

The Weather Today
North and South Carolina:
Wednesday and probably Thurs-
day; no change in temperature.
Stage of river at Fayetteville
at 8 a. m. yesterday, 3.0 feet.

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OLDEST DAILY IN THE STATE.

SENATE TO TAKE FINAL VOTE ON TAX MEASURE TODAY BY AGREEMENT

Bill Will Be Ready For Presi-
dent by 5 P. M., Accord-
ing to Schedule

PENROSE IS FRANK

Pennsylvanian Admits Measure
is Unscientific and Only a
"Temporary Makeshift"

SENATE VOTES TO ADJOURN AFTER FINISHING TAX BILL

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—A con-
current resolution was adopted by
the senate late today to adjourn
till tomorrow night after a
vote is taken on the tax bill. The
resolution now goes to the house
where favorable action is expected.
The senate in executive session
endeavored to clean the slate
of presidential nominations in
preparation for the adjournment
and more than 200 nominations
were confirmed.
Another effort was made to con-
firm Major Robert G. Peck, to be
a lieutenant-colonel, but an agree-
ment was finally reached to allow
his rank to run over until tomorrow.
The nomination is opposed principally
by Kansas and Missouri Senators
who have pressed charges that
while overseas with the 35th divi-
sion he was accused of brutality
toward soldiers and had some re-
marks reflecting on the Kansas di-
vision.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—A final vote on the tax revision bill will be taken at the senate at not later than 5 p. m. tomorrow under a unanimous consent agreement entered into after the measure had been under debate for sev- eral hours.

Immediately upon its passage, the
bill will be sent to the President.
The only important section of the bill
which will be put into force immedi-
ately upon its becoming law, is that
relating to the income tax, the other
tax changes going into effect next Janu-
ary 1. The present surtax rates will
continue in effect until the end of the
calendar year and being reflected in
the actual payments to be made by the
taxpayers in 1922.

In laying the conference report be-
fore the senate today, Chairman Pen-
rose of the senate managers, in a for-
mal statement, described the bill as a
"temporary makeshift."
"The bill," Senator Penrose said,
"does not place the tax system on a
stable or scientific basis. But it is
better than the law which it will
supersede because of the reduction
of the tax burden and the technical
improvement which it effects."
"As has been said, it is a tempo-
rary measure. But nothing better
than a temporary makeshift will be
possible until the tax system is
reconstructed on a scientific basis."
The North Carolina senator said
country give to the question of fed-
eral taxation an amount and kind
of study which it has not yet re-
ceived; until in particular the peo-
ple become convinced of the stan-
dardity and the soundness of the
proposal to reduce excessive
tax rates is not designed to
relieve the rich and the profiteer,
but to adjust the tax burden to
income tax unbacked business and
increase the tax revenue."

Debate on the measure was opened
by Senator Simmons, of North Caro-
lina, ranking Democratic manager, on
the part of the senate, who reviewed in
detail the changes made in con-
ference. He declared that when the
conferees got through with the bill
some of the most prominent of the
Republican managers could not
"control their disgust" with the meas-
ure. The North Carolina senator said
that three or four of the compromise
amendments brought forward by the
senate agricultural bloc were "slaug-
tered" in conference, but that some of
them were notably the surtax rates
and the repeal of the \$2,000 stock
dividend and the repeal of the \$2,000
limitation for corporations except in
the case of those having net incomes
of \$25,000. "The surtax rates
would have been cut, he asserted, if
it had not been for the wise action
of the house in refusing to trust their
conferees."

