



FAMOUS GROCERS' CASE WILL START FRIDAY MORNING

Date Agreed Upon By Attorneys for Beginning of the First Session

FIRST EVIDENCE TO BE DOCUMENTARY

Letters Written by J. A. VanHoose and Other Correspondence Will Be Introduced—Clabaugh to Testify

The first testimony to be offered in the case of the United States against the Southern Wholesale Grocers' association will be taken next Friday by Special Examiner Robert N. Bell. The case will be called in the federal building, and from the date set until several months have elapsed the government will undertake to prove the existence of the Southern Wholesale Grocers' association is a menace to the trade and that the organization has operated and now operates in restraint of trade and in violation of the interstate commerce laws.

At a conference held yesterday between Assistant Attorney General O. E. Harrison of the department of justice and District Attorney O. D. Street the date was fixed for next Thursday, which was agreeable to Gen. Luke E. Wright, representing the association. However, General Wright telephoned yesterday from Memphis that Caruthers Ewing, one of the attorneys for the association, could not be here Thursday, so Friday was agreed upon.

Mr. Ewing, General Wright and probably a private stenographer of Mr. Ewing will reach here next Friday morning to open what is expected to be one of the most interesting cases ever heard in the federal court in Alabama.

Harrison Leaves
Assistant Attorney General Harrison, who has been here several days shaping up the details of the case, left last night for Cincinnati, where he will be engaged for a few days, and will return to Birmingham by next Friday. All the attorneys and others connected with the case have been consulted as to the date set for the hearing, and any untoward developments are not expected to prevent the calling of the case on the original date.

The announcement was made yesterday that a signed agreement had been entered into by the attorneys for both sides in the case, agreeing to the appointment of the court officers, and that this would be recorded in the office of the clerk within the next few days. The agreement was purely perfunctory, and does not change or affect the existing line-up as agreed to in the past.

Documentary Evidence First
It was given out yesterday that the first testimony to be offered by the government will be in documents. This evidence is expected to require two days, after which it will be announced what witnesses will be examined first by the government. The written testimony to be introduced will probably include about 1000 letters written by former President VanHoose, a trunk filled with correspondence tending to show how the association operated in restraint of trade, a huge mass of other documents, including the celebrated "blue book," the alleged unfair list, and various other kinds of written testimony.

Clabaugh to Testify
After this is completed it is expected that the government will examine Hinton G. Clabaugh, special agent for the department of justice, who has been working against the association for many months.

The announcement was made yesterday by attorneys for the government that the first session to be held here would not last longer than three days. This time is expected to be sufficient for the formal written testimony to be introduced. In addition it is stated that the attorneys for both sides have hopes that a great deal of the testimony will be agreed to and that this will eliminate the testimony of various people who would necessarily have to appear should the written testimony be disputed or signatures be denied.

The beginning of the dissolution suit by the United States government against the Southern Wholesale Grocers' association is anticipated in Birmingham with keen interest. The case has been filed here for almost one year and no developments have taken place until very recently. The suit was started with the sudden appearance in Birmingham of Mr. Harrison and then the appointment of Robert N. Bell as special examiner.

Case to Be Rushed
It is stated that the case has just been reached by the department of justice and that it will be rushed forward to the end. The government attorneys and those for the defense have hopes of ex-

REVENUE BILL PUTS TRADES CARNIVAL PROJECT TO SLEEP

The question of a trades carnival to be held simultaneously with the Fourth National Good Roads congress, May 23-25, has been forced at present from the minds of the business men of Birmingham by the all absorbing revenue bill, which has occupied their activities for the past few days. The scheme will be taken up, however, as soon as possible, according to the information from Sol Cahoon, who proposed the plan, and it will probably be materialized.

