicago and other cities.

The new treaty of commerce and navigation between the United States and Japan is now in operation, replacing the old treaty negotiated during Secretary of State Gresham's administration.

Ethel Barrymore, the actress, has canceled her engagements in the Northwest and left for New York. Mail advises the capital, Managua, as in a state of siege, the prisons filled with political prisoners, loaded with chains. Many of these are not charged with specific offenses. They are said to be unloyal.

The Russian foreign office confirmed the report that Baron Rosen would not return to his post as Russian ambassador at Washington. George Bakheitieff is the nominee now in view for the mission.

Reports were persistent in circulation in official Mexican circles that President De La Barra is preparing to tender his resignation to the government and retire. He is said to have been moved to this determination by the lawlessness prevailing throughout the republic and by the failure of Francisco I. Madero to quell the disorders.

Complaints against existing freight rates on watermelons and cantaloupes shipped from Southern points to Northern and Eastern destinations were made to the interstate commerce commission by more than one hundred commission merchants of New York. Recently the railroads made slight reductions in the rates on melons, but refused to deliver them in New York City, the deliveries, according to the tariffs, being made in Jersey City.

A lone bandit who attempted to hold up the occupants of a Pullman on eastbound Northwestern passenger train No. 8, lies in Belleplain, Iowa, hospital with a bullet wound in his side. He gave his name to the police as William Morris of Plainfield, N. J. While the surprised passengers were hurrying to comply with the train robber's orders to surrender their valuables, Arthur Morris, the brakeman, slipped into the car and got the drop on him.

The process of removing the water surrounding the wreck of the Maine was practically completed when the water level in the coffer dam had been lowered 18 feet, leaving the wreck surrounded by islets of mud, small pools and sink holes of green slimy water. He soundings show nowhere a depth in excess of four feet. From the appearance of the bottom of the wreck it is evident that a tremendous explosion occurred.

Twenty-one miners were killed in an explosion in the shaft of the Cascade Coal and Coke company's mine at Sykesville, nine miles from Dubois, Pa. All of the dead but three are foreigners. The explosion was slight, as evidenced by the small damage done the mine, but the deadly afterdamp is responsible for most of the deaths. Neither mine officials nor mine inspectors can assign any cause for the explosion, as there are no survivors from whom to gain an explanation, but it is the general belief that some of the men drilled into a pocket of gas.

Washington.

Mud-battered after a strenuous trip from Washington by automobile over flooded roads and swollen creeks, President Taft faced an audience at Manassas, Va., made up in part of veterans who wore the blue and the gray within a few miles of the scene of the first great conflict of the Civil war, and was applauded and cheered when he made a plea for international peace. The president declared a general arbitration treaty with Great Britain and with France probably would be signed within the next ten days. He added that he hoped within the next few days to announce that the three other great powers would enter into similar agreements with the United States. Thin lines of veterans of the blue and the gray, with halting steps, slowly advanced, toward each other and, meeting, clasped hands in fraternal greeting on the historic battlefield, where, fifty years ago, they were engaged in the battle of Bull Run, the first great conflict of the Civil war.

Watermelons grow so large in Georgia nowadays that they are christened. One weighing 62½ pounds arrived at the house office building in Washington, D. C., from Gray county, Georgia, consigned to Representative Roddenberry of that state. It was placed on exhibition at the entrance to the building. Carved in the rind was "Hoke Smith." The melon, too large for shipment in an ordinary barrel, came carefully packed in a specially constructed crate.

Attorney General Wickersham, before the Minnesota Bar association, in Duluth, took an advanced stand on the further Federal regulations of corporations and declared a government commission to regulate great industrial organizations in the same way that the interstate commerce commission regulates railroads, was certainly most desirable. Mr. Wickersham's speech was little short of being sensational in many of its features.

The Civil war is receiving almost as much attention in the senate these days as though it were a present live political issue. The senate again turned its attention to that historic struggle and afforded Mr. Heyburn another opportunity to vent his spleen on the South, its heroes and its memories. The latter varied his usual speech by roundly abusing the newspapers of the country. The discussion was precipitated by a bill of Senator Williams of Mississippi to appropriate \$50,000 from the Federal treasury toward the erection of a monument costing \$125,000 to the men constituting the naval forces of the Confederacy, who fought on the Mississippi river.

