

H. F. SEAWELL IS HIS CHOICE

It is Understood That Mr. Duncan Favors Him as Successor of Harry Skinner.

CARTER SEES HITCHCOCK; HAS ANOTHER ENGAGEMENT

Grant Proudly Exhibits Impressive List of Democratic Endorsements of Chief Greenwood.

The Gazette-News Bureau, Room 46, Post Building, Washington, Jan. 13. Frank Carter saw Hitchcock for a short time today. He has another engagement and gave out nothing for publication.

Seawell for District Attorney.

Herbert F. Seawell, who was the choice of the state republican organization for the eastern North Carolina district judgeship to succeed the late Judge Purnell, is picked here to succeed District Attorney Harry Skinner. Mr. Seawell was not originally a candidate for the judgeship, and at one time he wrote a letter to Harry Skinner advocating his selection as Judge Purnell's successor.

Pou a Notch Higher.

The death of the late Mr. Griggs of Georgia places Representative E. W. Pou one notch higher on the ways and means committee of the house. If the next house is democratic as many far seeing politicians are predicting, the congressman from the fourth district will be the ranking democrat on that committee, provided he is re-elected, which is hardly to be doubted.

What Visitors Say.

Visitors in Washington from the tenth district say that Representative Grant is going to have a hard time securing a renomination. They say that his activities in the Baltimore post-office matter has been an unfortunate political blunder that is already having its effect on the republican congressional contest.

Will Luther Land?

It is not believed here that Byron J. Luther will ever serve a term as postmaster at Asheville. Although he is now in office as the result of a recess appointment, his nomination must be formally sent to the senate for confirmation.

LEOPARD'S SAVAGE ATTACK ON HIS TRAINER, A WOMAN

She Was Preparing Three Beasts for Exhibition When One, Enraged, Sprang Upon Her, Inflicting Serious Injuries—She Barely Escaped.

New York Herald Syndicate Correspondence. New York, Jan. 11.—In a fight with a half tamed leopard which she was training for exhibition purposes, Mrs. Pauline Russett, owner of a troupe of performing animals, was so badly clawed and bitten at Hube's Museum, that at Bellevue hospital, where she was taken after the encounter, her condition is said to be very serious. Mrs. Russett entered the cage on the top floor of the museum to put three leopards, which she bought a few months ago, through the tricks which she had planned for her exhibition. The largest of the animals, Clayton, who had not given the trainer much trouble previously, started at her when she commanded him to mount a chair, and only became uglier when she cracked her whip at him. Mrs. Russett then drove the other animals into an adjoining cage and turned to ask her assistant to get her an iron bar to punish Clayton.



MRS. PAULINE RUSSETT.

W. J. WATSON DIES AT WAYNESVILLE

Was Found Dead in His Room at the Gordon Hotel Last Night by a Boy.

A telephone message from Waynesville this morning conveyed the sad intelligence of the death last night at the Hotel Gordon of former Chief of Police W. J. Watson of Waynesville. Mr. Watson was at the Gordon and while not ill had been feeling badly for some time. He was in his room and called a house boy who responded that the boy remained with Mr. Watson talking with him for a time and leaving the room was gone for a short while. Returning he found Mr. Watson lying across a trunk dead. Death was due to heart failure with which it is understood here, Mr. Watson had suffered for some time. The remains will be taken to Hillsboro for interment, accompanied by the widow and brother.

HEIRESS AND WAITER ARE TO ARRIVE TONIGHT

Cohen is Under Arrest on Charge of Abducting Miss Roberts De Janon.

Philadelphia, Jan. 12.—Passengers on a fast train, Fernando Cohen, the former waiter and Roberta De Janon, the 17 years old grand daughter of Robert Buel, the millionaire swed man, with whom he eloped, are due to arrive here from Chicago tonight in charge of detectives.

AGED BAPTIST MINISTER DIES IN CHATTAHOOGA

Rev. Daniel Glass, Who Had Reached 101, Was a Native of Yancey County. Chattanooga, Tenn., Jan. 12.—Rev. Daniel Glass, aged 101 years, a Baptist minister, died at his home near Cherokeeville, Tenn. He was a native of Yancey county, North Carolina.

FORAKER APPEARS FOR CAPT. CARTER

Well Known, Case, Being Prosecuted by Government, Heard Today by Supreme Court.

Washington, Jan. 13.—The case of Captain O'Berlin M. Carter, involving the disposition of about \$1,000,000 of which he is charged with defrauding the government, was argued today in the Supreme court of the United States. Former Senator Foraker appeared for Carter, and Special Assistant Erwin for the government.

GRAVES IS APPOINTED SUCCESSOR TO PINCHOT

He is Director of Yale Forest School, and in Sympathy With Present Policies.

