THE WEATHER
(Today.)
North Carolina: Unsettled weather, probably rain Friday and Saturday; light to moderate variable winds.

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THE WEATHER
(Yesterday.)
Highest temperature, 51 degrees; lowest temperature, 40 degrees; total precipitation for 24 hours ending 8 p. m., .02 inch.

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CHINESE PREMIER GIVES ULTIMATUM

Declares Without Qualification He Will Not Accept the Republic Proposition

THE NEW SITUATION WHICH HAS ARISEN

Great Britain, Now Strengthened by the Accession of Japan to Its Policy of Supporting a Monarchy in China, is Reported to Be Endeavoring to Secure the Support of the United States "and Other Countries"—Only the Name of Monarchy is Left—Revolutionists Determined in Their Demands for a Republic.

(By Cable ot News and Observer.)

Peking, Dec. 21.—Premier Yuan Shi Kai today gave his answer to those who are aiming to transform China into a Republic. In an official statement he declared without qualification that he refused to accept a republic.

At the Shanghai peace conference yesterday Wu Ting Fang, foreign minister in the revolutionary provisional cabinet, spoke stronkly in favor of a republic, and later Tang Shao-Yi said he was convinced that the abdication of the Emperor and the establishment of a republic was the only thing that would satisfy the people. At the same time he expressed doubt whether it would be possible to persuade Yuan Shi Kai to abandon his plan for a limited monarchy.

It is believed here that Yuan Shi Kai means what he says and will uphold the monarchy.

A new situation has arisen. Great Britain, which has been supporting the Premier's monarchical program for several weeks, is now strengthened by Japan and is endeavoring to obtain the support of the United States and other countries.

Great Britain believes the separation of the dependencies, Manchuria, Mongolia and Thibet, and the serious disintegration of China proper would result from the establishment of a republic, whereas the republicans have already obtained in a material way everything they desired. Only the name of the monarchy is left.

It is stated that the American group, if not the American State Department, already supports the British idea, and are ready with two, if not three, of the others of the "four nation group" of financiers, to lend Yuan Shi Kai's government money. Negotiations to this end have been proceeding for some days.

It was on Great Britain's initiative that the six powers urged the Shanghai Peace Conference to reach an agreement. Now Great Britain is endeavoring to pursuade the rebels to come to terms. It is pointed out that British interference is not directed against China's interests, but against the sentimental idea, in such cases, where the practical interests of the nation are being jeopardized.

The extension of the armistice for ten days to which the revolutionists have agreed has given some hope, but unless the revolutionists accept Premier Yuan's offer the only alternative is continuation of the conflict with possible division of the country, the dependencies rallying around the northern empire.

The premier has sent 3,000 troops of the Twentieth division to Chin-Wang-Tao on the coast of Chili, with the object of preventing republican troops from assembling in the north. Precautions are also being taken below Tien Tsin.

Japan and Great Britain May Make Matters Worse For Foreign Presidents.

Shanghai, Dec. 21.—The revolutionary leaders here positively assert that if Yuan Shi Kai persists in his refusal to accept a republic, the powers giving him their support would be regarded as the enemies of China, and the lives of all foreigners in China would be jeopardized.

The Mote in the Optic.

It is generally believed among the revolutionists that Great Britain is supporting the monarchy solely because of the dangerous example which

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DO KEROSENE OIL LAMPS EXPLODE

Argument of N. C. Oil Inspection Law in Supreme Court of U. S. by North Carolina Attorneys

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, Dec. 21.—Whether kerosene oil lamps explode was the question debated by attorneys today before the Supreme Court in arguments as to the constitutionality of the North Carolina statute for the inspection of illuminating oil. R. W. Winston, of Raleigh, N. C., contended that neither he nor any of the justices had ever seen an oil lam explode and that the tales of such explosions were as "fictitious as the sea serpent of Mrs. Harris of Dickens fame." Attorney General Bickett, of North Carolina, argued that they did explode and that the statute was a reasonable one.

The arguments were not concluded.

