

The Financial Situation Gradually Becoming More Encouraging

Effective Progress Made During Week Towards Resumption of Normal Banking And Credit Business.

Bill to Be Introduced in Congress Providing for National Incorporation of Clearing Houses—General Outlook.

New York, Nov. 30.—Financial events of the week have pointed unmistakably to the effective progress making towards the resumption of normal banking and credit operations.

A decline in the currency premium has been gained amongst the banks of the national strength of their position and the exclusive part by distrust in the banking system from paying out cash and resuming regular operations.

The market has reflected the improved sentiment in an irregular way, partly from reserve due to fears of premature conclusions as to the improvement and partly from the general liquidation in individual securities, which had been withheld during the crucial period of depression.

National Clearing Houses. It is announced that shortly after the opening of the new week Senator Charles C. Platt will introduce in the senate a bill providing for the national incorporation of clearing houses. The bill is similar to those which failed of passage in 1896 and 1902. It will give to one clearing house in each state the power to issue currency to its members and shall maintain a reserve equal to that required of national banks.

The passage of this bill, it is said, will give congressional sanction to the plan of issuing clearing house certificates which has been in operation since the recent financial stringency began.

Clearing House Statement. New York, Nov. 30.—The statement of the clearing house banks for the week (five days) shows that the banks had \$52,939,425 less than the requirements of the 25 per cent. reserve rule. This is an increase of \$1,114,175 in proportion to the cash reserve as compared with last week.

Progress Of Rate Hearing

Special to The News. Raleigh, N. C., Nov. 30.—Expert Accountant C. W. Hillman, of Kentucky, was under cross-examination all morning by General Cross-Examination, of the southern railroad in the hearing in Master Montgomery's court.

Mr. Thom was to break down Hillman's testimony, that intrastate business cost no more than as much interest business and therefore the North Carolina reduced rates were not confiscatory.

Hillman stuck to his prosecution in view of the evidence accepted by the United States court, opinion by Justice Brewer, that intrastate business cost less and possibly 20 or more per cent. more than interstate business.

At the afternoon session a motion by Thom allowed that further hearing be postponed until next Tuesday, in order that he have opportunity to go before the United States circuit court at Richmond and make a motion for an adjournment of the hearing of the factum before the court.

Mother Admits Crime To Save Her Daughter

By Associated Press. New York, Nov. 30.—In an attempt to save her daughter from imprisonment on a charge of aiding and abetting forgery, Mrs. Mary Alice Dollinger today confessed to the crime and did all she could to induce the authorities that the daughter knew nothing about the transaction for which she is under arrest. Both mother and daughter were held for trial.

It is claimed by the authorities that several months ago Mrs. Helen Figg placed a piece of property in the hands of Perry Dollinger for sale. A short time later, it is alleged, Mrs. Dollinger, his 17-year-old daughter, went to Mrs. Figg for the deed and other papers connected with the title to the land, saying that her father had found a purchaser. The papers were given to the girl. Soon after, it is said, Dollinger and his daughter, accompanied by another woman, went to the office of a loan broker and the woman signed Mrs. Figg's name to papers calling for a loan of \$500 on the property. This woman, it is claimed, was Mrs. Dollinger. She was arrested some days ago but jumped his bail, and has disappeared.

Baker Thought to Have Been Poisoned

By Associated Press. Boston, Mass., Nov. 30.—Poisoning by arsenic caused the death of Walter E. Baker of Wellesly, Mass., at Bogota, N. J., last month, according to a report forwarded to Baker's relatives by experts who have examined the intestinal parts of the man's body.

In view of this finding the Baker family has been urged to continue the investigation of the theory of murder and Judge Grant has appointed George P. Blinn of Boston, to be special administrator of the estate of young Baker, who was wealthy.

HUDSON RIVER TUNNEL.

Project Started in 1874 is Now Completed.

By Associated Press. New York, Nov. 30.—Closely following the opening of the new tunnel under the East river to Brooklyn in January will come the opening of the railway tunnel under the Hudson to Jersey City. This tunnel was begun in 1874 and the northern tube was not completed until 1904, several companies having failed to do the work.

Each tube is 15 1/2 feet in diameter and 5,700 feet long. Connections have been made with the New York Terminal and the public station at Sixth avenue and Thirty-third street, the site of the new Pennsylvania station.

Kentucky Feud Meets With Serious Results

By Associated Press. Whitesburg, Ky., Nov. 30.—In the feud encounter which occurred between the Miller and Jones factions, John Miller was killed.

Andrew Jones and Merrill Jones were mortally wounded.

Woman Demon Sentenced to 20 Years in Penitentiary for Murder—Had Caused the Death of Mrs. Bradley's Sister.

