20 EXCURSIONISTS LOSE THEIR LIVES IN PIER'S COLLAPSE

Ten Bodies Have Been Recovered and Lake Ponchartrain is Being Dragged for Others---Five Were Crushed to Death and 200 Thrown Into the Lake ... Two Accounts of the Horror.

NEW ORLEANS, June 7 .- Ten bodies were recovered to-day of the excursionists drowned last night by the collapsing of the Lake Ponchartrain

It is impossible to estimate yet the exact number killed or drowned. Many were crushed in the wreckage on the pier.

The accident occurred when the excursion steamer Margaret, unable to land at the regular wharf, tied up at a small pier used for fishing boats. The weight of the great crowd which rushed off the boat was too great for the pier which collapsed, throwing 200 into the water.

MANDEVILLE, La., June 7 .- Lake Ponchartrain in the vicinity of the steamboat landing was dragged to-day to recover bodies of persons drowned there when the steamboat Margaret crashed into the wharf smashing it and crushing the life out of five persons and throwing 200 into the lake. Besides the five killed in the crash, five bodies have been taken from

It is not known how many are read, but the number will possibly reach

SHRINERS INVADE CITY OF LOUISVILLE

Thousands Gathering from All Sections of the Country to Attend 35th Annual Session-\$75,000 Spent in Preparations for the Meet-Some Spectacular

the United States, Canada and Mexico, augurated the thirty-fifth annual session of the Ancient Arabic Order, No- Armory Thursday night. bles of the Mystic Shrine. The hossome of the most distinguished citizens of the cities in which are located the 113 temples of the order.

drill teams from as many different exhibition drills and in the grand reand citizens have together spent upward of \$75,000 in preparation for the meeting. This sum has gone almost exclusievly into illuminations and decorations, and the Kentucky metropolis is a veritable fairyland of designs made up of emblems of the order, are located at all street sections, the broad avenues of Louisville guard, Minneapolis. are draped in electric strands, flags and bunting and there is a gorgeous court of honor four blocks in length. Among the special features is the largest electric clock in the world. It grand ball and other Shrine week functions will take place. This magnificent decorative feature is 45 feet long, with a dial of 75 feet in circumference. It is illuminated by 5,500

The week's programme opened this morning with a formal reception of visiting Shriners and the escort of each temple to its headquarters. During the afternoon an excursion on the beautiful Ohio will take place, three tered for the use of the Shriners and their ladies. Each boat is equipped with a band of music and refreshments will be served. At night a reception in honor of the imperial divan will be held at the Masonic Wid- but they were afraid to take it. ows and rphans' Home, accompanied by a musical programme participated in by a chorus of 300 children.

To-morrow morning the first session In the armory. Addresses of welcome feeling runs high. will be made by Mayor James E. Grinstead, of Louisville, and Hon. Augustus E. Wilson, Governor of Kentucky. Vistors will also be entertained during the morning with a trolley ride over noon the first of the exhibition drills of patrols will take place, several ladies' patrols participating along with the Shrine organizations.

the grand electrical pageant of patrols. It is estimated that not less than ten thousand Shriners will appear in the

drills will mark the Wednesday morning programme. At the same time visiting ladies will be entertained by of the entertaining committee for this illi.

During the afternoon there will be the jockey club parks, in which the Europe. ding professional drivers of America will participate. This will be followed by a regimental review of all ITALIAN STRIKE patrols and a concert by 25 or 30

One of the novelties of the week will be a Southern negro jubilee. Five hundred negro men and women will participate in this entertaiment. Plantation melodies and old time songs walk. Preceding the entertainment there will be a great watermelon

LOUISVILLE, June 7 .- Fresh and marked by a grand spectacular open fit after their passage of the desert air drama called "The Attack on sands in caravans of palace cars, Boonesboro." Over one thousand solhundreds of delegates from all over diers and Indians will take part in this event. The last formal function in gathered in Louisville to-day and in- connection with the week's programme will be the grand Shriners' ball in the