WILSON'S MANAGER IN WASHINGTON

He Will Keep Open House on the Occasion of the Jackson Day Banquet There

EXPECTS JERSEYMAN TO WIN ON FIRST BALLOT

W. F. McCombs, Who Maintains Headquarters in New York, as Manager of Gov. Woodrow Wilson's Candidacy, Talks to Washington Newspaper Men About the Outlook. Arranges to Meet Visitors From All Over Country Who Attend Jackson Day Banquet.

(By THOMAS J. PENCE.)

Washington, D. C., Dec. 21.—W. F. McCombs, who for the past eight months has been at the head of the movement for the selection of Governor Woodrow Wilson, of New Jersey as the Democratic nominee for the Presidency, made a flying trip to Washington today, and before leaving for New York, where he maintains headquarters, announced that he would return to the National Capital for the meeting of the Democratic National Committee on January 8th.

The manager of the Wilson Presidential campaign has engaged headquarters at the New Willard Hotel, where he expects to meet many friends of the New Jersey Executive, from every section of the country while the National Committee is in session. Mr. McCombs will arrive in Washington January 5th and remain until the 9th.

Expects to Win Nomination on First Ballot.

That Woodrow Wilson will be the choice of the Democracy for the Presidential nomination on the first ballot when the National Convention convenes was the opinion expressed to newspaper men today by Mr. McCombs, who spoke with enthusiasm of the reports received by him from the different States at his New York headquarters.

No "Gum-Shoe" Campaign.

Speaking of the campaign that he is directing in behalf of the nomination of the New Jersey Executive by the Democracy for the Presidency, Mr. McCombs said: "Governor Wilson will not make a gum-shoe campaign. He has said repeatedly that he believes the people are entitled to know everything about him and his candidacy upon every problem. He says he wishes the fullest publicity of all his ideas and utterances."

Great Wilson Activity in Illinois.

Chicago, Dec. 21.—Woodrow Wilson clubs in every county in Illinois were promised the national organization, which is promoting the New Jersey man's candidacy for President on the Democratic ticket, by the Woodrow Wilson Club of Illinois at its meeting here today.

Headquarters will be opened in Chicago January 1st and the county societies will report to that office. Governor Deneen was appealed to in resolutions adopted today to call a special session of the Legislature to pass an amendment to the primary election law, providing for a President primary.

House Wins in Conference Over Urgent Deficiency Bill.

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, Dec. 21.—A victory for the House in the conference over the urgent deficiency appropriation bill was contained in the report of the conferees today. Out of $821,871 in appropriations attached to the bill by the Senate only $93,000 remained when the conference committee reported an agreement.

Applause greeted the announcement in the House. The bill as finally agreed to carries $2,437,756. Both House adopted the report and sent the measure to the President. It was the first big supply measure of the Congress.

PASTOR RICHESON UNABLE TO TALK

And His Strange Attempt at Bodily Injuiry Remains Unexplained--State Will Press for Trial Jan. 15th

(By the Associated Press.)

Boston, Mass., Dec. 21.—Kept under opiates throughout the day to deaden the pain from his self-inflicted wounds, the Rev. Clarence V. T. Richeson was unable to converse with his counsel, Wm. A. Morse in his cell today, so that his silence regarding his act remains unbroken.

Physicians held out encouragement as to the prisoner's early recovery, declaring that barring the danger of sepsis which was a possibility, he would be physically able to appear in court Jan. 15, when he is to stand trial for the alleged murder of Avis Linnell.

Mr. Morse, one of Richeson's attorneys contends that the trial should be postponed owing to yesterday's incident which must cause delay inasmuch as Richeson will not be phycally able

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TIFFIN'S POLICE CHIEF A WITNESS

Developments at the Hearing Before Grand Jury in Indianapolis Were Important

PLANTS WHERE NON-UNION WORKMEN WERE HIRED

Evidence Secured That Explosions Destroying Plants Employing Non-Union Workmen, Were Directed From the Union's Headquarters in Indianapolis, Although the Suggestions Came Originally From the Towns Where the Plants Were Located—Prosecuting Attorney Baker Fined $50.

