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Salisbury Postmastership Squabble Again to the Front-Mr. Taft Will Be Reminded of a Certain Promise Made.

SENATOR OVERMAN PROMISED THAT HE SHOULD BE HEARD

Mr. Britt, the New Third Assistant Postmaster General Hard at Work-Many Important Matters Demanding Attention.

> Gazette-News Bureau. The Hotel Hamilton,

Washington, Der 4 EMBERS of the delegation from North Carolina believe the representation in congress will remain the same. Under the new census the representation in congress will ators listened attentively but graddoubtless be increased, otherwise ually this attention ceased on the part North Carolina, while showing a sat- of most of them. Those remaining deisfactory gain, will lose one member in the house, The five eastern districts showed a better gain than the western districts

When the last census was taken the

reverse was true. Guilford, Durham, Nash, New Hanover and Lee each gain one membe of the legislature while Edgecomb Beaufort. Randolph, Sampson and Wilkes will lose a member each. The democrats here have had a laugh over the figures for Sampson and They say both the people and the federal census have hit these republican strongholds. Minor Office Squabble.

One of the minor contests over federal offices in the state that rages sporadically, is that relating to the postoffice at Salisbury. Every now and then the president appoints as postmaster in Rowan's capital, the present assistant postmaster, Mr. Hobson, and it is a several sided contest that has doubtless occasioned the president no little botherment. When Congressman Cowies endorsed Mr. Hobson the idea was urged upon the president that failure to allow the largest offices in the district would so curtail his political prestige as to render very uncertain his re-election. On the other hand it was claimed for Postmaster Ramsey, who has held the office from time out of mind, that he had been favored with the endorsement of about 4000 people, without reference to political affiliations. This matter of the Ramsey petition would not have concerned the president very greatly, perhaps, but Salisbury hap-pens to be the home town of Senator Overman, and it is a sort of unwritten law that senators, no matter what their politics, are to be consulted when it comes to the appointment of postmasters in their home towns. It is a custom that has more than one risen up to plague the president, who has goon reasons for desiring to keep on good terms with all senators. Once Senator Johnson of Alabama became greatly displeased with the course of trict and the death of Mr. Picklesel- whether the liberals will return with the president with respect to the mer, Mr. Alley's former law partner Birmingham postoffice, and it seldom at Bryson City, there has been created happens that the president is able to two important firms, namely, that of arrange things in a manner that will Alley & Buchanan at Webster and

Made Senator Simmons a Promise. In this North Carolina case Mr. Taft's embarrassment was aggravated by the circumstance that he had promised Senator Overman, in the presence of Senator Thomas Carter of ship of Alley & Leatherwood, is a son Montana, to take no action until all of the late Hon. R. L. Leatherwood, interests at Salisbury could be heard himself a prominent member of the Now it is said that Senator Carter, who is unacquainted with the principals, and has no direct interest bination of the late lamented Picklein the contest anyway, is willing to seimer. go to the White House and remind the president afresh, if necessary, of his assurances to Senator Overman, given in his, Carter's presence. Once during the campaign the president was quot ed as saying that he felt absolved from the promise he had made the Carolina senator because the wicked democrats were trying make political capital out of the failure to appoint Hobson, at Cowles' expense. It was charged that Senator Overman had made a speech in which he had submitted some invidious remarks concerning the republican congressman's apparent lack of influence with his own administration. This report once more stirred Senator Overman to action, because the senator, at the time of the alleged dis-course before a Tar Heel audience was in Mexico. It is assumed that the president now feels that he was misled in this respect, since he has shown no inclination to again send the Hobson appointment to the senate.

What is the President to Do? But, they are asking here, what is the poor president to do, in a situation just as perplexing as that relating to the downward revision of the tar-(Continued on page 3)

CONGRESS HEARS TAFT'S MESSAGE

Both Houses Gave Close Attention to Its Reading for Time and Then Interest Lagged.

TIME WILL NOT PERMIT ACTION AT THIS SESSION, IT IS SAID

Their Credentials and Were Inducted Into Office Today.

Washington, Dec. 6 .- Congress gave respectful attention to the President Taft's message today. comparatively few members willing to once le the probability of favorable action at the present session on many of the recommendations. The general opinion was that time would no permit action in view of the fact that the session closes March 4. The mes-sage was delivered to both houses by Secretary Latta soon after they con vened at noon. The reading of the nte. At first most of the sen voted themselves to the printed copies In the house close attention at first was paid to the reading clerk. Interest soon lagged, however, and those remaining did so to study the printed

New Senators Take Office.

