WILMINGTON DISPATCH WEATHER FORECAST. Weather-North Carolina: Fair Sunday. Colder in eastern part. THREE SECTIONS. LARGEST CIRCULATION IN WILMINGTON VOL. XXII. NO. 329. WILMINGTON NORTH CAROLINA, SATURDAY AFTERNOON, DECEMBER 1/1916. PRICE FIVE CENTS.



throughout day and night, with imcording to official admission from Berlin, in local gains for the attackers. On the whole, the German war office claims, the assaults were a failure and the territory gained was without proportion to the bloody sacrifices at which it was wrested from Sinclair, of Fayetteville, and exthe Teutons. The Petrograd war of- Mayor Sutton, of that city, spent tofice reports the occupation of two day in Washington making inquiry as heights in the Putna Valleys, 500 prisoners being taken.

Fair Monday.

Cable dispatches from the allied capitals yesterday expressed the hope-some even the certainty-that the Russians will yet be able to turn the tables on the Teutons by breaking through the Carpathians and preventing the invaders of Rumania from extending their front into Moldavia. To the impartial observer i is clear, however, that this object can be achieved only by swiftness and decision-probably it must come within the next forty-eight hours. Moreover, it must be a "break through" of the first order, which would shake the entire Teuton Hnes. For the German official statement that the "pursuit progresses according to plans" means nothing short-of an unchecked advance of the dual steam-roller through eastern and

northeastern Rumania, with a view to establishing a Teuton front from the Kronstadt region to the Rumanian city of Braila. That front es-tablished, the Teuton high command will be in a strategical position inwill be in a strategical position incomparable in advantage to anything seen in this war. Its character will e such as to force the Russians automatically not only to abandon their eleventh hour offensive in the moun-

tains, but to move back their lines eastwards to escape a huge flanking sweep. Whether that movement is 10 be followed up by a winter campaign against Bessarabia, with Odessa as the main goal and with an

inevitably disastrous effect upon the dict has been returned tonight in the whole southern battle line of the Rus- case of Hyman Epstein, charged with sians, or whether the Teutons will shooting and killing Leonard Edprefer to mark time in this theatre wards in this city last spring, nor

and instead throw an army against can there be a decision before tomorthe allies in Macedonia, is the main row, as the jurors have been locked question about which speculation re- up for the night. volves. It is not at all unlikely that After extended argument the case

both will be undertaken, though the was given the jury about 6 o'clock Germans throughout the war have this afternoon, following Judge clung to the policy of "doing one Stacy's charge. As the jury failed thing at a time." The early part of to return a verdict up to a late hour the week undoubtedly will show what court was adjourned until 10 o'clock is the central powers' next goal. Sunday morning.

Emperor Karl, of Austria-Hungary, reported to be conferring with the BRITT COMES BACK Kaiser at German headquarters in TO FIGHT HIS CASE. the field. Hindenburg and the Aus-

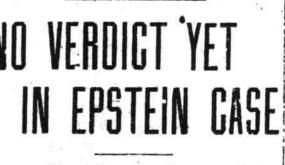
ton to See About The Armor Plate Plant.

(By George H. Manning.) Washington, D. C., Dec. 9.-N. A.

if any, to advance the efforts of Fayetteville to have the government armor plate plant located there. They found that the matter is now solely New York. in the hands of the Navy General, Board, which has made a report to was the grand larceny of a check for day placing the blame for the whole Frank M. Swacker was retained to Secretary Daniels of its findings. It has been reported in Washington al Bank. The Wagner Trading Com-) Greek monarch and his supporters, agent in charge of the New York that Secretary Daniels would issue a pany made the complaint. Vaughan dispelled all doubts of the determin- City inquiry, which turns largely on statement Monday that would decide declared that Meyerberg told him that ation on the part of the entente to the coal supply. Mr. Swacker won the matter and that the choice lay Wagner's defalcations would amount force a backdown by deeds instead of distinction as an investigator in the between Birmingham and Pittsburgh. It is learned, on excellent author-

ity, however, that the report of the general board does not choose the town and that Secretary Daniels is going to have another special committee investigate the matter of railroad rates and getting proper materials to different points before deciding on the plant's location. Sutton and Sinclair will remain

here several days longer.



