

BOOKS ADOPTED BY COMMISSION FOR NEXT FIVE YEARS

List Read to Bookmen by Superintendent of Public Instruction Joyner

ARITHMETICS NOT YET SETTLED UPON

Book Men Were Gathered in Senate Chamber Exchanging Wits to Keep Cool

RALEIGH, N. C., Aug. 11.—While the book men were gathered in the senate chamber singing "There is a hole in the bottom of the sea," exchanging flashes of wit and humor to keep up their courage this evening about 7 o'clock, the state text book commission threw open the doors of the representatives' hall and invited them into to hear the report of adoption just completed. The report was read by State Superintendent of Public Instruction Joyner and showed the following books adopted for use in the elementary public schools for a period of five years from Sept. 1, 1911:

- Spelling—Read's primary speller and Read's word lessons, by Chas. E. Merrill & Co.; a spelling book by Foust & Griffin, readopted defining Webster's dictionary, by American Book company.
Reading—The Howell primer, by Howell & Co.; the Halliburton primer, D. C. Heath & Co.; the Howell first reader, by Howell & Co.; graded classics 1, 2, 3 (readopted), B. F. Johnson company; the Baker-Carpenter language readers 4 and 5, McMillan company.
Writing—The Old North State copy-book, by North State Publishing company (readopted); the Berry writing books, B. D. Berry & Co., Chicago. Only the vertical system of writing was adopted.
Drawing—Progressive Lessons in Art Education, the Prang Educational company.
Arithmetics—Left open for further information.
Geographies—Dodge's primary geography and Dodge's comparative geography, Rand, McNally & Co.
Language and grammar—Hyde's Lessons in English, D. C. Heath & Co. (readopted); grammar and composition book two, by Robbins & Row, published by Row-Peterson company; modern grammar, by Buhler (readopted).

GEORGE W. PERKINS' TESTIMONY PARTLY REFUTED BY THORNE

President of New York Trust Co. Denies That His Corporation Was "Chief Sore Point" in Saving Firm of Moore & Schley

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—Oakleigh Thorne, president of the New York Trust Company of America, which became involved in the financial panic of 1907, the affairs of which have been linked with the taking over of the Tennessee Coal and Iron company, the United States Steel Corporation in that crisis followed George W. Perkins today as a witness before the house committee of inquiry into the affairs of the steel corporation.

Mr. Thorne forcibly declared, contrary to the testimony given by Mr. Perkins and many other witnesses, that the Trust Company of America was not the "chief sore point" of trouble at the time it was necessary to save the brokerage firm of Moore & Schley.

He surprised the committee with declarations that he was certain undue attention had been directed towards his company in that crisis and he denied any knowledge of the agreement testified by Geo. W. Perkins that the taking of the Tennessee company by the steel corporation to save Moore and Schley from ruin was dependent upon the bankers of New York raising money to save the other horn of the dilemma, the Trust Company of America and the Lincoln Trust Company.

Big Run on Bank. Mr. Thorne was examined in detail relating to a public statement given to the press October 23, 1907, and attributed to Mr. Perkins in which it was declared that the "chief sore point" of the panic was the Trust Company of America. He declared that immediately following this a run on his bank occurred and that the run in one day took out \$13,500,000. For this, he admitted, he had consulted counsel as to the advisability of suing for damages persons he felt responsible but that he was deterred by the necessity to seek more money from the bankers of New York in order to prevent collapse of his institution. That his financial troubles were in any way involved in the difficulties of Moore and Schley at that time he emphatically denied and further declared that Tennessee Coal and Iron stock held on collateral for the bank's loans amounted to nothing in that situation.

Before Mr. Thorne took the stand Mr. Perkins had spent several hours

advocating the establishment of a government commission to focus the limelight of publicity on corporations as one means of preventing trust evils. Littleton Chief Questioner Representative Littleton conducted the examination of Mr. Thorne, who first outlined the history of the Trust Company of America. He said that before the panic of 1907 this had assets of \$74,000,000. He explained that he had been a member of the Tennessee Coal and Iron syndicate and that his bank had made loans to Moore and Schley which had been paid. As far as Tennessee Coal and Iron stock was involved in collateral on loans of his bank, it was nominal and amounted to something over \$400,000.