Mr. Cahoon, who has just returned from Montgomery, where he went with the Birmingham delegation to fight the clauses of the revenue bill relative to making the amount of insurance carried on property the basis of the tax valuation, stated yesterday that this matter

of legislation was causing the merchants "sleepless nights."
"Yes, sir, I'll break us in a mighty short while if our taxes are raised this way on our stocks," said Mr. Cahoon. "I've just been talking with W. A. Porter, Louis Saks and others, and the general opinion is that we're already paying enough tax. The whole thing is causing us to spend sleepless nights."
Nevertheless, Mr. Cahoon still shows a strong interest in the trades carnival, which has been widely indorsed by the citizens of Birmingham. It is probable, however, that the big celebration may not be held at the same time with the Good Roads congress and the music festival, as it is generally thought that an event of such magnitude would be more advantageously pulled off separately from any other occasion.

TO HAVE TEACHERS' SUMMER SCHOOL

Instruction in Elementary Branches to Be Given at High School

The Board of Education has decided to maintain a summer school for teachers in the Central High school, beginning Monday, June 5, to continue six weeks.

It is the purpose of this school to afford an opportunity for the teachers of the public schools of Birmingham and any others who may expect to teach in the schools of this state to obtain adequate instruction in the elementary academic branches and to better equip themselves for the work of instruction in the schools.

COURSES OF STUDY.
Instruction will be offered in the following subjects: Arithmetic, English grammar and composition, literature, geography, agriculture, physiology, physics, Alabama history, United States history, algebra, geometry, school laws of Alabama, theory and practice of teaching, vocal music, domestic science, drawing and manual training.

Those who propose to enter the summer training school are requested to call at the office of the Board of Education in the Central High school building, between the hours of 3 and 5 p. m., where they will fill a registration form indicating the subjects they wish to pursue. No charge will be made for registration or tuition, but those who register will be expected to take the full four weeks' course.

The hours of the school will be from 8:30 a. m. to 12:30 p. m. Teachers in attendance must provide their own books and supplies.

The summer training school will be under the immediate direction of Prof. C. B. Glenn, assistant superintendent. He will be assisted by a corps of competent instructors, all of whom are specialists in their several lines of work.

For further information those interested are asked to inquire of or address C. B. Glenn, Central High School, Birmingham, Ala.

Attorneys Confident
Prior to leaving here yesterday Mr. Harrison, assistant attorney general, said he did not care to try the case in the newspapers, but that he felt the association was illegal and should be dissolved, along with the machinery of the government, to prove its illegality. He has been handling other investigations of like character and is of the opinion that the government will win.

General Wright and Mr. Ewing, for the defense, are alike as confident of success.

IDEAL MILLINERY STOCK DESTROYED
Damage to the Extent of \$5000 Caused by Morning Fire

Fire was discovered in the store of the Ideal Millinery company, Second alley and Nineteenth street, yesterday morning at 6 o'clock, and before it was extinguished a damage of about \$5000 had been caused. The fire was not discovered until considerable headway had been gained but in spite of this the damage was confined by the department to the first floor of the building involved.

The heavy loss was caused by the fact that the new spring stock of ready-to-wear hats and other goods had just arrived and the store was practically filled with perishable goods. The entire stock was badly damaged by fire and water.

The work of the firemen was done under difficulties as the smoke was very dense and the approaches to the source of the fire difficult. The cause of the fire is not known, although it is thought that it originated in a steam pipe in the rear of the store. The official verdict is "unknown."

The Ideal Millinery company is owned by R. Z. Aland, who announced yesterday that he would rebuild.

Methodist Protestant Services
The Methodist Protestant church will hold regular services in the Fraternal hall building on Third avenue this morning, Sunday school 10 a. m. Preaching by the pastor, Rev. T. C. Caraday at 11 a. m. The Ladies Aid society will meet at the home of Mrs. J. A. Beard, 1611 Third avenue, on Tuesday, March 28, 8 p. m.

