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#### DEADLY TOY GUNS ARE NOW TABOOED

Bill Prohibiting Them, Also against 80 of a year ago. Fire-Crackers, Spring and Air Guns Passes The House Today

#### THE WATTS BILL MADE THE ORDER FOR TUESDAY

Durham Depot Bill Set For Next Thursday -- Proceedings of the House and Senate Yesterday

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 4.-The House today passed a bill prohibiting three inch fire erackers, toy pistols spring The bill abolishing kissing the Bible

in taking the oath passed its second

alling in the Senate. Fuller introduced a bill to include wls in the term stock. The Watts bill, prohibiting the manufacture and sale of liquor outside of towns, was reported favorably to the House and made the special order for next Tues-

The Durham depot bill is set February twelfth in the Senate.

THE SENATE, FEB. 3. The Senate met at 11 o'clock with President pro tem Brown in the chair. Prayer by Rev. Dr. M. M. Marshall. Under report of committees the comably the Justice bill requiring railroads to give warning of the approach PETITIONS PRESENTED.

Temperance petitions were presented by Senators: Richardson, Marshall, Hicks, of Duplin; Reinhardt, Lamb, Warren, Blow, Beasley, Travis, God-

BILLS INTRODUCED. McByde: Amending act of 1901, for the relief of certain Confederate Soldiers and widows, increasing the appropriation to \$300,000. Baldwin: To regulate the contracts of laborers and renters. Godwin: To amend the law Bound and Gagged Aged Woregarding rebuilding depots destroyed by fires. Woodward: To incorporate Wilson Savings and Trust Company Spruill, by requenst: Abrogating the penalty for not listing polls for taxation. Spruill: To amend Chapter 9, Laws of 1901. Burton: To repeal the charter of Piedmont Literary Club Co. of Reidsville. Baldwin: To repeal Chapter 17, Public Laws 1887 to aid Forsythe to promote internal improvements. Baldwin: To prevent obstruction of the view of persons in theatres and public halls where an admission is charged. McMullan: To authorize Elizabeth City to make contracts for electrict lights, sewerage, etc and to levy a special tax. Travis: For the relief of Miss Matinet Peaco, of Halifax, Griffith: To provide a bridge of spruce pine in Mitchell county.

THE CALENDAR. The House bill for the railroad committee of the Legislature to meet with the representatives of the Chambers of Commerce to discuss freight discrimination was tabled on motion of Mr. Baldwin, Senate bill: To amend chapter 398 Laws 1899 was explained by Mr. Lamb, its patrons, as being designed to remove certain trustees of the colored school at Fayetteville for their participation in politics. The bill passed. The Senate adopted a substitute to the Baldwin bill so that a subcommittee of the Legislative railroad committees shall meet the shippers and

discuss discrimination. PASSED THIRD READING. House bill: To relieve G. T. Garner, a school teacher of Randolph. Senate bill: To amend the charter of Shiloh institute, House bill: To relieve Walter

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#### ANTI-TRUST BILL WILL SOON BE LAW

It Embraces Three Features and Sleepy Attorney General Knox is Expected To Wake and Enforce Law

Washington, Feb. 4.-Within three days, it is expected, the entire antitrust programme recommended by the President and the Attorney General will have been enacted into law.

It includes publicity of the details of the business of corporations, prohibition of granting rebates or other fa- employers of labor. vors by carriers in order to gain the business of large shippers, and the adoption of legislation which will enable the Attorney General to exhibit though the courts the cases brought against corporations for the violations of ante-trust laws.

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ANNUAL MEETING LAST NIGHT.

Chamber of Commerce Wishes to Com-bine With Industrial Branch of Club. The annual meeting of the Chamber of Commerce was held last night at 8 o'clock. The secretary and treasarer, Mr. A. G. Craig, submitted his report. The Chamber is in good financial condition and has 82 members now as

A resolution was submitted and passed by which a proposition will be made to the Manufacturers' Club that the Chamber unite and operate in conjunction with the proposed industrial branch of the Manufacturers' Club.

