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NEWS STORIES IN MINIATURE

Minor Mention of a Week's
Important Events.

A HISTORY OF SEVEN DAYS

Paragraphs Which Briefly Chronicle
the Events of Interest as Bulletin-
tized by Wire, Wireless and
Cable—Foreign News.

Washington

The sale of the wooden war vessel
Jamestown, built in 1845, was ordered
by the Navy Department.

A new two-cent stamp in commemora-
tion of the Panama-Pacific Exposition
was approved by Postmaster-
General Hitchcock.

The efficiency pennant was awarded
to the battleship Delaware for the
highest score in gunnery for the year
ending June 30.

The Post-Office Department issued
an order for strict surveillance to pre-
vent improper use of the general-deliv-
ery service.

Though disquieting news from
Nicaragua was received by the State
Department it was believed the Ameri-
can force of 2,000 marines would be
sufficient to handle the situation.

Personal

Louis D. Brandeis, the progressive
Republican lawyer of Boston, visited
Gov. Woodrow Wilson.

The German Emperor continued to
show a gain following his rheumatic
attack and was able to arise from bed.

Miss Rhoda Wilson of London and
Noel Deerr of Honolulu travel 9,000
miles to New York to be married.

Mulai Hafid, former Sultan of Mo-
rocco, is waiting the loss of his 380
wives, whom he had to leave in Tan-
gers when he went to Paris.

William F. McCombs, chairman of
the Democratic national committee,
has gone to the Adirondacks for his
health.

In an interview with Miss Sophie
Loeb, the new Salvation chief, Gen.
Bramwell Booth, outlined social work
as the future fundamental object of
the Army.

Sporting

"Packer" McFarland has O. K'd
Tommy Garrity, of Chicago, as a first-
class lightweight.

H. J. D. Astley, the English aviator,
few across the channel with a woman
passenger in three hours and five min-
utes.

Maurice McLoughlin won the national
tennis singles championship.
He also holds the title in doubles with
Thomas C. Bundy. Both men are
from California.

Charlie Ebbs, owner of the Super-
bas, lost no time in spiking the rum-
or that Roger Bresnahan, manager
of the Cardinals, was to come to
Brooklyn in a trade involving Nap
Rucker and Zack Wheat.

General

Refusing to leave when discharged
by the Philadelphia Electric Company,
a young foreigner explained he paid
\$40 for a life job. An impostor got the
money.

Twenty guests at a North Carolina
health resort were attacked by pto-
maine poisoning caused by impure
milk.

Gus Conzmen, property man at a
theatre in Terre Haute, Ind., died
from spinal meningitis, caused by an
injury to the eye, due to a spark from
a match.

J. J. Coward and Miss Mary John-
son of Brooklyn, who were separated
fifty years ago by the Civil War, met
at a summer hotel in upper New York
by chance and soon were married.

President Taft ordered the Tenth
Infantry from Panama to Nicaragua,
but afterward rescinded the order.

In a speech at Pittsfield, Mass.,
President Taft said he would make no
political speeches.

Horace F. Leide, postmaster of
North Wildwood, N. J., held on a
charge of burglary preferred by Henry
H. Ottens, a wealthy Philadelphia can-
dy maker, declares he was calling on
the manufacturer's sister when caught
hiding in the cellar.

The survivors of Colonel Mosby
suicides held their reunion at Grove-
ton, Va., on the 50th anniversary of
the battle of Bull Run.

Lewis Potter, the famous New York
sculptor, died suddenly and mysteri-
ously in Seattle.

Turko-Italian peace negotiations are
deadlocked in Paris. Turkey wants a
small part of Tripoli returned.

Harold Blair, 19 years old, a book-
keeper in the Windsor Trust Co., New
York, of Elizabeth, N. J., was drowned
in a mountain stream near Catskill,
N. Y.

The colonial mansion of Thomas
Hastings, millionaire architect, at
Wheatley Hill, near Roslyn, L. I., was
destroyed by fire. The loss is \$100,000.

Miss Evelyn Goddu, of New York,
sued John Lawrence Bogert for \$50,000
for alleged breach of contract. She
charged he promised to provide for
her if she did not marry, but as-
serts he failed to do so.