SHOP CRAFTS UNIONS CALLING FOR INCREASE

Ask Advance of 13 Cents An
Hour

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—Wage in-
creases of 13 cents an hour have been
demanded of virtually all carriers in
the city by the heads of shop crafts
unions representing about 400,000 em-
ployees, who have asked railroad execu-
tives for conferences on the subject
Tuesday. This action follows the
State board's recent petition to the United
States labor board proposing to
cut the wages of shop crafts employees
of the going rate paid for the same
class of labor in other industries.
The union of July 20, 1920, had declared
it would not accept the proposed
reduction of 13 cents an hour to 85
cents. The sixth class of shop crafts
workers, the car repairmen received
an increase from 67 cents to 80 cents
an hour.
The general 12 1/2 percent cut in
wages of the first five classes men-
tioned from 85 cents an hour to 77
cents, the present rate, while the pay-
ment of repairmen was placed at 72
cents. The increases, which the shop
crafts present demand, are granted,
and the car repairmen will receive 85
cents an hour and the other classes of work-
ers 90 cents.

INSIDE WORK OCCUPIES MINDS OF CONFERENCE; NEGOTIATIONS SLOW UP

Informal Discussions Have
Right of Way in Delibera-
tions of Delegates

BRIAND TO LEAVE

Early Departure May Hasten
Consideration of Land Ar-
maments Question

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—(By Asso-
ciated Press.)—The negotiations re-
lating to both the far east and armament
limitation moved more slowly
today as the attention of the arms dele-
gates passed from general policies to
specific details.

China's economic embarrassments
formed the text of the far eastern dis-
cussions, which resulted in the ap-
pointment of a sub-committee of rep-
resentatives of nine nations to study
the whole subject of administrative
autonomy for the Chinese republic
with particular reference to tariff and
tax restrictions.
The land armament problem also
was considered at various informal
conferences during the day and a meet-
ing of the armament committee of
the whole was called for tomorrow
with the expectation that Premier
Briand of France would say a last
word as to his country's attitude on
reduction of armaments. It is understood
that he is anxious to bring the ques-
tion to a point of a formal expression
by the conference before his depart-
ure for France.

Agreement Expected

On the side of naval armament, in-
formal exchanges continued between
individual delegates and naval ex-
perts with an air of growing confi-
dence that details of the American
plan, although requiring considerable
time for determination would eventu-
ally bring all the powers into agree-
ment.
It is possible that the naval plan
may receive some consideration at to-
morrow's meeting of the five dele-
gations which constitute the armament
committee of the whole, but the greater
attention is expected to center on
land armament in view of the imminence
of M. Briand's departure. It is
understood that Briand will bring a
formal conference endorsement of the
position he has taken against material
reduction.

Whether the other delegations will
go so far as to take formal ac-
tion on the subject is not certain, al-
though it is taken for granted that
at tomorrow's meeting there will be
many general expressions of appre-
ciation for the reasons which include
the largest army in the world.

Report Presented

Land, naval and far eastern ques-
tions were talked over by Secretary
Hughes today with the American ad-
visory committee of twenty-one, and
after he had presented a report on the
subject to the committee. A number of
sub-committees were in-
structed to prepare reports for the
American delegates on various sub-
jects of detail. The submarine issue
was taken up by the committee. One
of the questions to be thus investi-
gated and another whose inclusion was
regarded as forecasting an entirely
new angle of the negotiations will be
the use of land and Pacific questions
were forecast today in authoritative
quarters. The Root resolution, adopted
by the far eastern committee of the
whole together with any adopted in
the future, it was said, would be
brought before a plenary session of the
conference for final discus-
sion and adoption. Other resolutions
on Pacific and far eastern questions
are said to be in prospect.

The Root resolution by the com-
mittee, American officials said,
was in itself a far step toward pro-
tection of China, even should it not
be taken before a plenary session, as is
probable. Publication of the Root res-
olution, as an expression of policy by
the powers, it was asserted, carried
with it a promise to the world of fu-
ture action with respect to Chinese ter-
ritorial and political sovereignty.

