

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.

While on her knees, pleading pitifully for her life, Mrs. Ethel Denson of Key West was shot to death on the street by her husband, Benny Denson. Two negroes were eye-witnesses to the tragedy, but were afraid to interfere. Denson, who followed his wife from Key West to Tampa several weeks ago, discovered her working in a restaurant. He threatened to kill her if she did not return with him.

The twenty-five guests at the Reid hotel at Union City, Ga., narrowly escaped death when fire was discovered in the building. Within a few minutes after the fire call was sounded, the hotel was a mass of flames, and nothing but a few personal effects were saved. Valiant work on the part of the volunteer fire department saved the office building of the Farmers' Union, a two-story \$10,000 brick structure.

The county commissioners of Floyd county, Georgia, have instructed the county clerk to take up with the Georgia delegation in congress the question of securing a branch of the proposed Johnston-Sherman highway through that county. The present plan makes the nearest point to Rome, Kingston, in Bartow county, which is 17 miles away. The historic fact is, however, that while Sherman's army did not visit Rome, other troops were frequently in and out of that section, and for several months made that point their headquarters.

The government lock, about eight miles from Rome, Ga., on the Coosa river, will be finished about September 20, and boats will then pass through. The work was started in 1910, and \$271,000 has been expended on its construction.

Senator Bankhead of Alabama, after conferring with other members of the senate, has concurred in the demand on the governor of Alabama to call the legislature together and not change the tariff bill by the absence of the Alabama senator. As the Democratic majority in the senate is only one, owing to the defection of the Louisiana senators, and as a senator is very ill and likely not to be present, it seems that the situation imperatively demands some action to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Senator Johnston, and hence this action is solicited.

General.

Cole Younger, the former bandit, a member of the James Boys' gang, became a member of the Christian church at a revival meeting at Lees Summit, Mo. When the evangelist, after finishing his sermon, invited persons in the audience to join the church, Younger was one of the first to go forward to the altar rail. At the conclusion of the service the evangelist said that those in the audience who cared to do so might remain and shake hands with Younger.

A deadly charge of dynamite, three 10-inch sticks and two halves with a fuse and detonator, was discovered near Mayor Gaynor's office window in the city hall. The bureau of combustibles found that the explosive was 40 per cent dynamite, the regulation blasting proportion, and the amount would, if exploded, have wrecked the city hall. Mayor Gaynor evinced little interest when told of the explosive's proximity and remained apparently undisturbed at his desk, while police officers hurriedly drew a cordon about the dynamite to keep back an excited crowd.

With Edward E. McCall's acceptance of Tammany Hall's designation as its candidate for mayor, and John Murray Mitchell, collector of the port, already picked to lead the Fusionists, Mayor William J. Gaynor was placed in the list for re-election on an independent ticket by his friends for mayor of New York. Mayor Gaynor had issued a statement indicating his willingness to be a candidate.

Erwin Tungren, a stationary engineer at Index, lined up five persons against the wall of the Gray hotel at Everett, Wash., and, after robbing them, fired a fusillade from two pistols, killing Miss Dorothy Dunbar, proprietor of the hotel, and wounding two others. Tungren escaped. He had refused to leave the hotel when Miss Dunbar asked him to go. Instead he drew two pistols and ordered her to stand against the wall. Four men in an adjoining room were called out and lined up with her.

Twenty-five or more passengers and seven members of the crew of the Pacific Coast Steamship company's steamer, the State of California, perished in Cambiar bay, 90 miles south of Juneau, Alaska, when the vessel struck an uncharted rock and sank in three minutes, with many passengers imprisoned in their state rooms. The steamship left Seattle for Skagway and way points. The purser lost all of his records and it is not possible to give a complete list of the missing. The uninjured survivors were taken to Seattle on the steamer Jefferson.

Five motorcycle riders crashed together at Milwaukee, Wis., during a five-mile race at the motordrome, and as a result Fred Bowen of New York City is in the hospital with a broken shoulder and serious internal injuries and four other riders are suffering from severe cuts, bruises and minor injuries.

Emile Olivier, premier of France under Napoleon III, died at Anney, France. He was born at Marseilles July 2, 1825, and came into international prominence when he was chosen by the emperor as arbiter of the differences which arose relative to the isthmus of Suez, and it was upon his report that the final decision was found.