"An English Earl" advertised in a
Wall Street paper for a position with
a decent and wholesome enterprise."

Three persons lost their lives in a
terrible storm that swept over Cleve-
land.

Charles R. Miller, of Wilmington,
Republican nominee for governor of
Delaware, resigned as state senator.
Ignacio Moncini, arrested near Den-
ver, confessed there is a plant in New
York turning out counterfeit half-dol-
lars.

Anna Bahnbridge, 10 years old, of
Philadelphia, is dead of blood poison-
ing caused by the piercing of her ears
for earrings.

Jules Vedrines, the French aviator,
declared that his aeroplane will attain
a speed of 121 miles an hour at the
Chicago aviation meet.

Prominent women organized to rid
Newport of vice and the illegal res-
orts closed on the eve of publicity
given the results of the investigations
made.

Alderman John A. Richert of Chic-
ago was beaten and robbed of money
and jewelry valued at \$930 in the
streets.

The cruiser Des Moines will sail
from Boston on September 6 to east-
ern Mexican ports to watch the situa-
tion.

After two years there still remains
\$3,000 to be raised of the \$10,000 nec-
essary to buy a silver service for the
battleship North Dakota.

After three days, rangers gained
control of the forest fire which threat-
ened the valuable Devil's Canyon and
Bear Creek watersheds in California.

The year's record swordfish catch
was broken at Avalon, Cal., when
Frank H. Reed of Oklahoma City, after
a two-hour fight, landed one weighing
232 pounds.

A new 30-inch photographing refrac-
tor telescope, valued at \$150,000, third
largest in the world, was dedicated at
the Allegheny Observatory in Pitts-
burgh.

Justice Aspinall dismissed the writ
of habeas corpus sued out by Mrs.
Sarah Sypher of Brooklyn, who want-
ed to attend the funeral of her three
children whom she killed by gas.

The Navy Department is forcing
seamen to undergo vaccination. A
seaman who refused at Mare Island,
Cal., was sentenced to one year in
prison.

The American Bar Association de-
nounced the recall of judges and the
initiative and referendum and ac-
cepted the resignation of a Minneapo-
lis negro lawyer who quit because of
the drawing of the color line.

The Housewives' League opened a
fruit and vegetable market under the
Queensboro Bridge, New York. The
innovation with its low prices and cor-
rect measure proved so popular that
the market will be open daily here-
after.

William J. Burke, the Philadelphia
Councilman who disappeared after he
had confessed being an ex-convict and
burglar, returned to start life anew
accepting an offer to set him up in
business.

Foreign
The Chinese pirates who raided
British property in Hongkong recently
were captured in Macao by Portu-
guese police.

The United States transport Liscom
sank alongside a wharf at Shanghai in
40 feet of water. No cause is yet
known.

A Belgian has invented a contriv-
ance that will render aeroplanes so
stable that they cannot upset, turn
turtle or plunge to the ground.

Women wearing dangerous hats
must pay street car conductors and
Hansom cabs, Germany, a cent a piece for
corks to place over the points of the
pins or get off the car.

Chinese brigands, most of whom are
former soldiers, are looting towns
along the Canton-Hankow Railroad
and butchering the inhabitants.

The Empress of Russia, the first of
the Canadian Pacific Railroad's new
15,000-ton vessels, was launched at
Glasgow.

One of the greatest crowds London
ever saw attended the funeral of Gen-
eral Booth of the Salvation Army.

It was rumored in Rome that the
Pope is about to create a new Ameri-
can cardinal to live in that city.

Funeral services for General Booth
in London were attended by 34,000
people.

President Madero asked Kaiser
Wilhelm for a number of infantry and
artillery officers to train the Mexican
army.

A broken propeller on the gunboat
Vicksburg punched a hole in the hull
as the vessel was cruising off Mexico,
and she put into Magdalena Bay for
repairs.

Emperor Yoshihito has written to
the Pope expressing hope for con-
tinued cordial relations between the
Vatican and Japan.

General William Booth left direc-
tions that one of the inkstands in his
study should be given to his son,
Bainbridge Booth.

Six Italian warships anchored off
Beirut, Asiatic Turkey. The garrison
is preparing to resist an attack.

