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PRESIDENT TAFT ISSUES ANNUAL

THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION. 4

President Taft Issued his annual Thanksgiving proclamation, call + + ing upon citizens of the United States to celebrate Thursday, the + + 30th of November next, as a day of thanksgiving and prayer. The + + proclamation read as follows:

"The people of this land having by long sanction and practice set + + + apart toward the close of each passing year a day on which to cease + + from their labors and assemble for the purpose of giving praise to + + Him who is the author of the blessings they have enjoyed, it is my + + duty as chief executive to designate at this time the day for the + + fulfiliment of this devout purpose.

"Our country has been signally favored in many ways. The round + 4 🕈 of the seasons has brought rich harvest. Our industries have thriv- 🕈 + en beyond our domestic needs, the productions of our labor are daily + 🛉 finding enlarged markets abroad. We have been free fro mthescurses 🛉 🕈 of pestilence, of famine and of war. Our national councils have fur- 🕈 + thered the cause of peace in other lands, and the spirit of benevo- + + lence has brought us into closer touch with other peoples, to the + + strengthening of the bonds of fellowship and good-will that link us + + to the comrades in the universal brotherhood of nations. Strong in + + the sense of own right and inspired by as strong a sense of rights of + + others, we live in peace and harmony with the world. Rich in the + + priceless possession and abundant resources herewith the unstinted + + bounty of God has endowed us, we are unselfishly glad when other + • people pass onward to prosperity and peace.

"That the great privilege we enjoy may continue and that each + + coming year may see our country more firmly established in the re-+ + gard and esteem of our fellow nations, is the prayer that should + + arise in every thankful heart.

"Wherefore I, William Howard Taft, President of the United States + + of America, designate Thursday, the 30th of November next, as a + 🕈 day of thanksgiving and prayer, and I earnestly call upon my coun- 🕈 + trymen and upon all that dwell under the flag of our beloved coun-+ + try then to meet in their accustomed places of worship to join in + + offering praise to Almighty God and devout thanks for the loving + + mercies He has given te us,

"In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the + + seal of the United States to be affixed.



season's crop of cotton and follow don to political offenders connected



Beacon.

EXPRESS CAR WAS CARRYING A HALF MILLION DOLLLARS TO ARKANSAS BANKS.

MAIL, RACKS ARE RIFLED

Special Train With Bloodhounds Is Sent to Scene of the Big Robbery.

Memphis, Tenn. - Seven masked men boarded the Western express train on the Rock Island railroad at Bridge Junction, Ark., opposite Memphis, bound the express messenger and blew up the safe, taking \$200,000 from the United States Express conpany, admitted that there was not less than half a million dollars in the express safe on the train shipped from Memphis banks to smaller banks in Arkansas between here and Little Rock and Newport, Ark. He deales the loss of any money, but railroad officials and special agents say the robbers must have secured \$200,000. At least the express agents are as yet unable to locate four packages of \$50.-000 each.

Postmaster Dutro admits that every registered mail pouch was rifled and the contents are gone. The robbed train is known as No. 42. It is the fastest train running from Memphis west over the Rock Island carrying heavy express and mail.

The explosion of the express safe . roused passengers from the day coaches, but when they stuck their heads out of the windows the three men guarding the train from the ground fired at random.

WARSHIPS REVIEWED 99

Every U. S. Battleship in Line at at New York.

New York .- In a great amphitheater formed by the broad expanse of

FOR RAILROAD BOND ISSUE SOUTH'S RIGHT TO Commissioners of Forsyth Asked to Call Election on \$100,000 For Rantruthful history dolph and Cumberland Ry ..

Winston-Salem .- The county commissioners of Forsyth will be asked to call an election for the purpose of voting bonds of \$100,000 to be applied towards the construction of the Randolph & Cumberland Railroad. A de cision will be made at the commissioners' meeting within a few days. This action comes as a result of vigorous and earnest effort locally, in High Point and other communities which would be benefited by the construction of the line. The road would extend from Winston-Salem to Cameron, 84 miles, and also from this city to El-

kin, a distance of 45 miles. The issuance of the bonds is condolph & Cumberland Railroad that it be begun not later than January road would cost about \$20,000 a mile. The Winston-Salem board of trade special railroad committee has considered the situation thoroughly and approves the movement. A petition is now being circulated asking the it is being generally signed with fa- lished by Brazil in financing its survorable comment. Other counties to be affected are taking similar action.

