

MIRACULOUS ESCAPE  
OF 400 INMATES OF  
THE INSANE ASYLUM

Gov. McLean Confers With  
Dr. Anderson.—Money  
Forthcoming for Imme-  
diate Rebuilding.

CAN BORROW MONEY  
UNDER EMERGENCY

The New Building Will Be  
of Fireproof Construction.—There Were No  
Serious Casualties.

Raleigh Bureau of  
The Concord Daily Tribune  
Raleigh, April 12.—The miraculous  
escape of the 400 male inmates of  
the State hospital for the insane while  
the wing in which they were housed  
burned down about their heads Satur-  
day afternoon vied with the problems  
of what will be done with the patients  
thus burned out of the only home they  
mentally fit to occupy as the pri-  
ncipal topics for discussion in Raleigh  
official circles yesterday.

The flames, balked in their effort  
to consume the entire structure by  
fire walls and super-human efforts on  
the part of the fire fighters, had  
burned sullenly all night long on the  
ruins of the gutted west wing, until  
finally quenched by the flood of water  
from several leads of hose and the  
rain of early yesterday morning.

The ruins still smoldered last  
night, but there was no live fire.  
Walls of brick and stone, stood black-  
ened and bare, tottering upon their  
weakened foundations. The more  
dangerous of the towering masonry  
piles were being pulled down by a  
tractor, hitched to long ropes, and  
blasted down with dynamite yester-  
day evening, under directions of the  
chief fire marshal, to prevent injured  
to chance passersby when they fell,  
as seemed imminent at every slight  
breeze. Interior walls practically all  
had fallen and lay in huge heaps of  
smoking masonry inside.

Governor A. W. McLean conferred  
with Dr. A. A. Anderson, superin-  
tendent of the institution, immedi-  
ately upon the governor's return from  
Washington yesterday morning. The  
governor extended his heartfelt con-  
gratulations and praise to Dr. An-  
derson upon the noble work done by  
his organization in emptying the  
deemed wing of its helpless human  
contents without a single casualty  
and assured him that money would  
be forthcoming for immediate rebuild-  
ing to relieve the emergency now ex-  
isting.

Under an act passed by a recent  
legislature, the council of state is em-  
powered to borrow up to \$500,000 for  
permanent improvements in such  
emergencies, anticipating the action  
that the next legislature undoubtedly  
would take.

The architect who has drawn the  
plans for recent additions to the hos-  
pital for the insane was expected at  
the institution this morning and will  
start at once on plans for the re-  
placement structure. Just what  
changes will be made in the architec-  
ture, Dr. Anderson has not deter-  
mined, but one thing is certain—the  
new building, wing, will be of fire-  
proof construction.

The danger of fire in the old build-  
ing, which was erected in 1865, was  
well known and several appeals have  
been made to the legislature for an  
appropriation with which to install a  
sprinkler system. At the last ses-  
sion, Stacy Wade, commissioner of  
Insurance, stated that he had made  
arrangements for spreading the \$150-  
000 cost of such a system over a pe-  
riod of five years, by far the best  
proposition made up to that time, but  
the plan was refused.

Dr. Anderson declared yesterday  
that he knew of no insane hospital  
fire of like magnitude in the history  
of institutional conflagrations in which  
there were no serious casualties. He  
praised without stint the work of Dr.  
R. K. Adams, his assistant, who was  
in charge during his absence, and of  
the attendants who jeopardized their  
lives to herd the last of the inmates  
to safety. It was heroic and fault-  
less judgment, in the fullest sense of  
the words, he asserted.

Like forces caught in a burning  
barn, a number of the mentally un-  
balanced patients, further crazed by  
the danger, resisted efforts to force  
them into the open and safety. They  
hid under the beds; they wrapped  
themselves in bedclothing and crawled  
into the innermost recesses of closets  
in their efforts to remain in the only  
home they knew. One man har-  
ried himself in a room, directly in  
the path of the sweeping flames, and  
refused to listen to attendants who  
attempted to cajole him into coming  
out.

With the aid of a fireman, armed  
with an axe, Dr. C. E. Houston finally  
effected an entrance and carried the  
would-be human sacrifice to safety,  
kicking, squirming and screaming.  
This was one of the men later report-  
ed as burned.

Many rumors were afloat Saturday  
evening to the general effect that one  
or more of the inmates had slipped  
back into the burning building and  
perished in the flames. The victims  
were named in several cases but, in-  
variably, a check showed the inmates  
thus verbally consigned to a fiery  
death to be safe.

