Items of Interest Gleaned From Various Sections .

MOUNTAIN TO SEASHORE

Minor Occurrences of the Week of Interest to Tar Heels Told in Paragraphs.

Charlotte Cotton Market.

These prices represent the prices quoted to wagons: Strict middling 10 1-8 Middling.... 10 Tinges and stains 8 1-2 to 9 1-2

General Cotton Market

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Galveston steady
New Orleans quiet 10 5-16
Mobile steady
Savannah casy
Charleston quiet
Wilmington firm
Norfolk steady 10 3-
Baltimore, nominal
New York quiet
Boston, quiet
Philadelphia, quiet10.6
Houston, quiet 10 1-
Augusta, steady
Memphis quiet
St. Louis quiet
Louisville firm
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Baltimore Produce Market.

Baltimore, Nev. 5 .- Flour quiet unchanged. Wheat steady; spot contract 75 1-2 to 75 5-8: Southern by sample 58 to 64. Corn firm, spot 52 to 52 1-2; South-

ers white corn 50 to 53. Oats firm, No. 2, Mixed 37 to 37 1-2 Rye firm; No. 2, Western 72 to 73. Butter steady, unchanged; fancy imitation 21 to 22; do creamery 27 to 28; do lade 18 to 20; store packed

Eggs firm 27. Cheese active and nuchanged 13 5-8 to 14 1-8. Sugar stendy, unchanged.

17 to 18.

Denounced Jail Management.

Wilmington, Special.-In connection with the senteneing of several prisoners to short terms for retailing, Judge Purnell in the Federal Court took occasion to pass very caustie criticism upon the manner in which the New Hanover county jail is conducted, saying that it is a disgrace to a civilized community from all accounts. Conditions in the prison were likened unto a Black Hole of Calcutta. The worst features of the treatment of the prisoners, the Judge declared, is the jail fare. He said that he would have no more United States prisoners suffer unnecessary punishment by sentencing them to terms in the jail here. He regretted even that prisoners had to stay there to await trial. The Cumberland jail was but little better, he said, and had the single advantage that the prisoners were sometimes able to get out. He signified his purpose to take the alleged bad treatment of prisoners up with the attorney general to see that the parties responsible for conditions are promptly punished.

Tar Heel Topics.

Geo. W. Watts, of Durham, sends James Y. Joyner, treasurer of the fund for a statue of Dr. Chas. D. McIver, \$250. Four other contributions of \$100 each have been received.

The bridge or trestle connecting Morehead City and Beaufort was completed. Length over a mile and a half, cost \$200,000.

Found Dead by Track.

Greensboro, Special.-Frank Roberts, a white man who had been employed for some time in the Revolution Cotton Mills, was found lying dead by the side of the Southern Railway at a point near the Proximity Mills. Police headquarters were notified, and Policeman Skeens went to the place where the dead man lay. The coroner summoned a jury and they returned a verdict that the man came to his death by being struck by a train and knocked from the track down an embankment.

New Enterprises.

Charters are granted to the Transylvania Company at Rosemary, S. E. E. Brown, of Greensboro, N. C., and other North Carolinians and Virginians, stockholders, capital stock \$50,-000, to do a general merchandising business; Swindell-Fulton-Fish Company, Washington, N. C., capital \$50,000; Peerless Dry. Goods, Asheville, wholesale and retail, capital

Wilson Doughtery Files Complaint in Buncombe Superior Court-Alleges That He Was Jailed Because He Wanted to Quit Work.

Asheville, Special.- Another suit for damages against the South & Western Railroad Company and the Carolina Company as a result of alleged peonage practices on the company works between Spruce Pine and Marion was docketed in Superior Court by attorneys for Wilson Dougherty, a negro formerly in the employ of the S. & W. The complaint has not been filed and the amount of damages that will be demanded has not been named. It is said that when the complaint is filed there will be interesting disclosures. The complaint will allege that Doughterty was employed as a member of one of the construction gangs; that he desired to quit work and leave the company's employ and as a consequence was arrested and placed in jail. It will be alleged that Dougherty was kept in jail for a week or ten days without being told what he was under arrest for and that when he had finally secured an attorney to inevstigate the matter the jail doors were thrown open and he was informed that he might go. He did go -straight to his attorney and after an investigation a civil suit for damages was decided upon.

