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NOTHING FURTHER IN LEGISLATION AT EXTRA CESSION

Bill Having Cuban Passed the Body Will Adjourn From fested is rendered practically useless for the culture of tobacco, at least, Day to Day --- Many Members Will Return Home.

The North Carolina Delegation Make Arrangements to Give the N. C. Press Association the Time of Their Lives.

(By A. W. Hughes.)

Washington, Nov. 20 .- The vote having been taken on the Cuban bill at 4 p. m. today, it is not believed that there will be any further legislation undertaken by the House at the extra session. As long as the Senate remains in session the House will meet and ad- age wrought by this disease is very journ from day to day or possibly over periods of three days at a time, no melness being transacted at these ses-Many of the members of the House will take advantage of this state of affairs to return to their homes, several of the North Carolnia delegates having signified their intention of doing so, if they are assured that nothing of importance will be taken up in their absence. Several of these gentlemen will bring their wives and families when they return. Senator Overman dustry of the State, Mrs. Overman and children with him at the Dewey in of obtaining the establishment of a about ten days. Rep. Small will probably remain here to look after his appointment on the riends are using all legitimate means to bring that about, and want him on the ground.

the disaster that has befallen the Texas cotton fields from the ravages of that destructive pest the boll weevil, and A Telegraph Operator Wires For Help to take meanns for eradicating the and the Message Stops Forever. tobacco wilt while it is yet in its in-(By Associated Press.) fancy. Elmira, N. Y., Nov. 20.-W. H. Clen-

In reading his report on this disease denin, a telegraph operator at Brown, before the Association of Agricultural Pa., a station 15 miles north of Wil-Colleges and Experiment Stations in llamsport, on the Beech Creek division session here this week, Prof. Stevens of the New York Central railway was said in part, that as the tobacco wilt is found dead in the telegraph tower caused by a parasite distributed princi- shortly after 8 o'clock last night. At pally by soil its invasion into new ter- 6:50 o'clock the operator at Oak Grove, ritory is practically certain, unless Pa., on the same road received this some means of control be happily dis- message from Clendenin: "Send switch

covered or invented, for as in the case engine quick to me, I am being mur-House, That of the boll weevil, no adequate remedy has as yet been found. Soil once indered by -

The wire opened and not another word came. A switch engine was sent to the scene. The body was found lyunless a protracted period of rest (from ing under the desk, the head crushed ten to twenty years) is allowed. The in. A bloody spike lay on the floor disease thus resembles the formidable beside it. Robbery apparently was the wilt of the melon, cowpea and cotton. motive, the watch and money of the Mr. Stevens regards the disease as being quite local, since if it had been operator being missing.

widely distributed it would have surely crept into literature long ago as its destructiveness and prominence in a field once affected are characteristics that lead to unenviable notoriety. Indications are that the disease is spreading in Granville county from an infected center still comparatively

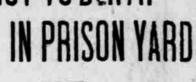
small. While it has been known in the since 1881, rendering it quite an easy matter to trace it from farm to farm in Granville until it has now reached Wake county. It is asserted, says Mr.

Stevens, that no wilt as yet has been found except between the Tar and Neuse Rivers. In sections where the chief money crop must be tobacco, where the soil great. It does not take merely an oc-

casional plant but the majority of those in the field, Mr. Stevens tells me, and it may be termed therefore, practically destructive of the tobacco crop where the fields are infected. It is to be hoped that he United States Agricultural Department will co-operate with the North Carolina State Department in an earnest endeavor to discover or invents some means for controlling this disease which is threatening the tobacco in-

tepresentative Webb is not hopeful

SHOT TO DEATH



Mortenson was Given the Choice of Death by Hanging or Shooting and Chose the Latter, According to the Law of Utah.

Story of the Crime- - James head street. The horses had to be driven to the last fire in a slow trot Ray, His Victim, was Shot as they were nearly exhausted. The first alarm was turned in from box 31. The fire was at the residence by Mortenson on Account of Mr. Robert Sossoman on East of a Debt Owed by the the bridge. The conflagration was caused by a gurtain catching fire. The blaze was easily extinguished. Murderer.