Gen. William Booth was buried be-
side his wife in London in the pres-
ence of a countless multitude after a
funeral parade of the Salvation Army
which resembled a triumphal proces-
sion and amid the falling of exhaust-
ed soldiers as in battle.

Rear Admiral Southard took com-
mand of our forces in Nicaragua and
reported that he intended to keep the
Corinto-Managua Railway open, thus
rendering "American life and prop-
erty safe."

LIQUOR SELLERS PLAN TO EVADE LAW

RECENT WILD RUMOR THAT IS
BEING TALKED OF IN TAR
HEEL STATE.

DECIDE TO MAKE TEST CASE

Story Comes From Well Known Cit-
izen Who Heard Plan Unfolded.—
"Reported" Attempt to Open Whole-
sale Whiskey House in Salisbury.

Charlotte.—Gossip has arrived on
the through train from Washington,
D. C., to the effect that Washington
liquor dealers, representing "unlim-
ited capital," are planning to make an
active effort to open up wholesale
whiskey houses in several North Car-
olina cities for distributing liquor in
adjoining states.

Report has it that the promoters
of the scheme claim that such "right"
is conferred by the interstate com-
merce law bearing on interstate ship-
ments.

"It is said" in a roundabout way
that, after conferring with lawyers
of the District of Columbia, the whis-
key men concerned have made up
their minds to make a test of the
North Carolina state prohibition law,
by opening up first wholesale liquor
house in Salisbury; that if it is able
to withstand the legal attack that is
certain to be made, then other "dis-
tributing houses" will be opened in
Charlotte and at other points to sell
liquor to customers residing in other
states.

The story comes through a well-
known citizen who heard the plan un-
folded by another man, the latter hav-
ing returned from Washington several
days ago, and who, it is understood,
is interested in the whiskey business.

It appears that the issue which they
propose to force, is out of "dry" terri-
tory into another state. The liquor
men claim, it is said, that whiskey
can be shipped into a "dry" state, the
rule must work both ways, and that,
under the interstate commerce laws,
it can be shipped out of a dry state
into another state.

Certain recent decisions in cases
coming up from Tennessee and other
states, it is understood, have given
the Washington liquor men the idea
of making this effort.

Politics in Hoke County.

The first Democratic primary held in
Hoke county resulted in the nomination
of the following officers. These were
appointed by the governor under the
act creating the county. Capt. Thomas
McBryde was named for representa-
tive in the legislature. Capt. J. W.
McNeil, of Fayetteville, received a
majority of 77 votes over Q. K.
Nimocks (also of Fayetteville) for
state senator from the thirteenth sen-
atorial district, composed of Hoke
and Cumberland counties. The nom-
inees for the county officers are: For
sheriff, Edgar Hill, clerk, superior
court, W. B. McQueen; treasurer, W.
J. McCraney; register of deeds, J. M.
McNair; coroner, D. K. McDuffie;
commissioners: J. W. Johnson, J. A.
McPaul, S. J. Cameron.

Blind Tiger Released on Bond.

Horace Melton, the blind tiger,
whose last conviction cost the leading
witness his life, has been released on
a bond of \$200 for good behavior dur-
ing the next two years. Sympathy
for the family of the accused man,
who is now their only support, caused
the action of the court. The sen-
tencing of Clyde Melton, brother of
Horace, to the penitentiary for eight-
een years, left Melton's mother and
other immediate members of the fam-
ily practically without support.

Special Provision for Extra Funds.

The finance committee of the state
board of agriculture made special
provision for extra funds for a num-
ber of the divisions of the state de-
partment of agriculture to carry on
their work until the next semi-annual
meeting of the board in December.

Safe Cracker is Arrested.

C. C. Campbell, a white man 45
years old, was arrested while robbing
a store at Proctorville, ten miles south
of Lumberton. He had opened the safe
by working the combination. Campbell
has but one eye but carries a glass-
eye in his pocket to be used as oc-
casion requires. He seems to be an
old hand at the business, and claimed
to be from Mississippi. The peniten-
tiary authorities of that state were
communicated with and it was learn-
ed that a \$50 reward was offered for
him.

