

THE PRELIMINARY HEARING TO TAKE PLACE TOMORROW

Evidence Against the Five Negro Prisoners Charged with the Lively Murders will be Taken at the Court House in Salisbury To-morrow Morning.

The Prisoners will not be Removed from the Charlotte Jail. Their Presence in Salisbury it is Feared Might Renew the Excitement of Few Days Ago.

The first real operation of the law in the case of the five negroes who are in the Charlotte jail charged with the murder of the Lively family will take place in Salisbury tomorrow when Solicitor Hammer will proceed to investigate whatever evidence the State has accumulated against the prisoners.

A telephone message to The News from Salisbury this afternoon states that the preliminary hearing will be held in the court house there tomorrow.

Sheriff Julian and his deputies have, so far, summoned fifteen witnesses who will testify in behalf of the State and will tell what they know in regard to this horrible tragedy.

Mr. John M. Julian, editor of the Salisbury Post, telephoned The News this afternoon that a large crowd is expected to be present at the preliminary hearing tomorrow. As far as he has been able to ascertain there is no additional evidence. The witnesses for the State have all been summoned, and several of them are in Salisbury today.

The five prisoners held here under the charge of this horrible murder will not be taken to Salisbury because it is feared that their presence might cause renewed excitement and might be the means of more trouble. The prisoners still maintain their absolute innocence. All five say that they not only had no hand in the terrible tragedies but, furthermore, they know nothing concerning the murders.

The people of this section and the entire State will watch with interest the progress made at the preliminary hearing to be held tomorrow in Salisbury. If the evidence adduced shows the guilt of any or all of the five, feeling will be intensified against them. If their innocence is proven this feeling against them will be modified in no small degree. All hinges on the preliminary trial and the evidence that is brought out then.

WALTER ORMOND DROWNED.

Well Known Atlanta Lawyer Fell Overboard From the Steamer Kansas City.

By Associated Press. New York, July 19.—Walter Ormond, a lawyer of Atlanta, fell overboard and was drowned from the steamer Kansas City, while en route from Savannah, Ga., to this city. The drowning happened yesterday while the Kansas City was coming up the coast.

Ormond was on his way to New York in company with Harvey Hill and Mr. Lott, and Mr. Brown. He occupied a stateroom in company with Mr. Hill who says Ormond left the stateroom at midnight, saying he was going on deck to obtain relief from the heat. Nothing was seen of him afterward.

Mr. Hill said he believed that Ormond had fallen asleep while sitting on the rail and had accidentally fallen overboard. His absence was not discovered until several hours later.

Was Justice of Peace. Atlanta, July 19.—Judge Walter Ormond was one of the prominent young lawyers of Atlanta. About 35 years old and unmarried. For two years he had been justice of the peace. He left last week with number of friends for a vacation in New York and the East. He leaves a mother, sister and brother.

FUNERAL OF LADY CURZON.