(By Associated Press.)

Salt Lake, Utah, Nov. 20-Peter Mortensen, convicted of the murder of James R. Hay, was shot to death in the yard of the State prison this morn-ing. Peter Mortensen was shot for the murder of James R. Hay on the night of December 16, 1902. The day follow-Neisler. Mr. Brock is a conductor on Southern rallway. ing a report was circulated that Hay the Southern railway.

with his \$3,500 collected from Morten-sen on a bill due to the company. Mor-Mr. J. M. House, 1014 South Tryon Smith and Miss Bird Smith, of Ansontensen was indebted to the company street. It was over twenty minutes ville,

for material used in his contracting before the department could reach the business and had been urged to make scene as the horses were well tired iminez and Dr. Antonio R. Blanco, re- payment. December 16, he called at the out by two long runs. The fire caught ported to be envoys from the Colom- office of the company and said he had from a defective flue. The roof of the bian government to the United States sovernment accompanied by their in-terpreter, came into the city yesterday from the Cuban and left this afternoon

Marriage of a Popular Young Couple COTTON TRADE Departments Were Decidedly On the Run Today. (Special to The News.)

Three alarms of fire within twenty minutes, firemen fighting one fire while the big bell rung vigorously telling of another fire; people running in every direction unable to locate the fires in the confusion caused by three almost simultaneous alarms; these were some of the incidents of the fires this afternoon which occurred shortly

THREE FIRES IN 20 MINUTES.

after three o'clock. The department made a long run to an alarm turned in from box 31, and hardly had they reached the fire when the big bell rang in an alarm from box 43, just as the firemen had completed the long run back again with horses well tired out the bell started up again, this time box 31 again, the fire being located this time on South Tryon, several blocks below More-

belonged to her grandmother and to her great-grandmather. The maid of honor was gowned in

white silk mull and lace over taffeta. The young couple was the recipient of a number of very handsome pres-Morehead street, two houses east of ents.

The bride is a special favo: ite in Wadesboro, both on account of her winsome sweetness and her marked musical talent. While the department was going to the first fire a second alarm was turned in from Box 43. The second The grocen is a popular and progres-

HOUSTON-DUNLAP NUPTIALS.

Wadesboro, Nov. 20 .- The marriage

of Mr. Samuel Houston and Miss Olive

Dunlap was solemnized in Calvary

Episcopal church last night at 7

o'clock. Bishop Joseph Blount Cheshire assisted by Rev. Mr. Higgs, rector of

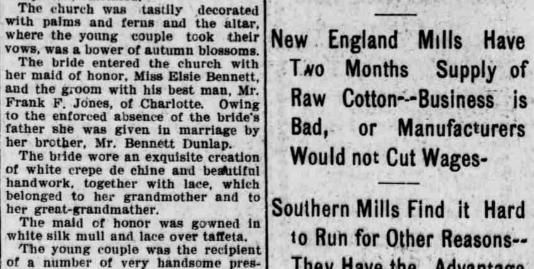
the parish, officiated.

sive young business man of the Queen blaze proved to be the home of Mr. City. and Mrs. Brock on West Seventh The out-of-town guests who attended the nuptials were: Mrs. Houston, mother of the groom; Mr. and Mrs. B. street. The blaze was in the room and

F. Houston, of Gastonia; Misses Sarah and Grace Houston, of Charlotte, and Mrs. Bass, of Anderson, S. C., brother and sisters of Mr. Houston; Mrs, Roark and little Miss Sarah Roark, sister and niece of the groom; Mr. Harry Gross, of Baltimore; Mr. who was secretary of the Pacific Lum-ber Company had absconded, taking fire No. 2 an alarm was turned in from Harry Gross, of Baltimore;

FEELS ENCOURAGED.

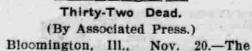
Mr. Glenn Has Met With a Hearty ability to secure right managements Welcome Here. and adequate financial accommodation



They Have the Advantage in Freight Rates but Have to Pay Higher Interest.