MRS. MAUDE MEEKS DANGEROUSLY SHOT

Was Attacked By Husband With Revolver Following a Family Quarrel

As a result of a family quarrel C. C. Meeks shot and seriously wounded his wife, Mrs. Maude Meeks, last night at 7:45 o'clock at her home, 828 1/2 North Nineteenth street. Mrs. Meeks was shot twice. One bullet struck her in the back and the doctors have been unable to ascertain whether it ranged upward into the lungs or downward into the liver. The bullet missed the spinal cord by a sixteenth of an inch. This is the most serious wound and the doctors state that it will be 24 hours before they can tell where the bullet is. The second bullet struck her in the left arm, inflicting a slight wound.

Immediately after the shooting Mrs. Meeks was rushed to St. Vincent's hospital in Shaw's ambulance, where her wounds were dressed. The hospital authorities state that while the wounds are not necessarily fatal she is in a critical condition.

The cause of the shooting is shrouded in mystery. Several officers went to the scene immediately after the shooting, but were unable to ascertain the cause of the quarrel. Meeks escaped and up to a late hour last night had not been captured.

None of the neighbors were able to explain the mysterious shooting. As far as was known the couple had been on good terms and the shooting caused excitement in the neighborhood. A large crowd gathered around the house and was necessary for the police to clear them away.

Mrs. Meeks is a beautiful woman about 25 or 30 years of age. She has three small children, who were in the house at the time of the shooting. They are being cared for by a neighbor, Meeks is a cooper and is employed by the Indian Refining company.

Mrs. Meeks refused to make a statement in regard to the shooting, although conscious.

FUNERAL OF ERNEST PETERMAN TODAY

Well Known German Died From Attack of Appendicitis Yesterday Morning

The funeral services over the body of Ernest Peterman, who died yesterday morning at 2 o'clock at the South Highlands infirmary after a short illness from appendicitis, will be held this afternoon at 3 o'clock from his late residence, 1237 Avenue E. Interment will be in Elmwood cemetery. The Rev. S. E. Ebinger, pastor of the German Lutheran church, will officiate. The members of the Concordia society are requested to attend the funeral in a body.

Mr. Peterman was 50 years of age at the time of his death and is survived by a widow, Mrs. Bertha Peterman, a mother and one sister, who reside in Landspring, Hanover province, Germany.

Mr. Peterman was a native of Leipzig, Germany, and came to America in his youth. Twenty-five years ago he came to Birmingham and has been a resident of the city since. He was a recognized leader in German affairs of the city, being associated with the American-German Alliance and the Concordia society. He was also a member of the Masons and Knights of Pythias.

Ten years ago Mr. Peterman was selected to fill the place of meat inspector of the city of Birmingham and served the city in that capacity until his death. Eloquent tributes were paid Mr. Peterman by his associates who are deeply grieved at his death.

SCHWAB ENTERS THE EDGE OF THE SOUTH

That the Charles M. Schwab interests would enter the edge of the south through the purchase of the LaBelle Iron work of Wheeling, W. Va., was the impression in industrial circles yesterday. The plant was founded by the father of J. H. Woodward and the late W. H. Woodward and the heirs of Mr. Woodward, Sr., are the principal owners of the plant.

It is stated that the agents of Mr. Schwab have been negotiating for the purchase of the plant and would close the purchase if agreeable to the owners. The plant is one of the largest independent makers of wrought iron pipe in the United States and is one of the principal factors in that trade in this country.

The plant is a large consumer of iron which is purchased near there. It is said to be one of the best plants of its kind ever constructed.

PYTHIAN FUNERAL

The members of Phoenix Lodge No. 25, Knights of Pythias, are hereby ordered to assemble at Fraternal Hall Sunday, March 26, at 2 o'clock p. m. promptly, to attend funeral of Knight E. Peterman from residence, 1227 Avenue F. Interment at Elmwood cemetery at 3 o'clock. All Knights invited.
G. H. ATKINSON, C. C.
I. W. HOLT, K. of R. and S.

