

# CORN JUDGING DAY ATTENDED BY 2,000 PEOPLE YESTERDAY

## AND WASHINGTON ENTERTAINS ROYALLY

Visitors Present From All Sections of North Carolina and from Oklahoma and Pennsylvania to See What Eastern Carolina Could Do--The Exhibit Was a Revelation--Marvelous, Wonderful, Was Their Criticism--Exhibit Would Have Done Credit to Any State--Oyster Roast Enjoyed by All--A Great Day.

## ALL THE DIFFERENT PRIZES AWARDED

"Corn Judging Day has fully met the expectations of the Norfolk and Southern officials, in fact, it has far exceeded it. It has been a great day for the farmers of Eastern Carolina and for the city of Washington. We are glad to see so many visitors. The possibilities for the farmers are today greater than ever before. The Norfolk and Southern feels honored in operating among a set of people who are seeming to appreciate their efforts." Thus spoke Col. H. E. Hudgins, general freight and passenger agent of the Norfolk and Southern Railway yesterday afternoon to a News representative. The sentiment expressed by this official was sanctioned by both Mr. E. T. Lamb, the road's general manager, and Mr. Harry Wolcott, one of the receivers. Washington on yesterday measured up to the standard of perfection so far as entertaining was concerned. The day which had been prophesied by the weather man to be rainy turned out to be anything else. All nature seemed attired in its best robes for an occasion meaning so much to the farmers and the people generally in this Eastern section of the State. Yes, the day was an ideal one--just such a day for such an event that man would fashion. Not only was it all that was desired, but the program was carried out in every detail successfully, and the News believes, satisfactorily. No visitor had any occasion to "kick." All shared alike--the rich and poor, the good and bad, all walked in the same path and partook of the same hospitality. The Norfolk and Southern Railway have inaugurated a plan--Corn Judging Day--that is working wonders toward the development of Eastern Carolina. In that they are nervening the farmers of the soil to become better farmers, more up-to-date farmers, and if prophesy counts, they are soon to rival the farmers of the world in the raising of that essential crop--corn. If people from afar don't believe the farmers of this section can raise corn successfully, if there are any doubting Thomases ready to question this assertion; if they had been in Washington yesterday, the Daily News believes they would return home fully convinced of the fallacy of their belief. It was estimated that over two thousand people were visitors to the city. People came from as far West as the State of Oklahoma, and as far North as Pennsylvania. To those who reside so far away this Corn Judging Day was a revelation. As one gentleman put it, "This Corn Judging Day and the samples on exhibition would do credit to any State or to any section, for I had no conception of what your people could do." Special trains were operated on the Norfolk and Southern, Atlantic Coast Line, and Washington and Vandevoort. In addition to these a Farmers' Special was run into the city from Raleigh and other points along that branch. This train also took a large number of visitors and local citizens down to see the drainage work of Messrs. J. A. and S. W. Wilkinson, in Pantego swamp. Washington has no cause to feel ashamed of the part its citizens played in yesterday's festivities, for, as usual, they did the right thing. Not only did the city meet the expectations of those who have partaken of a generous welcome was extended. To the stranger within the city's gates Corn Judging Day, Washington exhibited that spirit of open-heartedness over its honored pride. At the center of attraction for the day was the judging of corn and the oyster roast. Every county in this eastern section was represented with corn exhibits and the farmers

# THE FARMERS' NATIONAL CONGRESS ADJOURNS

## Advocate Legislation

Congressman Small Addressed Congress on Agricultural Interest of the South--Interesting Features of Meeting.