Washington, Jan. 13.—President Taft yesterday afternoon appointed Henry S. Graves, director of the Yale forest schools, as successor to Gifford Pinchot as forest ranger of the United States. Graves was trained in forestry in this country and Europe. Mr. Graves will take up his duties as forest ranger February 1.

PHILADELPHIA CLUB'S MEN ARE RELEASED TO ATLANTA

Georgia City Gets Two Outfielders and First Baseman from Americans.

Philadelphia, Jan. 13.—Atlanta's baseball aggregation today was supplemented by outfielders De Haven and Seitz, and first baseman Hornhurst of the Philadelphia American league baseball team.

CALHOUN STATUE IS TO BE ACCEPTED MARCH 12

Washington, Jan. 13.—The house agreed to the resolution offered today by Representative Finley of South Carolina fixing March 12 as the date of the ceremonies for the formal acceptance by congress of the statue of John C. Calhoun.

Chattanooga, Jan. 13.—A white dirigible balloon passed over Chattanooga this morning. It came from the south. A lot was discernible in the machine.

COMMISSION TO INVESTIGATE SHIPPERS USING THE L. & N.

Make Complaint to Commerce Commission.

THEY CHARGE DENIAL OF WHARFAGE FACILITIES

The Corporations Have Been Ordered to Make Statements Within Thirty Days.

Washington, Jan. 13.—Charges of discrimination among shippers have been made before the interstate commerce commission against the Louisville & Nashville railroad, and the Gulf Transit company, in the operation of wharfrage facilities at Pensacola, Fla. The commission today ordered the two corporations to make statements of the matter to the commission within 30 days, and instituted, on its own motion, an investigation of the use of terminal facilities at Pensacola.

CHAFIN DISCIPLINED BY STOCK EXCHANGE

Suspended 60 Days and His Partner 30 Days—Rock Island Flasco the Trouble.

New York, Jan. 13.—Samuel B. Chapin, head of the New York and Chicago firm of S. B. Chapin, was suspended from the privileges of the New York stock exchange for a period of 60 days for participation in the Rock Island flasco of December 27 last, when alleged ill-managed manipulation sent the common shares of the Rock Island company from 50 to 51 and back again in a period of 12 minutes. F. D. Connors, one of Mr. Chapin's partners, and the only other board member of the firm, was also suspended for 30 days.

Notwithstanding rumors involving the name of Daniel G. Reid, chairman of the board of directors of the Rock Island company, for whom, it is said, Chapin and Company executed their buying orders, the verdict of the stock exchange governors indicates that the infractions of the suspended members are not regarded as very serious. They were found guilty as announced of "acts detrimental to the welfare of the exchange."

Contrary to general expectations no other members of the exchange are to be punished though it is known that the investigation of the special committee appointed by the governors brought out facts supposed to have involved several other firms.

Terrible Nitroglycerine Explosion.

Franklin, Pa., Jan. 13.—Three men were killed and a team of horses blown to atoms when a nitroglycerine magazine at Brandon's Ferry exploded. A house across the Allegheny river from the magazine was totally wrecked by the force of the explosion.

Vining Poured Guilty.

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 13.—D. M. Vining, the suspended superintendent of the Atlanta stockade, and Pete Corant, the guard, were found guilty yesterday of the charges of assault and battery, growing out of the alleged brutal beating of a negro convict.

Killed by Train.

Cochran, Ga., Jan. 13.—M. Smith, a merchant, was killed last yesterday by a Southern railway train. Stein was crossing the main line when a fast train struck him.

LEARNED MEN ASTONISHED BY SMALL BOY'S ERUDITION

Willie Sidis, Eleven Years Old, Lectures Harvard Professors on "Fourth Dimensional Bodies" and Other Complex Problems of Mathematics.



WILLIAM JAMES SIDIS, THE ELEVEN YEAR OLD PRODIGY AT HARVARD UNIVERSITY

The entire scientific world is today discussing the remarkable accomplishment of William James Sidis, an eleven year old prodigy who a few evenings ago amazed the professors of Harvard university with his lecture on "Fourth Dimensional Bodies" and other mathematical problems which to the average student of mathematics is a subject complex and difficult.

Young Sidis was born in New York. He is the son of Dr. Boris Sidis of Brookline, Mass., one of the professors at the Harvard Medical school. He still wears knickerbockers and outwardly shows no evidence of his master mind. Young Sidis is registered at Harvard as a special student.

DEMONSTRATION WORK EXPLAINED

Dr. Knapp Tells How Government is Seeking to Aid the Farmers.

Macon, Ga., Jan. 13.—Much of the failures of crops and the limited amount of such that are produced, is attributable to the failure of the American farmer to take advantage of the national government's offer of assistance. This, in effect, was the statement made by Dr. Seaman A. Knapp of the department of agriculture, in an address here today. His talk was devoted to an exposition of the Farmers Co-operative Demonstration work and the benefits it held out to such farmers as took advantage of it.