In the senate the oath of office wa administered to Claud A. Swanson uccessor of John W. Daniel, as sen ator from Virginia; Lafayette Young uccessor to Senator Dolliver of Iowa. The credentials of the new senator were presented by their respective col leagues by whom they were escorted to the chair. The oath was adminisered by the vice-president.

Adjourns Out of Respect to Dead. Out of respect to the memory of embers of the house who died during the recess the senate took adjournment after the conclusion of the president's message.

President Receives Callers,

Prior to the cabinet meeting this morning President Taft devoted an hour to seeing congressional callers. The president will devote the remainder of this week to conferences with congressman to control one of the senators, representatives and men of prominence regarding judicial ap-

Alley & Buchanan at Webster and Alley & Leatherwood at Bryson City

-Strong Firms.

Special to The Gazette-News. Sylva, Dec. 6.—Since the election of

senator and members of his own The junior member of the Webster firm, Corsey C. Buchanan, is a native leading Jackson county family and a coung man of splendid promise, Thurman Leatherwood, the junior

member of the Bryson City partner-North Carolina bar. Young Leatherwood is the successor in this com-

JUDGE THORNTON WINS.

Baton Rouge, La., Dec. 6.-Judge R. Thornton of Alexandria, was elected by the Louisiana general assembly United States senator to suc ceed the late Senator McEnery.

Never Drahk Liquor but Smoked.

Ebensburg, Pa., Dec. 6.— James Gallagher, who died aged 105 years, says he never touched liquor, but always had a clay pipe as a constant companion. Gallagher boasted he never was sick a day.

Brewing Plant in Flames.

Menominee, Mich., Dec. 6 .- The Lelsen Henese Brewing plant is in flames. Indications are it will be totally destroyed. Loss \$200,000; insurance \$100,000.

Ask your grocer for Blue Ribbon Vanilla and Lemon Extracts for your holiday desserts. Pure-strong-de-

Hobble Skirts and Freak Hats Are Doomed to Go

Liberals Will Control Parliament by a Weakened Majority is the Prediction



HONORABLE WINSTON CHURCHILL



THE RIGHT HON D. LLOYD CHORGE.

As Result of Elections Thus Far Unionists Lose Hope of Gaining Seats Needed.

further list of unopposed Redmondites this afternoon sent the coalitionists again to the front with a total of 131 seats in the new parliament against 128 now field by Unionists. The totals follow:

London, Dec. 6 .- The position of the parties last night after the sec-

Government coalition: Liberals 87 Labor 14; Nationalists 16; total 117 Opposition: Unionists 116.

The result merely confirms the opinion formed of the results of Saturday's contests that the unionists now have no possible hope of replacing the liberal government in power. Felix E. Alley as solicitor of this disa larger or a smaller majority.

To gain a bare majority in the new parliament, the unionists must make a not gain of 62 seats. Thus far with prove agreeable both to a democratic Alley & Leatherwood at Bryson City. 130 pollings, they have a not gain of only five seats. They have gained 11 and the liberals six seats. of Jackson, a member of an old and by the unionists on Saturday was seven, while the liberals gained four Yesterday the unionists gained four and the liberals two seats. A contin ulfill the unionist prediction that the Ashquith cabinet would come back with a greatly weakened majority and would be more than ever dependent upon their Irish and labor allies,

TWO INCHES OF SNOW IN JACKSON COUNT

Remains of Gus Peek, Who Was Frozen to Death in Oregon, Brought Back for Burlal.

Special to The Gazette-News of two menes fell in this section Saturday night and the valley continues blew out the entire front of a three-to show its beautiful coat of white. story building at 234 Alexander street Brown, representative-elect from this row escapes from death. county, are congratulating him upon he arrival of a fine girl baby.

Gus Peek who was frozen to death in Oregon last week was a son of Mr. B. M. Peek of Erastus, Mountain township, this county, and a young The body was brought home by the man of sterling worth and character, wife for interment in the family grave He had been married some two years to Miss Cantrell of Macon county-and immediately after the marriage sought his fortune in the north-

Dynamite Explosion Felt in Dozen Cities.



