

THE WEATHER

U. S. Department of Agriculture Weather Bureau. Wilmington, N. C., Jan. 2, 1910. Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending 8 P. M. Saturday, Jan. 1st: Temperature at 8 A. M. 34 degrees; 8 P. M. 48 degrees; maximum 58 degrees; minimum 32 degrees; mean 45 degrees. Rainfall for the day, .00; for the month, .00 inch. Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M. Friday 4.5 feet. Weather Forecast. For North Carolina—Partly cloudy and warmer Sunday; Monday fair and colder; moderate southwest winds becoming northwest. Port Calendar—Jan. 2. Sun Rises.....7:18 A. M. Sun Sets.....5:15 P. M. Day's Length.....9 hrs. 43 min. High water at Southport 1:10 P. M. High water at Wilmington 4:10 P. M.

COL. GORDON VISITS TAFT

Thinks Him a "Nice Young Fellow." Succeeds Senator McLaurin. Washington, Jan. 1.—Colonel James Gordon, who on Tuesday will present to the United States Senate his credentials entitling him to the seat in that body made vacant by the death of former Senator Anselm J. McLaurin, declares President Taft is a "nice young fellow." Colonel Gordon called at the White House today to pay his respects. "What did I think of the President," he repeated when asked his impression of Mr. Taft. "He's a might nice young fellow. I like him. I felt just like putting my hand on his shoulder and calling him 'Bill.'" The report that the Federal government had offered a reward of \$10,000 for Colonel Gordon for alleged complicity in the assassination of President Lincoln, was discussed by him. "I heard that such a reward was offered," he said, "but I don't believe the rumor was based on the fact that a heavy reward was offered for an uncle of my wife, who was forced to flee abroad. I escaped to Canada and did not open negotiations for my return home until after the war was over and everybody else had gone home. I finally established my innocence of complicity in the assassination plot, and I came back to the United States being about the last of my people to have the privilege of returning."

FIGHTING NEW CHARTER

Memphis Citizens Filed Suit Against Mayor and Commissioners. Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 1.—The constitutionality of the new charter of the city of Memphis, creating a commission form of municipal government which became operative at midnight last night, was attacked late today in the Chancery Court. Seven prominent citizens filed suit against Mayor E. H. Crump and the four commissioners, alleging that the new charter takes away the rights of self government and gives to the commission despotism. A temporary injunction is sought restraining the mayor and four commissioners from performing their duties as officials. A preliminary hearing of the suit will be had later in the week.

ZELAYA'S NEW YEAR

Spent in Hotel in Mexico City—Will Visit Diaz Again. Mexico, City, Jan. 1.—Jose Santos Zelaya, formerly president of Nicaragua, observed New Year's day in his apartment at his hotel here. He did not leave his rooms until the afternoon when he took a short drive. Tomorrow Zelaya will visit the pyramids at San Juan Teotihuacan. Lunch will be served in a Grotto of one of the pyramids, and Zelaya will be shown the ruins by Leopold Batres, a government inspector. It is reported here tonight that Zelaya will make another call on President Diaz early in the week. No definite date for the second meeting has been named.

ALBEMARLE SOUND BRIDGE.

Norfolk & Southern Ran First Train Over Last Night. Richmond, Va., Jan. 1.—It is learned here that at 6 o'clock this evening the last spike was driven in the Norfolk & Southern Railway line on the six-mile long bridge or trestle across Albemarle Sound at Edenton, N. C., and the first train passed over the structure, these developments indicating completion of the bridge and the closing of the last gap in the road between Norfolk and Raleigh and Beaufort, N. C. The total length of the railway is about 600 miles. The cost of the bridge has been about \$1,000,000.

WILL APPEAL TO CONGRESS.

Farmers Will Fight Present Methods of Dealing in Cotton. Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 1.—"To wage an organized and determined fight" against the methods of dealing in cotton in vogue at the New York Cotton Exchange, President Charles S. Barrett of the National Farmers' Union, has issued a call for a meeting of the officers and leading members of the Union to take place in Washington during the present month. In the call Mr. Barrett announces the determination of representatives of the Union to remain in Washington until Congress takes some definite action in the matter.

FOUND DEAD ON LINKS

Golfers Played For Four Hours Near Dead Negro Boy. Brunswick, Ga., Jan. 1.—After playing for four hours over the links of the club grounds in Windsor Park today without disturbing a small negro caddy who lay on the ground near one of the holes, golfers at last investigated and found he was dead with a bullet hole through his heart. The boy was the son of George Ponder, a wealthy negro. Theories of murder, suicide and accident will be investigated tomorrow by a coroner's jury.

SAVED AT DEATH'S DOOR.