Must Return to Prison After 17 Years Freedom

By BROCK BARKLEY

RALEIGH, Nov. 22.—After sev-
enteen years of freedom, Jonathan
Bennett, Yancy county mountaineer,
must come back to the state prison
and begin again a fifteen year sen-
tence for manslaughter. A trio of
serious indictments against him in
Yancy county superior court has re-
sulted in revocation by Governor
Morris of his parole, and he must
serve time for a fatal liquor party
in 1908, when he slew a woman
friend.
Bennett served a year of his sen-
tence for manslaughter and then he
escaped. He kept his identity con-
cealed for thirteen years. He be-
came a good citizen in a mountain
town during that time and when
finally in 1916 they found that he
was the Bennett who had broken
out, an appeal went up to Governor
Craig for a parole. His record as a
citizen being the chief grounds. The
executive granted it upon the con-
dition that he continue to lead a
good life, and this Bennett had done
until recently.

Red Cross Nurse Brings Comfort and Hope to Sick Room



This made-in-Wilmington picture shows the Red Cross nurse about her daily duties. During the past year she has made a total of 2,428 visits to the homes of the sick in Wilmington. The Wilmington Chapter of the Red Cross pay the salary of this service. This is one of the causes that will stand or fall by the response of Wilmington people during the Roll Call canvass to be started in the city and county today.

RELEASE OF WAR-TIME OFFENDERS PROBABLE; NEW POLICY OUTLINED

Extension of Clemency to Be
Given Early Consideration
By President

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—Extension
of executive clemency to offenders
against the war time laws now serving
prison sentences will be given early
consideration by President Harding, it
was said today at the White House.
The subject was discussed at the
cabinet meeting today and it was un-
derstood that a policy of leniency to-
ward these offenders where possible
was generally approved.
The President has asked the attorney
general for a digest of each of these
cases and Mr. Daugherty expects
to have the histories of the war law
prisoners completed in two weeks.
Under the administration's policy
there would be no sweeping proclama-
tion of amnesty, it was said officially,
but each case would be considered on
its merits separately, and military, as
well as civil offenders, would be con-
sidered. However, the President is
understood to view with disfavor the
release of persons who advocated prop-
erty destruction or industrial offenses,
although particular attention would be
given service men guilty of infractions
of disciplinary regulations of more or
less seriousness.

Seventy-Five Cases

There are, according to Mr. Daugherty,
about 75 civilian war-time law of-
fenders now serving sentences in fed-
eral prisons and 14 soldiers who would
come under the clemency program.
A study of the treatment of this
class of offenders by foreign nations as
well as the precedents established in
this country after the civil war has
been begun by the department. Mr.
Daugherty declared, to aid the admin-
istration in reaching its decision. He
indicated that the justice department
would favor freedom for these prison-
ers by pardon, commutation or sen-
tence in part, where the facts in the
various cases and good conduct rec-
ords would warrant it. Mr. Daugherty
also declared he intended to obtain
the views of the attorneys general in
the country, a list of the cases of war
law offenders still pending for con-
sideration with a view to bringing
them to a close.

The question of freedom for Eugene
V. Debs, socialist leader imprisoned at
Atlanta, will be treated separately, Mr.
Daugherty said, adding that recom-
mendations to the President on the
subject have been made, although the
possibility of action by Thanksgiving
is not certain. An affirmative action in the case, he
said, would be either a pardon or a
commutation, as Debs was not eligible
for parole, which requires one-third of
their sentence. Debs will not have
served a third of his ten-year sentence
until next August.

Debated in the House

Brief but bitter debate on the sub-
ject developed in the house today when
Meyer London, Socialist, of New York,
read resolutions urging commutation
of war-time laws. Mr. London said a
group of prominent men and a number
of former service men, including four
holders of the congressional medal of
honor, had signed the resolution.
Representative Lineberger, Republi-
can of California, immediately ex-
pressed opposition to amnesty, declar-
ing that the man in France would
turn over in their graves "if such men
as Eugene V. Debs were released from
prison."
Miss Alice Robertson, Republican, of
Oklahoma, only woman member con-
tending for persons unpa-
triotic during the war should remain
in all.

RANKER FOUND DEAD

CARTERSVILLE, Ga., Nov. 22.—James
Knight, president of the bank of Car-
tersville and also president of the
Knight Hardware company, was found
dead in bed at his home here shortly
after 5 o'clock tonight with a bullet
hole in his head and a pistol with one
empty chamber lying on the floor at
the bedside.

