

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.

An explosion in the Crude Rubber
Plant at Detroit resulted in the death
of ten men and three were seriously
injured.

Despite the fact that English made
bunting would be cheaper, the navy
department gave out assurances that
only United States made bunting
would be used for the making of flags
to be flown from American battleships.

Tom Madden, the 12-year-old son of
Dr. and Mrs. T. F. Madden, of Rossville,
Ga., was instantly killed when struck
by an automobile containing a party
of Canadian Shriners visiting the
battlefield at Chickamauga Park
near Chattanooga.

A decision was handed down by
Judge George L. Bell of the superior
court in Atlanta sustaining the finding
of State Auditor Anderson in the
Crawford will case. This will mean an
other victory for Mrs. Mary Belle
Crawford in a long drawn out legal
fight to defend a legacy of \$250,000
left her by Joshua B. Crawford
Crawford against forty claimants.

An American soldier serving a sentence
of eight years in the Mexican
prison at Cananea, Sonora, for the
murder of a Mexican is rapidly losing
his mind, according to B. S. Selver,
who arrived in Douglas, Arizona, from
Mexico.

Water-borne traffic is now passing
through the Panama canal according
to information received in Wash-
ington.

Because he disturbed the services in
Rockefeller's church by attempting to
make a public request of the pastor
that he discuss the Colorado strike situation,
Bouke White, congressional
clergyman and Socialist, was sentenced
to Blackwell Island workhouse by
a magistrate in New York City.

Seattle was chosen by the Shriners
of North America during the meeting
of the Imperial Council in Atlanta as
the meeting place of the council in
1915. Dr. Frederick Smith of Rochester,
N. Y., was advanced to imperial
potentate.

Dr. Lansing Burrows of Americus,
Ga., was elected president of the Southern
Baptist Convention in session at
Nashville.

Charles Henderson of Troy was
nominated for governor of Alabama
over Gov. B. C. Comer. W. L. Martin
was nominated attorney general.
Capt. Frank S. White was given a
large complimentary vote for United
States senator.

Madam Lillian Nordica, the singer,
died at Batavia, Java. Her illness
began when the steamship Tasman went
around in the Gulf of Papua, December,
last.

A decided victory was won by the
labor leaders in the United States
supreme court when Samuel Gompers,
Frank Morrison and John Mitchell
were freed for alleged contempt in
court in 1907 for violating injunctions
against boycotting of a stove com-
pany in 1911.

Charles W. Post, the millionaire
manufacturer of breakfast foods of
Battle Creek, Mich., committed suicide
by shooting himself while a guest
of a hotel in Santa Barbara, Cal. His
health is believed to have been the
cause of the deed.

A bill recommending an appropriation
of \$100,000 has been introduced in
the New York legislature. The
amount will be expended in preparing
the state militia in the event of war.

The censorship of songs having ex-
pressions that tend to lower morals
was recommended to congress in a
resolution adopted by the Women's
Clubs of North Carolina.

The cotton futures bill is expected to
again be brought to the attention of
the senate when the house committee
on agriculture reports on its cotton fu-
tures bill as an amendment passed by
the senate. The substitute provides
for the abolition of the exchanges.

Citizens and others in the strike
zone at Trinidad, Col., are surrender-
ing their arms to the United States
army authorities as the result of a
proclamation issued by Col. James
Lockett, commanding. Only a small
per cent of the strikers have turned
in their arms.

A calamity in the form of an earth-
quake visited many villages in the
vicinity of Mount Etna according to
reports from Catania, Sicily. There
were 173 killed and 350 injured. It
is believed this amount will be great-
ly increased when a thorough investi-
gation is made.

The interstate commerce commis-
sion will continue its probe of the New
Haven road next week. William Rocke-
feller, President Mellen and George
McCullough Miller has been called to
testify.

To boost the federal constitutional
amendment enfranchising women pend-
ing before the house and the senate,
thousands of women paraded the
streets of Washington, D. C. Every
state in the Union was represented in
the line of march. Every senator and
congressman was seen personally by
the suffragettes.

Because he is said to have alienated
the affections of a wife from her hus-
band and married the woman after she
had secured a divorce, Lloyd B. Field,
a Presbyterian minister, formerly of
Macon, Ga., has been unrooked, ac-
cording to advices from Pine Bluff,
Ark.