This would not only be a wise econo my, but the connection would prove a strong auxiliary to the Chamber in its work of advertising Charlotte, etc. It is confidently expected that the suggestion will be found acceptable by the

The matter was placed in the hands of the executive committee to negotiate with the Club and consummate the arrangement. The two bodies will undoubtedly be able to cooperate to great

The promise of renewed interest in the work of the Chamber was made in behalf of the members. Our people realize now more than ever before in its history the inestimable value of the Chamber of Commerce and the prospects are that during 1903 increased enthusiasm and zeal will be shown.

Well Known Teacher Dead. The Rock Hill Herald of today gives well known teacher at Winthrop Col- powers.

Miss Sophia Whilden, first assistant teacher of music in Winthrop College, died in the college infirmary yesterday morning between four and five o'clock of pneumonia, aged 44 years. Her sisters, Mrs. Charles S. Hard of Greenville, and Mrs. A. McIver of Charleston, with their husbands, were with her when the end came. Last night her remains were Greenville, where the burial was appointed to take place this morning. Services were held at the college yesterday by Rev. W. E. Thayer. Prior to this, however, a meeting of the faculty mittee on railroads reported unfavor- and students was held in the auditorium, when suitable resolutions of more and more evident that the powers appreciation and sorrow were adopted. of trains while a minority sent a sub- Out of respect to the memory of the deceased exercises were suspended in the college yesterday.

### ROBBERS HAD MUCH NERVE

man and Sat Her on Porch While They Ransacked The House

Cumberland, Md., Feb. 4.-While Mrs. Sweitzer, an aged woman, was alone in her home at Dumas, Pa., fifty miles west of here, masked men tied her hands and feet together, then stifled a pillow case over her head and pean exchequers. carried the woman out of the house and sat her on the porch.

The robbers then ransacked the house, securing considerable booty. When the other members of the Schweitzer family returned home they found the woman nearly suffocated in almost frozen. She had remained in this position several hours.

Kills Himself and Wife.

Winston-Salem, Feb. 4.-Banks Miller, a young man, shot his wife last night and then killed himself. Both died in a few minutes.

Miller and his wife had a dispute Monday and decided to separate She left her husband, taking their two children to the home of relatives. Last night Miller called to see his wife and after talking over their misunderstanding, the wife consented to live with her husband again. As he started to leave the room he asked his wife to come to the door and kiss him good night. She complied with the request. Miller inmediately thereafter turned around and fired at her, the ball taking effect in her right breast. The husband then placed the pistol to his head and fired. When the officers arrived at the house Miller and his wife were lying on the floor dead. There were two eye wit-

nesses to the tragedy. Asks Hobson To Reconsider.

Washington, Feb. 4.-Secretary Moody today wrote a letter to Captain Richmond P. Hobson, asking him to econsider his resignation. The secretary compliments Hobson highly upon his brilliant record at Santiago and last night, is responsible for four island. tells him the department needs his deaths.

Want An Eight-Hour Day.

Asheville, N. C., Feb. 4.-The Asheville trades union has issued an ultimatum to the contractors of that city that, beginning May 3, all the crattsmen represented in the union shall work only eight hours per day for which they shall receive nine hours' pay. No reply has yet been made by

Plot Against Paraguay President.

#### BOWEN'S STRATEGY ANGERS POWERS

Manner in Which He Has Put the Allies on the Defensive Has Ruffled Their Tempers

#### EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO ELIMINATE BOWEN

Germany Does Not Seek Any Trouble With Uncle Sam, Realizing Cost Such Conflict Would Entail

London, Feb. 4.-The allied powers are greatly disconcerted over the ability shown by Minister Bowen in conducting Venezuela's cause in the nethe following account of the death of a gotiations for a settlement with the

> When they opened negotiations the powers had an idea thaty could checkmate him and his familiarity with international law accordingly, has come as a shock to Europe.

> The manenr in which he put the allies on the defensive has considerably ruffled the tempers of the latter and efforts are now being made it is reported, by members of the cabinet in the alliance to eliminate Bowen from the negotiations, the powers thus hoping to get better terms.