Fifty thousand business men and farmers of western Missouri, it was estimated, furnished their picks and shovels and prepared to shoulder them to take part in Missouri's two good road days, the slogan for which is "Pull Missouri Out of the Mud."

Harry K. Thaw is under arrest at Coaticook, Quebec, and will be held until the Dominion government decides what can be done in his case. Thaw said the authorities had no right to hold him and that there was nothing for which he could be extradited and sent back to New York state.

Deputy sheriffs and private guards were thrown about the Pocantico estate of John D. Rockefeller with instructions to keep a lookout for strangers and to watch the movements of several new employees. The reason for the precaution was the discovery of a quantity of inflammable material near the Japanese tea house. Several weeks ago incendiary fires caused much damage to buildings on the estate near Tarrytown, N. Y.

An explosion on a gondola loaded with dynamite on the tracks of a street car company in a thickly settled portion of Tacubaya, Mexico, a suburb of the capital, killed or injured more than one hundred persons, chiefly women and children. Thirty bodies already have been taken from the ruins of the houses. Scores of wounded are lying in the streets. The disaster was said to have been caused by a collision between a car loaded with iron pipe and a dynamite car. For a radius of 500 feet from the explosion scene not a house was left intact. Most of the dwelling are of adobe construction.

Washington.

The Huerta administration in Mexico may reconsider its rejection of the American proposals to restore peace in Mexico and arrange a new basis for negotiation with the United States. Strong intimations to this effect reached official Washington along with the information that the financial condition of the Huerta administration was such that a crisis was imminent. Should the Huerta government decide to enter into a new basis of discussion, President Wilson, in all probability, will not read his message to both houses of congress, as he intended. It is reiterated that the United States will continue to insist upon the resignation of President Huerta.

Federal Judge Emory Speer of Georgia, charged with official misconduct in papers filed with the house committee on judiciary, may attend any hearings that the committee may have to take evidence in the case. He telegraphed to Representative Hughes of Georgia, a life-long friend and college classmate, asking that he arrange for his appearance at the proper time. Mr. Hughes immediately conferred with Chairman Clayton of the committee, and later notified the judge that he would be permitted to be present with counsel.

Intimations are contained in Provisional President Huerta's reply to the American note presented by John Lind that President Wilson is not backed up by congress or the American people in his stand against recognition of the Huerta government. Huerta holds that the Democratic party's power is temporary, and argues that the recognition of his government is a partisan question in the United States. He intimates that he reaches his conclusion on private advices from Washington. The complete note is not yet at hand.

First deposits of the government's \$50,000,000 crop moving fund were made in the Southern states in August and September. All deposits in all states will be made in two equal allotments. In a statement Secretary McAdoo has outlined the treasury department's requirements. Commercial paper may consist of first class business paper executed by individuals, firms or corporations of good standing. No commercial or business paper will be approved by the secretary until it has been unanimously approved and recommended by a committee appointed for that purpose, to consist of six members.

Representative Adanson introduced bills to appropriate \$60,000 each for postoffice buildings at Greenville, Buena Vista and Talbotton, Ga. Representative Howard introduced a bill to appropriate \$100,000 for a government building at Decatur, Ga.

Georgia's internal revenue taxes for the fiscal year, which ended June 30, 1913, amounted to \$523,632, according to the figures of Commissioner Osborn, made public. The wealth of gold and silver and paper money filling the vaults of the federal treasury is due in no small measure to the record-breaking drinking, smoking and card-playing of the American people. The 143,299,000 gallons of whiskey and brandy consumed during the year brought in the enormous sum of \$157,542,000, and the 64,246,000 barrels of beer, porter and ale netted the government \$65,246,000.

FAISON FOR MONEY FOR HIS DISTRICT

FOR PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND
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HAS INTRODUCED MANY BILLS

One For Site and Federal Building at Morehead.—Another For Monument to General James Moore.—Other Improvements to Be Made.

Raleigh.—A special from Washington states that Representative Faison introduced a number of bills providing for public buildings and waterway improvements in his district, most of which were re-introductions. A new one was an appropriation of \$60,000 for a site and postoffice buildings at Morehead City.

Other bills were:
An appropriation of \$10,000 to erect a monument to Gen. James Moore of the Continental army at Moore's Creek.

\$5,000 for the establishment of a weather bureau observatory at New Bern.

