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Baptist State Convention Convened at Greensboro Last Night. Work Today

Delegates From all Sections of North Carolina Gathering in Greensboro for Big Convention.

More Than Eight Hundred Delegates are Expected. The Work Done at To-day's Session of Convention in Full.

Special to The News. Greensboro, Dec. 6.—The noon train brought in many delegates and preachers who are here to attend the annual session of the North Carolina State Baptist Convention, which convened in the splendid new church on West Market street yesterday afternoon at 3:15 o'clock. Most of the delegates arrived on the last night and yesterday's trains, the real work not beginning until this morning. It is expected that 800 delegates, pastors and visitors will be here during the week. The white delegates of the State number 200, and if each church should send the representation it was entitled to there would be at least 4,000 delegates from every section of North Carolina present.

Besides these North Carolinians from the following distinguished States, representing the general interests of the Southern Baptist Convention of which the North Carolina Convention is a constituent part are here en route: Rev. J. M. Frost, of Nashville, Tenn.; Rev. Dr. J. F. Love, of Atlanta, Ga.; Rev. P. T. Bell, of Atlanta, Ga.; Rev. Dr. W. H. Smith, of Richmond, Va.; Rev. Dr. Prestridge, of Louisville, Ky., and others.

One of the most interesting and prominent personages here to attend the convention is Rev. J. R. Stewart, of Clinton, who is stopping with his daughter, Mrs. H. W. Battle. He is one of the most scholarly men in the State convention and while he is getting along in years, he is very active and takes a deep interest in all important matters. He is an able lawyer, as well as an eloquent preacher, and who came within two miles of being the first president of the North Carolina A. & M. College at Raleigh. It is impossible to foretell what will occupy the time and attention of the convention, the sessions alone must determine this. The original object of the convention was the promotion of missions and education. To this has been added many important objects, the orphanage, temperance and other matters generally for the moral and religious uplift of the people. No one can tell what special cause will be advocated upon the floor of the convention, the Baptist fondness for democracy prevailing in all their activities.

To-Day's Meeting.
This morning Rev. Livingston Johnson Corresponding Secretary, submitted his report on missions and the women's work, which made a highly creditable showing. The report of the Baptist orphanage at Thomasville was then submitted to the convention, which showed the orphanage to be in fine working condition. According to the report there are 333 children being cared for in the orphanage. The need for an additional infirmary was expressed, but it was decided not to bring this matter before the convention, but a resolution was passed favoring the proposition. The proposed building will cost \$10,000.

One of the features of the morning session was the class of little tots from the orphanage. There were twenty in all and they ranged from six to twelve years of age. They attracted no little attention. Prudges were next made for the ministerial students at the Seminary at Louisville, there being about \$1,500 subscribed in all. The president of the institution was present and delivered a strong address.

A Vast Saving.
By Associated Press. Bangor, Maine, Dec. 6.—A saving of thousands of dollars a year to the pulp mills is said to be assured by experiments in this State whereby turpentine is refined from material hitherto wasted.

Dr. L. L. Moore and family left last night for Craigsville, Va., where Dr. Moore has accepted a call to the Presbyterian Church pastorate. They have been at Capt. R. A. Torrence's for several days past.

Must Learn to Write Before he Can Tell of Bloody Assault

By Associated Press. Johnstown, Pa., Dec. 6.—Casper Schofen, aged 36 years, was brought to the hospital from a suburb where he was found lying on a street. A part of the man's lower jaw was missing, the upper jaw was splintered and base of his tongue was lacerated.

SOUTHERN DEPOT BURNED.

Depot at Advance Destroyed by Fire Last Night—Thought to Be Work of Incendiaries. Special to The News. Winston-Salem, Dec. 6.—The Southern Railway depot at Advance with a quantity of freight was destroyed by fire last night. The agent left the depot shortly after 7 o'clock.

When the fire was discovered near midnight the building was in flames. There is good reason for believing the fire was of incendiary origin. The loss is partially covered by insurance.

New Church at High Point.

Special to The News. High Point, N. C., Dec. 6.—The Washington Street Methodists of this place has decided to erect a modern house of worship. The cost of the new church will be between fifty and seventy-five thousand dollars. Work will begin on the new church by the first of the year.

