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# CONVENTION IS KILLED

CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION BILL BY MR. STUBBS IS DEFEATED 69 TO 22.

### A SCHOOL FOR TEACHERS.

Bill to Eestablish Training School For Teachers in West Will Pass-Legislators Want More Pary-Trust Law With Teeth.

Raleigh.-The House passed the Quickel bill to amend the hour of the labor law of 1910, making both railroad companies and employes guilty of a misdemeanor for employes working over '16 hours, the amendment being to relieve the employer of the misdemeanor charge so that its employes injured while working over time can have standing in court for damage suits the ruling of the Supreme Court in Llevd vs. Southern Railroad. Opposition to the bill was on the ground that the double check of misdemeanor for railroad and employe conserved protection of the travelling public from mistakes by overworked trainmen.

A bill for an annex for wives and widows of Confederate veterans at the soldiers' home came from the House pensions committee with favorable report and was referred to the appropriations committee since it carries \$5,000 appropriation and \$2,500

The Bathle bill to allow cities and towns to amend their charters at will for commission or other form of government came from the judiciary mittee with favorable report and hundred copies were ordered

> tor Cotten introduced a bill to the use of coupons in cigartobacco packages sold in lina. There was also ator Thorne to encourage oods made by independand handicap sale of

by Senator Starbuck. Itation from the Genfor residents of the rist this State during nittee on propositions and nces reported favorably Ewart's table bill "To tax dogs, justices peace and bachelors in Henunty." He jusists that Heninty has too many of all

ese classes,
bbs bill to call a constituth Carolina constitution was

by Kellum, of New Hanover, to allow Wilmington to vote option on petition of citizens to This bill is drawn with machinery, but a final nits it to New Hanover counallows vote on saloons 1 per cent of the voters peti-Strict saloon regulations are cribed and the licen tax is 00 each for city and a te any ation of regulations to forfeit li-be and bond. of 24 to 31 the Turling

protect insurers in fire in-impunies not licensed to do business in this State, by enabling them to serve summons in case of disagreement as to losses, and requiring that policies for such companies shall be reported to the State Com missioner of insurance and a tax of five per cent. paid on premiums was defeated. This was on the ground that the State law-ulready makes it a misdemeanor for any agent to rep-resent an uniformed company in this State

The Senate voted 20 to 8 for par sage of the bill creating Hoke county out of portions of Cumberland and Robeson and it was ordered sent to the House without engrossment. An amendment providing for a change of Robesou had been voted down, the amendment providing for a change of boundary of Hoke so as to include Lumber Bridge and Red Springs

Senator Martin, of Buncombe, of fered a joint resolution thanking the State of Nevada for refusing to ne-

Unique Debâte Between Schools. Something unique for this section of the country in the realm of debate has just been arranged between the high schools of Charlotte, Greens-

boro and Raleigh. On the night of Friday, April 14 debate will occur in each of the three cities, this necessitating two teams of is the measure that was so persismen each for each school. Eac school will also have both the affirm ative and the negative side of the have passed had it not been for the query, so that the merits of the query efforts of Congressman Webb of will have a negligible effect in the ion will have a neguer anal award of honors.

Pritchard is Progressive. ge Jeter C. Pritchard of the district United States court ten from Asheville to Winston most heartily the movement for providon-dollar fireproof admin Governor and making comments and

The Ewart bill designed to impart "teeth" to the North Carolina antitrust law gets favorable report from judiciary committee No. 1 of the House. It makes violations of the anti-trust act a felony instead of misdemeanor, empowers the Attorney General of his own motion to bring suit in any county against violators, or invoke injunction or quo warranto proceedings, provides foreiture of charter to do busines in the State FOR NEUTRAL PROTECTION without the right to transfer privi-

Senator Brown, of Columbus has introduced a bill to prevent social clubs from handling intoxicants for members and to prohibit near-beer.

There was also a notable bill by Boyden, of Rowan, to protect human life by forbidding persons from walking on railroad tracks.

The House passed the bill by Roberts, of Buncombe, to allow divorce where there are no children from the union, after ten years' separation without the requirement that both have resided in this Statet for the ten vears.