A survey of Neuse river between New Bern and Goldsboro, cost not estimated.

\$5,000 for a survey for proposed canal from the navigable waters of Goose Creek to the navigable water of Jones Bay, in Pamlico county. It is provided five canals shall carry a depth of eight feet at low water and a width of 100 feet or more.

Another bill would provide for two terms of the United States district court to be held in Goldsboro each year, the first week in March and the first week in October. The bill provides five judges shall appoint a resident of Goldsboro as clerk of the court.

Still another bill asks for an appropriation of \$20,000 for repairing or rebuilding the roadway to the national cemetery at New Bern.

None of these measures can be passed at the present session of Congress. They can be considered at the regular session, however, without a re-introduction.

Arrange Program For Assembly.
The program committee of the North Carolina Teachers' Assembly will be held soon to arrange the program for the assembly when it meets here in November in its annual convention. The chairmen of the several divisions constitute the program committee. President A. C. Reynolds, of the Assembly; Prof. M. C. S. Noble, vice-president; Miss Mary E. Wright, of the association of kindergarten teachers; Miss Edith Royster, of the primary teachers; Mrs. Milliken, formerly Miss Mabel Tuck, of Durham, of the grammar school teachers; R. H. Bachman, of the city superintendents; Robert Bingham, of the academies and colleges; Wade R. Brown, of the association of music teachers, and A. Vermont, of the high schools, teachers and principals, will put the matter on the program.

Halifax Game Law Being Violated.
The game law applying to Halifax county, which makes a closed season from March 15 to November 15, is being flagrantly violated and people living near the woods are reported to be killing the young squirrels by the wholesale. This has been brought to the attention of those who obey the law, and they held a meeting in the office of Ashby Dunn recently and organized a vigilance society, and pledged themselves to report every violation coming to their knowledge.

Farmers' Institute in Guilford.
On historic Guilford Battle Ground "the embattled farmers" of another generation met, but it was in a different capacity from that in which they gathered a hundred and thirty-two years ago. One of the farmers' institutes for the county was held in the magnificent park and was largely attended by farmers of Guilford.

Lane Guilty of First Degree Murder.
The jury returned a verdict of murder in the first degree in the case against Grady Lane, for the murder of George McCain last October. This was an unusually interesting term of court. The case against Lane, consuming four days, was one of the most interesting ever tried in this county. All the evidence was circumstantial, except for an alleged confession by the prisoner to another prisoner in the same cell. The case was further complicated by an alleged confession by another prisoner.

Another Man Charged With Murder.
Another man has been placed behind the prison bars in Stanly county under a charge of murder. George Coley of Albemarle shot and instantly killed Lawson Hatley near George Tucker's home, 10 miles west of Albemarle in the Bloomington community. A 22-caliber revolver was the weapon used, one ball taking effect just above the right eye and another in the neck. There was only one eyewitness to the shooting, but others were near enough to hear the shots fired and it is said that three shots were fired.

Old Man Killed by Train.
As the result of injuries which he sustained while crossing the tracks of the Southern Railway Company at Candler by being struck by a passenger train, Foster Howell, an 82-year-old resident of Canaan, died at an Asheville hospital. Mr. Howell was 80 years of age and had spent his life at Candler. He had been employed as mail carrier between the trains and the Candler postoffice. It was while he was in the performance of these duties that he sustained injuries that resulted in his death.

Many Take Examination.
Fifty-six applicants for positions in the federal customs and revenue service attended civil service examinations conducted here recently. The number was so large that the examinations were conducted at the graded school building instead of the federal building as is customary. The examinations were in charge of Secretary Jas. F. Harbin of the local civil service board, assisted by Mr. Chas. E. Eicher. Some of the applicants came quite a distance to stand the examination.

E. A. HENNESSEE NOT GUILTY

Burke County Physician is Acquitted of Murder of Gorman Pitts—Story of the Case.

Morganton.—After having been out for over 36 hours the jury in the Hennessee case returned a verdict of not guilty, acquitting Dr. E. A. Hennessee of the charge of murdering Gorman Pitts at Glen Alpine January 18.

This trial was not to show the part the various parties took in the affray but the trial of Doctor Hennessee for his life was on the grounds that he premeditated and personally brought on the conflict which resulted fatally to Gorman Pitts and nearly so to several others, including himself.

