

ADMIRAL EVANS DIES SUDDENLY

Washington Mourns Unexpected Passing of Famous Sea Fighter—Many Expressions of Sympathy.

BURIAL ON THURSDAY WITH NAVAL HONORS

Companies of Marines and Blue-Jackets and Battalion of Midshipmen Will Be in Cortege.

Washington, Jan. 4.—Official Washington generally did not learn until today of Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans' sudden demise last night and the news caused a great shock.

The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon at All Souls' Unitarian church where President Taft attends. The pall-bearers have not been selected but will be chosen from among the naval officers who served under Admiral Evans.

Admiral Evans, born 25 years ago in Floyd county, Virginia, arose yesterday apparently in better health and spirits than he had enjoyed in some time.

While in his library at 2 o'clock the admiral was stricken. Instantly his family sent for Dr. S. S. Adams, who on his arrival found the patient in great pain.

At his bedside at the time of his death were his wife, his daughter, Mrs. H. L. Sewall, and his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Frank T. Evans, wife of the admiral's only son, a lieutenant commander in the navy now on duty on the torpedo boat destroyer Monahan, at Boston.

Admiral Dewey was so overcome that he could utter but a few words. "I am shocked beyond measure at the sudden death of my lifelong friend, Admiral Evans," was all he could say.

Secretary Meyer paid this tribute to the officer's memory: "By the sudden death of Admiral Evans, the country loses one of its most brilliant and able officers.

Former Secretary of the Navy Metcalf, who happened to be in Washington, pointed out that he had himself given Admiral Evans the command of the Atlantic fleet in its cruise around the world, the choicest assignment ever extended to an American naval officer in time of peace.

"He was practically an ill man when he was selected for this important duty," said Mr. Metcalf, "but his splendid record justified the department in giving him this recognition of his long and efficient service. He was one of the most efficient and capable officers of the navy has known and his name has been a household word for many years."

MR. GUDGER GIVES REASON FOR VOTE

Congressman Amplifies His Explanation of Position on Sherwood Pension Bill.

QUOTES THE COMMONER ON PENSION SUBJECT

And Points Out That Democrats Must Carry Some Northern States if They Win.

Gazette-News Bureau, Wyatt Building, Washington, Jan. 4. Representative Gudger of the Tenth North Carolina district given out the following interview:

"My attention has been called to an open letter from Mr. Gallert in the Rutherfordton Sun, requesting me to make a statement regarding the Sherwood pension bill, which I take pleasure in doing. The democratic party has repeatedly discussed the pension question in its national platforms, and has expressed its position on it.

"It will not be denied, I take it, that these declarations of the party are binding upon it as an organization, even though they may not meet the personal approval of all individual members of it.

"In 1906 the democratic national platform pledged the party to favor liberal pensions in the following words: 'We are proud of the courage and fidelity of the American soldiers and sailors in all our wars, we favor liberal pensions to them and their dependents.'

"Now what was meant by this pledge? What construction must be placed upon this party declaration? If it was intended only to pledge the party's support of the annual appropriations necessary to pay the pensions already authorized by law, which amounted that year to \$138,500,000, surely they would have so stated.

"Again in 1904 the democratic national platform contained this pledge on the pension question: 'The democracy would secure to the surviving soldiers and sailors, and their dependents, generous pensions, not by an arbitrary, executive order, but by legislation which a grateful people stand ready to enact.'

"Here the party specifically pledges itself to 'secure generous pensions by legislation.' That year the pension appropriation was \$141,000,000. The Sherwood Bill. 'Yet the party pledged itself to further pension legislation and the language employed meant unmistakably (Continued on page 2)

MAJ. GRANT REAPPOINTED FEDERAL COURT CLERK

He in Turn Names Deputies in Eastern Carolina District.

Gazette-News Bureau, Raleigh, Jan. 4.

Judge Connor of the eastern district federal court today reappointed Maj. H. L. Grant as deputy clerk. The latter reappointed deputy clerks at other court towns in the east. It is not known yet whether they will be a replacement of clerks when the bill passes congress creating a court at Wilson, Judge Connor's home.

SENATOR LAFOLLETTE SPEAKING IN ILLINOIS

Chicago, Jan. 4.—Senator Robert M. LaFollette, on a speaking campaign promoting his candidacy for the republican presidential nomination, visited Joliet, Morris, Ottawa and several other Illinois points today.