The imperial divan is composed of pitality for which Kentucky is fa- the following members: Edwin I. Almous was poured out lavishly in hon- derman, imperial potentate, Cedar or of the visitors, among whom are Rapids, Iowa; George L. Street, imperial deputy potentate, Richmond, Va.; Frederick A. Hines, chief rabban, Les Angeles; J. Frank Over thirty-five patrols or Shrine Treat, imperial assistant rabban, Fargo, N. D.; William J. Cunningham, temples will participate in a great imperial high priest and prophet, Balnight pageant of the Shriners, in the timore; William W. Irwin, imperial oriental guide, Wheeling, W. Va.; William S. Brown imperial treasurer, of der the chairmanship of Frank Fear, Pittsburg; Benjamin W. Rowell, imperial recorder, Boson; Jacob T. Barron, imperial first commercial master. imperial second ceremonial master. Rochester, N. Y.; J. Putnam Stevens, Imperial marshal. Portland. Maine: lights and colors. Colossal electric Henry F. Niedringhaus, junior imperial captain of the guard, St. Louis; Charles E. Ovenshire, imperial outer

HEARTLESS THUGS TORTURED WOMEN

Because They Found Only \$3.50 in Home of Three Women, Robbers Them With Sharp Wire.

SOMERSET, Pa., June 7 .- Three masked thugs entered a home occupied by three women near here and because they didn't find but \$3.50, tortured the occupants fearfully. They palatial steamers having been char- burned, the feet of the women with candles, tied their limbs with sharp wire and otherwise abused them. The women in desperation offered a certified check to the burglars for \$500,

The men escaped, leaving the women tied. One woman after a struggle, got loose and notified the neighof the Imperial Council will be held bors. A posse is being organized and

ST. PETERSBURG IS THREATENED

the city and suburbs. In the after- Worst Epidemic of Cholera in His tory is Feared.

ST. PETERSBURG, June 7 .- The worst epidemic of cholera in the his-Tuesday night will be marked by tory, it is feared, will envelop this city as the result of the failure of the health officials to take proper precautions to obliterate the first signs of the A continuation of the exhibition disease last fall.

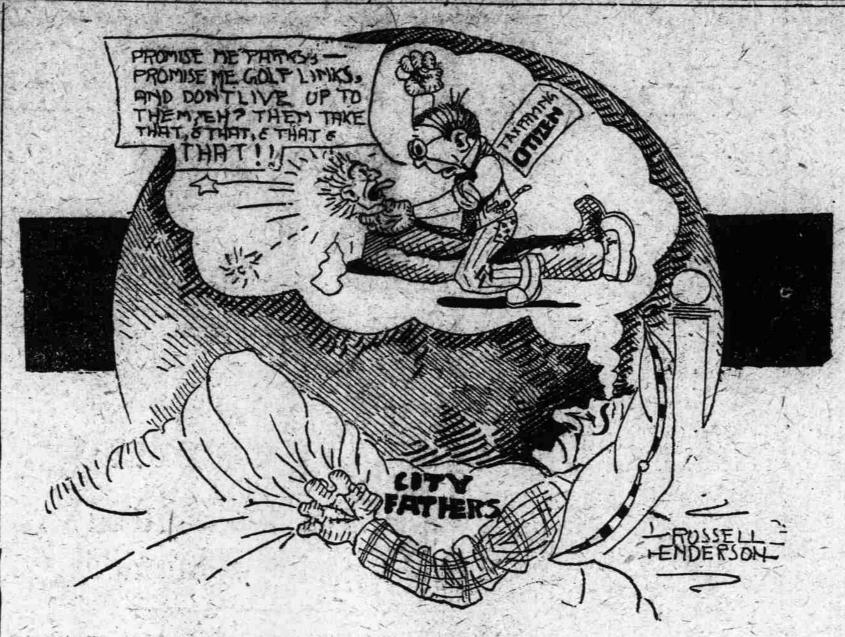
The city is indescribably filthy and an examination of the river Neva, the Barckett township in McDowell counautomobile rides. One hundred motor source of the entire city's water sup- ty, has been carried for a special cars have been placed at the disposal ply, shows it to be infected with bac-school tax through the efforts of

HAS BEEN SETTLED

The 1,000 Lumbermen Who Terror-ized McCloud Last Week Will Leave for Other Parts.

