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Secretary Bryan can stay in his office half the time and get more results than most men could get by staying there over time.

The expected happened when E. J. Justice of Greensboro made the announcement that he was a candidate for the United States Senate. If elected he will make one of the ablest of the men who have been members of that distinguished body.

Senator Cummins, a Progressive, declares that the Simmons-Underwood tariff bill if enacted into law, will carry the Democratic party to defeat. Well it is better to go to defeat with platform pledges discharged than to continue in victory with solemn promises unfulfilled. But Cummins is no prophet or son of a prophet.

PISTOL-TOTING AND MURDER.

The Georgia Legislature, says the Norfolk Virginian Pilot, has before it a bill making pistol-toting a felony, and some of the newspapers of the State are urging its enactment in a way which would indicate, according to the Virginian-Pilot, that they think the mere placing of such a law on the statute books would avail to reduce to a minimum homicides within the Cracker Commonwealth. Then the Norfolk paper goes on to say that what is really needed in Georgia in order to reduce the number of murders in that State is to enforce the laws against murder. But in Georgia as in most other States it is a condition and not a theory that is causing the trouble. With the death sentence as a punishment for murder, it is extremely difficult to secure a verdict of guilty. So a law to prevent the reckless use of pistols would seem to be capable of meeting a very real need. Prevention is better than cure and far cheaper.

EXPRESS AGENTS AND THE WEBB LAW.

Elsewhere is printed an article by Rev. Wilbur F. Crafts, Ph.D., on the Interstate liquor law and the express companies. He quotes from a letter written by the second vice-president of the Southern Express Company in which that official directs destination agents to decline to deliver packages of whiskey which they have reason to believe are to be sold and to return them to the shipper charges collect. This is a very gratifying position for an official of the Southern Express Company to take and should have the effect of making law-enforcement considerably easier. Of course it increases the responsibility of the destination agent and inevitably concentrates upon him the attention of the people in his community who are eager to see the liquor laws obeyed to the end that theirs may be a better, cleaner and more orderly city. Local express agents can cut off the supply of some of the "blind tigers" by observing the instructions given by their second vice-president.

PROPOSED CHANGES IN PARCEL POST SERVICE.

Plans for the extension, improvement and reduction in rates of the Parcel Post have been announced by Postmaster General Burleson. It is needless to say that the announcement will be very welcome to the people generally. For the Parcel Post has proved a greater convenience even than had been anticipated and has not had, we believe, the harmful effect on the small store that had been anticipated in some quarters.

TROUBLOUS TIMES IN MEXICO.

The Huerta administration in Mexico appears to be on its last legs. The wires at any moment may bring the news that a new president has appeared on the scene, slain or imprisoned Huerta and established himself more or less firmly in a position of authority. The country is indeed in a pitiable plight. Unless some strong man looms out of the chaotic conditions now prevailing, the suffering which the people of the stricken republic will be called upon to endure is distressing to think about. There never was such an opportunity for a great man. There have been men in history who have mastered such a baffling, appalling situation as now obtains in Mexico, but whether Mexico has such a man or if it has one, will tell him into its service is very much of an uncertainty.

THE RACE TO SUCCEED OVERMAN.

Wilmington Star says it can see no

very exciting fight for the place in the United States Senate now held by Lee S. Overman. We don't know so much about that. Senator Overman is ambitious to succeed himself. There is a strong probability as the Star itself says that Ex-Governor Glenn will get in the race and there is a possibility that State Chairman Charles A. Webb, if he fails to be appointed United States District Attorney, will aspire to the wearing of the toga. E. J. Justice has but lately shed his hat in the ring. Such a combination has decided possibilities of activity it would seem to a person on the observatory.

Mr. Justice is talking very calmly and meekly now but he has a record for not doing things by half. Governor Glenn is no slouch when it comes to getting out and hustling for the votes of the people. Senator Overman is expected to show some considerable tenacity in the way of clinging to the position of honor and emolument which now promises to be in such great demand. And if Mr. Webb does finally decide to get in the running there can be no doubt that he will add no little to the rest of the affair.

Contests for a nomination to a much coveted honor always look like they will be tame affairs, but it is the rarest sort of thing for them not to have the most exciting and nerve-racking finish.

PROBABLY NOT TRUE.

A Japanese writer recently stated that his country was the only one of the nations friendly to the United States, intimating that this was the unloved nation among the powers of the earth. This is sad, if true, and proves, if true, how barren of results have been the efforts of the great international philanthropists who have opened their hearts and purse for the benefit of mankind across the sea.—Norfolk Ledger-Dispatch.