President Simon of Haiti appears doomed to follow President Diaz of Mexico and to give way to another Revolutionary government, according to advices reaching Washington. In the opinion of Captain Dismuke of the gunboat Petrel, which is at Port-au-Prince watching the operations of the revolutionists at Gonaves, the Revolutionists already practically are victorious and all of the towns of importance except the capital are in their possession. Reports from Cape Haytien state that the reign of terror there is still in full sway.

TWO NEWSPAPERS SUED FOR DAMAGES

W. M. CARTER, DEFENDANT IN
THE WARE-KRAMER DAMAGE
SUIT, FILES COMPLAINT.

CARTER CHARGES NONSUITED

Editorial in Asheville Citizen Copied in
Raleigh News and Observer Com-
mented on Charges Against Carter
—Amount Claimed \$100,000 Each.

Raleigh.—It is learned that W. M. Carter who was one of the defendants in the \$1,200,000 damage suit of Ware-Kramer Company vs. American Tobacco Company here, in which the jury gave damages amounting to \$70,000, and in which the charges as to Carter were nonsuited, has, since the termination of the trial, filed his complaint in the suit for damages he instituted some time ago against The Asheville Citizen and The Raleigh News and Observer, the amount claimed being \$10,000 against each newspaper. This suit was instituted on the strength of an editorial in The Citizen and copied by The News and Observer, commenting on a news story setting out the charges in the Ware-Kramer suit as to Carter having, as an agent of the American Tobacco Company, procured a position as salesman for Ware-Kramer Company and set about to destroy the trade of Ware-Kramer Company. In the recent trial against the trust the plaintiffs failed to sustain their charges against Carter and it is on the strength of this that he now undertakes to press his suit against the newspapers, whose editorials were based entirely on the question of whether the allegations of Ware-Kramer Company were true. Both defendant newspapers published the progress of the trial and the nonsuiting of the case against Carter for failure of Ware-Kramer Company to sustain their charges.

Beginning of Good Roads.

One of the largest and most enthusiastic good roads meetings ever held in western North Carolina was pulled off in Taylorsville. About three thousand people were assembled to meet the good roads train being operated by the Southern Railway and to talk good roads, especially a highway from Statesville by Taylorsville to Lenoir and on to connect with the scenic highway now being built along the crest of the Blue Ridge. Delegations were here from Iredell and Caldwell counties. A picnic dinner was spread and, after all appetites were satisfied, the crowd assembled in the court house, where the meeting was called to order by Mr. J. H. Burke and addresses made by Mr. L. E. Boykin of the United States Good Roads Association, W. J. Hurlburt of the land and industrial department of the Southern Railway, Col. H. B. Varner of the North Carolina Good Roads Commission, Messrs. Caldwell Mills and French of Iredell and Messrs. Newland and Nelson of Caldwell.

After the addresses a resolution was passed, unanimously asking the county commissioners to appropriate \$50 a mile to help build the road and a petition was heavily signed. The meeting was enthusiastic from start to finish and the people are fully alive to the great importance and benefit that the building of this link will be to Alexander county. One speaker said, "We have to build it and we will build it. This will be the beginning of good roads in Alexander and the movement will be pushed forward until we will stand as high in that line as any county in the state."

Elberbe.—The "Old Fair Ground" has grown into a thriving town since the Asheville & Aberdeen Railway was extended to this place a few months ago. The road is a branch from Candor, passing through a fine, but undeveloped section of country, which is now being opened up for farming.

To Hold Farm Educational Meeting.

A farmers' educational meeting will be held here Monday, July 31, and a large number of planters and others interested in better conditions on the farm is expected in Elizabeth City on that day. The meeting will be held for the farmers of both Pasquotank and Camden counties and will take place in the county court house, two sessions, in the morning and afternoon, to be held. Congressman John H. Small is back of the movement for better farm conditions and will be present at the meeting.

Make Preparations For Reunion.

