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W. A. Lambeth, of Thomasville, representing Vanderbilt university, won the thirteenth annual contest of the southern intercollegiate oratorcal contest. He compettors were Messra, H. D. Phups, of Atlanta, Ga., representing the Unversty of the South; John A. Shahmanian, of Constantinopie, Turkey, representing Kentucky university; J. B. Luton, of Ector, Tex., represcaling the University of Texas; J. D. MacInnis, of Meridian, Miss., representing the University of Virginia, and H. H. Lumpkin, of Columbia, S. C., representing South Carolina college.

State Treasurer B. R. Lacy has sent by express the issue of \$260,000 four per cent, state bonds, maturing January 1, 1912, to the purchasers in Balt-Governor Ayeock and Treasurer Lacy signed each of the 325 bonds, 275 being in denominations of \$1000 each and 50 were \$500 bonds. The bonds are handsomely engraved. Besides the seal of the state, a woman's head adorns the outside, while a smaller copy of the same picture is on outh

A destructive hall sterm passed ever Lexington Monday afternoon. The storm started by dropping stones about sire of lemons, increasing in numbers and dimenishing in size until the ground was completely covered. his was followed by a good rath, hick was very much needed. The told must have done an immense amount of damage to the crops.

The Southern had a serious wreck near Belmont yesterday. The southbound train ran into a detached secthm of a freight train. The engine was thrown from the track and almost demolished and the box cars badly splintered. Engineer A. C. Orr of Charlotte will keep one leg and is otherwise injured.

The state beard of education instructs Col. W.E. Rodman of Washington, N. C., to accept the offer of Baylus Cade for the State's land in Cartaret county at 60 cents per acre, and to draw the necessary papers. The lands in Cartaret and now less than 100,000

Governor Arcock has ordered a spepresiding. It is probable that the 11 men indicted by the grand jury for the assassination of Percy Jones, the insurance agent, will come up at this time.

The mayor of Greenshero has the weto power, and he used it very proper-It for the first time Monday in vetoing a new ordinance allowing permanent awnings across the sidewalk in front of the Benbow house. There has not been a swinging sign or wooden awning for years across the sidewalk.

The eleventh unnual commencement of the State Normal at Greensboro began Monday, Dr. S. M. Smith of Columbia, S. C., preached the baccalaureate sermon, and Hon. W. W. Stetson of Maine delivered the annual address.

Died at Somerville, Fayette county, Tennessee, on May 23, 1963, Thomas S. Galloway, a native of Rockingham county, North Carolina, and formerly colonel of the Twenty-second regiment North Carolina troops.

Chief Justice Walter Clark has accepted the invitation to deliver an address before the Virginia State Bar association on August 22 at Hot Springs, Va. He has not selected his subject as yet.

The Bank of Lincolnton has been incorporated with capital of \$15,000. The Lenior & Patterson Turnpike company of Lepoir has also been incorporated. with \$200 capital.

Avery B. Sapp, a prominent and wealthy old bachelor of High Point, committed suicide Monday. No cause given save weakness of his mind.

Durham was visited by a terrific wind storm Monday night. The park of the Durham Traction company was injured to the extent of \$800.

The first number of the Charlott Evening Chronicle made its appearance Monday. It met a hearty reception from the reading public.

Lightning killed two mules standing by a stable near Fayetteville, burning all the hair off them, but did no damage to the building.

The seventh annual closing exercises of the colored A. & M. college at Greensboro is on this week. The schoe! in very prosperous.

Lightning struck a house in Salisbury, near Livingston college, and rent it in twain-but the family were absent.

The Southern railway has built a new passenger depot at Saluda, which will be ready for the summer travel.

Two houses were burned at Spencer yesterday. Loss principally covered by insurance.

The Salisbury Rifle guards netted \$400 from their street carnival last

Davidson College last week conferred the degree of L. L. D., on Hon. Platt D. Walker, of the Supreme Court. The thirtieth annual commencement at Elon college is from June 2 to 4.

