

## NEWBERN HAS BIG FIRE

### Most Costly Conflagration in the City's Long History.

Two Engines, Several Coaches and Freight Cars Destroyed, Besides All Important Buildings Except Paint Shops.

Fire, which originated in the fire room of the Norfolk & Southern shops at New Bern Saturday morning at 2:15 o'clock, destroyed the entire shops with the exception of the paint shop, office and store room. The alarm was given by the ice factory whistle, but owing to the inadequate water supply in the shops it was some time before the fire department could get many streams of water on the buildings and within a few minutes after the alarm was given the entire shop was ablaze from end to end. The loss to the buildings and machinery is complete. The carpenter shop, car shop, boiler room, machine shop and round house were destroyed and in addition two passenger cars, three freight cars, engines Nos. 114 and 41 were lost. The engines may not be entirely destroyed, but are badly damaged. All of the new machinery was ruined. Some \$23,000 has been spent on new machinery in the shops within the past six months, and very little of it can ever be used again. A large number of cars and engines around the shops were saved by the shifting engines and were carried off to a safe distance.

The blaze was very spectacular, especially when the oil house was burning. The large timbers used in the roof support and for the supports for the shafting made a very hot fire and the two thousand or more who gazed on with sad hearts were kept back quite a distance from the burning buildings.

A part of the shops were new, having been built in 1890, but another part had been used by the old Atlantic & North Carolina for about fifty years. One hundred and fifty men were thrown out of work, with a pay-roll of about \$7,000 per month.

It is not known how much insurance was carried as the insurance is placed other than in New Bern, but the shops were insured.

What steps will be taken by the Norfolk & Southern as regards rebuilding the shops is unknown. The general manager is expected in New Bern today. Two or three years ago it was said that the shops would be moved from New Bern, but it is not thought now that such is the case.

Very little of the present walls could be used, as they are badly cracked and because necessary to change the tracks in order that the trains can pass the walls of the buildings. The entire loss is about \$250,000.

## TESTS A NEW STORAGE BATTERY IN ENGLAND

Mr. George Carmichael, of Brooklyn, Thinks He Has Achieved What Edison Has Attempted.

London, Nov. 8.—Mr. George Carmichael, of Brooklyn, is in London in the interests of a new storage battery of his own invention. Regarding this battery, Mr. Carmichael said:

"I believe I have achieved what Mr. Edison has been striving for many years. My battery does not come up to all my expectations yet, but further improvements are rapidly progressing. We have already succeeded in putting the battery to a good commercial purpose.

"I have fitted a large automobile weighing more than a ton, including its full equipment without passengers, with a battery weighing only seventy-two pounds, and I ran for a hundred miles without recharging.

"The recharging of the battery was done while I was dining. We then ran the return journey of seventy miles, without mishap. We averaged for the entire trip more than twenty miles per hour.

"The cost of the trip I find worked out at something like ten miles for a cent. This is, of course, much cheaper than any internal combustion engine can be operated.

"Why have I come to England to conduct these experiments? Simply because the conditions here are more difficult to deal with. They are less standardized and more varying. I want to subject my invention to the most difficult test possible."

## THE WEATHER.

Forecast for Goldsboro and Vicinity. Increasing cloudiness tonight. Tuesday showers and cooler.

## PRESIDENT OPENS AUGUSTA FAIR

### Visits Florence, S. C., Tonight, Which Is to Give Him Warm Reception.

Augusta, Ga., Nov. 8.—President Taft today concluded his three days' stay in Augusta by attending the opening of the Georgia-Carolina Fair and delivering an address before one of the largest crowds ever assembled in this city. The occasion was given added brilliancy by the presence of a number of military companies and prominent official representatives of Georgia and South Carolina.

Florence, S. C., Nov. 8.—Elaborate arrangements have been perfected for the visit of President Taft here tonight. The President will arrive at 7:30 p. m., and will remain in the city one hour, during which time he will deliver an address before the Pee Dee commercial convention, now in session here and later will partake of a pine bark fish stew at the Florence Hotel. The governor and other distinguished representatives of the state and city will join in welcoming the President, and several companies of military have been assigned to act as escort to and from the central school building, where he is to speak.

## BASEBALL MEN IN SESSION.

Following the Southern League Meeting Tomorrow Will Come the Annual Meeting of the National Association of Minor League Clubs.