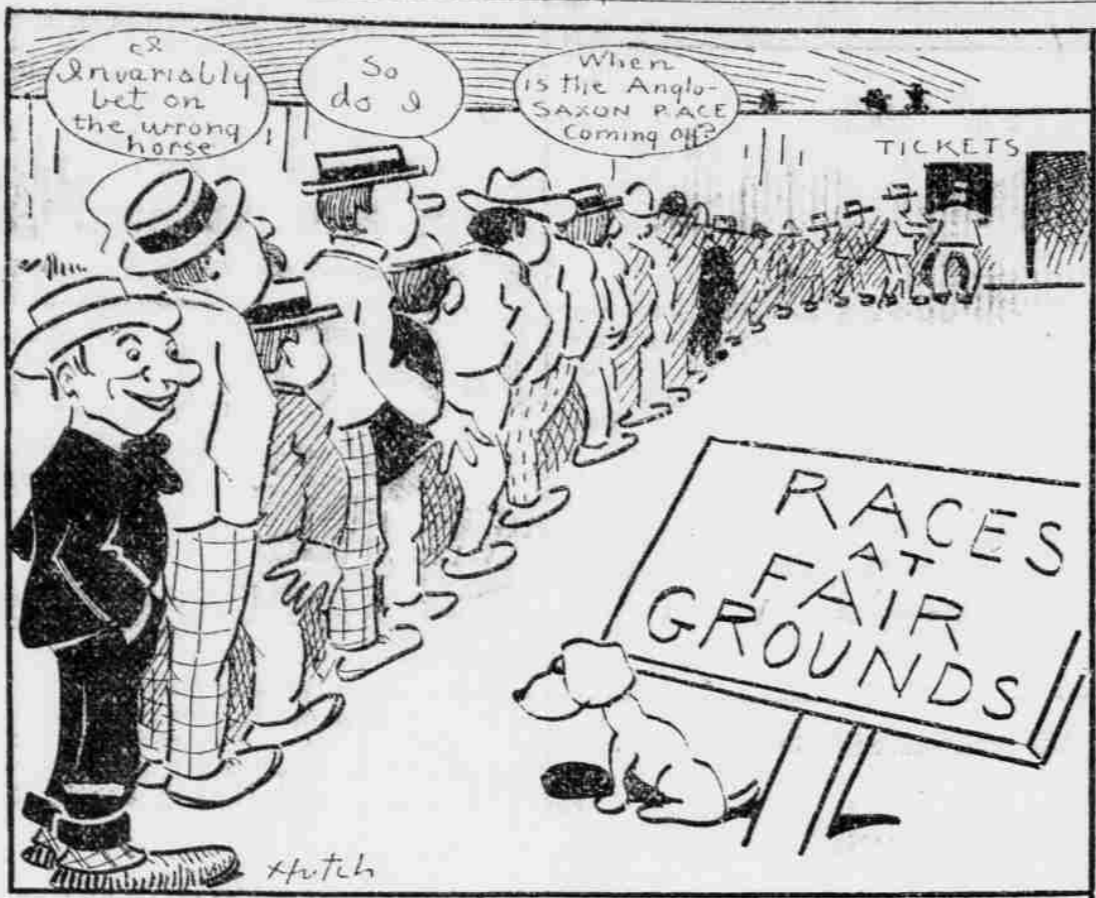
Will Be Held July 23rd—Memorial Service.

By Associated Press. London, July 19.—The funeral of Lady Curzon will take place at Keweston, July 23rd, only members of the family being present. A memorial service will be held in London simultaneously.

REFORMED CHURCH REUNION.

The 17th Annual Reunion Has Commenced With Large Attendance.

By Associated Press. Baltimore, July 19.—The 17th annual reunion of the Reformed Church in Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia and West Virginia has commenced. The attendance being very large. Rev. J. T. Hacker, of Roanoke, delivered the address.



The Substitute for Base Ball This Season.

DEATH AND THE GALLEYS.

Gen. Stoessel Must Die and Lieut. Gen. Fock Go to Gallies for 20 Years in Decision.

By Associated Press. London, July 19.—A despatch from St. Petersburg says the report of the commission appointed to inquire into the circumstances attending the surrender of Port Arthur recommends that Lieutenant-General Stoessel, former commander of the fortress, will be sentenced to death and Lieut. Gen. Fock, who commanded the Fourth East Siberian Division at Port Arthur, will be condemned to 20 years in the Gallies.

The commission considers that Gen. Reuss should be expelled from the army and that Admiral Alexiev, former Viceroy in the far East, should be reprimanded.

THE AGRARIAN QUESTION.

Adoption of Proclamation on Question Will Probably Precipitate Long Fight Between Government and Parliament.

By Associated Press. St. Petersburg, July 19.—The belief that the adoption by the Lower House of Parliament today of the proclamation to the nation, on the agrarian question will precipitate a long-brewing conflict and plunge the country into civil war is profound. All hope of reconciliation between Parliament and the government is vanishing and the government evidently is preparing to take up the gauntlet of battle when it is formally thrown down.