Not Sentenced To-Day.

By Associated Press. Hockimer, N. Y., December 6.—Gillette was not sentenced today. He was taken into the court at the appointed hour but his counsel had been unable to prepare for the motion for a new trial which they desire to enter before the sentence is passed.

Hard Up For Small Bills

The Secretary of the Treasury Issues Letter to Banks in Which he Bemoans Scarcity of Small Bills.

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 6.—The Secretary of the Treasury issued an open letter to all banking institutions in the United States in which he says, "A very marked scarcity of small bills is noticeable everywhere and the treasury is powerless to relieve."

In the absence of legislation allowing the banks to issue a large portion of their circulation in the denomination of five dollars, he says the banks must be relied upon to alleviate the strain as far as possible. He says there are in circulation nearly 15,000,000 in silver certificates many of which doubtless are packed away in the vaults of various banks and held as reserve.

He asks the banks to search the vaults and send such ten dollar certificates to the treasury where they will be promptly converted into ones which he says, "It is only remedy the secretary says, adding: 'Let no bank complain until it has contributed as far as possible to the relief.'"

Ship Subsidy Bill.

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 6.—A modification of the Gallinger ship subsidy bill was suggested by Chairman Grosvenor at the meeting of the House committee on merchant marine and fisheries. He expressed a willingness to strike out the subsidies for trans-Atlantic and African steamship lines, thus confining the government aid to the Oriental and South American lines. No vote was taken but Mr. Grosvenor will prepare a revised bill of the consideration of the committee. In its changed form the Gallinger bill will conform to the ship subsidy recommendation made by Secretary Root in his Kansas City speech.

Confessed to Murder.

By Associated Press. Nashville, Tenn., December 5.—William Ardley, of Brooklyn, found dead Thanksgiving and whose body has been sent home, was murdered and robbed, if the confession made by Atkins Harmon is true. When Ardley's body was found it was supposed he had met death by a fall.

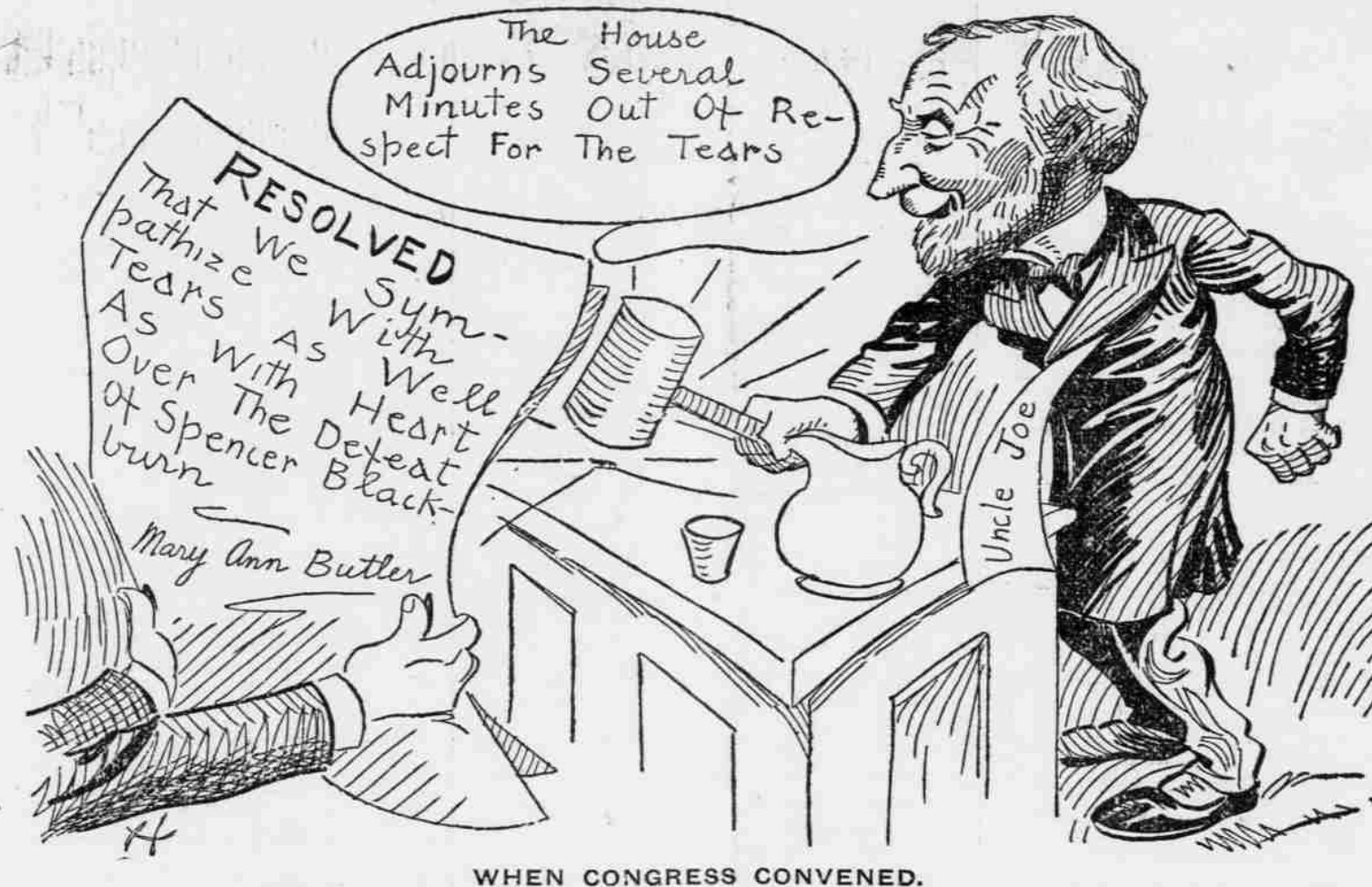
Atkins Harmon, Sam Taylor, Arthur Morton and Grip Jones, white men, were arrested charged with the murder of Ardley. In confessing Harmon implicated the others and said robbery was the motive of the crime.