(By the Associated Press.)

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 21.—Claude E. Myers, chief of police of Tiffin, Ohio where 540 pounds of dynamite and other explosives were found hidden in a barn the day after the arrest of John J. McNamara in Indianapolis on last April 22, was the chief witness before the Federal grand jury in the investigation of the dynamiting conspiracy today.

He was among those from whom, it was said, the investigators expected to learn facts as to who, besides the McNamaras and Ortie McManigal were implicated particularly in the explosions in Pennsylvania, Ohio and Indiana to carry on which the stores of explosives at Tiffin were used as a base of supplies.

Explosions Directed From Union Headquarters.

Information was said to have been obtained by District Attorney Charles W. Miller that the explosions were directed from McNamara's headquarters in Indianapolis, where as secretary-treasurer of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers he had his direct, although the suggestion for the destruction of property erected by firms employing non-union men came originally from the city where the explosions afterwards took place.

In connection with Chief Myers' appearance it was learned that the district attorney's office here accumulated important data relative to local conditions in the score of cities where structures were blown up in the last five years.

County Prosecutor Frank P. Baker also was before the grand jury. He was summoned because of his work as prosecutor in conducting before the county grand jury an investigation of explosions in Indianapolis.

Prosecuting Attorney Fined For Contempt.

Baker earlier in the day had been

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COTTON CONGRESS COMMITTEE PLAN

Action Taken at Meeting in New Orleans to Secure Reduction of Acreage

CUT DOWN CROP IN ALL STATES FULLY 25 PER CT.

Plan Adopted is Modification of the "Rock Hill Plan" and Provides for Securing Signed Pledges of Farmers Through State and County Organizations—Declaration Adopted Expressly States That It Is Desired Not to Do Anything in Conflict With Anti-Trust Law.

(By the Associated Press.)

New Orleans, La., Dec. 21.—The executive committee of the Southern Cotton Congress adjourned tonight after deciding upon a plan to secure a reduction in the cotton acreage of the South to the extent of 25 per cent next year and taking steps to secure the uniform operation of the plan in all the cotton growing States.

The plan adopted is a modification of the so-called "Rock Hill plan" which was proposed to the committee by J. G. Anderson, of Rock Hill, S. C., and provides for securing signed pledges from farmers through State and county organizations. In the "declaration" adopted, it is specifically stated that the organization "does not wish to do anything which may be in violation of the Sherman Anti-Trust Law."

The State organizations are to call upon bankers and business men to assist the farmers in securing sufficient organization expenses.

Paid canvassers are to be employed to secure signatures of farmers to pledges to curtail acreage.

The reports on acreage reduction from the various State superintendents to be filed with E. J. Watson, president of the Congress, at Columbia, S. C., by March 1, 1912, and after the figures are compiled they will be published throughout the South. The committee recommended that farmers' rallies, intended to aid in this movement, be held on January 25 next, at every school house in the cotton belt, to be followed on January 27 by county rallies at the various county seats.

R. D. Bowen, of Paris, Texas, di-

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HAS HIS BACKBONE WITH HIM ALL RIGHT

Judge Carpenter Denies Motions of Meat Trust to Throw Case Out of Court

ATTORNEYS FOR PACKERS PRESENT CASE TO JURY

The Long Delayed Trial of Individual Members of the Chicago Meat Trust Gets Under Way at Last—Attempt to Secure Further Delay by Resort to Legal Technicalities Fails by Judge Carpenter's Prompt Negative Decision—What the Defendants Claim, as Shown in Opening Speech of Counsel.

(By the Associated Press.)

Chicago, Dec. 21.—Denying every material allegation made by the Government against the ten Chicago packers on trial before United States District Judge Carpenter for violation of

the criminal sections of the Sherman law, Attorney Geo. T. Buckingham today outlined the case of the defendants in an opening statement to the jury.