#### ENGINEER ORR KILLED.

Disastrous Wreck on the Southern Railway Near Belmont,

Charlotte, Special .- At 12:15 o'clock Tuesday morning a disastrous wreck occurred on the main line of the Southern rallway, about 12 miles from Charlotte and only a short distance from Belmont station.

Engineer A. C. Orr, a resident of Charlotte and a brother of Mr. W. S. Orr, was fatally injured and an engine and 12 box cars were almost completely demolished.

Soon after the accident occurred, Superintendent Baker, left Charlotte with a force of hands for the scene of the wreck. Along with him went Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Orr, Dr. R. L. Gibbon, one road's surgeon, and the wife of the injured engineer.

They arrived at the wreck about 2:30 clock and soon thereafter Engineer Orr was brought back to Charlotte armying here at 4:30 o'clock.

The injured man was taken immediately to the Presbyterian hospital and a more thorough examination was made. It was ascertained that both legs were so badly crushed that airputation would be necessary.

The accident was near the south fork the Catamba river and about 100 miles south of Belmont.

The engine of freight train, known as No. 72, due in Charlote about 11 o'clock, became disabled at a point two miles south of Belmont. No. 2%, the south bound fast mail, which was more than an hour late, reached Belmont shortly before the mildnight hour. At to inundate the broadplateness on either that point, orders were received for the engine of No. 35 to proceed to the place where No. 72 was and sifetrack the train. Just before No. 35's engine reached the trouble, a section of the freight train became detached and as it was down grade, the wild cars rolled off at a high rate of speed. Before No. 35% engine, in charge of Mr. Orr, could reverse, the cars struck the pilot and crashed into the engine,

The force of the collision threw the engine from the track, the monster steed falling over on its side.

Engineer Orr, who was at the throtthe, went over with his engine and the cub, mashed to kindling wood, pinned him to the earth.

Mr. Orr died of his injuries late Tuesday afternoon, after intense suf-

#### Fire at Waynesville.

Asheville, Special.-A message rccelved from Waynesville Tuesday morning related the fact that that place had been the scene of another destructive fire. The Radeliff Hotel, a cial term of the criminal court to be 30-room frame building, caught fire held at Wilson June 15, Judge Shaw about 4 o'clock Tuesday morning, and a message from there al to the enct that he building was still burning some, but that a large number of men had fought the flames with an activity and effectiveness that saved the building from total loss. were not a great many guests in the building at the time, as the summer season had not opened, and those who were in the building gat out without a great deal of difficulty, as the blaze started near the roof, and the alarm was given very soon thereafter. This fact also made it possible to save purt of the furniture. The fire started either from a defective flue or from an electric wire. The building, which was located on Main street, was owned by N. P. Walker, clerk of the court of Haywood county. The los is partially covered by insurance. It will be recaffed that a large boarding house was destroyed by fire a few days ago in Waynesville, in which a young telegraph operator and a colored woman and her child lost their lives.

### Burned by Lamp Explosion.

Charlotte, Special.-The explosion of a kerosene oil lamp dangerously burned Mr. J. R. Brown, a farmer, who lives a few miles from Charlotte, near the Lawyers' road, at about 10 o'clock Tuesday night. Mr. Brown was sitting by a table reading when he heard a faint spluttering that indicated that something was wrong with the ismp. As he reached over to examine if, the lamp, which was almost full of oil, exploded close to his breast. From his chest to his feet Mr. Brown was sainrated with the burning oil, and the clothing was burned almost off his body. He received serious burns on his body and legs. A Charlotte physica was summoned. It is feared that the burns wil prove fatal.

### State News Notes.

The city of Charlotte has sold its issue of \$100,000 worth of bonds at 103 to a northern investment company.

The appeal in the case of James Wilcharged with the killing of Miss Nellie Cropsey, which was to have been beard last week, was postponed until today (Tuesday). It is the last case on the Supreme Court docket and there will be oral argument.