The Insurgents Again.

By Associated Press. Washington, December 6.—The Dominican Minister, received a despatch stating that a party of 12 insurgent leaders had gathered at Puerta Plata and were attacked by the government forces. Perico Lasalle was killed and the balance arrested.

Pilotage Bill.

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 6.—Representative Littlefield's pilotage bill was the special order in the House.



WHEN CONGRESS CONVENED.

Twelve Persons Were Injured and Number of Factories Destroyed By Boiler Explosion and Fire

Southern Will Answer For Blocking 5th Street

For violation of Sec. 303 of the city code, which forbids any railroad company, its agent or employee, permitting a train to be stopped across any street for a longer period than five minutes, warrants were issued this afternoon against the Southern Railway Company summoning Yard Conductor Bradley and Freight Agent Black to appear before the Recorder tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock to answer to the charge of allowing a freight train to remain across Fifth street 25 minutes yesterday morning and for a similar period this morning.

This action was taken this afternoon after a conference between Chief of Police Irwin and City Attorney Harris, acting upon complaints which have recently been filed in the office of Chief Irwin. The plaintiffs allege that trains have been allowed to stand across the Fifth street crossing for a considerable time on several occasions, due to the fact that the tracks at the station were crowded every day with cars and there was no track upon which to run the incoming trains.

The National Waterways

Near 1000 Delegates Attend National Rivers and Harbors Congress. Sentiment Strong for Improvement.

By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., Dec. 6.—Nearly 1,000 delegates attending the National Rivers and Harbors Congress, the object of the convention being to secure an annual appropriation of \$50,000,000 for the improvement of the Nation's waterways are in session here today. Representative Ransdell, of Louisiana, who has made a tour of 20,000 miles around the country in behalf of the movement will report that he has found sentiment strong in favor of the waterway improvement as a remedy for the wholly inadequate transportation facilities now afforded by the railroads.

Representative Williams will address the convention tonight.

GREAT COST OF NAVY.

Expense of Keeping Ships in Commission Was \$19,604,749 Last Year. By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 6.—It cost \$19,604,749 to keep the ships of the navy in commission during the past fiscal year, according to the annual report of Paymaster General Harris. It cost \$714,245 to keep the battleship Ohio in service.