METHODISTS ARE TO UNITE IN JAPAN

The Three Branches of the Church in Japan will Consolidate Their Mission Stations. Commission Met in Buffalo New York and Decided Matter.

By Associated Press. Buffalo, July 19.—The commission representing the Methodist Episcopal Church, the Methodist Church of Canada and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, unanimously adopted a resolution that the mission stations in Japan which, heretofore, have been supported by the three separate Churches be consolidated.

The union is to be effected May, 1907, at a general conference which is to be held in Japan. The Church is to be known as the Methodist Church of Japan.

The superintendent who is to serve for eight years will be appointed at the conference in Japan next year.

Among the members of the commission was Bishop Galloway from the Southern Church.

OUR FOREIGN COMMERCE

It Amounted to Nearly Three Billion Dollars Last Year.

By Associated Press. Washington, July 19.—A statement issued by the Department of Commerce and Labor says the foreign commerce of the United States in the fiscal year just ended aggregated \$2,970,000,000 dollars.

If the trade with Porto Rico and Hawaii, which was included in our foreign commerce prior to their annexation, were added, the total would materially exceed three billion dollars.

Both imports and exports exceed those of any earlier year. The total imports were \$1,226,000,000, and exports \$1,744,000,000.

RAID WAGON OF ICE.

Over 500 Men, Women and Children Made Raid in East Side.

By Associated Press. New York, July 19.—Five hundred men, women and children took part in a riot in East Side during which they made a raid on a wagon load of ice intended for free distribution among them, and took every pound in the wagon. The police reserves were called out but when they arrived the ice and crowd had disappeared.

Mr. D. A. McNeil of Bessemer, Ala., formerly of Charlotte, spent last night in the city and left this morning for Fayetteville to visit relatives.

IN SUPERIOR COURT

Case Non Suited—Judge's Pointed Remarks About Young Lawyers' Efforts

The proceedings of the Superior court, as recorded by the clerk today, show two cases non suited, and a third now on trial as the net results of the court work for one day.

The most interesting incident of the court took place yesterday afternoon during the judge's charge to the jury when Judge Peebles made some pointed references to the efforts of Mr. Jake Newell and Mr. Plumber Stewart, who had a few minutes before thrown down the gates of oratory to the crowded court room, and had flown high.

In a cool, deliberate manner Judge Peebles dissected the speeches of the enthusiastic attorneys who were representing the plaintiffs in the case of Stein and wife vs the North Carolina Railway.

Nevertheless the jury brought in a verdict of \$450 for the clients of the young lawyers, and they were very happy over the result of their efforts. Col. Newell was not present to hear the court's remarks in regard to his late effort.

This afternoon the court is engaged in hearing the case entitled R. E. and C. E. Mason vs the Postal Telegraph Company, for alleged damages, less than \$100.

The cases non suited were T. L. Freeland administrator vs N. C. Railway and Mrs. Martha Rudisill vs Geo. M. Phifer.

HEARING DRAGS ALONG.

Hearing Before the Corporation Commission Without Feature Today.

Raleigh, July 19.—The hearing of the petition against the Southern Bell Telephone and Telephone Company, before the Corporation Commission simply dragged its length along today, without features of even ordinary interest. It looks now like the examination of witnesses will not be concluded before tomorrow evening. Then there will have to be the hearing of the argument of counsel.

The entire morning session, lasting until two o'clock, was taken up with the general cross-examination of F. C. Tompkins, General Manager of the Home Company, of Henderson, by Secretary of State Grimes, who said in reply to questions today that nothing in his company's contract with the Bell Company would prevent their connecting with another line, provided that company was in every way equal to and in mechanical harmony with the equipment of the Bell.

HORRIBLE STATE OF AFFAIRS.

A Refugee Landlord Tells of Horrible State of Devastation in Interior.

By Associated Press. Moscow, July 19.—A landlord fleeing from Bobrov, in the province of Voronezh, where a peasant uprising has taken place arrived here and gives a frightful picture of devastation. He described the losses in the province as colossal. The troops are powerless to cope with the peasants, who are marching in large bands, destroying practically everything. Not more than one-tenth of the estates are spared.