Jury Unable to Agree Last Night and Locked Up Until This Morning.

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Goldsboro, N. C., Dec. 9.-No ver-

During The Contest.

girls, who are contestants in The question is the winner of the \$60 diamond ring, which The Dispatch has

offered to the contestant who turns in the largest amount of money for new subscriptions between Saturday, December 9, and Friday, December 22,

who does not win one of the more valuable prizes.

Wagner climbing over a low guard The second fact is that in spite of wastes enough food to support Ger- would adjourn conference Monday P. Davison, of J. P. Morgan & Co., portant effectives, have resulted, ac- Fayetteville Men In Washing- rail on the balcony outside the win- this "hunger war" against his peo- many and advocates municipal food morning when he got good and that France and England were bedow.

"For God's sake don't be foolish," fastly defiant. He is mobilizing his velled Vaughan. "Wait a second; army, estimated at 75,000 strong. there may be a mistake."

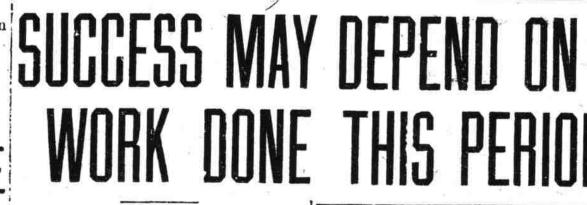
neither Vaughan nor Meyerberg, who countries, from this state of affairs, ney-General Gregory today gave Mr. followed the detective, could catch. is that Constantine is figuring upon Anderson free rein in ordering grand While the two men stood within ten an early Teuton drive against the al- jury investigations and Mr. Anderson

feet of him, utterly unable to prevent lies in Macedonia. to what further steps could be taken, it, Wagner slid over the railing. His body landed on the curb direct-Central Powers that such a drive is in New York, Chicago and Detroit. ly in front of the home of the late about to be launched, and possibly is Other grand jury proceedings may Wm. J. Gaynor, former mayor of on the way, is generally credited.

The specific charge against Wagner Viscount Grey's statement of yester- other Middle Western points. \$1,094 drawn on the Battery Nation- ugly situation squarely upon the day by Mr. Gregory as a special to more than \$15,000. diplomatic negotiations.

Wagner was well known and quite The Royalist Press of Greece, ac- by the government. popular. That he had experienced cording to unofficial despatches, is some business trouble was known in publishing accounts of Teutonic vic- people should not expect too much a vague way, but nobody suspected tories in Rumania and predicting Teu- to be done in the way of apprehendthe truth. He was presumed to have ton co-operation in the "liberation" ing speculators. He declared that been wealthy.

of the Hellenes.



Subscriptions Secured During December 22, will not only be working to secure the high value first period This Time Go Toward \$60 bonus votes, and insure their success Diamond Ring and Also in the race for the two automobiles Have a Higher Vote Value and the other valuable prizes, but Than at Any Other Time they will also be working for the diamond ring.

Work done during the next few

days will have three distinct advan- work, but consistent, every-day work, The next eleven days are certainly tages. It will secure the high vote which wins every time. There's one going to be eventful and important to values. It may insure the winning safe rule that can be depended upon a considerable number of fair residents of Wilmington and vicinity. In of the automobile. It will be working every time, and that is, that the con-

this time a question of the very great. for the diamond ring and the more testant who asks for the most subest importance to these women and valuable prizes, and in working for scriptions, will always get the most both, a candidate is pretty sure of subscriptions and win. "Asking the Dispatch contest, will be settled. This getting the ring, if she happens to most people" is really an efficacious clothes with them, thereby being only agreed that these will be his princifall short of having enough votes at prescription for success. Of course, slightly burned about the feet. the end of the contest to win one of getting as many friends as possible

the more valuable prizes. The candi- to help in soliciting subscriptions and daee who works hard during the next votes are also important, but this is few days to win the diamond ring will comprehended in the "Asking the necessarily have given herself a con- most people" for subscriptions.