Something that very seldom happens took place in Goldsbero Thursday evening. William Smith, aged 24 and, who is supposed to be from Scranton, Pa., procured from the register of deeds of Wayne county license to marry Anna Wooten, a negro, who has lived there all her life. He failed to get any one to tle the knot. Smith obtained his license by representing him-self to be mixed-blood. He is without doubt a white man. The Wooten woman is about 25 years of age. When these facts became known, several young men advised him to leave town. Without any unnecessary delay he acted upon the advice given. Smith had been at work in Goldsborn on the streets for quite a while, assisting in the street improvements.

Melazgherd, Armenia, Wiped Out, Free Delivery Superintendent Accused 2000 Inhabitants Perishing.

#### WIDESPREAD SERIES OF SHAKES

Quakings Kill Many in Turkey-Town and Vilayet Wiped Out and Others in Enins - Garrison Are Victims - Erzeroum Feels the Shock Eighty Miles Away-Foreign Office Asks Aid.

Constantinople, Turkey.-Two thousand klided, a town wiped out and 490 houses in neighboring villages ground to powder by an earthquake that convulsed the country from Lake Van to the Russian frontler and as far west as Kharput constitute the awful story that reached this capital from Melazgherd, eighty miles southeast of Erzerous, nearly a month after the victims were cold in death and the dust into which so many human dweitings were resolved had been scattered by mocking mountain winds over the lofty tablelands of Turkish Armenia.

The mighty shock wrenched the whole valley of the Euphrates as if with the twisting grasp of some giant hand, raising the historic river in its churning channel till apparently about side, swelling the blue lake to a terming tidal wave that threatened to engulf the surrounding neglou and shaking woods that had towered since Old Testament days easily, as if they had been groves of saplings transplanted from forest nurseries the year before. It was felt early on the morning of April 29, and, while a hulf minute was the space of its deadly duration, the frightful effects were not realized entirely until day after day had told its tale of terror and the trembling sarvivors came to believe they had skirted the vast verge of some cosmic cara-

Melazgherd was a picturesque town in the villayet of Van when the monster disturbance selzed it, but in less time than is required to grasp the chapter of horrors it was level with the pisin and its population of 2000, includ ing industrious shepherds and husband men and a strong Turkish garrison commanded by Colonel Khall Bey was reduced to a few dazed men and women, who stumbled over the palpitant mass of crackling soil and erumbling wreekage, valuly calling or loved ones who had perished in those thirty

seconds of deem Time Quinnie the prosperous settle ment smiled in the gleam of Asiatle sanshine, the next it was a wilderness of wailing wee, no more suggestive of human habitation than if it had vanished with those other storied cities of the pinin before the vengeance of Jehowah. Not one wall remained to show where a humble but happy home had Scarce a score of those mountsin plainsmen were left alive to grope for safety over the pulsing crust that entombed their friends and kinsfolk.

It was almost a complete annihilation. Seven hundred Armenians were minong the slain. Colonel Khalil and his family, three other officers and eighty non-commissioned officers and privates were killed outright. Not one of the garrison escaped save Lieutenant-Colonel Tayib Bey, whose family died with the wife and children of his senior, and he went stark mad as he tettered about the rains, seeking those whose dear affection already had become a memory. The heroic telegraph operator in charge of the station in Melaugherd saw his wife and sister go down to death in the swirl of reeling buildings, fidelity to his trust alone saving his life, for, realizing they were gone forever, he dashed to rescue his Instruments and thus avoided the fall of heavy walls that flattened the spot on which he had stood a few moments

before. It was only after many efforts, wounded as he was by flying tiles from the roofs of the low Oriental dwellings, that he recovered a key and saunder and succeeded in establishing an irregniar connection with some of the nearest points. The wires were down all about the stricken zone, and it was linpossible to get an answer from any station more than a few miles away.