Notables in the proceedings are Winston Churchill, Lord Hugh Cecil, John E. Redmond and the Right Hon. L. Lloyd George.

JUDGE CONNOR HAS BLACK MOUNTAIN A PRECEDENT

Dismisses Defendant-Must not Induce People to Violate Law.

> Gazette-News Bureau, Chamber of Commerce Rooms, Hollemon Building. Raleigh, Dec. 6.

Walter Mitchell was on trial in Fed eral court Saturday afternoon as a Detective Ruark, here from South Carolina with two helpers, working up cases by inducing suspected blind prosecution, had him, then if cite or state employed him or his associates, and being told hat neither did, but that they on their own hook," the judge diagainst Mitchell be dismissed and stated from the bench that there is enough crime being committed in the regular ordinary channels without any , even officers of the law, going ou of their way to induce some one to commit crime in order that they ma haul them into court. He wanted his court officers to understand that ond day's pollings in the general elec- such cases would not be entertained by him no matter how clearly the might appear in the evidence.

PLYLER WILL DIE IN THE ELECTRIC CHAIR JAN. 20

Governor Fixes Date for Execution of the Murderer of Carter Parks-Killed His Brother-in-Law.

> Guzette-News Bureau, Chamber of Commerce Rooms. Hollemon Building,

Raleigh, Dec. 6. Goy, Kitchin names Friday, January 20, as the day for C. B. Plyler of Union county, to die in the electric chair at the state's prison, for the

murder of Carter Parks, his brothern-law, June 15, 1910. Parks' decayed body was found ome distance back of his house three days after his disappearence. It appeared that the top of his head had been shot off by someone who had Philadelphia.

BOMB EXPLODES IN CHICAGO; ITALIANS PANIC-STRICKEN

sneaked up behind him.

In Night Clothes They Swarm About Police Station-Explosion Blew Out Front of Large Building.

Chicago, Dec. 6.-Clad in night clothes, Italians swarmed about Cullowhee, Dec. 6-Snow to a depth the Twenty-second police district, following an explosion of a bomb which story building at 234 Alexander street The many friends of Hon. Frank H. this morning. There were many nar-

> Drexel Will Try Again for World's Record.

New York, Dec. 6 .- J. Armstrong Drexel, aviator, preparing to sail for England this week, announces that he will make no further effort to have his Philadelphia fight considered as a world's record. Drexell will return to the United States early next year, and make another flight in the hope of gaining the desired record, which must exceed 10,042 feet.

Walker Gets Six Years

Chimgo, Dec. 6.—The hobbie skirt, association. Tostimaster Howland, at long coat, freakish hats and bonnets are doomed to go, according to memare doomed to go, according to the National Cloak Suit, Skirt as a "freak that common at works and some stand for. It is a tunnel.

Cherbourg, France, Dec. 6.—Ernest H. Walker, fireman of the battleship association. Tostimaster Howland, at the association banquet, alluded to the long coat, freakish hats and bonnets are doomed to go, according to members of the National Cloak Suit, Skirt as a "freak that common decency should not stand for. It is a tunnel.

Cherbourg, France, Dec. 6.—Ernest H. Walker, fireman of the battleship association. Tostimaster Howland, at feet in a dozen cities and surrounding the according to the battleship Louis-lang, a water tender.

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JOHN EDWARD REDMINION / J. J.

RAILWAY COMING

Scores "Blind Tiger" Detective and Manager of Railway Says Work Is Progressing Well-Runs from Galax to Burnsville

Charles L. Ruffin, manager of the Black Mountain Railway company which is now constructing a railroad from Galax to Burnsville, is in the city, and incidentally made a statement which sounds good to the loca eral court Saturday afternoon as a railroad boosters. In a conversation blind tiger, when it developed that with Mr. Howland, of the A. & E. T. railroad, he said that when the pec ule on this side of the mountain had up cases by inducing suspected blind they would find his road there ready tigers to sell to them for purposes of to connect. There had been a report torked up the case to this effect before but now coming as it does directly from Mr. Ruffin, tuark if the government employed it will give semething tangible to

work on.
Mr. Ruftin said that the work of his road had progressed well considering the had weather. He has suspended work temporarily but will reer will permit

BUYS STRAWBERRY HILL

for House and 13 Acres-Plans

of New Owner.

