

The Asheville Gazette News.

MR. SETTLE IN WASHINGTON

He is a Guest of Mr. Morehead, Who is Busy in the Asheville Man's Behalf.

HAS LONG HAD A COMFORTING PROMISE?

The President, It is Understood, Has Promised District Attorneyship to Chairman Adams.

KING WORKS AS STEVEDORE ABOUT DOCKS OF STOCKHOLM

KING GUSTAVE of Sweden last Saturday inaugurated a new departure for sovereigns. Disguised as a stevedore he spent most of the day carrying sacks of coal from a lighter at the Stockholm docks. In an interview, after it was all over, the king said that this was only the beginning. He intended to mix with all classes of laborers, so that he might ascertain their opinions and wishes. Already, he added, he had obtained many valuable hints from the men with whom he worked.



THE KING OF SWEDEN. FROM THE ILLUSTRATED LONDON NEWS

ORDERS GIVEN: KILL AMERICANS

Cable from Panama Throws Light upon the Situation in Nicaragua, When the Trouble Started.

ZELAYA'S OWN OFFICERS PROTESTED AGAINST ORDER

Vicksburg Reinforced, and There Are Now Four American Warships in Corinto Harbor.

MR. CALHOUN IS ACCEPTABLE AS MINISTER, SO CHINA SAYS



W. J. CALHOUN.

CHINA signifies the acceptability of W. J. Calhoun as minister from the United States. The appointment gives good satisfaction among the American colony. A Pekin dispatch says: It is believed that Mr. Calhoun's eminent legal knowledge and his experience in public life thoroughly qualify him for this responsible post.

A BOND ISSUE IS DEFENDED

Words Rang True Today at the Meeting of the Waterways Improvement Association.

NO REASON FOR DELAY SAY THE SPEAKERS

A Feature of the Meeting Today Was the Speeches of Governor Weeks and Others.

Washington, Dec. 9.—Words that rang true to the cause of waterway improvement, coming from speakers representing every section of the United States, aroused enthusiasm in the National Rivers and Harbors congress today. That there was no reason for delay in formulating the policy of making effective for navigation the water courses of the nation, and that the only thing to be considered was the project for national development, was the consensus of opinion of many delegates.

Special to The Gazette-News.

Washington, Dec. 9.—The senate democrats will today elect Money of Mississippi minority leader.

The West Virginia delegation is urging President Taft to appoint a negro named Robinson from that state to succeed John C. Dancy of North Carolina, recorder of deeds of the district. Dancy has had two terms, and will go.

A Bad Fire Today in Kalamazoo, Mich.

Among the Buildings Burned Was a Large Hotel, With the Result that Three Hundred Guests Were Driven From the Building, Thinly Clad—One Life Was Lost and Several Firemen Were Overcome by Smoke.

Kalamazoo, Mich., Dec. 9.—One life was lost, many firemen were overcome by smoke, 300 hotel guests were driven, scantly clad, to the icy streets, property valued at \$1,000,000 destroyed, were features of a destructive fire here which was extinguished after an all-night struggle by the combined fire fighting forces of Kalamazoo, Battle Creek and Grand Rapids. The blaze originated in the basement of the five and ten cent store, 118 Main street, and fanned by a strong wind, spread eastward, sweeping everything in its path, totally destroying a four story hotel covering half a block and a dozen commercial structures.

New Orleans, Dec. 9.—A cable from Panama says: "Death to Americans" is the order that was issued to the army by President Zelaya. Positive information has been received here that, more than a month ago, Zelaya issued instructions to military commanders to shoot every American caught fighting in the army of the revolutionists. Some of Zelaya's military officers protested against the order, and warned him that trouble with the United States would result.

Copenhagen Amazed Over the Affidavits

Number of Persons Have Sworn That They Aided Dr. Cook in the Preparation of His Polar Data, Which is Now in the Hands of Members of Faculty at University of Copenhagen—Scientific Circles Incredulous.

Copenhagen, Dec. 9.—The summary of affidavits of persons claiming to have aided Dr. Frederick A. Cook in preparation of his polar data, published in London and New York today, was read here with amazement. Scientific circles are inclined to be incredulous regarding the charges, and some persons like Dr. Carl Burrau, the astronomer, consider them so improbable that their effect will be to strengthen confidence in Dr. Cook.

MERCHANTS ARE WIDE AWAKE

They Have One of the Most Active Associations in the State—Interest in the Poultry Show.

Special to The Gazette-News.

Canton, Dec. 9.—Canton has one of the most active Retail Merchants' associations of any town its size in the state. In the last week many new members have been enrolled which now includes every merchant in town.

RUMOR SAYS CLYDE IS TO HAVE A BANK

It is Known That Such a Project Has for Some Time Received Consideration.

Special to The Gazette-News.

Clyde, Dec. 9.—Rumors have been circulating for some time that the business men of Clyde will, in the near future, establish a bank. While this rumor has never been confirmed, it is a known fact that such a project has been talked of by some of Clyde's most influential citizens. It is said that J. L. Morgan, D. L. L. Smathers and Dr. S. B. Medford are the promoters of the new bank.

THEY ARE OBJECTS OF PERSECUTION

But Members' of Family Who Say They Are Disciplined to Clearify Mystery of Bath-Tub Tragedy.

New York, Dec. 9.—Insisting they are objects of persecution, members of the Wardlaw and Martin families still are disinclined to clarify the deep mystery surrounding the death of Mrs. Cecy Snead, the victim of the bath-tub tragedy. Miss Virginia Wardlaw, the victim's aunt, is still in jail awaiting a hearing on the charge of murdering her niece.