Monument To Cabarrus Black Boys. A movement has been started in ton itself as collateral. Concord and Cabarrus county to raise funds for the purpose of erecting a monument to the Cabarrus Black Boys, a band of patriots from this county, who performed one of the bravest deeds of the great fight for by foreigners who make periodic efindependence ever recorded in this forts to collect. For this reason banksection by destroying a British pow- ers say great difficulty might be expeder train at a time when they were rienced in obtaining foreign capital on practically unarmed and greatly outnumbered. It is the purpose of those behind the movement to perpetuate the cotton exchange, declares that the the memory of this brave band of patriots, whose daring deeds are yet have an effect on cotton prices oppounheralded and have never been ac- site to that expected by its advocates. corded the conspicuous place in the The accumulation of 2,000 bales of cothistory of this state that they de ton, he thinks, would be a great bear serve. From their deeds grew the argument and as long as it was known spirit of ilberty that blossomed forth to be hanging over the market spin-1162, U. C. V.; S. R. Stout, 1st Lt. into the Mecklenburg Declaration of ners could not be induced to bid Com.; J. W. Biddle, 2d Lt. Com. Independence of May 20, 1775 Much prices up. The large carrying charges this with a concerted and binding arof the history that is recorded of the would be another factor against the men who composed the bands of Ca- carrying of surplus cotton in ware-J. M. Harget, W. R. Barrington, barrus Black Boys were gathered by Messrs, W. A. Foil, C. E. Boger and Whitehurst, F. J. Weathersbee, S. B. J. P. Cook, especially the former from whom many of the facts are secured



EASTERN CAPITALISTS CRITICISE GOVERNORS' SCHEME FOR MARKETING COTTON.

IT WILL HELP THE BEARS

Roanoke

Accumulation of 2,000,000 Bales May Have Bad Effect on the Market.

New York,-Bankers and cotton men here are skeptical as to the practicability of the plan approved by the recent conference of Southern governsatisfactory levels.

that if the scheme is to follow the commissioners to call the election and lines more or less successfully estabplus coffee crop, it would be necessary for the foreign bankers to have credit of the cotton-growing states behind their loan as well as the cot-

such security.

A. B. March, former president of scheme, even if put through, would

ditioned on their exchange for \$100,- ors for handling the cotton crop with 000 of the capital stock of the Ran- the assistance of an unnamed foreign syndicate. The plan is for the purchase of about two million bales of the cotton crop and its warehousing at central points for distribution when cotton prices have been put back to It is declared by financial experts

The credit of some of the principal cotton growing states has been seriously damaged by the repudiation of loans on bonds issued after the civil war and many of which are still held

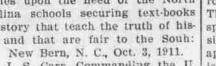
Children That the Truth Should Be Revealed to Them-And Taught In the Schools. Raleigh .-- A special from New Bern

states that the following letter signed by leading Confederate veterans of this county addressed to General Carr, head of the Confederate Veterin Association of North Carolina, 1913. Engineers estimate that the ouches upon the need of the North Carolina schools securing text-books n history that teach the truth of hisory and that are fair to the Souh:

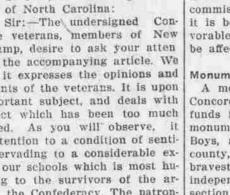
Jen. J. S. Carr, Commanding the U.

Dear Sir:-The\ undersigned Conlederate veterans, members of New Bern camp, desire to ask your atten tion to the accompanying article. We believe it expresses the opinions and sentiments of the veterans. It is upon an important subject, and deals with a subject which has been too much neglected. As you will observe, it calls attention to a condition of sentiment pervading to a considerable extent in our schools which is most humiliating to the survivors of the armies of the Confederacy. The patronizing declaration of our former foes, "They believed they were right," from the lips of our school children 's the result of untruths, and half truths which have been allowed to insinuate themselves into history teaching and text-books.

We respectfully ask your influence in securing the publication of this ar-Your fellow veterans, ticle. I. I. Wolfustee, Commander Camp,



C. V. of North Carolina:



1st cav.; J. F. Clarke, Adjt.; W. N. Pugh, Paymaster; F. S. Emul, Q. M.; D. H. Brinson, Daniel Lane, M E ... Porker, E. K. Eryan, H. C. Whitelmer, F. M. Armstrong, J. F. Heath, G. W. Latham, D. L. Roberts, L. S. Wood, J U. Smith, L. E. Duffy, A. Lee, S. G. Roberts, I. K. Land, Ed S Street, C. F. Harget, R. W. Pugh, Hardy Whitford.

To Supreme Court As Test Case.

cases brought by the last grand jury Edgecombe, Martin, Washington, Tyrat Wilmington against as many persons for selling whiskey will be carried to the United States Supreme Robeson, Bladen, Carteret, Jones, Court as a test case. So far as known the exact legal point involved has Brunswick and New Hanover are never been carried before the Su- quarantined. From the counties in preme Court of the United States the state of North Carolina quaran-Court and many of the foremost law- tined for splenetic, Southern or Texas yers disagree in their opinions as to fever, cattle shall only be moved, or the constitutionality of the law. The allowed to move, to interstate points point argued would be that when outside of the quarantined area in ac Congress, under its power, passes a law permitting the issuance by the mediate slaughter. Government of a license covering the sale of spirituous liquors as a means of raising revenue, it is unconstitutional for a state to pass a law making the holding of such a license prima facie evidence of intent to sell liquor.

