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Census Report On Amount of Cotton Ginned

Bulletin Just Issued Shows 8,878,277 Running Bales of Cotton Ginned From the 1909 Growth to Dec 1st.

This is Compared to 11,007,661 for 1908—Full Report by States—Local Opinions of The Report.

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 8.—There were 8,878,277 running bales of cotton ginned from the growth of 1909 to December 1, as compared with 11,007,661 for 1908, according to the census bulletin issued to-day.

These figures count round as half bales and exclude linters. Proportion of the last three crops ginned to December 1, is 84.1 per cent for 1908, 75.3 per cent for 1907 and 77.2 for 1906.

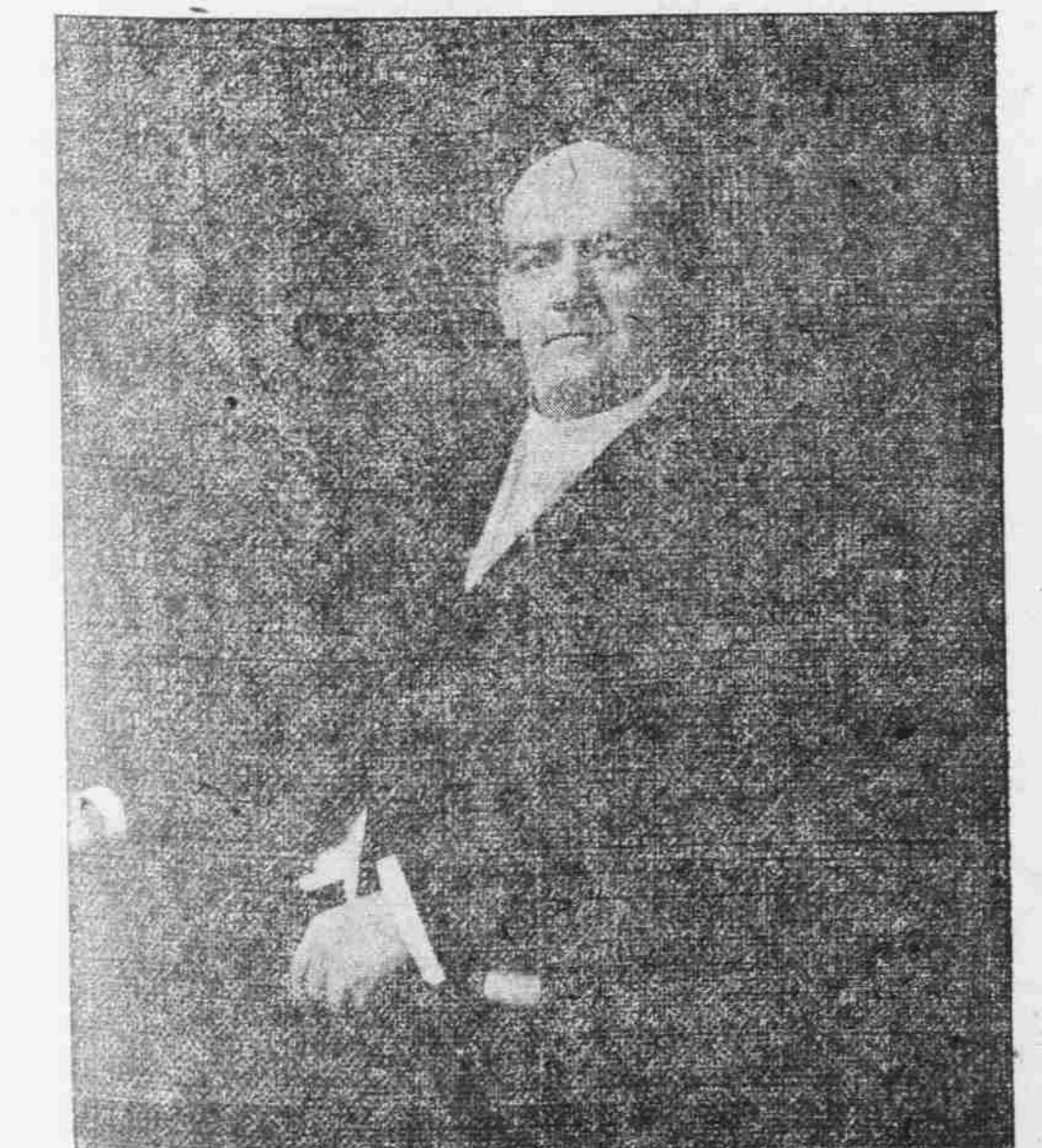
Round bales included this year are 152,919 against 291,480 included for 1908 and 154,626 for 1907. Sea island bales included are 77,776 for 1909, 68,336 for 1908 and 55,239 for 1907.

Effect on Markets. By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 8.—Census bureau's report showing decrease in cotton ginned this year compared with last, caused increased activity and excitement in the cotton market with May contracts selling up to 15.39, or 17 points above the closing figures last night, and a new record for the season.