Dillard, of Cherokee, in making a fight for the repeal of the 1909 law allowing sheriffs \$20 each for blockade distilleries broken up, as it applies to Cherokee county, startled the legislators with the charge that deputy sheriffs have "grafted" his county out of \$1,800 for fees of this kind when in reality there had not been more than two distilleries in the whole county within two years.

The House finance committee reported unfavoraby the bill introduced to provide for the State instead of the city of Raleigh to pay costs of the unsuccessful indictment of the Standard Oil Company in the city court for the alleged violation of the State anti-trust law.

Thompson introduced a bill to establish a State school for the feebleminded by providing that the Governor appoint directors who shall secure bids for location and not less than one hundred acres and that the State may issue \$100,000 in bonds. Senator Graham, of Orange, introduced a bill to amend the constitu-

tion of North Carolina by increasing compensation of members of the General Assembly to \$500 from \$240, and If an extra session is held pay them \$100 for it; to pay presiding officers of each house \$10 per day and mileage and the same rate during extra sessions.

Senator Grabe salms het arecent sible for a man to serve in the Legislature without a personal financial loss and that the people of the State ought not to expect their lawmakers to make up the deficit of their actual necessary expenses.

The muck talked of bill providing for the establishment of a teachers' training school in Western North Carolina was introduced in the Senestablish such a school for training teachers of both sexes and carries an appropriation of \$25,00 for build ings and equipment with the require ment that the county or community wherein it is located provide a like amount. The bill also makes appropriation of \$10,000 annually for main tenance. There is every indication that this bill will pass by a safe majority and become a law.

In the House Representative Spainhour, of Burke, offered a resolution to appoint a committee of five members to ascertain the number of clerks in the State offices and recommend such reduction of salaries as may be deemed advisable in view of clerks in State offices are receiving from \$1,500 to \$2,000 while teachers are being paid only \$20 to \$40 a month and many college professors only from \$600 to \$1,000. The resolution demands a scaling that puts the clerks more on a parity with the teachers of whom far greater equipment is demanded. The resolution went to the committee on salaries

The House passed the joint resolution by Senator Brown to investigate ghany and Statesville Air Line Railroads and the Wilkesboro-Jefferson turnpike and other matters unfavorably reported by the State board of internal improvements, ex-Judge Ewart declaring in discussion that the State has evidently lost in the Mattamuskeet railroad scheme alone \$240,-000. It Senate. It has heretofore passed the

Want Additional Federal Judge An effort is to be made in the United States Senate to get a bill through providing for the appointment of an fourth circuit, in which are the States of West Virginia, Virginia, North and South Carolina and Maryland. This tently pushed at the last session of Congress and which would probably North Carolina, who fought it

An active campaign is being carried on by the North Carolina Board of Health, with the special physicians and agents who are paid by the Rocktieller Hookworm Commission, and the past year has witnessed no let-up to the war. A summary of the work n the war. A summary of the tione, and the results accomplis

# cept as a gift the repudiated bonds | MORE TROOPS SENT TO MEXICAN BORDER

THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT ADOPTS MEASURES FOR EN-FORCING NEUTRALITY.

Federal Troops Inadequately Equipped to Meet Insurrectionists-Government of Mexico Pleased.

Washington.-The acute revolutionary situation along the northern border of Mexico has moved the American government to rush twelve additional troops of cavalry to the frontier to preserve the neutrality of the United States. The American military forces will prevent not only the movement of revolutionary bands from this country into Mexico, but also will prohibit defeated revolutionists with arms from seeking refuge on the territory of the United States.

This action was based upon strong representations from the Mexican government to the effect that armed bands of revolutiaries have been entering Mexico at isolated places along the southern boundary of the United States. Furthermore, it was declared, revolutionists have crossed the Rio Grande from Mexico, entering the United States for the purpose of making their way undisturbed through American territory and then re-entering Mexico for the purpose of operating against a strategic point, in reto the protests of Mexico, the United States government has assured that country that every measure will be adopted with a view to preventing any violation of a neutral attitude on the part of the United States.