By Associated Press. Chicago, Nov. 30.—"Dr." Lucy Hagenow, almost 60 years old, was found guilty of murder and sentenced to 20 years in the penitentiary. She was tried on the charge of causing the death of Mrs. Anna Horavitch by an illegal operation.

It was stated in the closing argument for the state that Mrs. Hagenow had practiced for thirty-seven years, and had been the cause of a thousand deaths.

One of the deaths is that of Lola Madison, sister of Mrs. Bradley, whose trial for the murder of Senator Brown of Utah is in progress at Washington.

Delegates To Rivers And Harbors Congress

The delegates who will represent Charlotte's commercial bodies at the National Rivers and Harbors Congress, which convenes in Washington next Wednesday, have received their commissions from Governor Glenn. These delegates are as follows:

Representing the Cotton Manufacturers' Association—R. S. Reinhardt, of Lincoln; A. A. Thompson, of Raleigh; E. H. Williamson, of Fayetteville; D. A. Tompkins, of Charlotte; D. Y. Cooper, of Henderson, and S. B. Tanner, of Caroleen.

Charlotte Retail Merchants' Association—J. A. Fore and J. N. McCausland.

Manufacturers' Club—J. A. Fore, chairman; S. H. Tanner, R. M. Miller, Jr., T. C. Guthrie, M. M. Victor, Jeremiah Goss, E. A. Smith, S. E. Sargent, S. W. Craver and A. L. Smith.

Greater Charlotte Club—E. R. Preston.

Mr. Joe Smith will go as a delegate from Shelby, and Mr. J. A. Fore will also go as representing the state branch of the congress of which he is vice president for this congressional district.

The gentlemen are all enthusiastic in the purpose of the congress and believe that by getting more money appropriated by congress for despoiling our harbors and rivers that they will do more to reduce freight charges than all the legislation that will, or can be passed in the next ten years.

The congress will convene on Wednesday the 4th of December, and will be in session for three days. The delegates from Charlotte will leave here on Tuesday night over the southern for Washington.

—Mr. Carl Cathey, of Berryhill township, whose illness The News has already noticed, is feared to be in a dying condition this afternoon.

Rev. Davis Hicks is visiting his nephew, Mr. W. M. Burkhead.



Proceedings Of Conference

Special to The News. Gaffney, S. C., Nov. 30.—The fourth day's session was called to order by Bishop Morrison. The religious service was by W. E. Towson. The proceedings yesterday were read, corrected and approved. Dr. Hammond, general educational secretary, was introduced and spoke ably of the work of education. Prof. Gilbert of Paine College, colored, was introduced, and he spoke in the interest of education among the negroes of the colored Methodist Episcopal church, set up by the southern Methodists. He greatly pleased the conference. The collection amounted to \$352.65. J. L. Cunningham, secretary of the correspondence school, was then introduced, and addressed the conference. W. S. Stokes asked to be continued in superannuated relation and his request was granted.

Bishop Morrison vacated the chair and called R. A. Child to preside over the session of the legal conference, handling conference trust funds.

The old officers were re-elected. Dr. W. W. Bays, of the Western North Carolina conference was introduced. The hour for special order is arriving. Revs. Burgess, J. T. Peeler, Edenaugh, Major Meekham, Doyle, W. C. Owen, Jones, C. M. Peeler, Owings, Felder, I. B. Owen and Penny came forward to the chancel, where they were received into full connection.

W. C. Kirkland read the report of the board of education, which asks the appointment of all present heads of institutions and announces Mr. E. T. Hodges, financial agent, of Columbia College. Dr. Snyder addressed the conference.

Safe Crackers Make Haul at Mauldin, S. C.

Special to The News. Greenville, S. C., Nov. 30.—Safe crackers at Mauldin, nine miles from here, made a haul of \$180 at the store of John Hill last night.

Sheriff Gilreath left early this morning to investigate.

COMPLETE VINDICATION.

Rev. F. M. Hawley Wins a Sweeping Victory in His Suit. Rev. Frank Morton Hawley has been overwhelmingly vindicated in the suit which he brought against W. W. Meadows, of Fulton, Ky., for \$100,000. It resulted in a compromise in which the plaintiff agreed to pay over \$2,000 damages and all costs; to withdraw the complaint made to the Presbytery and to agree not to mention Mr. Hawley's name in the suit which Mrs. Meadows is bringing for divorce from her husband.

It will be remembered that Mr. Meadows and a band of men attacked and horsewhipped Rev. Mr. Hawley, charging that he had alienated his wife's affections. Mr. Hawley's friends here will rejoice in the completeness of his vindication.

Will Entertain All The Delegates

Special to The News. Wilmington, N. C., Nov. 30. To the Baptists of North Carolina: My attention has just been called to a telegram signed and furnished to the press, by Rev. Fred Hale, pastor of the First Baptist church of this city, stating that on account of what he terms unforeseen conditions the people of this city are reluctant or unwilling to open their homes to visitors who wish to attend the Baptist convention which meets here next week.