Dr. Anderson stated yesterday evening  
that a complete check-up showed  
every man listed on the records as  
an inmate to be present or accounted

TRAFFIC DEATHS IN  
SOUTH SHOWED BIG  
INCREASE IN WEEK

Two Oil Ship Disasters at  
New Orleans Responsible  
For the Majority of  
the Deaths.

AUTO ACCIDENTS  
SHOW DECREASE

Nine Deaths in This State  
Were Reported—Louisiana  
Held the Lead Dur-  
ing the Past Week.

Greatly augmented by the two  
oil ship disasters in the Mississippi  
River near New Orleans, traffic toll  
in 11 states last week soared to 65  
dead and 236 injured, it was shown  
by a survey conducted by the Asso-  
ciated Press.

The survey was of all forms of traf-  
fic casualties, whether highway, rail-  
road or river, including those by au-  
tomobile, trolley, motorcycle, boat or  
otherwise.

The Louisiana death toll was exact-  
ly half that of the entire South. The  
sub state suffered no deaths from other  
traffic causes, but 22 were injured in  
various forms of traffic accidents. The  
state's total injuries was 89, of which  
67 were due to river disasters.

Arkansas reported no deaths what-  
ever, while South Carolina with 6  
held the low record for the  
South.

Despite the balmy weather of the  
week which has lured thousands of  
automobiles to the roads, the survey  
showed remarkable falling off in auto-  
mobile accidents.

A tabulation by states includes:  
Virginia 2 dead, 19 injured; South  
Carolina 2 dead, 12 injured; South  
Carolina 2 dead, 6 injured.

## Minister Expelled.

South Manchester, Conn., April 12.  
—(P)—The charges of conduct unbecom-  
ing a clergyman, preferred against the  
Rev. Guy Willis Holmes of New  
Bedford, Mass., were sustained by the  
special investigating committee re-  
porting to the New Orleans Southern  
Conference of the Methodist Church  
today and the pastor was expelled  
from the ministry.

for. As a matter of course, a look-  
out will be kept for human bones  
the ruins could enough for work-  
men to start removing the debris, but  
no gruesome finds are expected.

When the word spread that the in-  
sane hospital was on fire, Raleigh  
townspeople had terrifying visions of  
liberated maniacs running amuck  
through the streets, endangering the  
lives of all who crossed their paths.  
Nothing could have been further from  
the actual occurrence. All the dan-  
gerously or criminally insane were  
kept in heavily barred quarters on the  
second floor of a new fireproof build-  
ing to the rear of the wing which  
burned. As soon as it became decid-  
edly uncomfortable, these inmates  
were loaded into huge moving vans  
and moved, under ample guards, to  
the State's prison. Not a one es-  
caped.

Some of the patients not afflicted  
with dangerous delusions were, in  
normal times, given the run of the  
grounds. It was inevitable that some  
of them would escape in the excite-  
ment, and few did. Three of what  
are known as "happy chaps" for in-  
stance, did heroic work in caring for  
the disabled inmates, put them to bed  
and comforted them into quietness,  
then took French leave. They were  
found later in the evening and were  
back under the watchful eyes of their  
guards last night. One of them, for  
a time, was reported as a casualty,  
but denied it indignantly when he  
was discovered, several hours later, in  
the store of a friend far down town.  
All but a very few showed no inclin-  
ation to take advantage of the situa-  
tion and leave.

The insane patients, routed out of  
their secluded quarters, attracted al-  
most as much attention from the huge  
crowd of spectators that gathered Sat-  
urday afternoon as did the fire it-  
self. The men first were placed in  
a blockade several hundred feet to  
the rear of the burning building.  
There, they comforted themselves, for  
the most part, as if nothing out of  
the ordinary were happening. Scant-  
ily clothed, as there had been no time  
to get them into outdoor garments  
before they were hurried from their  
indoor rooms, and with the stamp of  
idiotcy upon their features, they made  
a pitiable exhibit. A few of the in-  
mates, who retained their sense of  
propriety, did their best to prevent  
their fellows from performing acts  
which might shock the spectators,  
many of whom were women.

Twenty incapacitated inmates were  
housed in the male wing when the fire  
broke out. They were carried to the  
open on mattresses, then taken to Rex  
Hospital in ambulances.

The fire is believed to have started  
from a blow torch used by tinner in  
making repairs in the attic of the  
burned section. So complete is the  
destruction that it is doubtful if the  
truth of this deduction will ever be  
ascertained.

