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From Various Parts of the United States Come Reports of Unusually Low Temperature Records.

#### FORECAST FOR TONIGHT FIVE DEGREES ABOVE

Coldest Weather of the Winter in the South-Nearly the Entire Country Snow-

Covered.

Louisville, Dec. 29.-The south, from the Ohio river to Georgia and Alabama, today experienced the coldest weather of the winter, Louisville, ident Taft. with a temperature of six degrees above zero was the coldest city in the south, with Nashville a close second at eight degrees. Chattanooga report- Japan. ed 16 degrees, Memphis 18. Atlanta 22. Freezing weather is reported as far uth as Alabama and Georgia. Practically the entire country is covered

SHEVILLE is today in the grip of the storm king and indications from the weather bureau are to the effect that before daybreak friends, you know." said the ambassatomorrow the town will be even more ecurely in the grip of the said king. Last night was not unpleasantly cold, deal with in the United States just but this morning the wind whistled now, and I know of nothing of implayed tunes along telephone and telegraph wires in such manner as immediate future." to make chills chase up and down one's spinal column. Also, it snowed last night, and early risers today witnessed the ground and mountains covered with the "beautiful" to a depth of more than an inch. With daybreak came colder weather and the kiosk on Pack square continually showed during the morning houra falling temperature. At 8 o'clock this morning when the last observation for the day's report by the weather bureau was taken the temperature was 13 degree above zero. At 10 o'clock it was 12 above and slowly falling. The weather forecast is for colder tonight, with a minimum temperature of five degrees above zero

#### Streams Freezing Over.

Farmers in from the country today, of the county, say that the weather tiring Chinese minister, as he bade jennie Priest has asked the authorisis intensely cold in their sections; goodbye to friends on the Lusitana, ties to investigate the death of the Zelaya that there was quite a fall of snow sailing for Liverpool, today. last night and that streams are freezing over in certain sections. In Ashevile ice skating was enjoyed at Riverside lake yesterday and last night, while in the event freezing weather continues tonight and tomorrow the skaters will probably have several days of the sport.

#### Colder Elsewhere.

Severe cold weather is noted in In Bismark and Huron it was 20 degrees below zero yesterday; in St. Louis two below, Omaha six below and St. Paul 16 below.

The weather bureau has the following to say relative to general conditions during the past 24 hours:

"A storm of some severity has shifted from the Great Lakes to the south | declared. and middle Atlantic coast, with snow flurries reported, in consequence, over much of the northeastern quarter of the country. No excessive amount of precipitation is reported. "An area of high barometric pres-

sure is advancing from the eastern slope of the Rocky Mountains and fair, cold weather is prevalent throughout middle western states. Minimum temperatures 20 degrees below zero were reported from the Dakotas. As The Expedition Camped Monday Night the anti-cyclonic area advances to more eastern districts conditions favor fair and colder weather in this vicinity tonight, followed by fair and cold Thursday."

#### Ohio River Traffic Abandoned.

here and at points below Pittsburg, doned and river men are preparing well. to cope with one of the worst ice packs ever experienced in the local miles from Katwe. The expedition is

oal has been diverted from its usual six skinners, five gunbearers, transportation to so Continued on page three.

## MMITTED SUIGIDE CAUSE, BASHFULNESS

Henry Welt Had no Chums, and He **Could Stand Lonesomeness** 

no Longer.

his abnormal bashfulness pre- in turn infected other pigs, the pel-ted his having chims, like other lagra germ has ben isolated by two men. Henry Weit, aged 22, local physicians, and killed himself today.

The pigs poison mitted from the

# SEES CLOUDLESS HORIZON

on Uchida, Baron Takahira's Successor, Has Presented His Credentials.



BARON UCHIDA

Washington, D. C., Dec. 29,-Baron Yasuya Uchida, the newly appointed embassador to the United States, suc ceeding Baron Takahira, arrived here and had a conference with Secretary Knox at the State department, prior to presenting his credentials to Pres-

The new ambassador also met of state, whom he had known in

Baron Uchida is ready and anxious to take up his work here, but sees the horizon entirely clear of any clouds which could in any way threaten the most amicable Japan and the United States.

