

CASE IS VERY INTERESTING.

Testimony Continues in the Rogers and Joiner Bankruptcy Hearing.

Macon, Ga., July 30.—(Special.)—At the outset of the hearing today in the Rogers & Joiner bankruptcy case Mr. R. M. Rogers, who was testifying, said that he desired to make an explanation of his statement at the hearing yesterday, when he stated that the salary of his son, R. M. Rogers, Jr., was \$65 per month and his son owned three horses. Mr. Rogers' explanation was that while his son was in the employ of the Rogers & Joiner company he only owned one horse, but while he was at the works of the Rico Mining Company he had charge of three horses, but he did not know to whom they belonged.

Mr. Rogers said he usually drew about \$250 a month out of the firm's business for salary, but he had no agreement with his partner as to what his (Rogers) salary should be.

Mr. Rogers did not remember how much money was cleared on the firm's contract to furnish provisions to the United States troops when they were stationed at Macon.

There were quite a number of interesting features brought out at the hearing. The examination was conducted today by Attorney Olin Wimberly. Mr. Rogers declined to answer what collateral he had given when \$8,000 was borrowed from the Western national bank of New York.

Oratorical Association.

Maysville, Ga., July 30.—(Special.)—A number of gentlemen met here yesterday and organized the Northeast Georgia Oratorical Association, the object of which shall be to encourage the art of oratory.

The association embraces six counties, viz. Hall, Banks, Jackson, Habersham, Franklin and Madison. Professor T. H. Robertson, county school commissioner of Hall county, is president; Professor W. H. Cobb, school commissioner of Franklin county, vice president; Professor P. Tellars, of Harmony Grove, secretary-treasurer.

Dr. W. B. Hardman, of Harmony Grove, offers two gold medals annually for the next ten years, the winner to be decided by oratorical contest, and the speakers chosen from their respective counties by similar contests in speaking. The speakers are to be from 14 to 30 years of age and bona fide students of the public schools in their respective counties.

The movement has been introduced to encourage the young men who are students in the schools to devote their spare time to the study of oratory, and to induce teachers to teach it in the schools.