

The Weather
For North Carolina: Fair,
warmer. Thursday—Friday,
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Highest temperature, 36;
lowest, 20; precipitation, 0.

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DISCONTENT OF HOLDERS OF BONDS

Follows Suspension of the Payment of Interest

EUROPEANS AND MEXICO

State Department Thinks If Huerta Regime Continues Its Crumbling Six Months There Will Be Another Suspension; Bryan and Wilson Confer On Situation in Present Aspect.

(By the Associated Press.)
Washington, Jan. 14.—Formal notice from the City of Mexico through the American Charge today that the suspension of the payment of interest on the Mexican National debt covers a period of six months only, was not regarded here as conveying much encouragement to holders of Mexican bonds. State Department officials do not doubt that if the revolution still is in progress at the end of six months there will be another default.
Mutters of discontent among European bondholders, it was suggested today, forebodes a renewal of pressure upon the United States to take some decided action to safeguard the interests of citizens of European governments in Mexico.
Some administration officials believe General Huerta has deliberately held up these interest payments to force intervention if possible. In their view, the provisional president prefers to yield to the United States government as an interim measure and thereby martyr himself in the eyes of the Mexican people rather than to surrender the reins of power to the rebels.
Secretary Bryan conferred with President Wilson on the Mexican situation today. There were, however, no indications of any change in policy as a result.

FEDERALS TO FORT BLISS

Gen. Mercado Gives Reason for Coming Over and Will Not be Returned to Mexico at Present.
Presidio, Tex., Jan. 14.—When informed that the War Department at Mexico City would request the United States to return to Mexico all Mexican soldiers driven into this country by the rebels at Ojinaga, Mexico, General Salvador Mercado said:
"We are in the hands of the United States. It never was our purpose merely to retreat to this country for safety and then return to fight again as soon as we had been fed. I ordered our soldiers to cross the river on the grounds of humanity. We had no women and children's sake."
A thousand women and children were among us. To have remained in Ojinaga would have meant massacre. What the United States will do to us I do not know, but I shall be glad to conform to the wishes of my government. I and my men are still soldiers.
Plans for the transportation of General Mercado, the 3,352 Mexican soldiers and officers, and the 1,367 women and children from Fort Bliss at El Paso where they are to be held indefinitely were rushed today. They will be put on trains at Marfa for El Paso.
General Hugh L. Scott informed Major J. N. Ames, commanding the border patrol here that a permanent camp had been provided at El Paso.

THE DAY IN CONGRESS

Washington, Jan. 14.—Senate: Met at noon.
Democrats of Interstate Commerce Commission discussed trust question with President Wilson.
Election committee took up case of Lee, of Maryland.
Resumed debate on Alaska Railroad bill.
Senator Ashurst's resolution of investigation of Michigan copper strike referred to labor committee.
Considered nominations in executive session.
Adjourned at 5:12 p. m. to noon Thursday.
House: Met at noon.
Alaskan railway bill under debate.
Representative Mondell introduced bill to provide for leasing of coal lands in Alaska.
Subcommittee of the judiciary committee in the case of Representative McDermott, who figured in disclosure of the woman's championship bill to provide for leasing of coal lands in Alaska.
Adjourned at 4:35 p. m. to noon Thursday.

PINEHURST GOLF

Final Players Who Will Enter Today's Semi-Finals in Annual Tournament of Winter Golf League.
Pinehurst, Jan. 14.—The four players who will enter tomorrow's semi-finals in the annual tournament here of the winter golf league, are:
R. M. Mamlouk, of Fox Hills, L. I., who today defeated L. A. Hamilton, of Englewood, N. J.
B. M. Purvis, of Woodland, Mass., who won from J. J. Hazen, of Oakland, L. I.
T. A. Ashley, of Woodland, Mass., who took his match with W. J. Macdonald, of the Calumet Club, of Chicago, and Harold Slater, of Fox Hills, L. I., who eliminated Z. T. Miller, of Dunwoody, N. Y.
Mamlouk is matched with Purvis and Ashley with Slater.
Mrs. Herbert L. Jilson, of the Bethlehem Country Club, N. H., today won the final round of the women's championship division, from Mrs. M. B. Ormsbee, of Brooklyn.
Survivors in the first division consolation of the men's tournament are: George C. Dutton, of Belmont, Mass.; J. D. Boyd, of Bellemead, St. Louis; J. D. Plummer, of Springfield, Mass.; and Thomas T. Rushmore, of Garden City, N. Y.