CAMPAIGN FOR BIG FUND IS STARTED

To Raise \$85,000 for Birmingham College

CHURCHES TO WORK

Pastors of Methodist Churches Will Exchange Pulpits Today—One Dollar is Wanted From Each Methodist

The North Alabama conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, inaugurates this morning a campaign for a fund of \$85,000 with which to enlarge and increase the capacity and facilities of the Birmingham college. Through an exchange of pulpits in the Methodist churches of the city the congregations will be apprised of the needs of the college and the plan of the conference for the institution's enlargement. Every pastor will be accompanied by a layman who will also speak on the subject.

The campaign is the outcome of the last session of the North Alabama conference which met in Huntsville in December, 1910. At this session resolutions were adopted authorizing that in all districts throughout the conference a movement be instituted in April for raising the necessary fund for the college. The amount is to represent a minimum contribution of \$1 per capita of the membership of the conference.

The needs of the institution as set forth are a gymnasium, a central building, new dormitories, and the enlargement of the scientific and philosophical departments. After hearing the petitions of the friends and officers of the college, the conference appointed a central campaign committee which is composed of J. D. Simpson, president of the Birmingham college; Rev. L. C. Branscomb, F. P. Culver, F. M. Jackson, R. S. Munger. Another committee, representing the district, was appointed, and this consists of J. D. Moore, Dr. Felix L. Tarrant, S. T. Slaton, K. N. Matthews and F. P. Culver.

The pulpits, according to the exchange, will be filled in the following order: First Methodist church, Rev. J. R. Turner and J. E. Morris; Fairview, Rev. W. E. Adridge and C. S. Bissell; Eleventh Avenue, Rev. R. L. Walston and F. M. Jackson; Twenty-first Avenue, R. E. Yler and E. N. Hamill; West Woodlawn, Rev. J. F. Rudisell and J. Fred Lawrence; Fountain Heights, Rev. J. C. Persinger and J. E. Ramsey; Norwood, Rev. J. L. Brittain and R. S. Munger; Portish Street, Rev. H. L. Adridge and T. M. Nesbitt; Owenton, Rev. B. T. Cantrell and Hugh Locke; East Birmingham, Rev. J. M. McCleskey and George T. March; Mount Vernon, Rev. L. F. Whitten and W. H. Stockham; Highlands, Rev. K. N. Matthews and J. D. Moore; St. Paul, Rev. W. P. Price and E. L. Colebeck; East Lake, Rev. T. L. McDaniel and George B. Tarrant; Avondale, Rev. C. A. Bowen and E. K. Campbell; St. John, Rev. I. B. Sargent and Dr. R. F. Lovelady; Trinity, Rev. R. W. Anderson and W. E. Urquhart; Sixty-seventh street, Rev. L. A. Holmes and John Ellis; Walker Memorial, Rev. J. S. Glasgow and H. B. Urquhart; Wesley Chapel, Rev. S. T. Slaton and N. L. Miller; West End, Rev. W. W. Dorman and F. D. McArthur; Woodlawn, Rev. L. C. Branscomb and Belton Gilreath.

FRED DIMMICK IS BACK FROM THE EAST
Says There is a General Feeling of Optimism Throughout the Country

Fred Dimmick, who has assumed personal charge of the interests of his father in Philadelphia, returned yesterday from a trip over the eastern markets and to the various industrial centers of the country. He has been getting in touch with the large business which is handled by the Dimmick company of Philadelphia and will probably remove from Birmingham to the Quaker City within a short time.

"In Pittsburg and other large manufacturing centers," said Mr. Dimmick, "there is a feeling of optimism that means a very valuable business this year. The fact that great orders have only recently been placed by the railroad interests indicate to the average producer that there is not such a feeling of pessimism throughout the country."

LALLANDE HOME BRINGS \$35,000
Victor Prowell Buys Handsome Place on Highlands Through Gambill

The purchase of the residence of P. H. Lallande, situated on the northeast corner of Mountain avenue and Irigouls street for \$35,000, by Victor Prowell was announced yesterday through A. A. Lambill & Co., real estate dealers.