The Booster Club held a meeting for the purpose of planning for the big annual reunion of Confederate soldiers Thursday, August 17. Various committees were appointed. The reunion is the one big day in the Catawba year that stands out above every other occasion. From 5,000 to 10,000 people attend the exercises and the soldiers and their wives are guests at a sumptuous banquet, provided by the people of the town. Everything is decorated for the occasion on that day.

THE COUNTY SEAT IS IN AVEERY

Commissioner M. L. Shipman Tells of a Spirited Race in New County or Location of County Seat.

Raleigh.—Commissioner M. L. Shipman, of the State Department of Labor and Printing, who has just returned from Avery county, reports interesting times in that part of the state.

The people of the brand-new county The Avery are engaged, he says, in a spirited contest over the location of the county seat. Elk Park, the temporary seat of the county government, is in the race, and so also are Oldfield-toe and Montezuma. The election will take place early next month. The strip of Watauga county which had the option of voting itself into Avery county, has, it will be remembered, recently voted to go in with the new county. The former citizens of Watauga are of course interested in the county seat question.

The commissioner says that in the mountain resorts—Asheville, Brevard, Hendersonville, and other places—political questions are taking for the time being a place of minor importance. The people are busy entertaining visitors, the present season being a record-breaker at the mountain resorts.

Having Big Time at Camp Glenn.

Col. Wyatt L. McGhee, Commissary General of the Encampment, was in Raleigh on his way to Franklinton to spend a few days. He says that the soldiers in camp are drilling and having splendid instruction in the camp. Col. McGhee spoke in terms of praise of Capt. Andrew Jackson Dougherty, 30th U. S. Infantry, who has been detailed for this year for service with the North Carolina troops. He had service in the Philip pine and in the Spanish-American war. He is capable and has won the regard of the officers and men. Adjutant General Leinster is trying out the boys to select a winning team to go to Camp Perry. He will select five men from each regiment. He puts every man on his merit and he will select the finest shots. The contest at Camp Perry is in August. "Our Camp and range are appreciated abroad. The Virginia Rifle team, forty-six strong, is now at Camp Glenn practicing so that their officers may select their best men to go to Camp Perry. I will return in a few days to camp. The officers and men are doing their duty and enjoying the outing."

Home Made Wine and Cider.

In response to a suggestion about the law governing the sale of home made wine and cider the following quotation from the "near-beer" amendment to Statewide prohibition law is given. It seems that there is a good deal of misunderstanding about the law: "Provided further, that this act shall not apply to the sale of domestic wines when sold in quantity of not less than two and one-half gallons in sealed packages, or crated, on the premises where manufactured, or to the sale of cider in any quantity by the manufacturer from fruits grown on his land within the state of North Carolina, or to the sale of wine to any minister of religion or other officer of a church when said wine is bought for religious or sacramental purposes, or to the sale of flavoring extracts or essences when sold as such, or to the sale of medical preparations manufactured in accordance with formulas prescribed by the United States Pharmacopoeia and National Formulary." The law goes on to define the legal use of alcohol in medicinal preparations and carbonated drinks.

25 Cocaine Peddlers Convicted.

Three more negroes were sent to work on the city streets for a term of eight months for selling cocaine. This makes 25 negroes who have been convicted here in the past two weeks for retailing the drug. About half of these are women. The men are working on the street chain gang and the women are at the county work house or reformatory. These cocaine retailers have been caught by means of the assistance given the police by a young man who has been wrecked by use of the drug. He voluntarily offered to aid the police in breaking up the trade here and so far has succeeded in furnishing irrefutable evidence in each case.

Commissioners to Hold Meetings.

The state association of County Commissioners of North Carolina will hold its fourth annual convention at Asheville, August 16. The indications are that this will be the largest meeting ever held. Practically all the counties in North Carolina will be represented. The state association was organized at Morehead City in August, 1908. It was authorized by the Legislature at its session of 1909. The associations second meeting was held at Wrightsville Beach August, 1909.

Traction Company Has Settled Suit.