Politics in Henderson County.

The canvass of the returns from the
primary held in Henderson county
by the executive committee served
to show that the primary was about
a culling out process by which the
greater part of candidates in the field
will be eliminated from the second
primary. Only two candidates were
nominated, these being Dr. W. R.
Kirk, for coroner, who had no oppo-
sition, and J. B. Patterson, for surveyor,
who had little opposition for the rea-
son that no candidate engaged in the
contest against him.

COUNTS MUCH ON NEW ROAD

People in Norwood Section Optimis-
tic Over Prospects of Development
—Figuring on Depot Sites.

Norwood.—Work of completing sur-
veys for the extending of the Norfolk
Southern railroad to Charlotte contin-
ues without abatement, and it is un-
derstood that actual construction work
will start within about thirty days.

This new line means a great deal
to this section and the people are
looking forward to its coming with
a great deal of interest. With the
Southern covering the territory to
Salisbury, the Atlantic Coast Line
from Florence, S. C., to Winston-Sa-
lem, the Norfolk Southern will com-
plete the circuit by passing through
a very fine undeveloped country to
Charlotte. Norwood will be the cen-
tre of all this development and the
citizenship is naturally optimistic over
the prospect of great improvements,
increase in population and a general
boom in every way. Already there
have been a number of prospectors
here investigating the situation with
a view to locating, and during the
last week two persons of means have
decided to cast their lot in this
town. Negotiations are also on for
the establishment of other factories
here and sites for plants, ware-
houses, etc., are being considered by
outside capital.

E. C. Duncan, one of the leading
spirits in the movement for making
the Norfolk Southern a trunk line
from Norfolk to Charlotte, via Ra-
leigh, Washington, Elizabeth City and
other cities of Eastern Carolina, was
here with a party of railroad officials.
An informal meeting of the business
men was held and Mr. Duncan made
a talk on the situation. The question
of the unsettled site seems, in the
depot sites and the next week will
probably see the close of all details
for the beginning of work.

Federal Road Work in This State.
North Carolina will be the first
state in which road construction will
be started under the provision of Sen-
ator Simmons' good roads bill which
has become a law. The Simmons' good
roads bill provides that the work
shall be handled through the postmas-
ter general and the secretary of the
agricultural department. Postmaster
General Hitchcock and Secretary Wil-
son had a conference with Senator
Simmons and told the senator that it
was their intention to begin work on
roads with a very short time and
that the first step will be taken in
some North Carolina counties where
money had already been appropriat-
ed for road construction. The Sim-
mons' bill provides that the govern-
ment shall bid in the construction of
roads where the county or state bears
its part of the cost.

Breaking Up Illicit Stills.
Two North Irrell citizens have
been arrested on charges of illicit
distilling and the officers are search-
ing for others in the same connection.
Deputy Revenue Collector J. M. Da-
vis and Deputy Sheriff Ward made a
raid into the Grassy Knob church
neighborhood and found and destroy-
ed a blockade plant. Five men were
at work at the still when the officers
approached but all escaped except one
Hilton Rash—who was arrested and
brought to Statesville where he gave
\$500 bond before Clerk H. C. Cowles
for his appearance at next term of
federal court. The two officers named
and Sheriff Deaton went back to the
same community and destroyed what
was left of another moonshine plant,
the still having been removed just
before the officers arrived.

Man Killed by Southern Train.

Jethro Berry, a farmer aged 38
years, was struck by number 35, a
westbound passenger train, on the
Southern Railway, about one mile
from Morganton and killed instantly.
Berry, in company with some friends,
was sitting on the track and hearing
the approaching crowd, with the ex-
ception of Berry got out of the way
of the train, Berry whom it is alleged
was more or less under the influence
of whiskey did not get up and was
struck by the train with the result
above stated. The balance of the men
did not know but that Berry was
on the other side of the track when
the train passed and were horrified
to find him dead.

Orange County Health Board.

The Orange county health board of-
ficer has refused to take any steps to-
wards remedying the condition of the
old mill race, which the Durham health
officer says is contaminating the
water supply of the city of Durham.
This matter of the old race of stag-
nant water, which overflows into
the river every time there is a rain,
was called to the attention of the
Durham board of health at their last
meeting, and they appointed a com-
mittee to see if the conditions could
not be remedied.