SHIMONS'S BACK IN WASHINGTON

Much Benefited By His Restful Vacation in N. C.

PLENTY WORK DOWN HOME

More Could Be Utilized On Farms—Watts' Janitor—Turk Won't Allow Christian To Become Consul in Syria. N. C. News at Washington.

(By W. E. YELVERTON.)
Washington, Jan. 14.—A committee representing the Chamber of Commerce of Wilmington will receive a hearing before the House committee on rivers and harbors next Monday. The committee will ask that the appropriation for the work on the lower Cape Fear river be increased from \$115,000 to \$300,000, and that inland waterway work in the territory be pushed.
A new problem in building the locks and dams above Wilmington for which the last Congress appropriated \$615,000, has been developed. When work was begun on the dams it was found that quick-sands underlie the proposed locations and Government engineers say that it will require \$1,131,000 to do the work. Members of the committee require a pretty good argument before appropriating the amount needed, and unless the local people get busy it may mean the death of the project.
The date for Wilmington people to appear before the committee was arranged by Representatives Godwin and Small, and all the persuasion possible will be brought to bear on the committee to grant the additional amount needed to overcome the unforeseen difficulty of the quick-sands. The engineers recommend that the present bill carry \$21,000 to begin the work.
Luke Lamb, of Wilmington, son of Hon. Wilson G. Lamb, was today notified of his appointment as special attorney in the department of justice. He is to report here immediately for his work. Mr. Lamb's appointment makes the fourth from North Carolina in this department.
Mayor Charles A. Bland and Capt. A. J. Brenner, of Charlotte, are here as the advance guard of the battle which Charlotte will wage in the Treasury Department tomorrow for the location of the Federal reserve bank. Albert L. Cox, of the Raleigh Chamber of Commerce, is here representing Raleigh, but Raleigh's influence has been pledged to Richmond. The Charlotte boosters, therefore, are counting on the support of the entire North Carolina delegation in their cause tomorrow. Representative Webb was busy all day today in seeing the Tar Heel Congressmen and hopes to (Continued on Page Eight.)

ACCEPTANCES ARE STILL POURING IN FOR BALTIMORE AND WASHINGTON

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TERMS OF NEW CURRENCY LAW AGREEABLE TO NEARLY ALL LARGE BANKS IN THE COUNTRY

Washington, Jan. 14.—Copies of resolutions adopted by the boards of directors of 1,826 national banks, scattered throughout every State in the union accepting provisions of the new currency law, had been received tonight by the Treasury Department. The acceptance was said to include nearly all of the largest banks in the principal cities and the list is being increased hourly by notifications from State banks noting their intention to nationalize.
The total applications received, 114 are from New England States; 436 from Eastern States; 236 from Southern States; 522 from Middle States; 185 from Western States and 84 from Pacific States.
Pennsylvania leads with 325 applications; Ohio is second with 136; New York third with 163 and Indiana fourth with 160. Fifty-three have been received from Oklahoma.
To Back Richmond's Claims.
Richmond, Va., Jan. 14.—Governor Mann heads a delegation representing the Virginia Legislature which left for Washington on a special train tonight to back Richmond's claims for a Federal Reserve Bank.
The legislators are: Senators Echols, Staunton; Hart, Newport News; Thornton, Fairfax. Delegates—Montague, Richmond; Chalkley, Big Stone Gap; Pitts, Scottsville; Mitchell, Newport News; Easley, Lynchburg.