(By Associated Press.) Boston, Nov. 20 .- Cotton trade authorities reviewing the general situation sum up their observations with reference to existing market conditions as follows: "Business is bad or mills would not take changes in reducing wages on the other hand operatives know business is bad or they would not accept reduction without a strike. Last year the mills had to contend with extraordinary fuel costs, this year it is high priced cotton. Southern mills are as badly off as New England mills. What they save in labor and fuel costs and cotton freights, they lose in

Hon. B. B. Glenn who has been in at the rates at which mills can borrow. ves In substantiation of this view, it is said that New England mills have less this evening for Richmond where he than two months supply of cotton on threw most of the furniture out of the goes on business. hand, where as in normal years they have by the middle of November a six months supply,



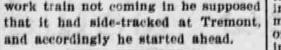
known list of dead in the Meinart wreck is 32 and of injured 17. The track is still blocked and will be for the greater part of today. All trains county for twenty years it is still in on Big Four are using the tracks of its infancy, having spread very slowly Lake Erie and Western, between Bloomington and Peoria. Conductor Judge, who was on the freight train running west, said he had orders to wait at Mackinaw until 2:40 for the work train. He obeyed orders, and

stayed there until that time, when the work train not coming in he supposed is preeminently a tobacco soil the dam- that it had side-tracked at Tremont,

ENVOYS FROM COLOMBIA.

(By Associated Press.)

Galveston, Nov. 20 .- Hon. Dioncio



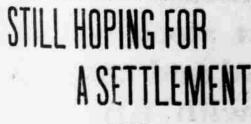
Two Men Land At Galveston an Proceed To Washington.

There are two Democratic vacancies on this committee and seven applications for the places. Mr. Small's ebance for appointment are notably good

Despite the violent opposition of many of the best people of Florence, 8. C., President Roosevelt has deterined to renominate Joshua E. Wilson, the neg o preacher as postmaster at that place. Senator Tillman will undoubtedly oppose the confirmation of this nomination

In the death of Judge S. F. Philips, former Solicitor-General of the United States under Grant, Hayes, Garfield and Arthur, at his home in this city, the North Carolina contingent now resident in Washington, has lost one of its brightest members and a cordial friend. Judge Philips, although of ad. vanced age and for so long a time a non-resident of the State, was always deeply interested in her welfare and your correspondent well remembers the eager questions about old friends which he put to any one calling upon him after a visit to North Carolina.

If Prof. F. L. Stevens, of the A. & M. Coilege, at Raleigh, N. C., is correct in his diagnosis of the tobacco wilt disease as now found in certain sections of North Carolina, notably Granville county, the tobacco growers not only of that State but of the whole country will do well to bear in mind



Mayor Harrison and the Al-Today, Waiting the Decision of the Strikers---More Trouble Feared.

(By Associated Press.) Chicago, Nov. 20 .- Still clinging to he hope that the termination of the street car strike might be achieved. through his efforts at arbitration, Mayor Harrison and the Aldermanic Board gathered in the former's office today. Members of the executive board of the sufficient distance of the security board of the striking division of carmen had previously assembled with President Mahon to discuss a counter proposition made by the railway officials last night. The peace board of the city officials waited as patiently as possible for the strikers' representations to make a destrikers' representatives to make a de-cision which might mean amicable setlement of strike or another step toward the general demoralization of the city's industries. At Union headquarters the impression prevailed that the offer would be rejected. The operation

postoffice at Lenoir College. He has worked faithfully with the postoffice department to obtain this service for Rivers and Harbors Committee as his the college, which as your readers know is only about a mile and a half from Hickory, the nearest postoffice.