McCLOUD, Cal., June 7.-The riot- meeting and re-elected J. Bryan will be sung and the function will con- ous strike of Italian lumbermen who Grimes chairman, and R. D. W. Conclude with a genuine Southern cake pillaged the town the past week will nor, secretary, has set about the task be settled immediately by the Italians of collecting, editing and the publicaleaving the town permanently and the tion of a series of a volumes on inter-Thursday morning will be known as company paying off all back wages nal developments in North Carolina, "Commercial Day." Visits will be and sayings in the company's bank. The afternoon of that day will be afternoon of the same of the company's bank. The afternoon of that day will be afternoon of the company's bank. The company paying off all back wages and developments in North Carolina, han, a former Breathitt county sheriff ment. He thinks Early is suffering to the company paying off all back wages and noted feudist, was fatally shot this morning found in her bedroom, and noted feudist, was fatally shot this morning found in her bedroom, and noted feudist, was fatally shot this morning found in her bedroom, and noted feudist, was fatally shot this morning found in her bedroom, and noted feudist, was fatally shot this morning found in her bedroom, and noted feudist, was fatally shot this morning found in her bedroom, and noted feudist, was fatally shot this morning found in her bedroom, and noted feudist, was fatally shot this morning found in her bedroom, and noted feudist, was fatally shot this morning found in her bedroom, and noted feudist, was fatally shot this morning found in her bedroom, and noted feudist, was fatally shot this morning found in her bedroom, and noted feudist, was fatally shot this morning found in her bedroom, and noted feudist, was fatally shot this morning found in her bedroom, and noted feudist, was fatally shot this of Kentucky manufacturing genius.

The afternoon of that day will be between representatives of both sides. Board of Internal Improvements, the the heat



READY FOR

State League Will Hold Convention in Raleigh 9-10.

STATE SELLS 50,000 ACRES SWAMP LAND

Vital Facts About the State Building and Loan League-Whole Township Votes Special School Tax-Disposition of Angola Bay Lands by Board of Education-Work of the Historical Commission-Moonshiner Deputy Sentenced-Other Items.

CHRONICLE BUREAU, RALEIGH, June 7. On Wednesday afternoon of this reek the North Carolina State League meet in Raleigh, continuing in session until Thursday night, sessions of unusual interest and importance being assured. Mr. S. Wittkowsky, of Charlotte, is president of the State League, and Mr. E. L. Keesler, of Charlotte, is secretary and treasurer. Wednesday afternoon there will be an automobile ride followed by a preliminary session. Thursday morning there will be the annual reports of officers; a barbecue and an address by Governor Kitchin at 2 o'clock and the final business session at night.

The league had its start from a little social gathering of the officers of the Charlotte associations six years ago as guests of Mr. D. A. Tompkins and Tortured Their Victims-Burned from that modest beginning when Their Feet With Candles and Tied there were in the State but 27 associations with \$1,750,000 subscribed, the league has grown to embrace 110 associations with a subscribed aggregate capital of \$18,000,000 and over \$6,-000,000 of assets. It is estimated that these associationve have been instrumental in building about 8,500 homes, representing about 42,500 people.

Two Appointments Announced.

George Little, for a number of years connected with the Southern Railway in the office of First Vice President A B. Andrews here, has been appointed by Commissioner of Agriculture bookkeeper and stenographer in the oil division of the department at a salary of \$1,200. Another appointment just made in the department is that of W. T. Horne as botanist. He is a has been doing special work under the direction of the United States Department of Agriculture for several years. He has been in Cuba for some time on a special mission for the United

Another Victory for Education. State Superintendent of Public Instruction J. Y. Joyner has received the gratifying news that the whole of County Superintendent D. F. Giles. Leading physicians declare that the Superintendent Joyner says McDowa series of automobile races at one of disease is likely to spread throughout ell's educational progress under the superintendency of Mr. Giles is phenomenal. Recently one of the finest high schools in the State has been established with \$5,000 dormitory building in connection with it.