GOVERNMENT OPERATION OF LONG DISTANCE PHONE

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 14.—Government operation of long distance telephone service was opposed today in a resolution adopted by the National Independent Telephone Association, in convention here. The resolution also declared for laws prohibiting any corporation which furnishes the telephone service engaging in the manufacture and sale of telephones.
The committee was named to meet with the American Telephone and Telegraph Company to arrange a proposed working agreement, which it was said had been declared satisfactory to the Federal government.
Thomas E. Goode, of Gullport, Miss., Jan. 14.—Thomas E. Goode, aged 87, a telegraph operator in the service of the Confederacy during the Civil War, died here this afternoon of pneumonia. He was a member of prominent families in Alabama and Virginia.

ARMY PLAN OF J. T. DANIELS

Meets Approval of Many of the Lawmakers

NUMEROUS CONGRESSMEN

Prepare Bills on Subject, With Various Sites Suggested; All Give Secretary Power to Appoint Board—Committee Soon To Take It Up.

(Special to The News and Observer.)
Washington, Jan. 14.—Secretary of the Navy Daniels' proposition to build a Government armor plant in meeting with the hearty and enthusiastic approval of many members of Congress, if the number of bills introduced in the House on this subject can be taken as a criterion.
Fifteen Bills Already.
Fifteen Congressmen, with more to follow, have introduced bills having for their purpose the location of the proposed plant in their districts. If Congress should grant the petitions of all its members, the Government would have to build armor-plate factories in the following cities: Brooklyn, Ashland and Paducah, Ky.; Evansville, Ind.; New London, Conn.; Mountsville and Parkersburg, W. Va.; Tuscaloosa, Ala.; Steubenville, Ohio; Camden, N. J.; Richmond, Va.; H. H. Road, Philadelphia, Pa.; Baltimore, Md.; Jersey City, N. J.; and Rock Island, Ill.
Secretary to Appoint Board to Select Site.
All of the bills now pending before the Naval Affairs Committee on proposed location of the armor plant give the Secretary of the Navy the authority to appoint a board, to be composed of three officers, the head of which is to be a rear-admiral, which board to investigate the sites in the several localities and report upon those best suited, for such a plant as will meet the needs of the Navy.
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SHOT AND KILLED SELF

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 14.—Isaac M. Jordan, a lawyer, son-in-law of former Federal Judge Peter S. Grosscup, shot and killed himself in the Palmer House here today. Jordan is thought to have taken poison before shooting himself.
He was 43 years of age. Alexander H. Heyman, Jordan's law partner said he believed the suicide was the result of Jordan's despondency over his divorce.
Receiver For Lumber Exporting Firm.
Pensacola, Fla., Jan. 14.—R. M. Cary and Augustus Elton today were appointed by Federal Judge Sheppard as receivers for the Keyser Mulden Company, lumber exporters, who yesterday filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy.

J. T. ALDERMAN GRAND MASTER OF THE MASONS

Henderson Man Last Night Chosen to Head the Order For Next Year
DR. F. M. WINCHESTER HIS ONLY OPPONENT
Fund Provided For Sending Deserving Masons To State Tuberculosis Sanitarium at Montrose—New Masonic Code Passed By Big Majority at Session of Grand Lodge Yesterday Morning. Important Sessions Are Yet To Be Held During Today.

Washington, Jan. 14.—Baltimore and Washington, rivals for a Federal Reserve Bank, made their arguments today before the reserve bank organization committee. Washington bankers emphasized the point that a reserve bank here would come under the direct supervision of the Federal Reserve Board which is to have its offices in the capital. The Baltimore spokesmen presented that city as the natural trade center for much of the Eastern seaboard south of Philadelphia.
Waldo Newcomer, of the National Exchange Bank of Baltimore, outlined a district of which he thought Baltimore should be the financial center. It included sections of Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, West Virginia, Virginia, North and South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, sections of Alabama and the District of Columbia. He disagreed with the ideas expressed by New York bankers that a large reserve district should be created in the East with New York as its center, and expressed the opinion that since all the reserve banks were to be closely allied there was no necessity for a bank of preponderating capital and influence.
The committee will listen tomorrow to the claims of bankers and business men from Richmond, Wheeling, W. Va., Raleigh and Charlotte, N. C.