Of the twelve companies of cavalry consisting of about seven hundred and tifty men, ordered southward, fo will be sent from the Presidio. Ca six from Fort Meade, S. D.: and tv from Fort Wingate, N. Mex. will make the total military res. tation of the United States a along the frontier twenty-two of cavalry, or about fifteen The troops ordered be stationed along the bord Paso, Texas, to Calerico, Planta de la lacasión General Grozco, commanda

surrecto troops, threatened made his way into El Paso. a message from the revol leader asking that a message from El Paso to notify the I consul at Juarez warning him intended assault, and requesting to warn non-combatants to seek

ty. The general's message declar former messengers sent direct to 3 ate by Senator Martin. It author- rez had been intercepted by the Fed izes the State board of education to eral authorities. The messenger de toured Juarez, crossing the border north of the city

#### HONDURAN WAR ENDED. American Naval Forces Are Sent to Stop Useless Fighting in Puerto Rico.

Washington -The explanation the action of the American naval forces in landing at Puerto Cortez. in Honduras, and in undertaking to intervene between the government forces and the insurrectionists with a view to bringing about a settle ment of the difficulty in that country without further bloodshed was had when the state department made pubthe fact that as the resolution recites lie the text of telegrams exchanged between President Taft and President Davila of Hondurns, within the last few days.

From this telegraphic correspondence it appears that in seeking to restore peace between the warring factions in Honduras, President Taft is simply conforming to the earnest wish of President Davila, who telegraphed him as follows:

"The government of Honduras is re solved to approve the loan conventhe Mattamuskeet, Elkin & Alle- tion. For this suspension of hostili ties is necessary in order to prevent the useless shedding of blood. If your excellency can lend your valorous intervention to the end that the war may cease, the people and government of Honduras will have cause to again thank the United States and its worthy president for the interest they are taking in the tranquility and prosperity of the country."

Colonel Roosevelt in the West.

Los Angeles, Cal.-Theodore Roose velt's next month will bear directly upof his work as a naturalist. Acording to a telegram received by Dr. J. A. E. Scherer, president of the Throp university, the colonel says he will arrive in Pasadena the morning of March 21. In the afternoon ne exects to pass some time with John Burrough and John Muir, who have devoted years to scientific researca in the west. In the evening Colone toosevelt will deliver an address on Zoology of Africa."

Cholera Plague Spreads. Berlin, Germany.-Word was receive d here that the cholera plague had spread along the Shan Tung rallroad he German road which extends from stern seaport of Tain Tau, west 247 miles to Tsinan Fu.

Schenck and Wife End Marriage. Wheeling, W. Va-Laura Farm orth Schenck and her husband, John

STANDARD ASKS \$250,000 DAM AGES FOOM MAGAZINE FOR ALLEGED LIBEL.

### POISON" FEATURE IS BASIS

Article in Hampton's by Cleveland Moffett Wounds and Redress in Court Is Sought-First Time Company Carried Troubles to Court.

New York - The Standard Oll company has had a lot of unpleasant \* contest, was announced to the \* things said about it one time or an- \* people of this city. other, as John D. Archbold once pointed out in a magazine article, but it has never taken its troubles to court until now, and when summonses have been obtained in the United States circuit court in the suits for damages brought by the Standard Oil company against the Broadway Magazine company, publishers of Hampton's Magazine, and Cleveland Moffett, author of tae alleged libelous article, which caused the company to turn.

Mr. Moffett pointed out that glucose s used in candy-making and added that the agents of Standard Oil in eastern Pennsylvania and lower New Jersey "had been arrested, brought into court, branded as deliberate poioners of little children."

That sentence about the poisoning of little children hurt and the smarting of the wound wasn't sootned any by the stream of clippings from the article, which began to come in every mail to the Standard Oil office at 26 It is said that comes of were also received by many ers of the corporation. was that the corporation egan suit for \$250,

> n's and for \$100. suit Martin company, and representative. at the men article as deliberate

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d by Shearman rd Oil company in he false, unfair, libelous and defamatory matter following."

papers the portion of Mr. Moffett's article referring to the Standard Oil under the subhead of "The Standard Oil and Poisoned Candy."