The trouble with the remark of the Japanese writer is that what he says is probably not true. If the nations of the world were inclined to be jealous and envious of the wonderful progress made by this country it might be true as the Japanese author says, that all nations are unfriendly to this one with the exception of Japan. But there are no signs of any such ill-feeling. France has given every sign that it is friendly and sympathetic rather than otherwise. John Bull might naturally be expected to be sore on this country but all will recall how cheerfully he entered into the celebration of the hundredth anniversary of peace among the English speaking nations. Germany is fond of this country if for no other reason that we have so many Germans over here. Russia at this very time has a large delegation of its foremost men over here and a part of their mission is to let the American people know more about Russians and for themselves to learn more about America, to the end that both nations may understand each other better. The whole world, in short, is progressing in the direction of greater breadth of vision, of benevolence and kindness and not in the direction of narrow and petty selfishness and envy.

ONLY PERFECT BABY SO FAR DISCOVERED.

In the August Woman's Home Companion the campaign for "Better Babies" is further reported. The "Better Babies" movement is a movement toward the improvement of children by means of baby shows where babies are judged according to their physical conditions rather than according to their beauty. Hundreds of these shows are being held in the United States this year, and in each case the children are judged precisely as live stock is judged—according to a strict score card prepared by eminent physicians. Of course the most important part of these shows is the opportunity they afford for distributing among mothers practical scientific suggestions for the care of children. This is being done with thoroughness and great success.

In a report in the August Woman's Home Companion entitled, "Better Babies in Cities," there is an account of two successful contests organized and managed by women of Knoxville, Tenn., and Des Moines, Iowa. Following is an extract from the report of the Knoxville show:

"The final feature proved truly dramatic. First, the physicians had found a perfect baby, Sidney June Chastain, aged twenty-five months, son of a successful young business man and a mother who springs from fine Georgia stock, an ideal American boy. When the youngster was pronounced perfect half a dozen medical men took him in hand and put him through a second and more rigid examination. But there was no shaking that first verdict. Sidney June Chastain had scored the maximum possible on the Better Babies Score-Card, one thousand points, one hundred per cent. "It was hard for physicians and committee members to keep the secret but the feat was accomplished, and when the announcement was made in connection with the prize award, applause shook the building. Sidney and his proud but astonished parents were asked to come to the platform so that the audience could look the hundred per cent. baby over. The little lad received not only the first cash prize in his class but two silver mugs, one presented by the Woman's Anti-Tuberculosis League, the other by the Woman's Home Companion, in recognition of the fact that Sidney was the first child to reach the standards of weights and measurements set in the Better Babies Standard Score Card."

NO SURE WARNING OF ICEBERGS.

A despatch from Washington announces that the official reports of Capt. Johnston and Gimble, who in the cutters Seneca and Miami have been patrolling the North Atlantic line of travel, will give little encouragement to public expectation of the speedy discovery of some method of warning ships on foggy seas of the proximity of icebergs. It has been found that the approach of even the largest iceberg does not affect the temperature of the ocean air to any noticeable extent. Neither does an iceberg cliff send back an echo in all cases to a ship's whistle or bell. In fact, about 90 per cent. of the efforts of the Seneca to get echoes in that way were futile.

This conclusion will disappoint many hopes. The calamity of the iceberg wreck of the Titanic brought so sternly to the public mind the vast dangers attending these floating masses that something like an actual outcry went up both in Europe and America for science to devise a means of guarding against them with surety. We have grown of late to have such confidence in science, and in the marvellously delicate mechanism by which almost any physical change in land or sea or air can be detected and noted, that it was virtually assumed we should soon have an instrument capable of detecting the presence of any large mass of ice. We shall have to wait. For the present the one safe course in foggy weather in the iceberg season is to stop until the sky clears. Experience teaches it; science confirms it.—New York World.

Staunton, Va., is feeling its oats since it sprang into prominence by becoming the birthplace of a President. A bill has been introduced in the House of Representatives to give it a public building costing \$150,000. The storm of last Saturday afternoon seems to have been general all over the Eastern part of the State. In a good many places there was hail. Of such places Smithfield heads the list for the weight of hail stones. There they weighed according to a newspaper despatch, from a half pound to a pound. You will certainly have to hand it to Smithfield for the best hailstone output.

President Wilson is being urged to appoint Theodore Roosevelt minister to Mexico. It is to be hoped that he will not do so. The Colonel is too bloodthirsty. He would involve this country in warfare with Mexico as the first step in the solution of the problem. William Jennings Bryan is the great pacificator of this day and time. Send him to Mexico to straighten things out and the Mexican menace will be a thing of the past.

Misses Mary and Edith Berry left yesterday morning for a visit at Morehead City.

NEW BERN'S REPLY.