Dr. S. Elizabeth Winter of Philafelphia has purchased the Straw-serry Hill property of the late James D. Houghteling in West Asheville paying, it is said, \$13,000 for the nours and 12 acres of land. Dr. Winer has had her carpenter from Philadelphia here for the past five weeks making many improvements, adding on several new rooms, installing steam heating plant, screening verandas with fine glass, placing radi-ators on the verandas, adding bath ooms and beautifying the grounds. Dr. Winter, who owns Inwood sani tarium, near Philadelphia, where wo men suffering from nervous disease are treated, has been coming here for

quite a while, staying some while at a time at the Battery Park hotel. About three weeks ago the sanatarium, containing some 120 rooms was burned to the ground. The patients were all removed safely and temporary quarters established in

There has been a rumor current for some days that Dr. Winter pro-West Asheville place. When seen by a Gazette-News man today Dr. Winter denied that such was her intention, saying that she was going today to Philadelphia to bring her family here for the winter; the West Ashe ville place ahe intended to keep sim-

ply as a winter residence.

Dr. Winter has been much interest ed in improvements in West Asheville and greatly desired to get city water on that side of the river. Recently she made a proposition to the board road across Carrier's bridge was Macadamized within two months time the road known as the river road, she would pay \$1900 of the cost. The county was not in a position to do the work at present.

Gave His Life to Save Child.

a widowed mother.

ASHEVILLE MUST

Failure at This Time to Secure 18-Hole Course Would Be Disastrous-Several Propositions.

COMMITTEE RECENTLY NAMED HAS DONE EXCELLENT WORK

Only \$7,900 Remains to be Raised-Will the People of the Town Get Together and Raise It?

The business men of Asheville, who ave the interest of the city as whole at heart, have not laid down o the proposition of getting an 18-hol golf course. There is only \$7900 re maining yet to be raised; that is too near the goal, they say, to admit of failure while there is still time t

The meeting of the golf committee vesterday and the gloomy news tha net them when they tabulated the esults of their labors has put the juestion squarely before the business men of Asheville. In making the rounds this morning a Gazette-News man met many who were aroused to they declared situation; something must be done. A movement is now on foot to hold a meeting of business men probably tomor-om night to talk over the matter; tailure at this stage would be a big low to the city.

The Proposition.
Briefly stated the proposition Are there 79 business men of the installment plan; paying one fourth cash, and balance in six, 12 and 18 months? If so the proposition

Or, are there 79 men who will promise to pay \$100 each within two rears, giving notes without interest Another way ald can be given: A: there 80 men, one man, or a syndicat of men, who, interested in the future

of Asheville, will contract to float \$8000 in notes, payable in two, four and six years' A prominent business man presented this phase this morning: Suppose Asheville fails to raise the \$800° needed. Everyone is agreed that this city must have an 18-hole golf course to attract tourists. The city has heard this time and again; failure after the present agitation would be a severe blow to the city. Failure now would mean that the agitation would crop

out again and the next time the city

s to do things. The Time is Short.

The time is short when Asheville Cherokee business spirit must be judged by its Clay . fruits. The directors of the Country club are due to meet tomorrow night hear the report of the committee Henderson n enlargement; the option on the Jackson Price Paid, It Is Said, Was \$13.000 Kimberly lands expires December 19; McDowell. nence the time is running short.

The members of the committee appointed at the mass meeting of citizens some days ago at City hall have labored faithfully and done good work; a number of business men readily nided them in the movement; others assumed an indifferent attitude. The committee of course could not see everyone in the city; those who have not been seen, the committee desires to say, need not feel slighted for it has so far been impossible to see them. If there are any business men or others who desire to contribute to the golf movement they may do so by calling up any member of the com-mittee or the Gazette-News office and the subscription will be turned over to the proper persons.

Mrs. Schenk's Attorneys Will Ask for

Wheeling, West Va., Dec. 6 .- Attoreys for Mrs. Laura Farnsworth Schenk, under indictment for alleged attempt to poison her husband, John Schenk, the millionaire pork packer, announced that they would ask for a continuance of her case, set for December 19. Affidavits are being propared showing that material witnesses are out of the state

Cost \$1,000,000 to Fight Forest Fires. 說疑辨就是說說就說說說說就就就

St. Paul, Dec. 6 .-- United States Nineteen Days to Christmas forester Henry S. Graves, addressing the Lake States Forest conference stated that there were 4,000 fires in the national forest during the past season; and that fighting them cost The total area burned was 3,000,000 acres,

STEADY GROWTH HAVE GOLF COURSE DURING 10 YEARS

All Western North Carolina Counties Increased in Population With Exception of Clay County.