The defense met defeat when Judge Carpenter at the opening of court denied motions to eliminate counts two and three from the indictment and have the jury disregard statements made by District Attorney Wilkerson in his opening argument regarding

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SOUTHERN WRECK KING'S MOUNTAIN

Through Pasenger Train No. 38 Derailed and 6 Coaches Overturned

LOSS OF LIFE PREVENTED BY HIGH EMANKMENT

The Steel Coaches Also Figured in the Same Direction, For They Withstood the Crash and Saved Passengers From Flying Timbers—Circumstances of Accident Which Ocurred at 7:30 Last Night—Delay of 10 Hours in Travel—Wrecking Crews to Scene.

(Special to News and Observer.)

Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 21.—Southern railway passenger train No. 38, northbound from Atlanta to New York, was derailed a half mile north of the station at King's Mountain, at 7:30 o'clock tonight and six coaches turned over. Providence, steel coaches and respect for the law combined in saving the hundreds of passengers from serious injury. Providence provided high embankments, which saved the train from greater damage when the coaches turned over. Steel coaches proved strong enough to withstand the crash and thus saved the passengers from flying timbers, etc.

And the engineer's obedience to the law of the town in running through at a speed not greater than 20 miles an hour, made it possible to bring the train to a stop within a remarkably short distance, only about six car lengths being traversed before the engine and three rear Pullmans, which did not leave the rails, came to a stop. The derailmert was caused by a brake beam, which is believed to have dropped from a car of a freight train that had passed about thirty minutes ahead of the passenger train. The beam wrapped around the forward trucks of the mail car which left the tracks, followed by the diner, club and parlor cars and two Pullmans. Every coach on the train, including the six that turned over, was crowded and it was at first believed the extent of the injuries was great. A call was sent to Gastonia and Charlotte for surgeons and nurses and a train left here at 9

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HOUSE WOOL BILL OF REPUBLICANS

Minority of Ways and Means Committee to Frame One Ala Taft Recommendation

WILL STACK IT AGAINST DEMOCRATIC MEASURE

The Senate Regulars Say They Will Act in Concert and Put Up the Matter of Protection Squarely to the Senate Republican Progressives of the La Follette Faction—What the Latter Say—Insurgents Not Likely to Present Separate Measure, But Will Select From the Two.

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, Dec. 21.—A wool bill, which was framed according to President Taft's recommendation on the Tariff Board's report on schedule K., will be prepared by the House Republicans on the Ways and Means Committee. Republican leaders in the Senate who have similar plans suggested today that the Senate and House Republicans would get together during the Christmas recess and have a bill ready by the time the Democrats have a measure ready to report.

Regular Republicans in the Senate say they will frame a bill that will put the issue of protection clearly up to the progressives and force them on record. The progressive leaders retorted that they were already on record in favor of a protective duty equal to the difference in the cost of production here and abroad.

Some of the Senate leaders professed great concern as to where the progressives would stand on the Democratic wool bill which is sure to come over from the House. The general opinion seemed to be that the progressives would take their choice of the two measures, and use the strength which a merger with the Democrats would give them to force amendments to the Republican bill. Progressive leaders say they are anxious to revise schedule K at this session of Congress and they promise to use all the practices known to Senate tactics to do it.

It seems to be agreed that the progressives will take no step in framing a measure now, but will depend upon the two which are certain to come from the regular Republicans and the Democrats. Most of the progressives are away during the holidays. Senator La Follette is to speak in Ohio and so will Senator Clapp.

The House progressives also will campaign in Ohio, Representatives Murdock, Lenroot and Norris being among those who are intending to speak.

UNDERCURRENT IS FOR ROOSEVELT

Ex-Gov. Glenn Tells About it After Extended Lecture Tour Through Many States

WILSON AND HARMON THE DEMOCRATIC FAVORITES

Former Governor Glenn Has Just Returned From a Tour Which Afforded Him Opportunity to Feel the Political Pulse in a Number of States and It is His Opinion That Taft is Regarded As Hopeless, La Follette Impossible and Roosevelt is Wanted But Couldn't Be Elected.

(Special to News and Observer.)