Memphis, Tenn., Nov. 8.—Minor league baseball owners and patrons will be particularly interested in the gathering of the small league magnates which began here today and will occupy the greater part of this week. Today the Southern League met for its annual fall session. The matters to come before the session for discussion and action include, in addition to the routine business winding up the past season, the charges brought against William A. Smith, former manager of the Atlanta Club, and who has been named to manage the Buffalo Club of the Eastern League next year. Smith was credited by a Cincinnati newspaper with explaining his dismissal from the Atlanta Club by declaring that "the directors fired him for not drawing a fine finish on the pennant race so that game receipts would improve. It is understood that Smith will make a formal denial of the statements credited to him, in which event the charges against him will probably be allowed to drop.

Following the Southern League meeting tomorrow will come the annual meeting of the National Association of Minor League Clubs. With no war talk and baseball in the most prosperous condition in the history of the game, the magnates will have the time to discuss the business from all angles and to map out the future of the organization devoted to minor league interests.

## ATLANTA SPEEDWAY OPENING.

Claimed to Be the Fastest Automobile Course in the World.

Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 8.—Everything is in readiness for the opening tomorrow of the new Atlanta automobile speedway, which is claimed to be the fastest automobile course in the world. The new speedway track, which is located about eight miles from the city, is oval in shape and two miles around. The back stretch and turns are sixty feet and their radius is 880 feet, making it possible, it is claimed, for the cars to take them at highest speed. The track is of clay, sand and gravel and has an asphalt binder.

Strang, Robertson, Basie, Matson, Hearne, Cluquot, Knipper and Dingley are among the leading drivers that will compete in the five days of racing. There are thirty-two events on the program. They will be at all distances from one mile to 200 miles. Five big trophies are to be competed for, of which the most important will be the Atlanta Trophy, which includes \$1,000 in gold to the winning driver.

## WEYLER ASSUMES COMMAND.

Expects to Restore Tranquility in the Province of Catalonia.

Barcelona, Nov. 8.—Gen. Cipriano Weyler has arrived here to assume the governor generalship of Catalonia, to which he was lately appointed. In addressing his official staff, he said he hoped, with an olive branch in one hand and the military code in the other, to restore tranquility.

If he were successful, he would be amply rewarded for leaving Madrid, which he had done at a great sacrifice. On two points he would be inexorable. He would tolerate no insults to Spain and no insults to the army.

When words fail, send a box of Dolly Varden Candy. For sale at The City Pharmacy.

## SERVICE FOR FARMERS

### Sunday in the Old North State's Capital and Convention City.

Most Striking Feature of the Farmers' National Congress the Religious Service in the Academy of Music.

Raleigh, N. C., Nov. 7.—Beyond question one of the very finest of the many striking features of the farmers' national congress was the religious service in the Academy of Music this afternoon. Ample space was reserved for the delegates, the remainder of the building being filled by Raleigh people. The service was under the auspices of the chamber of commerce. On the stage were one hundred and fifty selected singers, representing the "choirs of the Agricultural and Mechanical College, Peace Institute, St. Mary's, and Meredith Colleges, and the band of the Third Regiment. Charles D. Hart leading, gave the accompaniments in admirable style. The singing of the familiar hymns, such as "Onward, Christian Soldiers" and "How Firm a Foundation," in which the audience joined, was a notable feature. The music was directed by the gifted Wade Brown. Rev. Milton A. Barber, rector of Christ Church, was in charge of the services. Three other ministers participated.

Josiah William Bailey was the speaker, and his address was in fact a powerful sermon, delivered in his best style and adding to his already high reputation as an orator and thinker. His theme was the contrast between the conservation of our natural resources, and the conservation of our spiritual interests. America's chief concern is not maintenance of industrial progress so much as preservation of those principles which control in a proper appraisal of the interests of the soul. Jesus was concerned for the soul's welfare and with regard to property he placed no valuation whatsoever upon it as compared with his valuation of the soul. His chief concern about property lay in the peril it offers the soul in its passage through time. A people who forget the interests of the soul will lose the great fundamental rights of free government. Soul liberty made the way for personal liberty. Our national hymn is national and abiding because it is true. It speaks of God as author of liberty. The sovereignty of God is the basis of all sovereignty, whether republic or kingdom.