The suit against the South & Western institute last week on account of alleged peonage is the fifth action that has been started against the company during the past few months-all on account of peonage other suits yet to come and that a Rys...... 80 dozen or more will finally be institute-asked in each case has not been decided upon, but it is certain that the sums will be large. The evidence in some of the cases will be sensational. It will be alleged that the men employed in the costruction of the South & Western road from Spruce Pine to Marion were forced to enter the mouths of tunnels that were regarded extremely dangerous and that those who refused to go were beat over the backs with pick handles and threatèned with Winchester rifles.

Killed at Granite Quarry.

accident happened late Tuesday afternoon at Granite Quarry, near this city. The car used for hauling granite from the dinky engine which is used to transport them and run away down grade, crashing into several cars that were coming on behind. Five men were hurt, one seriously. The seriously injured man was brought to the sanitarium at Salisbury and given treatment, but he died early Thursday in spite of all that could be done to save him. His name is Lovie Tarmbecher, a foreigner. He was buried here in the after- bly will prove a total wreck off Cable noon. The others injured, none of Head, Prince Edward Island, on the whom were seriously hurt, were treat- north coast where she went ashore ed of their homes at the quarry. The accident occurred in the works of the American Stone Company.

Charter Amended.

Charlotte, Special.-The North Carolina Medical College has amended its charter so as to move its principal office from Davidson to Charlotte. The corporation will conduct two branches of schools, one to be located at Davidson for teaching the freshmen and sophomore classes and the other to be located at Charlotte for teaching the junior and senior classes. However, the amended charter provides that the Davidson branch may be discontinued and both branches conducted at Charlotte. The amended charter also provides that the capital stock may be increased to \$30,-

Tar Heel Notes.

Gastonia is threatened with a serious coal famine, as local dealers cannot get a supply from the mines.

tic Coast Line Railways to build union passenger station at Pembroge and to arrange for a freight depot there within 60 days from date.

Charters are granted the Carolina Engineering Company of Burlington, to do general engineering, surveying, construction of roads and bridges. steel construction, capital stock \$125,-000. J. W. Cates and others stock- textile conneil received a reply from holders; the Monroe Insurance & Investment Company of Monroe, \$50,and County Coroner J. P. Turner | 000. W. S. Blakeney and others stockholders, this charter being a blanket one; the Cumberland Savings & Trust | The manufacturers added that the Company. Fayetteville, \$30,000, to average margin of profits since July operate a savings bank. Frank A. 1st, the date of the last advance of Stedman, of Wilmington, principal 10 per cent warranted anly an instockholder.

Arrested on Suspicion of Murder.

Jacksonville, Fla., Special .- J. W. Horton, who lives near Fannin, Levy county, whose wife was shot and killed while sitting on her porch Saturday, has been arrested on suspicion. ing himself through the heart with his wife, mount a stump to see if there were any eye witnesses, then enter the house and raise a cry for help. It is also said that her life was insured.

NORTH STATE NEWS MORE PEONAGE CHARGES [ESTRUCTIVE GALES INDIANS GROW UGLY SENSATION SPRUNG STOLE 3 MILLIONS MESSAGE FORECAST

No the n Waters

COASTWISE VESSELS ARE LOST

Gale and Sea Work Damage Along the Coast of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and France Baward islanu-Crew of Norweg.an Bark Helpless in Severe cold and Angry Waters.

Halifax, N. S., Special.-Dispatches have been pouring into this city bringing news of vessels wrecked or in distress, of wines prostrated and of damage done by the gale and sea along the coasts of Nova Scotia, Cape Breton, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island. Four vessels were driven ashore, another, after having everything movable on deck washed away, was forced to put back to the port from which she sailed, and the steamer Turret Bell, which went aground on the north side of Prince farther in shore.