This was not established and evidence tended to show that both factions were equally guilty, and both were ready to fight and did fight to a finish, Hennessee being too much for the other side.

Hennessee made no denial of being armed to the teeth and having inflicted the wound that caused the death of Gorman Pitts and of injuring others, but said that at the time he was being cut and shot to pieces by his antagonists.

The participants in the Glen Alpine fight will be tried for an affray at the next term of court.

Pitts was killed in a fight at Glen Alpine, January 18. Hennessee himself was so badly wounded that it was not thought he could live and four others were at first reported to be mortally wounded. However, Gorman Pitts was the only one to die.

First accounts were meager. The whole section was too excited to think or report clearly as to what had happened. The two families were among the most prominent of western North Carolina and their connections numbered up into the hundreds of people.

May Call Second Extra Session.
Governor Craig has received from Captain Thom, general counsel for the Southern Railway Company, a note to the effect that President Finley of the Southern is abroad just now and will not be back in the United States until September 1, and that he is sure that on his return President Finley will be glad to take up with the governor any matters bearing on the differences between the state authorities and the railroad officials as to interstate freight rates.

Governor Craig says that, while he is very much in hopes that the legislature can dispose of both the freight rate and the constitutional amendment matters during the 20-days limit of the extraordinary session called for September 24, still he has the authority to call an additional special session of 20 days to immediately succeed the one already called and that he will not hesitate to do this in the event he finds it is necessary in order to give ample time for attending to the important business to come up.

Officers Capture An Illicit Still.
Deputy Revenue Collector J. M. Davis and W. D. Davis returned from Alexander county, where they were on a "moonshine" raid. The federal officers were accompanied on this raid by Sheriff Matheson and Deputy Sheriff Poole, of Alexander, and a genuine blockade distillery outfit was destroyed near Bentley postoffice. There was no one on the distillery premises when the officers arrived, but while they were busy with their work of destruction two men appeared near a house on a hill some distance away and called to the officers to come to the house, declaring with oaths that the officers were cowards and were afraid to come to the house. But when the officers started for the house the men who had so boldly defied them hastened off to the woods in another direction. The house was searched but no one was found.

North Carolina New Enterprises.
Two charters were issued by the secretary of state. One is an independent telephone company and the other an auto sales stock company. The Paw Creek Telephone Company, of Paw Creek, Mecklenburg county, was chartered with authorized capital of \$2,000, but it may begin with \$20. The incorporators are Plummer Stewart, F. A. Wilkins, G. L. Neal and others.

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A NUMBER OF CANDIDATES

Failure of These Men to Secure Deserved Recognition, Has Caused Considerable Resentment on the Part of the N. C. Delegation.

Raleigh.—A special from Washington states that disappointment is in store for a large number of candidates for positions in the diplomatic service from North Carolina because the Old North State stands charged up with two important foreign appointments, which makes it impossible for any more plums to be plucked from the state for perhaps six months or longer.

Among those whose candidacy has become known—and there are a number of silent candidates—are Whitehead Klutz, of Salisbury; John Underwood, mayor of Fayetteville; Philip S. Henry, of Asheville, and C. W. Worth, of Wilmington. Klutz has been a prominent candidate for any diplomatic or consular office which he could hold from a financial standpoint, not being in a class with Whitehead Klutz or any of the millionaire ambassadors to European courts who have annually spent about half a million in excess of their salary. Mr. Henry being more than well supplied with this world's goods has been under consideration by the state department since March for a diplomatic office, preferably on the continent. Mr. Worth's candidacy did not become known until recently when it was learned that he wished to be consul general to Shanghai. Mr. Underwood has for some time been seeking appointment as consul general to Canada, but owing to his being mayor of Fayetteville his candidacy has been kept secret.

The failure of these men to secure well deserved recognition has caused considerable resentment on the part of the North Carolina delegation in Washington against the administration charging up to the state the appointment of Walter Hines Page as ambassador to Great Britain, which was a personal appointment by President Wilson, and the appointment of Major E. J. Hale of Fayetteville as minister to Costa Rica, which was the outcome of a long standing friendship of Secretary Bryan for Hale.