#### OVER-SEA FLIGHT FAILS. McCurdy Dropped Into Sea on Key West-Havana Flight.

Havana, Cuba .- J. A. D. McCurdy, ed with American aviators, set a new record in over-the-water flights, covering a distance of close to a nundred accident, he was compelled to drop into the sea. There he remained, his lifeboat of the torpedo boat destroyer Terry picked him up.

Post and \$3,000 by the Havana city

#### Safe Blowers Rob Illinois Bank. Davenport, Iowa.-Three masked

nen blew open the vault in the Farmthe combination on the silver chest and obtained \$10c. A woman in a gave the alarm, but the thieves escaped in a buggy they had stolen and drave to Rock Island

#### River-Harbor Bill Passed. Washington.-After three hours

consideration the senate passed the iver and harbor bill carrying approriations aggregating about \$35,000, Noted Southern Educator Dead.

#### Charlottesville, Va.—Dr. James A. Harrison, for 15 years professor of inglish and romance languages in the University of Virginia, and one of the best known authors of the South, died here. He produced many books and contributed to many journals.

Florida Grocers Get New Trial. Jacksonville, Fia.-A new trial was ranted by Judge J. W. Locke, in be United States court here, in the \$200,000 damage suit of John T. Ham-Orisado, Fis., vs. The Con-Grocery Company of Jackaville and other members of the suit, which was bro Sherman anti-trust act, re ilted in a verdict of guilty and asthe plaint T. Allegation is made that

jurors were unduly infigenced.

### OPENING OF WATERWAY ACROSS PANAMA TO BE CELEBRATED AT GOLDEN GATE.

National House of Representatives Favors Western City for the Great Show in 1915.

San Francisco, Cal-With the \* bursting of bombs, the sarieking \* # of steam whistles, and the ring- # # ing of bells, the news that San # # Francisco had won the first vic- \* tory in the Panama exposition \*

Washington.-The house of repre entatives by a vote of 188 to 159, decided in favor of San Francisco, and against New Orleans as the city which an exposition to celebrate ie opening of the Panama canal in 1915 shall be held.

This vote was taken on a roll call determine whether San Francisco solution or the New Orleans bill hould have consideration in the louse. On a final vote the San Fransco resolution was passed by a vote of 259 to 43.

San Francisco won by capturing the Republican vote in the house. New Orleans' support came from the Demcrats. Only thirty Republican voted for New Orleans. Thirty-six Democrats voted for San Francisco. The San Francisco resolution does not ask for government aid in any form. It simply authorizes the president of the United States to invite foreign nations to participate in the fair.

An effort to amend the resolution to include provisions for an international naval from Hampton Roads through the Panama canal and up the west coast to San Francisco was defeated on a parliamentary point of order.

The New Orleans bill called for an appropriation of \$1,000,000 for a government exhibit and the creation of a government commission.

### were rep-Me. Met. BANK DEPOSITS DECREASE. Shown in New YJ. N Bits Wittern \$158,000,000 Was Withdrawn.

Washington.-Deposits of Individuals in the 7,200 national banks of the with the cam- United States decreased \$191,566,488 nt of the pure between November 10 and January 7. larry P. Cassidy, a situation probably unprecedented in the reports made to the comptroller which the sum- of the currency.

Of that sum, more than \$158,006,000 Wall street, attor- was withdrawn from the thirty-nine it is set forth that 'on or two officials of the treasury agree as muary 19, 1911, the defendant to where the money went. Some are of recklessly and maliciously published the opinion that part of it might have in the February issue of the magazine gone to strengthen the New York sage to the Tennessee general asseming the flurry caused by the so-called At this point there is inserted in the Robin failure early in the month. All nations the New York bankers might

A comparison with the national an executive elemency. banks of Chicago snows that the drop was confined almost entirely to New reported a loss of \$9,000,000 on individual deposits. The reserve banks of Canadian by birth, but now affiliat- the Western and Pacific states and the New England states all show losses, but comparatively small ones,