The storm was most violent in Northumberland Strait. Two schooners and one bark were swept aground in this strait, and a third schooner was wrecked near the eastern en-

leak. The tremendous seas made it impossible for any vessels to go to her assistance, leaving her crew of 12 beloless in the severe cold and heavy gale, and in danger of being swept overboard or dying from exposure. Near the same place the schooner Alexander, lumber laden, went

The Windsor, N. S., schooner Omega, lost her sails on Wednesday last when off Charlottetown, and the seas washed over her carried away ber cabins and deck load. She drifted swiftly for 30 miles across Northumberland Strait, until she finally brought up on the rocks at Fox Point, on the northern coast of Nova Scotia. Her crew of four men had been obliged to man the pumps with practically no rest since Wednesday and during all that time they had Salisbury, Special .- A disastrous had neither food nor drink, all their supplies having been swept overboard They were rescued, almost overcome by exhaustion and exposure, soon after the vessel grounded. schooner will probably be a total

> A Newfoundland schooner, the identy of which has not been learned, was wrecked last night at Campbells Cove at the eastern end of Prince Edward Island. The crew succeeded in getting ashore safely. The 1,376 ton steamer Turret Bell which is valued at \$100,000, proba-

Dr. Matthews a Suicide.

Baltimore, Md., Special.—In cheap lodging house on East Baltimore street at some time during the 24 hours preceeding 2 o'clock Monday afternoon, Dr. J. Baxter Mathews, of Greensboro, N. C., blew out his brains with a shot from a 32alibre revolver.

Dr. Matthews was convicted March 9th, 1906, at Greensboro, N. C., of the poisoning of his wife December 1st, 1905. He had been out of ens tody under bail pending the decision of his appeal for a new trial, which was denied him, and relatives and bondsmen have been searching for im for some time that he might be taken before the court to be reentenced.

Another Rioter Convicted.

Atlanta, Ga., Special.-J. H. Carr, a white man, was found guilty of rioting by a jury in the city court. The corporation commission orders Judge Pendleton reserved sentence. the Seaboard Air Line and the Atlan- | Carr was indicted with several others in connection with the recent race tried this week and sentence imposed on Friday.

Fall River Refuses to Advance Wages.

Fall River, Mass., Special.-In reply to their letter requesting an advance in wages of 10 per cent the the Manufacturers' Asociation that the request was premature and that there must be a longer run of the present improved business before the proposition could be considered. crease of 6.77 per cent.

Savannah Physician Kills Himself.

Savannnah, Ga., Special.-Dr. Edgar H. Nichols committed snieide at the Savannah Yacht Club by shoot-It is alleged that he was seen to shoot a revolver. Ill health was probably the cause. He was 59 years old and leaves a widow and three children. He was to have left soon for New York to enter a sanitarium.

Utes and Soldiers

MORE TROUBLE MAY FOLLOW

Special Couriers Carries to Sheridan News of a Skirmash Between the Tenth Cavalry and Redskins on Bitter Creek-Troops Had Captured 50 Ponies and These Are Stampeded and Retaken by the indians-Utes Did Not Fire on Soldiers-Troopers Run Up With Bands of Crow and Cheyenne Indians: Who Claim to be on a Hunt- | ing Trail.

Sheridan, Wyo., Special .- A skirmish occurred between a band of the renegade Ute Indians and a troop of the Tenth Cavalry on Bitter Creek, according to word brought by a spec-Edawrd Island last week, was driven lial courier. The troops had captured 50 Ute ponies, severely frightened five Indian hearders.

As the troopers were driving away the ponies, 100 Ute Indians, fully armed, surrounded the cavalrymen A. D. Hughes formerly a State Senaand the ponies, stampeding the ponies | tor of Michigan, that there is in the with revolver shots and war whoops. possession of the proprietors of a The Norwegian bark Adeona, tried | The Indians recovered all the ponies | to weather the gale off Rexton, N. B., but five that were killed by the troops having its usual place of business in might, the police declare, sell the he has heretofore done. His belief but dragged her anchors and ground- in an effort to stop the stampede. The New Yor, city, evidence in the form The soldiers desisted from attacking grams, secret codes and the translathe Utes, as the reds greately out | tion thereof, some copies of which I numbered the troepers.

can ascertain from rumor and obser- which tends to show an organized, vation, the Indians will fight with systematic and general method of leglittle provocation.

Another detachment of the Tenth so-called tobacco trust throughout Cavalry that left Sheridan Monday | the country. I am informed that night ran across a wandering band of 100 Crow Indians under command of agency. The Crows said they were joining the Utes.

Cavalry fell in with a band of Cheyenne Indians, who, on representation to go in peace.

troops into false trails to keep the the last day for publishing same has soldiers from overtaking the .Utes. expired; that the said Collier's Weekseouts Woman's Dress, American according to contract. Horse and White Cow Bull.

