

## BIG BOSTON BANK ORDERED CLOSED

COSMOPOLITAN TRUST, WITH MANY FOREIGN BRANCHES, IS FAILURE.

HAD \$20,000,000 RESOURCE

Boston, Sept. 25.—The Cosmopolitan Trust Company, with savings and banking departments and agencies abroad, was closed today by the state bank commissioner.

This is the fifth bank in the city to be closed by the commissioner in the last few weeks.

The first of these was the Hanover Trust Company, which went to the wall with the collapse of the get-rich-scheme of Charles Ponzi.

No reason has been given for the closing of the Cosmopolitan, which advertised resources of twenty million dollars.

## STARS AND STRIPES COMMITTEE PROBE

Washington, Sept. 25.—The absence of witnesses today halted the inquiry into an implied charge against Governor Cox in 1918 received a concealed campaign contribution of five thousand dollars from the Dayton Metal Products Company, and the Senate Campaign Investigating Committee today turned its attention to the financing of the Stars and Stripes, a soldier publication.

Mrs. E. M. Parks, assistant director of finance for the national committee, who underwrote the controlling interest in the publication, denied on the stand that the Democratic National Committee or any members thereof contributed or lent her any money for the purchase of stock.

## DELEGATES VISIT MOUNT VERNON

Washington, Sept. 25.—After a morning session, which involved a discussion of the progress made of prohibition in Mexico, Central and South America, the delegates of the International Congress Against Alcoholism made a pilgrimage to Mt. Vernon, the home of George Washington.

The final session will be held tomorrow, which Richmond Pearson Hobson will address the congress.

## \$100,000 FIRE TODAY AT INSANE ASYLUM

Raleigh, Sept. 25.—A fire early this morning destroyed the laundry building of the state insane asylum, causing a loss estimated at one hundred thousand dollars.

None of the inmates were injured.

## OLIVE THOMAS' BODY ARRIVES

New York, Sept. 25.—The body of Olive Thomas, the moving picture actress, who died recently in Paris of mercurial poisoning, arrived on the steamship Mauretania today.

The funeral services will be held next Tuesday, and it is expected it will be the largest attended funeral of recent times, as the whole theatrical profession will be present.

## RISKS OWN LIFE TO SAVE GIRL

To save the life of a neighbor's little daughter who was standing directly in her path, Miss Mollie Kooch of Big Springs, Idaho, drove her car over the side of a bridge spanning Snake river, at the imminent peril of her own life. The car was completely wrecked, but the heroic lady fortunately escaped without serious injury.

## REAR PLATFORM ADDRESS OF COX

Greeley, Colorado, Sept. 25.—A rear platform address here early this morning concluded the Colorado campaign of Governor Cox, who later crossed into Wyoming, where two speeches are set for this afternoon and tonight.

The League of Nations, progressivism and agriculture were the chief topics of his speech.

## LABOR WILL DEMAND NEW IMMIGRATION LAWS

STARTING DRIVE TO ELECT CONGRESSMEN WHO TAKE A POSITIVE STAND FOR AMENDMENT TO ELIMINATE ENTRY OF OFF-SCOURINGS OF EUROPE.

(By LLEWXAM)

Raleigh, Sept. 25.—The cause of Labor is starting a drive for election of congressmen all over the country who will take positive and active stand for the amendment of the nation's immigration laws, whereby immigration to America from the Old World shall be restricted to the point of eliminating the off-scourings of Europe and the shutting out of the anarchistic element that is already a standing menace to the security of American institutions and free government.

The Union Herald, of Raleigh, which has taken a conspicuous part in the primary and campaign this year, a conservative, influential and well-edited newspaper, in its issue of this week prints the following interesting editorial statements on the subject. The Herald, while non-partisan, is pro-democratic because it, as well as the heads of the Federation of Labor in the state and nation, find its best friends in the democratic candidates this year. The Herald recognizes the 100 percent tested attitude of Senator Oyerman in the matter of better immigration laws, and that Senator Simmons' record along the same line is all right. But it calls on voters in the congressional districts to "get a line" on the attitude of candidates for congress all over the country, and vote accordingly, as a sympathetic congress is necessary to reform the immigration law. The Union Herald says:

"From many quarters come protests and warnings over the continued increase of late in the tide of foreign immigration to the United States.