> Work of Historical Commission, The North Carolina Historical Commission having just held its annual

proceedings of the various sessions of the internal improvements convention, laws, Governor's messages, and other public documents and letters. The publication will throw light upon the economic, social and industrial life of early days as well as lighten up the very much since much of the politics of the period turned on the question of the internal improvements, the building of railroads, turnpikes, canals, deepening rivers for navigation, digging canals. The publication will be a very valuable contribution to the literature of the State and invaluable to students of history

A NIGHT MARE.

Disposition of Swamp Lands.

The State Board of Education, of which Governor Kitchin is ex-officio chairman, grants an option or sale of the Angola Bay swamp lands in Pender and Duplin counties to John A. Stewart, 125 Broadway New York. 'The terms are that 50 cents per acre shall be paid for the 50,000 acres involved of Building and Loan Associations will in consideration of the timber, and en additional 25 cents per acre if the timber value of the lands develop to that extent. The Stewart interests must drain the lands and fit them for agriculture. And when placed on the of the revenue from the sale of the improved lands.

The board of education is still halting as to what course to pursue in the matter of the Mattamuskeet lake property. There is the proposition for the State board to join with the other land owners of the section in a drainage district, cut an 80-foot canal from the lake to the sound and ins:all pumping stations to keep the water from the lake bed, which is three feet below the sea level. Then there is a proposition for the State to sell 70 a private corporation that will undertake the drainage. Then over against this there is a strenuous effort on the part of certain land owners to deter the State from any effort to drain the lake and to leave the land owners to work out a scheme of drainage. Former Representative J. E. B. Ehringhouse, of Elizabeth City, is pressing this proposition for himself and others having large holdings of land in the

Miscellaneous Items.

One year in the penitentiary at Atlanta is the sentence imposed by Julge Connor, in the United States District Court here against J. E. Young, who pleaded guilty of operating a blockade distillery while holding a commission University of North Carolina man and as deputy sheriff for St. Mary's township, this county. Counsel are now trying to induce the judge to change the sentence so that Young can begin his sentence in October after his crop is laid by.

The work of constructing the lake for the new country club Raleigh is to have ready for opening this fall is under way. The lake is to cover fifteen 'acres. The club house and grounds are to be modern and firstclass in every particular and on such a scale as will offer inducements for tourists on their annual pilgrimages South to include Raleigh in their ob-

The board of directors of the State School for the Blind here has ed the contract for an \$8,600 heating plant for the institution. The contractors are McKenzie & Co., Greensboro. It is to a hot water system. The board has elected Prof. Mears music director of the colored department and Mr. Fisher, superintendent of the broom factory to succeed Peter A. Wills, resigned.

Noted Feudist Fatally Shot.

JACKSON, Ky., June 7 .- Ed Callahan, a former Breathitt county sheriff

CAROLINA AND

political history of ante-bellum days. Duties on Products of This State Will be About as

> INDEPENDENT SPIRIT IN POLITICS GROWING

Well Informed Tar Heel Discourses Carolina Industries-Cotton Goods, Lumber and Tobacco the Most Imthe Tariff from Two Standpoints-Old Time Democrat Proposes to be Independent.

WASHINGTON, June 7 .- A promireading the speeches published in The Congressional Record and studying the question the best he could. He terests in North Carolina were the market the State is to have 15 per cent | manufacture of cotton goods, of lumber and of the production and manua community or section in the State whose prosperity did not largely depend upon either one or the other.