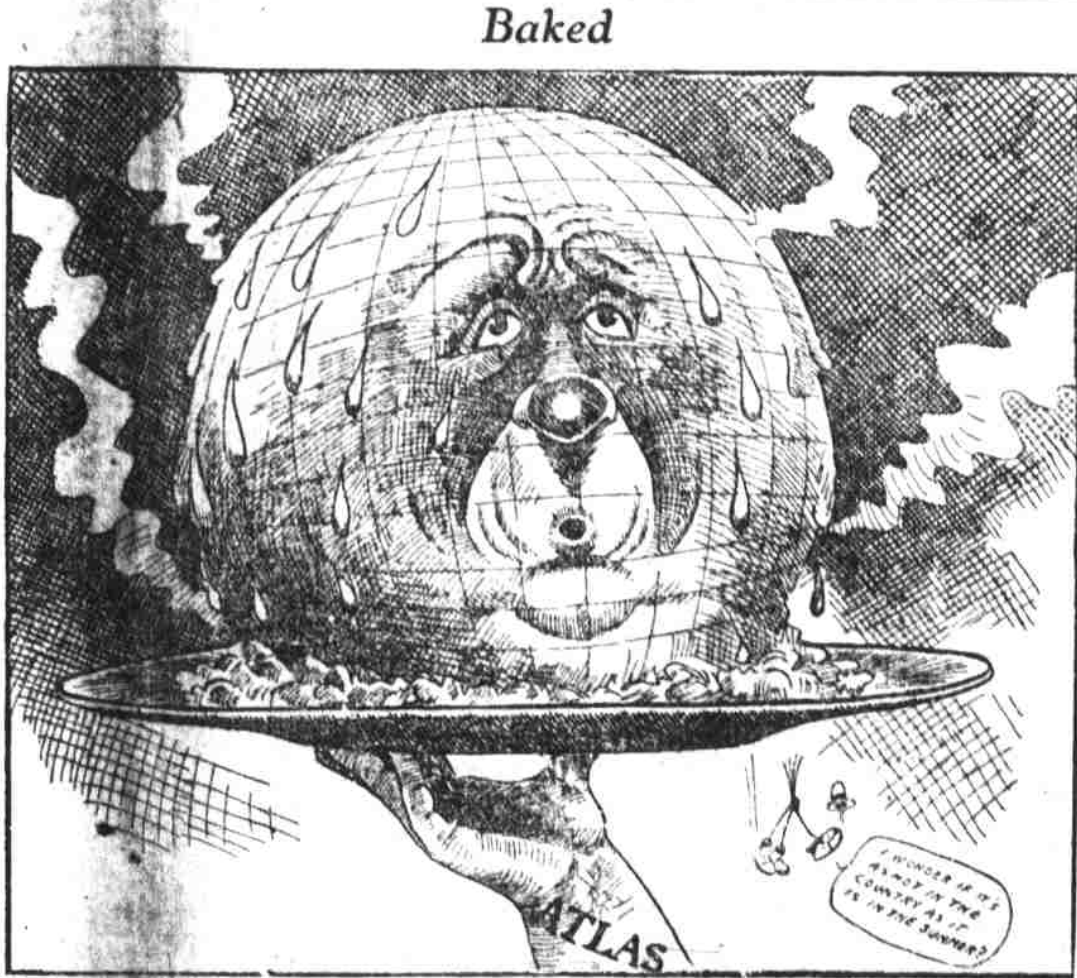
"Did you have anything to do with the absorption of the Tennessee Coal and Iron company by the United States Steel corporation in 1907?" asked Mr. Littleton.

"Absolutely nothing," said Mr. Thorne. "I know nothing about it until I met Mr. Ledyard on Sunday, November 3 and he told me they were trying to put the deal through. I heard no more about it until after it was all over."

Mr. Littleton asked the witness if, prior to the panic, he had heard any criticisms of the kind of business the Trust Company of America was doing, whether it was different than other trust companies. He said he had not and that the bank examiners were in touch with the business constantly. He said the company was supposed to be progressive and aggressive for business. Mr. Littleton referred to the failure of the Knickerbocker Trust company on October 22, 1907, and asked about the condition of the Trust Company of America on that day.

"We had \$12,000,000 in hand," "What were your withdrawals on the 22nd and 23rd of that month?" "On Oct. 22 the withdrawals were \$1,500,000," Mr. Thorne replied. "On the 23rd, before closing time the withdrawals were \$13,500,000."