A despatch from Berlin today quotes could have found no more unwelcome gent for Venezuela than Bowen, as he is seeing to Castro's interests in a way which shows that yankees are entirely disregarding the rights of the

Not Seeking Trouble. London, Feb. 4.—Col. Millard Hunsicker, European manager of the Carnegie Steel Company, one of the leading financial and commercial experts in this city, said today that it was nonsense to suppose that any European power is scheming to get into trouble with the United dates in the western

"There is no country in Europe,"

said Colonel Hunsicker, "the responsible statesmen of which would undertake to finance such a war without consternation. However ambitious and spirited the Kanser may be, the more he knows of the pecuniary cost of war the more he is likely to know that a conflct with a country like the United States waged on the other side of the Atlantic nary enterprise of this kind. Indeed, I

think such a war would be a financial

impossibility in the condition of Euro-

"Look at the vast outlay required to conquer the Boers. More than a billion dollars-a regular Gulf Stream of gold -yet Great Britain was not compelled to convoy a single transport to South Africa. Soldiers, provisions, horses, mules, everything needed for the hoge usiness in hand, crossed the seas without a gun to protect them. This could not happen in the case of a European nation which looked for a conflict with the United States. Uncle Sam's warships would cruise the ocean,

Careful On Blockade. Paris, Feb. 2.- A Matin special from The English Consul at La Guayra in

and woe betide any transport belong-

ing to the enemy that was inadequate

#### RUSHED BLINDLY TO THEIR DEATHS

Four Men Are Killed in Chicago As the Result Of Terrific Storm of Sleet and Snow

Chicago, Feb. 4.-The severe storm of snow and sleet which prevailed here

Gustav Berg, an oiler, employed by the Illinois Central, walked in front of a train at the foot of Adams street during the storm and was instantly

David Ramsey, foreman of the Og-St. Paul at Willof street crossing and paralyzed.

William J. West, a fireman of the Chicago, Grand trunk railroad was at Forty-seventh street and scalded to Hawkins of San Francisco, at the Asuncion, Paraguay, Feb. 4.—A plet death. The collision was the result of Criterion Athletic Club last night in a ness called by the Reading company on

formed the authorities that the cruiser Tribune was going to enter the inner harbor of Puerto Cabello to clear her hull, and requested them to inform the population of Puerta Cabello there was no reason to be alarmed at the Tribune's approach to shore.

Reports from Puerto Cabello state the civil Government has prohibited popular manifestations relative to the suspension of the blockade and recommends that the people remain orderly and circumspect. All is quiet in Car-

English Newspaper Defends Bowen. London, Feb 4.-The Westminster Gazette today defends Bowen's offer that all the Venezuelan creators share alike. The paper says this is thefoundation of the English debtors law according to which, no matter how few creditors there were when the suit begun, the general body of creditors, foreign or domestic, share equally. The law, the Gazette continues, is just the opposite. It gives German creditors preference over foreign creditors the paper points out and this indicates Slayer of Hollingsworth Still hat Germany is the real director. "If present deadlock continues why should we risk a missunderstanding and a possible quarrel with the United States by insisting on a demand which we should reject as between creditor and debtor in this country?'

WANTS TO CURE ROCKEFELLER.

Woman Says She Can Have Him Eating Beef and Cabbage Soon. New York, Feb. 4 .- Mrs. Anna Martinoni, a middle-aged woman, who is a renovator of ancient tapestries, living at 541 Gardner street, Union Hill, N. J., is positive that she can cure John D. Rockefeller of his long-standng stomach trouble with a remedy of her own invention. Today she wrote to Mr. Rockefeller, saying that if he would consent she would call at his home and give him a course of her treatment.

She avers that she can give him relief in one day and can thoroughly cure him inside of a week. She wants no pay if the cure is not permanent, an editorial which appeared in Tag- and after he is cured he can pay her blatt and which is the official temper in whatever he sees fit. She neither matter. That paper says it is becoming operates upon the patient nor administers any drugs, she says, and the treatment is pleasant, harmless and

What the mixture was she would not say, but admitted that its principal ingredient was the whites of fresh eggs. She names persons she has cured, saying they can now eat corned beef and cabbage and sour pickles afterward without ill effects.