One peculiar aspect of the drop was miles from Key West, to within ten that the New York banks alone lost miles of Havana, when, from a slight as much as the combined banks of the country had gained in November. Another feature of the situation biplane floated by pontoons, until the which greatly puzzles the treasury experts in that in spite of the enormous slump in deposits the banks The flight was for \$8,000, of which are still holding a higher percentage \$5,000 was offered by the Havana of reserve than they were in November, and the total loss in loans and discounts of the whole country has been only \$48,000,000, while there has been a gain in cash of more than \$20.-000,000.

The banks of the South are about ers' Bank at Sherrard, Ill., worked the only ones showing gains of deposits. That is said to be because they are now being paid for cotton hotel nearby heard the explosion and Reductions of loans is the rule, however, all over the country, and this is said necessarily to follow such a sharp reduction of deposits.

## All Ship Subsidy Graft. "

Washington.-John W. Dodsworth, editor of the New York Journal of Commerce: Charles A. Conant of New York, formerly correspondent of that cago, commissioner of the Central Passenger association, were witnesses before the house committee on inves-tigation of ship subsidy charges. Mr. Dodsworth said he regarded all ship subsidy as graft, but finally conceded that there were men honestly support ing that cause. The committee ad journed for two weeks.

## Tariff Board Bill Passes.

Washington -After considering the matter for more than seven hours un tal rule the house of repreed the bill providing for a permanent tariff board of five members. This is the first of the legislation reco-ed by President Tart to be ado the house. The Democrats a the passage of the bill and

# CHOSEN DYNAMITE EXPLOSION SHAKES NEW YORK

KILLS THIRTY-TWO PEOPLE AND FOUR HUNDRED KNOWN TO BE INJURED.

## **HEAVY LOSSES REPORTED**

Manhattan Rocked as if by Earthquake-Much Damage to Prop-

New York .- A cargo of dynamite in transit from a freight car to the hold of a lighter moored at pier No. 7, Communipaw, N. J., let go, 150 yards south of the Jersey City terminal of the Central Railroad of New Jersey, and in the widespread rain that followed seven men are known to have been killed, seven more are missing, hundreds were wounded and varying reports leave from fifteen to twenty more" unaccounted for

Thirty-two seems to be a conservaive estimate of the dead and property damage will hardly fall below \$750,000. It is known that nearly four hundred persons were treated at various hospitals for injuries.

The cause of the explosion is variously attributed to the dropping of a case of dynamite and to a boiler explosion on a boat. Just what was the direct cause probably never will be known.

How many were injured never will be known in full but the count of those treated in the New York hospi-Jersey City, Hoboken, Union Hill and surrounding towns, more than double that number. Five bodies of the 32 estimated as killed, have been recov-

### BRYAN FLORIDA'S SENATOR. His Seat.

Jacksonville, Fla.-N. P. Bryan and cers of the W. A. Blount, the two candidates for will be con the senatorial nomination ran neck the servi and neck with N. P. Bryan only a offices. tew hundred votes ahead. The remaining counties to be heard from ing receivill materially increase Bryan's lead, ed by and he will be elected

The vote was nearly one-half la

Bryan is a brother of the late ed States Senator Bryan, who die shortly after taking his seat, and was succeeded by Senator Fletcher. The in Ja primary was made necessary by the cans, death of ex-Gov. N. B. Broward, who habit had been nominated to succeed Sena- native tor Taliaferro. Bryan belongs to the portan Progressive wing of the Democracy. fore, is

#### HOOPER'S FIRST MESSAGE. New Governor of Tennessee Criticises

Previous Administration.

