

The Weather  
For North Carolina: Fair  
Sunday, colder east portion;  
high northwest winds.  
Highest temperature, 52;  
lowest, 40; precipitation, 1.44

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## THEY DISCUSSED NO PARTICULAR PLAN OF ACTION

Said the President, Referring to  
His Conference With  
Personal Represent-  
ative Lind

NOTHING OF DEFINITE  
CHARACTER DEVELOPED

He Added, Speaking of It in  
Broad Generalities — Mr.

Wilson the Only Source of  
Information Concerning His  
Conference With Mr. Lind.

Late Yesterday the Scout  
Cruiser "Chester" Departed  
Back to Mexico, Carrying  
the Personal Envoy of the  
President of the United  
States, Who Never Came  
Ashore.

Pass Christian, Miss., Jan. 3.—With  
the departure late today of the scout  
cruiser Chester, bearing John Lind,  
personal envoy of the President back  
to Mexico to continue his observations  
of Mexican affairs, the mystery that  
has enveloped Mr. Lind's visit to  
President Wilson only was partially cleared.

Theories Concerning the President's  
Course.

Just why the Nation's Chief Execu-  
tive decided not to permit Mr. Lind  
to have any "shore leave" and took  
upon himself the inconvenience of be-  
ing trans-shipped four times at sea,  
has not been explained. President  
Wilson volunteered no explanation,  
but one of the suppositions current  
is that he did not wish the special  
envoy to be subjected to the in-  
quisition of the correspondents. Another  
theory is that the President desired  
to show Mexico there is no  
change in the American policy and  
no actual interruption of Mr. Lind's  
mission to Mexico.

Lack of Wireless Facilities on Win-  
ona.

The peculiar movement of the revenue  
cutter Winona, and the long delay  
before the President and Mr. Lind  
actually met were partly accounted  
for today when it became known that  
the lack of wireless facilities on the  
revenue cutter had confused plans.  
When the Chester reported her arrival  
the Winona launch had to make a  
fifteen mile trip to shore and back  
again before arrangements could be  
made for the President's visit.

President Only Source of Information.

The President was the only source  
of information concerning the con-  
ference with Mr. Lind. He spoke of  
it today once in broad generalities,  
declaring that nothing specific had  
been developed and that nothing of  
any definite character occasioned the  
meeting. The President asserted that  
he discussed no particular plan of ac-  
tion.

No New Plan or Move in Situation.

Gulfport, Miss., Jan. 3.—President  
Wilson today announced that his con-  
ference with John Lind had developed  
no change in the policy of the  
Washington administration toward  
Mexico and that no new plan or  
move in the situation had been de-  
cided upon.

The President referred to the con-  
ference as a "get together talk" for  
mutual information. He explained  
that although Mr. Lind constantly had  
been sending full dispatches, a con-  
versation of a few hours had been  
deemed worth more than weeks of  
telegraphic communication with the  
added value of affording an exchange  
of viewpoint regarding the situation  
in Mexico.

President Wilson added that there  
had been no special occasion for  
Mr. Lind's visit—no advice, or  
any questions.

Conversation Covered Whole Field.

The President said that his con-  
versation with Mr. Lind had covered  
the whole field of conditions in Mex-  
ico, but that no particular measure  
of plan had been dwelt upon.

When asked if he was hopeful for  
a speedy settlement of the trouble Mr.  
Wilson made it clear that his per-  
sonal view of the situation had not  
changed. The President has held  
that the Huerta government is slow-  
ly being crushed not only by the  
constitutional forces but through  
financial isolation, and that it inevi-  
tably must fall. He smiled when told  
of reports that Provisional President  
Huerta or some high officials of the  
government was on board the Chester,  
and laughingly said:  
"Didn't see Huerta aboard Chester."  
"Well, I didn't see them if they  
were there."

The President said that while Mr.  
Lind was not exactly enjoying his long  
stay in Mexico, he was perfectly will-  
ing to stay there and was deeply in-  
terested in the situation. Mr. Wil-  
son apparently attached little im-  
portance to the Lind episode, point-  
ing out that the proximity of his  
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Vera Cruz, Jan. 3.—Clarence  
E. Miller, American consul at  
Tampico, has notified Consul  
General W. W. Canada here that  
an attack by rebels on Tampico  
is expected any hour. The Ger-  
man consul has asked that the  
warship Bremen be sent to  
Tampico and the Captain of the  
British cruiser Hermeke has  
notified British subjects to be  
ready to take refuge on that  
vessel.

## A 76-MILE GALE FROM NORTHEAST

New Jersey Coast Points Have  
Worst Experience

HIGH TIDE IS DANGEROUS

Seas May Wash Over Much of  
Railway Which Did Not Suffer  
in Previous Storm—

Bulkheads Give Way—En-  
tire Water Front in Peril—

Piers Destroyed.