## PROCEEDINGS OF HOUSE AND SENATE

College Professor Wants Philippines Investigated -- Littlefield Bill wi'l Come Up Tomorrow

Washington, Feb. 4.-In the Senate oday Mr. Hoar presented a petition from 29 professors of Harvard, Yale and other leading colleges asking that the Senate committee on the Philippines, during the approaching recess, fully investigate the conditions in the

Philippine Archipelago. The House today, in committee of he whole, recommended consolidation on the post office appropriation bill by unanimous consent. The general debate is to close at three o'clock and the bill will be read for amendment. The Littlefield anti-trust bill will be considered after the disposal of the postoffice appropriation bill, which is now before the House, probably tomorrow. This decision was reached by the House Committee on Rules today.

TO RELINQUISH THE STATUE.

Citizens Ask War Dept. to Take Charge of Miss Liberty. Washington, Feb. 4.—The commitee of citizens in charge of the State of Liberty in New York harbor today formally asked the War Department to assume control of it. Liberty Island is a military reservation and the committee told Secretary Root they thought the time had come for the Government to exercise full control over it and the Bartholdi Statue. They are ready to turn over the fund of

Mr. Root favors the suggestion and will urge the passage of a special act of Congress, which is necessary to exe-

One result of the change may be the discontinuance of the steamer now running between the Battery and the

Nebraska In Blizzard's Grasp. Omaha, Neb., Feb. 4.-The worst blizzard in many years raged through Nebraska, South Dakota and Wyomng last night. Business of all kinds is suspended today and all trains are den Gas Company, walked in front of snowbound, street car systems tied up a train on the Chicago, Milwaukee & and telegraph and telephone lines

> Danny Duane Wins Bout. Boston, Feb. 4.—Danny Duane, a

# FREED MURDERER

Man Entered the Jail and Released Utley, Threatening to Kill Any Prisoner who Gave an Alarm

#### **NEGRO PRISONER GIVEN** \$50 TO KEEP QUIET

at Large and No Clue To his Whereabouts--County Comm. Investigating

Fayetteville, N. C., Feb. 4.—There is no clue as yet to Utley's whereabouts. The County Commissioners are still investigating the escape.

A negro prisoner says that Utley was let out by a party who entered the jail and that he (the negro) was threatened with death if he gave the

He says Utley gave him \$50 to keep quiet. This amount was found on him.

Story of Utley's Escape. The Fayetteville Observer contains

this account of Utley's escape: "E. L. Utley-in jail awaiting appeal under a twenty years sentence for killing Mr. T. B. Hollingsworth-quietly walked out of the Cumberland county ail some time during last night, and is now at large.

"The following is the statement of Jailor Pate, who sleeps on the first floor of the jail:

"I heard nothing unusua! during last night. When I went to feed the pris oners about 7 o'clock this morning I noticed that boards under the steps had been broken away, and concluded that an escape had been made. I went at once to Utley's cell ,and saw what I supposed to be the prisoner's form under the cover. I said nothing to him. went upstairs to the cage cells and found all the prisoners intact. I then came down stairs again and went into Utley's call, and found that instead of Utley in bed it was the boards broken from underneath the stairs, wrapped | around with some of Utley's clothing o resemble a form, with the bed covering pulled up over it. I then notified Capt. A. B. Williams, charman of the board of county commissioners, of the escape. It was about 8:30 o'clock when notified Capt. Williams. The door leading to the tier of cells in which Itley was confined was left open. It is never locked. One of the padlocks on the door to Utley's cell was locked. How he got the keys I do not know. The outside iron door leading from the second floor to the steps on the outside of the jail, was also unlocked. This

door is also never locked." "Utley was confined in the northeast orner cell on the second floor. The loor of the cell had two padlocks. One of these was found locked this morning. After getting out of the cell the rest was easy enough. The iron door to this tier of cells being open, and the outer door being open, according to Jailer Pate, all the prisoner had to do was to crawl through the hole (from which the boards had been torn) underneath the iron steps leading to the third floor, and just above the steps going down to the first floor, let himself down on thse bottom steps, ascend again to the second floor, which was said to be open, again descend by the outside steps to the yard, open a gate in the northwest corner of the high poard fence, and he was free. Only one locked door between the prisoner and iberty, whereas, in the natural course

