

T. S. ROLLINS OR SPENCER ADAMS

Whispered in Washington That E. C. Duncan Favors Asheville Man for District Attorney.

MARION BUTLER IN FIGHT BITTERLY OPPOSING ADAMS

Some Talk of Tom Settle for Internal Revenue Collector, but Brown Will Probably be Re-appointed.

Special to The Gazette-News.

Washington, Dec. 13.—Marion Butler is on the warpath. He makes no hopes of the fact that he is going to put up the fight of his life to prevent the confirmation of the nomination of Judge Spencer B. Adams as district attorney of the Western North Carolina district when it is sent to the senate early in the new year.

Butler will fight confirmation. But to get back to the story. It is the best belief here that Adams will be named as Holton's successor.

Talk of Settle for Collector. Thomas Settle returned to Asheville without learning anything regarding his political future.

States of South's Great Men. Recently two southern states have taken advantage of the privilege of placing statues of their great men in Statuary Hall here at the capital of the nation.

Will Not Re-Fuse Session. There has been talk of this session of congress being a busy one and extending well into the summer months.

New York, Dec. 13.—The police are busy today in an effort to run down perpetrators of the biggest jewelry robbery known here in years.

Nairobi, East Africa, Dec. 13.—Col. Roosevelt will be given a farewell banquet by Governor Jackson.

MRS. MARY GOULD BROKAW TESTIFYING IN OWN BEHALF



BATTLE TESTIFIES IN BROKAW CASE

Mrs. Brokaw, in Spite of Rather Rough Treatment at the Hands of Her Husband's Lawyer, Bore Up Well—Denies Certain Allegations—Dr. Battle Said Both Mr. and Mrs. Brokaw Were Unreasonable.

New York, Dec. 13.—Gratifying cross-examination at the hands of her husband's counsel was in prospect for Mrs. Mary Blair Brokaw, when the society woman entered the court room today at Mineola, where the trial of her suit for separation from W. Gould Brokaw was resumed.

Clothes Burning, Leaps from Window to Prevent Children's Clothing from Igniting.

MOTHER DIES FOR HER LITTLE ONES

Washington, Dec. 13.—President Taft left here at 9 o'clock this morning for New York and New Haven, and will be away from the White House two days.

A VERDICT IS RETURNED AGAINST THE ICE TRUST. New York, Dec. 13.—The American Ice company has been found guilty in the state Supreme court of restricting competition in and attempting to create a monopoly of the sale of ice.

NEW YORK POLICE WORKING ON \$300,000 JEWELRY ROBBERY. New York, Dec. 13.—The police are busy today in an effort to run down perpetrators of the biggest jewelry robbery known here in years.

THE WEATHER: Forecast until 5 p. m., Tuesday, for Asheville and vicinity: Clearing and colder tonight; Tuesday fair and colder.

ZELAYA RULING WITH IRON HAND

Reign of Terror Continues at Managua—Jail Filled With Real and Suspected Offenders.

MEXICAN GOVERNMENT TO CO-OPERATE WITH THE U. S.

Gunboat Enroute to Corinto, According to Official Dispatches—U. S. Marines Getting Ready to Leave.

San Salvador, Dec. 13.—A reign of terror continues at Managua, the capital of Nicaragua, when President Zelaya is ruling with an iron hand.

Mexican Government Co-Operating. Washington, Dec. 13.—A Mexican gunboat is enroute to Corinto, according to official dispatches from Managua received by state department.

700 Marines for Nicaragua. Norfolk, Va., Dec. 13.—One hundred and twenty marines from the barracks at the Norfolk Navy yard departed tonight for Philadelphia to become part of the auxiliary cruiser Prairie's full complement of 700 men destined for the Nicaraguan border via Colon.

PENSION CHECKS RECEIVED TODAY

"Christmas Money" for the Veterans and Widows Ready for Distribution.

The pension checks for the old Confederate soldiers and the widows were received by Clerk of Superior Court Marcus Erwin this morning, and today witnessed the beginning of the distribution of the "Christmas money."

LEPER SOLDIER, MIX, DIES AT FORT SCREVEN

Father Left Him \$40,000; He Had All of His Soldier's Pay—Money of No Avail.