"I feel very much at home in the United States, as though I am among dor in faultiess English. "There is no pressing diplomatic question for me to portance that will come up in the

## BE BACK IN 50 YEARS' SAYS OLD DR. WU, SAILING

Doesn't Expect to Find His Friends Here Then, However, Because They Eat Too Fast.

New York, Dec. 29 .- "I'll be back here in 1959, 50 years from now just as sure as I sit in this chair today," especially from the mountain sections declared Dr. Wu Ting Fang, the re- Bessie May Priest, was poisoned, Mrs. 'I hope I'll find you all here, but I young woman,

> fear I won't," he declared. "The trouble with you-the trouble of Americans-is too hasty eating, too living.

Turning the inquisitorial tables on Dr. Wu, one of the party asked the diplomat how old he is now.

"It is the privilege of a lady in this big land of yours not to tell her age," MARTIN DIVORCE SUIT many other sections of the country, replied Dr. Wu, smilingly hiding his face with his hands. presumptuous enough to extend that privilege to myself."

"Change your mode of living and you will be optimistic on the problem of longevity."

"You Americans worship the al- Man Who Named Seven Co-respondents mighty dollar too much," the diplomat

### "FAUNAL NATURALIST" AND PARTY ALL WELL

at Katwe, Enroute to Kisingo, 15 Miles Distant.

tons of ice piled high against the piers American expedition under the aus-Kampala, Ugunda, Dec. 29 .- The of bridges spanning the Ohio river pices of the Smithsonian institution camped Monday night at Katwe, Col. river traffic has been entirely aban- Theodore Roosevelt and party are

The objective point is Kisingo, 15 made up of seven white hunters and An estimated 10,000,000 bushels of scientists, 300 porters, seven tent boys. southern grooms, four mules and two cooks.

## PELLAGRA PLAGUE GERM ISOLATED BY DOCTORS

Important Experiments on Guinea Pigs by Two Physicians of

Durham.

Rurham, N. C., Dec. 29 .- Through Toledo, O., Dec. 29.-Lonesome be- the inoculation of guinea pigs, which

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Just Because He Said "Dixie" Is More Prominent in Populairty Than "Yankee Doodle.

HIS OFFICE IS FLOODED WITH ANGRY PROTESTS

He Has Preciptated a Controvery That Promises to Rank With That Over Discoversy of the North Pole.

Washington, Dec. 29.-Is "Dixie" more popular than "Yankee Doodle?" This is a question which apparently has divided the country into two camps and has brought about a con-Huntington Wilson, assistant secretary troversy which premises to become second only to the recently great question: "who discovered the north pole?"

The innocent assect on of Otto G. T. Sonneck, chief of the division of music in the library of congress, in a relations between publication on American national songs, that "Dixie" was more prominent in patriotic popularity than as the personal representative of "Yankee Doodle" has stirred up a President Diax of Mexico, today had hornet's nest, and even resulted in threats of death to Sonneck.

His office in the congressional lithese letters threaten Sonneck with dire punishment.

#### GIRL'S MOTHER THINKS THAT SHE WAS POISONED

Says Daughter Was Engaged to Rich army to meet his advance Newark Man's Son, and Had a Rival.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 29,-In the belief that her 18 years old daughter, ties to investigate the death of the

was engaged to Harry Sayre, a New. he was a prisoner in the hands of the little attention to the proper mode of ark millionaire's son, and that she word. He stated emphatically that had a woman rival. Search is being such was not the case and that he was made for the other woman.

# **ENDS: PLAINTIFF WINS**

Granted Separation from the Choir Singer.