WULFF PLEADS GUILTY

Former Cashier of New Orleans Bank, \$200,000 Remanded to Jail for Sentence.

New Orleans, Jan. 4.—Herman A. Wulff, former cashier of the Commercial German Trust and Savings bank of New Orleans, entered a plea of guilty to charges of obtaining money under false pretenses today. He was remanded for sentence.

Wulff was connected with banking institutions here for many years. He has a wife and several children. The defalcations totaled \$20,000.

Goat 'Trees' Pittsburgh Policeman.

Pittsburgh, Pa., Jan. 4.—Policeman Michael Casey, of the Woods Run station, tried to round up a goat in Riverview park and the animal charged him. Casey took to a nearby tree, and the goat spent an hour butting the tree in an effort to dislodge him. When Casey failed to report on time the reserves were sent out and rescued him.

Attempt to Describe "Typical Southern Beauty"



ALLEGES "DREYFUS" PLOT IN PERKINS DISCHARGE

Howard Says Club Conspiracy Forced Out Marine Corps Officer.

Washington, Jan. 4.—Representative Howard of Georgia, in urging before the house naval affairs subcommittee today the reinstatement of Lieutenant Colonel C. M. Perkins of the marine corps, declared that Perkins' discharge for alleged "mental incompetence" was a "Dreyfus" conspiracy, hatched at the Army and Naval club in Washington.

Howard attacked the marine corps and the navy. "Only 32 per cent of the officers of the navy," he said, "are in actual service" and the remainder sit around Washington engaged in "social" pursuits. Naval battles are planned and fought in clubs, where liquor takes the place of the briny deep with a red cherry as the ship and a toothpick as the propelling force. Officers furnish the wind. "The committee took the Perkins case under advisement.

BATTLESHIP BIDS. Proposed Battleships Oklahoma and Nevada Will Cost More Than Five Million Each.

Washington, Jan. 4.—Bids for the construction of the two 27,000 ton battleships Oklahoma and Nevada were opened today. The lowest proposals were from the New York Shipbuilding company of Camden, N. J., at \$5,926,000 for one ship; from the Fore River and Shipbuilding company of Quincy, Mass., at \$5,935,000 per ship. The Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock company, was the only other concern submitting a proposal. This was barred because its total, \$6,450,000, was far in excess of the figure set by congress as the maximum cost of ships.

DANIEL B. MILLIKAN Former Manager for S. H. Kress & Co. in Asheville Dies at Americus, Ga.

DANIEL B.—PJ News of the death of Daniel B. Millikan, formerly local manager of the store of S. H. Kress & Co., at Americus, Ga., was received here by his friends late yesterday afternoon. The young man was about 20 years of age and was fast rising in the business world. He had made many friends here during the two years that he was connected with the Kress company. The remains will probably be interred at Greensboro, his old home.

STEEL REVISION Bill Agreed Upon by House Committee Reduces Duties from 30 to 35 Per Cent.

Washington, Jan. 4.—A bill making a general reduction of from 30 to 35 per cent on all steel and iron duties of the present Aldrich-Payne tariff law was today agreed upon by the house ways and means committee. The bill would add to the free list carpenter tools and other articles of ordinary use among consumers.

Taft Confers With Judiciary Committee.

Washington, Jan. 4.—The appearance of five members of the senate judiciary committee at the White House today gave rise to the belief that President Taft began sounding the committee before sending to the senate the nomination of a successor to the late Justice Harlan. United States Circuit Judge Hook of Kansas seemed foremost for the post in the president's mind. Inauguration of Railway Presidential Completion.

Washington, Jan. 4.—Many of the foreign embassies and legations here will send representatives to the international celebration at Key West, Fla., January 22, of the completion of the Florida East Coast railway, connecting Key West with the main land.

Atlanta, Jan. 4.—Here are a few of Atlanta's beautiful women, "typical southern beauties." An Atlanta paper a few days ago received an inquiry from a visitor to the city as to just what was meant by a "typical Southern beauty." The reply to the person putting the question was an invitation to call at the office of the paper. When the inquisitive tourist saw the editor the party of the second part said: "Here in Atlanta, and in America generally, we try to be obliging. Your question stumped us all for a moment. We knew very well indeed that we could not supply general directions, nor a diagram, nor a map of a 'typical Southern beauty,' so we decided to let you see yourself what we in the south think makes good looks."

