

N.C. HOME MAKERS' ASS'N IS STYLE OF NEW ORGANIZATION

Has For Its Object Promotion of Immigration and State's Development

LARGE ATTENDANCE OF PATRIOTIC MEN

Senator Overman President of Live Organization—Other Officers

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Sept. 12.—With a large attendance of patriotic and determined North Carolinians, there was born today the "North Carolina Home Makers' association," having for its object the promotion of immigration and the industrial and agricultural development of the state.

The following officers were elected: President, Senator Lee S. Overman, of North Carolina. First vice president, W. C. Dowd, Charlotte, N. C.

MOMENTOUS MEETING OF FRENCH CABINET IS HELD TO CONSIDER PROPOSAL

Ministers Formally Refuse to Satisfy the Curiosity of the Public

THREE-HOUR MEETING

PARIS, Sept. 12.—A momentous meeting of the cabinet was held this afternoon to consider France's reply to Germany's counter proposals in the Moroccan negotiations.

Although the ministers formally refuse to satisfy public curiosity by making any statement as to what passed at the historic council, it is understood that the cabinet accorded its fullest approval of the reply prepared by M. DeSelves, which is no less explicit than that submitted by Germany.

NOT THE BEST HARBOR

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 12.—Secretary of the Interior Walter E. Fisher, at a dinner given here Friday night in his honor, declared Controller Bay to be neither the only nor the best harbor for the output of the Behring river coal fields.

NET WILL SOON BE DRAWN TIGHTER IN HAWKINS TRAGEDY

Second Inquest Most Probable and Arrests Are Expected Today. Trained Detectives Diligently at Work—Large Reward Offered.

HENDERSONVILLE, Sept. 12.—Rivaling in its dramatic possibilities any play enacted on the mimic stage, the curtain of mystery concealing the atrocious murder of Miss Myrtle Hawkins will soon be drawn aside and one of the most tragically strange crimes ever committed in North Carolina laid bare in all its naked horror.

Mr. Hal Cooper, the Johnson City business man, who was engaged to the dead girl, has wired that he is now enroute to Hendersonville and urgent asks that the remains be not buried until he arrives.

Every Indication of Murder The theories of suicide and of accidental drowning have now been definitely cast aside. The constantly accumulating evidence points more and more definitely to murder, not cold blooded and premeditated, but murder none the less, for the movements of Miss Hawkins may be traced hour to hour, almost, during Wednesday.

those responsible for the crime, after doing the child to death, returned to the scene of the tragedy and some time during the night of Saturday threw the body into the waters of the lake where it was found.

Remarkable Feature One of the most remarkable features of the whole affair, and one upon which but little stress has been placed so far, is the fact that the body was found tightly buttoned in a heavy winter wrap.

Was Watched The close friendship existing between Miss Myrtle and Mrs. McCall, her school-girl friend, made them as sisters who had no secrets from each other.

BOY HANGS HIMSELF

ST. MARTINSVILLE, La., Sept. 12.—Bartel LeBlanc, the 15-year-old son of a well to do citizen of this place, hanged himself to a bed post today because his parents had punished him for some indiscretion.

WANT ANOTHER VOTE

CHICAGO, Sept. 12.—The question of a strike of Illinois Central railroad shophmen without the aid of the International Association of Machinists will be thrashed out by the rank and file before further action is taken by the international labor officials in charge of the situation here.

TAFT HAS NEW GOLF STICKS

BEVERLY, Mass., Sept. 12.—President Taft has a new set of golf sticks. They are from Andy Carnegie and reached Beverly today straight from Ekibo castle with the brand of the Scotman who made them in Darroch.

JEFFRIES MOTHER DYING

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 12.—Mrs. Aebecca Jeffries, mother of the former champion pugilist, who is dying, continually asks for her son. Jeffries is in Alaska on a hunting trip and renewed efforts are being made to reach him.



GOV. WOODROW WILSON MAKES STRONG DEFENSE OF INITIATIVE-REFERENDUM

Gov. O'Neal of Alabama Measured Swords With Him on Important Principle and Did Not Mince Words in His Attack Upon it, Calling it "an Insidious Popular Vagary"—Gov. and Mrs. Wilson as Hosts.

SPRING LAKE, N. J., Sept. 12.—Gov. Woodrow Wilson, of New Jersey, and Gov. Emmett O'Neal, of Alabama, measured swords over the initiative and referendum before the conference of governors this afternoon.

