

BLACK BATTLES WITH OFFICERS

Patrolman C. B. Barbour of Raleigh Painfully Wounded as He Attempts to Arrest Negro.

SHOOTER AND POLICE IN A RUNNING FIGHT

E. C. Duncan Silent as to Transcontinental Developments—Railway Men's Banquet.

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Policeman C. B. Barbour, who was shot last evening by Will Neal, a negro, is reported to be doing well at a hospital today and will recover.

Barbour and other officers had a warrant for Neal charging simple assault, and, while two officers went in the house Barbour opened the door to an outhouse. He was received by a pistol shot in the left shoulder. Falling back, he told the other policeman the direction the fleeing negro took and they followed him across the city for more than a mile, ten more shots being fired at him.

Neal returned the fire but nobody else was hit. A hundred persons saw the arrest.

E. C. Duncan, a director of the Norfolk Southern Railroad company and a director of the North Carolina Transcontinental Railroad Construction company, has returned from New York, where he attended a meeting of the directors of the latter corporation. He had nothing to say in regard to the plans of the Transcontinental for completing its line of railroad from Knoxville, Tenn., to Rutherford, N. J., and other points in North Carolina.

To Speak in Raleigh.

Rev. Wilbur F. Crafts, Ph. D., of Washington, D. C., will deliver an address in the First Baptist church Wednesday evening on "Battles Won and Battles Lost," his object being to create sentiment in favor of the bill introduced in congress to prevent shipments of liquor into dry territory. Practically all the churches here are behind the movement and Dr. Crafts will doubtless be heard by a large crowd.

The Railroad Banquet.

Preparations are practically complete for the railroad celebration and banquet Thursday night, when E. B. Barbee, C. B. Barbee, E. C. Duncan and John A. Mills, four Raleigh railroad builders and promoters, will be guests of honor. The program includes many toasts, and among the speakers—aside from the gentlemen named—will be Capt. A. P. Thom, chief counsel for the Southern railway, whose wit and eloquence is known by all men who have seen him at a banquet or heard him in a court room.

Good Character Gains Pardon.

Richard X. Miller, convicted in Alamance county of receiving a stolen radio and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary, was pardoned Saturday on recommendation of the trial judge, solicitor, eight jurymen and many others. The young man was of good character and there was doubt of his guilt. The Supreme court recently confirmed the sentence. Ray Appointed to Election Board. The governor today appointed J. Frank Ray of Macon county to the state board of elections to succeed J. D. Elliott of Hickory, resigned.

PROTEST AGAINST HOOK AS ASSOCIATE JUSTICE

His Oklahoma Fare Order Injunction the Basis of Opposition.

Washington, Jan. 1.—Protests against the appointment of United States Circuit Judge Hook as associate justice of the Supreme court have been received by the president from the Oklahoma Corporation commission, the Minnesota Warehouse commission and Governor Aldrich of Nebraska. The opposition is based on the action of Judge Hook in enjoining the Oklahoma authorities from enforcing a two-cent railroad fare.

The president has intimated that he will make no appointment until the return of Attorney General Wickensham from Panama January 11.

SENATOR LAFOLLETTE TOURING MICHIGAN

GIRL GIVES LIFE FOR HER MOTHER'S

Man Shoots 14 Years Old Step-Daughter as She Shields Woman.

New York, Jan. 1.—Bertha Reinan, a 14 years old girl, stepped in front of a revolver in the hands of her step-father, George Benz, a salesman, and received in the temple two bullets intended for her mother today. The girl died in an ambulance on her way to a hospital. The mother was uninjured.

Benz fled down a street. He was captured later and held without bail charged with murder.

Mrs. Benz and her husband had been separated for several months. The mother and child were returning home from a New Year's reception when the shooting occurred.

WELL KNOWN EDUCATOR STABS HIMSELF IN HEART

Prof. C. O. Meux of Mobile Commits Suicide with a Pocket Knife.

Mobile, Ala., Jan. 1.—Prof. C. O. Meux, one of the most widely known educators in this section of the south and proprietor of Meux business college, committed suicide in his office yesterday. With a small pocket-knife he stabbed himself below the heart.