I know of no conditions that have arisen or could arise to cause such a situation. I am informed that there have been no proper efforts made to secure homes, the first intimation that we have had that the delegates and visitors were not properly provided for being contained in the telegram referred to. This is an unwarranted and unjust attack on the hospitality of our citizens, whose homes have been and are now open to receive and entertain the visitors. I am requested to say that our people will cheerfully provide entertainment to all who may desire to attend the Baptist convention next week and will take pleasure in making provision for any delegates, visitors and ladies who will wire or write me.

COTTON GROWERS TO MEET.

The Mecklenburg Section Will Elect Officers Next Saturday. A most important meeting of the Mecklenburg section of the North Carolina Cotton Growers' Association will be held in Charlotte next Saturday and every member of the association is urged to be present as this is the time for the annual election of officers and other important matters will be disposed of.

Miss Daisey Henderson expects to leave for Southampton, Mass., to spend several weeks with her sister Miss Jessie Henderson, who is taking post-graduate work there.

Volcanic Ash Covers Ground

By Associated Press. Nome, Alaska, Nov. 30.—Nome and probably the entire Seaward Peninsula is shrouded in an ashy haze and the ground for miles is covered several inches deep with a fine gritty powder, which is believed to be volcanic ash.

A storm began several days ago, dust blowing in from the ocean, but at first little attention was paid to the freak of nature, as it was expected that it would soon cease.

Instead, however, the fall continued and after a day became so dense as to seriously interfere with out-of-door pursuits.

Miners coming into town reported for miles that the snow was impregnated with ashes; that sledding was almost impossible, further that the air is so full of ashes that breathing is difficult and the fine powder has sifted into houses and business places.

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Army And Navy Meet

Philadelphia, Pa., Nov. 30.—The Quaker City is the gathering place today of members of the social sets from almost every city of the east and many of Washington's official coterie, all of whom are here for the great annual gridiron contest on Franklin field this afternoon between the football teams of the West Point and Annapolis academies.

Philadelphia is in gala attire in honor of the event. The black, gold and gray of the army, and the blue and gold of the navy are flying everywhere, and if other evidence was lacking that something of importance is about to take place it needs only a glance into the corridors of any of the prominent hotels to see the scenes of animation.

At noon it was apparent that as large a crowd as ever attended an army and navy game on the University of Pennsylvania's gridiron would be on hand to see the struggle.

Many special trains came in during the forenoon from Washington, New York, West Point, Annapolis and intermediate points, bringing representatives of the navy and war departments, rear admirals, major generals and officers of all other grade down to the plain privates, jacksies and marines.

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Crowds Pack The Court Room to Hear Speeches In The Bradley Trial

Near 3,000,000 People Attended Exposition

By Associated Press. Norfolk, Va., Nov. 30.—Bright sunshine lingering over the landscape greeted the closing day of the Jamestown exposition, and an attractive program had drawn a great crowd to the grounds.

It is the day of partings and farewells among thousands of exhibitors, concessionaries, state building hosts, employes and officials.

This evening, in the auditorium, President Tucker will deliver a speech reviewing the exposition and setting forth its hardships and its successes and Director General Martin will make a financial statement.

At midnight President Tucker will turn off the lights and the big fair will be closed.

Its future is problematic. Receivers may be asked to keep the exposition intact and in readiness for another year on prospective sale as a whole of all property.

Virginia's large fruit and perishable exhibits will be distributed among the charitable institutions of the state.

Director General Martin authorized the statement showing a total attendance at the exposition since the opening, April 26th, to have been about 2,800,000 of which about \$1,500,000 were paid.

Young Couple Were Drowned In Pond

By Associated Press. Colebrook, N. H., Nov. 30.—Charles P. Heath, son of a physician at Wakefield, Mass., and Miss Lydia E. Hatch, daughter of Wilton Hatch, a New Hampshire physician, were drowned in Big Diamond pond, about ten miles from here yesterday, according to a report brought here from Houston Camp on the shores of the pond.

Heath was 24, and Miss Hatch 26, started on a hunting trip yesterday.

Local Laymen Will Preside

Messrs. H. Clarkson, W. C. Dowd, E. A. Cole And Robert Glasgow Chosen to Lead Various Services.

At 5 o'clock tomorrow afternoon the initial service of the Laymen's Missionary Movement will be held at the auditorium, which will be heated with furnace heat, and in every way made comfortable for the series of services to be held tomorrow and the two days following.

Mr. Robt. Glasgow is expected to preside.

At this service Rev. Dr. D. Clay Lilly, of Winston-Salem, will speak, along with Mr. C. H. Ireland and others, on the list, if they arrive in time. Most of the visitors will be here on Monday.