MUST SIGN UP TODAY

For Three Years or Indianapolis Federal League Club Will Call Off Negotiations.
Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 14.—Five major league baseball players who for two months have been negotiating with the Indianapolis Federal club, must sign three year contracts tomorrow or negotiations will be ended. Manager William Phillips of the local team announced tonight. The men are Owen Bush, shortstop; George Daus, pitcher; and Pat Bauman, infielder of the Detroit American League club, and Gho Miller, catcher, and Elmer Brown, pitcher, of the Brooklyn National League team. All of the players live in Indianapolis.
Manager Phillips announced that George Miller, formerly of the Detroit club, had offered to sign a one-year contract to play with the Indianapolis Federal League team.

AGAINST RETURN TO SPOILS SYSTEM

President Wilson Announces His Position

VE TO POSTOFFICE BILL

Unless the "Rider" Exempting Assistant Postmasters From Civil Service Is Eliminated—To Inform House Leaders Soon.

(By the Associated Press.)
Washington, Jan. 14.—President Wilson left it known today that he opposes return of the "spoils system" of post office appointments and will veto the post office appropriation bill now before the House unless the "rider" in it exempting assistant postmasters from the classified service is eliminated.
Holt Called On Alleged Attempt to Break Down Mint System.
The President, it is understood, has decided to call a halt to what has been charged by civil service advocates as a tendency in Congress to break down the merit system. He was confronted in the tariff, currency and the urgent deficiency bills with the civil service problem but in signing these measures took the position that his power of placing employees in the classified service had not been weakened and that the merit system would be applied.
What the "Rider" Would Do.
The "rider" in the post office appropriation bill would give the postmaster-general the right to revoke the appointment of any assistant postmaster and appoint his successor at his discretion.
Postmaster General Burton recently wrote Representative Moon, chairman of the Post Office committee, opposing the proposal, but it was not withdrawn. The President is expected to inform House leaders of his views.

FORESTRY MEET, FINISHES WORK

Washington, Jan. 14.—With the election of officers and the adoption of a platform, announcing policies to be advocated on the regulation of National, State and private forests, the thirty-third annual meeting of the American Forestry Association closed here today. Dr. Henry Sturgis Drinker, of South Bethlehem, Pa., was selected president and San Francisco, Cal., was chosen for the 1915 convention.
To emphasize the prime importance of the timber industry statistics were made public showing that the forests supply more than one and a quarter billion dollars worth of products annually, and that the industry employs 725,000 persons, pays \$267,000,000 yearly in wages and utilizes 550,000,000 acres unsuited for agriculture.
The association pledged support to the Federal government in the administration and management of the national forests and urged adequate appropriations for proper care of the timber resources. Federal co-operation with the States, especially in forest fire protection was endorsed.
Among the vice-presidents elected were: Ashury F. Lever, South Carolina; Clifford Pinchot, Washington; Owen W. Underwood, Alabama; David F. Houston, Missouri; George K. Vanderbilt, North Carolina.

MARTHA WASHINGTON WILL

Bill Introduced in Virginia Legislature to Receive It By Legal Procedure.
Richmond, Va., Jan. 14.—Senator R. E. Thornton, of Fairfax county, promptly after the Virginia Legislature was opened here today, offered a bill providing for legal steps to be taken by the State to recover from J. P. Moran, of New York, co-conspirator of curfew, the will of Mrs. Martha Washington, stolen from the records at Fairfax court house in the Confederate war.
SCHOONER DESTROYED.
The Fate of Its Captain and Crew Not Learned.
Seattle, Wash., Jan. 14.—A wireless from the tug Tatosook reports that the schooner William F. Garma, which was sighted water-tlogged last Wednesday southward of Cape Flattery, is ashore on Vancouver Island. The fate of Captain Turloff and his eleven men has not been learned.

APPROACHES THE GRAVITY OF CRIME

To Keep Resources of Alaska Locked Up, Says Walsh

FOR LEASE OF COAL LAND

Bills Are Pending, Which Would Enable Government to Supply Navy On the Pacific—Old "Lobby of Pirates" at Work.