Nashville Tenn -- in his first messtate banks and trust companies dur- bly. Governor Hooper censured the Patterson administration for the nonenforcement of prohibition laws. Gove of the treasury officials, however, ex- ernor Patterson, his immediate predepressed great interest in what expla- cessor, was himself partially responsible for such an abuse, declared Governor Hooper, by exercising too great

Prohibition was but one of the many subjects which received considerable York City. The eleven Chicago banks attention in Governor Hooper's message Recommendations extending all the way from changes in the agricultural department to amendments in the divorce law are outlined by him

\$2,000,000 For Aged Ministers. Calcago.-Two million dollars for the support of superannuated ministers of the Methodist Episcopal church was decided on by the board of con ference claimants of the national body which met here. One million dollars will be for worn-out ministers, the widows of deceased pastors and for dependent children: \$1,000,000 is for a permanent fund. Bishop Joseph Berry presided. The report of Secretary Joseph B. Hingel showed there are 5. 808 dependent upon the church for support, 2,596 being superannuated ministers, 2,869 widows of ministers and 33 dependent children.

#### Felt Mills Destroyed. Amsterdam, N. Y -The plant of the Consolidated Woolen Felt mills in this city was destroyed by fire, with

Joss of \$125,000. Socialist Editor's Sentence Commuted Washington.-President Taft com muted the sentence of Fred R. Warren, the Socialist editor, who was re cently sentenced to six months' in prisonment and \$1,500 fine, by striking out the imprisonment, and reduce ing the fine to \$100.

Puerto Cortez Captured by Rebels. Puerto Cortez, Honduras,-With the vacuation of Puerto Cortez by the government troops, the followers of Manual Bonilla, leader of the revoluionists, gain control of the entire Atlautic coast of Honduras

## 700 People Victims of Volcano.

Washington.-The eruption of Tar cleano and the accompanying distribunces in the Philippines killed 70 g to the report of the gover atangas province, which was the war department by Go

# POSTAL BANK SUCCEEL

NEW INSTITUTIONS ARE PAST EXPERIMENTAL STAGE-A

FINE SHOWING.

### HITCHCOCK ENTHUSIASTIC

The United States Postal Banks Record For First Month Better Than British Postal Banks in Their Best Year-Deposits Reported.

Washington-"If the necessary appropriations were available. I would establish postal savings banks at once in five hundred additional cities and towns of the United States."

This statement was made by Postmaster General Hitchcock in view of reports thus far received concerning the first month's operation of the postal savings system. The reports are most gratifying to Mr. Hitchcock and to the other officers of the postal savings service. They are regarded as demonstrating that the new system already has passed the experimental

The certificate of deposit plan. which is an innovation in the transaction of postal savings business, shown to be admirable adapted to it purpose. It is found to be readily u derstood by depositors and east

handled by postmasters. The total deposits in the forty eight existing postal banks for the month of January will amount to approximately \$60,000. This is an ave age of about \$1,200. Assur this average will be main throughout the year, the agerannual deposits will be quarters of a millio too, will be the situ offices, where the operation. It is

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the new banks.

# CHAMP CLARK .OPTIMIST.

The Old World is Growing Better as Time Passes.
Springfield, Mo.— Declaring that

e is an optimist, and that he be the world is growing better, Representative Champ Clark of Missouri, Speaker-elect of the next House of representatives at Washington, delivered a message "of hope and courage" in an address before the Young Men's Christian Association here.

Among other things Mr. Clark said. "Thanks be to Almighty God, warn are becoming rare and rarer. thing which the flying machine will accomplishe will be to put an end forever and foever to all wars. ies have been stopped. Instit for preservation of morals, relief of human sufferings, for perpetuity of our institutions are springing up on every hand. The idea of reform of criminals rather than their ment is taking a deep hold on the minds of men. There is more money today devoted to charity per ca than ever before. Controversial ligion is at hand. The masses of the people are waking up to the fact that politics should be purified, d primary reforms."

Corn Growers Take Prizes. Columbus, Ohio,-Prize-winners in corn, grain and seed competition the National Corn show have b nounced. Stephen Henry of Me is, and Jerry Moore of Winons, S. C. boys of 15, who won prises offe the secretary of agriculture for best production per acre of o awarded an automobile and a respectively by the exposition

R. P. Haves of Asheville, N. C. the world's prize for the b

Charleston, S. C.—Mr. Hayes, a young married her home in Tabor, N. C.