GOVERNOR AGAINST PRESIDENT.

Governor Mead Hotly Opposed to President's Plan of Naturalization for the Japanese. By Associated Press. Seattle, Wash., Dec. 6.—Governor Mead has come out in emphatic language as being opposed to the President's recommendation that an act be passed providing for naturalization of the Japanese.

THE RAWLINGS BOYS.

Two Sons of Man Hanged Recently Have Sentences Commuted to Life Imprisonment. By Associated Press. Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 6.—The pardon board has commuted the death sentences of Jesse and Milton Rawlings to life imprisonment.

In Terrific Explosions of Boilers in Big Shoe Company's Plant Number of Persons were Injured.

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Found Wife on Floor Dead

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Marion Man Returns Home From Work to Find his Baby Crawling Over Dead Body of His Young Wife.

Special to The News. Marion, N. C., Dec. 6.—Late yesterday evening Charles Dellinger, a well known citizen of this place, returned home from his day's labor to meet, on entering the house, a tragic and heart-rending sight. There on the floor, cold in death, was the form of his young wife of only a short space, while crawling over her cold body was her baby, fretted and sobbing because of her failure to soothe it, as was her wont. The entire scene was mystery itself. No scars or traces of assault could be discovered to lead to the conclusion that she had been the victim of an assault—there was nothing but a speechless tongue and a small babe to offer any evidence. Since there was no signs of an attack, suicide or heart failure are considered the causes and the latter is believed to be the reason, by her husband, since her heart was always weak.

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An Increase of \$886.45 Charlotte Postage Sales

The receipts of the post office last month from the sale of stamps, stamped envelopes, postal cards and postage on second-class matter amounted to \$8,312.99. For the same month last year they were \$7,426.54, showing an increase of \$886.45. The money order department deposited during November \$29,200.50, for the corresponding month last year \$25,400, making an increase of \$3,800.

American Control of Panama Railway.

By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., Dec. 6.—Senator Morgan addressed the Senate on his resolution looking to giving the Panama Canal Commission control of the Panama railway. He spoke of the Panama road as a "legal fiction or artificial entity to enable this country to avoid the responsibility of a common carrier."

Sermon on The Last Judgment

Dr. Broughton's Theme at Tryon Street Methodist Church Last Night. Oyster Suppers Poor Way to Raise Funds.

By Associated Press. Rev. Len G. Broughton addressed two meetings yesterday, both of them in the Tryon Street Methodist church, the first at four o'clock addressed especially to Christian people and the second at 8 o'clock in the evening to a general audience. There was a gratifying attendance at both. At the night meeting the body of the church was filled and there were many in the galleries.

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By Associated Press. Richmond, Va., Dec. 6.—Alonso Goodman, colored, was arrested here charged with complicity in the murder of the guard of the South Carolina penitentiary August last, when he and two other desperate prisoners escaped.

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Young Man of Raleigh Run Over and Instantly Killed This Morning

SEVERAL CARS DERAILED.

Slight Wreck Near Columbia Caused Tie-Up in Traffic for Several Hours. No One Hurt.

By Bell Long-Distance Phone. Columbia, S. C., Dec. 6.—Several freight cars were derailed just out of Columbia this morning. The cars that jumped the track were in the middle of a long train coming South, and caused a tie-up of several hours in all traffic between Columbia and Charlotte.

Passenger and mail trains coming South from Charlotte to Columbia this morning were detained by way of Spartanburg. The track is now clear, however, and the evening trains will be expected on schedule time.

Is There a Lumber Trust.

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 6.—Senator Kittredge introduced a resolution directing an investigation by the Department of Commerce and Labor into the lumber trade to ascertain whether there is in existence a trust or agreement among the dealers.

Thaw Trial Delayed.

By Associated Press. New York, Dec. 6.—The trial of Thaw for the murder of Stanford White will not begin until March or April next year, unless District Attorney Jerome consents to re-arrange his court calendar. This was the announcement made by Jerome's office.

Second Day of M. Conference

Routine Business Attended to at Second Day's Session of N. C. Methodist Conference, in Session at Rocky Mount.