County Commissioners Meet.

Statesville.—The board of county
commissioners was in special session
to consider the county home propo-
sition and the proposition to im-
prove the Wilkesboro road out from
Statesville. No definite action was
taken with regard to the county home
though it is known that it is the pur-
pose of the commissioners to build a
new home. In the matter of the
Wilkesboro road improvement a reso-
lution was passed authorizing that
the work be done in accordance with
the plans of the county engineer.

RIVERS AND HARBORS

WHAT SENATOR SIMMONS OF
OLD NORTH STATE SAID ON
THE SUBJECT.

DISCUSSES DEVELOPMENT

Coastline in This Country Greatest in
World While Our Inland System of
Rivers is Incomparably Superior to
Any Other Nation.

Raleigh.—A special from Wash-
ington states that Senator Simmons of
North Carolina, the ranking Demo-
crat on the committee on interoceanoic
canals, who was one of the three
conferees on the part of the senate
on the Panama canal bill, and who
is an enthusiast in the development
of our waterway system, discussing
the subject of the development of
our rivers and harbors as a means
of transportation, said:

"Our coast line is the greatest of
any country in the world, while our
inland system of rivers, lakes and
sounds is incomparably superior to
that of any other nation. While we
have developed to a high degree of ef-
ficiency many of our seaports and our
lake system and have done some
things towards the improvement of our
rivers, little has been done, compared
with what should have been done and
what is necessary to be done, to de-
velop these waterways to the highest
point of potentiality. This neglect has
not been because the people do not
realize the importance and value of
water transportation both as a means
of cheap distribution and of regulat-
ing and reducing rail rates, but be-
cause it was early demonstrated that
in the absence of effective legislation
to prevent railroad control of water
carriers the full benefit of the im-
provement and development of our
waterways could not be realized.

"Notwithstanding this handicap in
the beneficial use of our waterways,
the people have been so thoroughly
convinced of their importance both as
a medium of transportation and of
waterpower, that instead of abating
their interests in the face of these
adverse conditions, relying upon the
future action of congress to remove
these difficulties, the movement for
their greater development has year
by year grown and strengthened."

Governor Kitchin Gives Reprieve.

Raleigh.—Governor Kitchin gave to
Thomas Cox, of Lee county, a reprieve
until September 19, 1912, the case
against Cox being a conviction for
selling liquor. He began serving af-
ter the November term of court in
1911. The governor gives these rea-
sons for the reprieve: "Upon the
recommendation of the trial judge,
which he in person made to me, and
upon the recommendation of the at-
torney who assisted the solicitor in
the prosecution, in which the solicitor
concurs, as well as upon the recom-
mendation of the sheriff of the
county and many other citizens, I re-
prieve Thomas Cox until September
19, 1912, on condition that he remain
law-abiding and of good behavior."

Twenty-Five Years for Burglary.

Kinston.—Charlie Parker was sen-
tenced to twenty-five years' imprison-
ment by Judge Carter in superior
court for second degree burglary. The
particular crime for which Parker
was convicted was the breaking into
and burglarizing of the home of Mrs.
A. Oettinger, a prominent lady of this
city, although his long criminal record
was responsible for the severity of
the sentence.

Much Confusion in Politics.

Winston-Salem.—The political Ga-
briel has blown his horn in Broadway
township, this county, and there is
quite an amount of confusion as a re-
sult. Some declare that Taft Republi-
cans have resorted to Roosevelt's
game and bolted the township pri-
mary in which the Roosevelt sup-
porters were greatly in the majority.
The Roosevelt sympathizers declare
that they are not opposed so much
to Taft as they are against the Fed-
eral officeholders residing in Broad-
way township.

Mystery Surrounds Fire.

Spencer.—Mystery surrounds the
burning of two dwellings located be-
tween Spencer and Salisbury. It is
talked on the streets that the fire was
of incendiary origin, though there is
no definite clue. The fire started in
the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Bol-
din, who were out of town and did not
know of the fire until they returned
on a late train. Parties who were
first on the scene state that the
flames had already gutted the house
and that a stranger was seen to run
from the burning building.