## WITNESS WAS HEARD TODAY

Anthracite Strike Commission Will Remain in Philadelphia Despite Reports To the Contrary

Philadelphia, Feb. 4.-The Anthraite Strike Commission will remain here until their labors, other than the mere consideration of testimony in executive session, is completed. Final arguments of counsel will be heard by Judge Gray, chairman of the com- trial will be held in the city cours mission this morning and puts a room. quietus on rumors that the closing arguments, would be heard in Wash-

caught beneath his engine in a wreck clever New York lightweight, met Dan order that Darrow might cross exam- stronger this morning." ine statistician Newcomb, the last wit-

of things, there are four doors through which one has to go to get to this cell. 'There were two padlocks on Utley's cell door. One of these Jailor Pate says was unlocked, while the other one was locked when he went to the cell this morning. This must have been locked by the prisoner, or some one, after he had escaped, and the boards placed in

"Deputy Sheriff Monaghan, when he arrived on the scene had all the prisoners searched. On Della Waddill, a negro woman who is in jail for selling whiskey, and who occupied a cell adjoining Utley's, he found a ten dollar bill, a bunch of keys belonging to Utley, and a note addressed to Mr. Herbert Lutterloh and signed by E. L. Utley. This note asked for a loan of \$20,000, and bade his uncle good-bye.

Utley's cell was located, was found \$50 in bills. Neither the woman nor Maxwell would say how they came by the note or money. There is a rumor affoat that Utley really made his escape Friday, but Ship Wrecked and Crew is there is no truth in this, as deputy

"On Geo. Maxwell, another prisoner

who had access to the corridor in which

sheriff Monaghan says he saw and talked with him yesterday, and that Utley asked him "what he was hanging around his cell, for that he was not trying to escape." "The county commissioners have of-

fered a reward of \$400 for Utley's apprehension." YOUNG HUNTER ACQUITTED.

Son of Former Minister to Guatemala Sends Message. Louisville, reb. 4 .- "Acquitted. Consul-General McNally, chief conspira-

him in the conspiracy. (Signed) W Godfrey Hunter." This is the full text of a cablegram received last night by William Hunter, the elder son of Dr. W. Godfrey Hua-

tor. Thirty-six witnesses implicated

W. Godfrey Hunter, Jr., killed Wil liam A. Fitzgerald, of Michigan, in Guatemala in November last, and his trial has been in progress for some time. William Hunter declined to dis- Archbishop Brunehesi, of Montreal for cuss the cablegram. He expects his father and brother to return to the

ter, former United States Minister to

### NAMES KNOWN OF FOUR SAFE-ROBBERS ger.

All Circumstamial Evidence Points to Them in Each Case - May Be Brought Here For Trial Soon

The four men in jail at Monroe who are charged with a number of robberies in this immediate section, are a non talkative set, though Chief Irwin feels that he gained some information

from his visit there yesterday. It is a fact that these men have been hanging around Charlotte for some time and it is also a fact that a five cent piece found on one of them, Mr. W. G. Shoemaker is prepared to

blown open last Friday night. Up to yesterday afternoon, late, al efforts to ascertain the men's names proved futile. Chief Irwin, however managed to put some facts together and just before leaving the jail in Monroe he found out the names of all four. From best information obtainable the men are: J. H. Lang, E. Rogers, Walter Woods and Louis Spencer. The first two were registered at the

morning and the latter two were guests of the Leland hotel in this city the same day. The Shoemaker burglary was committed sometime Friday night and the

Falls House in Gastonia last Friday

supposition is that the four met in Charlotte Friday afternoon or evening and did the clever piece of work at the Shoemaker store From Charlotte, these men are supposed to have gone down the Seaboard