Five Die In Scalding Steam.

New Orleans, Special.-Five persons were sealded to death by a column of escaping steam from a broken boiler drum in a sugar house near Vacherie, La. The scene of the tragedy, the Shell Hille plantation, is remote from telegraph communication and details of the explosion reached here. The dead are Alexander Stein, Augustus Flagoust, Charles Ockman, Stephen E. Martinez, 7 years old, a Negro. A hole two feet square burst in the boiler drum, which stood near the sugar house. The sugar house was filled with steam and when found the three men, the little girl and the negro were still alive but fatally burned and in intense suffering.

Reduced Passenger Rates.

New York, Special.-The Eric railroad has aranged to put its reduced passenger rates into effect. Henceforth the maximum rate per mile on the Erie will be 2 1-2 cents. On parts of the line the rates will be lower. In Ohio there will be a uniform rate of 2 cents per mile in conformity with the law passed in that State some

Luisiana Quarantine Restrictions

ports are being recalled, and their services dispensed with. The Havana inspector, however, will remain for an indefinite period.

On Hot Track of the Boll Weevil.

New Orleans, Special .- A search to determine whether the boll weevil has crossed the Mississippi river from Louisiana into Mississinpi was begun in the vicinity of Natchez by the officials of the State crop pest commission. At the beginning there it was announced by the government experts that the weevil would probably make its crossing of Mississippi this fall. as it was agreed that the river would prove no barrier to the pest's eastward progress.

No Serious Infractions of Law in Nevada.

Washington, Special.-Further reports from agents of the Interior Department who superintended the opening Monday of the Walker Lake Indian reservation in Navada have convinced Secretary Hitchcock that the infractions of the regulations governing the opening were not serious enough to warrant a recommendatio. I in favor of invalidating it.

Great Damage to Shipping in A Sharp Skirmish Between the Evidence of Illegal Practice by Startling Operations of Fake Advance Outline of What the

Tobacco Trust

COLLIERS SUPPRESSED FACTS

Massachusetts Senator Says Cellier's Weekly Has Letters, Telegrams and Secret Codes to Prove Assertion, and That They Were Sold to Publications on Contract That They be Made Public, but This Has Not Been Done Because Paper Fears it Will Have Some Bearing on Tuesday's Elections.

Boston, Special.-District Attorney John B. Moran sent a letter to District Attorney Wm. T. Jerome, of New York, in which he stated that he was informed by State Senator A. D. Hughes, of Michigan, that there is in the possession of Collier's Weekly evidence in the form of originai documents, letters, telegrams and secret codes, which tends to show that an organized method of legislative corruption is practiced by the socalled tobacco trust throughout the country.

The letter follows: "I am creditably informed by one publication by name Collier's Weekly Indians did not fire at the soldiers. of original documents, letters, telenow have and which I append here- | the stock be returned to them. Troopers say that as far as they, with for the purpose of identification l islative corruption practiced by the some of the documents, copies of which I do not have, tend to show

Chief Sweet Month. The troopers that several bills affecting the indrove the crows back toward the Crow | terest of the said tobacco trust, were defeated at the capital of this hunting and denied any intention of Commonwealth at the last session of our general court (Massachusetts Still another squad of the Tenth Legislature) by practices which are a part of this systematic scheme. am informed that the proprietors of that they were hunting, were allowed the said Collier's Weekly have purchased the evidence for a large sum Settlers charge that Indian guides, of money under a contract to pubemployed by the Federal troops, are lish the same not later than 10 weeks acting treacherously and leading the after the first day of August; that

These settlers mention among the wily by has refused to publish the same "I am further informed that Collier's Weekly is delaying publication of this evidence in violation of its contract until after election, lest it should have an injurious effect upon

> "Therefore I respectfully request you to obtain the same evidence and transmit to me forthwith in order. that I may begin an immediate inquiry to such acts occurring wthin my jurisdiction as may be disclosed by an examination of the said docu-

In making public the letter, Mr. Moran also gave to the press copies of many letters, telegrams and codes,

one letter being from Hughes. Hughes claims that he bought a factory in Marion, Ind., last April from former Senator O. A. Baker, and in the factory Mr. Hughes found a desk, which he asserts was full of correspondence and documents revealing certain transactions with the

American Tobacco Company. Hughes states in his letter that he endeavored to interest President Roosevelt and Governor Hanley, of Indiana, but was unsuccessful. He then sold the documents to Collier's under contract to be published Oct 9th last.