The movement was started by the refusals of the landlords to advance the wages to farm women. The ripening crops are not being harvested.

NOT ED. DAVIS.

Negro Brought From Jackson, Tenn., Not the Right Man.

Special to The News. Salisbury, July 19.—Officer J. F. Huddleston, of Jackson, Tenn., arrived in Salisbury this afternoon having in custody the negro supposed to be Ed. Davis, the murderer of Conductor Wiggins.

Several hundred people were at the depot upon the arrival of the train. Sheriff Julian had several men on hand who knew Ed. Davis the man who committed the murder. All of these were of the opinion that the negro brought here today was not the right man. He was released and will return to Tennessee tonight.

CHILDREN BURNED TO DEATH.

One Was Aged 16, the Other Six Years.

By Associated Press. Port Valley, Ga., June 19.—Annie Wimblish aged 16 and Robert Wimblish six, children of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Wimblish, of Savannah, were burned to death last night at the home of their grandfather W. G. Jordan.

OVER 15,000 ELKS MARCH IN PARADE AT GRAND REUNION

Festivities of Re-union Culminate To-day in Annual Parade in Which over 15,000 Elks Marched. Twenty two Bands Were Interspersed.

Ladies Attending Elks Rode in Autos and Carriages. Local Lodge Makes Fine Display. The Different Features of the Parade.

By Associated Press. Denver, July 19.—The festivities in connection with the Tenth Elk Reunion culminated in the annual parade, which was the finest pageant Denver ever witnessed. The weather is perfect.

Nearly 15,000 Elks were in line representing about 100 lodges. Many magnificent floats were also in the parade. Interspersed in the procession were 22 bands, the Royal Hawaiian Concert band dividing the place of honor at the head of the line with the Midland bands of Colorado Springs.

Denver lodge, 600 strong and its mounted escort team all in blue serge suits with purple cuffs and collars and white straw hats with purple bands, acted as the escort of honor to the Grand Esquire, the Christians end and staff. The ladies and children accompanying the Elks generally rode in carriages and automobiles.

Several of the Editors of New York Herald Surrendered to United States Marshal.

By Associated Press. New York, July 19.—Editor-in-Chief Hamilton, General Manager Schaefer, Night Editor Burke, Sunday Editor Minor, and Advertising Manager Gilliam, of the New York Herald, for whom warrants were issued at the request of the Federal authorities, charging them with violating the postal laws in having deposited in the mails copies of their publication containing "personals" alleged to be obscene, surrendered to the United States Marshal, waived the preliminary examination before the United States commissioner, and were paroled to answer Oct. 10 any charges the grand jury may find.

STEAMER SANK.

Handsome Steamer Pokanoket Sank Last Night.

By Associated Press. Richmond, July 19.—The handsome steamer Pokanoket, recently placed in commission by the Petersburg, Newport News and Norfolk Steamship Co., sank at her wharf last night. A mutinous negro fireman was arrested charged with having opened her sea cocks.

MURDER IN SECOND DEGREE.

Special to The News. Monroe, July 19.—During yesterday's session of court which is convened here for the special purpose of trying the Anson county citizens charged with lynching John V. Johnson there was not much to intimate that this court was different from the regular courts held in this county. Jail cases were disposed of in short order; remarkable as it was, hardly a man brought before the court plead not guilty to the charge. There are five capital cases to be tried of Union county origin. The first, a negro named Lowry, submitted to the charge of murder in the second degree, having killed his sister. Other cases will carry the court until the regular term begins July 30th.

SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT.

Member of North Division to Introduce Bill Providing for Scottish Parliament—Matter Not Taken Seriously.