## GOV. J. F. SMITH RETIRES.

Taft Accepts Resignation of Executive of the Philippines.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 7.—It was announced last night that the resignation of James F. Smith, of California, governor general of the Philippines, had been accepted by President Taft, to take effect on November 11. Mr. Smith is now on leave of absence in the United States.

His resignation was expected and is due to his long service in the tropics and his desire to return to the practice of law. W. Cameron Forbes, of Massachusetts, who has been acting governor general since Mr. Smith left Manila several months ago, has been appointed to the vacancy.

Mr. Smith went to the Philippines in 1898 as colonel of the First California Volunteer Regiment. His home is in San Francisco. W. Cameron Forbes, the governor general, is a native of Milton, Mass., and is a grandson of Ralph Waldo Emerson.

## "MOTHER OF GOVERNORS."

Historian Lewis Claims This Honor for West Virginia.

Charleston, W. Va., Nov. 6.—According to Virgil A. Lewis, state historian and archivist, West Virginia is the "Mother of governors."

Following the announcement that Secretary of State Thompson, of Ohio would be a candidate for the Republican nomination for governor, Historian Lewis began an investigation with reference to the number of West Virginians who have been chosen governors of the several states. Secretary Thompson is a West Virginian. He was born in Wayne county, but emigrated to Ohio with his parents when a child.

While Historian Lewis has not completed his investigation, he says West Virginia has produced hundreds of able men who have served other states in different capacities.

Goose Grease Liniment never fails to cure all aches and pains. For sale at M. F. Outlaw.

## THIS CLOCK A MARVEL.

Has No Hands, Rays of Light Indicating Time.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 8.—An electric clock without hands is exhibited in Chicago. Its pendulum weighs more than three thousand pounds. It contains 5,485 colored bulbs and over a mile of wire. The minutes are indicated by sixty series of lights, each series containing thirty-two globe-covered bulbs, radiating from an ornamental centrepiece to the outer edge of the dial. Shorter rays of different colored lights indicate the hours, and these change their position twelve times during each sixty minutes, or once every five minutes.

The seconds are shown by sixty lights placed at equal distances around the extreme outer edge of the face. The hour figures are three feet high, outlined in colored lights. Each second the illumination in the outer circle of light moves forward one bulb, and when the dial has been entirely circled the lights indicating the minute also advance, and the hour hand, formed by lights, makes its slow journey at five minute intervals.

## FINE ARTS FOR WOMEN.

Hints on How to Make Stout Women Thin and Vice Versa.

Boston, Mass., Oct. 8.—A gentleman from the Chicago Academy of Fine Arts gave the Dressmakers' Club a few hints on how to make stout ladies slim and slim ladies seem plump at the meeting recently.

The Fine Arts gentleman took his chalk and drew figures to illustrate what he meant. One figure showed how vertical stripes make any one seem slim and another how horizontal stripes diminish the height and increase the appearance of dumpyness. Still another showed how diagonal stripes were much better for stout ladies than broad horizontal stripes.

He stood up there, that Fine Arts gentleman did, and drew these figures and said those things to an assembly of dressmakers largely "of the female persuasion" with the evident idea that he was imparting some novel and useful information.

## DOG TRAINED TO STEAL.

Policemen Solve Mystery of Thefts From Long Island Homes.

New York, Nov. 8.—A dog trained to steal groceries and meats from hallways and vestibules has been operating, according to the police, in the vicinity of Beechurst, Whitestone, Long Island.

For several months residents of this section have been mystified as well as annoyed by petty robberies about their homes. Bread and rolls left by the baker disappeared. Bundles left by the grocer also seemed to take wings and fly away, while often the family roast left by the butcher disappeared as if spirited away.

Two policemen this morning saw a big black dog steal into the hallway of a house and come out with a package of bread and rolls in his mouth. Giving a quick glance around, the canine thief darted away. The policeman tried to head him off, but falling, they drew their revolvers and opened fire on him. The dog sunk close to the ground and increased his speed, but he was struck by one of the bullets and then by another and he rolled over.

The police say the dog was trained by someone to commit the thefts.

## LED OTHERS TO MILLIONS.

Death of an Old Gold Hunter Recalls Discovery of the Alder Gulch.

Dillon, Mont., Oct. 8.—Barney Hughes, one of the old-time famous Argonauts of early days and one of six discoverers of Alder Gulch, the richest gold sands in the Northwest, died at Wisdom.

