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BRIEF NEWS NOTES FOR THE BUSY MAN

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

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

Southern.

confessed murderer of his young wife, be sentenced to hard labor. although the confession was not made public until four hours after he had paid the toll exacted by the his wife on the lonely Midlothian turnpike last July.

Criticisms and remedial recommenwere presented to the interstate commerce commission at the opening in be held throughout the country in in- for their babies. vestigation of the express business. The magniture of this business was brought out by Attorney Frank Lyon, counsel for the commission, who said that the combination express companies operate more than two hundred and seventy thousand miles of railway and do business through 31,328 stations. He placed the cost of operating the express plants at \$27,000,-600, the operating net income at \$10,-100,000, or a fraction over 38 per cent. en plant valuation.

A lukewarm reception of the anaccorded to interviews by cotton men in several of Texas' leading citizens. While some of the favored object nearly all expressed doubts about the possibility of making arrangements that would suit any considerable part of the cotton producers. Cotton middlemen generally said the project would not be accepted.

A movement was started in Rock Hill, S. C., was started to see what can be done by way of a concrete example in two local townships toward instituting a campaign throughout the cotton belt to have farmers personally seen by men in automobiles to get their pledges for holding cotton and reducing acreage on the plan outlined by the Farmers' union. A man in a machine who started in to cover two townships reports every farmer seen, signing. He expects to complete his work in three days, after which the Rock Hill plan is to call upon business men and farmers to join in similar work in every county and township in the South. The pledge is to reduce acreage by one third and hold present cotton till Sep-

tember for 13 cents.

New York bankers who have been conferring ro the last few days with representatives of the governors' conference and Southern cotton congress, announced that they had raised 8 fund of \$50,000,000 to be placed immediately in the cotton belt states for the purpose of handling the cotton crop of 1911 and enabling grow ers to participate in any rise in the market. The plan proposes to ac vance the grower \$25 per bale upor his cotton, based on the market valu at the time of the loan. No interes will be paid upon the loan, the only charge being \$1 a bale, which is re garded as a legitimate minimum charge for expense of grading and handling. The cotton is not held not taken from the channels of trade, but is placed at the best advantage. The grower is given the right to designate the day of sale prior to January 1, 1913, and will participate in any advance in price to the extent of three-fourths of the rise of the

General.

Two of the three men charged with complicity in the tarring of Miss Mary Chamberlain, a school teacher of Lincoln Center, Kan., John Schmidt and Sherrill Clark, were found guilty of assault and battery by a jury, while A. N. Simms, the third defendant was acquitted. The jury was out for nearly thirty hours. Sentence was deferred to permit attorneys to ar gue for a new trial. The court imposed sentences of one year each in jail, the extreme penalty, on four confessed assailants of Miss Chamber

V. Washington of Macon, Ga.

Chinese officials confirm the report that a massacre of foreigners, as well as Manchus, has occurred at Sian-Fu. The legations believe that the report will prove true. There were forty them. foreigners in Sian-Fu.

The president of the Domingo republic, General Ramon Careres, has been assissinated. The president was set upon by a small band and killed while riding in his coach on a public road. So far, nothing has developed to indicate a rising.

team are the acknowledged champions controversy would shift from Chicago of the South this year.

of the theft of \$140,000 from the States district court at Chicago.

Nineteenth Ward bank.

Charles W. Morse, the New York banker, who has been in the Atlanta peniteniary for many months, left that place, not as a free man, but to

go to the army hospital at Fort Mo-Pherson. The orders from Washington did not state the length of time Morse would be kept in the Fort Mc-Pherson hospital. It is said that the former banker is incurably afflicted with Bright's disease and it is for this reason his transfer is permitted. Lady Constance Lytton and Lady

Sybil Smith, both prominent in the English suffrage movement, were sentenced ,respectively, to a fortnight and a week in jail at the Bow street police court, for smashing windows during the demonstration, Mrs. Mary Leigh, who had been several times previously convicted and whom the police describe as the "most troublesome suffragette," was sentenced to Henry Clay Beattie, Jr., went to his two months in jail and told that if death in Richmond, Va., the self- she was again convicted she would

As a part of the campaign to increase the physical welfare of the people of Iowa, Dr. Margaret Vaupel law. He maintained to the end the Clark of Waterloo has been selected remarkable nerve he had exhibited by the club women of Iowa to visit since he was first accused of killing Europe to learn how to rear more perfect babies. Doctor Clark will sail from New York and will spend a year in the study. "Perfect baby condations, ranging from mild to radical, tests are to be arranged throughout the state during the coming year, and mothers in each part of the state New York of a series of hearings to given instruction on how best to care

With but one dissenting vote the American Bankers' Association in session at New Orleans, gave its unqualified support to the proposed Aldrich plan for the reform of the monetary system of the United States. Congress was urged to deal with the proposition as an economic question outside the domain of party politics. Confidence was expressed that "the high purposes actuating the national monetary commission assure the working out of the details in accordance with the sound principles stated are ready to advance \$50,000,000 to gain the confidence and support of farmers on a cotton-holding plan, was all classes." Detroit was unanimously chosen on the first ballot as the convention city.