Fourth Assistant Postmaster-General Bristow tells Mr. Webb that it is against the policy of the Department to establish postoffices for the benefit of private institutions, and what the Fourth Assistant says, goes these days,

As a rural free delivery, Mr. Webb says, that his district yet holds the banner for the number of routes established and he expects to keep it there. The inspector who is now at work in that section has nineteen routes slated for inspection in the Ninth District and expects to report favorably so far as he

has been on about eleven of these. A telegram was received from the Secretary of the N. C. Press Association stating that there would cermembers here on the 3rd and 4th of December. It has been decided by the Congressional delegation to give these gentlemen and their ladies a five hour carriage drive over the city on the 4th, and in case the weather prove unpropitious for that purpose, to entertain the Association in the evening by a theatre party.

COMPTROLLER'S CALL.

National Banks' Condition on November 17, is Called For.

(By Associated Press.) Washington, Nov. 20 .- The Comptroller of the Currency has issued a

minion of Canada."

call for the condition of National Banks at the close of business, November 17.

Freer Trade With Canada. (By Associated Press.) Washington, Nov. 20.—Representa-

Washington, Nov. 20.—Representa-tive Williams of Mississippi introduced a resolution yesterday declaring: "That the House of Representatives would view with pleasure and heartily endorse initiative steps taken by the President of the U.S. towards re-convening the joint high commission apdermanic Board in Session pointed by Great Britain, the Dominion of Canada and the U.S. for the purpose of considering and agreeing upon freer and more amicable trade relations between the U.S. and the Do-

Morgan's Strange Bill. (By Associated Press.)

Washington, Nov. 20 .- Senator Morgan yesterday introduced a bill to prevent discrimination on account of race or color by common carriers, making it an offense under federal law punished by a \$5,000 fine for common carriers to provide separate cars for either white

or colored passengers. Several Weeks of Fighting Ahead. (By Associated Press.) Manila, Nov. 20.—The situation in

loio indicates several weeks of fighting. The Moros generally are in a state of unrest. Sixty-five prisoners hour before she arrived. them are a number of desperate charactors.

General Reciprocity.

Washington, Nov. 20.—Representa-tive Williams of Mississippi introduced a bill reducing by 20 per cent the du-isii, has been located at Hamlet. As the

here Monday, but has been in quaranitizens travelling for pleasure.

They were closeted the entire morn-ing with U. S. officials here. After the interview the officials would make no statement regarding the Colombians. TROOPS SENT TO MINES. Some Five Hundred Troops Sent To

Some Five Hundred Troops Sent To Guard the Colorado iMnes.

(By Associated Press.) Denver, Nov. 20.-Governor Peabody

stated to a representative of the Associated Press that troops would be ordered to Telluride today to guard the mines and mills there, so that the operators may make an effort to resume work. The governor said he could not say just how many soldiers would be sent but the number would be in the neighborhood of 400 or 500. It will be tainly be one hundred and twenty-five a mixed command, including infantry, cavalry and artillery.

PATRICK COLLINS FOR MAYOR.

The Democrats Of Boston Renominate the Present Executive.

(By Associated Press.) Boston, Nov. 20.-At the primaries for the selection of candidates for the municipal election next month held in this city yesterday the Democrats nomnated for mayor Hon. Patrick A. Collins, the present incumbent; the Republicans, George N. Swallow, and the

Socialists, Dr. George W. Galvin. SCIENCE HALL BURNED.

The University At Athens, Georgia, Loses a Splendid Building.

(By Associated Press.) Athens, Ga., Nov. 20.—Science Hall, on the campus of the University of Georgia, was burned last night. Loss \$50,000, insurance \$25,000. The departments of biology and chemistry were housed in the building. The fire originated from a defective furnace.

FIRE AT HICKORY.

The Residence Of E. L. Shuford Burned To the Ground.

(Special to The News.) Hickory, Nov. 20.-The haudsome residence of Mr. E. L. Shuford was burned this morning. It is supposed that the fire originated from a defective flue. The loss will amount to several thousand dollars.

Death of Dr. D. McBride, Dr. D. McBride, an aged and highly respected citizen of Maxton, died yesterday morning at 8 o'clock after an illness of only two or three days. Pneumonia was the cause of death. The deceased was the father of Mrs.