Hughes, with Bill Fairweather, Tom Cober, Henry Edgar, Thill Sweeney, and Harry Rodgers, was forced into Alder Gulch by hostile Crow Indians. Hughes was mixing some flour in a pan when Fairweather made him dump the whole mess. He made a test of some gravel he found inside of a bank. A handful of dirt yielded thirty-eight cents and a hole two feet deep produced hundreds of dollars.

Making their way back to Bannock the six men returned with a crowd of three hundred men, and thus began one of the most famous gold stampedes in the history of the West. The Gulch produced \$38,000,000. Hughes left Alder Gulch in three months with \$48,000 wrapped in a flour sack, and in about six months more returned penniless, having invested his fortune in San Francisco real estate, to which the title was worthless. Hughes died practically a pauper.

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## SELLS HIS HOLDINGS

Tom Johnson Gives Up Immense Ohio Ventures.

Last of Cleveland Mayor's Big Enterprises Passes From His Hands When He Sells the Sheffield Company Interests.

Lorain, O., Nov. 7.—Practically the last of Mayor Tom L. Johnson's great Ohio enterprises will pass out of his hands when the Sheffield Land Company here disposes of its \$3,000,000 properties to the Sheffield Realty Company.

This company, capitalized at \$1,850,000, was incorporated immediately after the recent election, in which Johnson was defeated, and it is announced that it will purchase within thirty days the Sheffield Land Company, which was formed by Johnson in the early nineties, at about the time he founded the steel mills, since purchased by the National Tube Company.

The Du Ponts, of Delaware, one of whom, A. B. Du Pont, has been closely associated with Johnson in his Cleveland traction ventures, are supposed to be behind the new company. An immense amount of ready cash, it is said, will go to those interested in the Johnson company.

The largest steel plant in the United States will be built here as soon as the National Tube Company, of this city, can complete a \$7,000,000 addition to its equipment. The National Tube Company was built originally by Tom Johnson. It was purchased by the United States Steel Corporation, and several millions of dollars were expended here in new buildings.

Mother's Joy is made of pure goose grease, mutton suet and other healing ingredients. For sale by M. F. Outlaw.

## KAISER LIKES VEGETABLES.

Says He Has So Many Gardens He Ought to Have Products.

Chicago, Oct. 8.—According to a writer in one of the most courtly of Berlin journals, the Kaiser is very fond of vegetables.

"I live so many gardens," he is reported to have said to the Kaiserin, "that surely you can let me have fresh vegetables every day."

He likes German beefsteak—that is, chopped meat and onions fried. This he eats with mashed potatoes. It is, in fact, his favorite dish. His Majesty cannot stand oysters since he was made ill once by some baked molluscs which an august English relative offered him. Fish must never be absent from his table, and he always eats quantities of it.

"It is good for the brain," he says, "as it contains plenty of phosphorus."

His only breakfast is at eight o'clock and then he enjoys plenty of toast and butter, prepared in the English fashion. His beloved sweets are pancakes, with lemon juice and sugar over them. He eats rapidly and does little talking while at meals, but after a hearty repast he enjoys half an hour of easy, familiar talk and a strong cigar.

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## NORTH CAROLINA SMOTHERED.

V. P. I. Regarded As Weaker Team, Routs Tar Heels.

Richmond, Va., Nov. 6.—Stubbornly contesting every inch of the ground from the beginning to the end of a fiercely fought game, the University of North Carolina was smothered at Eroad Street Park this afternoon by the gridiron representatives of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute, the score being 15 to 0.

One touchdown in the first half and a touchdown and field goal in the second was the best the Orange and Maroon could do against their opponents, who had been regarded as easy until a few days ago.

Line-up:  
V. P. I.—Luttrell, left end; Burruss, left guard; Jones, left tackle; Gibbs, center; Hicks, right end; E. R. Hodgeson (Capt.), right guard; Norris, right tackle; Hughes, quarterback; Logge, left halfback; A. N. Hodgson, right halfback; Hodgson, fullback.

Carolina—Winston, left end; Thompson, left guard; Garrett (Capt.), left tackle; Brown, center; Williams, right end; McLean, right guard; Hedgpath, right tackle; Tillet, quarterback; Porter, left halfback; Belden, right halfback; Elder, fullback.