The residence sold is considered one of the handsomest homes on the Highlands of Birmingham. It is finished in the most modern style, having beamed ceilings, spacious reception halls, the porches and every convenience. The building is to have cost \$28,000, while the lot at this time has a value dependent upon the will of the owner. It is valued now at \$18,000. The lot, however, is reported to have been purchased less than four years ago at the extremely moderate price of \$400. The lot has a frontage of 150 feet, while it has a depth of 130 feet, providing sufficient room for needed out-houses.

Mr. Prowell, who purchased the home yesterday, will occupy it probably by April 1. This sale is the last of several which have been made recently of homes on South Highlands.

PHARMACISTS TO HOLD CONVENTION HERE DURING MAY

The Pharmaceutical association of Alabama will hold its thirtieth annual convention in this city on May 15. Plans for the entertainment of the convention have been referred to an entertainment committee composed of John L. Parker, W. A. Davies and a third member, who is to be appointed.

It is the plan of the local druggists to entertain the delegates to the gathering at a banquet on that night when the convention adjourns. The state board will meet shortly preceding the date set for the convention for holding the examination of candidates.

IF EARLY SPRING FINDS YOU TIRED AND LANGUID WITH NO APPETITE, CLOGGED BOWELS, AND IMPURE BLOOD, TRY THE SUCCESSFUL PLAN OF THOUSANDS WHO REALLY KNOW—A COURSE OF



4

THE success of this bank—as is the case with all successful banks—is due in no small degree to the ability and activity of its board of directors. Your business will be in good hands here—and appreciated.

Per Cent.

Interest paid on savings and certificates of deposit and compounded twice a year.

AMERICAN

Trust and Savings Bank

First and Twentieth

GUARANTEE FUND GROWS RAPIDLY

Music Festival Committee Expects to Complete Canvass at Early Date

Members of the committee canvassing for the music festival guarantee fund report gratifying results. While Victor Herbert with a large orchestra and a number of vocal artists, including Schumann-Heink, Gadsby, and Evan Williams, have been engaged for a three days' festival—May 22, 23, 24—the contracts cannot be signed until the proposed guarantee fund of \$10,000 is completed.

President J. H. Holcombe of the Music Festival association said last night that, judging from the rapid work which members of the committee were doing in the way of getting \$100 subscriptions, the whole amount sought would be raised by Monday. No guarantor will be called on for a cent unless there should be a deficit, and nothing of the kind is expected. Last year's festival was held without a deficit, and owing to the greater number of attractions engaged for this spring's event it is expected that the festival association will have a snug surplus to be applied on a festival in 1912.

A member of the committee who has had large experience in raising money for civic entertainment said yesterday that he had never found anything so easy or so agreeable along this line as securing subscriptions to the festival guarantee fund.

FRED DIMMICK IS BACK FROM THE EAST

Says There is a General Feeling of Optimism Throughout the Country

Fred Dimmick, who has assumed personal charge of the interests of his father in Philadelphia, returned yesterday from a trip over the eastern markets and to the various industrial centers of the country. He has been getting in touch with the large business which is handled by the Dimmick company of Philadelphia and will probably remove from Birmingham to the Quaker City within a short time.

"In Pittsburg and other large manufacturing centers," said Mr. Dimmick, "there is a feeling of optimism that means a very valuable business this year. The fact that great orders have only recently been placed by the railroad interests indicate to the average producer that there is not such a feeling of pessimism throughout the country."

LINE NOW OPEN TO NEW MINE AT ACMAR
Work of Construction on the Central of Georgia Has Been Completed

That the construction work of the Central of Georgia railroad to Acmar, the new mine of the Alabama Fuel and Iron company, had been completed and was now in service, was the statement made yesterday by Charles DeBardleben, vice president of the operating company.

The Alabama Fuel and Iron company is now sending over the new rails about 1500 tons of coal per day and the amount is expected to increase steadily.