The entire building was valued at  
about \$950,000. Exactly what the  
loss in the single wing will be has  
not been figured, but estimates run  
from \$350,000 to \$600,000. The build-  
ing as a whole was insured for \$445-  
000, which means that approximately  
half the loss will be recoverable.

## The Prettiest and the Next Prettiest



They had a beauty contest at West Virginia University the other day, and Miss Mary Lafferty of Mounds-  
ville, at the left, won it. Second place was won by Miss Betty Morris of Clarksburg, at the right.

INCOME TAXES COLLECTED  
TO DATE IE \$5,523,842.41

Estimate of Budget Bureau Seems to  
Be Assured.

Raleigh Bureau of  
The Concord Daily Tribune  
Raleigh, April 11.—With a total of  
\$5,523,842.41 in income taxes collect-  
ed to date, there is no question but  
that the estimated collections used  
by the budget bureau in figuring its  
appropriations for the fiscal year will  
be reached and a balanced budget for  
the current period seems assured.

The budget bureau used an esti-  
mate of \$5,730,000 in income taxes as  
one of the bases for its year's figures  
last spring. Had that proved far  
off, there would have been many who  
thought it would prove so, a deficit would  
have been inevitable, for income taxes  
provide nearly one-half of the total  
revenue of the state. With only  
some \$200,000 to go to reach the fig-  
ure demanded, there is but an insig-  
nificant chance of failure, R. A.  
Doughton, commissioner of revenue,  
said today.

Extensions were granted prior to  
March 15th to some large concerns in  
the state. A few of them have paid  
since, but there are enough still out-  
standing to make the estimate unless  
unforeseen surprises should occur.

About the only eventuality now  
that could bring about a deficit at  
the close of the fiscal year would be  
a falling down in collections on sched-  
ule B, which takes in license fees from  
the various processions and businesses  
subjected to tax. Such fees become  
payable June 1st, but the payers have  
until August 1st to pay up. If  
enough of them choose to hold off un-  
til the last month of grace, a deficit  
might result, but it would be only a  
paper deficit and not serious, since  
the money needed to balance would be  
collectable under all ordinary circum-  
stances.

The revenue department this year  
will collect approximately \$11,000,000  
of the total revenue of \$12,000,000.  
Much hard work still is ahead, with  
both schedule B and the automobile  
license fees to come in.

The combined report of the auditor  
and treasurer will be out soon and  
will show a neat surplus in the gen-  
eral fund, due to income tax collec-  
tions, after several months of mount-  
ing deficit.

At last work on the new passen-  
ger station in Greensboro has begun  
in earnest. As the Southern  
Railway has undertaken this work  
help, the prospect is that it will be  
pushed to speedy completion, with-  
out any more haggling over details.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Klutz are con-  
fined to their home on North Spring  
street by illness. They are suffering  
with ptomaine poison, it is said.

Witness Applauded As  
Drys Offer Testimony  
In Debate On Liquor

## THE COTON MARKET

Opened Steady At Advance of 5  
Points To Decline of 6 Points.

New York, April 12.—(P)—The  
cotton market opened steady today at  
an advance of 5 points to a decline  
of 6 points. Near months were rela-  
tively firm on further news of sell-  
ing of May shorts while there was selling  
of new crop positions on prospects for  
better weather in the South and easy  
Liverpool cables.

After selling to 18.99 May eased off  
to 18.88, or 2 points net lower, and  
new crop months showed net losses of  
about 4 to 7 points at the end of the  
first hour. There was continued de-  
mand for May, however, and the main-  
tenance of the near month premium  
seemed to hold selling in check, the  
market showing a fairly easy under-  
tone at the decline.

Cotton futures opened steady: May  
18.90; July 18.36; October 17.60;  
December 17.25; January 17.18.

## With Our Advertisers.

New Manhattan and Berger shirts  
at Hoover's. See new ad.  
The Frigidire will give you satis-  
factory electric refrigeration. For  
sale at 85 South Union street. Phone  
504.

The Bell & Harris Furniture Co.  
has three floors overflowing with  
good furniture and house furnish-  
ings.

See the new ad. today of Wilkin-  
son's Funeral Home. Open day and  
night at 28 West Depot street.

Live wire electrical fixtures at W.  
J. Hethcox's.

Spring shoes for ladies, men and  
children at Edlin's from 69 cents to  
\$2.95.