New York, Jan. 3.—With a 76-  
mile gale from the northeast driv-  
ing huge seas against bulkheads al-  
ready weakened or broken through  
by the great storm of Christmas  
night, the New Jersey coast points to-  
day and tonight underwent perhaps  
their worst experience in many years.  
A high surf ran along the entire coast  
and some feared that with the com-  
ing of high tide towards morning the  
seas would wash over much of the  
railway which did not suffer in the  
previous storm.

So far no loss of life has been re-  
ported. The damage to property al-  
ready mounts well into the hundreds  
of thousands. Most of this has been  
done to dwellings and other struc-  
tures.

Sea Bright, as in the storm of two  
weeks ago, bore the brunt of the  
storm as the result of its exposed po-  
sition on a narrow sand spit between  
the main and the Sheepshead rivers.  
Today but many bulkheads that had  
withstood the storm gave way, addi-  
tional sections were flooded and more  
summer dwellings were wrecked or  
badly damaged.

The bulkheads were badly damaged  
and the waves washed out. Fishermen  
worked hard to save the church.  
Along the bulkhead the waves beat  
with tremendous force as they rose  
to a height of thirty feet which they  
broke with a darkness and noise little  
progress had been made by workers  
along shore to stop the sea's ravages  
with the temporary bulkheading.

Bulkheads at Normandie gave way  
and all train service on the Highland  
division in many places was regarded  
as critical. Many of the temporary  
bulkheads erected after the storm of  
Christmas night have been swept out  
to sea, with the result that much  
property is at the mercy of the high  
waves. As far as Rockaway Beach  
many small houses have been wash-  
ed out to sea and for a time several  
of the large summer hotels were in  
danger. Hasty reinforcements of their  
foundations averted great loss.  
The beach has been destroyed and  
many boats lost.

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## CAN BE A HOMER AND A VOTER TOO

Suffrage Advocates Accompa-  
ned By Their Children

SPEAK AT FAYETTEVILLE

Mrs. J. M. Rogers, of N. Y.,  
and Mrs. Kent, of California,  
With Their Nine Children  
Along; Also Mr. Rogers—

The Latter, a Congressman,  
Advocates Woman Suffrage

(By the Associated Press.)  
Fayetteville, Jan. 3.—The first pub-  
lic address in advocacy of woman  
suffrage ever delivered in North  
Carolina was made here tonight by  
Congressman William Kent, of Cal-  
ifornia, in a triple speaking in which  
he was followed by Mrs. Kent and  
Mrs. John M. Rogers, Jr., of New  
York. The addresses were made in  
the civic library in the old market  
house before an enthusiastic audience  
of about 200 people, women pre-  
dominating, and crowding the small  
hall. Representative Kent spoke on  
the "Philosophy of Woman Suffrage."  
Mrs. Kent discussed briefly the  
women voters of California, while the  
subject of Mrs. Rogers' address was  
the "Democracy of Woman Suffrage."  
Mrs. Kent said steps upon which  
she was instrumental in bringing to  
the legislature seven bills before the  
legislature, notable among which  
were the change of the age of consent  
from 16 to 18 years (calling atten-  
tion to North Carolina's law making  
the age 14) laws for the betterment  
of conditions for working women,  
etc.

"Quite Some Enthusiasm."  
Mrs. Kent made no reference to the  
attitude of Senator Works of her  
State regarding her cause. Prefacing  
her remarks with the statement that  
she would be disappointed if a goodly  
number of Fayetteville's women did  
not organize a branch here of "the  
cause," incidentally electing all offi-  
cers without further suggestions or  
assistance from Mrs. Kent or herself,  
Mrs. John M. Rogers, Jr., seemed to  
kindle among the women of this city  
quite some enthusiasm along this line  
as a whole. Tonight's meeting has  
apparently made some "converts." Mr.  
and Mrs. Kent have been spending  
the holidays at their lodge, "Over-  
hill," near Fayetteville, and Mrs. Ro-  
gers has been their guest. The party,  
consisting of the Congressman, Mrs.  
Kent and her seven children, and  
Mrs. Rogers and her two children,  
came down to the city from "Over-  
hill" on an Atlantic Coast Line train  
this afternoon.

Suffragists as Mothers.  
Mrs. Kent said that she only be-  
lieved in woman suffrage, but believed  
in suffragists bearing children, to  
which the children present bore more  
or less mute testimony.

At the conclusion of the speaking,  
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## REVENUE UNDER THE NEW TARIFF

Expected to Develop Several  
More Millions Than Was

Estimated By Experts

(By the Associated Press.)  
Washington, Jan. 3.—Treasury offi-  
cials tonight expressed the belief that  
the Underwood-Simmons tariff  
act will produce several millions  
more revenue annually than had been  
estimated by tariff experts. The  
Treasury expected revenues to fall  
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Officials predicted the falling off  
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venue fell off more than \$4,000,000  
during November, but for December  
figures just out show the decrease  
under December, 1913, only was  
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The net balance in the Treasury  
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