Mr. and Mrs. C. W. McMakin and ttle daughter returned to their home South Carolina yeaterday after pending several days in the city with

A general meeting of the Woman's Club will be held this morning at 11 o'clock in the Carsegie Library. The home science section will be in charge and the following programme will be rendered: "Beauty in Home—Laws end Principles of Decoration." Mrs. J. O. Gardner; "Art and Utility in the home." Mrs. W. C. Alexander; "Beauty as a Moral Agent," Mrs. D. M. Austin; "Artists Sins and Their Moral Counterparts," Mrs. H. A. Murrill.

Miss Bessie Walsh, of Pineville, is the guest for a few days of Miss Essie McLaughlin.

Miss Fannie Sims has been the guest for several days of Miss Re-becca Michols at Pinaville.

Miss Eunice Fisher has returned to her home, at Pineville, after visiting Miss Cora Alexander for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Wetmore, of Lincolnton, spent yesterday in the city shopping.

Miss Mabel Ardrey, of Fort Mill. 8. C. passed through the city yesterday en route to Dashington, D. C., to spend the holidays with friends.

Miss Lillian Massey, of Rock Hill, S. C. spent yesterday in the city with friends. She is on her way to Washington to spend several days with friends.

Miss Janet Alexander, of Due West Female College, will arrive this week to spend the holidays with her parents, at Huntersville.

her sister, Mrs. L. J. Massey.

Miss Mary Patterson, who has been visiting Mrs. Baxter Moore, on Tenth Chester, S. C., to-morrow.

"In view of the fact that 1908 is a leap year, it would not be amiss for the young men to receive," remarked a Charlotte lady to an Observer man yesterday. "Little disposition has been manifested on the part of others to keep open house and it would be a good stunt for the young men of the city to reverse the old custom. Something should be done."

"In view of the fact that 1908 is a morning at 10 o'clock.

—The recruiting of colored soldlers for services in the cavalry cohorts of the Philippines has been resumed. Orders to this effect have been received at the local recruiting office.

—A Christmas concert is to be given at the Calvary Methodist church to-night. No admission will be charged, but a collection will be taken for the benefit of the light harvers of the

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Wray will leave this morning for Philadelphia to spend several weeks.

Miss Florence Thomas, of Sallsbury, was among the guests at the Buford yesterday.

Miss Mary C. Thompson is planning to give her kindergarten class an elaborate Christmas tree at her an elaborate Christmas tree at her home, 400 East avenue, Friday after-noon. Miss Thompson has quite a number of tots in her class and she

bane, will arrive in the city fals week to spend the boll-lays with her moth-er. Mrs. Gussle Kirkpatrick, in Sha-

PERSONAL

The Movements of a Number of Peo-ple, Visitors and Others. Mr. James Hutchison will return to-morrow from Trinity College, where he has been a student during the past

Prof. A. Currie, of Davidson, was a visitor in the city yesterday.

Mr. B. E. Wilkins, of Cowpens, S. C., was registered among the suests at the Southern Minufacturers Club

Mr. H. E. Fleld, of High Point, was

Among the guests registered at the Selwyn last night were Massrs. R. P. Bibson and L. W. Brander, of Con-

cord.

Mr. G. M. Presley, of Asheville, was registered among the guests at the Bufor, last night.

Mesars. J. P. Dellinger and R. J. Morrison, of Cherryville, were visitors in the city yesterday.

Mr. J. C. Morrison, of Reidsville, spent yesterday in the city.

A Few Minor Happenings in and About the City.

-Mr. F. W. Ross is ill at his home on North Poplar street.

-Little Miles Durham, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Durham, continues critically in the continues of the co

—Mrs. Sallie Caldwell White, who has been ill for so long, was not so well yesterday.

—A marriage of interest to people in Steele Creek will be that this evening of Miss Odessa Griffin and Mr. Newton W. Query.

-Mr. S. Wittkowsky has moved out of his office at No. 41 North Tryon street and is now located on West Fifth street.

of Newbern, are guests for several days. Her sister, of Newbern, are guests for several Mrs. E. W. Costen, of Pineville, is at days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Garland D. Hessemann, on Elizabeth Heights.

