CONCORD, N. C., TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 1926

Wanted to Get the Money From Government But Was Uncertain About Attitude of People.

THOUGHT CLAIM WAS LITTLE WEAK

Denies He Had Idea of Finding "Clever Politician" Who Might Be Able to Make Deal.

New York, Sept. 14.—(49)—When Richard Merton, German industrialist, first arrived in America in April, 1921, to attempt to recover the assets of the American Metals Company he knew his legal claims were weak. He testified to this today at the trial of former Attorney General Harry M. Daugherty and Thomas W. Miffer, former alien property custodias, charged with conspiracy to defraud the government.

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His legal claim was not strong, he felt because the transfer of stock to the Societe Suisse, a few days before America entered the World War,

fore America entered the World War, was oral.

In answer to a question of United States Attorney Buckner, concerning the late John T. King, former Republican national committeeman from Connecticut, he said he did not come here with the idea of finding "a ciever politician." Mr. King was also indicted but died shortly afterward.

Merton said he pictured America as a nation much different from England, France or others of the allies. "I did not think America exactly friendly," he said, "but I certa'nly knew they would be more decent than the others."

Although he felt his case to be weak, Merton said he also felt that America had no desire to seize private property or to impound it without just and sufficient cause.

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Merton said his mind was "split" by two ideas. One was that the claim could be collected by showing that the oral transfer was legal. This was an ownership claim. The other idea was to show that although the Metal Greekleshare ayard shares of the stock of the Societe Allies that company was mount of the shares of the American Metal Company which had been of fered as a guaranty. The guaranty was made to prevent, the Societe Susse and its adjunct institutions, the Swiss Bank, from going into bank-ruptcy. This was a debt claim.

In any case, Merton said it was not his intention to reveal the relation of the Metall Gesellschaft until necessary. He said he felt that a revelation of this relation would prejudice his claims.

After conversations with G. R. Williams, first assistant to Miller, who was then alien property custodian, Merton said he learned that the claim would be made on the ownership basis, and that it was eventually made and paid on this basis.

### In the News of the Nation





JOSEPH S. MCCOY

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THE COTTON CATERPILLAR

In League With the Fleea and We Is Doing Much Damage.

Charles Edison, son of Thomas A. Edison, was given management of his father's businesses. Plans of L. F. Loree to form a large railroad merger in the South were attacked before the Interstate Commerce Commission. Figures compiled by Joseph S. McCoy, United States Treasury Actuary, show there are 11,000 millionaires and one billionaire in the country. Congressman William D. Upshaw, dry leader, declared a "wet slush fund" caused his political defeat.

## Feature Of Cabarrus Fair Singing Contest To Be New

Will Be Staged on Last Day of Fair Under Direction of Expert.—Fewer Passes to Be Given by Officials This Year.

Officials of the Cabarrus County Fair, to be staged here on October 12th to 16th inclusive, have provided several new features in addition to the regular program which ranks with the best offered at any fair in the

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New York, Sept. 14.—(P)—The cotton market was nervous and irregular is today's early trading, as if influenced by conflicting reports regarding the tropical storm situation.

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Undertakers to Preve Meetings No Nelsansee.

Charlotte, Sept. 13.—With the continuance of "Bishop" C, M. Graces meetings here today. Tom P. Junison, attorney for the "Bishop," was busy securing affidavite in support of the contention that the meetings are not smissance.

The commissioners in the meanting had done nothing foward retallating against the injunction. What actions is to be taken will be determined later in the week, Major will be determined later in the week, Major will be determined and the size of the taken will be determined later in the week, Major will be determined and the size of the taken will be determined later in the week, Major will be determined and the size already have entered: Gaston, Indian Residency and Davie. It is predicted that a number of Cobarries to the taken will be determined later in the week, Major will be aftery, and Commissioners would probably confered with Claude Cochrane, city attorney.

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SUPREME COURT JUSTICE ACTS

be tried for killing Convict J. B. Vickers while bringing the escaped prisoner back to Raleigh. will not make any disclosure of his case until the theorem of the cotton flea or hopper, which, by sucking the sap from the stems of the small squares, has caused them to shed, preventing the development of bolls. This has consequently forced the boll weevil to attack the larger, maturing bolls directly, instead of those near the top, as they usually do.

Careful scrutiny of fields by farmers and quick action on their parties are much of the crop from damage.

Captain Aske Is 88.

Raleigh, Sept. 13.—Captain S. A. Ashe, federal court clerk, celevated his soft birthday by working gingerly and walked up street as usual. Teaptain, who has saved the distory of the small properties of the search of the street as usual.

Will Not Stop Fight.

Governor Walker, of Georgia, Intervened at Last Minute to Save Life of Alleged Murderer.

Two Day Session of Mecklenburg-Cabarrus Association Opened in First Church Here Today.

OFFICERS NAMED FOR NEW YEAR

Asks Governor to Grant Respite So Court Can Hold Hearing on Matter on October 6th.

At Morning Session Consolidated Rural Churches Discussed.—Women Show Year of Activity.

They Are Expected to Corroborates There of State's Most Important Wiscosco.

10.365—Report of the Executive Committee—Rev. C. I. Hudson.
11.90—Report on Woman's Work—Mrs. B. S. Blanton.
11.300—Annual Sermon—Rev. J. A. Gaines.
12.300—Dinner.
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Philadelphia, Sept. 14.—(P)—"The injunction obtained in Indiana to prevent the Dempser-Tunney fight is merely a matter of news in the Pennyalyanna courts; it has no legal effect," said Attorney General George W. Woodruff today.

Common observation of life will bear out the saying that it is the most set fish, as a class, who clamor most about their wrongs.

—Homer Bollinger.

Two Trainmen Hurt,
Wintson-Salem, Sept. 14.—(P)—
Engineer Swift Hooper, and Freman
J. H. Wall, both of this city, were injured this morning when the engine of the the morning when the engine of the course in the class of the passenger train No. 1 on the Wilkestor United Street Crossing in this city. They were removed to the hospiral and it is stated that their injuries are not considered bearing in this city. They were removed to the hospiral and it is stated that their injuries are not considered bearing in this city. They were injured this morning when the engine of the course in the class of the course in the cou

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Voters in the Choosing Party Standard Bearers For State and Federal Offices.

Total Consumption in August Was 500,652 Bales of Lint, the Census Bureau Shows.

SENATOR BUTLER HAS OPPONENT

Former Sen. Walsh With- Total For August Great out Opposition in Party.
—Prohibition Big Question in Maryland.

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JULY TOTAL WAS LESS THAN THIS Than Last August.—31,-321,936 Spindles Were