> Reports received by Commissioner of Agriculture Reuben F. Kolb from practically every county of Alabama and from various sources in each county, show that Alabama's cotton yield this year will exceed the yield of last year by 168,200 bales. The statistics include the crop up to November 10 and are to be included in a bulletin which the department of agriculture expects to publish within the next ten days, showing the production of counties.

Following another arbitrary increase in the price of butter to 33 cents per pound, wholesale, Assistant United States District Attorney Welch began presenting evidence before a Chicago master in chancery to show that the Chicago Butter and Egg board is a trust and should therefore be dissolved. This board, the government insists, not only dictates the price which the consumer must pay for his butter, but also the price the wholesalers shall pay for the product.

The English suffragettes fared badly at the hands of the Lond They had threatened to force their way into the house of commens and make a protest against the prime minister's refusal to pledge the govern ment to a bill giving equal suffrage to both sexes, but they failed even to reach the entrance to parliament. Thwarted by the police, 220 women and three men being arrested and liberated on bail, the suffragettes re sorted to smashing windows.

Washington

Alfred Merritt of Duluth, Minn., the first president of the Duluth, Missabe and Northern railroad, who styled himself a "lumber-pack," unacquainted with the methods of the "money trust," told the house steel trust in vestigating committee that through loans of less han \$1,000,000 from John D. Rockefeller, he had lost his holdings in the Missabe iron mines, and the railroad properties now owned by the United States steel company estimated to be \$700,000,000.

Walter Wyman, surgeon general of the United States public health and marine hospital service, died at Providence hospital in Washington after an illness of several months.

The danger mark in the use of stee rails has been reached, declared inspector Belknap, of the interstate commerce commission, in a report. He urged scientific investigation into rail defects which e causing a multiplying number of cidents, he says, The report was based on the action The Daughters of the Revolution of the wreck of a Grand Army of the were left \$150,000 in the will of H Republic special train near Manchester, N. Y., last August, when 29 persons were killed. The rail that caused the wreck was defective, but the defects were of such nature that once placed the rail would not disclose

Unusual stir prevailed early around the supreme court of the United States because of the expected attempt of attorneys for indicated Chicago beef packers to procure a stay of their trial for alleged criminal violation of the Sherman anti-trust The Vanderbilt University football law. Repeated reports that the legal to Washington were responsible for William J. Cummins, the former the excitement. When the court Tennessee promoter and recent direct met the indicted packers had no ing heard of the Carregie Trust comp standing before that tribunal. The any, was found guilty in New York packers stood indicted in the United

TO VOTE ON ISSUE

DURHAM ALDERMEN ORDER ELECTION FOR SCHOOL IM-PROVEMENT BONDS.

SCHOOLS GROWING RAPIDLY

Are In a Congested Condition and Makes It Impossible to Take Care of Children-A Fierce Campaign Will Be Waged.

Raleigh,-A special from Durham states that the board of alderman have \$50,000 bonds for school improve- road work in early spring. ments, and it takes place January 16,

This action was provided for at the to exceed \$50,000 The city schools ander, of Charlotte, addressing the have grown verp rapidly the last three years and there is now such a congestion as makes almost impossible taking care of the children. In one school there are three rooms that have 250 pupils regularly in them, and it furnishes just three places for teachers. This makes it next to impossible for anything to be done in the shape of individual attention, and all other rooms are crowded.

There will be waged a fierce campaign for the bonds and it will take are dreadfully opposed to bonds. They of the government. don't care what the measure is; they favor killing the issue. It was one of these that gave a 3 to 1 majority against the Farm-Life School. In the fitness of things it was recogand unprogressive spot in the city.

The schools have been pretty generally free from the attacks of demagogues, most people having no interest in them that carries the election against all odds. There is no denying the fact that if the election is carried that taxes will be slightly raised, but the progressive people do not oppose the bond issue for that reason.

Aurora Fair Was A Success.