## ASKING FOR REDUCTION

Raleigh, N. C., Nov. 11.--A reduction in the mileage allowance of members of Congress from ten cents to five cents a mile, is sought in resolutions adopted by the Farmers' National Congress. Legislation to establish four National roads from the Atlantic to the Pacific, the strengthening of the "oleo" law, a law prohibiting railroads from charging a full trip mileage rate in excess of the rates of the States through which the trip extends, the enactment of a postal bank law increasing the franking privilege to State agricultural schools and colleges for the extension of publication work, were urged in their resolutions. The Congress also placed itself on record in favor of the enactment of a law modernizing parcel post system, urged Congress to appropriate money for denatured alcohol distilleries at selected agricultural experiment stations and favored government aid to public roads. Representative Small, of this State, in addressing the Congress told how the agricultural interests of the South would develop through the establishment of inland waterways. Clarence H. Poe, editor of the Progressive Farmer, of Raleigh, pointed out the great advancement made in Southern agricultural methods; Dr. F. L. Stevens, bacteriologist of the North Carolina A. & M. College, told of the efforts to get rid of plant disease; Dr. Burgess, agronomist of the North Carolina Department of Agriculture, also spoke. That the unrest of women in farm homes is due to a lack of modern improvements to colorless monotony attending isolation and in a lack of independent earning power was the opinion expressed by Mrs. Alice E. Whitaker, of Washington, D. C., in a paper read before the Congress. The condition of women would be vastly improved, Mrs. Whitaker declared if home industries could be introduced on the farm to make use of its products and to furnish an income from congenial employment. The making of rugs, coverlets, patchwork and basketry were some of the lines of activity that had within recent years been revived with such success that considerable money had been brought into isolated communities with the result of greatly adding to the comfort of the people and the attractiveness of home life. Last Day of Congress. The Farmers' National Congress held only morning and afternoon sessions today, omitting a night session. It will adjourn again tomorrow morning after electing officers and selecting the next place of meeting. Columbus, Ohio, appears to be the favorite. This afternoon there was a paper of Mrs. John C. Cunningham, of North Carolina, on "Rural Life in the South," describing it, and a paper by Mrs. A. E. Whitaker, of Washington, D. C., on "Handicrafts in Rural Homes as an Educative Force." Mrs. W. H. Nutt, of Raleigh, spoke on "Conservative of Health in Rural Homes," and gave practical hints on this. Prof. Franklin Sherman, Jr., of the North Carolina College of Agriculture, delivered a valuable address demonstrating the control of injurious insects. The resolutions adopted at the afternoon session were: Favoring a National pure seed law; for the government to demand reasonable rate of interest on its National deposits; demanding an accounting for all public funds expended in bounties, subsidies or subsidies; for the National government to take Guilford battleground under its care; electing Secretary of Agriculture Wilson a life member because of his services to agriculture; for a committee of the Farmers' Congress to investigate the matter of equality of taxation; against the ship subsidy bill; favoring temperance; against the fertilizer trust; for a storage system of cotton so as to maintain prices on a profitable basis; for the cooperation of the Federal and State governments in the reclamation of swamp lands; opposing standing armies and in favor of arbitration.

# ATTEMPTS TO RESTORE LIFE TO SUBJECT

## Cannot Raise the Dead

Another Hypnotist Fails to Revive Man Who Died Under a Spell--His Commands and Appeals Alike Futile.