Lumber was in the Dingley bill at about 11 per cent and in the present opposing element of the board of albill at about 5 1-2 per cent; cotton goods was in both bills at about 44 and say rather "Let the board of alabout 89 per cent, being the high-st ecutive board shall have in each derate in the while bill. Peanuts, he said, was in both bills at a good stiff rate, and rice at a rate of about 63 that is, in a general way:" In other per cent; kaolin, mica, monazite, thorium and baryites, all products of local importance in the sections of the State where produced were in the bill have at its disposal all monies availalso at stiff prices.

no reduction, on the contrary they are manufacturer or farmer, are asking form of the view held, but the two for no reduction; on the contrary they ideas will be clearly seen in all of are demanding that the rate on Turk-

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ATTEMPT TO STIR UP ANARCHISM

inflammatory Literature Sent to Enlisted Men in Navy in Effort to Arouse Discontent and Destroy High Standard of Patriotism. WASHINGTON, June 7 .- Secretary

of the Navy Meyer to-day laid before President Taft and the cabinet information to the effect that an anarchistic element is now attempting to arouse prejudices and discontent and destroy of money over the executive board, the standard of patriotism and effici- and then adjourn for twelve months, ency among the enlisted forces of the navy. The general naval board is purterbed over the situation.

A secret investigation by the Postoffice Department unearthed the dissemination of inflammatory documents. It is expected that the Navy Department will ask Postmaster General Hitchcock to take vigorous action against the guilty ones.

THE CASE OF EARLY IS AGAIN TO THE FRONT.

NEW YORK, June 7 .- The case of John R. Early, the alleged North Carolina leper, is again to the front. Dr. Duncan L. Bulkeley, of this city, made another examination early yes-

WHICH BOARD IS TO EXERCISE THE LARGEST POWER?

This is an Important Question to be Answered Within the Next Few Days --- Much Expected From Meeting of Aldermen To-Night.

history. Events will transpire with- ations., etc. in this time that will determine in very large measure the policy of the city in one light, gives to the executive government, the strength of the vari- board practically exery power requirous departments and the efficiency of ed in the conduct of the city except the same, for the next two years.

at present best expressed by "chaotic" when it comes to describing the positions of the various members of the being well defined in these matters. aldermanic and executive boards, this condition is expected to be not a little cleared up by the meeting of the tically every alderman and member of board to-night, and the meeting of the executive board has placed himthe executive board on the day follow- self uncompromisingly on one side or ing, will, it is believed. practically the other. settle all questions now at issue-proaction on the part of these two govposition. The particular question today is "What is the best policy, and the one most likely to meet with the support of the city's highest officials?" A Unique Suggestion.

Recognizing the difficulties of the situation as affairs now stand, a wellknown member of the board of aldermen has made the following terse proposition which would no doubt solve up large in the way:

twelve months, let the board of alder- scarcely any doubt. men then adjourn until the first Monday in May, 1910."

This proposition, while impossible of practical application, serves to show oard of aldermen. It means briefly tated, that the board of aldermen portant-Hypocrisy of Looking at shall as the legislative body of the city, turn every available cent of money over to the executive comnent North Carolinian speaking about holding that the executive board is tariff legislation said that he had been created and is empowered to run the city without the interception of its plans by the board of aldermen.

Division Lines Suggested. The above pointed suggestion of an said that outside of the production of alderman, as stated, indicates the dicorn and gotton, the three largest in- rection along which the "line of cleavfactions or two following-one which says "Let the aldermen look after facture of tobacco. These were State- the ordinances and the law-making wide industries and there was hardly end of the business entirely, and let the executive board look after the administration of the city's affairs, its

almost directly opposed to the above, partment of city government to spend, of the city's administrative affairs and able, or shall the executive board The cotton mill men are asking for stand in the attitude of the servant to the board of aldermen, and simpstrongly put, it being the extreme their differences from the above state-

Executive Board to Demand Rights. Those who are best acquainted with the temper and spirit of the majority clare that this board will not consent to acrry on business unless it has full sway, and unless it has its full rights as vested in it by the charter, and a careful reading of the charter will how that the executive board is a very powerful administrative body, as /it was intended it should be by those who framed the amendments to the Harris charter.

Therefore the suggestion by an alderman that the board of aldermen set aside just so much money as is necessary to pay the interest on the city debt, turn everything else in the way expresses almost literally the evident purpose of the city charter where the dutise and powers of the executive board are set forth.