Winston-Salem, N. C., Dec. 21.—Ex-Governor R. B. Glenn, on his return from a Northern lecture tour, was asked tonight to give his views in regard to the political situation in both the Democratic and Republican parties, in the States he visited.

He stated that he had met a great many prominent politicians of all political faiths and that at present in the Democratic party the two names that seemed to be foremost were Governor Harmon, of Ohio, and Governor Wilson, of New Jersey; that Governor Wilson's friends seemed to be the most enthusiastic, but that Governor Harmon's were the best organized; that everyone seemed to think that either of these gentlemen could be elected, especially if President Taft was renominated by the Republican party.

The progressive Democrats seemed more inclined to Wilson, and the conservatives to Harmon.

Republican Uncertainty.

He found Republicans were very much split up. The great majority semed to think it absolutely impossible to elect President Taft, even if he were unanimously nominated.

They also regard Senator La Follette as unavailable and seem to be turning as their only hope, to ex-President Roosevelt.

"Hundreds of leading Republicans feel that all that is necessary for Mr. Roosevelt to get the nomination is to

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GUILFORD BATTLE GROUND STATUE

Selection of New Design for $25,000 Shaft Will be Announced at Early Date

SENATOR OVERMAN TALKS TO SECRETARY OF WAR

The Senator Suggested to the Head of the War Department, That After the Art Committee Selects the Three Most Suitable Designs, the Commission Named by Congress Make the Final Selection From the Three—Board Will Meet Again January 26th.

(By THOMAS J. PENCE.)

Washington, D. C., Dec. 21.—The selection of the design for the monument at Guilford Battle Ground, for which Congress made an appropriation of twenty-five thousand dollars, will be announced early in the new year.

Senator Overman was at the War Department today and suggested to the Secretary of War that the Art Committee be empowered with authority to select the three most desirable designs from those submitted and that the commission named by Congress make the final selection from the trio of preferred designs.

This suggestion seemed to meet with the favor of the Secretary of War. The board will not meet again until January 26th. The commission that will make the final selection is composed of the Secretary of War, Senator Overman, Representative Steadman and President Paul Stedman and President Paul Ground Association.

Senator Overman has secured three fine monuments for the State with the co-operation of Representatives Webb, Thomas and Kitchin, who did their part in the House. These are the Moore Creek, King's Mountain and Guilford Battle Ground monuments.

Painting of Virginia Dare.

The Senator is now working to secure the passage of a bill for the painting of a picture of Virginia Dare to be hung on the walls of the Capitol as a companion picture to that of Pocahontas. Virginia Dare was not only the first white child born in America, but she was the first to receive the sacrament of baptism. To commemorate these historical facts Senator Overman is urging that Congress make the necessary appropriation for the painting.

Oil Inspection Appeal Argued.

The case involving the constitutionality of the oil inspection law of North Carolina was argued before the Supreme Court of the United States today, Attorney-General Bickett presented the case of the State, while ex-Judge Robert W. Winston appeared for the Red C Oil Company.

Nearly all of the North Carolina Congressmen have departed for home. They will not be back on the job until January 3rd.

PRESIDENT SIGNS RUSSIAN NOTIFICATION RESOLUTION.

Secretary of State Knox, as Only Witness, the Last Act is Performed on the Russian Treaty Abrogation Measure.

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, Dec. 21.—With Secretary of State Knox as the only witness, President Taft at 10:17 a. m. today signed the joint resolution passed by Congress ratifying his action in serving notice on Russia of the abrogation of the treaty of 1832 with this country. The treaty automatically will continue in effect until January 1, 1913. In the meantime efforts will be made to negotiate a new treaty eliminating the causes of friction which led to the termination of the old one.

The House late yesterday accepted the Senate resolution as a substitute for the Sulzer resolution which initiated the legislation.

TAFT TO SPEAK AT NASHVILLE, TENN.