F. O. Hawley of this city. He was 80 years old and had always lived in Robeson county. Mrs. Hawley was summoned to Maxton Wednesday night by a telegram stating that her father was danger-

ously ill/ He passed away about an

Mary Johnson Located. Sheriff Wallace has received infor-

mation that Mary Johnson, the negro woman who escaped from jail Friday

of Washington. The vessel arrived dinner that evening, stating he was inmates were badly frightened and going to Mortensen's to collect some tine since that time. The gentlemen money. That was the last seen of him windows. The fire was easily ex-stoutly maintain that they are private alive. December 18, Hay's body was tinguished after the arival of the fire he has met quite a number of our peofound buried in a shallow grave in the department.

SECRET DIES WITH MEN.

The Other Italian, Sorice, Follows His and the Bouthern Cotton Oil Company, Slayer, Father Lapore, Into the the two corporations that usually buy Beyond.

in the desperate struggle with Father statement, and the secret of the tragedy is probably lost forever, since death has claimed both men.

Masonic Building Burned. (By Associated Press.)

Louisville, Ky., Nov. 20 .- Fire early this morning destroyed the old Masonic merchants who are purchasing the seed Temple building located at the corner are paying right along 21 to 22 cents a here. He has seen a large number of of Fourth and Jefferson streets. The third floor, occupied by the Hopkins Theatre, was totally destroyed. Other losses include several stores and offices. The total loss is estimated at \$200,000.

OF PROF. BASSET1

lege---He Will Attend the

Dr. T. F. Marr, pastor of Tryon' Street Methodist church, is one of the

Bessett and the boys are standing by their head with splendid unanimity; that Prof. Bassett is exceedingly popu-

Meeting of Trustees.

of it.

DR.MARR TALKS

about as interesting as the price of the staple itself.

The American Cotton Oil Company and the Southern Cotton Oil Company, up the bulk of cotton seed in this sec-

quence is the merchants are buying the practically none.

The price fixed by the oil companies is 18 cents a bushel. So far these companies have not allowed their joint agent to deviate from this price. The

bushel for all they can get. Back of the above recital of facts there is a good story. The News man learns that several months ago agents representing Texas and Mexico people came to Charlotte and made arrange. ments with several prominent mer-chants for the purchase of cotton seed. These merchants were given instruc-tions to purchase seed no matter if the price did exceed that offered by the oil companies.

The first of the season the price of-fered by the Texas and Mexico firms was practically the same as the oil companies. But gradually the latter commenced to lower their price and just as firmly did their competitors He Thinks His Resignation hold up the price. Now, the thing is all one way. The Texas and Mexico people are getting any quantity of seed at This Time Would be a while the oil companies are getting Severe Blow to Trinity Colnone to speak of.

> 18 cents a bushel; the merchants 22 cents a bushel to all comers. Up to this time it is reliably stated

that at least 10 cars of seed have been Charlotte.

MR. WEARN IN EXTREMES.

trustees of Trinity College. To a News representative this morning Dr. Marr Popular Young Man Nearing the End. stated that he regretted exceedingly the Eassett controversy and that he fears Trinity College will suffer on account and Mrs. W. S. Wearn, on West humor. According to Dr. Marr the student body of Trinity is very fond of Prof.

Mr. Wearn was taken suddenly ill about a week ago, and while his condi-

ple and has been greatly encouraged in his race for the gubernatorial nomination. He says he feels sure that Mecklenburg is alright and that he will get a good vote from this couty. While

A Province.

in Charlotte Mr. Glean has received some decidedly encouraging reports from the counties adjoining Mecklen-burg. He has met some of the leaders here and they all, with one accord, informed him that his stock is way above par.