New Bern Accepts the Evidence and Many Journal Readers Will Profit by It.

Which is the more weighty proof—a few words from a New Bern resident, whom we know and respect, or volumes from straggling distant towns? There, can be only one reply.

Mrs. C. Pennington, 27 East Front St. New Bern, N. C., says: "I suffered intensely from backache, and sharp shooting pains across my loins. Often twas so lame that I could hardly straighten after stooping. I knew that my kidneys were disordered for the secretions were very unnatural. I used just one box of Doan's Kidney Pills that I got from the Bradham Drug Co., and this was sufficient to remove my aches and pains. Doan's Kidney Pills have been of greater benefit to me than any other kidney medicine I have ever taken." (Statement given January 24 1908.)

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Personals

TUESDAY, JULY 22.

S. M. Brinson left last evening for a short visit at Beaufort.

K. B. Stewart, of Newport, was among the business visitors in the city yesterday.

R. A. Nunn returned last night from a professional visit at Kinston.

Ex-Judge O. H. Guion left last evening for a short visit at Morehead City where his family is spending the summer.

Joseph Hahn left Sunday for New York, N. Y., to attend the funeral of Charles Reizenstein.

John Lancaster returned last evening from a short visit at Vanceboro.

J. K. Hollowell returned yesterday from Beaufort where he spent Sunday.

R. H. Mills, of Maysville, was among the visitors in the city yesterday.

James Mitchell left last evening for a short stay at Morehead City.

Bert Weeks of the Maysville Banking and Trust Company arrived in the city last evening for a short visit.

Miss Ruth Fisher left yesterday for a visit with relatives at Pollockville.

Miss Alice Sutton manager of the local office of the Western Union Telegraph Company returned yesterday from a visit with relatives at La Grange.

Dr. and Mrs. G. A. Caton returned yesterday from a short visit at Morehead City.

Miss Katharin Turrentine, of Wilmington, who has been visiting Miss Charlotte Howard, left yesterday for a visit with friends at Maysville.

J. H. Wescott, of Maribel, was among the business visitors here yesterday.

C. D. Morton of the Journal force returned last evening from a visit with his parents in Onslow county.

Ned Delemar returned yesterday from a visit with his parents at Oriental.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Minich have returned from a visit at Derry Church, Pa.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23.

H. A. Marshall, of Havelock, spent yesterday in the city attending to business matters.

H. T. Paterson spent yesterday at Morehead City attending to official business.

C. B. Foy returned yesterday from a visit of several days in Pamlico county.

Miss Mary Eubanks, of Cove City, spent yesterday here shopping and visiting friends.

Mrs. J. F. Rhem returned yesterday from a visit with relatives in Pamlico county.

Freeman S. Ernul spent yesterday at his farm at Ernul station.

E. Z. R. Davis, of Cove City, was among the business visitors here yesterday.

Dr. R. S. Primrose left last evening for a short visit at Morehead City.

Baxter Ferrabee, of Oriental, was among the business visitors in the city yesterday.

Mrs. J. R. Rodgers, of Newport, returned home last evening after a visit here with Mr. and Mrs. Durham Stallings.

G. T. Farnell, of Bayboro, passed through the city yesterday en route to Washington, D. C.

S. B. Parker returned last evening from a business visit at Washington.

W. A. Witt, General Superintendent of the Norfolk Southern Railway Company, spent last evening in the city.

R. C. Wood left yesterday for a visit with relatives at Washington, Ga.

THURSDAY, JULY 24.

T. A. Grantham returned last evening from a business visit at Kinston.

Bruce Carroway, of Kinston, was among the visitors in the city yesterday.

Charles H. Hall returned last evening from a business visit in Pamlico county.

Mrs. J. M. Dick left yesterday for Harrisburg, Pa., where she will visit relatives.

Mrs. W. P. Scott, of Rhemes, spent yesterday in the city shopping and visiting relatives.

Misses Mollie and Annie Passman left yesterday for a visit in Virginia.

W. E. Patterson returned yesterday from a trip through the West in the interest of the J. S. Bell Confectionery Company.

A. D. Ward left last evening for a professional visit at Morehead City.

Ex-Judge O. H. Guion left last evening for a short visit at Morehead City.

B. E. Rice, of the Land and Industrial Department of the Norfolk Southern Railway Company, was among the visitors here last evening.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Wentz, of Robinson are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Fodrie.

Lewis Whitty, of Maysville, was among the business visitors in the city yesterday.

U. S. Mace, of Baltimore, who has been spending several days in the city looking after his property returned home yesterday.

There is more Catarrh in this section in the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, have proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore require constitutional treatment, Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only Constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address: F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O., Sold by Druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation. (Adv.)

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