New York, Dec. 29 .- The divorce suit of Edwin E. Martin, the merchant, against his wife, Etta Hamilon Martin, the Brooklyn choir singin which the husband named seven co-respondents, is decided by Justice Crane in favor of Mr. Mar-

The defendant is the daughter of Rev. Kay Benson Hamilton, a Methominister, formerly president of Walden university of Nashville, Tenn.

## FOR HIS NIECE'S WEDDING

Party Will Leave Washington Tomorrow, Expecting to Return on Friday

Taft leaves Washington tomorrow for New York to attend the wedding of his neice. Miss Louise Taft, daughter of Henry W. Taft. He will be accompanied by his daughter, Miss Helen, his son, Robert, and Captain Archie Rutt, military aide. He will return to Washington Friday.

TURKISH GRAND VIZIER'S RESIGNATION IS ACCEPTED

Hakka Bey Has Been Invited to Return and Form New Cabinet, It Is Said.

Constantinople, Dec. 29.-The sultan today accepted the resignation of Hilmi Pasha, grand vizier. It is reported that Hakka Bey, ambassador to Rome, has been invited to form a new cabinet.

Girl Accidentally Shot to Death.

Pensucola, Dec. 29 .- Minnle Hurd, nearly blown off,

## ESTRADA PREPARES TO MOVE ON CAPITAL OF NICARAGUA



GEN. EMILIANO CHAMORRO

So It Is Assumed, Although Nothing Had Been Heard at State Department at Noon.

#### CREEL IS IN WASHINGTON **AS DIAZ'S REPRESENTATIVE**

Zelaya Declares That He Is Still Head of the Government of the State of Nicaragua.

Washington, Dec. 29 .- Governor Creel of Chiquabua, who came here a conference with Secretary Knox and Assistant Secretary Wilson. Governbrary is swamped with letters in which or Creel's mission here is in the inthe writers take exception to the terest of peace in Nicaragua. No statement about "Dixle." Some of statement has been made as to any suggestion made by President Diaz to accomplish this end.

On leaving the state department Creel stated that he called on Secretary Knox merely to ray good-bye. Up to noon today the state department had received no telegrams from It is assumed, however. Nicaragua. that General Estrada is making rapid preparations for the movement of his army on Manaucs. Opposition is probable, in view of the fact that Madrix is reported to be organizing an

Zetaya Reaches Mexico tity. Mexico City, Dec. 13 .- Jose Santo Zelaya, the self-styled "titular presi-

city teday. No Mexican officials met him. He was greeted by 200 Central Americans and Mexicans, who wel-

Zelaya Talks to Associated Press.

Cordoba, Mexico, De The mother alleges that Miss Priest Santos Zelays denied yesterday that Santos Zelaya denicil yesterday that he was a prisoner in the hands of the Mexican officials in any sense of the

free to go where he chose. Zelaya declared that he favored friendly intervention on the part of the Mexican and United States governments, to the end that a consolidation of all the Central American republics

might be brought about.

He said that he believed Secretary Knox was now realizing the injustic of his attitude toward him and de hared he never understood why the ecretary should have molested him. He might go to Helgium to live, he

In any event, he would not return It was his opinion that the war would not venture an opinion as to which of the combatants would be finally successful.

In a statement made to The Assosupport of his declaration, he exhib- products. ited papers attached to which were government scals and ribbons. These (Continued on pare 1.)

## THINKS SHIP SUBSIDY BILL WILL BE PASSED

Washington, Dec. 29.—President Republican Whip Has a Talk With the President About the Proposed

> Washington, Dec. 29.-Representa tive Dwight, republican "whip" of the house, talked with the president today about ship subsidy legislation. He as- ial message on the conservation of serted the president's recommenda- natural resources. tions would be enacted into law by

See Trainmen's Representative. Firemen and Enginemen, and the acts. Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen had a talk with the president today,

The announcement that the president is determined to go ahead with



NERALS WHO FIGURED IN BATTLE BETWEEN FORCES OF GENERAL ESTRADA AND FORMER PRESIDENT ZELAYA

### Ugly Charge Preferred **Against Some Doctors**

That Philadelphia Physicians Prolong Period of Patients' Illness, to Increase Incomes; That Increase of Diptheria Results, Is Allegation of Director Neff of Health Department.