Virginia-Carolina Game Called Off; Tar Heels Refuse to Disqualify Star, Virginia Cancelling Annual Battle

Resolutions Adopted by Faculty Committee Set Forth Position
of North Carolina in Case of Halfback Johnson—Declare
Rule Invoked by Virginia Had Not Been Accepted

DURHAM, N. C., Nov. 22.—The
annual Virginia-Carolina football
game which was scheduled to be
played at Chapel Hill Thursday,
Thanksgiving day, was called off
today because North Carolina refused to
disqualify W. I. Johnson from the
athletic conference of southern state
universities, which amendment the
committee has no evidence was ever
ratified and considered in effect by a
majority of the member institutions,
and which amendment three of the five
institutions concerned now declare
that they have never considered a
valid rule at these institutions, and of
which amendment no member of the
committee had any knowledge until
it was cited by the University of Vir-
ginia five days ago, would be a vio-
lation of our explicit contract with
our own students laid down in our rules
of eligibility as published in our cata-
logue, and under which all of our
players have qualified, and whereas,
according to the opinion of the faculty
such an action would be morally in-
defensible; resolved, that the faculty
approve the action of the committee
in declaring Mr. Johnson eligible un-
der our contract with the University
of Virginia.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED (Special to The Star)

CHAPEL HILL, Nov. 22.—The Vir-
ginia committee on athletics announ-
ced tonight that it would cancel the
North Carolina-Virginia football game
because North Carolina refused to dis-
qualify W. I. Johnson from the team.
The faculty of the University of
North Carolina, after endorsing the
report of the committee on athletics,
sustaining the eligibility of W. I.
Johnson, adopted the following resolu-
tion.
"Whereas, after a full and free dis-
cussion of the case of W. I. Johnson
the faculty committee on athletics re-

COUNTY SCHOOL HEADS IN SESSION AT RALEIGH

Meet in Advance of Teachers
Assembly

By BROCK BARKLEY
RALEIGH, Nov. 22.—The associa-
tion of county school superintendents
convened in annual meeting this af-
ternoon a day in advance of the open-
ing of the regular sessions of the
teachers assembly. The superinten-
dents are taking up the major part
of their program with a discussion of
technical subjects in connection with
the operation of county schools.
The feature of the opening session
was a talk on "Progress," by Dr. E. C.
Brooks, the state superintendent, giv-
ing some encouraging reports on the
advancement of North Carolina along
educational lines. He reported a hun-
dred thousand more children in school
since the passage of the compulsory
attendance laws. Evidence of this
progress along educational lines in
this state, Dr. Brooks considers, is the
improvement in the qualifications of
teachers employed, the wonderful in-
crease in the number of high schools,
the improvements in the organization
of schools, better building facilities
and extension of study courses in
vocational subjects.
A session tonight was devoted to
discussion of school consolidation
movements, Dr. Brooks and others in
authority giving the county superin-
tendents the advantages of observa-
tions and discoveries they have made.
The superintendents will meet again
tomorrow morning and afternoon and
the teachers assembly will be con-
vened tomorrow evening.

TO END LITIGATION

RALEIGH, Nov. 22.—Litigation be-
tween the war department and own-
ers of land now embraced in the Camp
Bragg confines, near Fayetteville, will
end this week when Judge H. G. Con-
nor, United States district court, signs
a decree fixing the value which tenta-
tively fixed by the claimants a total
of \$906,546 against \$1,311,347.25 as
fixed by the board of appraisers.

MORRIS KNOCKED OUT

WINNEPEG, Man., Nov. 22.—Fred
Fulton, Minneapolis heavyweight,
knocked out Carl Morris, of Oklahoma,
in the fourth round of a scheduled 15-
round bout here tonight.

WILLIE LOSES A MATCH

CHICAGO, Nov. 22.—Willie Hoppe,
world's 18.2 ballkline billiard champion,
lost his first championship match since
1913 when he was defeated tonight by
Jake Schaefer of Chicago, 400 to 26,
in the international tournament being
held here. The victory gave Schaefer
a tie with Hoppe for first place and
the title will be decided in an extra
contest to be played tonight.