By Associated Press. London, July 19.—Irritated by the lack of opportunities to discuss the Scottish questions in the House of Commons and somewhat jealous of the promises of the greater control of local affairs made to Ireland in the King's speech at the opening of Parliament, the Scottish members have selected Mr. Perie, the Liberal member for the north division of Aberdeen, to introduce a bill providing for the establishment of a Parliament for Scotland. Outside of the friends of Perie, who favors local self-government for all nationalities of the United Kingdom, the project is not taken seriously. There is no demand among the people of Scotland for a local Parliament.

THE PEACE COMMISSIONERS

Arrive on Cruiser Marblehead and Negotiations Will Commence.

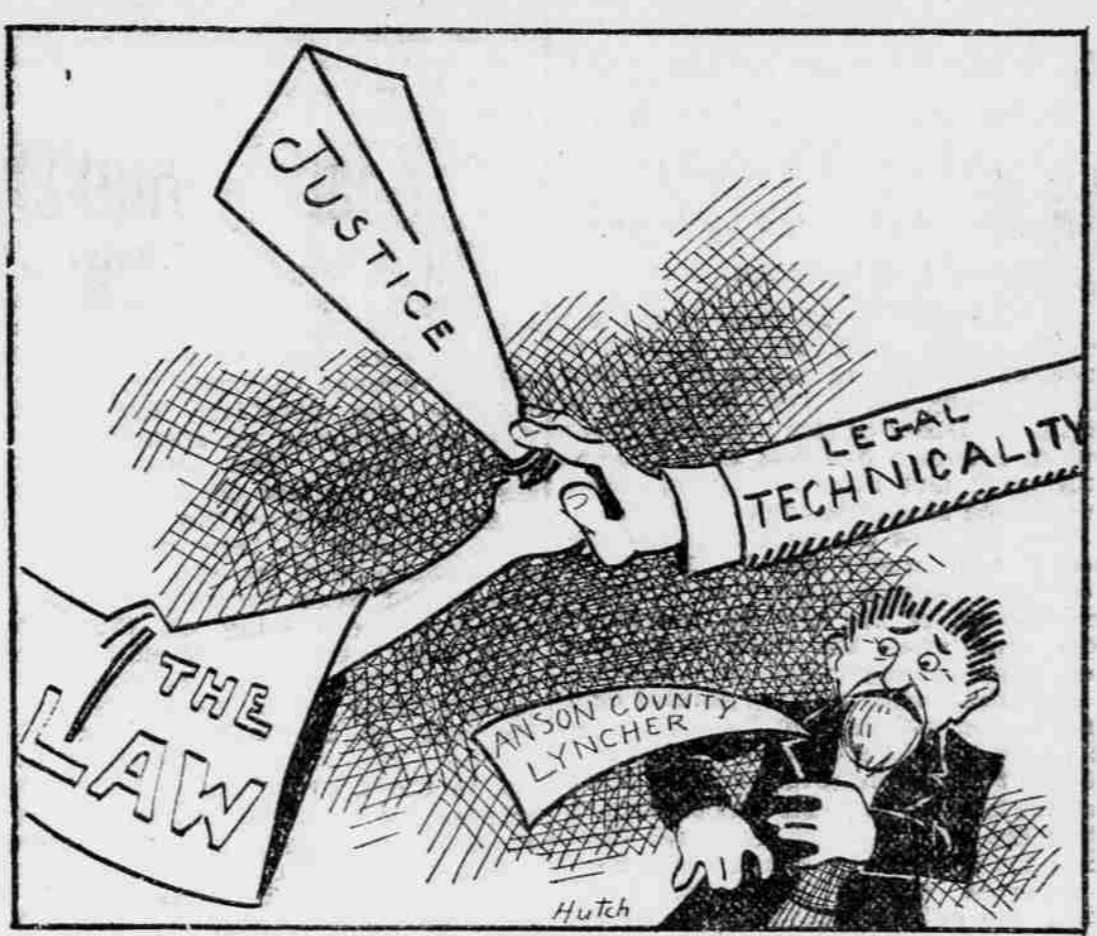
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ESTIMATE OF THIS YEAR'S WHEAT CROP

Annual Estimate of Wheat Crops Issued by Daily Trade Bulletin Shows Crop to be 720,000,000 Bushels. World's Crop is Short 80,000,000 Bushels.