The fair at Aurora was the biggest sort of success, and about 5,000 people attended the exhibition, While there was probably not quite as much of the products of the county on exspecimens of all the various crops indigenous to the soil of this section as well as all kinds of live stock, poulon the special train provided, and the procession which was formed, led by the marshals to escort him was a fine one-there was the band, beautiful floats representing various industries and businesses, gaily decorated.

New Railroad Projects.

A well-attended meeting of members of the chamber of commerce of Greensboro was held in the assembly room. The meeting was called for general purposes but the principal matters discussed were the new railroad projects for Greensboro. The proposition of the promoters of the Randlph & Cumberland promoters their consideration. The registration books are now open for the purpose of voting on a bond issue on December 12, the bonds to be issued by six townships of the county through which the proposed line will pass.

Went To Sumptuous "Feed."

Governor Kitchin and a number of state officials and justices of the supreme court were among the special guests for a sumptuous "feed" given by the Raleigh Lodge of Elks No. 735, in celebration of the tenth anniversary of the organization of the lodge which has grown greatly and has provided itself wit ha splendid home on Salisbury street that is admirably appointed for lodge purposes and is proving self-sustaining.

Mr. Caldwell Has Passed Away. Death as peaceful as was the life brought to a close descended upon Mr. Joseph Pearson Caldwell, many years editor of the Charlotte Observer, who died at the home of Dr. John McCampbell, superintendent of the state hospital at Morganton, where impressive services.

Some Definite Action Is Taken. At last some definite action has been taken in the matter of the longlonged-for street car connection between Durham and Chapel Hill, Mr.

HUNGRY FOR GOOD ROADS

PITTSBORO, CHATHAM COUNTY, N. C., NOVEMBER 29, 1911.

Lee County People Have Started An Earnest Campaign For Better Highways.

Sanford .- Lee county has a campaign on in earnest for good roads. Association has been working along educational lines as a large portion of the voters in rural sections have been opposed to anything that would increase taxes, and on account of the increased valuation of farm property last year it was thought best to go slow and not force an election for the \$100,000 bond issue until such time as it could be carried without a doubt. The good road advocates feel that the time has arrived. Petitions are being circulated for presentation to the county commissioners at their December meeting, calling the election on the second Tuesday in ordered an election for an issue of | January so as to be ready to begin

Good work was accomplished a few days ago at Lee court house when a joint meeting was held. The forelast general assembly, when a law noon was taken up by the Farmers' was passed authorizing an issue not Union state president, Dr. H. Q. Alexfarmers along lines which the union stood for, and showing them how they could better their conditions, some of these were by educative co operation and voting for the road issue of good roads.

At the afternoon meeting addresses were made by Messrs. A. A. F. Seawell, D. E. McIver and J. F. Bowers and Dr. Alexander on good roads. These addresses were all timely and well received. Dr. Alexander spoke with telling effect as knowing whereall the eloquence that all the advo- of he spoke, coming from Mecklencates have to carry the clection, burg county where good roads are There are two or three precincts that no longer an experiment but a part

> Water Question At Albemarie. The question of a sufficient water

supply is one that is at present puzzling the city fathers of Albemarle nized as the most illiterate, ignorant more than any other question, which has ever come up for consideration. The preent supply is furnished by the Albemarle Water Works Company, which is owned by private parties, and this company can hardly furnish enough for general purposes with absolutely no protection against fire. More than a year ago the city voted bonds for water, but up to the present the city aldermen have failed to take any definite steps towards giving Albemarle an adequate water supply. Some talk in favor of a well, other piping water from the old abandonec gold mine on Lowder Mountain and some piping from Long Creek, a distance of two miles. There is no hibtion as last year, the quality was question of doubt but that either of better and they appeared more attract- these plans would furnish an ample ive than ever before. They comprise supply for the present needs of the town, but as the boosters claim that Albemarle will have 15,000 people in 1920, it is thought wise to build for try and the like. The best of order the future, so as to avoid a water prevailed. Governor Kitchin arrived famine such as Charlotte experienced the past summer.

Big Railroad Property Involved.

Big railroad property in North Carolina is said to be involved in a deal which rumor has it is on between the Pennyslvania Railroad by which the Pennsylavnia Railroad is to buy the Coast Line. This would give the Pennsylvania a most valuable piece of railroad property and the rumor of the proposed purchase is strengthened by the information that the Pennsylvania Railroad is about to make a bond issue of \$100,000,000, while it is known that the condition of the road is not such as to call for the expenditure of any such sum.

White Man Shot by Unknown Negro. A white man by the name of Belvin was shot by an unknown negro near the Standard Oil tanks at Raleigh. Although no definite information was available from police headquarters, it is said that Belvin, with two other white men, had some words with some negroes, one of whom shot Belvin, though not seriously.