The repairs of the Central of Georgia and new construction work has called for the expenditure of over \$150,000, and was begun by the late Major John F. Hanson, to create new wealth for the Birmingham district.

The line runs from Sanie to the properties of the Alabama Fuel and Iron company and is designed to care for their traffic and that of others which may be located along the way. The construction has been under way for several months and has required much time and work to finish. The construction is all of the most modern kind, the best workmanship being employed.

Marriage Licenses Issued
The following marriage licenses have been issued from the office of the probate court:

J. L. Stanford of Dolomite to Miss Ethel Lee.
Edward Satree of Birmingham to Miss Viola Haygood.
J. E. Headley of Birmingham to Mrs. Icie Cook.

Congregational Services
Hon. S. T. Johnson of Minneapolis will speak on "Common Sense in Church Business," at the morning service of the Congregational church. The address will be preceded by a memorial service for Mrs. W. J. Faulkner, led by the pastor, at 8 p. m. Dr. Eaves will lecture on "Mohammed and Mohammedanism; The Gospel They Teach." Mr. Johnson will address the Sunday school at 10 a. m.

ACCOUNTANTS OF DISTRICT ORGANIZE

Purpose Will Be to Maintain High Standard in the Profession

The recognized accountants of the Birmingham district effected among themselves yesterday an organization to be known as the Alabama State Association of Public Accountants. The purpose of the organization will be to maintain a high standard for the accounting profession and to disseminate by means of lectures from authorities and through libraries for the members of the organization the newest and most modern methods and ideas.

The organization of the members yesterday was only a temporary affair as it is the idea of the association to include Montgomery, Mobile and other sections of the state. The meeting was regarded as a beginning and the officers were elected to serve merely temporarily. They are: J. B. Simpson of the Simpson Audit company, president; T. S. Neville, of the Southern Audit company, vice president; G. L. Lemon, of the Empire Audit company, secretary; and C. S. Huffman, treasurer.

The members discussed and adopted plans for securing the application of every recognized accountant in Alabama and a committee was appointed to solicit applications, especially in Montgomery and Mobile. When the organization shall have become representative of the entire state it is the plan of the body as formed at present to effect a new organization which will be officiated by representative choice.

The charter membership of the association will be open until May 15, with the annual dues amounting to \$10, after which time an increase to \$25 will be made. Only those accountants who have been in active practice for three years will be eligible for membership. The next meeting of the association will be held during the early part of April.

WOODWORTH SPEAKS ON THE TRUE GOSPEL

Noted Bible Student Lectures Under Auspices of International Bible Students

This afternoon at 3 o'clock Mr. C. I. Woodworth of New York will deliver a lecture in the Amuse-U theatre under the auspices of the International Bible Students' association, using for his theme, "Which is the True Gospel?" Mr. Woodworth is making an extensive tour of the south, lecturing on various Bible topics in many cities and towns where his earnestness and ability as a Bible exponent have awakened deep interest among thinking people. It is expected that a large audience will greet him in Birmingham.

When questioned regarding his proposed discourse Mr. Woodworth said: "I have no apology to offer for the subject, 'Which is the True Gospel?' If time and thought may be profitably expended in the study of the earthly sciences, sociology, finance, and the like, built largely upon human inference and conjectures, surely no one could dispute the propriety of studying the science of divine revelation. If it be profitable to investigate the physical diseases of mankind and their causes and the laws of medicine and of sanitation for the offset of these, it surely must be admitted that the gospel which God had presented as the antidote for soul sickness and soul death and as the science pertaining to life eternal is worthy of still greater and more profound consideration."

VANDERBILT GLEE CLUB IS COMING

The friends of Vanderbilt university will be glad to hear that the Glee club, flying the black and gold colors, will include Birmingham on its southern swing, performing for local music lovers next Saturday night.

Full arrangements have not yet been made for the performance, but the local alumni will get busy and the visiting college boys given every possible attention. A number of Birmingham boys are included in the personnel of the club.