"Dispatches from Washington contain the prediction of government officials that all high records, both before and since the war, will be broken during the present year. It is stated that the rush is so great in New York that immigration officials are swamped. As is usual the arrivals are seeking the eastern industrial centers. Less than 25 per cent of the August arrivals went far from the Atlantic coast. This condition is increasing housing perplexities in New York, Philadelphia and other east coast cities.

"It can be stated positively that a large percentage of the immigrants now being admitted to our shores constitute the most undesirable of the off-scourings of the old world. Many of these are anarchists and sympathizers with the so-called 'Reds,' whose mere presence in this country is a menace to free government and American institutions.

"The readers of the Union Herald know that this paper is no alarmist. It believes the proper presentation of truths and arguments can accomplish more in the right direction than all the expetives designed to abuse some body or some thing; that facts and reason are more effective, if not so pyrotechnic, than the red fire of a wordy bunch of adjectives, although we do not dispute that there arise occasions when one's system finds relief in the discharge of a volley of near-cusswords.

"We, therefore, do not hesitate to join early in the coming country-wide demand, already cropping out, for a radical change in the laws regulating immigration that shall operate to very materially restrict the coming into this country of peoples from other countries and climes. We believe with all our heart in 'America first for Americans,' with the qualification of course that we do not advocate the shutting of gates against all others, for there have been and will always be some new comers needed and some who are of a character that will and ought to be welcomed. But always for the country's good first, rather than for the secondary consideration of any advantage to be gained by the importation of cheaper labor—cheaper for a while at the expense of the standard of living of native and naturalized American workmen."

NO JOKES ON WOMEN.

In Albania the women are treated with the utmost consideration. To such an extent, indeed, is the respect for women carried out by the Albanians that it is contrary to their sense of propriety ever to make women the subject of jokes or humorous stories.

## BANKS REPORTING LARGE RESOURCES

It is worthy to remark upon the recent statements of the eight banks of Edgecombe county, excepting the two in Rocky Mount, which although in this county, always report through the Nash county papers.

The combined resources of the eight banks of Edgecombe county are reported as over five million dollars. They rank as follows:

- First National, \$1,829,514.72.
- Farmers Banking and Trust Co., \$1,722,319.43.
- Pinetops Banking Co., \$465,000.
- Bank of Whitaker, \$414,988.55.
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- Merchants and Farmers Bank of Macesfield, \$228,428.57.
- Planters Bank of Pinetops, \$189,464.24.
- Famlico Savings and Trust Co., \$141,829.55.
- Bank of Conetoe, \$131,953.60.
- Total resources, \$5,124,051.94.

## JEALOUSY HINT OF DALY SUICIDE

Chicago, Sept. 24.—Same old triangle had something to do with the suicide of Anna Daly, model and actress, life-long friend of Olive Thomas, who was found dead in a New York hotel.

This was revealed by Betty Martin of the chorus and the screen, when she arrived in Chicago to bring some letters to Irving Aaronson, piano player. They were letters he had written to Miss Daly.

Betty Martin also has something to say to Aaronson.

In her chum's last letter was written:

"Irving treated me rotten today, and my heart is broken. He's been rotten to me ever since he's been mixed up with Hilderbrand. I really think he hates me."

"Hilderbrand" is another girl of the stage.

Miss Martin said Miss Daly was convinced that Olive Thomas had killed herself, and that it seemed to point the way to the final tragedy in her own life.

Aaronson sat in Randolph hotel and denied that his love caused the girl to kill herself.

"I met her three years ago at Atlantic City," he said. "I was playing there and she was on her vacation. We became very good friends. She was a model then. She wrote letters when we were not in the same city. Lately I noticed that they had become despondent. Her mother had been ill. I think that is why she was sad."

"Then when Olive Thomas killed herself she became more despondent. Olive was an old friend of hers. Last Thursday we were walking on Broadway. She was blue. Suddenly she said she wouldn't talk with me. I made her come along with me anyway. I tried to cheer her up. She mentioned Olive then."