Messrs. J. Campbell White and Wm. T. Ellis arriving that morning at 10 o'clock from Atlanta, where today and tomorrow they are conducting meetings similar to those to be held here.

Dr. Lilly gave up his pastorate of the Winston-Salem First Presbyterian church to take up the work of traveling throughout the length and breadth of his own church in the interest of the Laymen's Movement. His denomination is trying to raise \$1,000,000 this year in the south. Dr. Lilly is a man of great spiritual power.

He will speak again at night at 8 o'clock in the auditorium at a general meeting of all the churches, at which Mr. W. C. Dowd will preside. Every pastor has consented to yield his night service for this union missionary meeting to which women as well as men are invited.

Monday evening at 7:30 the banquet will be served at the auditorium and Messrs. J. Campbell White and Wm. T. Ellis will speak. Mr. Heriot Clarkson has been asked to preside at this time and will do so.

Passionate Oratory Marked Proceedings of The Day in Famous Trial—Many Ladies in The Court Room.

By Associated Press. Washington, Nov. 30.—Passionate oratory marked today's proceedings in the trial of Mrs. Annie M. Bradley, charged with the killing of former Senator Brown, of Utah.

The court room was unable to accommodate the great number of people who came to witness the last scenes in the tragedy that has attracted national attention for nearly a year.

Many of the attendants were ladies and some of them arrived at the city hall long before the doors of the court room were opened, in order to secure desirable positions.

Mrs. Bradley came into the court room as if fully alive to the importance of the proceedings. She took her accustomed place, where she could be plainly seen by the jurors and very near her counsel.

The day was devoted to hearing arguments by attorneys of both sides of the case. Assistant District Attorney Turner opened for the government and he was followed by Mr. Wells, of the counsel for the defense. Assistant District Attorney opened for the government, saying there was no space in considering the case for sympathy, passion or prejudice, but that the jury must answer the question, under their oath. He urged the jury to consider the case on the same basis as if it were a man involved, and as if it were an ordinary mind involved instead of the brilliant mind of Mrs. Bradley.

Pistol Introduced. While describing the scene of the killing of Senator Brown an attendant delivered to the district attorney a small package containing the pistol that had been used by Mrs. Bradley. The defendant evidently recognized the weapon as it was uncovered and laid at a convenient place near Turner. Closing her eyes she remained as if in a stupor only occasionally looking toward the jury and watching their faces.

Turner exhibited the defendant's pistol to the jury, together with a handbag with which it had been carried from Salt Lake City until Senator Brown was shot. Mr. Turner reviewed the evidence of insanity and declared that there was only the most trivial incidents could be cited to justify such a theory. He insisted that the jury should discard all thought of the mistreatment she had received from Senator Brown, as it could have nothing to do with their decision.

Overcame With Emotion. As he proceeded he turned slightly pale and leaning on a nearby table paused, then sat down. He had been overcome by emotion and nervous shock. Leaving the room for a few minutes with the district attorney the court suspended proceedings until he returned and resumed his argument.

Turner characterized as dangerous the woman who considered a man not her husband more sacred to her than does a wife herself. He said that even a horse doctor could have discerned that Mrs. Bradley when she shot Brown was not suffering from toxic insanity.

Miss Abernathy Returns to Hickory. Miss Lallie Abernathy, of Hickory, who has been in the city attending King's Business College for a few months has returned to her home in Hickory and accepted a position as stenographer with Mr. W. A. Hall, of that place. Miss Abernathy is a charming young lady and won many warm friends during her short stay here who regret very much to see her leave, though they wish her great success in her future undertakings.

Comparison of Receipts. The receipts on the local market today were 225 bales at 10 1/2 to 11 cents. The same day last year, 359 bales were sold at 11.15.

The receipts of cotton from first of September to date are 9,309 bales, 726 bales less than what was sold to the same date last year, the receipts at that time being 10.25.

For the month of November the receipts are 3,481 bales against 3,523 same month last year.

Bodies Found in Room.

By Associated Press. Boston, Mass., Nov. 30.—The bodies of Mrs. Catherine Logan, 68 years, and her daughter, Nina, 17, were found in a bedroom of their home, death having been caused, according to the police, by gas poisoning, probably accidental.

Mr. F. A. Tobey, of Lincolnton, was among the guests at the Selwyn Hotel today.

Jeff Davis at White House. By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., Nov. 30.—Among the president's callers today was Senator Jeff Davis, of Arkansas.

Mr. A. J. McKinnon, of Maxton, spent yesterday in the city.

MRS. M'CANNE BURNED. She Overturns a Kettle of Boiling Water on Her Body. This afternoon while engaged in the kitchen Mrs. Paul McCane, who lives at No. 4 East Second street, overturned a kettle of boiling water over her body, and she was severely burned.