New York, Dec. 9.-William Jennsiderable advantage over her compet- The candidate who wins the diaitors in the big race for the automo- mond ring in the next eleven days ings Bryan and former President Wm.

ple, King Constantine continues stead- dispensaries to cut the living cost. ready. Declaration of the nation-wide boy-An interesting and important feacott by the government's chief investure of the report of the Sunday-The inevitable conclusion drawn tigator will not halt proceedings school Board, which was adopted by Wagner made a short reply that everywhere, including the entente against speculators, however. Attorthe conference, was the recommenda-

tion of the appointment of Rev. H. year at Sanford, as field secretary , announced that he will call such inof the Sunday-schools of the Confer-; That he has been assured by the quiries by the middle of next week ence, to succeed M. W. Brabham,

The committee also recommended the appointment of a building combe expected in Cleveland, Indianapomittee to consider the erection of an As far as the Allies are concerned, lis, Minneapolis, Kansas City and

of Sunday-schools established at Trinity College. New Haven case, as he was retained

Mr. Anderson said tonight that the the laws under which proceedings can be instituted are inadequate and strongly intimated that chief reliance for relief from the present food price situation must be the boycott for which he appealed. Considerable evidence has been

procured, said Mr. Anderson, regarding the operation of the food and coal "car sharks." Most of them

are brokers in large cities. Their method is to order a carload of coal or food, have it shipped to within a short distance of their city and then hold it there, paying car demurrage G. Brinson, postmistress here, came

if necesssary until prices rise. Then near being seriously burned yesterday the cars are brought in and the when an iron, with which she had freight sold at the appreciated prices. been ironing, and which had a gaso-These speculators can best be line attachment for heating, exploded. reached through a boycott, says Mr. Mrs. Brinson had just filled the tank with gasoline and set down near an

Anderson. His advice is: "Buy nothing at panic prices. Buy only the cheap goods:"

and a half gallon bottle, filled with gasoline, that was setting near, also caught fire.

> mind to kick the bottle in the fire ished ambitions. place and grab some sheets off a bed nearby and smother out her burning

BRYAN AND TAFT

TO DEBATE PEACE.

the obligation of the ministry to keep

read Monday morning reports a mem-

bership of 93,025; infants baptized,

9,021; adults baptized, 3,427; Sunday-

schools, 745; scholars, 76,500; con-

tributed to foreign missions, \$22,

733; home and conference, \$21,387;

education, \$14,055; preachers, \$199,

608; for all purposes, \$719,383; in-

FROM FATAL BURNS.

Magnolia, N. C., Dec. 9.-Mrs. A.

open fire place, when a spark of fire

popped out of the fire into the oil

crease of \$135,000 over last year.

HAD NARROW ESCAPE

separate from secularity.

confining their purchases in the United States at this time almost entirely to raw materials. The raw E. Spence, who is finishing his fourth materials are manufactured into finished materials in France and Eng-

the United States are for shells of C. C. Carson was received from the very large calibre. American plants, Presbyterian Church. F. E. Dixon like the Bethlehem Steel, have was referred to the committee on learned how to make them more succonference relation for supernumer- cessfully than any European plants,

The statistical report which will be read Monday morning reports a mem-NEW CABINET

> Principal Aides of Premier Lloyd-George Are Mentioned.

> London, Dec. 9 .-- Waldorf Astor, son of William Waldorf Astor, the American millionaire, who in 1899, became a naturalized British subject, was tonight said to be slated for an under-secretaryship in the government now being formed by Premier Lloyd-George.

Waldorf Astor is a member of parliament and is connected with the Pall Mall Gazette and Observer. He is a conservative and represents tank of the iron, causing it to explode, Plymouth. He has long taken part in political affairs and an under secretaryship, traditionally one of the steps on the ladder to a cabinet seat, Mrs. Brinson had the presence of is believed to be one of his long cher-

> Latest reports tonight from sources close to the new premier pal aides:

Chancellor of the Exchequer, Bonar Law.

Lord Chancellor, Sir Robert Finla∀.

First Lord of the Admiralty, Sir Edward Carson.

Home Secretary, George Cave.

When Mr. Davison recently returned from a trip of inspection in France and England he commented on the marvelous rapidity with which these adequate Sunday-school building at two nations had expanded their facilthe State University. The commit- ities for manufacturing munitions. tee was also rejoiced to see a chair; Most of the orders for finished war munitions now being completed in

coming less dependent upon the

Also that these two counties were

United States for finished munitions.

land.

ary relation. The Bishop spoke of except possibly the Krupps.