The letter writer was escorted to the photograph repository of the paper. He picked from a collection a mile high the photographs, sent herewith, and said they all were portraits of southern beauties. The pictures he selected were at the time they were taken pictures of Miss La Verne Bruce, Mrs. Abbie Wilson, Miss Susan Bowie, Mrs. John H. Lofland, Miss Nancy Cunningham and Miss Virginia Jefferson.

TAFT REFUSES TO ATTACK ROOSEVELT

President's Supporters Notified That Under No Circumstances Will He Countenance Warfare on Former Executive As Result of Letters Alleged Candidacy.

Washington, Jan. 4.—Word was sent broadcast to Taft's supporters today that under no circumstances would the president countenance attacks on Roosevelt regarding the republican presidential nomination situation. It was said the president has expressed himself as being at a loss to account for reports that relations between him and Roosevelt were seriously strained. He has not taken an opportunity to reply directly to any utterances of Roosevelt that were interpreted in some quarters as attacks upon the administration's policy and it is said he does not wish his friends to go further than he has.

Seek to Free Heir, Boy Long Held by Strange Cult

Chicago, Jan. 4.—The fight for the possession of William Lindsay, the twelve years old heir to an estate in Philadelphia, began before Judge Pinckney today. Ottoman-Zar-Adush-Hanish, high priest of the cult, which has held the boy since his father died, was a witness. Mrs. Elizabeth Lindsay was an earnest devotee of the cult known as "Vahdah."

Yuan Orders Generals to Resume Hostilities

Shanghai, Jan. 4.—The imperial government in Peking today sent orders to all generals commanding the imperial troops that they resume hostilities January 5, unless they receive notification in the meantime that the armistice between the two forces has been renewed. This step is taken, it is assumed, because of the revolutionaries refusal to continue negotiations with the Peking authorities in accordance with Premier Yuan's demand.

"FREE SMOKER" TEST So Declares Gov. Eugene N. Foss in His Inaugural Address at Boston.

Washington, Jan. 4.—Internal Revenue Commissioner Cabell today advised collectors throughout the country that a friendly test case upon the question of imposing an internal revenue tax on "free smokers" given employees in cigar factories would shortly be instituted. Zero Weather in Wisconsin. La Crosse, Wis., Jan. 4.—The government thermometer stood 23 degrees below zero this morning, the lowest temperature recorded here for several years.

WARSHIPS MOBILIZING FOR MIMIC WAR GAME

Vessels Along Atlantic Coast To Proceed South for Maneuvers.

Washington, Jan. 4.—Somewhere off the coast of Cuba during the next few weeks the entire Atlantic fleet of 21 battleships, four armored cruisers and about a dozen destroyers will be engaged in one of the most difficult mimic war games ever devised. No inkling of the plans to be worked out has been given to the public. The vessels now in Hampton Roads and those which left Philadelphia Tuesday will disperse at sea and proceed south singly or in small divisions. Other ships will leave their home stations at the discretion of their commanding officers, as the search problem is to play an important part in the maneuvers. The new super-dreadnoughts, Florida and Utah will participate.

ANGRY EMPLOYEES HOLD RECEIVERS PRISONERS

Italians Get 90 Cents on the Dollar From Bankrupt Company.

Norfolk, Jan. 4.—Paid their wages under a compromise of 90 cents on the dollar, the belligerent Italian employees of the bankrupt Smithfield Marl-Clay Transportation company today left Littleton, where excitement ran high yesterday during the forcible detention of federal court receivers.

'LEAVENWORTH FOR ME,' SAYS ARRESTED BANKER

"And the Sooner the Better," He Adds—Dealing Admits Forgeries Totaling \$165,000. Battle Creek, Mich., Jan. 4.—"It's Leavenworth prison for me and the sooner the better," said H. M. Dearing, the aged banker, as he left Detroit today with his son, Palmer M. Dearing, in custody of United States Marshal Campbell. Father and son confessed to forgeries aggregating \$165,000, which caused the Albion National Bank failure on Tuesday.

WORTH A MILLION, SHE MARRIES CHAUFFEUR

Chicago, Jan. 4.—Mrs. Mabel Treanor of South Bend, possessor of a million dollars, was married yesterday to her former chauffeur, Harry Wood, who is many years younger.

Ticket Scandal Report Comes Friday.