## WEIRD SCENE IN MORGUE

Somerville, N. J., Nov. 9.--While Arthur Everton, self-styled "professor" and traveling hypnotist, sobbed in his cell, three calm medical men witnessed a weird performance in the morgue of the Somerset Hospital late this afternoon. There William E. Davenport, secretary to the mayor of Newark, and a student of hypnotism, vainly tried to bring back signs of life in the rigid body of Robert Simpson, a former street car conductor of Newark, who apparently died last night after having been put into a hypnotic trance by Everton before a large audience at the Somerville Theater. Davenport failed, Simpson was declared officially dead, and an autopsy was held tonight. This disclosed a rupture of the aorta. Meanwhile, charged with manslaughter, nervous and shaken, Everton remains in prison where he must await the action of the grand jury as a sequel to a stage trick familiar throughout the country and abroad. Responds to Everton's Appeal. It was at the piteous instance of Everton while in jail after his ineffectual attempts to revive Simpson, that Davenport, a friend of Everton, came into the case today. Notwithstanding the declarations of physicians that Simpson was dead, Everton asked that Davenport be allowed to try to arouse him. Accordingly, the autopsy, first arranged for 2 o'clock this afternoon, was postponed and the student of hypnotism was summoned. Light Turned On the Still-Face. Mr. Davenport, after laying aside his coat and hat, pulled the black covering off the body and applied his ear to the chest, as if listening for heart beats. Then he slightly opened the eyes of the man, and after bringing his own eyes close to them looked into them intently. Dr. Halstead, standing close by the body, took the one electric lamp in his hand and swung it out so it more brightly shone on the white, still face. Davenport was manifestly sincere in what he was doing. He was impressed with Everton's belief and he had been moved by the tearful appeals of Everton's wife. His manner affected all those who silently watched him. The little room was in absolute silence as Davenport again applied first his ear and then the tips of his fingers over the motionless heart. Next he bent his head down low over the head above the black cloth, placed his lips close to an ear of the body he sought to revive, and said, sharply and eagerly, "Bob!" "It was a trained voice, the voice of a man drilled to shock or command the senses, and it started without moving the intent group of watchers. "Bob! Your heart! There was another silence as tensely dramatic as the mind can imagine. Then followed the words: "Bob! Your heart! Your heart is beating!" If, after the sound of the operator's voice, the subject's eyelids moved, it seemed as if none there would have been greatly surprised. No Response to Commands. But there was no motion. But the operator eagerly felt again over the heart and again listened and then again spoke into the unhearing ear. "Bob! Listen! Hear what I say! Your heart. Your heart is beating!" There was no response, no movement of the eyelids, no fluttering of the heart, and Davenport motioned to the manager under whom Everton had exhibited last week. He stopped to the side of the body and repeated the phrases Davenport had used. After that Davenport pressed upon the breast, as if artificially to start a movement of the heart, and then spoke into the other ear. "Bob!" Now there was an accent of pleading. "Bob! You hear me! Your heart is moving!" Death was practically instantaneous and probably occurred just as Simpson was coming out of the trance. Whether the strain he was put under when Everton stood on his body during his rigidity caused the

# WILL BE STRONG AND INTERESTING

## The Agricultural Side of the Southern Commercial Congress.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 11.--The agricultural side of the Southern Commercial Congress, December 6 and 7, will be particularly strong and interesting. Hon. Willet M. Hays, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, will prepare a paper on "Neglected Agricultural Opportunities in the South." He will be followed by Mr. G. W. Kolner, just elected as Commissioner of Agriculture for Virginia after ten years' service. Mr. Kolner will emphasize the same subject, bringing to bear on it the experience of a man directly in touch with rural problems and hindrances. The man in the Forest service who knows Southern forest conditions best is R. S. Kellogg, Assistant Forester. He was for a long time chief of the office of Wood Utilization and has traveled Southern territory more continuously than any other man in the service. He will speak to the congress on "Perpetuating the Timber Wealth of the South." Lumbermen will be particularly interested. The question of opening up empty lands of the South to settlers will be outlined by Mr. Hugh MacRae, of Wilmington, N. C., who has made a number of successful efforts. His speech will be of great value to large land-owners and real estate men; for he will explain in the frank way his whole method. Mr. MacRae's heart is in the South, and its wise development. He comes of a family of engineers and railroad capitalists long prominent in the State of North Carolina. The chairman of the session in which the above named gentlemen will speak will be Hon. Harvie Jordan, President of the Southern Cotton Association, and for some years President of the National Farmers' Congress. Mr. Jordan is well known throughout the entire cotton belt. His enthusiasm has been aroused by the broad simple purposes of the Southern Commercial Congress to make the South know itself and to make the South known. To the Public--We wish to take this method of informing the public that we will open the Gaiety Theater tonight and that we guarantee a first-class program of refined Motion Pictures, and that all of our pictures are passed on by a censoring board before they are issued, thereby guaranteeing a cut of pictures that will please every one, including ladies and children. A great many of our pictures have both an instructive and educational value and consist of the finest productions of the best manufacturers of the world. We have done our best to give you a first-class modern picture show and have complied with all the legal requirements to make our theater absolutely fireproof, and promise you a first-class show in all respects. Would appreciate your presence at our opening performance and assure you a pleasant evening's entertainment. As an extra feature we will show President Taft at the Chicago Baseball Game, a very fine late issue of the S. & A. people showing the president both in the auto parade and at the baseball game, with a view of the Chicago and New York baseball clubs playing the game. Be sure and come out and join the merry crowd. Very respectfully, ARONSON & BROWNE. P. S.--We will distribute Carnations as souvenirs at the opening performance, to ladies only. ENTERTAINS TOMORROW. Mrs. W. C. Rodman will entertain at bridge what tomorrow in honor of Mrs. Beverley Moss, from 3 to 6 o'clock in the afternoon at her home on East Main street. FINE DEPORTMENT. Notwithstanding the large number of people here yesterday, estimated to be at least 2,000, not a drop of drink is reported by the police. This is an excellent record. YESTERDAY'S BASKET BALL. The Blues won over the Reds 16 to 14 after a close and fast game. On