Touchdowns—Giggs, V. B. Hodgson. Goals from touchdowns—Capt. Hodgson (2). Field goal—Capt. Hodgson. Referee—Mr. "Pat" Barry, of Georgetown. Umpire—Mr. Donnelly, of Trinity College. Head linesman—Mr. Meier, of Harvard. Linesmen—Messrs. Graveley and Ferguson. Timekeepers—Messrs. Wiggins, of North Carolina, and Hargrove, of V. P. I. Time of halves—25 minutes.

## SURGEONS OPERATE ON WILSON.

Pressure on Football Player's Spinal Cord Removed.

Annapolis, Md., Nov. 7.—A most delicate operation was successfully performed this afternoon upon midshipman Earl D. Wilson, a vertebra of whose neck was broken during the football game on October 16. The laminae or outward covering were cut away from four of the vertebrae of the neck in order to remove pressure on the spinal cord, and the covering of the spinal cord was removed and the cord thoroughly inspected.

Portions of the fractured bone from the fifth vertebra were removed, but it was found that the greatest injury to the cord had been occasioned by a dislocation of the fourth vertebra.

The cord was found to be intact, though in very bad condition at the point of injury.

It is believed that all pressure has been removed and that Wilson's chance of ultimate recovery is greatly improved. In successfully passing through the anesthetic, Wilson survived what was considered one of the greatest dangers connected with the operation. The operation began at about two o'clock, and was not completed until nearly five o'clock. Within an hour Wilson had almost completely recovered consciousness and was talking intelligently.

The operation was performed by Surgeon C. F. Stokes, assisted by Surgeons J. H. Iden, E. Woods and George F. Cottle, all of whose present being members of the naval medical staff.

## Another Football Player Operated on.

Utica, N. Y., Nov. 7.—Joseph Pichering, of the Casenovia Seminary football team, whose spine was fractured in a game with Colgate yesterday, was successfully operated upon at a Faxton Hospital this morning. The operation disclosed the fact that both sides of the arch of the seventh cervical vertebra had been broken and the spinal cord lacerated. The compressing bone was removed and following the operation the surgeon said that the lad had a fair chance to recover.

## CURSE OF THE SOUTH

A Great Railroad Man of the West Speaks Plainly His Views.

He Sees Great Things Ahead if the Farmer and Manufacturer and Merchant Will Curb the Professional Politician.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 7.—Expressing the belief that politics and politicians have retarded progress and development in the South and Southwest, B. F. Yoakum, chairman of the executive committee of the Rock Island and Frisco lines, who has just returned from a trip to that section, is of the opinion that there will be less deterioration there in the future of selfish political interests. Mr. Yoakum exchanged views with leading merchants, farmers and manufacturers during his trip, and from them he gained the impression that representative people of the South are tired of elevating to public life men who devote their time exclusively to politics, and that they are very much in the mood now of sending to Congress and placing in other positions of trust public men whose interests are more centered in the development, advancement and improvement of the South.

Mr. Yoakum has great faith in the South and his advice is that the people of that section should profit from the example of the people of the Northwest in the development of their section. More business and less politics is the slogan advanced by Mr. Yoakum for the South and Southwest, and in this connection he makes observations of more than ordinary interest with reference to Southern and Northwestern Congressmen.

"There is only one thing that may delay a movement of rapid agricultural and industrial development in the South and Southwest," said Mr. Yoakum. "That one thing is politics."

"I have just returned from a trip through various Southern and Northwestern states. With the exception I mention, I am pleased with the outlook."

"The signs of the times are for good business and the spirit of the people I met favors substantial growth. My exchange of views with men encourages me to believe that business in the future will be less handicapped by selfish politicians than it has been in the past."

## IN HOSPITAL 24 YEARS; DIES.

Woman Had Never Spoken Nor Heard Sound in Her Life.

Cleveland, O., Nov. 7.—After spending most of her time in the last twenty-four years looking out of the same window in St. Alexis Hospital, a woman whose name was not known, who had never spoken, heard a sound, nor moved of her own volition in the forty-four years of her existence, died Saturday.

She was brought to the hospital when she was twenty, deaf, dumb, and paralyzed. Her name was lost two decades ago, and an aunt, her only relative, died a few months after she was admitted to the hospital. She had been known as Lottie. The only sign of conscious life she ever showed was the movement of her eyes.

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