Thorough Examination He explained that on the night of the 22nd Mr. Perkins and Mr. Davidson of J. P. Morgan and company had



COMPLETE AGREEMENT ON WOOL BILL; FREE LIST BILL UNDER CONSIDERATION

LaFollette and Underwood Will Present Wool Bills Before Senate and House Respectively Today—Senator Bailey May Prove Stumbling Block to Free List Bill, Proving Obstinate at Every Turn

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—Doffing their coats and for the first time in history inviting the press to be present, the conferees of the two houses of congress on the wool tariff revision and farmers' free list bills sat down in conference today to compose their differences. Finally at 6 p. m. they effected a complete agreement on wool and began consideration of the free list. The wool bill as agreed upon will be reported to the senate tomorrow and to the house by Representative Underwood. They will direct the course of the bill in those two bodies. As the house has the papers bearing upon the bill that body will have to act first. The bill was so amended as to require that the proposed law shall take effect Oct. 1 instead of Jan. 1 as provided in the senate and house measures. The conferees hope to have the report adopted in both houses tomorrow, and the bill quickly started on its course to the white house, where the president is expected to veto it.

The free list bill was under consideration for about fifteen minutes but the conflict between the representatives of the two houses was so pronounced that it became necessary to postpone action until tomorrow afternoon. Sharp Differences After fixing 29 per cent ad valorem as the duty on raw wool and changing the wool classification so as to conform to the language of the house bill, the agreement on other features became a matter of detail. At times there were sharp differences of opinion but at no time was a disagreement on that measure threatened. The change of classification has the effect of fixing a flat duty on all wools and while it reduces the rates on ordinary wools from 35 per cent, as provided in the senate bill, it increases those of the house bill from 20 per cent; it also increases the rates on carpet wools from 10 per cent, as provided in the senate bill, to the 29 per cent fixed by the conferees. In most respects the duties on the manufacturers of wools were increased over the rates of the house and reduced below that of the senate bill so as to make them correspond with the 29 per cent. But in some instances they were higher than those of either measure. After the disposal

of the wool bill the free list bill was laid before the conferees. Mr. Underwood announced the refusal of the house to accept the senate amendments confining the free admission of meats and cereals to those coming from countries with which the United States has reciprocal trade agreements which would confine the free importation of those articles to imports from Canada. He stated also that the house would insist upon adding lemons to the free list. Bailey Obstinate. "I will never sign a conference report on those lines," said Mr. Bailey, almost before the chairman of the house conferees had had an opportunity to complete his outline of the house position. With this decided difference of opinion which marked the expression of all the conferees, agreement was made impossible at the time. Mr. Underwood made an effort to obtain the consent of all parties to report a disagreement. Mr. Bailey was again obstinate. "I am frank enough to say," he said, "that I am never going to agree to a disagreement unless I am sure that we can sustain ourselves in the senate."

BIG VOTE OFFER IN CITIZEN'S \$5,640 CONTEST CLOSES AUG. 23

Now is Time to Enter While Schedule of Votes Runs High—Only Pluck and Energy Necessary to Win

We should like to interest every man, woman and child in this section of North Carolina in the great contest that The Citizen is now running, either as a candidate or interested in one of the contestants. It costs nothing to enter. There are no strict qualifications to comply with. If you are eligible to compete enter your name today and announce your candidacy so that your name may be published in the next list. Get your friends then to work with you and save the coupons printed in The Citizen daily. Old subscribers may vote for you as well as new ones. Anyone wishing to cast votes for a candidate pays in advance as long as desired and special ballots are issued at this office for the proper number of votes. These subscription ballots may be withheld as long as desired, and do not have to be polled until the very last day of the contest, if you wish to hold them that long. The five-vote coupons which appear daily in The Citizen are good until the expiration of the date on the lower line, and must be sent in before that time. What the old English poet wrote so long ago is true today: "He either fears his fate too much, Or his desert is small, Who dares not put it to the touch To win or lose it all." If you don't enter the contest now running on The Citizen you lose for a certainty; if you do enter you have a most excellent chance of winning a most costly and desirable prize. We Want Your Name. Send us your name as a candidate in the contest and we will do all in our power to facilitate your campaign. Every candidate has our interest, and we are glad to help all alike with information and advice. The final outcome rests entirely with you. Never allow discouragement to affect you for a moment. Be confident that you will succeed and others will feel the infection of your confidence. Help Some Friend. Suggestions for presents are always in order, and yesterday a clever lady caller at this office said that she knew of no more practical gift, and one which would help the ambitious candidate more than a subscription to The Citizen. Those who are already taking the paper would naturally remember when their subscription ran