ACTIVE MONTHS A LITTLE HIGHER

The Cotton Market Recovered a Bit Today on Covering and Southern Bull Support.

New York, Jan. 13.—The cotton market opened weak at an advance of 14 points on January, but generally 6 to 19 points net lower under heavy commission house liquidation and sales of about 35,000 bales believed to be for a Wall street firm. The pressure resulted in a break of about 16 to 23 points from last night's prices on active months, but May, selling at 14.75, was the only month to enter the new low ground, and shortly after the opening prices rallied to a net gain of three and four points on covering and southern bull support.

CHAMORRO TELEGRAPHS BATTLE IS IMMINENT

Says He Will Meet the Opposing Army at Acopypa in a Short While.

GRANT NOW HAS 'EM GOING

Gentleman from Tenth Has Only to Point With Just Pride to Democratic Eulogy of Chief Greenwood.

TRIBUTE TO HIS STANDING BEAUTIFUL BEYOND COMPARE

Meanwhile It is Assumed That Frank Carter Must Be Suffering Most Excruciating Mental Pain.

Increased interest has been aroused hereabouts anent the Blittmore post-office and the ousting of Mrs. Fannie J. Reed; the affidavits relative to bribery made and secured by Representative Grant; the bolstering up of these affidavits by Mr. Grant's campaign manager, W. E. Logan, by the C. C. Greenwood affidavit with strong endorsement of Mr. Greenwood by leading democratic officials of Buncombe, and by the presence in Washington of Frank Carter, that vigorous criminal lawyer of Asheville with the court records against, or which are alleged to be against, Mr. Greenwood.

A Humorous Side.

According to dispatches from Washington it begins to look as though Mr. Grant had in some way turned a trick; that he has the opposition going a bit; that he and Mr. Greenwood have the laugh on the "other side." The situation here has taken on a humorous aspect. When it became known that Mr. Greenwood had made or was about to make an affidavit to the effect that Mrs. Reed had made an offer of money for his influence to keep her in the office at Blittmore, friends of Mrs. Reed gave vent to broad smiles. They thought Mr. Grant and his advisers had "put their foot in it"; that Mrs. Reed's friends could easily attack Mr. Greenwood's record and show to the president and Mr. Hitchcock, the dispenser of federal patronage, that Mr. Greenwood was a man with a "very bad criminal record."

All went well, but— All went well, it seems, until yesterday when Mr. Grant produced a paper writing which bore the names of many prominent democrats in Asheville and which went on to say that in the opinion of the signers Mr. Greenwood was an excellent citizen, etc., a man of high character and truthfulness; a man to be believed, etc., that "we take great pleasure in testifying to his high character and standing," etc., that Mr. Greenwood is a man "whose character is above reproach," etc.

It is evident, even at this distance from the national capital that the production of this paper gave those attacking Mr. Greenwood's record a sharp surprise. In fact, one can almost imagine a mild attack of heart failure. There it was all in black and white—Mr. Greenwood is an honest man, a truthful man; a man above reproach. Then a glance at the names of the men to whom it "gave great pleasure to testify to Mr. Greenwood's standing" showed that they were the names of the two leading candidates for the democratic congressional nomination; the name of the chairman of the Buncombe county democratic executive committee; the high sheriff of the county, the names of the clerk of the court, the register of deeds, the late democratic candidate for nomination for governor of North Carolina and others.

THE MEANING.

What did it all mean? Would these good democrats of Asheville and Buncombe county sign their names in their own hand writing to a petition for a man who, as it was contended, had such a black criminal record? Assuredly they would not. Leastwise that is what Mr. Grant evidently has told the president and Mr. Hitchcock. Mr. Grant must have enjoyed his laugh at the expense of the opposition. He must have felt good in the thought that a man who had made an affidavit in support of his contention that Mrs. Reed had attempted bribery, stood so high in the community for honesty and truthfulness.

WHERE IT HURT.

The knowledge that these endorsements of Mr. Greenwood's character and reputation in the community had been presented by Mr. Grant in "bolstering up" his charges against Mrs. Reed, came as quite a surprise to the signers—some of them at least. Two of the signers of that petition upon learning that the petition bearing their names had been presented in support of Mr. Grant made haste to wire Mr. Carter at Washington directing that their names be stricken from the petition.

HOW COULD HE?

But could Mr. Carter do this? The gentlemen had signed the petition in their own handwriting; their signatures were genuine. In the request that their names come off these gentlemen made the declaration that they had signed the petition under a misapprehension; that the matter had been misrepresented to them; that they thought they were signing a petition for Mr. Greenwood to secure a job as census enumerator or "bottle