President Tentatively Acepts Invitation to Address the Southern Commercial Congress There Next April

Washington, Dec. 21.—President Taft today tentatively accepted an invitation to address the Southern Commercial Congress at its second annual meeting in Nashville, Tenn., next April. Senator Fletcher, of Florida, president of the Congress and members of the Tennessee delegation extended the invitation. Senator Fletcher also presented Mr. Taft with a morocco bound volume containing the speeches delivered at the Atlanta meeting of the Congress last March when Mr. Taft was the principal speaker. "This volume," said Senator Fletcher, "voices an insistent call upon both North and South to rally in terms of commerce and peace as contrasted with the condition which compelled both North and South to rally fifty years ago in terms of strife and bloodshed. Our nation must learn the contrast rather than revive the memory and story of the strife that was."

ROOSEVELT MAY BE MADE TO TAKE IT

Gov. Aldrich Says People May Put it up to Him as a Patriotic Duty

HIS NAME FILED IN THE NEBRASKA PRIMARIES

Governor of Nebraska Declares Colonel Roosevelt Could Be Nominated Next Year as Easily as He Was in 1904, if He Would Give the Slightest Indication That He Would Sanction Efforts of His Supporters—He Adds That it May Become His "Grateful Duty" to Do So, on Moral and Patriotic Grounds.

(By the Associated Press.)

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 21.—Commenting this evening on the filing today of the name of Colonel Roosevelt for the Presidential preference primary election in April, Gov. Chester H. Aldrich said:

"Without doubt his name could go on the ballot in every State in the Union if Colonel Roosevelt would even give the slightest indication that he would sanction it and he would be nominated for President at the next National Convention just as easily as he was in 1904.

"In spite of Colonel Roosevelt's declaration that he does not wish to be a candidate for office under any circumstances the people of this country may put him in a position that he may feel it to be his moral and patriotic duty to accept the nomination.

"The people elected him to the exalted position of the presidency when he wanted it and it would be his grateful duty to become a candidate because they want him.

Colonel Roosevelt would carry Nebraska and the West by even a greater majority than he did before, which was a record-breaker. It is my opinion that not only here in the West, but over the entire country his nomination would cement and harmonize the working force of the entire Republican party."

The petition referred to assigning that the name of Theodore Roosevelt be placed on the primary ballot as a candidate for the Republican nomination for President of the United States, was filed here today by Secretary of State Wait.

The petition is signed by Attorney John G. Geiser, of Omaha and 25 other voters. Mr. Geiser declined to say whether or not he was authorized by Colonel Roosevelt to file the petition but admitted that he had been in correspondence with Mr. Roosevelt.

The Colonel Saws Wood.

Oyster Bay, N. Y., Dec. 21.—Colonel Roosevelt was informed tonight of the move to enter his name in the Nebraska primaries and declined to comment upon it.

CONGRESS ADJOURNS

Both Branches Take Recess Over the Holidays; To Meet Again January Third

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, Dec. 21.—Both Houses of Congress adjourned today for the holiday recess and to reassemble at noon January 3. The House adjourned at 2:31 p. m. and the Senate at 2:34 p. m.

President Wires Sympathy to Miss Bigelow.

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, Dec. 11.—President Taft today sent the following telegram of sympathy to Miss Grace Bigelow, daughter of John Bigelow, who died in New York Tuesday: "I extend to you and to your father's family my deep sympathy in your present sorrow. John Bigelow has been an historic figure in his elevating influence on public affairs for half a century."

LIIPFERT-SCALES AND REYNOLDS CO.

Winston-Salem Tobacco Plant Merge to Conform with Provisions of Decree of the U. S. Supreme Court

(Special to News and Observer.)

Winston-Salem, Dec. 21.—For the purpose of conforming with the decree of the United States Supreme Court, the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company and the Liepfert-Scales Company will amalgamate January 1st next. The Reynolds Company which formerly owned a two-third interest in the Liepfert-Scales Company has purchased the remaining one-third. The brands of tobacco of the retiring firm will be manufactured by R. J. Reynolds Company, and the employes of the Liepfert-Scales Company will be retained by the Reynolds Company, which is now constructing one of the largest and most modern buildings in the South.