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the plans of the county engineer.

LAND OF THE LONG LEAF PINE

Short Paragraphs of State News That
Have Been Gotten Together With
Care by the Editor.

Clayton.—The first new bale of cot-
ton in this section was brought in by
B. H. Spence, a tenant with C. W.
Horne. It graded good middling and
sold for 15.15.

Salisbury.—A good roads conven-
tion has been called by Chairman J.
W. Peeler, of the Rowan county good
roads association, to be held at Rock-
well September 7th.

Fayetteville.—Judge Stephen C. Bra-
gaw convened a one-week term of
Cumberland superior court for the
trial of criminal cases here. An ex-
traordinarily heavy docket is to be
tried, consisting of 132 cases.

Henderson.—A. H. Hoyle came into
Henderson, loaded his two-horse wa-
gon with terra cotta pipe and started
for his country home. The horse
ran away and he was thrown out and
crushed to death.

Raleigh.—The state department of
agriculture estimate that the condi-
tion of cotton has declined during the
past ten days something like 15 per
cent, from 85 to 80 per cent. This
80 per cent status is applied also to
corn and other crops.

Salisbury.—Effective September 1st
passenger train No. 21, between Sa-
lisbury and Norwood, which leaves
Salisbury at 9:20 a. m., will go by way
of Whitney. This change is made in
the interest of improved service and
to accommodate the large number of
citizens now gathering at Whitney.

Spencer.—Senator Lee S. Overman
accepted an invitation to speak in
Spencer on Labor Day. This will be
his first appearance in public since
leaving the senate chamber at Wash-
ington. Among the other speakers
for the day will be State Treasurer R.
B. Lacy.

Mount Airy.—The meeting of the
farmers union here was attended by
a goodly number of the leading farm-
ers. The organization has fully de-
termined to operate a dry priory at
this place. Some of the members are
of the opinion that it might be best
to continue the warehouse also, but
this will be decided later.

Washington.—A census bureau re-
port issued shows that the mulatto
blood in North Carolina has increas-
ed as follows: From 9.6 per cent of
the negro population in 1870 to 13.8
in 1890 and to 20.7 per cent in 1910,
showing a gain in 40 years of 11.1
per cent. The gain in the United
States in that time has been but 8.9
per cent.

Fayetteville.—Capt. Z. P. Smith,
secretary of the Cumberland county
agricultural society, has resigned that
position and has been succeeded
by John B. Tillinghast, former sec-
retary of the fair association. It is be-
ing said that Captain Smith, who is
joint secretary of the agricultural so-
ciety and the Fayetteville chamber
of commerce, is also contemplating
resigning from the latter office.

Raleigh.—At the request of the
judges interested Governor Kitchin
has issued special commissions where-
by there will be exchanges of courts
so that Judge J. L. Webb will hold
Gaston county court September 9,
Mecklenburg court September 23,
November 25, and December 2, and Lin-
coln court December 19. Judge Dan-
iels will hold Bertie court September
9, Warren September 16 and Halifax
November 25.

Greenville.—Helen, the 8-year-old
daughter of Jesse Bridges, a well-
known farmer living six miles from
the city, was instantly killed when
she was run over by a motorcycle
ridden by Ford Cox of Traveler's
Rest. The child was crossing the
road and evidently did not see or hear
the approaching motorcycle. Mr. Cox
dismounted and went back to assist
the little girl but she was dead when
he reached her.

Raleigh.—Charters were issued to
the Chadbourne Cotton Mills Com-
pany of Chadbourne, Columbus coun-
ty, capital \$125,000 authorized and
\$20,000 subscribed by D. S. Whitted,
E. J. Hart, C. R. Linehart and num-
bers of others, for a general cotton
milling business, and to the Held
Lumber Company of Hickory, capital
\$25,000 authorized, and \$2,500 sub-
scribed by E. K. Held, S. R. Morrison
and H. S. Smith.

Fayetteville.—The first of the blind
tiger cases arising from the whole-
sale arrests of "no tax" dealers, dur-
ing the firemen's convention here, was
disposed of in the superior court when
G. L. Haywood was acquitted