It was proposed by a committee of
the conference, of the Methodist Epis-
copal church, South, in session in
Nashville, to prohibit any young man
who uses tobacco from entering the
ministry.

In a word of farewell Past Imperial
Potentate Irwin said that Atlanta had
set the pace in the manner in which
she entertained the Imperial Council
of Shriners. "It's the best meeting the
Shriners have ever had," said Imperial
Potentate Smith.

Eight inches of snow fell at Pine
Lake, New York. Last Pleasant re-
ported a four inch fall and snow storms
were reported all through the Adiron-
dacks.

Huerta's administration is doomed,
and it will be only a matter of a few
days before he will be forced to flee
to Puebla, according to reports from
Veracruz. Mexico City is in a state
of anarchy and the assassination of
Huerta is hourly expected is the word
brought by refugees.

Charles Becker, the former police
lieutenant of New York City is again
on trial for the murder of Herman Ros-
enthal, the gambler.

W. H. Smith, aged 29 years, a bar-
ber of Calhoun, Ga., was instantly killed
when he was mistaken for a burglar
in the home of J. J. Edwards in Atlan-
ta. He had gotten into the wrong
house.

President Wilson was the chief
mourner at the ceremonies attending
the arrival of the bodies of the sailors
and marines killed in the taking of
Veracruz.

Secretary of State Bryan is very
much agitated over the continued con-
finement of Vice Consul Silliman and
his clerk, Joseph A. Marchiani, by the
federal commander at Saltillo. He has
threatened that something would be
done if they were not immediately re-
leased, but would not say what action
would be taken.

In a cablegram to Washington Rear
Admiral Mayo explained the taking of
the lighthouse on Lobos Island, by say-
ing the Mexicans in charge had de-
serted lighthouse and that the de-
stroyer Dixie was maintaining it for
the good of navigation.

Germany is alarmed over the num-
ber of students who are committing
suicide because of their failure to pass
examinations. There have been a
number reported in Berlin alone.

From London comes the information
that the drink bill for the British Em-
pire shows an increase of \$25,000,000
this year. However, there is a decrease
in the per capita consumption.

The six hundred refugees from Mex-
ico City are safe and sound aboard
the steamship Esperanza according to
a message received in Washington
from Dr. Edward R. Ryan.

An aviator's fatal plunge in his bi-
plane was witnessed by his mother at
Utica, N. Y., when Percival Van Ness
was killed. His brother who accom-
panied him in the flight escaped with
serious injuries.

Because of the city's low death rate
caused by the small number of deaths
during the winter the strike of the cof-
fin workers has been called off. The
union had made a demand for a shorter
day and an increase in wages.

The day after he had been elected
president of the New York chamber of
commerce, Seth Low, former mayor of
New York, died.

A bill appropriating \$5,000,000 for
good roads has been agreed upon by a
subcommittee of the postoffice com-
mittee. This bill is a substitute for a
bill calling for an appropriation of \$25-
000,000.

According to a report compiled in
Washington the average wage rate per
week in 1912, to the same date in 1913
shows an increase. The painters led
with an increase of 4.2 per cent.

While home on a furlough from the
state penitentiary to attend the fun-
eral of his sister, Arthur McKinley
killed his wife with an axe and then
shot himself. He will probably die.

The wife had entered suit for divorce
after his conviction for attacking a
young woman.

The Catholic church at Geneva has
condemned the immodest attire of
women. The archbishop of Besancon
has issued warning that young girls
dressed delectate or naked arms can-
not take communion nor will they be
confirmed.

Roll call by an electrical device will
be the new feature in both houses at
Washington when they begin their
next session. It will cost the govern-
ment \$20,000, but it is said will save
much time.

Francis Spankee was killed near
Fort Smith, Ark., while trying to save
her chum, Mary Aberlee, whose foot
had become wedged between two rail-
road ties while walking across a trestle.
The train struck both of the girls.
The Spankee girl leaped over to try
and release her chum. She was killed
and the Aberlee girl was seriously in-
jured.

Congress has been called upon to
make their first big memorandum of
expenses on account of the Mexican
crisis. The bill called for an appropria-
tion of \$2,701,327. It included the
cost of the Veracruz incident and the
keeping of the troops of the Mexi-
can border.