Special to The News.

Rocky Mount, N. C., Dec. 6.—The second day opened at 9 a. m. with religious service by Rev. A. D. Betts. The roll was called and the minutes of yesterday read.

Question 29 was called and presiding elders J. B. Hurley, John N. Cale, M. Bradshaw, E. H. Davis, R. B. John, G. F. Smith and J. H. Hall passed character and reported.

Classes 1st, 2d, 3d and 4th years called and each advanced one year. Rev. J. R. Stewart, of Nashville, Tenn., addressed the conference in the interest of the superannuated fund. He wants to raise \$5,000,000.

Dr. T. H. Law addressed the conference in the interest of the American Bible Society.

Dr. John C. Kilgo addressed the conference on education, making his usual strong plea for concerted action to increase college attendance.

Rev. J. T. Gibbs conducted religious exercises and Bishop Wilson delivered the second of his series of lectures. The work of conference is progressing well and it may adjourn Monday.

Newbern will ask for the next conference.

The session is unusually pleasant.

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W. A. Stunkle, Prominent Young Business Man Crushed to Death by Dray. Head was Fearfully Mangled.

By Bell Telephone. Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 6.—W. A. Stunkle, a prominent young business man of this city, was run over and instantly killed by a dray wagon early this morning. One side of his head was crushed and the shaft of the wagon also penetrated the back of his head. He was riding a bicycle, and, turning a corner sharply, collided with the dray. He was a member of the firm of W. A. Stunkle & Co., steam fitters and plumbers, and was well thought of here.

Corporation Commission Institute Suit Against Seaboard for the \$500 Penalty for Failure to Bulletin Trains.

By Bell Telephone. The North Carolina Corporation Commission instituted suit against the Seaboard Air Line railway this morning for the \$500.00 penalty imposed for failure to properly bulletin trains. The alleged failure to comply with this regulation is reported from Lumberton. J. G. McCormick, of Lumberton, A. J. Connor, of Rich Square, and J. D. Heirsch, of Atlanta, are the complainants. The Commission states that this is the first violation reported to them.

Governor Glenn today issued requisition papers on the Governor of New York for Graham Farrier, wanted in Gaston county for the murder of Nash Johnson in 1905. He is now located at White Plains, New York.

IMPROVE COUNTY HOME.

Judge Peebles Orders Commissioners to Carry Out Grand Jury's Recommendations. The report of the grand jury, Mr. W. E. Shaw, foreman, for the December term of criminal court was filed this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. The report shows that the grand jury had examined 95 bills, returning 14 true bills, and 3 continuances for lack of evidence.

The grand jury further reported that a true bill had been found against Jim Nesbit for their murder of Clyde Shuford on the 6th of October. The report reads as follows:

"We have inspected the county court house and find that it is in good condition, that the former recommendation for plumbing has been contracted for.

"We have inspected the county jail and find that it is in good condition and the former recommendations for plumbing contracted for.

"We have inspected the county home and find that the plastering is in bad condition. We would recommend that the entire interior of the building be replastered and improved. We find also that the piping leading from the water tank is unprotected from the weather. We have visited the county convict camps and find that on the whole they are in good condition except the bedding at Mr. Welch's camp. We would recommend that the straw bedding be removed more frequently."

Judge Peebles instructed Clerk of the Court Russell to furnish the board of county commissioners with a copy of the report and ordered that the board attend to the improvements recommended at the county home, saying that this was one of the most important institutions of the county and should receive the closest attention.

The Bubonic Plague.

By Associated Press. Hamburg, Dec. 6.—Four seamen belonging to the crew of the German steamer Santa Fe, from River Platte, have been sequestered under strong suspicion that they are suffering from the Bubonic plague.

Big Orders Placed.

San Francisco, Dec. 6.—The Southern Pacific has just ordered constructed about 6,500,000 worth of new rolling stock and has placed orders aggregating \$4,000,000 with the locomotive and car manufacturing concern.

Articles of incorporation were received and recorded today by Clerk of the Court J. A. Russell for the Relay Manufacturing Company, of this city, a recently chartered concern which will begin operations at once.

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