Three Flights At Salisbury.

Three flights in a Curtiss biplane were made successfully by Lincoln Beachey in Salisbury. A large crowd witnessed the flights with great interest and the bird man proved himself king of the air.

Glad Deals Have Been Put Through. For a month or more the Troy folks have discussed the probability of some railroad company taking over the Durham & Charlotte and the Asheboro & Aberdeen interests, and the ultimate completion of a railroad from here to Charlotte. They are tice, who made a number of arrests on Mr. Caldwell had been since he suffer- glad the deals have been put through charges of Chinese smuggling, found ed a second stroke of paralysis in if it means that the connecting link the Celestials. The find was at the June, 1909. He reached the end of is made between here and Charlotte life's journey in his 59th year, having in the near future. The Troy folks | Hegenbeck was shot by a railroad been born in Statesville, N. C., June have never had any complaint to of-16, 1853. He was laid to rest with for in regard to the treatment accorded them by this road.

Fleeced Farmers With Bogus Checks. John M. Ring, a cattle dealer living in Grayson county, Va., has skipped dreamed-of, much talked-of, and much the country with money variously estimated at from \$5,000 to \$20,000, a more commodious ward in the army which he is said to have secured hospital at Fort McPherson by order J. W. Murry, president of the Pied on bogus checks given in payment of Attorney General Wickersham, who mont Traction Company, of Burling- for cattle bought from the farmers in ton, has been to Chapel Hill and met Sparta section. His plan seems to a committee of the representative have been to give checks in return Morse. The transfer was made early business men of the town. The pur- for the cattle he bought and date it in the morning, Morse making the pose of his coming and of the meet- from ten to twenty days ahead. He trip of several miles in an ambulance, ing was to investigate the resources bought extensively in Grayson, Ashe, accompanied by Major Baker, chief

THE REBELS HAVE BEGUN THE ATTACK

THE ANCIENT CAPITAL OF THE CHINESE EMPIRE HAS BEEN BOMBARDED.

GENERAL WONG AMONG SLAIN

mperialists Make a Sortie But Are Driven Back Within the Walls-The Fall of the City is Destined-Object of Seizure Shown.

Nanking.-After more than half a century of silence the hills overlooking the walled city of Nanking, the ancient capital of China, swarm with rebellious forces eager for its occupation and determined to take the stronghold where the Manchus are making their last stand south of the Yangtse. From the Tiger Hill fort for sev-

eral hours big guns spoke repeatedly, while further up, along the northeastern range from the top of Purple mountain, overlooking the Ming Tombs for a 15-mile semi-circle westward to the Yangtse, smaller forts scattered shells into every section of the city. So far as it is known the casualty list is not large. General Wong, second in command of defenders, is among those killed.

During the earlier part of the day, the Imperialists attempted a sortie against the attacking forces, with a view to recapturing their positions and guns but were driven back inside the walls with considerable losses. The Tiger Hill batteries, meanwhile, were pounding shells into Lion Hill. They succeeded in silencing the batteries there which, it is suspected, were of little value.

The object of the first seizure of Tiger Hill was shown by the early appearance of four cruisers, and later in the day of other warships. In the evening a dozen torpedo boat destroyers and cruisers were lying menacingly near the city. Doubtless they will quickly reduce the lower section and drive the defenders to the south.

The viceroy of Nanking and the Tartar general, in fear of General Chang, the Imperialist commander, have taken refuge in the Japanese consulate,

Stephenson Will Not Lose Seat. Washington.-With the declaration hat no instances of vote-buying were discovered but with words of censure for the use of large sums of money in his campaign the Senate committee which investigated the election of United States Senator Isaac Stephenson is expected to report shortly after the opening of Congress. Senator Stephenson, according to a well-founded report here, will be declared fully entitled to his seat.

Fowler Forces to Descend.

Fort Worth, Tex.-Aviator Fowler had a trying experience when his engine broke down in midair and he was forced to descend in the midst of a drove of steers. He was in sight of Fort Worth when the accident occurred. It took dexterious management to avoid alighting in the midst of the stampeded cattle. The descent of the aviator was about a mile from Iona station. The aeroplane was dragged into Iona, where it was safely

They Many Patch Up Peace. Mexico City.-President Madero has sent to Oaxaca a special commissioner to effect if possible a reconcilation between the disgruntled state and central government. Reports from Oaxaca state that the commissioner, Carlos Trejo Y. Lordo de Tejada was rudely received by a hooting populace but that Governor Juarez in a speech to the people urged them not to interfere with his work since peace, after all, was the thing most greatly desired. The central government has not altered its position of not assisting the Governor in the adjustment of and at sides is trimmed with two disputes growing out of the appoint- shaped straps with a button in each ment of an unpopular jefe politico point. The coat fastens below bust but at the national palace confidence with one pointed strap; the large is expressed in the ability of the gov- turn-over collar is strapped on the ernment to settle the controversy.