By Associated Press. Chicago, July 19.—The daily trade bulletin issued the annual estimate of the wheat crop making a total yield of 720,000,000, including the supplies carried over the total supply for the year is \$21,000,000 bushels. The estimated consumption is 450,000,000 bushels.

The aggregate of the world's crop is 80,000,000 bushels less than last year.



Has Justice Been Cheated of Another Victim?

THE THAW CASE.

Will District Attorney Have Right to Examine Witnesses.

By Associated Press. New York, July 19.—The application of Thaw's counsel for an absolute writ prohibiting district Attorney Jerome from examining witnesses under the subpoena in the Thaw case was argued before Justice McLean, who reserved his decision.

WILL SURRENDER PAPERS.

Lawyer Olcott who was dismissed by Thaw and ordered by the court to show cause why he should not surrender papers in the Thaw case to Thaw's new counsel Clifford W. Hartridge, said the papers will be surrendered to Hartridge this afternoon.

WHOLE TOWN IN FLAMES.

Inhabitants Are Fleeing to Samara and Saratoff.

By Associated Press. Samara, Russia, July 19.—The whole town of Syzran, province of Simbirsk, is in flames. The inhabitants are fleeing to Samara and Saratoff.

PEOPLE PANIC STRICKEN.

Samara, July 19.—The latest news from Syzran is that the government buildings and treasury are on fire and the panic stricken inhabitants have sought refuge in the surrounding fields and forests.

No doubt is entertained that the burning of Syzran was a revolutionary demonstration.

LADIES ADMITTED FREE.

Much Interest Centers in Horse Races Tomorrow Afternoon.

The racing at Latta Park announced for Wednesday but postponed until Friday afternoon, will take place beginning at 3:30 in the afternoon.

The association has benefited by the delay in making the program even more attractive than was first anticipated, and a real fine time for lovers of horse-racing may be expected.

In order to secure the interest of the ladies, which is essential to the success of such an enterprise the management will admit ladies free whether with an escort or with their lady friends.

The list of prizes has already been printed and is a fine one. The list contains many articles and other things that will add great interest to the occasion. The track has been under the skilled direction of those who understand how to put it in good condition and it is said today that the track will be in better condition tomorrow than it has been for many months.

Secretary and Manager W. S. Dorr states that in the near future the association will give a race in which others than the members may participate.

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The condition of Mr. Frank X. Farnan, who is at the Mercy Hospital, shows some improvement today.

EARTHQUAKES HAVE OCCURRED DAILY SINCE JULY 2ND

Great Numbers of Refugees Arriving From Socorro, New Mexico where Great Damage Has Been Wrought by Hourly Earthquake Shocks.

Centre of the Disturbance is Space of 30 by 10 Miles. Every Building in the City has Been Irreparably Damaged. Great Distress.

By Associated Press. Albuquerque, N. M., July 19.—Refugees in large numbers are arriving here from Socorro, New Mexico, where great damage was wrought by a succession of daily earthquakes since July 2.

In that time not an hour has passed without one or more quakes. The centre of the disturbance is 30 miles long by 10 miles wide. Practically every residence and business block in the town has been irreparably damaged. There is much distress among the people who are camping, as heavy rains have been falling for two days.

THE DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

Meets To-day Week at Harrison's Chapel—Charlotte Delegates.

The annual summer meeting of the District Conference of the Charlotte District, of the Methodist Church, will begin today week at Harrison's Chapel, about three miles from Pineville, Rev. J. Ed. Thompson, presiding elder of the Charlotte district, officiating.

Each pastoral charge in the district is entitled to four delegates and Charlotte will be well represented, as the Methodist churches have all named their delegates, a large proportion of whom will attend.

The conference will be opened by the Presiding Elder Thursday and will continue through Sunday. There will be the usual business sessions, and routine work on Friday and Saturday, and reports from all of the churches in the district will be heard, and special attention paid to the Sunday school work.