out, and now is the time when you can give your candidate friend the benefit of your subscription and at the same time cost you not one cent more than it would if the contest was not running, and think of the large number of votes it would mean to the candidate. How to Enter. Send in your nomination. You will find the nomination blank on another page, which counts for 1,000 votes. Only the first nomination blank can be used by candidates. You get votes and subscriptions anywhere from either district. Votes will be given on all paid subscriptions. Call or send to the Contest Department of The Citizen for a receipt book. The contest manager will be glad to explain anything you do not understand. Telephone or write to him, if you cannot call, and a representative will give you full details. Don't forget that children can do most effective work in collecting coupons as well as securing many paid-in-advance subscriptions. Should your father, mother, brothers, sisters or friends belong to any organization, get them to secure the votes and assistance of that organization. Do not let a day pass without securing some subscriptions and votes. The steady, persistent worker is what will make the winner of a valuable prize. Keep on everlastingly at it is what always brings success. Anyone, anywhere can vote for candidates. Candidates may secure subscriptions and votes anywhere. It is easier to ask questions than it is to correct mistakes, so do not hesitate to ask questions. The Contest Manager is at The Citizen office to help you.

BUSINESS SUSPENDED AS BODY OF WILLIAM PIERCE FRYE WAS LAID TO REST

Veteran Senator Honored by Nation, State, City Where He Resided.

FLORAL TRIBUTES LEWISTON, Me., Aug. 11.—Honored by the nation, state and city and by the people among whom he lived in dignity, William Pierce Frye, United States senator for thirty years and president pro tempore of the senate for half that period, was buried today. The public funeral in the church was attended by scores of federal, state and municipal officials, a delegation of United States senators and representatives in congress. Business was practically suspended. The mahogany casket was covered with a blanket of white sweet peas and asparagus ferns bordered with lilies of the valley, the tribute of Mr. and Mrs. Garrett A. Hobart, Jr., of Paterson, N. J. Mrs. Hobart being a grand daughter of Senator Frye. The pulpit was hidden by a wreath of red roses and magnolia blossoms sent by Mrs. Hobart, wife of the late vice president of the United States. At the right of the pulpit was standing wreath of white roses, pale purple asters and sprays of lilies of the valley, tied with a broad white satin ribbon with the words "U. S. Senate" in black. GERAGHTYS NOT "BROKE" NEW YORK, Aug. 11.—"We have plenty of funds and soon we are going to take a trip to Nova Scotia," wrote John Edward Paul Geraghty in a long letter dated at Springfield, Mass., to his father, John S. Geraghty, received today from his son, who eloped Wednesday with Miss Julia French, the young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ames Tuck French, of Tuxedo, Newport and New York. Mr. Geraghty does not expect his boy home for some time.

STRONG OPPOSITION FOR MADERO FOR PRESIDENCY

Dr. Francisco Vasquez Gomez Announces Willingness to Be Candidate.

MEXICO CITY, Aug. 11.—Dr. Francisco Vasquez Gomez today announced his willingness to become a candidate for the presidency of the republic. The Associated Press correspondent here said that should the anti-re-electionists nominate him he could not possibly vary clear to refuse the offer. At the same time, however, he declared his relations with Francisco Madero were cordial and added, with a smile, that he still was the candidate for the vice presidency on the Madero ticket. Another surprise came today when it became known that the old fight between church and state would be resumed in Mexico. Notwithstanding the separation effected by Benito Juarez almost a century ago, the Catholic church has formally issued a call for a convention to place in nomination a candidate for the presidency. That the anti-re-electionists will place Dr. Gomez in nomination appears probable in view of their former break with Madero last night. Because of Madero's refusal to annul the constitutional progressive party, which was to be created a few weeks ago, the anti-re-electionists repudiated him and named Dr. Gomez as the head of their party. Telegrams were sent immediately to 357 anti-re-electionists clubs throughout the republic and tonight at their headquarters it was claimed that more than 300 had approved their action.

FINES AGAINST STANDARD OIL MAY BE INCREASED

Judge's Ruling Makes It Possible to Make Rebate Fines Much Larger.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Aug. 11.—An important decision under the Elkins rebate law by which fines aggregating \$75,000 imposed upon the Standard Oil Company, the Pennsylvania and New York Central railroads may be increased to \$4,000,000 against the first named corporation was handed down by Judge Hazel in the United States court here today. The fines already imposed were for giving and receiving rebates on shipments of oil from Olean, N. Y., to Rutland and Bellows Falls, Vt. The Standard Oil Company was convicted and fined \$29,000,000 the conviction being affirmed upon appeal. The railroads pleaded guilty and were fined \$55,000, finally disposing of the case so far as they were concerned. When United States Attorney Martin and S. Whitson Dempsey, special attorney, moved the trial of another indictment against the Standard Oil company based upon the same series of alleged offenses, a plea of bar was entered. It was argued that the act of paying the rebate was the essential part of the offense and as the alleged offense in the pending indictment was covered by a payment which the company had already been fined, it should not again be placed in jeopardy. The government took the position that such shipment constituted a separate offense. Judge Hazel's decision today upholding this contention of "pleas at bar" is dismissed and the defendant company is required to plead to the indictment at the next regular term of court. There are two unrelated indictments against the Standard Oil company containing about two hundred counts each, of which is punishable by a fine of \$20,000.