"She loved Aaronson," said Betty Martin. "I had to watch her day and night because she was despondent, and I feared she would kill herself."

## MAIL SEAPLANE TO HAVANA SOON

Washington, Sept. 25.—A daily seaplane mail service between Key West and Havana, to be started on October fifteenth is expected to provide through service, and has been contracted for by the Postoffice Department with the Florida and West Indies Airway, Incorporated.

False teeth of ivory, on plates of the same material, and held in place by hold wires, were in use in the year 1000 B. C.

## TOBACCO MARKET

The sales yesterday were quite improved as to price, and some better grades came on the market. Tarboro still leads, we are told.

## MANY JAPANESE FAVOR COMMISSION

DESIRE THAT PRESIDENT WILSON NAME THE COMMISSION.

TO DISCUSS THE PROBLEM

Tokio, Sept. 25.—The suggestion that a joint high commission be appointed to find a solution to the California problem appears to be favored by many of the responsible citizens here.

The idea is the outgrowth of a meeting of prominent Americans and Japanese who favor having President Wilson name the commission.

## "I AM JINXED," SAYS JOCKEY O'NEILL

Deauville, Sept. 25.—French track followers have been criticizing the riding of Frank O'Neill, of St. Louis, lately. O'Neill, with the Vanderbilt horses, was leading the jockeys of the French turf by a wide margin in the middle of July, having practically double the number of winning mounts of Belhouse, his closest opponent. Lately O'Neill seems to have had an unlucky spell and winners have been few in his column.

Some days ago O'Neill told a close friend: "I don't know what has happened to me since W. K. (Vanderbilt) died. I ride harder than I ever did in my life but I am jinxed. It seems that my luck passed away with W. K. He was more a father to me than a boss. I feel all broken up about it."

## CROWDED PRISONS BECOME A SCANDAL

Vienna, Sept. 24.—Ten thousand criminal cases were recorded in Vienna during the year 1919 against 1,674 in 1910. The prisons are so crowded that it has become a scandal and the dockets so extended as to lead the public prosecutor to recommend that all cases in which conviction would involve not more than five years imprisonment be quashed. It is said that many of the cases cannot be reached for years.

The judicial machinery of the state is wholly inadequate to cope with the situation. Burglaries alone are stated to average 2,200 monthly.

## TWELVE BALLOONS STARTED IN RACE

Birmingham, Sept. 25.—A steady breeze from the south favored the twelve balloons which were inflated and ready to start from here late today in the national balloon race.

The course mapped out lies due north, but shifts of winds may scatter the entries.

## AMERICAN CANNING ART IS TAUGHT IN FRANCE

Washington, Sept. 25.—The American art of home canning and drying of fruits and vegetables is being taught in France. All classes of French life have been reached by the four American experts lent to the French government by the Agriculture Department to give canning demonstrations.

During June, July and August, the Americans moved from place to place in France, carrying their work into practically every part of that country. At the first demonstration held in a chateau near Versailles, products canned by the French last year were exhibited. Several commercial canners competed with the housewives, but the latter carried off the first prizes.

In China a boy is allowed a birthday feast once in every ten years.

## WORLD SERIES PLAYERS NOW FACE INDICTMENTS

### STRANGE TONGUES SPOKEN AT MEET

Geneva, Sept. 24.—Great progress toward Christian unity among the denominations of the world as a means to a "better world" is said to have been made by the World Conference on Faith and Order held here. Robert H. Gardiner, of Gardiner, Maine, secretary of the American Episcopal church, spoke of it as "the most important gathering of Christians held since the schism between the eastern and western churches a thousand years ago."

The delegates to the conference included leaders of prominence from many lands. Some of them spoke tongues strange to nearly all of the delegates and at times there was difficulty in finding interpreters.

### 7-Hour Day For Servants.

Vienna, Sept. 24.—The cabinet council has approved the seven-hour day for civil servants.