(By the Associated Press.)
Washington, D. C., Jan. 14.—Congress learned much of the resources of Alaska today, both Houses devoting most of their time to debate on bills for a Government railroad, from the coast to the interior of the territory. With maps and pointer, Senator Walsh, of Montana, held the floor in the Senate, supporting the Chamberlain bill while Delegate Wickersham, of Alaska, championed in the House a similar measure introduced by himself.
For Government-Owned Steamship Lane.
Supporters of the project thought tonight the bill would pass both Houses, probably early next week. Some delay may be caused, however, by an amendment offered by Senator Norris to provide for a Government-owned steamship line from Alaska to Pacific coast ports and the Atlantic via the Panama Canal. This proposal was not touched upon today.
Disposition of the coal lands withdrawn by executive order of President Roosevelt, entered into the Senate debate. Commenting upon pending bills providing for the leasing of at least a portion of these, Senator Walsh said:
"The withdrawal order of 1908 merits universal commendation, but to keep these vast resources locked up now approaches the gravity of a crime."
Estimating that the Government would need at least 200,000 tons of coal annually on the Pacific for naval purposes, Senator Walsh said that of transporting this quantity of coal from Atlantic ports would amount to more than \$1,500,000, the greater part of that sum going to foreign ship owners. With the building of the twenty-five miles of railroad to the Bering fields of Alaska, this could be saved, he said, and the cost of construction repaid in one year's economy.
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HERE'S THE MAN WHO IS TRYING TO BUST BASEBALL TRUST



James C. Gilmore, president of the new Federal Baseball League, is just now the most talked of man in America's national sport. Gilmore has undertaken to "bust" organized baseball, or, rather, has taken up the task of creating a new major league that will be run independently of the national baseball commission. He has already signed up many prominent players from the National and American Leagues, and the "gravity" to see if any of the latter's baseball was ever waded.
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UNCLE SAM TO PAY THE MILITAMEN

Who Enlist as U. S. "Federal Reservists" Respond to President When He Calls Them Out for Duty, Either Within U. S. or Abroad—Annual Appropriation \$14,500,000—Thirty States Agree.

PRESIDENT AND EMPEROR

Exchange Cablegrams Over the Disaster. Text of Wilson's Message.
Washington, Jan. 14.—An exchange of cablegrams between President Wilson and the Emperor of Japan, over the Sakura-Jima disaster was made public today. President Wilson's message stated:
"His Majesty, the Emperor of Japan:
"Having learned of the unprecedented disaster that has visited your country through earthquake and tidal waves, I beg to assure Your Majesty and the loyal people of my deep sympathy and that of the American people."
"WOODROW WILSON.
"The Emperor's Reply.
"President Wilson received the following reply from Emperor Yoshihito:
"I pray accept my sincerest thanks for the sympathetic message sent by yourself and American people for the terrible disaster.
"Secretary of State Bryan called the American Embassy at Tokyo as follows:
"Express to Baron Makino (Minister of Foreign Affairs) my profound sympathy on account of the disaster in Kagoshima."
The Red Cross today sent the Department of State the following message to the Japanese Red Cross:
"Sympathy and Money Offered by American Red Cross.
"The American Red Cross desires to extend its most sincere sympathy to the people of Japan for the great and terrible disaster that has just occurred in the island of Kyushu. If the Japanese Red Cross is undertaking relief work the American Red Cross would like to give expression to this sympathy by a contribution for relief purposes, should this be acceptable."
The American missionary stations at Kagoshima in the island of Kyushu, Japan, all of whom are reported by the American consul at Nagasaki to have escaped safely from the disaster, are:
"Miss L. A. J. Finlay, Methodist Episcopal Church (East conference), headquarters in New York; Miss Harriet M. Lansing, and Miss Jessie Nordhoff, Reformed Church in America (Dutch), headquarters New York, and Rev. P. P. Meisinger and wife, Southern Baptist conference, headquarters in Richmond, Va.