"We have a good club this year, and our programme is fine," writes one of the boys. "Vanderbilt has always turned out a snappy, capable crowd of song birds, and no doubt the standard will be maintained this year."

A FRIEND IN NEED

To Many a Weak Stomach

Grape-Nuts

FOOD

"There's a Reason"

De Luxe

are noteworthy for the many conservative models. The very realization of quiet elegance, yet a pleasing "smartness" to the lines, withal. Drop in Monday morning when you're down town and look them over at



MABEN'S REPORT IS MADE PUBLIC

Deficit in Earnings of Sloss Company Due to Accident at the Ore Mines

The annual report of President J. C. Maben of the Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron company has been given out. The deficit in the earnings for the year 1910 was caused, it is stated, from the misfortune to the ore mines at Maben, which entailed a large expense and which were out of commission for many months. The company by reason of the accident was compelled to buy ore on the market while the price of iron was down.

The report of Colonel Maben said in part: "No ore was taken from these mines from the beginning of the fiscal year, which is December 1, until June, when we began producing a limited amount from slope No. 2, which forced us to use ore not carrying sufficient lime to flux the furnace burden, and lean ores which we were compelled to buy from others to keep even three of the Birmingham furnaces working, which increased the cost of our ore very much at a time when pig iron was depressed and prices declining."

"We delivered, during the fiscal year, 120,000 tons less iron than in 1909, which caused us to add largely to the accumulated stock of iron on our furnace yards. Had we had the use of the Sloss ore, even in an amount equal to what we are now receiving, we could have met the market and showed a reasonable profit on iron. The output of these mines is now steadily increasing, and we hope before long to have the output up to normal. While the output has not as yet reached the tonnage for producing the best furnace results, either as to production or cost, we are receiving sufficient tonnage of this ore to reduce the cost of iron for January in the Birmingham furnaces over \$1.50 per ton below the average cost of the first six months of the year."

"The fiscal year closed with over 74,000 tons of iron on our furnace yards, and this tonnage has been considerably increased since then, which has caused the creation of a floating debt, from which the company, with the exception of a temporary loan in 1907, has been entirely free for six years. The working capital showed a decrease in the year of \$446,000, which is due to decline in the market value of securities as of November 30, the heavy expenditures necessitated by the flooding of the ore mines, the opening of the third iron ore mine at Irondale, refitting Nos. 1 and 2 furnaces, and a deficit for the years of \$172,000 after dividend payments."

First Church of Christ, Scientist
First Church of Christ, Scientist, 2021 South Eleventh avenue, Sunday service at 11 a. m. The subject of today's lesson is "Reality." The Wednesday testimonial meeting at 8 p. m. To these services the public is cordially invited. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. The reading rooms are located in the Brown-Marx building. They are open daily, except Sunday, from 10 to 4. The public is welcomed.

Altrurian Society
At the regular service of the Altrurian church, Cable hall, 1816 Second avenue, Sunday at 10 a. m., the subject of the sermon will be "Paul." A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend the service.

WHICH BANK

There are many points to be considered in the selection of a place of deposit Among them are:

- (1) The absolute safety of the funds.
- (2) The facilities offered for prompt and careful handling of your business.
- (3) The ability of your bank to advise you in matters of financial investment.

All these requirements can be had at this bank.

A. W. Smith, Pres.
Tom O. Smith, Vice-Pres.
E. W. Smith, Cashier.
J. W. Smith, Asst. Cashier.

BIRMINGHAM TRUST & SAVINGS CO.

Capital and Surplus \$900,000.00

WHICH BANK

There are many points to be considered in the selection of a place of deposit Among them are:

- (1) The absolute safety of the funds.
- (2) The facilities offered for prompt and careful handling of your business.
- (3) The ability of your bank to advise you in matters of financial investment.

All these requirements can be had at this bank.

A. W. Smith, Pres.
Tom O. Smith, Vice-Pres.
E. W. Smith, Cashier.
J. W. Smith, Asst. Cashier.