Congressman Ketchem Dead New York, Special.-Representative John Henry Ketchem, of Dover New Orleans, Special .- Quarantine Plains, died of applexy at a hospital restrictions imposed by the Louisiana in this city. He was 74 years old. State board of health ceased and all He served in the House of Repremedical inspectors employed by the sentatives from the 18th district durboard of health in Centrla American ing the terms 1865-73, 1877-93 and 1897-1903, and following reapportionment had since represented the 21st district, in which he was a candidate for re-election on the Republican ticket. He was colonel of the Fifteenth New York Volunteers in the civil war, during which service he was promoted to brigadier general and breveted major general.

Famine in Central China.

Shanghai, By Cable.- Vissionaries report a most severe famine in th northern part of Kiangsu province Central China. It is estimated that 10,000,000 people face starvation Local magistrates are preventing people from leaving the region, but are taking no steps to provide them with food and supplies. Serious disorders are feared.

Mrs. "Bill" Nye Dead.

New Orleans, Special.-Mrs. Edgar W. Nye, widow of the late "Bill" Nye, the famous humorist, died Sun-Mrs. E. W. Pharr, at Avoca plantabody will be interred at New Iberia. the requirements.

Financier

BIG HAUL OF STCCKS AND BONDS

Charles Whitney Norton Arrested for .. Prandulent Action in Connection With Arizona Mining Stock-Obtained Shares Under Agreement to Sell and Never Returned-Negotiable Papers to Amount of \$2,000,-000 Found in His Room.

Chicago, Special-A Federal war rant was served on Charles Whitney Norton, who was arrested by the police and who is said by the police and postal authorities to be resposible for extensive swindling operations, when he was taken to the county jail. He will be arraigned before United States Commissioner Foot soon. The specific case for which Norton was arrested was in connection with Arizona mining stock It is claimed that Norton has defrauded people in all parts of the United States out of bonds and se-

curities amounting to \$3,000,000. It is claimed by the officers that Norton would obtain stock from any person who would trust him, and subject several years ago, and he will agree to sell it in the market. He now take a more advanced stand than stock and he might retain it, but the result to the person owning the stock was the same. They would receive no money from Norton, nor would He is of the spinion that the Federal

In his room were found bonds, stocks, abstracts of land titles, first mortgages, and other negotiable papers, the greater part of which is thought to be genuine and worth al-

mest \$2,000,000. The postal authorities declare that they have been searching for Norton since January, 1895, when he disappeared from Detroit, Mich., ostensibly to go to London, Eng. About two years later Norton was in Elmira, operating the American Wholesale Brokerage Company. It is also claimed that he was arrested in Troy, N. Y., also in Rutland, Vt., where he served a sentence of one year in jail for the fraudulent use of the mails. It is claimed by the police that Norton selicited stocks and land titles of all descriptions to sell. When pressed by customers for the stock turned over to him he informed them that he would go to London, Eng., in order to obtain a better market. Titles to deeds and lands in Nebraska, Kentucky, Tennessee, Virginia and other States running into thousands of acres, were found in Norton's possession. One deed describing 50,-Republican candidates on election -000 acres of pine lands in Virginia and another describing 20,000 acres in Nebraska, appeared to be genuine.

THE STRIKE SETTLED.

Southern Railway Machinists Re-

turned to Work Monday. Washsington, Special.-The strike been reached with the committee of of the Santo Domingo treaty. machinists, under which the strike will be declared off and the men now on strike will return to their old po- sage, and Congress will be asked to sitions Monday morning, Nov. o, fix a remedy. The message in addiwithout prejudice on account of the tion to the more important questions strike. The men who remained with referred to, will devote the usual the company are to continue at work. space to a survey of the government -Those who have been employed since activities in all lines of work. Our the strike will be relieved from the abundant prosperity, our cordial reshops before Monday morning, but lations with all the peoples of the without prejudice as to their continu- earth and our steady uplift toward ed employment by the company in higher things will be mentioned by other places, or as .to their future | the President as a cause for congrato employment in the shops if needed.

Merit System for Employes.