STEAM LAUNDRY WORKERS CALLED OUT ON STRIKE

Thousands of Employes in New York Are Affected by Order.

New York, Jan. 1.—A strike of steam laundry employes is promised as the first serious labor trouble of the new year in this city. During the closing hours of 1911 the Laundry Workers' International union met and ordered several thousand employes on strike, demanding a 16 hours day, better wages and sanitary conditions.

ENGINEER DROPS DEAD AS LOCOMOTIVE SPEEDS

Pueblo, Colo., Jan. 1.—While running a locomotive on the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe road, Wallace Everill, engineer, dropped dead at the throttle today. He was employed on the road 30 years.

SPEAKER CHAMP CLARK CONFERS WITH FRIENDS

St. Louis, Jan. 1.—Speaker Champ Clark today received New Year callers at the headquarters his friends have opened here to further their plans to have Clark receive the democratic presidential nomination. Clark's friends deny that it is probable the speaker will withdraw from the race for the nomination.

TWO DIE IN FIRE

Loss of \$100,000 Sustained When New York Milk Depot Is Burned.

New York, Jan. 1.—Two lives were lost and a \$100,000 loss caused today by the fire which destroyed a big milk depot on East Twenty-second street.

Stokes to Have Kidney Removed.

New York, Jan. 1.—W. E. D. Stokes, probably will undergo an operation soon for the removal of his left kidney. Stokes recently underwent an operation for the removal of an abscess in the kidney and the entire kidney is now affected.

Stokes was so ill during the recent trial of Lillian Graham and Ethel Contad, who shot him, that the verdict of their acquittal was not told him for more than a week.

Wolgang Very Ill.

Los Angeles, Jan. 1.—Ad Wolgang, the world's lightweight champion pugilist, is seriously ill, threatened with pneumonia. He contracted cold on an unbusinessable trip which, it is believed, settled on his lungs.

REBELS RENEW HONKOW ATTACK

Fierce Fighting Again Rages as Revolutionaries Move Against the Imperialist Garrison.

MANCHUS SEE CHANCE TO BREAK AGREEMENT

Yuan's Body-guard and Japanese Soldiers in Conflict—Sheng's Property Sequestered at Shanghai.

Peking, Jan. 1.—An army of 4000 revolutionists attacked Hankow City yesterday afternoon. An imperialist army of 30,000 occupies the city and fierce fighting is now progressing. The imperialists are delighted at the outbreak of hostilities, according to reports from government circles. This will give them an opportunity to avoid the result of the national convention agreed to by edict of the imperial court and representatives of the parties to the peace conference at Shanghai. By the agreement of the terms, delegates from China's provinces are to meet to decide the future form of government for China.

Hankow was the scene of severe fighting between the two armies before the recent armistice was decided upon.

Soldiers from the Japanese legion came into conflict yesterday with Yuan Shi-Kai's bodyguard. Bayonets and swords were used and six or more Japanese were wounded. It is reported that more than that number of Chinese were injured. The Japanese as well as the Chinese soldiers were off duty at the time of the clashes. The Japanese legion sent out a company with officers to rescue its men. The incidents are not believed to have any significance politically.

Sheng, Hsueh-Hung, minister of post and communications, writes to a friend here saying that the rebels are sequestering his extensive property at Shanghai. They allege, he says, that the "foreign nation" group of bandits heavily bribed him for favoring them in connection with the currency and railway loans. This he emphatically denies.

A dispatch from Hankow says that three soldiers have been court-martialed and beheaded because they were suspected of an attempt to assassinate General Li Yuan Heng, the commander of the revolutionaries. They were captured with revolvers in their hands standing close to the general.

BROWN HARDWARE CO. IS GRANTED A CHARTER

Will Begin Business at North Main Street Store About First of March.

A dispatch from Raleigh today is to the effect that the Brown Hardware company of Asheville, Hugh C. Brown, Edwin L. Brown and others, incorporated, has received a charter with an authorized capital of \$15,000, with \$7500 paid in. This company was formed here several weeks ago and leased the building on North Main street formerly occupied by the Asheville Hardware company, the affairs of which have recently been wound up in receivership. Some of the younger business men of the city are stockholders. It was stated that only \$7500 of the stock was to be issued for the time, and all of this has been taken.