Lillian Lenton, a militant suffra-
gette, was sentenced at Leeds, Eng-
land, to a year in prison for setting
fire to the Westfield House, Down-
castler, in June last year. After making
a confession she disappeared and was
re-arrested a short time ago.

COLORADO READY FOR THE FUTURE

STATE LEGISLATURE AUTHORIZES
ISSUANCE OF BONDS FOR EX-
PENSE OF MILITIA.

TO END THE STRIKE TROUBLE

Difficulties Will Be Taken Care of in
the Future Without the Necessity
of Federal Aid.

Denver, Col.—Despite the fact that
President Wilson asked for action the
Colorado Legislature was on the
point of adjourning.

Governor Ammons in a message to
the President said that as soon as
bonds, opposed by the Assembly,
could be authorized the Legislature
would adjourn.

President Wilson warned Governor
Ammons that the state of Colorado
must be prepared to maintain peace
in the coal miners strike districts
without Federal aid. The President
said Federal troops would remain in
the troubled district "only until the
state of Colorado has time and op-
portunity to resume complete sov-
ereignty and control."

"I cannot conceive that that state
is willing to forego her sovereignty
or to throw herself entirely on the
Government of the United States,"
said President Wilson.

In response Governor Ammons tel-
egraphed the President that an extra
session of the Legislature, just ad-
journed, had provided a \$1,000,000
bond issue to cover past and future
expenses of the state militia. The
Governor expressed confidence that
as soon as these funds are available
the state will be able to control the
situation.

"The Colorado mine districts have
been under virtual martial law for
months. Previous to the arrival of
Federal troops three weeks ago the
miners were guarded by the state
militia. After the militia and strikers
participated in a battle at Ludlow
on April 20 when 21 were killed and
after other serious conflicts the
militia was replaced by Federal
troops.

Of the \$1,000,000 provided by the
bond issue, referred to by Governor
Ammons, \$691,000 has been spent in
past expenses of the militia.

MEXICAN GUNBOAT SUNK.

Admiral Mayo Reported Vessel Went
to Bottom of Panuco River.

Washington.—Admiral Mayo reported
that the Mexican Federal gunboat
Veracruz previously reported to have
been abandoned, was sunk in the
Panuco River at Tamos.

Admiral Craddock commander of the
British naval forces at Tampico, called
upon General Gonzales, command-
er of the Constitutional troops.
Admiral Mayo said he had arranged
to call but with the understanding
that the visit would be informal.

The American admiral added that
business of the port of Tampico is
being resumed slowly. Two oil ships
cleared. No banks are open and
money is extremely scarce.

Rear Admiral Badger reported from
Veracruz that the cruiser Chester
had sailed for Puerto Mexico to join
the three other American war vessels
there.

Move on to Saltillo.

Hipolito, Mexico.—General Villa's
Army was astrir in preparation for its
advance against Saltillo. The men
were in excellent spirits. News that
a Constitutional party of 300 men
had surprised and routed 400 Fed-
erals near Paredon filtered through the
ranks, putting the men in good humor.

General Villa realizes the effect of
music on the spirits of his men and
the organization of hands and chor-
uses has been encouraged.

Expose Interests in Steamship Lines.

Washington.—The Senate passed a
resolution empowering the Interstate
Commerce Commission to call upon
the railway lines for data regarding
their interests direct or indirect in
steamship lines. The resolution was
introduced by Senator Sheppard.

Naval Academy Examinations.

Washington.—That the tests re-
quired of candidates for admission to the
Naval Academy are not so severe as
to be beyond the aspirations of the
average American boy, is the assertion
of the Navy Department. In a
statement issued referring to the en-
trance examinations held at Annapolis
on April 21. In support of its
claim the Department calls attention
to the large number of successful
candidates at that time. The state-
ment is in the nature of an answer to
criticisms of the examinations.

Clean Boy's Brains.

Philadelphia.—Physicians at St.
Agnes hospital lifted a piece of the
skull of James McMonigal, three, and
cleaned certain affected parts of the
boy's brain. The boy was suffering
from tubercular meningitis, but will
recover, it is said.

Wanted Parrot Buried With Her.

Chicago.—Dr. Celia H. Haynes, a
former civil war nurse, in her will,
requested that her pet parrot, Tommy,
be chloroformed and cremated with
her.

RECENT DECISIONS OF SUPREME COURT

TRIBUNAL DELIVERS OPINION IN
23 CASES THAT WERE HEARD
ON APPEAL.