LARGEST GAIN IN STATE WAS MADE BY GUILFORD

Buncombe Ranks Fourth in Population, With Mecklenburg, First; Wake, Second; Guilford, Third-Census Figures.

Carolina shows that the counties of western North Carolina with the single exception of Clay have grown steadily during the past 10 years. The biggest increase was in Buncombe where a gain of 5510 was recorded, but Haywood came close behind with a gain of 4798. Haywood is naturally a good county to start with but the great increase during the past ten years, or rather the past five, Champion Fibre company at Canton and several other industries of smaller size at Waynesville. For some reason lay has lost 623.

Largest Gains in State, The largest gain seems to have been made in Guilford county in which is situated Creensboro, the increase beng a little over 21,000. which is situated Winston-Salem, hows a gain of 12,000; Wake, with Raleigh, 9000; Durham county 9000; New Hanover, in which is Wilmington, 6300; and Mecklenburg with its Charotte, 11,763. It is interesting to note that the gain in Charlotte was much more than in the county, Charlotte's gain being 16,023. These figures should afford Asheville people some omfort at least until the census bureau tells us our fate. If Asheville should be given an even 20,000 this city would show a gain of about 36 per cent which would be a nice in crease, although there are some who think the city has grown even more than that. Anyhow it will perhaps not be long until the population is

given. Western Carolina Counties' Figures would be asked to contribute \$60,000 J Following table shows the populainstead of \$8000. The Asheville way tion of the counties of western North

Carolina during the past 20 years; 1910 1900 14,136 11,860 4,532 Graham 4,749 4,343 16,262 14,104 12,589 13.568 12.567 10.939 Macon . . 12,104 12,191 Polk 7.004 18,770 Rutherford. 28,385 25,101 8,401 6,670 6,577 5,881 10.403 Swaln Transvivania 7.191 20,644 Mitchell. . 17.245 15.221 12.807

Yancey. Buncombe's Position in State. Showing Buncombe's position among the larger counties of the state The Gazette-News has compiled the fol-

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| STATE OF THE STATE | 1910 | 1900 | 189 |
| Mecklenburg . | 67,031 | 55,268 | 42,67 |
| Wake | 63,629 | 54,626 | 49,20 |
| Guilford | 60,497 | 39,074 | 28,05 |
| Buncombe | 49,748 | 44,288 | 35,26 |
| Forsyth | 47,311 | 35,261 | 28,43 |
| | 35,276 | 26,233 | 18,04 |
| New Hanover. | | 25,785 | 24,02 |
| | | | |

Washington, Dec. 6,-Among the everal hundred nominations sent to the senate by President Taft today were those of John W. Garrett, as minister of Venezuela; Frederick W. Lehman of Missouri, as solicitor general: Fred Read, collector customs, at Newport News; H. C. Wilson, collector customs, Petersburg, Va.

DECEMBER 6. Get Christmas Tree Trim-

mings NOW. REFERENCE RECENTER CONTRACTOR CON

she made a proposition to the board of county commissioners that if the Blizzard Raging Over the Gulf Region; Bitter Cold

New York, Dec. 6 .- A lusty young | reau predicts it will be clear by toblizzard, which came into life in the night, followed by extreme cold. Easton, Pa., Dec. 6.—Endeavoring Tennessee mountains, growing rapidto drag a boy from the railroad tracks by as it swept eastward, disported itwhile a train was rapidly approach- self today along the Atlantic seaing in a snow storm cost Harry M. board and over the lower lake re-Kern of Phillipsburg, N. J., his life, gion. The storm centered over Ches-Kern was 28 years old and supported apeake bay this morning. Snow or sleet fell over the entire country from

Twelve Inches in Ohio.

Gallipolis, O., Dec. 6,-Twelve inches of snow has fallen here, the heaviest for ten years. Street car traffic is paralyzed. Snow in Kentucky

Lexington, Ky., Dec. 6.—One of the heaviest snows for many years fell last Virginia northeast, and throughout night and today. The fail in the mountains was two feet.