After deliberating an hour, following a number of speeches, the commissioners granted to the Traction Company its request for franchise, limiting its term of separate five cent fare to five years. The Traction Company announced its acceptance of the amendment and will begin work immediately. Its purposes having the cars running to the hospital within ninety days. This ends the remarkable fight, which has been going on for some time.

DOING GOOD WORK

PHYSICIANS ARE MANIFESTING
INCREASED INTEREST IN
FIGHTING DISEASE.

LITERATURE ON THE DISEASE

Doctors Ask Aid of County Commissioners in Establishing Rural Free Dispensaries For the Examination and Treatment of the Disease.

Raleigh.—The physicians of the State are manifesting increased interest in the crusade against hookworm disease. Two-thirds of them have supplied information concerning the prevalence of the disease in their practice and one-half of them have used the state laboratory of hygiene to have examinations made and practically an equal number have treated anywhere from one to several hundred cases. So keenly are they alive in some counties that they are constantly distributing literature about the disease and its prevention where it will do good. Many have appeared before the county boards of commissioners to secure aid in the establishment of the rural free dispensaries for the examination and treatment of the disease.

Dr. Wickliffe Rose, administrative secretary of the hookworm commission, who visited the state medical society at its recent meeting in Charlotte, spoke in the highest terms of the unusually high type of men who constituted the assemblage. When the physicians of the state are seen and known, one will expect and receive their untiring and unselfish support in every movement for the uplift of the people.

Governor Speaks at Locky.

Roxboro.—About one thousand people attended a Masonic picnic at Locky. Sixty gallons of delicious Brunswick stew was consumed, besides a great layout of picnic viands prepared by the Masonic housekeepers. The stew was made by Mr. C. H. Hunter, who is master of the Roxboro lodge, a leading grocer, all-round good fellow and champion stewartmaker. A collection was taken for the Oxford Orphanage and a substantial sum was raised.

After the dinner Gov. W. W. Kitchin was introduced and made a Masonic speech. The governor was at home with his own people, who not only honor him but love him, and he made such a speech as he could make to no other audience. Palities was not mentioned but the purposes and principles of Masonry were discussed in an entertaining and masterly way. A strong plea was made for truth, honor, integrity and right living. There was applause throughout the speech, but the attention of every man was on the words of the speaker. The expressed opinion of all who heard it was that it was a great speech by a great and good man.

Governor Kitchin leaves here more strongly entrenched in the good-will and love of the people of Person county than ever.

Large Crowd Attended Conference.

Waxhaw.—Waxhaw is entertaining the forty-sixth session of the Charlotte district conference. An unusually large number of ministers, laymen and visitors are in attendance. This beautiful town of only a thousand population is superbly entertaining the conference. The people of all denominations vie with each other in kindness, and large congregations attend the services. Rev. J. R. Scroggs, the presiding elder, is in the chair and Rev. C. F. Sherrill is the secretary's table. Rev. J. H. Weaver of Monroe Station and Rev. A. W. Plyler of Trinity church, Charlotte, preached. The laymen's meetings were addressed by Rev. C. F. Reid, secretary of the laymen's movement of Southern Methodism, Rev. H. K. Boyer, conference missionary secretary, and Mr. E. A. Cole, the laymen's leader for the Charlotte district. Rev. W. C. Good eloquently spoke of the need and advisability of the Charlotte district raising a loan fund to help educate worthy students.

To Employ One Thousand Men.

Asheville.—The Champion Lumber Company, of Canton and Cresmont, the \$5,000,000 corporation which took over or was consolidated with the Champion Fibre Company, is advertising for one thousand men for work on railroad grades, hand saw mills, and in lumber generally. It is stated here that the company already has four hundred men at work and that immense improvements are in prospect, including the building of thirty-eight miles of road in Canton, and the completion of the road.

Preacher and Near-Beer Man in Fight.

New Bern.—As a climax to a war waged against saloons in New Bern by Rev. A. C. Shuler, the former Atlanta minister, Mr. Shuler was attacked in the streets of New Bern by Baker Brown, a near-beer dealer up to July 1st, and preacher and saloonist engaged in a fist fight. Although Brown is the heavier of the two men and is regarded, it is said, as invincible as a scrapper, Mr. Shuler, according to reports, won the decision, almost administering a "knockout." When the fight was stopped.