RED CROSS ROLL CALL BEGINS IN WILMINGTON WITH TODAY'S CANVASS

Teams of Men and Women In-
augurate Membership Cam-
paign This Morning

The fifth annual enrollment of Wil-
mingtonians in the American Red
Cross will be started today by an ef-
ficient corps of canvassers, according
to announcement made last night by
General Chairman James H. Reider, who
predicted that over 6,000 members
would respond to the roll call.
The city has been divided into two
sections, which are designated as the
Red Cross and Castle divisions, J. C.
Hobbs, Jr. being general chairman of
the men canvassers, with James Hall
in charge of the Castle street depart-
ment and J. H. Rieder at the head of
the Brooklyn division. Twelve teams
of canvassers, six of Chairman Reider,
will canvass the two divisions.

Teams Announced

W. M. Cumming, captain; E. Nor-
fleet, H. S. Allen, and C. D. Hogue.
B. F. Brittain, captain; Dr. J. A.
Moore, Selig Goodman, and Harry
W. Solomon.
M. H. Crocker, captain; E. E. Gra-
ham.
H. E. Boney, captain; W. A. Townes,
David S. Oliver, captain; Dr. J. G.
Murphy, Whit T. Benton, and James
B. Hughes.
T. L. Cromarite, captain; Dr. L. J.
Crenold, H. G. Rose and Edgar L.
Bell.
E. T. Hancock, captain; H. L. Taylor,
J. S. McEachern, and J. Gray Hicks.
D. M. Hodges, captain; J. Marion
James, James B. Lynch, and Marvin J.
Cowell.
A. F. Perry, captain; W. H. Mont-
gomery, F. G. Rose, and Owen D.
Holmes.
H. W. Wells, captain; E. C. Craft,
and Herbert H. Ford.
Wm. Struthers, captain; R. D. Cron-
ly, Jr., W. L. Futrelle, and Walter H.
Blair.
E. B. Huntington, captain; J. C. Slo-
cum, Jr., and John L. Hazelhurst.
To Enroll—A. C. L. Folke.
The enrollment of Atlantic Coast
Line employees will be conducted by
(Continued on Page Two)

Five Railway Officials Are Killed in Wreck

PHOENIX, Ariz., Nov. 22.—H.
Oliver, of Los Angeles, chief en-
gineer of the coast lines of the At-
chafon, Topeka and Santa Fe rail-
way and four division officers of
that railway were killed today
when a motor inspection car over-
turned three miles north of Wick-
enburg, Arizona, forty miles north-
west of here.

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 22.—Four Santa Fe officials in Arizona were killed today and five injured when an automobile inspection car over- turned on the Santa Fe tracks near Wickenburg, Ariz., a short distance from the California border accord- ing to word received at the railroad headquarters here.

The dead:
The injured:
William Mathie, division superin-
tendent, Winslow, Ariz.
H. C. Story, Assistant Superin-
tendent, Prescott, Ariz.
William Bowman, Roadmaster . . .
J. J. Jaeger, division engineer. . .

AMERICANS CONFIDENT 'BIG THREE' WILL TAKE HUGHES' PLAN FINALLY

Deliberations of The Naval Ex-
perts Are Still Wrapped
In Mystery

HIGHLY TECHNICAL

Questions Involved Held Secret
Because of Their Confus-
ing Nature

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—Delibera-
tions of the naval experts of the "Big
Three" in the arms conference remain
wrapped in mystery today so far as any
official word of what is transpiring
goes.

Unofficially spokesmen in some cases
give hints and half glimpses that re-
veal little but involve technical ques-
tions which only serve to confuse lay-
men in naval matters.

In the American viewpoint there is
no good reason to bring into public
view all the almost incomprehensible
discussion of the expert matters. As
progress, it was pointed out today, is
a conference of equals, of which the
only product can come by a unanimous
agreement, and there is every reason
to expect that such an agreement is to
be reached soon that will not vary
widely from the American proposals as
to naval reductions and limitations.