LATE STATE CAPITOL NEWS

Review of the Latest News Gathered
Around the State Capitol That
Will Be of Interest to Our Readers
Over North Carolina.

Raleigh.

The Supreme Court delivered opin-
ions recently in 23 appeals, one of the
most notable being that of City of
Gastonia vs. Bank of Gastonia in
which \$100,000 bond issue under an-
usual conditions is sustained. There
was a special act authorizing bonds
for streets, schools, waterworks, sewer-
age and lights, no election being
provided. The commissioners issued
\$99,000 bonds for the purposes, ex-
cept schools, issuing none for the
schools. The bank, as purchaser of
the bonds, questioned their validity.
The court declares that while this
court has settled as a fact that
schools are no part of the necessary
expenses of a corporation, the school
system being founded with statewide
laws governing them, there is no rea-
son why the bond issues actually
made by the Gastonia government
should not stand.

The full list of opinions follows:
Thurston vs. Southern Railway, Ala-
manca, (four cases) affirmed; Hol-
ton vs. Moore, Alamance, affirmed;
Starr vs. Cotton mills, Gastonia, new
trial; City of Gastonia vs. Bank of
Gastonia, affirmed; Wilson vs. Manu-
facturing Company, Lincoln, affirmed;
Ray vs. Peterson, Hoke, error; Alex-
ander vs. City of Statesville, no error;
Cooper vs. Southern Railway, Cabarrus,
new trial; Tester vs. Horner
School, Cabarrus, no error; Pharr vs.
Commissioners of Cabarrus, no error;
Land Company vs. Floyd, Cald-
well, new trial; Boger vs. Lumber
Company, Burke, affirmed; Tucker
Pope Company vs. Aluminum Com-
pany, Rowan, affirmed; Bowman vs.
Blankenship, Catawba, no error; Lit-
tle vs. Telegraph Company, Ruther-
ford, no error; McKinney vs. Street,
Mitchell, reversed; Deaton vs. Lumber
Company, Henderson, no error, Cooper
vs. Express Company, Henderson,
error; Bolick vs. Cline, Catawba, no
error; Sigman vs. Shell, Catawba, no
error; Michael vs. Leach, McDowell,
no error; Byers vs. Express Company,
Bruncombe, no error.

State Sells 2,500 Acres Land.

A deal was closed recently between
the State Board of Education and the
Tidewater Power Company of Wil-
mington conveying to the Tidewater
Company the state's title to 2,500
acres of marsh and overflow land
about Wrightsville and Greenville
Sounds, the deal being a preliminary
to extensive developments on foot by
the company. The state gets \$150
an acre and a percentage of profits
in the development.

Much summer resort development
is contemplated. The company pro-
poses to fill in and drain much of
this property and will construct an
electric belt line and automobile road
that will extend from Wrightsville
Sound over to Wrightsville Beach,
much as the present electric line
runs, and then up the beach beyond
Lumina and back across the sound
to Greenville Sound, connecting near
Greenville station with the present
line running to Wilmington.

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Forestry Student Visits N. C.

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who has been touring the South on
an inspection and instructive trip
through North and South Carolina,
Georgia and Florida, has been in the
city the past several days as the guest
of Mr. J. G. Yon, a member of the
Raleigh baseball club. He left for
Petersburg, Va., where he will join a
party of other students. The party
from Penn. State College have been
inspecting the big lumber plants and
mills in these Southern States.

Revenue Collections For April.

The monthly revenue collections in
the Statesville district continue to ex-
ceed the half-million mark. The
records in Collector Watts' office show
collections for last month as follows:
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cigarettes \$25,000, tobacco and snuff
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\$566,186.27. Collections on spirits
are probably a thing of the past for-
ever, all liquor in the district having
been tax paid and removed from the
warehouse, the N. Glenn Williams
liquor being the last to go.

Not Opposed to Oil King's Cash.