# Several Men Die in Explosion

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Nov. 10.--Nine bodies were taken from the blazing Auchingloss colliery at Nanticoke, while searchers were endeavoring to find five of ten men entrapped when an explosion occurred last night. They are believed to be dead, making the death total probably fifteen. The fight against the fire in the colliery, which is owned by the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Coal Company, was continued today after having been fought through the night. The employees of all the mines in the vicinity struggled to subdue the flames added by the fire department of Kingston, which rushed to Nanticoke on a special train. Bands of rescuers took up in relay the task of searching for survivors and attempting to reach those imprisoned. The fire started with a terrific explosion in the Ross vein where several men were at first. The first of the ignited gas raced through the vein, enveloping Anthony Protokas and Chas. Kenks, fatally injuring both. Although several of the workers made their way out, against terrible odds, others were trapped in the tunnel behind the fire. The flames raged so fiercely for hours that at every attempt to fight them the firemen were driven back. Superintendent H. G. Davis was among the first on the scene and he called out every available man immediately. In the crowd that kept vigil at the opening were many women, relatives of the victims. UNION SERVICES CLOSE. The union services closed last night and this morning Rev. Dr. William Black, the evangelist, and Mr. Burr, the choir leader, left on the Atlantic Coast Line for their homes in Charlotte, carrying with them the best wishes of all our people. Quite a number signed cards at the services last night. Up to date, it has not yet been ascertained how many have professed religion as a result of the meeting, but the number will exceed an hundred. The doors of the different churches will be opened for the reception of members next Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock service. Washington has had a great meeting, one thoroughly enjoyed.

# GAIETY THEATER OPENS TONIGHT

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# HEAR HINSHAW FRIDAY NIGHT

Reserved Seats Are Now on Sale at Brown's Drug Store.

The sale of seats for the coming of the Hinshaw Opera Company at the school auditorium Friday evening is now on sale at Brown's drug store. The seats have been going like hot cakes all day. This attraction tomorrow night is said to be one of the very best to ever visit Washington and the auditorium is now being crowded to hear this well merited attraction. Whenever the company has gone the comments have been of the highest order and when return dates are made they are greeted with much larger crowds. To those not holding season tickets, the price of reserved seats will be 25c. General admission, 10c. Children, 5c. All those wishing to purchase season tickets for the remainder of the attractions can do so for \$2.00. Hear the great Hinshaw and his company Friday night. The doors will be open at 8 p. m. and the performance will begin at 8:30. GEM TONIGHT. Last night's program at the Gem was long and good. The pictures were pleasing and full of comedy. Tonight the program is just as entertaining. There will be a magnificent drama, "The Return of Ulysses," and a wonderful acrobatic comedy, "The India Rubber Man." To each purchaser of a ten cent ticket tonight will be given double coupons. Tomorrow night the drawing will take place and you will have more chances to get that beautiful set from Smith's that has been attracting attention and admiration all the week. Be sure to come, you will enjoy yourself. New Advertisements in Today's News. J. R. Hoyt--Ladies' Suits. E. L. Archbell--Special. Doan's Kidney Pills. Lavative Bromo Quinine. Mrs. Sumners' Remedies. Capodino. Vicks' Cure. Gowan's Preparation.