Cincinnati, Jan. 4.—After almost three months of investigation the national baseball commission which met here yesterday reached a decision in the alleged ticket scalping scandal during the last world's series at New York and Philadelphia and a finding will be handed down Friday night, but just what this finding will contain remains a mystery.

Woman Is Killed, Her Babe Lives.

Philadelphia, Jan. 4.—Walking along the Reading railroad tracks at Bustleton with an 18 month old child in her arms, Mrs. Polta Prifolia, aged 20, was struck by a train and killed instantly. The child was tossed into a field. Except for slight bruises the child was uninjured.

Chinese Minister is Released.

Washington, Jan. 4.—The Chinese minister to Washington, Chang Yin-Tang today decided to quit his post here. The reason is unannounced. He leaves the capital for China next week.

Ex-Slave Worth \$116,000.

Champaign, Ill., Jan. 4.—George W. Smith, born a negro slave in Tennessee 75 years ago, left property worth \$116,000, according to his will, filed for probate here today.

TO PARAMOUNT 'TARIFF' ISSUE

Gov. Woodrow Wilson and Other Speakers Inaugurate Move Before National Democratic Club.

PROTECTIVE SYSTEM HAS BECOME INCUBUS

New Jersey Executive Says Consumer and Business Alike Are Injured by Policy of Favoritism.

New York, Jan. 4.—Governor Woodrow Wilson of New Jersey addressed the National Democratic club here last night on the topic "The Democratic Party and the Tariff." Once again, Mr. Wilson said, the tariff had become "the chief and most critical question of a campaign which must decide the policy of our government, not only in this great matter, but in regard to a score of things which touch the general adjustments of our life."

He continued in part: "Our tariff policy has not for several generations been based upon any principle whatever, but only upon a system of favoritism, of patronage, of arbitrary favoritism by the federal government."

"The strength of American industry lies in the skill and intelligence of the American workman, and the capacity of American superintendents and managers; and the efficiency and glory of the workingman depend upon all the moral and physical elements involved in the circumstances of his employment."

"Another factor in the case. 'If this country is to be the snug harbor for those who are at a disadvantage in the markets of the world, why should it not also by the conventional method of combination be a refuge for those who are also at a disadvantage in the markets of America itself. Are there not evidences that it has become just that? Have not great combinations recently effected in this country brought about just such a result? Of a dozen mills or factories brought together in a single trust or combination, there is always a very considerable variety in the so-called cost of production. In some the machinery has not been brought up to date; the plant is not built in a way to lend itself to the most efficient methods of production; the market is not quite so accessible; the source of raw materials is more difficult of access. Again and again it has happened that after the combination was effected the less efficient factories and mills were closed down and only the more efficient continued in operation; but the business as newly constituted had to carry the cost of the original merger of the inefficient mills and factories. They were probably put into the combination at a figure greatly exceeding their real value."

"This figure enters into the issue of the securities of the corporation; the profits must be made upon those figures if the stockholders are to get dividends; and so the country must carry for an indefinite period inefficient establishments which have been actually closed and put out of business. And this very process itself shows the futility of any attempt to base duties upon 'cost of production.' An Incubus on the State. "When America was in her infancy, when her resources were undeveloped, when her industries were at their beginning, there was much to be said for a system of artificial stimulation and protection. But long after that period was passed, and that reason for the maintenance of the system of protection cut away, it was maintained upon other theories and with other purposes, and it has grown until it has become a veritable incubus, not merely upon the consumer, but upon the business of the country itself, and on it have been built up great combinations and monopolies, which have drawn upon themselves universal condemnation. "We are rich enough, we are safe enough in our prosperity, we are sure enough of our capacity, of our skill, of our resourcefulness, to set ourselves free at last. We are ready now in our majority to return to the uses of government of which the mature can approve. Taxation must never be used for the benefit of some at the expense of others. The power of the government must never be loaned to those who can not sustain themselves. The only legitimate object of taxation is revenue for the support of the government."

Congressman William C. Redfield, of Brooklyn, and Francis Burton Harrison, of New York, were other speakers. The club has appointed a committee to lead a systematic and progressive campaign tariff reform in aid of the democratic leaders in congress.

Texas Banker a Suicide.

Dallas, Tex., Jan. 4.—Volney E. Armstrong, for many years a prominent Dallas banker, shot and killed himself at his home here yesterday afternoon. He had been connected with the National Bank of Commerce of the city for 18 years, a large part of the time as cashier. Falling health compelled him to resign last October.