The door of death seemed ready to open for Murray W. Ayers, of Transit Bridge, N. Y., when his life was wonderfully saved. "I was in a dreadful condition," he writes, "my skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken; tongue coated; emaciated from losing 40 pounds, growing weaker daily. Virulent liver trouble pulling me down to death in spite of doctors. Then that matchless medicine—Electric Bitters—cured me. I regained the 40 pounds lost and now am well and strong." For all stomach, liver and kidney troubles they're supreme. 50c. at Robert R. Bellamy's.

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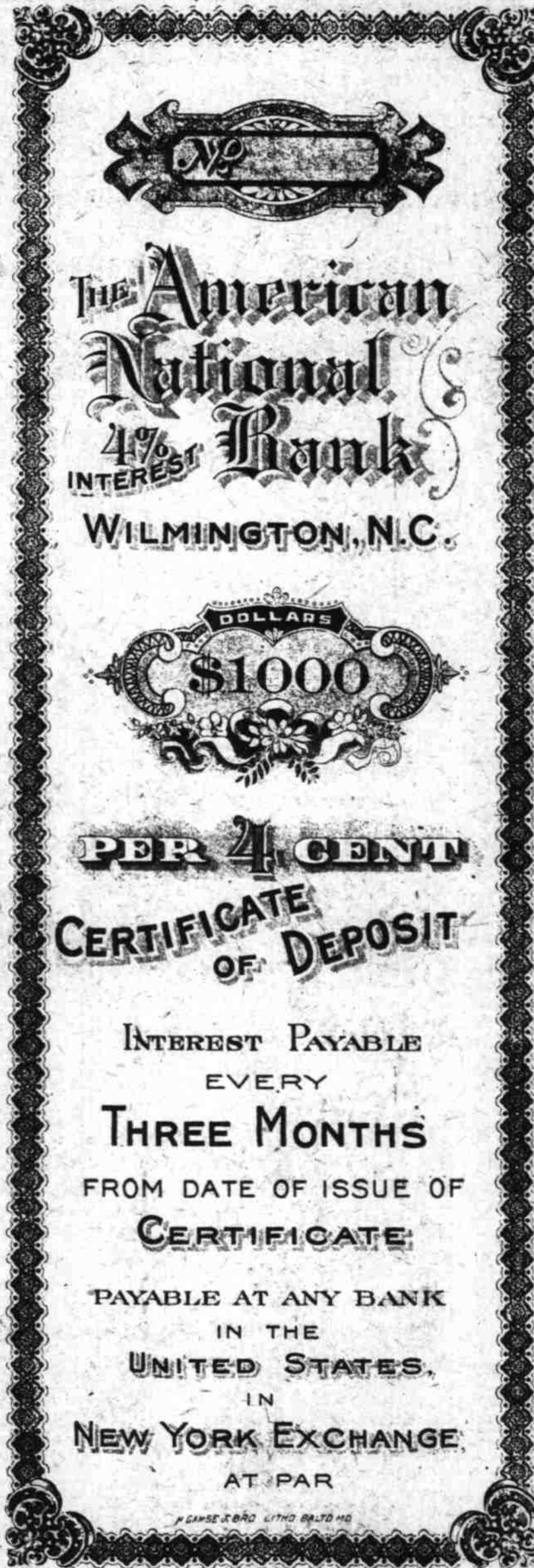
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NEWS AT ROCKY MOUNT.

License on Near Beer—Charge of Attempted Criminal Assault. (Special Star Correspondence.) Rocky Mount, N. C., Jan. 1.—Upon call of the Mayor the aldermen of the city met for an hour last night, relative to granting near beer license to the Elkhorn cafe, there being a slight conflict in the ordinance of the city with regard to such beverages in connection with a cafe. It appears from what could be learned that the two were in no wise to be connected and that the cafe was to open on Main street while the near beer establishment was to open on Hill street. After a deliberation the board decided that the license might be granted.

A young married man in this city is in serious trouble if alleged charges for which he is under confinement are proved. Upon a warrant sworn out by Mr. M. H. Pace, Mr. Jesse Lynch was last night taken in charge by the police and lodged in the city lockup upon a complaint charging assault with intent to commit criminal assault upon the wife of Mr. Pace. The matter has attracted widespread comment upon the streets and the court room will be filled to overflowing this afternoon at 4 o'clock when the case is called for hearing. It seems that Mr. Lynch called at the home of Mr. Pace on South Church street, yesterday afternoon and asked that he might be shown over the house as he had been directed there by a rental agency. Mrs. Pace was the only person at home at the time, and after showing Mr. Lynch the house she charged that he made several improper proposals. After she broke away from him and went into another room he left the house.

Last night Mr. Lynch accompanied by his brother went to the home again to look at the house and this time he was met by Mr. Pace who invited them in. When Mrs. Pace saw the two persons she informed her husband that one of them was the caller of the afternoon, whereupon Mr. Pace made an assault on Mr. Jesse Lynch, throwing him out of the house and kicking and cuffing him considerably. The police were called and made the arrest. Mr. Lynch holds a position at the Atlantic Coast Line shops at South Rocky Mount.