## FARMERS REPORT ON TOBACCO MEET

The tobacco farmers of North Carolina met in Raleigh Sept. 22 to form a tobacco growers' association.

There were large delegations from each county. Twenty-four counties were represented. Around seven or eight hundred people filling the representative room in the capital were compelled to adjourn to the city auditorium.

Judge J. C. Burgaw, of Washington, presided over the meeting. Dr. J. Y. Joyner, Dr. White of Granville, L. S. Tomlinson of Wilson, Jas. A. Groom of Guilford, J. G. Hicks of Durham, Judge Austin of Washington, and J. Grimes were named on the resolution committee.

of Kentucky, was acting as a representative "Old Kentucky," and he stated that the Kentuckians were anxious for the Carolinians to organize and advised the tobacco growers throughout the tobacco belt that were unorganized to do so at once, pledging the support of the Kentucky organization to support them. Mr. Hill is a gifted speaker and thoroughly familiar with the tobacco situation and the growers thoroughly enjoyed (Continued on page 4)

## EXPORTS AND IMPORTS DROP DURING AUGUST

Washington, Sept. 25.—A considerable drop in exports and somewhat smaller imports in August as compared with previous months are shown by official figures given out by the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce of the Department of Commerce.

Exports in August were valued at \$584,000,000, a drop of \$67,000,000 from \$651,000,000 in July of this year and \$62,000,000 less than the exports of \$646,000,000 in August, 1919. Exports for the eight months ended with August were valued at \$5,483,000,000, an increase of \$211,000,000 over the exports of \$5,272,000,000 in the first eight months of 1919.

Imports in August were valued at \$519,000,000, a decrease of \$18,000,000 from the amount of \$537,000,000 in July, but \$212,000,000 more than the imports of \$307,000,000 in August, 1919. During the eight months ending with August of this year imports amounted to four billion dollars, an increase of 77 per cent, or \$1,738,000,000 over the imports of \$2,262,000,000 in the same period of 1919.

## 90TH DIVISION REUNION

Oklahoma City, Sept. 25.—The second annual reunion of the Ninetieth Division, comprising Texas and Oklahoma troops that served in the world war, will open in this city this morning.

HENRY BRIGHAM, GRAND JURY FOREMAN, SAYS BENTON'S EVIDENCE IS SUFFICIENT TO BASE CHARGES OF CONSPIRACY TO DEFRAUD; GREATEST SCANDAL IN SPORT.

Chicago, Sept. 25.—Indictments, based on the charges of conspiracy, to defraud may result from the grand jury investigation into the baseball scandal involving alleged crookedness of players in the 1919 world series games, it was indicated today by Henry Brigham, the jury foreman.

Brigham declared that there seems sufficient evidence to support such charges.

Jacob C. ("Rube") Benton, New York Giant pitcher, who told the grand jury yesterday of being offered a bribe to lose a game, naming Buck Herzog, Hal Chase and Heinie Zimmerman in connection with the alleged offer, in a statement published by him today, named four White Sox players as having been named to him by an alleged member of a baseball gambling ring in a discussion of alleged "fixing" of the 1919 series. These players, Benton declared, were Eddie Cicotte, pitcher of the first game; Claude Williams, pitcher in the second; Chick Gandil, first baseman, and Hap Felsch, center fielder. According to Benton's statement, these players were mentioned by a Cincinnati "betting commissioner" named Hahn.

Benton said that Hahn told him five White Sox players demanded \$100,000 for throwing the series, and that this was paid to them by a group of Pittsburgh gamblers.

Benton said he was sure Cicotte could name the Pittsburgh gamblers and would be glad to give the information to the grand jury.

Benton, in his story of the alleged "fixing" of the world's series last fall, said:

"Last fall, after the series, a man named Hahn, who hails from Cincinnati, and is known as a betting commissioner, visited me at my home in Clinton, N. C.

"One morning while we were out hunting, I asked him about the world series. He said the series was not on the square.

"He said that the deal to fix play to throw the series to Cincinnati had been engineered by a syndicate of gamblers from Pittsburgh from whom he worked in Cincinnati as betting commissioner.