The joint committee of the State
Department of Agriculture and the
Trustees of the A. and M. College
doesn't think well of the plan being
agitated by some members of Congress
to refuse any longer to use money
donated by John D. Rockefeller for
the farmers' demonstration work now
being carried on by the United States
Department of Agriculture. The com-
mittee took emphatic action in a
meeting held a few days ago, adopt-
ing the following resolution:

"The joint committee of the State
Department of Agriculture and the
Trustees of the North Carolina Col-
lege of Agriculture and Mechanic
Arts would deplore any interference
with or discontinuance of the farmers
demonstration work now being carried
on by the National Department of
Agriculture. This work is enormous-
ly benefiting the farmers of North
Carolina. These two bodies hereby
appoint a committee consisting of the
Commissioner of Agriculture, president
of the college and Mr. C. C.
Wright, of the Department of Agri-
culture, to take up this important
matter with our Senators and Repre-
sentatives in Congress and earnestly
recommend that provisions be made
to carry on this work in case the
money from the General Educational
Board is withdrawn."

The joint committee, which was
appointed to prevent duplication of
work by the State Agricultural De-
partment and the A. and M. College,
held a meeting here recently and
transacted much business of impor-
tance to the agricultural interests of
the state. Full reports were made
by Maj. W. A. Graham, Commissioner
of Agriculture, and Dr. D. H. Hill,
president of the A. and M. College,
and these indicated that there is now
understood to be fully satisfying to
the committee.

To See That State is Represented.

A permanent organization was
perfected a few days ago by the
special commission recently named
by Governor Craig to see to it that
North Carolina is adequately and
creditably represented at the Panama-
Pacific Exposition next year. Gen.
Julian S. Carr of Durham being se-
lected chairman and Col. Fred A.
Olds as secretary, the meeting was in
the executive offices of Governor
Craig, who took part in the delibera-
tions.

Important committees were ap-
pointed and Governor Craig agreed to
make the trip across the Continent
in June, leaving here June 20, to San
Francisco for the purpose of selecting
the site for a North Carolina building
in this building there will be installed
the exhibits to represent the indus-
trial, agricultural and other activities
of the state, and there will also doubt-
less be a special moving picture
equipment that will give to the great
throngs of visitors from all parts of
the world illustrations of the indus-
tries, the scenery and other attractive
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STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST TO ALL NORTH CAROLINA PEOPLE.

N. C. Bankers Meet.

The preliminary welcoming cere-
monies for the eighteenth annual con-
vention of the North Carolina Bank-
ers' Association took place with a
record breaking attendance of nearly
300 and great numbers of other bank-
ers were on hand for the business ses-
sions. President George A. Hold-
erness of Tarboro, presided and there
were addresses of welcome on the
part of the state, the city, the com-
mercial organizations and a fitting re-
sponse by Hon. Walter E. Daniel of
Weldon on the part of the bankers.
Hon. J. Bryan Grimes welcomed the
bankers for the state. He paid trib-
ute to the wonderful growth of the
banking interests the past 10 years,
more especially the increase, being
over 400 per cent, which he declared
to be only a token of the ever increas-
ing confidence the people have in the
bankers of the state. He recited the
noble manner in which the bankers
came to the relief of the state finan-
cially four years ago when the state
was refunding her bonds and the "Re-
pudiated bond" interests North was
hammering on the foreign credit of
the state.

State Electricians in Raleigh.

A rejuvenation of Jovians was in
progress in this city for two days with
electricians who constitute the mem-
bership from all the principal towns
of the state and from other sections
of the country, from Baltimore to St.
Louis and Atlanta. The affair was
under the direction of a local commit-
tee headed by Statesman J. S. Ham-
mack of Raleigh. The Jovians met in
initial session in the city auditorium
for the welcoming ceremonies. Mayor
James I. Johnson welcomed them on
the part of the city, Albert I. Cox in-
troducing him. The response to this
address was by Statesman at Large
N. L. Walker. There was also an ad-
dress of welcome on the part of the
Raleigh Chamber of Commerce by
President John C. Drewry. To this
address there was a response by W.
N. Matthews of St. Louis, who occu-
pies the supreme position of Jupiter
for the order throughout the county.

Carolina Mayors Meet.

With an attendance of municipal
officers from all over North Carolina
from Asheville to Beaufort, the sev-
enth annual convention of the Caro-
lina Municipal Association two busy
and interesting sessions were held in
Charlotte. The first feature on the
program was the parade which left
the city hall shortly after 10 o'clock
and traversed several of the principal
streets of the city, passing through
Dilworth, Mayers Park, Chatham Es-
tates and other prominent suburban
sections. Forty automobiles were
placed at the disposal of the members
of the convention and these with the
various city departments including
pol