In shaping their suggestions, the
American delegation took into consid-
eration many things besides the ques-
tion of capital ship tonnage in
terms of which the plan was finally set
down. Estimates of naval strength of
each power in terms of the number of
ships of the whole situation of each, of
its whole building program, of its
financial ability and mechanical equip-
ment to execute any building program
it might desire if competitive build-
ing was to continue.

Not Mathematical

The "5-5-3" ratio of the American
replacement scheme to end competi-
tive building and all its evils, the
fleet strength that would remain un-
der the proposed immediate reductions
on the eve of a 10-year complete build-
ing holiday, both are understood to re-
flect this summary of matters not sus-
ceptible of mathematical treatment.
So in the American view the ques-
tion understood to have been raised
by the Japanese as to the exact state of
completion of the new Japanese fleet,
which Japan would be called on to
scrap as part of her abandoned pro-
gram, is immaterial. If it is insisted
that she be retained, her equivalent
must be retained in the United States
and Great Britain. For each of those
powers it would mean more than a sin-
gle additional ship.

The United States has three ships
which would be retained. It is contended,
under any argument that would
permit the Mutsu to survive. If the
clean-out proposal of Secretary Hughes
to cut the knot of competitive building
at the line of November 11 is to be
abandoned, it is argued, all of these
three might be retained by the United
States for they ranged on November 11
from 88 percent complete for the
Colorado to 6 per cent complete for the
West Virginia. And the American or
British equivalent for the Mutsu would
be more than one ship each, if ratios of
existing strength are to be followed.

It is because of these considerations
that American officials appear hopeful
that in the end the work of the ex-
perts will come out at practically the
place the American plan did. The
November 11 zero hour for the cut.
The arguments that have been raised as to
the effect of differing methods of cal-
culating tonnage, difference in formul-
ating the rate of progress on construc-
tion of new ships into definite percent-
ages do not change the American view,
it is held, that the "5-5-3" ratio is
wholly fair.

Reports to Advisors

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—(By Asso-
ciated Press.)—Progress made in the
armament and far eastern negotiations
was reported by the American dele-
gation today to an advisory committee of
21 with a request that detailed reports
on various subjects be drawn up for the
information of the delegates.
For more than an hour the commit-
tee was in session. The American dele-
gation today to an advisory committee of
Hughes and afterward Chairman Suther-
land assigned specific subjects for in-
vestigation by the sub-committees on
naval armaments, far eastern questions,
new weapons and other subjects. The
information. Another meeting of the
full committee will be held Monday
when it is hoped the reports on these
questions will be ready.

WIFE OF FORMER SENATOR FRANK GOUGH PASSES AWAY

(Special to The Star)

LUMBERTON, Nov. 22.—Mrs. Lena
Gough, wife of ex-state Senator Frank
Gough, died today at noon. She suf-
fered a stroke of paralysis more than
four years ago and had been practi-
cally helpless since. She recently suf-
fered another stroke. The funeral will
be conducted from the house Wednes-
day afternoon by Dr. Charles H. Dur-
ham, pastor of the First Baptist church,
of which the deceased was a member.
Besides her husband, two children, Miss
Lina and Frank Gough, Jr., survive.

A. W. WATTS FILES ANSWER TO SOUTHERN RAILWAY

RALEIGH, Nov. 22.—Through the
attorney general of the state and spe-
cial counsel, A. D. Watts, revenue com-
missioner of North Carolina, today filed
in United States court of the western
district of North Carolina, the answer
to the complaint brought by the South-
ern railway seeking to reduce the as-
sessment of railroad property in the
state from \$66,806,357 to \$60,000,000.

STORM CHANGES COURSE

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—The dis-
turbance near the Bahamas has
changed its course and is passing
westward over the Florida Straits, the
weather bureau said tonight in storm
warning. Strong easterly winds were
forecast for extreme southern Florida
and gales over the Florida Straits.