SHOT AND KILLED WOMAN.

Intoxicated Man Shoots Fatally When Ordered From Home. Bristol, Tenn., Jan. 1.—A special from Sheet Creek, Carter county, Tenn., this evening, states that Luck Hicks shot and killed Mrs. Thomas Johnson in her own home at that place. Hicks, who is a young man, is said to have been intoxicated and when he and Columbus Fritchard, a companion, entered the Johnson home, Mrs. Johnson ordered them to leave. Hicks drew a revolver and fired the fatal shot. Both men escaped and are in hiding in the nearby mountains.

SEARCH TODAY OF WRECKAGE.

Trenton, Mo., Jan. 1.—Search today of wreckage of the terrors of the Call-Force on the Rock Island road, derailed and burned here yesterday, revealed no further trace of bodies and officials definitely placed the number of dead at three.

EXAMINATION FOR ANNAPOLIS.

Notice is hereby given that an examination for the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, will be held at Newbern, N. C., on the first day of February, 1910. This is the second notice advertised in the papers of the 3rd Congressional District, as well as the Raleigh News and Observer, to fill this vacancy. It is a good opportunity for some resident of the district.

CHARLES R. THOMAS, M. C.

Third Congressional District of North Carolina. Monday, January 3rd. All deposits made with The People's Savings Bank on or before Monday, January 3rd, will bear interest from January 1st, receiving credit for Three Months Interest April 1st. Dec 31st.

BUSINESS LOCALS, 7th page today.

MR. H. S. LEARD ARRIVES.

Will Take Up Active Work on the Position on Monday. Mr. H. S. Leard, of Richmond, promoted from the position of district passenger agent of the Seaboard, with headquarters at Richmond, (B the popular division passenger agent of the Seaboard with headquarters at Raleigh, will take up his new duties on Monday. Mr. Leard was in the city yesterday for a short time, but returned to Richmond to close up affairs there.

A Wretched Mistake.

To endure the itching, painful distress of Piles, There's no need to Listen: "I suffered much from Piles," writes Will A. Marsh, of Silver City, N. C., "till I got a box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, and was soon cured." Burns, Boils, Ulcers, Fever Sores, Eczema, Cuts, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, vanish before it. 25c. at Robert R. Bellamy's.

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LYNCHBURG HAS A FIRE.

Office and Storage Depot of Pipe Works Burned—Other Damage. Lynchburg, Va., Jan. 1.—The office and storage depot of the McWane Pipe Works, was burned out today entailing a loss of \$35,000—fully insured. The Western Union Telegraph Company lost all of its wires along the Southern and Chesapeake & Ohio railroads and those lines were up for three hours. A long trestle along the Chesapeake & Ohio was also badly damaged by the blaze. The Standard Oil plant was menaced for an hour.

PHILADELPHIA, JAN. 1.—FRANK MADOLE, OF PITTSBURG, HAD THE BETTER OF THE SIX ROUND BOUT WITH GROVER HAYES, FORMERLY OF CHICAGO, AND NOW OF PHILADELPHIA, AT THE BOXING MATINEE TODAY AT THE NATIONAL ATHLETIC CLUB.

ILLNESS OF WILLIAM DORTCH.

Operated on for Appendicitis in Richmond—Condition Serious. Goldsboro, Dec. 31.—Col. W. T. Dortch left on the early morning train for Richmond today, being called there by the critical illness of his oldest son, William, who was operated upon in St. Luke's hospital for appendicitis. A message from the hospital at

A LATE HOUR LAST NIGHT STATED THAT IT SEEMED IMPOSSIBLE FOR THE YOUNG MAN TO RECOVER, ADVISING THAT HIS PEOPLE HURRY TO HIS BEDSIDE.

The young man is a student at Chapel Hill and is very popular in this city, where he has many friends who are anxious that he will pass through the ordeal safely. Other relatives of the young man left at noon for Richmond, including his mother.

STOMACH ILLS OF THE OVER-FAT

The fat man's stomach fails to burn up the food fats as happens in thin people. The result is the fat gathers on quiet spots about the body, such as hips, bust, neck, etc. To overcome this some think exercise is the proper thing. But you can not exercise your bust, can you? See, it is absurd advice. Others try to starve the fat away and thereby still further injure their digestion. There is a simpler plan; one most pleasant and effective, too. Every meal you eat will make fat, won't it? To offset this take daily one teaspoonful after meals and at bedtime of this simple mixture: 1-2 oz. Marmola, 1-2 oz. Fluid Extract Cascara Aromatic, and 3-1-2 oz. Peppermint Water. This will make your stomach behave and use up the food fats. It will also clear up the fat you already have; do it easily, with fair speed, say 8 to 10 ounces a day, and bring you down just where you want to be without causing wrinkles. Try it—any druggist will supply you.

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