The consensus of information was that at least 400 dwelling houses had been destroyed in various places outside his home, and that the homeless natives were digging holes in banks and hillsides, in which they burrowed like foxes, rather than risk sleeping above ground. All the communities for many miles around were in a state of panic, the majority believing the awful vibration was only the beginning of a series that would make the face of the entire province one vast blank and result in the expection of the valley's whole population

Although always aware they dwell over a huge nest of volcanors, the herdsmen and small farmers among the Euphrates were amazed by the vialence of the earthquake. True, from Infancy they had been taught to expect at intervals upheavels that blotted out existence by wholesale and wasted towns and villages. Most of their houses, like those of Japan, were built with a view to minimizing the dangers constructed

of such disturbances, constrained of clay and light timbers. Some of them lived in caves, as much as a precedition as from poverty. The older grandsires recalled the construction of 200 houses on Mount Ararat, ninety miles from Melazgherd, sixtythree years before, and many had passed through the frightful carthracking of 1859, in which the town of Erzeroum was cazed.

## KILLED BY AN EARTHQUAKE A.W. MACHEN UNDER ARREST MINOR EVENTS OF THE WEEK

of Accepting Bribes.

#### ALLEGED BRIBERS ALSO TAKEN

The Accused Official is Removed From Office-Says His Arrest is "a Grandstand Play "-Gives \$20,000 Bail-More Scusational Developments Are Expected to Follow-The Charges.

Washington, D. C .- August W. Machen, Superintendent of Free Delivery in the Postoffice Department, was arrested, charged with receiving bribes amounting to about \$22,000 from Groff Brothers, contractors for letter hox fasteners, and was summarily dismissed from office by Postmaster-General Payne. Machen gave ball in \$20,000, end a bearing in his case was set for June 5. He declared that his arrest was "a grand-stand play," and, through his counsel, denied the charges against him. The Groff brothers also were arrested and released on ball. Other officials are under suspicion, and it is believed that still more startling developments in the postal investigation will follow.

Postmaster-General Payne, in summarily dismissing Machen from office. issued the following order:

"A. W. Machen is this day removed from the position of General Superintendent of the free delivery service. His removal 's made by reason of malfeasance on his part in the discharge of the duties of his office."

The arrest of Machen was the closing act of an examination which was conducted for three hours by Fourth Assistant Postmaster-General Bristow, Inspector Fosnes, who relieved Machen as chief of the free delivery division, and Inspector Meyer. At the conclusion of the examination Deputy starshal Springman was called into Mr. Bristow's office and made the arrest.

The evidence of Machen's guilt came like a thunderclap to the Postmaster-General, who, while he was aware that the former Superintendent of Free Delivery had been guilty of irregularities, had never suspected actual dishonesty on the part of so important an official. and especially one who had been recommended to him as worthy of the utmost consideration,

Consternation reigns in the department, and it is feared that this is only the beginning of most sensational de-velopments which will reveal the existence of venality of appalling proporvious and involve officials of impor-It is said that close surveillance is now being kept on another official who formerly occupied a place of trust, and it is intimated at the office of the Fourth Assistant Postmaster-General that the end is not even in sight.

The offense charged against Macuen is shown in detail in the following statement issued by Fourth Assistant

Postmaster-General Bristow: \*A. W. Machen, General Superintendent Free Delivery system, was arrest ed, charged with receiving amounting in all to about \$22,000, in connection with a contract held by Groff Brothers, of Washington, D. C. for a patent fastener used on street letter boxes, known as the Groff fastener The Postoffice Department in the last ten years has used about \$160,000 worth of these fasteeners, and it is shown by ample evidence that, for the last three years at least Mr. Machen has been receiving forty per cent, of the amounts paid to the Groffe. The transaction of the business was con-ducted by Diller B. Groff, who controls the patent of his brother, Samuel A., a

policeman." Postmaster-General Payne gives the greatest excell to the work of Mr. Bristow and his inspectors in fecreting out the present case, pronouncing it the most expert piece of detective work which he has over known.