Air Line Saturday morning probably remaining in Matthews Saturday after-noon and making their arrangements or the Heath, Barrett and Grier robbery, which was successfully carried out Saturday night. From this point they took to the woods and the next heard of them they were in Monroe. Chief Irwin, Mr. W. W. Irvine chief of the fire department and Mr. Shoe maker returned from Monroe last night. They feel confident that the men

nabbed by the Union county officers are the ones who have been doing the work of safe cracking in this and Chief Irwin informs The News man today that all of the four are a hard lot and their appearances would indi-

cate that they would not stop at anything to accomplish their end. Recorder Shannonhouse will try to have the men brought to Charlotte for next week. This statement was made | trial. If he succeeds, the preliminary

Mr. Long Better. Boston, Feb. 4.-The eleven-thirty At this morning's session rebuttal bulletin says: "Mr. Long had a quiet testimony was temporarily shelved in restful night and seems distinctly

Fire Wrecks Grocery.

# **NEWS AND VIEWS**

No Improvement is Noted in the King's Condition Today and Physician is Now Close at Hand

#### ENGLAND BUYING HER **BEEF FROM ARGENTINA**

Drowned -- Shamrock Will Be Used as Trial Horse For the Challenge

London, Feb. 4.-King Edward's ondition today, according to information received in Court Circles, is about the same, Sir Francis Laking, His Majesty's physician, is in close attendance on royal patient as the fear of complications which often follow an attack of influenza is not yet ban-

Mother Love Stirs Her. London, Feb. 4.-The Central News states that the Crown Princess Louise, of Saxony, has asked permission to return to see her son, Prince Frederic Christian, who is ill.

Pope Stands Pat. Rome, Feb. 4.-The Pope, to show his determination not to appoint assistants without the right of succession, has refused the request of an auxiliary bishop.

Shamrock As Trial Horse. Glasgow, Feb. 4.—The final hull plate this morning was fixed on Lipton's new racer Shamrock III. Work on the deck will now begin. A start was made this morning to fit up Shamrock as a trial horse for the challen-

No More Embalmed Beef. Liverpool, Feb. 4.-Large shipments of beef from Argentine Republic are expected here shortly. It is expected this purchasing from other countries will cause a big drop in United State's

Whole Crew Drowned. Glasgow, Feb. 4.-Dispatches from Dunkirk report that sailing ship Van Stabel, of Glasgow, for San Francisco, was wrecked off Lomas Island and it is believed the entire crew was

Big Liner Is Ashore. Aden, Feb. 4.-The Norddeutche loyd liner Freeburg is ashore near Mocha but is not in a dangerous position and it is believed will receive no

Eloping Couple at Geneva. Geneva, Feb. 4.-The Crown Priness Louise, of Saxony and Giron, arrived here today. The Princess will not go to Dresden as reported, but will shortly visit Saalsburg where her father resides.

serious damage.

\$2,500 For Roosevelt Portrait. Washington, Feb. 4.—President Roosevelt will have his picture painted at Government expense. In the Sundry Civil bill, under the heading Maintenance of the Executive Mansion," appears an item of \$2,500 "to procure for the Executive Mansion an il painting of the President."

Topeka, Kan., Feb. 4.—The Senate passed a bill today making public exhibitions of snake-eating a misdeneanor, with a fine of \$100 and a jail sentence of three months for snakeeater, manager and the public official granting the license.

Snake-Eating Barred by Law.

#### DRIZZLING RAIN DAMPENS MILITIA

Cars Started as Usual On All Lines -- Much Speculation As to Effect of Weather On Riotous Crowds

Waterbury, Feb. 4 .- A drizzling rain which set in this morning, was a discouraging condition for the Connecticut militiamen, who are stationed here in connection with the strike.

Cars started as usual on all lines. There was much speculation as to the effect of the rain on the gathering Richmond, Feb. 4.-Fire last night crowds. Military officers were of the opinion that it would produce little change in the situation in this respect.