-The Children of the Confederacy will hold an important meeting with Mrs. J. L. Sexton to-morrow after-noon at 4 o'clock. -The members of St. Agnes' Guild are requested to meet this afternoon at St. Peter's Episcopal church to assist with the Christmas decorations.

-Miss Sallie Adams, who has been indisposed at her home on North Church street, will be able to return to-day to her duties at the Carnegie Library.

Mrs. J. J. Hutchinson spent yester-ay in Fort Mill. S. C., the guest of er sister, Mrs. L. J. Massey.

—The Selwyn will commence its European service in its dining room this morning. Both American and European plans will be in vogue in the future.

-An important meeting of the home Presbytery will be held in the pariors of the First Presbyterian church this morning at 10 o'clock.

—A Christmas concert is to be giv-en at the Calvary Methodist church to-night. No admission will be charg-ed, but a collection will be taken for the benefit of the light bearers of the

-Dr. W. B. Mott, of Mount Mourne, has moved his family here and will make Charlotte his home permanently. It is understood that he will continue the practice of his profession, that of medicine.

-"Keep the pot bolling" is the significant greeting which overhangs a pot placed yesterday by the Salvation Army folks at Burwell & Dunn's corner on the square. The proceeds will go to feeding the poor on Christmas. —Drs. J. R. Alexander and John R. Irwin will move their offices in a few days to the new place of business of Woodall & Sheppard just below the Gem Restaurant. The drug firm leaves

the corner on the square while the Charlotte Realty Company is con-

Mrs. S. J. Fitch will leave this structing its skyscraper.

—Mr. C. A. Williams has been made chairman of the finance committee of the board of health, and Dr. weeks here with triends.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. McLean, of Columbia, S. C., spent yesterday in the sity on their way home from Winston-Salem where they visited relatives.

Charlotte Realty Company is constructing its skyscraper.

—Mr. C. A. Williams has been made chairman of the finance committee of the board of health, and Dr. F. M. Winchester, chairman of the sewer committee from the same board. Both of these are new members and received their appointments a few days ago from Mayor Franklin.

Of Interest to Music-Lovers.

Much local interest is being manifested in the coming next week of Miss May Penfield, who is to be the guest of her friend. Mrs. E. W. Thompson, in Dilworth. Charlott, music-lovers are looking forward to her visit with great pleasure for she is an artist of rare ability and worth. The Providence Journal recently had the following to say about her: "The sopprano soloist, Miss. May Penfield sangher part with such swestness and pathos as to bring tears to many eyes. Miss Penfield has the rare good taste to select solos that fit her voice and her temperament, and when she sings her temperament, and when she sings her whole soul is in her voice."

Mr. H. E. Field, of High Point, was a visitor in the city resierday.

Mr. W. D. Pharr, of Mooreaville, was registered among the guests at the Buford yesterday.

Mr. W. C. Petty, a prominent young banker of High Point, was a visitor in the city yesterday.

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Mr. A. Jones Yorke, of Concord, was registered among the guests at the Selwyn yesterday.

Mr. Charles L. Van Noppen, of Greensboro, spent yesterday in the city on husiness.

Mr. Bason Hood will arrive in the city faturday to spend the holidays with his parents in the county. He is a student at Erskine College, Due West, S. C.

Prof. E. K. Graham is synected.

Mr. H. E. Field, of High Point, was her temperament, and when she sings her whole soul is in her voice.

A number of the leading traffic agents of the Southern Railway will matters. Among those expected are: Mr. J. B. Munson, of Washington, assistant freight traffic manager; Mr. J. B. Munson, of Washington, assistant freight traffic manager; well, of Columbia, S. C., division freight agent; A. K. Orr, of Ashaville, of Atlanta, Ga., commercial agent; Mr. H. S. Duval, of Atlanta, Ga., commercial agent; H. A. Williams, of Columbia, S. C., superintendent of the Columbia division, and others.

West, S. C.

Prof. E. K. Graham is synected.