Grand Rapids, Mich., Special-The Story & Clark Jiano Company, of Grand Haven anounced a novel captured a wagon loaded with 3,000 award system for their employes. pounds of flour and supplies bound They have set aside \$2,000 in eash from Arvada to the Tenth and the the different departments in their works on November 1, 1907. The deportment of the men, their arrival at the shop morning and noon and their work will all be averaged up, and at the end of the year the prizes will be awarded. The first prizes in the different departments are in most cases \$100, and a second prize of \$50

New Navy Paymaster Assumes Office

Washington, Special .- Rustace B Rogers, until recently pay director of the Navy, assumed the office of paymaster general and took over the duties. Mr. Rogers takes the place of General Harris, who announced his intention of retiring some time ago, but at the special request of the President, remained in office until his successor was selected.

\$8,000,000 For New York Schools. New York, Special.-It was decided that the recent appropriation by the board of estimate of \$8,000,000 day at the home of her daughter, for new schools in the city will be provided by the sale of city bonds. tion, near Morgan City. Mrs. Nye So quick is the city extending, espec-was 56 years old, and was formerly ially in Brooklyn, that schools have a resident of North Carolina. Her to be built in all directions to meet

President Will Recommend

President Believes the Government. Should Control all Corporations Producing Necessaries of Life as Well as all Lines of Transportstion-Said to Advocate an Income Tax Situation in Cuba Reassuring -The Country's Great Prosperity.

Washington, Special The Presdent practiceally finished the prepara tion of his annual message, which oes to Congress next wonth. The President taiked over the mesage with members of the cabinet and others and it is possible to give at this time a general and fairly accurate forecast of its contents.

The menace of public wealth probably occupies more space than any other single subject. The President's conviction as to the necessity for an inheritance tax has grown stronger every day since he first broached the in the wisdom of centralization has become one of his strongest hobbiss government should have supervision, not only over all lines of trasports tion and communication, but also over corporations controlling the neaessities of life. He believes that speedy acceptance of this doctrine by great corporations themselves will save them untold trouble and possibly annihilation in the future. One of the greatest dangers in our present age, he argues, is the growing discortent of the masses against the classes and the sooner the public is convine ed that the great so-called trusts are conducted as much in the interest of the people as in the interest of coupon elippers the sooner will the possibility of a revolution be removed. The President believes there should be a limit on great fortunes. In his opinion the piling of millions on top of millions in banks is not a healthy way to increase wealth, and when these vast fortunes descend to individuals who never worked for a dollar of their collossal inheritance, the ef-

fact is distinctly bad. The President is also said to be an ardent advocate of an income tax, but not quite ready to press the matter upon Congress.

In his message the President will again pay his respects to the rail roads and will arge additional legislation to reinforce the rate law passed last year.

The situation in Coba, reassuring as it is now, will give the President . good chance for congratulation. He will take occasion in this connection of machinists on the Southern Rail- to again disclaim any intention on the way which was inauguarated recent- part of the administration to acquire ly for an increase in wages was set- a permanent foothold upon the istled. An amicable adjustment has land. He will again urge the pussage

> The need for a more elastic env rency will be dwelt upon in the meletion and increased endeavor.

Utes Take Supply Wagon.

Sheridan, Wyo., Special.-A band of 100 Ute Indians, it is reported. zes, which will be awarded men in Sixth Cavalry. The driver was held at rifle point while the redskins sack ed the entire load and aerried it away allowing the driver to proceed with the empty wagen.

Representative Hear Dead.

Worehester, Mass., Special.-Revresentative Rockwood Hoar, of the third Massachusetts district, son of the late Senator George F. Hoar, died at his residence in this city after an illness of five weeks. Congressman Hoar since Sept. 26, had been unable to take part in the campaign for his re-election to Congress. His nomina tion for Congress followed very close ly the death of his distinguished father, Senator George Frisbie Hoar, in 1904.

Sentence For Life.

Atlanta, Ga., Special.-Alexander Walker, the Brownsville negro on trial for the murder of County Policeman J. L. Heard, was found guil ty, with a recommendation of merey, and was sentenced to life imprisonment. A motion for a new trial was immediately filed by his attorneys. Walker was indicted with 58 other negroes for the murder of Policeman Heard during the September riots here, his being the first case to be tried