When the stock of the Asheville Hardware company was sold at auction some of the stockholders of the Brown-Hard company formed the Brown-Hard company and bought a part of the stock and have been engaged in selling it for the past few weeks. Hugh C. Brown, the manager of the Brown Hardware company, is in charge.

Mr. Brown stated this morning that the Brown Hardware company, which will have the North Main stand, would probably not begin business until the first of March. New fixtures are to be installed and practically an entire new stock of goods will be bought.

No Pardon for Morse.

Washington, Jan. 1.—It was announced at the White House last night that the report of army medical officers who have examined Charles W. Morse, convicted New York banker, serving sentence in the Atlanta, Ga., federal penitentiary, does not warrant immediate interference by the president and the pardon will not be granted at this time.

Atwood Plunged in Lake.

Lynn, Mass., Jan. 1.—When but a few hundred yards from Point-à-Pine, the starting place of his flight to Portland, Me., Harry N. Atwood met with an accident and fell into icy water with his hydroplane. He crawled upon the top of the machine and at once was waiting for some one to come to his rescue.



New York Herald and The Gazette-News.

AND NOW THE BARREL DOESN'T FIT New Year's Reception Held at the White House Brilliant

Historic Event a Replica of Many That Have Gone Before—President and Mrs. Taft Surrounded by Cabinet Members and Their Wives, Receive Diplomats, Statesmen and Military Men—"Open House" to the Public.

Washington, Jan. 1.—President and Mrs. Taft today presided for the third time at the historic New Year's reception at the White House. The day was overcast and threatening but was a decided improvement over the snow and rain prevailing a year ago and in 1910.

Custom has not changed the New Year's reception in any particular for a decade. Today's big function was carried out in accordance with the set program of the years. New faces were in line and many old ones were missing, but as a picture the reception was but a replica of many that have gone before. President and Mrs. Taft stood in the blue room surrounded by members of the cabinet and their wives. It was 11 o'clock when they descended from the upper floors with the marine band playing the "Star Spangled Banner." Military and naval aides were scattered about in profusion. The diplomatic corps already had assembled in the state dining room when President and Mrs. Taft took their place. Foreign representatives were in court costume and they inaugurated the reception with its usual brilliance of coloring. Following the diplomats, the president received the Supreme court and other federal judges, government officials of all ranks, senators, representatives, army and naval officers, and various officers of patriotic societies.

"Open House" for the Public. Last in line came long streams of private citizens. Many thousands of them passed through the White House. No limit was placed on the public. It was "open house" and any citizen who cared to do so had an opportunity to shake the president's hand. Most of the foreign ministers credited to the United States were in town. In some instances their countries were represented by legation staffs.

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MANY ARE IMPERILED BY BLAZE IN HOTEL

Philadelphia, Jan. 1.—Men and women in night clothes were sent scurrying down the fire escapes, many narrowly escaping death or injury, in a fire in the New Lafayette hotel early this morning. All the guests were asleep when the blaze was discovered.

One man, R. M. Hill of Philadelphia, jumped from a third-story window and fractured his skull. He may die. The fire loss is small.

CAPTAIN REFUSES TO LEAVE SINKING SHIP

British Steamer Thisterry, Aground on Lookout Shoals, Probably Will Be a Total Loss. Beaufort, N. C., Jan. 1.—Efforts to save the British steamer Thisterry, aground on Lookout shoals, have been unsuccessful. The vessel probably will be a total loss. The crew has been taken from the ship by the revenue cutter Racco and brought to the coast. Master Ferguson has refused to leave the ship and is aiding the wreckers in an effort to save \$2000 of cargo shipped from Galveston for Liverpool.

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White Slain, 2 Wounded by Blacks Near Memphis

Memphis, Jan. 1.—William Hadesty was killed and his body burned and Charles Young and James Malloy were seriously wounded by a mob of 15 negroes on Centennial Island, 20 miles north of Memphis today. The victims are fishermen.

The island has been the scene of many similar tragedies in the last few years and many conflicts between whites and blacks.