Graham is expected ow night from Chapei the holidays with relative was found dead to-day with his throat cut. His body lay on a pite of cotton seed in a store house on the Ed Booker plantation, which Mr. Stucky had recently leased. An investigation is being conducted to discover whethers which flood on violence or suicide.

Throat Cut.

Mrs. Frederick W. Vanderle Payard, Mra. Nicholas Fish House Porter. Senator B. Admiral and Mrs. Brownson and Mrs. Frod D. Grant, Got leaple. Mr. and Mrs. Van B. Brooker plantation, which Mr. Stucky had recently leased. An investigation is being conducted to discover whether one violence or suicide.

fore, owing to the creation of about 50 additional committees by the enlargement of the more important committees by one Republican and one Democrat on account of increased membership of the House, and the fact that many members foreses in the Speaker's selections an effect on the presidential situation.

Non-return of members of the Fifty-ninth Congress to the Sixtleth Congress created 138 vacancies in committees.

Of the 188 vacancies thus created, 12 are chairmanships. Additional committeeships provided for by enlargements of committee memberships bring up to a total of nearly 250, the assignments to be announced by the Speaker to-morrow.

Following precedent, no chairman is the Fifty-ninth Congress who ja member of the Sixtleth Congress will be superseded, unless through the occurrence of a vacancy elsewhere he has become the ranking member of another and more important semmittee, in which case he is expected to step up. No member can be chairman of more than one committee.

TRUCE FOR A DAY DECLARED.

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In Fight For Control of Illinois Cen-tral Railroad Company — Seeking Basis For Further Proceedings.

Chicago, Dec. 18 .- A truce for 24 hours was declared to-day in the fight for control of the Illinois Central Railroad Company. Both meeting of stockholders and the injunction suit filed against the Harriman forces by Stuyvesant Fish were postponed until to-morrow and the attorneys representing the varied interests involved, spent the greater part of to-day and to-night in a conference seeking to find a basis of agreement for further proceedings.

Up to a late hour to-night no in-timation had been given that such an agreement had been reached. William Nelson Cromwell, ohief counsel for Edward H. Harriman, took command of the legal forces for that side of the case this morning The Harriman lawyers asserted that the stockholders' meetings flouid be postponed until Judge Farlin Q. Ball-had rendered a final decision in the

injunction suit. •
Edgar H. Farrar and other attorneys representing Mr. Fish held that the meeting could be continued, votes being taken of all stock exclusive of the 281,231 shares owned Union Pacific and the Railroad Securities Company and now restrained from voting.

As between these divergent views, Judge Ball refused to decide off hand and after a further conference the attorneys agreed that the stockholders should convene and immediately adjourned until to-morrow noon and that further argument in the court should be postponed until to-morrow morning.

CHAMP CLARK, SAYS BRYAN.

Missouri Senator Thinks Bryan Will Be the Next Democratic Nominee For President, and Believes He Will Be Elected if Republicans Don't Stop Quarreling Among Them-

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec., 18.—Congressman Champ Clark, of Missouri, here to deliver a lecture, said in an

interview to-day:
"If certainty looks as though Mr. Bryan would get the Democratic nomination and furthermore, he will be elected if the Republican leaders

be elected if the Republican leaders do not stop quarreling among themselves. The Republican partyl has not been so split for many years.

"President Roosevelt's third term decision certainly means that he will never again be a candidate for the presidency if there is any meaning in the English language," said the Missouri Congressman, "and with the Republican party split into two factions—the one headed by Taft and the other by "Uncle Joe" Cannon, Forthe other by 'Uncle Joe' Cannon, Foraker. Hughes, Knox and others, there seems to be every chance of victory for the Democrats."

Regarding the movement of the navy, Congressman Clark said: "Sending the fleet to the Pacific to

all right. If I believed that no for eign mation objectes to its going there. I would not favor the risk and expense of a long trip, but because I do believe that certain nations do object. I am in favor of sending it to the Pacific waters and keeping it there as long as we see fit."

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egular \$2.00 and \$2.50 grades, \$1.50 36x72 All-Wool Smyrna Rugs; you A few Wool 9x12 Art Squares, nice quality... this saving opportunity pass.

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