Savannah, Dec. 13.—Death removed probably the only case of leprosy in the United States army today, when First Sergeant C. O. Mix, seventy-second company, coast artillery, died in a lonely cottage at Fort Screven reservation.

JUDGE WILLIAM WILL GO TO TRIAL ON CONDITION

First: That He Will Have Fair Trial; Second, That no Negroes Will Serve on Jury.

Miss Donnelly and Mrs. Loebinger. Selling Suffragette Literature



DECISION TO COME BEFORE CHRISTMAS

The Supreme Court, It Is Believed Here, About Ready to Render Opinion in Smith Estate Hotel Matter—Other Cases of Interest, Including Two Railway Damage Suits.

Asheville lawyers who were in Raleigh last week where they had been on appeal in the Supreme court feel certain that the state's highest tribunal will very shortly render a decision in the matter of the Smith estate which involves the incomplete concrete hotel at the corner of North Main and College streets.

THIRD VICTIM OF OUTRAGE IS DEAD

Mrs. Hunter Died Today—Police Hold Husband—Still Looking for Negro.

Savannah, Dec. 13.—Mrs. Margie Hunter, who was beaten and left for dead at the same time Mrs. Eliza Griddle and daughter, Mrs. Carrie Griddle, were murdered at their home Friday, died this morning.

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Roanoke, Va., Dec. 13.—Judge Samuel W. Williams, attorney general of Virginia will go to Welch, W. Va., to answer the charge of felonious assault upon former Judge Sanders of the West Virginia Supreme court, upon condition that he will have a fair trial, and that negroes will not be drawn for jury service.

ASHEVILLE HAS 1.17 RAINFALL

Greatest Precipitation During Past 24 Hours Than for Long Time—Colder Weather.

The weather bureau in its forecast today predicts clearing and colder today and tonight and fair and colder tomorrow.

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Washington, Dec. 13.—Representative Gardner of Massachusetts in an interview today practically abandons all further effort during this congress for a change in rules or speakership.

TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE

Judge Lurton of Tennessee Will Succeed Justice Peckham on the Supreme Court.

LURTON IS A DEMOCRAT, A CLEVELAND APPOINTEE

President Taft Was a Judge of the Sixth Circuit When Appointed Governor of Philippines.

Washington, Dec. 13.—The nomination of Judge Horace H. Lurton, of Nashville, Tenn., to be associate Justice of the Supreme court of the United States, in succession of the late Justice Peckham, went to the senate today.

Did Roosevelt Drop Lurton? It is asserted that friends of Judge Lurton sought assistance from him in this state. The Raleigh News and Observer (Sunday edition) says:

"An executive shows the trend of his mind better in the character and opinions of the men he appoints to the bench than in any other way. Mr. Taft must soon fill a vacancy on the Supreme court bench. The public seems to be divided as to whether Mr. Taft is a reactionist, as his sweeping endorsement of Alhric, made since his election, would indicate, or whether he is devoted to 'Roosevelt policies' as he was particularly to declare before he was nominated and during the campaign. He is trying to please both factions of the party, but so far he has given praise and place to the reactionists and only words and taunt to the progressives.

"The public will get the real Taft attitude when he names the Associate Justice of the Supreme court. It is now believed that he will name Judge Lurton of Tennessee, a democrat who was appointed to the Circuit court by Cleveland, and a lawyer who, it is alleged, has never doubted the divine right of railroads and trusts to rule this country."

"Nashville, Tenn.—I came here to see what kind of a reputation his neighbors gave to Judge Horace H. Lurton, who has been picked by President Taft to succeed Justice Peckham on the United States Supreme court.

"The railroads and the corporations of Tennessee will be entirely satisfied with Judge Lurton's appointment," said the first man I asked. "He has served them here in Tennessee long and faithfully, and they will be glad to see him promoted to the larger field."

"It should be understood that the expenses of these cars were borne by railroads which were actual or potential litigants in his court. At one time, I am informed, there was a receivership which brought the management of a railway into Judge Lurton's court, and the Judge simply indicated to the receiver that he desired to have a private car. The receiver naturally obeyed."