Smuggling Chinese. Chicago.-Four Chinese, believed to have been smuggled into the United States, were found here secreted in a box car on the Chicago Rock Island & Pacific Railroad. Secret service operatives of the Department of Jussame place where a week ago Emil watchman as he apparently was trying they are woolly," with a sheen and a was found to contain two Chinese.

Morse Is Out Of Prison.

New York banker, exchanged his bare er than the regular worsted ones. cell at the Federal prison here for recently made a special visit to Atlanta to investigate the condition of Mr. of the town and the readiness of its and Alleghany counties. The farmers surgeon at the fort. He stood the citizens to aid in the road building.

Trio of Wool



Wool will be very much in evidence in stylish out-door raiment this year. Here is an attractive coat, made of frieze or soft Vienna, with icewool knitted scarf and rough wool hat, trimmed with flowers made of woolen yarn. This represents real warmth, and is thoroughly appropriate for all out-door recreation.

LINEN COSTUME.



Putty-colored linen is used for the smart costume we illustrate here. The skirt has a panel front and back,

outer edge with black and putty-colored striped linen. Hat of putty-colored straw, trimmed with a black feather mount.

Materials required for the dress: Five yards forty-two inches wide fourteen buttons, one-eighth yard stripe twenty-seven inches wide.

Latest Sweater.

The latest thing in sweaters are first cousins to the fuzzy wuzzy tam-o'shanters that abounded some five special ornamental pins in plain ar years back. They look like goats and camels, for "they are wild and to break into a freight car. The car long beard nap, all combed out smooth ing both practical and ornamental, and shiny-until one buys them, then and at the same time eliminating the they will probably gather up in lumps, but they will continue to be just as Atlanta, Ga.-Charles W. Morse, the warm and comfortable and much soft-

Chic Kerchiefs.

Very small handkerchiefs of colorone's rough morning coat. The color scheme of the costume can be carried out by this small touch in a most are now in Paris.

STORY OF JAPANESE GOWNS

Interesting Facts Concerning the Origin of Garments Worn in the Island Empire.

Nearly every woman nowadays cherishes a Japanese gown for house wear without realizing how interesting a garment it is. The sleeves themselves have a curious history. From the middle of the sixteenth century they began to increase in length, and, especially those for young ladies, have extended till now they are from three to four feet. This style, known as furisode, became very fashionable.

The width of the obi, or sash, has also varied, at first from two and a half to three and a half inches, and

to six, seven, eight and nine inches. It is interesting to note that our own new fashions in sleeves and sashes originated among the common people of Japan, and from them were finally adopted by the upper classes. The young ladies of the Samuri class were the first to follow the popular styles in this respect, and the higher classes began to follow suit, until now these fashions prevail everywhere.

It is only from about the middle of the seventh century that the women of the lower classes began to wear the long haori, or overcoat, at present so common among all classes of both sexes. This garment was originally a duster worn by men to protect their clothes when outdoors, and was then called dofuku, or traveling coat.

Finally they came to be worn indoors, and the women adopted the garment. The upper classes in time followed the same custom, and now the haori is an indispensable part of the clothing to be worn on formal occasions, even in summer.

NEWEST IDEAS IN GIRDLES

Many Materials for Choice and Design Is Altogether a Matter for the Individual.

The newest girdles are made of rope, bead, metal, fabric and chenille. The latter are particularly well liked. as are also those made of pierced metal pieces run with ribbon and obtainable in assorted colors. There are also those made of colored pyroxylin, ribbon laced. These pyroxylin girdles, while extremely light in weight, have an effect similar to the heavier metal ones. Another of this class of girdle is the heavy linked chain or metal rope, made in either gilt, silver or oxidized.

Due to the great popularity of cord girdles, there have been manufactured chased effects, also set with colored stones, intended for use as a fastening for the girdles in place of a knot, beknot tying wear on the girdle.

In the Dining Room.

Plates should be heated before they are sent to the table. An entire meal, prepared with great care, can be spoiled by the use of cold plates. Do ed silk with a hemstitched border are not reach across another person's sold to wear in the breast pocket of plate. If something beyond your cover is desired, ask the servant or the

person nearest to pass it. When a second portion is being effective manner, and the idea has served place the knife and fork to the been taken up by the Americans who right of the plate with the ends resting on the butter plate.