You will find the boys' department  
at Parks-Bell Co. running over with  
specials. They will give free with  
every boys' knee pants suit for \$4.95  
and up a \$1.25 watch. Don't miss  
the grocery department in the rear of  
the second floor.

## No Review on Gifts Tax Question.

Washington, April 12.—(P)—The  
recent decision of the Supreme Court  
holding invalid and unconstitutional  
State laws imposing inheritance taxes  
upon gifts made within a specified  
time of death will not be reviewed,  
the court announced today in refus-  
ing a rehearing sought by Milwaukee  
and the state of Wisconsin.

DREAMS COST NOTH-  
ING AND BRING  
NOTHING

But a thrift account in  
our safe "building and loan"  
association does bring you a  
big return on the effort you  
make in the regular saving  
of money.

The "building and loan"  
plan is best since it particu-  
larly encourages regular  
every month progress in  
money matters.

No other sound invest-  
ment is quite so good.

NEW SERIES NOW  
OPEN  
START AT ONCE

CABARRUS COUNTY B. L. & SAVINGS ASS'N  
OFFICE IN CONCORD NATIONAL BANK

ROBBERS BLOW TO  
SAFES AND SECURE  
CASH IN CHARLOTTE

Safes in Ivey's Store Were  
Blown and \$6,000 in  
Cash Was Taken by the  
Yeggmen.

CHECKS LEFT BY  
SIDE OF SAFES

Police Think the Robbers  
Climbed on Fire Escape  
to Gain Entrance to the  
Building.

Charlotte, April 12.—(P)—Yeg-  
gmen, operating early yesterday blew  
two safes at Ivey's department store  
here, and escaped with more than  
\$6,000 in currency.

This became known today when it  
was announced at police headquar-  
ters.

The burglars also left more than  
\$13,000 in checks scattered about on  
the floor near the vault.

Police are working on the theory  
that the men entered the building by  
climbing on top of the five-story struc-  
ture on the rear fire escape and came  
down to the third floor on a freight  
elevator. The general officers are  
located on that floor.

Tracks of two men were plainly  
discernible but officers expressed the  
opinion that four were in the party.  
The loot was taken from the store  
ina suit case purloined from the build-  
ing. Nothing else was missing.

HAXIFAX TABLET  
TO BE UNVEILED

Exercises Tomorrow in Honor of  
Anniversary of Independence Re-  
solves.

New Bern, April 10.—Hon. W. L.  
Long, of Roanoke Rapids, will make  
the principal address Monday after-  
noon at the unveiling of the bronze  
tablet in front of the Constitution  
House at Halifax by members of the  
Elizabeth Montford Albee Chapter of  
the Daughters of the American Revolu-  
tion.

Although the proposed sesqui-  
centennial state-wide celebration of  
the Halifax resolutions of independ-  
ence had to be indefinitely post-  
poned, appropriate exercises will be  
held at 3 o'clock at the old Constitu-  
tion House by the D. R. Chapter.  
Mrs. E. L. Travis, chairman of the  
Halifax Day program, in charge.

Mrs. Edwin C. Gregory, of Salis-  
bury, states D. A. R. regent, Mrs.  
C. M. Parks, of Tarboro, vice-regent,  
and others will take part in the exer-  
cises. A number of visitors are ex-  
pected from various parts of the  
State.

At the request of Mrs. Gregory  
and Mrs. Travis, practically every D.  
A. R. Chapter in North Carolina  
will celebrate during the week a  
Halifax Day program. Some will  
have historical papers and exercises  
at D. A. R. meetings; others are  
planning public programs at schools.

Believe Two Are Lost in Dismal  
Swamp

Norfolk, Va., April 12.—(P)—Sher-  
iff A. A. Wendel, of Norfolk County,  
led a searching party into the Dismal  
Swamp today to try to find Pol-  
lan Banks, author of "Black Ivory,"  
and E. Cameron Skipp, nephew of  
Melville E. Stone, counselor of the  
Associated Press.

Banks and Skipp went into the  
Swamp in search of "local color" for  
their writings, and are believed to  
have been lost in the wilderness dur-  
ing the absence from camp of their  
guide.

## Borno Re-elected.

Port Au Prince, Haiti, April 12.—  
(P)—Louis Borno was re-elected Pres-  
ident of Haiti on the first ballot to-  
day.

The hour for the funeral service of  
George W. Means has been changed  
from this afternoon at 4 o'clock to  
tomorrow (Tuesday) morning at  
10:30. Services will be conducted  
by Rev. J. C. Rowan, pastor of the  
First Presbyterian Church, and will  
be held from the home on South Un-  
ion street.