President Taft is said to have indicated his intention of appointing Samuel Atkins Elliot of Cambridge, Mass., son of Dr. Charles W. Elliot, and president of the Unitarian Association of America, as a member of the board of Indian commissioners.

William Barnes, Jr., of Albany had a talk with the president about the appointment of a surveyor of the port of New York to succeed Gen. Clark. Mr. Barnes said afterward that several names had been mentioned, but did not feel at liberty to divulge them. He expected that the president will summon New York's senators soon, and will determine upon a suitable man.

The business interests of G. N. Henson & Co., fire insurance agents, has been purchased by J. B. Smathers and Thad D. Smith, two young men of this city, who have formed a partnership in conducting a real estate and insurance business.

G. W. Maslin, president of the Champion bank here and who lives in Wayneville, was in town yesterday.

Prof. W. H. Woodall has gone to Williamsboro to attend a conference. Prof. J. R. Gentry is acting president of the Haywood Institute while Prof. Woodall is out of town.

In the presence of only a few close friends last night Miss Hettie Enslay became the bride of Luther Jenkins. Rev. Moore performed the ceremony. Both of the contracting parties are popular young people of the town. Mr. Jenkins is proprietor of the Jenkins rolling mill of this place.

MONEY IS CHOSEN BY CAUCUS AS SENATE MINORITY LEADER

Washington, Dec. 9.—In caucus this afternoon the democratic senators elected Senator H. D. Money of Mississippi minority leader of the senate. Mr. Lane's present term expires January 1.—Sanford B. Dole of the Hawaiian Islands to be United States judge for the territory of Hawaii, and Abraham M. Tillman to be United States attorney for the middle district of Tennessee.

AWAY BELOW ZERO AT DEVIL'S LAKE, N. D., TODAY

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 9.—The coldest spot in the United States today was Devil's Lake, N. D., where the mercury registered 22 degrees below zero. At Winnipeg, Manitoba, it registers 30 degrees below zero.

Oregon Dairyman Meet.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 9.—The annual convention of the Oregon State Dairy association convened in this city today for a two days' session. Nearly 1000 dairymen are in attendance and the prospects are bright for the future of the association. One of the notable features of the gathering is an elaborate display of dairy machinery and Oregon dairy products. Premiums valued at over \$1000 have been secured for the exhibits.

STEEL FREIGHTER SINKS; MEMBERS OF CREW DROWNED

Buffalo, Dec. 9.—A big steel freighter sank five miles up the lake from Buffalo Harbor, and five members of the crew went down with the ship.

To Sell Railroad for Taxes.

Menominee, Mich., Dec. 9.—The Wisconsin and Michigan railroad was offered at public sale today to satisfy a tax claim of \$44,879 due the State of Michigan. The road is seventy-three miles long, with about twenty miles of sidings, the principal line being from Peshtigo, Wis., to Iron Mountain, Mich.

THE WEATHER:

Forecasts until 8 p. m. Friday, for Asheville and vicinity: Fair, continued tonight, with a minimum of about 12 degrees; Friday fair, cold weather.

Two Lives Lost.

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 9.—Two men lost their lives, and the fate of thirteen others is undetermined, as a result of the burning up of the steamer Clerton, in Lake Erie this morning.

TWELVE TEAMS REMAIN IN SIX DAYS CYCLE RACE

Two Teams Eliminated in Morning Hours—Leaders Had Made 1628 Miles at 11 O'clock.

New York, Dec. 9.—The ceaseless grind of the six-day bicycle riders caused records to be broken today by the six of the twelve surviving teams leading.

LITTLE CHANGE IN THE STRIKE TODAY

St. Paul, Dec. 9.—The switchmen's strike is practically at a standstill. The strikers insist they have railroad traffic tied up, while railroad officials are equally certain they are gaining on the strikers.

Berlin Dispatch Tells of Official Comment Regarding Mr. Taft's Recent Message to Congress.

THEY THINK WELL OF THE MESSAGE

Berlin, Dec. 9.—Official and journalistic comment upon President Taft's message to congress notes with approval his attitude regarding the unlikelihood of a trade war with other countries, as a consequence of the maximum duties clause of the tariff law. Mr. Taft's utterances respecting Nicaragua, though considerably vague, is taken to mean that the United States will restore order in the republic.

Winter Evolutions of Fleet Begin.

Norfolk, Dec. 9.—Under the direction of Rear Admiral Schroeder, the Atlantic fleet began today evolutions and maneuvers of the Virginia coast on the southern shore grounds.

Sheriff Killed by Man Believed to Be Insane.

Shreve, Ohio, Dec. 9.—After holding the family in terror all night, Roy Lee, believed to be insane, today shot and killed Sheriff Bell of Holmes county, when the officer attempted to enter the Lee home to make an arrest.

Urged to Name Judge Lorton.

Washington, Dec. 9.—The president today was urged to nominate Judge Horace H. Lorton for associate justice of the supreme court, to succeed Judge Peckham, when a delegation, including Senators Taylor, Rankin and Johnson, called at the White House.

Illinois Humane Society.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 9.—The Illinois Humane society met in this city today in annual convention. Delegates were in attendance representing the local branches of the society throughout the state.

Are Buried at Sea.

New York, Dec. 9.—Three small children of the passengers of the steamer Garmanis, which arrived today, died during the steamer's voyage from Gibraltar. They were buried at sea.