SPENCER RAILROAD MAN COWHIDDED BY A WOMAN

Alleged That He Had Made Remarks Detrimental to Her Character.

SPENCER, N. C., Aug. 11.—Because, it is alleged, he circulated reports detrimental to the character of Mrs. H. G. Sherrill, wife of a well known citizen, George G. Webb, a machinist in the Southern Railway shops here was cowhided here today. Upon hearing of the alleged reports today Mrs. Sherrill, without waiting for her husband to interfere in the case, armed herself with a whip and laid it wait for Webb. When he appeared Mrs. Sherrill vigorously applied the whip, raining blows on Webb's head and shoulders. All the time Mrs. Sherrill's husband looked on but did not interfere; Mrs. Sherrill immediately went to police headquarters and submitted to a charge of assault. The affair created considerable excitement. SHOCK IN SAN BERNARDINO. SAN BERNARDINO, Cal., Aug. 11.—The most severe earthquake felt in this vicinity in years shook the business buildings at 3:40 o'clock this afternoon.

COMMITTEE'S EYES OPENED BY THINGS REVEALED TO THEM

Express Surprise at Methods of Solicitor McCabe as Told by Dr. Kobler

DR. WILEY PRESENT AT YESTERDAY'S HEARING

Kobler Criticised What He Regarded as "Arrogant" Methods of Solicitor

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—With Dr. Harvey W. Wiley present as an interested auditor, Dr. L. F. Kobler and Dr. W. D. Bigelow, assistant to Wiley in the bureau of chemistry, today gave important testimony to the house committee of inquiry regarding the charges against Dr. Wiley now pending before President Taft. Dr. Bigelow, assistant chief of the bureau began a full and frank statement of the negotiations that resulted in the employment of Dr. H. H. Rusby, the New York drug expert, at an annual salary of \$1,000 to devote part of his time to the government service. This is the contract, declared to have been illegally made by Dr. Wiley and his associates. Dr. Bigelow insisted that when he was later summoned before the personnel board of the department of agriculture and interrogated by Solicitor McCabe he was given no intimation that there were charges against him or his associates or that an illegal act had been done. The testimony of Dr. Kobler, chief of the drug division of the bureau of chemistry, was punctuated with statements of the attitude of Solicitor McCabe toward employees of the bureau of chemistry. Dr. Kobler criticized what he regarded as Mr. McCabe's "arrogant" methods. He testified that he had been subjected to a sharp examination by Mr. McCabe before a special government agent, whom he called a "secret service man" and a stenographer because he owned one share of stock in a drug manufacturing company, a fact which he said he had communicated to Secretary of Agriculture Wilson four years previously and had been assured was not improper. Dr. Wiley and Dr. Bigelow were marked for resignation; Dr. Kobler for reduction in office and Dr. Rusby for discharge as a result of the findings of the personnel board. Cause of Hearing. Dr. Bigelow testified today that the

K. G. BILLINGS' MOTHER MADE RECORD OF HER OWN CAPTURING BLACKMAILER

While He Was Pulling Off Another Stunt with His Great Horse Uhlán

CHICAGO, Ill., Aug. 11.—While K. G. Billings, driving his champion gelding Uhlán, was hanging up a new world's trotting record at Cleveland today, his mother, Mrs. A. M. Billings of Chicago, despite her eighty-nine years was making a little record of her own in capturing a would-be blackmailing or blackmailers, who are alleged to have made threats in "black hand" fashion. John Mills, a colored man, who says Cairo, Ill., is his home, and John Henrich, a white man about 27 years old and whom the police style a "hobo" from his appearance, were arrested. Yesterday morning Mrs. Billings received a letter demanding that \$500 be wrapped in a bundle of old clothes and given to a man who would call and ask for work. (Continued on Page Seven)

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The Asheville Citizen \$5,640 Subscription Contest
Candidate
Address
Telephone No.
Only One Nomination Blank for Each Candidate Will Count at 1,000 Votes.
Cut out and bring or send to The Citizen.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—Forecast: North Carolina—Generally fair Saturday and Sunday; light to moderate south winds, becoming variable.
PAIR