While the program is not quite completed it is hoped that some of the prominent men of the Church in North Carolina will be present to make addresses. Announcement of such will be made later if the speakers can be secured.

The delegates to the conference were elected by the various churches of Charlotte about a month ago, and a large number of Charlotte Methodist people of the Harrison's Chapel day.

The people of the Harrison's Chapel neighborhood are preparing to entertain royally the delegates of whom there will be about 75 and possibly 100 in all. While the time will be mainly devoted to the spiritual work of the Church, a pleasant outing is anticipated by those who will be in attendance.

THE SENATORIAL CANDIDATES

They Walk Into The News Office Arm in Arm.

The two Senatorial candidates, Messrs. McE. Watkins and H. N. Pharr, walked into The News office yesterday arm in arm.

"This is the way we are running," remarked Mr. Watkins.

"Yes," said Mr. Pharr, "we are not going to have any bitterness in this campaign. It is to be a clean race to the finish."

"That is exactly right," said Mr. Watkins. "There is no need of any scrapping, we are going to stand for a clean fight to the end."

With this said, the two candidates walked out to the street, still locked in each other's arms.

The two looked more like brethren at a campmeeting, than two candidates for political honors.

If they can keep this up until August 7, and afterwards, they will indeed be candidates of the unusual kind.

THE SHELBY POST OFFICE.

Mr. Quinn, One of the Applicants, Says He is a Sure Winner.

Mr. J. H. Quinn, a prominent Cleveland county Republican and editor of the Shelby Aurora, was in Charlotte today fresh from an interview with Judge Spencer B. Adams, at Raleigh.

Mr. Quinn was looking splendidly and there was a smile of satisfaction playing over his countenance. By way of explanation it might be well to state that Mr. Quinn is a candidate for the post office at Shelby. The present postmaster, Mr. Geo. W. De Priest, has about served his four-year term and Mr. Quinn has the endorsement of the present and former chairman of the county executive committee and, what is more Chairman Adams feels kindly disposed toward Mr. Quinn's candidacy. While in Raleigh Mr. Quinn was told by Judge Adams that he (Adams) would be in Washington in about two weeks and he would look after the matter for him. Mr. Quinn says there is little doubt but that he will get the appointment and that, too, at an early date.

ORGANIZERS HERE AMONG MILL HELP

An Effort will be Made To-night to Unionize the Cotton Mill Employees of Charlotte and Vicinity Three Organizers will be Present at the Meeting.

At Central Labor Union Hall to-night an effort will be made to organize the cotton mill help of Charlotte and vicinity.

Runners have been out for several days visiting the cotton mills of the city with a view of securing as large an attendance at the meeting tonight as possible.

Mr. J. E. Davis who has interested himself very much in the meeting to-night, visited Oates' Cotton Mill this morning for the purpose of inviting the employees of that mill to the meeting. He says he met with a cold reception. The superintendent ordered him off the premises and, furthermore, told him that he had better move quickly.

Others who have interested themselves in the meeting tonight have visited several of the mills and the superintendents have informed them that they could not disturb the help.

Mr. Davis in reporting the matter to The News today states that the meeting tonight will be held and that a large crowd will be present. Two or three organizers will be on hand to take charge of affairs and see that a union is effected.

GIBSON WAS DISCHARGED.

Was Arraigned in Connection With Murder of Mrs. Alice D. Kinan.

By Associated Press. New York, July 19.—Burton W. Gibson, the lawyer committed to the Tombs to await the action of the grand jury in connection with the murder of Mrs. Alice D. Kinan, appeared before Justice Blanchard on a writ of habeas corpus and was discharged from custody. The district attorney's office made no opposition to the argument of Gibson's counsel that Gibson's commitment was illegal.

The annual picnic given by the Sabbath school of the Sardis Association Reformed Presbyterian church will be held next Thursday, the 26th. A cordial invitation is extended the public. Proceeds from the ice cream and lemonade stand will go to the building fund of the new church at Sardis.