FROM THE OLD NROTH STATE

Many News Notes That Have Been Gotten Together For the People of the Tar Heel State.

Washington.—Messrs. Davis & Davis, Washington patent attorneys, report the grant to a citizen of North Carolina, of the following patent: W. E. Morton, Shelby, comber and stop-motion therefor.

Henderson.—One of the largest manufacturing enterprises that has been launched in Henderson for some time is the automobile manufacturing company. It is understood the capital stock will not be less than \$75,000 to start with and more than half has already been subscribed. Mr. R. J. Corbett, president of the Henderson Buggy and Surry companies, is at the head of the new company.

Method.—The Carolina Power and Light Company is actively at work building airline electric transmission lines to convey electric currents to Henderson, Oxford, Goldsboro and other places. The sub-station is at Method. The power to be used will come into the substation from Blewitt's Falls, 100 miles distant. Towers are now being erected between Blewitt's Falls and Method.

Raleigh.—McKinnon Williams, serving 6 months in Harnett county for abandonment, is pardoned by Governor Kitchin in order that he may go to a hospital to have an eye removed and save the other one. He is to give \$500 bond for good behavior and as a guarantee that he will contribute as much as \$10 a month toward the support of his wife, the payments to begin six months hence.

Fayetteville.—Company F, Second Regiment, North Carolina national guard, under command of Capt. Paul Watson, left here for Morehead City to enter encampment with their regiment, going via Raleigh. Dr. J. V. McGougan of the medical corps of the Second Regiment, accompanied the troop. Company L, Lumber Bridge, passed through this city en route to encampment.

Hendersonville.—Over \$100,000 will be spent in the development of Sugar Loaf mountain as an automobile club exclusively by the new owners of the property, the negotiations for the sale of which were closed. W. A. Smith has sold Sugar Loaf mountain to Florida capitalists, among whom is W. M. Stinson, president of the Jacksonville Automobile Club and of the Florida Good Roads Association.

Henderson.—A warrant has been issued for W. J. Jarnagin charging him with having procured a marriage license for James Knight, aged 19 years, and Nellie Kelley, aged 13 years. The facts known to the knowledge of the girl's father, he took steps to prevent it by the arrest of Jarnagin. Record or Powell gave him the full extent of the law by sending him to the roads 30 days, and fining him \$50. Knight having to pay half of the costs.

Hickory.—The board of directors of the chamber of commerce, at a meeting, decided to raise a guarantee fund of \$200,000 to capitalize any legitimate manufacturing industry adopted to this city. The subscribers to this guarantee fund will be incorporated with officers and board of directors. The chamber of commerce will act as a medium to connect local capital with competent, practical men.

Raleigh.—Since 1740 Old Banks chapel has been a place of worship by two Christian denominations. The present congregation has recently erected a new modern church at the cost of \$3,500. On the fifth Sunday in July, Rev. W. H. Moore, its form: pastor, will preach the dedicatory sermon. The Church of England own the old chapel, but during the revolutionary war the rectors abandoned it and its members became Methodists and that denomination since has ever possessed the property.

Asheville.—Miss Dora Revis, Miss Lourietta Hall and a small child of Asheville were victims of a serious, if not fatal runaway accident while out driving. It seems that they were going over a paved street, when one of the wheels of the buggy came off and the horse ran. All three occupants were thrown to the pavement and against the curbing. Miss Revis and the child escaped with slight bruises. Miss Hall, however, is in a critical condition. Both hips were broken and she was otherwise injured.

Newton.—In making his first experiment in farming with dynamite, Mr. Rufus Reitzel met with an experience that will cause him to stand afar off when he makes another blast. He put a stick and a half of the explosive in a stump and went off to a point he considered far enough, a full city block at least, and when the charge exploded, a chunk of wood came hurtling through space like a bullet, and the farmer, seeing it a-coming, tried to dodge, but says he only succeeded in getting squarely in its right of way, for it hit him on the chest and arm.