dent" of Niearagua, arrived in this that some of the physicians in this present year, city deliberately prelong the period of illness of patients, in order to inlive Mexico," and "Down with the ment of health and charities, who of of visits the physician was required to fers this as a reason for the increase make,

Philadelphia, Dec. 29. Charges in diptheria in Philadelphia for the Dr. Neff said that he has proofs that diptheria anti-toxin is not administered in either curative or precomed the deposed executive with crease their incomes, are made by ventive doses by certain physicians, this connection is the fact that the cries of "Long live Zelaya," "Long Joseph S. Neff, director of the depart-

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Acute Illness.

two weeks ago, however, that the dis-

A Progressive Citizen.

physicians and likewise one

# FINAL SUMMONS PEOPLE'S TABLES? TO DR. BURROUGHS

Why Prices of Food Are so High.

Washington, Dec. 29 .- Owing to the to Nicaragua until peace is restored. Secretary Wilson of the department of agriculture has started an invesend within two months, but he would tigation to determine the cause of the increase in the cost of living, and ascertain whether the farmer, middleman or retail merchant is to blame. The inquiry will be specially diclated Press representative on the rected toward the increased prices of train in which he is traveling to Mex- butter, eggs, milk, apples, potatoes, ico City, Zelaya said that he still was and other fruits and vegetables. Sec. the head of the Nicaraguan govern- retary Wilson began the inquiry bement. He was leaving the country for cause he did not agree with those an indefinite period in the hope that who declared the farmer was getting affairs there would quiet down. In higher prices than he should for his

#### to his home went to led. He con-CONSERVATION MESSAGE and Christmas day he became upcon-WILL NOT BE DELAYED

The President Expects to Begin Work on It as Soon as He Finishes the First One.

Dec. 29.— Unless Washington, President Taft abandons his present intention he will not wait for the into the Ballinger-Pinchot controversy before sending to congress a spec

The president is expected to begin preparation of this message as soon he has finished the one dealing A. A. Ree, legislative representative with proposed amendments to the of the Brotherhood of Locomotive interstate commerce and anti-trust

Davenport Suffers a Relapse.

concerning legislation for railroad employes. President Taft expressed San Diego, Cal., Dec. 29.—Homer employes. President Taft expressed Davenport, the cartoonist, who besympathy with legislation looking to Davenport, the cartoonist, who best property of the lives of railroad employed the lives of railroad employed. during the night, but today suffered a. relapse.

> Deputies Adopt New Tariff Bill. Paris, Dec. 19.—The chamber of

cears ago. He came here primarily for his health, suffering at the with lung trouble. He had heard that this was a splendid climate for persons with weak longs and after coming here and improving in health almost from the moment he came to town de cided to locate. Prior to his coming to Asheville he had taught school in Virginia, studied medicine at the Louisville Medical college, where he graduated with high honors, and going to Colorado for his health practiced

He It Is Who Has Hitchcock's Ear-State Patronage Schedule, a la Republican Dopesters.

MR. TAFT WILL NOT VETO RIVER AND HARBOR BILL

That Is the Talk in Washington--Scheme in Which This State Is Interested May Be Put Through.

Special to The Gazette-News. Washington, D. C., Dec. 29 .- Although President Taft has decried the passage of "pork" river and harbor bills, this congress is fully determined to put through a measure of that type. There has been no little speculation over the possibility of the president voting such a measure, but interested congressman have ascertained that any river and harbor bill that is passed by congress will receive the sanction of the executive. The house leaders are willing to pass a bill carrying a fifty million dollar appropriation and so strong h the agitation for waterway improve ant become, that the total of the appropriation may reach seventy million.

A Log Rolling Proposition.