Had Miraculous Escape.

That passengers on the Seaboard Air Line Florida Limited which was wrecked at Merry Oaks, N. C., in at the earnest solicitation of Cabarrus which 18 persons injured, escaped more serious casualties was pronounced miraculous. Steel cars, it is said, prevented the loss of life. The entire train, except the egine was derailed, the express car being overturned. Express Messenger Lindal escaped with a slight scalp wound. Thirteen were seriously injured.

A New Charter Granted.

A charter was granted to C. A. Lyle & Co., of Raleigh, florists. The authorized capital is \$25,000; subscribed. \$15,000.

Scout Cars Reach Raleigh.

The scout cars of the Atlanta to Richmond tour were in Raleigh, coming a day behind the schedule time, liquor on prescriptions from physibut the gentlemen in them were full clans will be presented to the Salisof enthuslasm over the prospects for bury aldermen this month. Two years the big run to be made in a few weeks ago soon after North Carolina was over the same route to the meeting voted dry, a tax of \$5,000 was named of good roads forces to be held in for such privileges and at that time Richmond. The delay in reaching no drug store wanted to handle whis Raleigh was because the party was a key. It is now stated that at least caused by the delay in the arrival on prescription. The result will be

Issued Strict Quarantine Orders. The Department of Agriculture has issued strict quarantine orders because of the prevalence of cattle tick, The counties of Moore, Harnett, Johnston, Wilson, Northampton, Hertford Bertie, Gates, Chowan, Perquimans, It is probable that one of the 61 Pasqoutank, Camden, Currituck, rell, Dere, Hyde, Beaufort, Wayne, Pitt, Sampson, Cumberland, Scotland, Duplin, Onslow, Pender, Columbus, cordance with the regulation for im-

Dr Pratt Speaks On Good Roads.

Dr. Joseph Hyde Pratt, state geolo gist and secretary of the North Carolina Good Roads Association spoke on good roads in the court house at Concord. Dr. Pratt is the recognized leader of the good roads movement in the state, which has done and is

doing much for the betterment of the state's highways. Dr. Pratt came here citizens who felt that a good roads association should be formed for the county. He is a live man, thorough ly awake on the matter of good roads

Wake Teachers Hold Meeting. There was a large attendance upor

the meetings of the Wake county teachers held in Raleigh and many interesting topics were discussed The meeting was held in the high school. All present manifested a spirit of unity and co-operation and the meeting was both pleasant and profitable.

Liquor License To Drug Stores.

The question of granting license to drug stores in Salisbury to handle day late in leaving Atlanta, thus one druggist desires to sell whiskey ed the boules of at least two of the demands of the nationad cars used in the Glidden watched with interest throughout the state.

houses long enough to tire out the if they hope to restore the South's consumers who have proved themselves better able to hold out than the planters.

PLEDGE SOUTHERN FARMERS

Plan to Hold Cotton for 13 Cents Up to Planters.

Columbia, S. C .- Urging the holding of every available bale of cotton until September 1, 1912, if necessary, for a price of 13 cents per pound and the reduction of the acreage next year to not exceeding 60 per cent, of the area ble lands of the farmers, telegrams were dispatched from the office of E. J. Watson, president of the Southern Cotton congress, to each commissioner of agriculture and each state president of farmers' unions in the states throughout the cotton belt. The plans aim to effect an immediate belt-wide retirement of cotton from the market and follows an action taken by the farmers' convention here.

In substance the plan calls for books of agreement to be opened in every county throughout the belt in which farmers will be asked to sign pledges to hold a stated number of bales of cotion until September 1 or until a price of 13 cents is reached. Other pledges are to be asked of the farmers, that they will not cultivate more than 60 per cent. of their lands in cotton next year. An assessment of 2 cents per bale is called for from cotton-growers to pay expenses of the campaign.

These telegrams were sent out throughout the belt and action is beginning in this state to carry out the plan in every communion of cotton growers. The pledges will be published daily in the state newspapers.

Mississippi Soldlers Refused Pay. Jackson, Miss .- One vote defeated a bill introduced in the lower house of the Mississippi legislature providing \$46,000 appropriation to pay state militia doing duty in connection with the strike of Illinois Central railroad employees.

Nidow Charged With Many Murders. Chicago .- Mrs. Louise Vermilya was formally charged with the murder of Policeman Arthur Bissonette by polsoning him with arsenic, following the report of toxicoligists who had examined the viscera of the dead roomer at ful if the edicts will the widow's home. Coroner Hoffman announces that he will have exhum- make a complete cate bootn to the other eight persons who have died in even go so far as to offer her home during the past eachined praise to the rebels for by years. An Vermilya is critically ill the great reforms while her home

ow prices.