"He said certain players on the White Sox team had visited Pittsburgh before the series was played and made arrangements to throw the games for a price. He said that the players demanded \$100,000 to 'lay down' so that the Sox would lose, and this was paid them.

"We discussed various players on the team. Buck Weaver's name was not mentioned, nor were the names of Jackson, Eddie Collins, John Collins, or Ray Schalk. Five players were mentioned by Hahn in course of the conversation. Four are: Eddie Cicotte, pitcher of the first game of the series; Claude Williams, pitcher of the second game; Chick Gandil, first baseman; and Hap Felsch, center fielder. Comiskey held up their pay checks, calling for the players' share of the world series money, for some time. I do not recall the name of the fifth man."

## MASKED BANDITS HOLD UP TRAIN

Chicago, Sept. 25.—Railroad and postoffice officials are attempting to determine the value of the registered mail taken from the New Orleans Limited, the Illinois Central train, last night, when two masked bandits held it up near Tucker, Illinois.

The value may be only a few thousand dollars or it may run into hundreds of thousands of dollars. The bandits are believed to be the accomplices of Horace Walton, who was killed by the police after he had robbed the same train last May of nearly one hundred thousand dollars.

## STATE REUNION AT RALEIGH FAIR

BRINGS THOUSANDS OF HONEST TO GOODNESS TAR HEELS TOGETHER.

OPENS ON OCTOBER 18TH

(By LLEWXAM)

Raleigh, Sept. 25.—There are thousands of people all over eastern Carolina who regularly attend the great annual state reunion, which is only another name for the State Fair, only it is possibly more appropriate. There is no event occurring within the state from year to year that brings together so many real honest-to-goodness natives of Tar Heel soil as this annual state fair at Raleigh on the third week of October each year. Thousands renew their acquaintances at no other time or occasion. Thousands come as much or more for that pleasurable indulgence as to see the great State Fair.

And, brothers and sisters, if you will only make it a point one time to look out for this "feature" you will find it more wonderful than this description can possibly depict.

I am therefore writing "these few lines" to the Edgecombe and other readers of The Southerner to tell them that Secretary Pogue says that there are going to be more regular visitors at the coming fair, which begins three weeks from now, Oct. 18, than ever before, and that the fair will be the biggest thing of the kind ever pulled off here. Gen. Julian S. Carr, president this year, backs up the statement, as does Treasurer Denson, all of whom are now up to their elbows in State Fair endeavor work. The premiums exceed all previous fairs, and the exhibits will be better and greater. The races will be especially strong, and there will be a midway, without dust or mud this year, newly paved, that will have commendable attractions galore. Oh, yes, the band and bands, and there has been made a provision for the parking of something like a million or more of all sorts of automobiles and near-autos. More and more people, especially country people, come in their own machines every year, some from the uttermost parts of the earth.

## RUSSIAN MINISTER IS LEAVING CHINA

Peking, Sept. 25.—Prince Kouacheff, Russian minister, announced today that he was leaving China as a result of the decision of the foreign office to terminate official relations with the Russian legation.

All treaties between Russia and China are in the meantime to be held in abeyance.

## TESTS OF WHEAT FOR COAST GROWTH

Washington, Sept. 25.—Tests of wheat best adapted to conditions on the Pacific coast, made by the Agricultural Department, show that the federation group, consisting of three varieties of wheat, is best suited for the western region, according to the expert's report. Hard federation produced the larger yields in Oregon, and white federation did the better in California. Milling experiments indicated that hard federation was equal or superior for milling and bread-making purposes to the leading commercial varieties now grown on the Pacific coast and also superior in this respect to federation and white federation.

The federation varieties were compared in yield with the leading commercial wheats, including bluestem, Australian varieties, Pacific, white Australian, and early baart, and produce higher yields, the department reported.

## FRANCE PRESENTS FOCH WITH HOME

Paris, Sept. 25.—The government has solved for Marshal Foch the problem of finding lodgings in Paris which has given the Marshal a great deal of trouble. The Hotel de Sens, 138 rue de Grenelle, has been placed at his disposal as a residence. This is one block away from the French War Office.