Nance Retains Same Composure.
Rockingham.—In the jail here Geo. S. Nance, charged with the murder of his wife in Hamlet, retains the same composure that has characterized him since the crime. At first glance, however, the visitor to his cell cannot but recognize in the wistful eyes and care-worn face tragedy—tragedy—that had its beginning back in the years previous to the crime. When questioned about his wife and the crime, the prisoner smiles and with a faraway look replies "I loved my wife. I love her memory."

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Latest News of General Interest That Has Been Collected From Many Towns and Counties.

Weldon.—Halifax county organized a strong branch of the State Just Freight Rate Association at an enthusiastic meeting held in the courthouse in Halifax.

Hickory.—Deputy Sheriff Burns returned from Wilmington where he went to deliver to the army post at Fort Caswell Henry Killian, a native of this county, who deserted the army at Fort Sam Houston, Tex.

Raleigh.—A. L. Blow, clerk of the United States court, appointed Samuel B. Collier at Wilmington; Harry T. Greenleaf at Elizabeth City, and Arthur Mayo at Washington, deputy clerks in their respective districts. Each one of the three succeeds himself.

Asheville.—Because of the incomplete conditions of several of the city school buildings which are being improved for the use of the students during the coming year, the members of the city school board have postponed the opening of the local public institutions of learning until September 15.

Wilson.—Recently before Squire W. R. Wood, George Parker, of Spring Hill township, a baritone player in the Third Regiment band, was tried on the charge of seduction under promise of marriage. He was held for probable cause for his appearance at the September term of Wilson superior court in a justified bond of \$500.

Concord.—The jury in the case of Cooper vs. Southern Railway returned a verdict awarding the plaintiff \$2,100. The jury was out several hours on the case. The plaintiff alleged that he was arrested without cause by the defendant company while employed at the Spencer shops and claimed \$5,000 damage.

Washington.—The local force celebrated the return of Chief Howard from his annual vacation by making a wholesale raid under the search and seizure act. Chief Howard and Mr. Sedgwick visited J. E. Bonham of South Market street and came away with three dress-suit cases and a package full of whiskey.

Durham.—The new secretary of the Merchants' Association of Durham is laying plans for a complete reorganization of the rating of all of the members of the buying public in Durham, so that when he has completed this any member of the association will be enabled to telephone to the association office and find out the rating of almost any man in the city.

Washington.—The effort by Senators Simmons and Overman to appoint district attorneys and marshals for the Eastern and Western districts in North Carolina has been apparently halted by the declaration of the senate Republicans that they will oppose the confirmation of any such officers who are nominated to succeed Republicans holding these offices whose terms have not expired.

Salisbury.—The board of aldermen of Salisbury passed for the first reading what is believed to be the best set of ordinances of any city in North Carolina. Mayor W. H. Woodson and City Attorney T. H. Vanderford, Jr., have been working on the new ordinances and the production is a result of six months' hard work. When adopted the ordinances with the new city charter, will be printed for distribution.

Statesville.—Mr. Marvin Bunting, a young man from New Hope township, was knocked down on the streets of Statesville and run over by an auto-Harmony, the accident occurring in mobile driven by Mr. J. A. Maiden of Western. This gives 45 convicts for Hickory Nut Gap at once, and the number will be increased to 50 right away.

Foreign Pressure on Huerta Regime.
Washington.—Great Britain and Japan are among the Nations which have interposed their influence upon the Huerta Administration in Mexico in support of the efforts of the United States to bring about a peaceful settlement of the revolution. While the Administration officials were silent regarding this phase of the publication there was a lively interest manifest in diplomatic circles here as to the probable effect of foreign pressure on the Huerta Government.

Venezuelan Revolt Crumbles.
Caracas.—The cruiser Des Moines, which is in Venezuelan waters to protect American lives, is steaming toward Coro, a town in the state of Falcon, recently recaptured by Government troops. The Venezuelan Government announces that General Jurado, the Federal commander, had captured the remaining Castro revolutionaries in the State of Falcon. The official statement adds that the revolutionaries in the State of Tachira have been driven across the frontier where they were captured.

Rapid Progress on Tariff.
Washington.—Rapid progress on the tariff bill was made in the Senate. The wool schedule was disposed of so far as it will be considered by the Senate and a deep inroad was made into the free list. Though no vote was taken on free raw wool, the showing on that coming from the committee of the whole, the Finance Committee rates on wool manufactures were agreed to without amendment and there was indications that raw wool would remain free.