This is the plan which the conference of Southern governors adopted at its concluding session to secure in the price of the staple.

As a means of securing permanent relief from such conditions and to guarantee the cotton farmer in the future against the necessity of glutting the market with his supplies in the Railways May Be Controlled by Interopening of the season, the conference adopted resolutions favoring the establishment in every cotton-growing state of state-controlled warehouses and the collection and periodical publication of statistics bearing upon the world's demand for and consumption of American cotton.

The proposal of foreign banking interests to finance a holding movement covering 2,000,000 bales of the present crop was referred to a special committee for future action.

"If the plans as outlined by the conference are put into operation without delay," said Gov. O. B. Colquitt of Texas, the father of the conference, "there is bound to be an almost immediate increase in the price of cotton, and traders in the speculative world will be put to rout. The statistics which we have compiled showing the world's demand for American cotton prove, beyond doubt ,that every pound of this year's crop is worth 13 cents, or more, and the battle is won if the South's farmers will stand firm."

Governor O'Neal of Alabama expressed the opinion that the comprehensive plan outlined, if strictly adhered to, will result in securing milplan of maketing the staple as fast as blatt says that the discovery is

the South so needed an exhibition of it will be equally easy for th the manhood of her citizens, and | States to manipulate its firmly believe that the message of this to exclude German fert conference will not be unheeded."

Baby Emperor Seeks Sympathy. Pekin.-China's national assembly voiced gratification over edicts issued a large audience by the throne and expressed belief Hamilton clu that the situation in Whina would be hearers con were fulfilled. Howels it is doubt- in the cor improved if the thr of halting the revolues" the edicts to be mbly and

with the revolution of 1898 and subserangement to reduce next season's quent revolutions and to those comcotton acreage at least 25 per cent. pelled to join in the present rebellion. The throne promises to organize a great level and retrieve the losses cabinet without nobles forthwith. The sustained by reason of the present Manchu prince, Shih Hau, president of the assembly, is permitted to resign, the Chinese, Li Chia Chu, suc-

ceeding him. The Manchu, Huai Chun, minister of constabulary, has been reimmediate relief from the depression moved and the Chinese, Chao Ping Chun, supercedes him.

MAY ABOLISH CCMMISSIONS

state Commerce Commission.

Washington .- Complete control of all the railroads of the country by the interstate commerce commission commissions from such control, is craft, foreshadowed in an opinion handed down by the Supreme court of the United States. The court held that hereafter all locomotives, cars or other equipment used on any railroad which is a highway of interstate commerce must comply with the Federal

safety appliance act. In its opinion, the court held that compliance with Federal law is compulsory on all railroads which are en gaged in the transportation of persons or freight from one state to another. Elaborating this, however, it held that the cars or equipment of such roads, even if engaged in such transporta tion within the confines of a state, must be considered as part and parcel of the road and therefore com pletely under the jurisdiction of the in adopting the indict Federal commission.

Potash Worries Germany. Berlin .- The report of the discovlions of dollars more for the unsold ery of extensive deposits of potash commi portion of the present season's crop in America has attracted general atthan the cotton planter can possibly tention here and has been comment al get by continuing the present suicidal ed upon by all the papers. The Tagefirst fruits of Germany's short-si "Not in her history," he said, "has policy toward America, and sa

> that a home supply is a Taft Makes Pessi Chicago .-- Presi

the Hudson river, the towering shore of Manhattan, the precipitcus Palisades of New Jersey and a cloudflecked sky, an awesome marine spectacle was staged, when Secretary Meyer of the navy inspected the most powerful fleet of fighting ships ever assembled in American waters.

Ninety-nine in all, they lay at anchor gay with colors, in six great divisions, seven miles in length. Along this line the secretary passed in the presidential yacht Mayflower, then he boarded the six flagships, paying his respects first to the commander-inchief, Rear Admiral Osterbaus, on the Connecticut; then to Rear Admirals Badger, Ward, Howard and Fiske, in command of divisions.

Perhaps two hundred thousand pest sons saw the spectacle from ashore, and virtual elimination of the state and thousands more crowded harbor

> The fleet as it stood included every battleship now in commission in the United States navy, twenty-four in all, every one in fighting trim.

Parson Indicted for Girl's Murder. Boston .- Rev. Clarence V. T. Richeson, pastor of Immanuel Baptist church, Cambridge, was indicted on five counts charging murder in the first degree by the Suffolk county grand jury, for the alleged polsoning, on October 14, of bis former sweetheart, Miss Avis W. Linnell of Hyannis. The grand jury reported their finding to the superior criminal court after hearing more than thirty witnesses during four days. It is understood that the jurors were unanim

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