STAYS WITH PHILLIPS

Duoin Will Continue Doing Business at the Old Stand.
Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 14.—Charles S. Duoin, manager of the Philadelphia National baseball club for four seasons, today signed a contract to continue as a player and manager for another year. The amount of salary was not announced.
QUARTER MILLION.
For Federal League in City of Cincinnati.
Cincinnati, O., Jan. 14.—A local business man announced tonight that he and others had obtained \$250,000 to place a Federal League baseball club in this city.

EPITOME OF THE JAP DEVASTATION

Famine Gives the Government Much Alarm

TOKIO SWEEP BY CYCLONE

All Americans in Vicinity Safe. Thick Atmosphere Interferes With Wireless—Kumamoto Shrouded in Ashes—Exchange of Cablegrams.

(By the Associated Press.)
Tokyo, Jan. 14.—Official reports tonight of the earthquake eruptions in Japan brought out the following general features:
The main island of Sakura is covered with a layer of lava and ashes, under which lie many corpses whose number probably will never be known. Any estimate of the dead must include a large number of refugees drowned while trying to swim to safety.
Kagoshima, last week a prosperous town of 80,000, is in ruins.
The eruptions of Sakura-Jima are gradually subsiding.
The entire island of Kyushu, an area of 200,000 square miles, is covered with volcanic ashes.
Prominent scientists declared the eruption had served as a vent for an acute subterranean activity, and probably had saved the country from even more disastrous eruptions.
At Kumamoto, north of Kagoshima, more than 1,000 refugees have arrived. The authorities face the difficulty of housing and feeding the survivors.
Tokyo Swept by Cyclone.
Tokyo, 300 miles from the volcanic disturbances, has been swept for the past twenty-four hours by miniature cyclones, creating the belief that the capital was feeling some of the effects of the eruptions. The wind died down tonight.
The famine in the northern part of the Japan continues to give the government much alarm, and relief measures on a tremendous scale will be necessary.
H. Ujui, a Japanese statesman who lives in Kagoshima, has informed the foreign office that ten persons have been killed and thirty injured there. His wife and two children were also drowned in the city.
Kagoshima is protected from looters by patrols of police and troops.
All Americans who were in the vicinity are safe. Several American missionaries were stationed at Kagoshima.
The people at first did not seem to realize their danger and were slow in trying to escape. It is feared that many were killed before reaching the seashore.
Thick atmosphere interferes with wireless reports. Official advice from Kumamoto, dated yesterday reported that place shrouded with ashes from the eruption of Sakura-Jima.
An official dispatch from Miyakonojo says that a volcano at Kirishitan northeast of Kagoshima, broke into eruption on January 12, throwing the vicinity into complete darkness. Ashes fell to the depth of an inch in the surrounding district.

RESPOND TO PRESIDENT

When He Calls Them Out for Duty, Either Within U. S. or Abroad—Annual Appropriation \$14,500,000—Thirty States Agree.

CONVENTION OF NATIONAL LEAGUE COMMISSION MERCHANT

Members From Many States Attend Opening Session at Jacksonville, Florida.
Jacksonville, Fla., Jan. 1.—Members from many States attended the opening here today of the annual convention of the National League of Commission Merchants. League I. Fletcher, U. S. Senator from Florida, addressed the meeting on the subject of Rural Credits.
R. S. French, business manager of the League, in his annual report critically reviewed measures now pending before Congress and several State legislatures for regulation of the commission, cold storage and transportation corporations.
ENGINEER DROWNED
When Construction Steamer of Flagler Turned Turt.
Key West, Fla., Jan. 14.—The Columbia, a construction steamer of the Flagler system, turned turtle at Conch Grassie, a Florida key sixty miles from Key West last night, according to a report to the local office of the system today. Charles Seymour, second engineer was drowned. No other details of the accident were given in the report.
Boats Containing Corpses Found.
Valparaiso, Chile, Jan. 14.—Two boats containing the corpses of the second mate and two sailors of the German steamer Acilia were found today in Aguirre Bay, Tierra Del Fuego. The Acilia left Tocopilla, Chile, early in October and later called at Corral, Chile, whence she sailed for Hamburg on October 27. No report of an accident to the Acilia had been received.