Charlotte and Mecklenburg have came to feel kindly toward Mr. Glenn. (By Associated Press.) Denver, Colo., Nov. 20.—Joseph Sorice, who was shot Wednesday night tion, are not in it this year at all. While in the State Senate he cham-price for their agent here to purchase to the hearts of our people and led the fight that was then being made for betseed. As it is about 3 to 4 cents a fight that was then being made for bet-Lepore, succumbed to his wounds early bushel lower than the farmers can ter government in Charlotte which totoday. Sorice refused to make any get from our merchants, the conse-statement, and the secret of the tragedy guence is the merchants are buying the Mr. Glenn's nopularity in Mecklenburg seed and the oil companies are getting is not bounded by any faction or factions. The entire voting strength of our county regard him as a decidedly able

man and one the State would do itself proud in honoring him with the highest office in the gift of its people. It is useless to add that Mr. Glenn

here. He has seen a large number of our voters and his campaign in this

section of the State has started in real earnest and with commendable zeal.

MORNING STAR RALLY.

Joyner, made the principal address of the day. Superintendent Joyner was enthusiastic over the good schools of Mecklenburg county. His address yesterday was listened to by a large crowd. The speaker was at his best and held the attention of his audience from beginning to end.

At the conclusion of this speech a Today the oil companies were paying ladies to whom much of the enjoyment and pleasure of the occasion is due. The Steel Creek band also furn'shed a fine musical program. After dinner E. R. Preston made a fitting speech at the shipped to Mexico and Texas from dedication of "Cochran Academy," the new school in Morning Star which will

begin work Monday with Prof. Wm. Davis as principal.

Hon. R. B. Glenn, one of the guber-natorial candidates of Winston also made a fine address. Mr. Glenn who is

The News learns with regret of the always a good speaker, was at his best critical illness of Mr. Charles E. yesterday and thrilled the large audi-wearn at the bome of his parents, Mr. ence with his eloquence, wit and and Mrs. W. S. Wearn, on West humor. for the condemned eattle detective, who is to be hanged today for the mur-der of William Nickell, 14-year-old son of Kels P. Nickell, the Iron Moun-

A GENEROUS EMPLOYER.

found advisable to select another in chants and Farmers National Bank. He handsome residence in Monroe and the employed for ten years, his business the place of Prof. Bassett, then the is a young man of many excellent visit of his many Charlotte employes being to prevent "rustling," or thethe college would not suffer, as it will cer-

THE STATE OF CUBA.

Invitation To Become One Of the American Union With Porto Rico as

(By Associated Press.) Washington, Nov. 20.—Senator New-lands, author of the resolution annex. ing Hawaii, today introduced a joint resolution inviting Cuba to become a State of the United States upon terms of equality with the States of the Union. It provides that Porto Rico shall become a county or province of Cuba, that all present officers of Cuba shall retain their positions until their terms expire, that \$35,000,000 bonds of Cuba shall become bonds of the State of Cuba with interest reduced to three per cent. and two per cent. to be applied to funds, that the present rural guard of Cuba shall be incorporated into the army of the United States, that money in the Cuba treasury shall become money of the State of Cuba.

Panama Treaty.

(By Associated Press.) Washington, Nov. 20 .- At a Cabinet meeting today it was decided to make no effort to ratify the Isthmian Canal treaty here until it is ratified in

emy Dedicated. The educational rally in Morning Star township yesterday was well at-tended and much benefit will result. State Superintendent of Education. TOM HORN TODAY

> The Governor of Wyoming Refuses to Interfere and His Friends Give up Hope of Rescue--Story of His Crime. -THERE A TRACE AND

(By Associated Press.) Cheyenne, Wyo., Nov. 20.-Governor

Chatteron was aroused before six o'clock this morning by friends of Tom Horn who again sought a reprieve tain ranchman.

The Governor listened to the argument of Horn's friends for some time

their head with splendid unanimity; that Prof. Bassett is exceedingly popu-lar with the young men and they all, with one accord, regret that he has, even under consideration any idea of resigning his chair in the college. Dr. Marr is of the opinion that Mr. Southgate, the president of the board of trustees, has made a mistake in calling the board to meet in December; that according to his idea, the matter should have been letf over until the should have been letf over until the regular meeting in May and, it it was found advisable to select another in

of four lines-Cottage Grove Avenue, ties on all articles being the growth, woman could not work on the chain- tainly do if