Cook's Records At Copenhagen

By Associated Press. Copenhagen, Dec. 8.—Dr. Frederick A. Cook's North Polar observations finished here today.

They were placed in the University vault and will be guarded until the examining committee begins its work.



Cut of J. H. Foster, D. D., the newly installed pastor at Wilmington First Church.

House Was Dynamited

By Associated Press. Struthers, Ohio, Dec. 8.—The house occupied by tin workers imported to break the strike, was dynamited this morning.

The house was wrecked and a number of persons seriously injured.

Cardenas Out Against Zelaya

By Associated Press. New Orleans, Dec. 8.—Former President Cardenas of Nicaragua, overthrown by Zelaya in 1891, has taken the field against his old enemy, heading an expedition from Costa Rica into Nicaragua, according to advices received here.

Mysterious Telegram Still Inexplicable

Special to the News. Statesville, N. C., Dec. 8.—As was mentioned in these columns at the time, on the 16th or 17th of November, Mr. W. B. Lackey, of Statesville, and Mr. Walter Lackey, of Charlotte, were advised by telegram that their sister, Mrs. E. E. Gibbons, was dead at Kansas City, Mo., and the sender of the message asked what disposition should be made of the body.

The telegram was signed by a stranger to Mr. Lackey and this puzzled him, but he immediately wired to have the remains sent to Statesville. They were expected to reach here about November 18th, and arrangements were made to have them interred at Stony Point. But the corpse never came, and Mr. Lackey wrote for information to no avail.

The mystery was deepened a few days ago when Mr. Lackey, of Statesville, received a letter from a relative enclosing a card which had been received from Mrs. Gibbons, showing that she was alive and well at Kansas City. But who sent the death message and the reason for sending it is yet unexplained. Mrs. Gibbons has a husband and a number of children, but Mr. Lackey's letters to them have not been answered.

Bjornson's Condition Critical. Paris, Dec. 8.—Bjornstjerne Bjornson, the famous Norwegian poet, playwright and publicist, entered upon his 80th year today, having been born in Osterdal, Norway, December 8th, 1832. The poet is now in Paris, whither he was brought from his home in Norway in the hope that an operation might afford relief from the complication of ailments from which he has suffered for several years.

His present condition is regarded as critical in the extreme. The physicians, in fact, hold out no hope that he will ever be able to leave his bed, and in view of his age it is not believed that he can long survive.

To Honor Peckham's Memory. Albany, N. Y., Dec. 8.—Arrangements have been concluded for the social meeting of the New York State Bar Association to be held in the Assembly Chamber tomorrow evening for the purpose of commemorating the life and public services of the late Justice Rufus W. Peckham, of the United States supreme court.

The programme for the memorial meeting provided for addresses by United States Senator Root, Governor Hughes, and others.



CONGRESSIONAL VAUDEVILLE.

Charlotte Man Chosen President Of State Baptist Convention

Wadesboro Is Crowded With Delegates—Many Reports Read

W. C. Dowd Succeeds J. B. Carlsle as Moderator of Convention—N. B. Broughton Elected Secretary for 27th Time

Sec'y. Johnson Read Report of Board of State Missions at Morning Session—His Recommendations.

Special to the News. Wadesboro, N. C., Dec. 8.—Just before noon today the report of the committee on ministerial education was read by C. M. Beach. The report asks the convention to go on record as opposed to the use of tobacco by young ministers.

The report carefully designated the young ministers and was adopted. Wadesboro, Dec. 8.—The largest attendance of Baptists in years gathered in state convention last night and after a splendid sermon by Rev. George T. Watkins, of Goldsboro, President J. B. Carlsle called the body to order in 78th annual session.

The election of a president was the issue for the evening and after a good natured contest of their ballots the convention elected William Carey Dowd, of Charlotte, as president.

Mr. Dowd, in a brief address, took the chair and the organization was perfected by the re-election for the 27th time of N. B. Broughton as secretary.

Report on State Missions. This morning Secretary L. Johnson read the report of the board of the state missions. The report makes the following recommendations:

"We respectfully submit the following recommendations: "First, That the amounts appropriated to the missionaries and Sunday school work be left to the discretion of the board provided such amount shall not exceed \$10,000. "Second, That all of the money contributed by the women for state missions, or so much of it as may be deemed necessary, shall be used as a church building fund. The disposition of this fund shall be left to the executive committee of the board of missions, provided that not more than half shall be granted as donations, the remainder being used as loans on such terms, and with such securities as the executive committee may deem wise. "Third, That we employ no evangelist next year but that W. R. Brad-