When the conference ended, however, Gov. Wilson grasped Gov. O'Neal by the hand and remarked that he did not wish to be misunderstood.

SENTIMENTALISTS MAKE EFFORT TO SAVE BEATTIE

Gov. Mann Receiving Letters From People Asking for Commutation

RICHMOND, Va., Sept. 12.—The sentimentalists are making efforts to save the life of Henry Clay Beattie, Jr., recently condemned to die for the murder of his wife.

TY. COBB INJURED

CLEVELAND, O., Sept. 12.—While springing for a fly ball in today's Detroit-Cleveland game, Ty Cobb fell and injured his left knee.



strengthen executive authority and that is the system of initiative, referendum and recall. The governor had no power to veto or amend a law initiated by the people and adopted by referendum.

MT. ETNA NOW PRESENTS TERRIFYING SPECTACLE

Gov. A. HUBBARD ASSISTANT STATE BANK EXAMINER

Reidsville Man Wins Position Over 25 Strongly Endorsed Candidates

CATANIA, Sicily, Sept. 12.—The crest of Mount Etna now presents a terrifying spectacle. Heavy smoke lies over it, with frequent brilliant flashes, and the bombardment which is continuous along a line nearly two miles in extent, it like the firing of heavy artillery.

PROPOSITION TURNED DOWN

SCRANTON, Pa., Sept. 12.—President W. H. Truesdale of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western railroad has turned down the proposition of the trackmen that the matter of reinstating Foreman M. J. Foley be arbitrated by the New York labor commission or a board of arbitration to be selected by the company and trackmen.

views of Gov. O'Neal is that there is nothing inconsistent between the strengthening of the powers of the executive and the direct power of the people.

As Gov. Wilson sat down, Gov. O'Neal sprang to his feet and proclaimed the reiteration of his belief.

REIDSVILLE MAN WINS POSITION OVER 25 STRONGLY ENDORSED CANDIDATES

RALEIGH, N. C., Sept. 12.—S. A. Hubbard, of Reidsville, gets the position of assistant state bank examiner, succeeding Chas. V. Brown, promoted to chief examiner instead of J. Kemp Doughton, resigned, to go into the furniture manufacturing business in High Point.

TO U. S. SUPREME COURT

ATLANTA, Ga., Sept. 12.—Dr. J. W. McNaughton, of Emanuel county, sentenced to be hanged for the alleged murder by poisoning of Fred Flanders with whose wife McNaughton is alleged to have been intimate, will go to the scaffold before the Supreme court of the United States has passed upon his case.

COMPLETE REVERSAL

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NOTORIOUS GREEN GOODS CONFIDENCE MAN IS ARRESTED

Said to Have Garnered Over \$1,500,000 From Unwary in Last Few Years

SECRET SERVICE MEN SOUGHT HIM FOR YEARS

Great Quantity of Evidence Found Including "Sucker List" of Victims

CHICAGO, Sept. 12.—A. A. Potter, who is said to be one of the best known gold brick and green goods confidence men in the world, and who is said to have garnered more than \$1,500,000 from the unwary of two continents during the last few years by means of gold brick awindies and confidence games, was locked in jail here tonight.

He was arrested today by O. F. Dewoody, division superintendent of the department of justice after being sought for a year by United States secret service men and the police of almost every city in the country.

Big Bond Required A cash bond of \$50,000 offered by Potter was refused by Federal officials who declared nothing less than \$100,000 cash bond would gain him his temporary freedom.

Starckoff, who is said to have operated with Potter under a score of names, is in the city, according to DeWoody and all of the secret service men here are seeking for him.

At Potter's home a great quantity of evidence was found including what the secret service men termed a "sucker list" of former and prospective victims. The list is said to contain a greater number of names of residents of cities than of rural inhabitants.

Chief DeWoody said tonight that it was likely the prisoner would be taken to Philadelphia for trial instead of facing here a charge of using the mails to defraud. It is believed there is more evidence in the Philadelphia case and a greater penalty could be imposed there.

Potter is the cleverest confidence man in the world, in my opinion. He and his companions have obtained \$1,500,000 in a few years by means of the green goods, soiled gold mine, and gold brick awindies. They are hundred banks to keep up with in the city.

AFTER CONCEDED DEFEAT PROHIBITIONISTS MAY AT LAST HAVE BEEN VICTORS

Latest Returns, Mostly Official, Show "Dry" Majority of 295

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