Machen, while terusing to make an extended statement for publication,

"This will come out all right. My arrest is merely a grand-stand play." It is understood that civil suits will be brought to recover from Machen the amount he is alleged to have received on the contracts.

### RUSSIAN ARMY PLOT.

Two Arillery Officers Confers That They Intended to Shoot Officials.

St. Petersburg, Russia.-Two officers in the artillery, named Gregorieff and Molostroff, rave been arrested. On the discovery of incriminating letters Gre gorieff confessed that it had been his intention to shoot M. Pobledonostreff. Procurator-General of the Holy Syned on the occasion of the interment of M. Siplaguine, Minister of the Interior who was shot and killed by Anarchists. but his courage failed when he saw the venerable appearance of Mr. Pobledo-nostzen

Molostroff con essed that be intended to shoot another high official. It is believed that revolutionary tendencies are spreading in the Russian Army.

Head Jerked Off at a Linching.

W. C. Clifton, murderer of Mr. and Mrs. John Church, was lynched by a mob from Gillette, Wyo. The mob battered down the juil door at Newcastle, bolding up the Sheriff and deputy. and hung Clifton to a bridge west of the town. Clifton's head was jerked off by the fall of forty feet.

Atsistant Secretary Keep Sworn In. Charles H. Keep, the newly appointed Assistant Secretary of the Treasury. was sworn in and assumed the duties of his office at Washington.

WASHINGTON ITEMS. The appointment of Charles Hallam Keep as Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, to succeed Milton E. Ailes, who recently resigned to accept the Vice-Presidency of the Riggs National Bank, was announced at the Treasury

Department. The Department of Justice is to re open proceedings in the Oberlin M. Carter case, with the hope of recovering part of the money alleged to be stolen from the Government and securing the extradition of Gayner and Greene from Canada.

Count Cassini, the Russian Ambassader, and Secretary Hay received many letters criticising them in the matter of the Kishineff and anti-Hebrew outbreak.

The promotions of over 2000 postal clerks were cancelled by Postmaster-General Payne.

Secretary Hay called England's attention to a claim of the beirs of Charles Brown to mining lands in South Africa worth \$5,000,000, which has been pending since before the Boer

#### OUR ADOPTED ISLANDS.

An honorable acquittal was given Captain Carl F. Hartman, of the Signal Corps, at Manila, charged with embezzling Government property.

A measure safeguarding public money was passed at Maulla. There are sald to have been eight serious cases of dishonesty among American officials in the last year.

Eighteen persons living in a San Juan, Porto Rico, boarding house and several of the staff and patients at the Materalty Hospital were poisoned by drinking milk. All were saved by stomach pumps.

#### DOMESTIC.

Arrested for the murder of Joseph Datasey, colored, I. Simms died of fright on the way to jail at Chicago.

The national convention of master dambers, meeting at San Francisco, Cal., decided to continue the present system of apprentices.

When Thomas Choatte, a farmer, re-

fused to stop abusive language toward

John Graham, at Jasper, Tenn., General W. E. Donaldson, a friend Graham, killed Choatte. The Wisconsin Legislature adjourned

For the first time in twenty-two years the convicts at the State-Penitentiary, Joilet, Ill., ate tegether instead of in

their cells. After an exciting buttle, Mose Hart, colored, was killed by citizens at Corinth, Miss., because of insuiting language he had used during his trial be-

fore Mayor Young Diphtheria in light form prevailed at the naval training station at Newport, R. I., over 125 apprentices being ill.

In the contempt cases against miners before the Federal Court of Charleston, S. C., it was proposed to compromise by imposing small fines only.

Senator Hanna Issued a statement announcing that he is opposed to a resclution by the Ohio State Convention Endorsing President Roosevelt for anether term and adding that he is not and will not be a candidate for the momination.

An elevator in a dancing academy at Pittsburg, Pa., fell five floors, Four persons were killed and five or six were

The shops and roundhouse of the Seaboard Air Line, at Portsmouth, Vs., were destroyed by fire. The company & less is estimated at \$750,000.