But the Aldermen Won't Submit. "Will the board of aldermen be willing to submit to such a plan of operation and such a modus operadi, and such a policy of administration of The answer to this question is un- dren.

doubtedly a large, vigorous, sonorous

For half a century or more the board of aldermen of the City of Charlotte has had full control of the city's finances, and until a few years ago, has had full control of the city's fignances, and until a few years ago, has had full control of every interest of the city, until the establishment of

The next 24 hours will cover a very , -the squabble over the old rock quarinteresting period of local municipal ry; subway discussions; charter alter-

Yet the amended gity charter, read the few instances cited above, reve-Although the condition of affairs is nue bills, ordinances, etc., which lie entirely within the province of the aldermen, and nowhere else, the line

So there has arisen a division line which is so clearly drawn that prac-

The settlement of this problem is vided there is sufficiently harmonious the issue before the two bodies this week, and at the meeting of the board erning bodies, to make their stated of aldermen to-night, it is anticipated policy such that it will have little op- that things will begin to happen that will indicate which way the wind will blow but the executive board also meets ta-morrow, according to present intention, and the attitude of that board will be in large measure determined by the transactions of the board of aldermen to-night.

It has been customary heretofore that the finance committee and the board of aldermen have always decidnot a few difficulties that now loom ed how much money each department of the city shall have appropriated "Let the board of aldermen," says thereto annually, and also to say and he, "meet to-night and set aside the command in many other respects. But sum of \$70,000 (the annual expendi- the new executive board has delegated ture of the city), and turning over to to it by the amended charter many of the executive board all other revenues these former rights of the aldermen into the city treasury during the next readjustment of affairs, there is

Compromise May Be Made. It is hardly likely that the board of aldermen will be willing to accept the extreme construction put on the sections of the charter setting forth the powers of the executive board, nor is it likely that the executive board will be willing to surrender any rights which it has reason to believe are vested in it by the charter which created this board, hence the only solution would seem to be sometthing in the nature of a compromise line or course of action, and policy.

Yet some of the best informed to cal politicians, knowing the stuff whereof many of the officials of both boards are made, declare that there will be interesting times before the problems at stake are settled-yet it has been known to happen before, and it may unexpectedly happen this time, that the apparent differences between the two factions or elements, may be quietly overlooked and measures and rules adopted, and plans of work designated, that will prove entirely harmonious. Such things have happened, and such an outcome is barely, just barely, possible in the case under discussion. Often each side, feeling the strength of the other, calmly and without tumult or noise, silently determines that the battle is best not fought, and the differences seem to vanish as if by magic touch, and everything goes on in peace and harmony.

Discussion Already Running High. Nevertheless, discussion is already running high in the old town to-day over the prospects of a fight of some sort, and while harmony is a possibility, little is heard of it to-day It is already known that events now in the past—the immediate past have taken place pointing towards an interesting situation's developing ere the policy to be followed is agreed

Curtailment Idea is Involved. Perhaps it would be correct to say old-of cutting down the city's expenses, reducing salaries, combining offices, cutting off men in various departments, and others of the same nature, is in a large measure the cause of the existing situation. This been presented to an administration. and its solution will require the finest exercise of diplomacy and the hardest work possible on the part of the best heads of the city administration. The question of powers of the executive board and board of aldermen and the question of reduction of ex-

J. W. M'ALLISTER, OF WINSTON, IS DEAD

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Well Known Real Estate and Insurance Man Succumbs to Attack of Appendicitis. Special to The Chronicle.

WINSTON-SALEM, June 7 .- Mr. J. V. McAllister, a leading real estate dealer and insurance man here, died this morning as the result of an attack of appendicitis. An operation was performed upon him at the hospi-

The deceased was a son of Col. A. C. McAlister, of Asheboro. He is survived by his wife and two small chil-

MURDERED SON AND SUICIDED

Cleveland Society Woman Ends Life With Revolver After Murdering

SALEM, O., June 7 .- With a revolver clutched tightly in her hand, the terday and is now frying to have him city departments, and it is not likely body of Mrs. G. V. Sharp, a prominent transferred to New York for treat-that this body will be willing to be society woman, wife of a wealthy ment. He thinks Early is suffering satisfied with the making of a few Cleveland paper manufacturer, wasc