Raleigh.—The drought played havoc with this year's dewberry crop. Last year the crop was injured by an excess of wet weather during the growing season. This year the unprecedented drought and hot weather retarded the crop one-half to two-thirds, the quality suffering somewhat, too.

Raleigh.—Governor W. W. Kitchin honored a requisition from the governor of South Carolina for J. E. Crouch, a white man who is wanted in Williamsburg county, S. C., for "breach of trust with fraudulent intent." Crouch is at present under arrest in Charlotte.

SENATE PASSED CANADIAN BILL

ADOPTED RECIPROCIITY MEASURE
BY GOOD VOTE AWAITS PRES-
IDENT'S SIGNATURE.

DEMOCRATS RESPONSIBLE

Of the Fifty-Three Votes That Were Cast For the President's Pet Measure Thirty-Two Were Cast by the Democratic Senators.

Washington.—The reciprocal trade agreement between the United States and Canada, embodied in the reciprocity bill that proved a storm center in two sessions of Congress, passed the Senate without amendment by a vote of 53 to 17. A majority of Republicans voted against it. Of the 53 votes for it 32 were Democratic and 21 Republicans; of the 27 against, 24 were Republicans and 3 Democrats.

This action settled the whole Canadian reciprocity question so far as Congress is concerned, and save for executive approval and the Canadian Parliament's ratification, made the pact the law of the land.

Congressional practice will delay the affixing of the President's signature until the House is again in session. The reciprocity bill, having originated in the House, must be returned there for engrossment and for the signature of Speaker Clark while the House is sitting.

The Canadian Parliament has not yet acted on the agreement. With one exception the provisions of the bill as passed by Congress will not become effective until the President issues a proclamation that Canada has ratified the pact. The exception to this procedure is the paper and pulp section of the bill, which it is announced will become immediately effective when the President signs the law.

Morse Appeals From Decision.

New Orleans.—Charles W. Morse has appealed to the United States circuit court from the recent decision of Judge William T. Newman of Atlanta, when he was denied a habeas corpus writ to secure his freedom from the Atlanta prison, where he is serving a 15-year sentence for violation of the national banking laws. The papers in the case were received by the clerk of the circuit court here and will be formally filed.

Morse contended that the court should fix his status as a prisoner under a 10-year sentence or under a 15-year sentence in order that he might be enabled to determine how much time he would get off for good behavior and when a parole might be applied for. He also contended that the Atlanta prison was for the detention of prisoners at hard labor.

Cholera Has Reached Boston.

Boston.—Asiatic cholera has reached Boston and caused one death while two foreign sailors who are believed to have brought the disease here, after being taken ill, disappeared and their whereabouts is unknown, according to a statement given out officially by Chairman Durgin of the Boston board of health. The cholera victim was Mrs. Tamassino Mastrodenico, who died at the detention hospital on Gallus Island. The children of Mrs. Mastrodenico are under observation at the quarantine station and the board has already begun the work of examining the many persons who may have come into contact with the dead woman.

To Prepare Revision of Equity Laws.

New Orleans.—A committee composed of prominent Southern attorneys was appointed by the United States court of appeals to undertake a revision of the equity laws for the purpose of preventing unreasonable delay in equity litigation, unreasonable costs and to simplify as much as possible the present mode of practice in equity courts. The naming of this committee is in compliance with a circular letter issued by the Supreme Court of the United States.

Mass of Bones Found on the Maine.

Havana.—A mass of bones, supposed to represent six or seven members of the crew of the battleship Maine, were found beneath the wreckage on the central superstructure near the inverted conning tower. The bones bore evidence of fire. Still other bones are in sight and they will probably be taken out in a day or so. The total bodies thus far recovered is now placed at eleven. The bones recovered are believed to be those of men sleeping on the starboard main deck, the night of the disaster.

To Speak Before Good Road Meeting.

Washington.—Senator Simmons has been invited to deliver an address before the National Good Roads Association at its meeting in Chicago the latter part of September and has promised to accept if his engagements at that time will permit. In extending the invitation President Arthur C. Jackson of the association said the association desired 5,000 copies of Senator Simmons' speech on Federal aid to good roads to distribute in connection with its campaign for improved highways.