Quartet Mentioned For Jackson's  
Job.

Asheville, April 10.—Western  
North Carolina Republicans are dis-  
cussing four men as possible suc-  
cessors of Broflow Jackson as  
United States marshal it was learn-  
ed today. Mr. Jackson is expected to  
resign because of his election this  
week as Republican state chairman.  
The four men being proposed for the  
marshal's post are Frank Patton, of  
Morganton, assistant United States  
district attorney; Charles A. Jonas,  
of Lincolnton; Charles E. Green, of  
Bakersville; John Ienbourn, former  
sheriff of Catawba county, and Jim  
Bailey, of Asheville now a deputy  
marshal.

## Three Hurt in Auto Accident.

Statesville, April 12.—(P)—Three  
persons were severely injured today  
when an automobile in which they  
were riding overturned near Barium  
Springs. C. B. Lee, his wife and Mrs.  
E. S. Lee, his mother, were injured,  
while his two children escaped with  
only minor scratches.

## \$35,000,000 For Naval Aviation.

Washington, April 12.—(P)—A bill  
embodying an \$35,000,000 five-year  
building program for naval build-  
ing in the naval air service was approved  
by the House today and sent to the  
Senate.

## Wins Hat



Laura Willis, 17, of Youngstown, O.  
wanted a new Easter hat. So when  
a Youngstown paper offered to give  
a hat to the girl who sketched the  
best one, she went to work and won  
the prize. But then, she doesn't need  
a new hat to look charming—does  
she?

WANTS TO OPERATE  
BUSSES WITH SLEEPERS

Petition Submitted by W. A. Watkins  
Denied by State Corporation Com-  
mission.

Raleigh, April 12.—(P)—Applica-  
tion of W. A. Watkins to operate a  
line of motor buses fitted out with  
sleeping compartments between Wil-  
mington and Charlotte was denied to-  
day by the State Corporation Com-  
mission. The matter had been pend-  
ing before the Corporation Commis-  
sion for several months.

Brautley Womble, attorney for Mr.  
Watkins, announced that he would  
appeal the case to Superior Court.

Operation of the sleeping compart-  
ment buses was opposed by the Car-  
olina Coach Company, according to  
Attorney Womble.

The corporation commission is said  
to have given its reason for refusing  
the petition that "the time is not  
ripe" for the operation of such buses  
in North Carolina.

BANK HYSTERIA IN  
CUBA HAS PASSED

Arrival of \$43,000,000 From United  
States Sets Depositors at Rest.

Havana, Cuba, April 12.—(P)—  
With the arrival here of \$43,000,000  
dollars from the United States Sat-  
urday's hysteria among small bank  
depositors apparently has passed.

Officials of the Royal Bank of Can-  
ada said the run on their bank was  
dying out. A moderate amount of de-  
posits were made, and the withdraw-  
als were of small amounts. Their  
branches in the interior reported ev-  
erything quiet with no sign of un-  
usual withdrawals.

The National City Bank which  
also experienced a slight run Satur-  
day reported its usual Monday morn-  
ing business with no abnormal with-  
drawals.

Western Newspaper Union to Quit  
Charlotte Field.

Charlotte, April 12.—The Western  
Newspaper Union will not reopen a  
branch office here, it was learned to-  
day. On April 2nd the practically  
new plant of the company on Graham  
street was destroyed by fire, the third  
fire in four years to strike the local  
plant of the company, and officials  
today said that the company would  
no longer continue its office here. W.  
M. Harper, of Omaha, Neb., assistant  
general manager of the company, an-  
nounced that henceforth business that  
had been handled here would be  
handled from the company's branches  
in Baltimore and Atlanta.

## Decide Brookhart-Steck Today.

Washington, April 12.—(P)—The  
Senate was under agreement today  
to wind up its debate on the Iowa  
senatorial contest, and made its de-  
cision before tonight.

The agreement provided for the  
shutting off of unlimited debate which  
consumed all of last week at 3 p. m.,  
with senators limited to fifteen min-  
utes each thereafter, and the begin-  
ning of the roll call at 5 o'clock.

## Bank Cashier Takes Own Life.

Ludlow, Ky., April 12.—(P)—  
Thos. B. Bales, cashier of the Farm-  
ers & Merchants Bank of this city,  
who admitted that he was between  
\$30,000 and \$40,000 short in his ac-  
counts, shot and killed himself in the  
basement of the bank today.