1911 Hard Year in Wall Street, the Traders Agree

New York, Jan. 1.—Wall street will begin the new year with the wish that it be more prosperous than 1911. The last 12 months saw hard times in Wall street. Business was poor most of the year except for a few large houses. Not only on the stock exchange, but in other exchanges and on the "curb" the market depression was felt.

There was active speculation at times among Wall street traders, but there was no general participation by the public. The year's poor business conditions generally are regarded as responsible for the slump in trading.

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ORDERED FROM STREETS HOWARD INAUGURATED PRESIDENT OF LIBERIA

Monrovia, Liberia, Jan. 1.—Daniel Howard was today inaugurated president of Liberia, succeeding President Barclay, who occupied the office eight years. The new president read an inaugural address expressing satisfaction that the protracted negotiations in connection with the finances of the country were brought to a conclusion through the sympathetic interest of the United States, Great Britain and other powers.

Muskogee, Okla., Jan. 1.—As a result of the lynching yesterday of William Turner, a negro, for murdering George Canon, a white farmer, and for a criminal assault upon Mrs. Canon, a warning has been issued to negroes to keep off the streets of Muskogee, where the lynching occurred, as well as at Sallisaw, the county seat.

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ARRESTED, SHE ADMITS KILLING

Mobile Woman Claims That She Shot Son-in-Law After He Had Insulted Her.

PUT BODY IN WAGON, DUMPED IT IN POND

Tragedy Recalls Murder of One of Her Former Husbands and Disappearance of Another.

Mobile, Ala., Jan. 1.—Arrested within a few minutes after the bloody remains of her son-in-law, Policeman Frederick Wasserlaben, had been found in a pond near the western city limits, Mrs. Mary T. Godau last night made a full confession of the deed. Wasserlaben had been shot three times, twice through the head and once through the arm. The killing occurred at the home of Wasserlaben after, according to the confession, insulting remarks were made to Mrs. Godau. As a result of the insult, Mrs. Godau, who saw Wasserlaben's gun on a hall rack, picked it up and returned to the room. "I raised the pistol and, looking him straight in the face, pulled the trigger. I thought I would do a good job while I was at it, so I pulled the trigger again."

Subsequently Mrs. Godau took the body in a wagon and dumped it into the pond where it was discovered. Mrs. Godau has been married three times. Joseph Godau, her last husband, was murdered in a manner similar to the deed of yesterday, but the grand jury failed to indict her. Another husband, named Steiner, mysteriously disappeared.

Several hours after the finding of the body a number of garments saturated with blood were discovered under the Wasserlaben home, about a mile from the pond where the body was found. Mrs. Wasserlaben, in a statement subsequent to her arrest, declared that she knew nothing of the crime until advised of the finding of the body. She asserted that she last saw her husband at noon Saturday.

MR. LAFOLLETTE'S VIEWS ON THE LABOR UNIONS

Says Sherman Act Should Not Apply to These Organizations.

Cincinnati, Jan. 1.—Senator LaFollette invaded President Taft's own territory Saturday. The progressive candidate for the republican nomination for president stopped at Hamilton, Butler county, drew together a crowd that filled the hall in which he spoke and after a brief reception by the Hamilton chamber of commerce, entered President Taft's own city in a drizzling rainstorm.

In Hamilton, although arrangements for the meeting had been made too late to permit any extended notices, a skating ring hastily outfitted with chairs was well filled. Senator LaFollette, with watch in hand, announced that he would talk but half an hour, but warmed into his speech and talked nearly three times as long. His voice had become husky and he gave evidence of being fatigued by the first week of his speechmaking tour.

At Music hall here he attacked the judicial construction which brought labor union combinations under the restrictions of the Sherman antitrust law. "It is strange," he said, "that when the court goes to its furthest limit in imposing penalties on combinations of capital, all of the capitalist owners get away with the full value of their property, but when the court goes to the same limit in enforcing penalties on combinations of labor it takes away the homes and savings of the guilty ones."

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\$30,000 Fire in Baltimore. Baltimore, Jan. 1.—Fire today destroyed the Martin company fertilizer plant. The loss exceeds \$30,000.