shaw, our present evangelist, assist the corresponding secretary in preparing to the churches and associations as the missionary objects of the convention. "Fourth, That the associational executive committees respectfully, but earnestly request these churches to give the financial plan submitted in this report a fair and faithful trial. "Fifth, That the executive committee of the mission board be requested to prepare a table based on last year's contributions, adding to each object the percent of increase necessary, in their judgment to meet the demands of the coming year. "Sixth, We suggest the following schedule of collections as perhaps the best that can be arranged for churches: Home missions, December, January, February; Foreign missions, March, April, May; Ministerial Education, June; Orphanage, July and Thanksgiving; Optional, August, State missions, September, October, November; for the Sunday school: Orphanage, first Sunday in each month; Sunday school missions, June 7th; that the corresponding secretary be given authority to prepare a hand book on state missions for the use of mission study classes, the same to be printed as cheaply as possible, covered with paper and sold at actual cost. "The report of the board of education was read by Rev. W. R. Cullum, of Wake Forest. The report shows 65

ministerial students aided by the board. Report on Sunday Schools. Mr. J. W. Bailey, of Raleigh, read a report on Sunday schools and addresses were delivered by Rev. Dr. I. J. Van Ness, of Nashville, and Rev. Dr. B. H. Dement, of Louisville, Ky. Proceedings of Day. In the pastor's conference this afternoon, the only incident out of the expectancy came during the discussion of the subject of church letters. Every Baptist church has a covenant taken by members which contains this clause: "We, moreover engage, that when we remove from this place, we will as soon as possible unite with some other church, when we may carry out



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W. C. DOWD, THE NEW ELECTED PRESIDENT, STATE ASSOCIATION.

Nicaraguan People Kept in The Dark As to Situation

By Associated Press. Panama, Dec. 8.—Passengers from Nicaragua state that the people in the republic are kept in ignorance of the happenings in the country, because of Zelaya's strict censorship. Honduras's president is reported to be an ally of Zelaya.

Mysteries Piled Up In The Bath Tub Murder Case

By Associated Press. New York, Dec. 8.—Mysteries piled up today in the bath-tub murder case. The question of whether chloroform was used in murdering the young Southern girl Ocee Snead, looms up as a result of the druggists story that a woman resembling one of Miss Snead's relatives sought to buy a bottle of chloroform a day or two before the body was discovered in the East Orange house-of-the-dead.

He refused to sell the drug without prescription. The police believe Mrs. Snead was chloroformed then drowned. Another complication in the case is the disappearance of Mrs. Martha Wardlaw, grandmother of the victim. The woman who died so mysteriously was buried today. No friends or relatives attended the funeral. Miss Virginia Wardlaw, the victim's aunt is still locked up charged with murdering her niece.

Boiler Makers Walk Out

By Associated Press. Richmond, Va., Dec. 8.—Over one hundred men in the boiler shops of the American locomotive works walked out to-day following the order changing the system of pay from daily wage system to time or bonus system.

Zelaya Fails to Incite People

By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., Dec. 8.—Senator Castrillo, representative of the revolutionists, received a telegram from Bluefields signed Estrada, stating indications were that a decisive battle between Zelaya's forces and the revolutionists would be fought tomorrow at Rama.

President Zelaya, recognizing the growing sentiment in Nicaragua favorable to the revolutionists and to the part the United States is playing in the contest, has recently been making every possible effort to incite the people to an anti-American demonstration.

This information was received at the state department from official sources together with statements that Zelaya's efforts have been utterly futile. Boys' Club Is Victorious. The Charlotte high school basketball team went up against the Boy's Club of the Y. M. C. A. yesterday afternoon and met another defeat. Boys' Club, 18; Charlotte High School, 9, is the way the score stood at the end of the contest. The high school boys must have had an off day, as they failed to play their usual good game. The Charlotte high school team will go to Salisbury Saturday to play the high school team of that city.

M's. Thos. Stewart Junius Smith Right forward. Ben Maffitt R. William Left forward. S. Alexander (capt.) F. Macrae (capt) Center. J. F. Smith W. Bradfield Right guard. E. Page F. Fotts Left guard.

SIX-DAY-"BIKE" RACERS MAKE NEW RECORDS

By Associated Press. New York, Dec. 8.—Still ahead of all records, leaders in the six-day bicycle race to-day set the pace lowering existing marks. Early this morning thousands of spectators witnessed the sprint by teams at a terrific pace, one team losing a lap in the wild scramble. "Bobby" Walthour of Atlanta, Ga. and his team mate Collins, by wonderful sprints, slid up to fourth place. Distance covered thus far is 1,184 miles. The score at 11 o'clock stood: Rutt-Stol. McFarland-Clark Lawson-Demara. Walthour-Collins. Root-Folger. Mitten-West. Cameron-Krebs. Halstead-Lawrence. Pyc-Hehir. Anderson-Vaporit. Hill-Stein. Calvin-Keegan. Grigg-Corvet. German-Carapezzi.

Proposed Monument At Gettysburg

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 8.—The proposed monument at Gettysburg to Virginia troops will stand at a point where the extreme right Confederate line rested and General Lee watched the charge of Pickett's brigade. This was decided by the Virginia commission.