In both his New Orleans and Norfolk rpeeches the president scored the practice of congress in enacting log rolling river and harbor bills. Under our present system of making waterway apprepriations it is impossible to pass any save a "pork" measure Uncle Joe Cannon is bound to take care of his congressional friends, many of whom are threatened at home by the insurgent movement, and of course a sop must be thrown the way of other congressmen for the sake of appearances, if nothing else, It is a log rolling proposition all along the line, and if the president should veto the measure that is to be placed before him for approval, congress would pas it over his veto or enact another bill of very much the same type as the original. But the interesting thing in ventive doses by certain physicians, this connection is the fact that the priation have satisfied themselves that there will be no veto of the bill, which it is expected will be passed at the

North Carolina Projects.

The North Carolina delegation will make an effort to get the usual appropriations for the improvement of the Cape Fear and other streams in the The thirty-foot project for Wilmington is one that will be pressed, and an additional appropriation for the completion of the inland waterway between Adams Creek, above Beaufort, Secretary Wilson Is Going to Find Out President of State Medical Society Died to Norfolk, will also be urged. Senstor Simmons induced the last congress to provide for a survey of the harbor of refuge at Cape Lookout, and a report on this project will soon be made to congress by the secretary of war. It is believed that this report will be favorable, and if this is true, Dr. James A. Burroughs, president it is possible that an appropriation high prices of most food products of the North Carolina State Medical for completing this project may be society, and one of Asheville's most obtained at this session. the shipping interests in the United prominent physicians, died this morn-States have urged the improvement ing at 11:45 o'clock at his home on of the harbor at Lookout, and it will North Main street after an acute ill- have the support of prominent members of congress from other sates. ness of ten days. Dr. Burroughs' Lookout offers a fine opportunity for death was due to Bright's disease, afth a splendid deep water harbor. A which he had suffered for more than depth of more than 30 feet can be obfour years. It was only ten days or tained, which will accommodate the

very largest ocean going vessels. ase gave alarm to friends and rela-North Carolina Pic. tives and forced Dr. Burroughs to his Within the next few weeks Mr. Taft The last time he was at his office w. Saturday, December 18. On that will send to the senate a list of day he came up town, attended to federal appointments in North Carobusiness matters and returning lina. There have been many aspir ing republican politicians in the state stantly grew worse from day to day to the White House, but for the most part they made no further progress roughs, a leading attorney of New York and one of chief counsel for the American Tobacco company, was telegraphed for and arrived Sunday afternoon. Dr. Burroughs recognized his brother for a moment or two and then became unconstant than to obtain an introduction. Mr. Taft has not told any of the faithful what he intends to do. And what is more he is not going to do so. One fine morning in the near future Postmisster General Hitchcock will saunter than became unconstant to the whole with a list of North Carollon. scious. An only brother, A. H. Burthen became unconscious. Since that time he had not regained conscious names he will ask be transmitted to time he had not regained conscious the senate in connection with certain good paying jobs that require little hard work. No sooner said than done. In the death of Dr. Burroughs Ashe-That is the way the North Carolina patronage is going to be disposed of. Mr. Hitchcock, is the all-important tille loses one of its most prominent most progressive and enthusiastic citifactor in this paironage contest those who fall to do hustness wit zens. Dr. Burroughs came to Ashetille from Poncha Springs, Col., 28 are going to be left on the outside o the breastworks. Who be these tha are going to have the ear of Mr. Tatt's political campaign manager, and the man who is endeavoring to make cer-

tain his renomination? Principally, Duncan. They are principally E. Carl Dun can. So far as Hitchcock is cencerne Duncan is the most powerful of a state republicans. Judge Adams a state chairman make many of the reto Colorado for his health practiced medicine at Poncha Springs for two years.

Dr. Burroughs was born at Hookersville, Va., now W. Va.) December 5, 1857, and was therefore a little more than 52 years of age. He was son of Major and Mrs. J. H. Burroughs and spent his youth at Lessville, Va. He was married December 27, 1852, to Miss Annie Reynolds of Asheville, who survives. One brother, Continued on page 2.