BLACKENED HULL OF  
OIL TANKER RIDING  
WATER QUIETLY NOW

Tanker Gulf of Venezuela  
Was Wrecked by Gas-  
oline Explosion Which  
Killed 25 Men.

CREWS SLEEPING  
QUARTERS WRECKED

No One in the Quarters at  
Time of the Explosion  
Escaped.—Captain Had  
Narrow Escape.

Port Arthur, Texas, April 12.—(P)—  
The blackened hull of the oil tank-  
er Gulf of Venezuela today rode quiet-  
ly on the waters of Port Arthur Bay  
where early yesterday a gasoline ex-  
plosion aboard her tore out her vitals  
and killed twenty-five men, climax-  
ing a week of oil disasters in the  
southwest.

The buckled plates, scorched sides,  
and twisted superstructure of the  
tanker tell a mute story of how the  
metal of the ship was heated to a  
glaring whiteness in a two furious  
hours, during which the twenty-five  
men were incinerated.

Rending the quiet night with a  
terrific detonation, while the men slept  
in their quarters aft, the explosion  
as sudden as mysterious, shot a flame  
of burning gasoline 150 feet into the  
air. The blast took several mem-  
bers of the crew with it, and left  
others imprisoned in a shell of hun-  
gry flames.

None who slept in the quarters of  
the crew escaped, but several of those  
who were on deck were saved with  
more or less serious injuries. The  
toll of the injured today stood at ten  
in the hospitals, with two missing.  
The other men were dismissed from  
the hospital after receiving emergency  
treatment.

While the flames seemed to envelop  
the entire ship, only one of her tanks  
was ignited, and the gasoline in ad-  
joining compartments remained un-  
disturbed, though some of her bulk-  
heads were white hot.

The cause remains undetermined,  
but it was the opinion of refinery  
men that the explosion was due to  
the overflowing of a compartment, the  
gasoline coming into contact with  
steam pipes. One of the injured men  
in the hospital is quoted as saying  
a compartment overflowed as it was  
being filled.

The disaster is the seventh serious  
loss to the oil industry in the last  
week, including two oil tank fires in  
Texas resulting from lightning. A  
tank farm at San Luis Obispo, Calif.,  
burned with a loss of millions of gal-  
lons of oil and two deaths. A simi-  
lar fire occurred at Brea, Calif. The  
Duth tanker Silvanus collided with  
the steamer Thomas H. Wheeler in  
the Mississippi River forty miles be-  
low New Orleans Thursday, and on  
the same day an explosion rocked the  
tanker O. T. Waring in a dry dock  
at New Orleans. Thirty or more  
lives were lost on the latter two ships  
and the damage to the three ships  
is estimated at more than \$8,000-  
000.

## Further Decline in Textile Stocks.

Gastonia, April 12.—According to  
southern textile millnotes 1. 13 3  
the average of twenty-five active  
southern textile mill stocks as com-  
piled by R. S. Dickson & Co. there  
was a further decline of 40 cents  
per share, bringing the average down  
from \$118.56 of last week to \$118.16  
for the week just ended. The pre-  
sent average is \$4.88 per share higher  
than as of July 15, 1925, which is  
the low market for four years.

Trading was more active through-  
out the week than during the previ-  
ous week, even in the face of the de-  
clining market.

## Bank Cashier Takes Own Life.

Ludlow, Ky., April 12.—(P)—  
Thos. B. Bales, cashier of the Farm-  
ers & Merchants Bank of this city,  
who admitted that he was between  
\$30,000 and \$40,000 short in his ac-  
counts, shot and killed himself in the  
basement of the bank today.

BANK HYSTERIA IN  
CUBA HAS PASSED

Arrival of \$43,000,000 From United  
States Sets Depositors at Rest.

Havana, Cuba, April 12.—(P)—  
With the arrival here of \$43,000,000  
dollars from the United States Sat-  
urday's hysteria among small bank  
depositors apparently has passed.

Officials of the Royal Bank of Can-  
ada said the run on their bank was  
dying out. A moderate amount of de-  
posits were made, and the withdraw-  
als were of small amounts. Their  
branches in the interior reported ev-  
erything quiet with no sign of un-  
usual withdrawals.

The National City Bank which  
also experienced a slight run Satur-  
day reported its usual Monday morn-  
ing business with no abnormal with-  
drawals.

Western Newspaper Union to Quit  
Charlotte Field.