Great damage was done to farms around Lacrosse, Wis., by the sudden rise of the Mississippi River.

A log house occupied by lumbermen at Campus, W. Va., was burned, two

of the occupants being cremated, while tive were badly injured. Sixty-four religious exiles from

stenmer La Champague, forty-six of them bound for Metuchen, N. J. The Rev. Henry Storey, a Baptist minister, was burned to death and his wife fatally injured in a ure at their

France reached New York City on the

home in Richmond, Ind. President Roosevelt took part in laying the cornerstone of a monument to Lewis and Clark at Portland, Ore.

Emperor Francis Joseph refused to. receive the Dalmatian deputies who called to ask him to interven to prevent further bloodshed in Croatia.

presence of Russian troops on the Korean side of the Yalu River. King Edward's private secretary au-

Reports at Yokohama confirmed the

no truth in the reports regarding the King's ill health. While watching the inflation of a bal-

oon at Paris, Louis Efondell was as-

phyxiated by escaping hydrogen gas. The Austrian Government Intends asking Parliament to approve the expenditure of \$18,000,000 for the extension and improvement of the harbor

facilities at Trieste. A great demonstration of labor and Nonconformist partisans against the Education bill was held at Hyde Park, London.

The arsenal at Santiago, San Domingo, was blown up. General Frias was killed and twenty-one men were mortally wounded.

General Botha announced that amt sty had been granted to all Cape reb-

Advices from Somaliland, East Africa, stated the Somail camel corps, operating with the British columns against the followers of the Mad Mullah, became mutinous and terbebly will be disbanded.

LABOR WORLD.

Cincinnati (Ohio) building laborers have formed a union.

Porters in the down-town stores of Chicago have organized a union Denver (Col.) tinners have received an advance from \$3.50 to \$3.75 a day. The strike of the iron molders at St.

Chinese coolie inbovers will be extensively employed in the bemp fields of

Paul, Minn., will be settled by arbitra-

A permanent organization of blacksmiths' helpers has been formed at Tolede, Ohio.

In Canada no child, young girl or woman can be employed more than sixty hours a week. Substantial increases in wages have

been granted by the boss blacksmiths of Brockton, Mass. India apolis (Ind.) molders are out. Their demands for a ten per cent. in-

crease were not granted. It is said that the children of labor engaged in the various occupations of the United States number 1,750,000.

Several thousand men at Aberdeen, Wash., are interested in the contemplated plan to organize the millimen. Members of the Federation of Musi-

cians have been forbidden to play where Government musicians appear. Toronto (Canada) coremakers have decided to ask for an increase from twenty-two to twenty-five cents and

Montreal has now the largest local labor organization in Canada in the longshoremen's union, with 3300 mem-The Trades and Labor Congress of

Canada has been organized thirty years. It has now become a powerful national labor body. The Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen has decided to build in the vicinity of Chicago a \$25,000 home for aged and

incapacitated members.

A Solomon at the Turnstile. A modern Solomon came to the front the other day in an East River ferry house. As he passed into the place a man was leaning over the dividing rail quarreling with the ticket

"I tell you the dime is Canadian, and they won't take it on the cars. I haven't any money, and I must takea car on the other side. You have no right to pass Canadian money off on

"Can't help it," said the ticket seller, "The money is good. Any bank will take it. Why don't you go up the street and change it?"

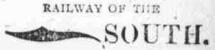
The man said he didn't have time, and they kept up the argument for some time. At last It got tiresome, and the Wise Man who had been listening went over to the worried trav-

"Le me see the dime," he said. He lookd at the coin for A minute and then gave the man a good dime. "Did you give this man this dime?"

he asked of the ticket seller. "Yes," replied the other brusquely. "Well, give me two more ferry tickets," said the Solomon, and he handed the Canadian dime back to the discomforted official.-New York

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