

Overcast and Colder Monday, followed by rain or snow Monday night and Tuesday.

STATE PROHIBITION FORGES TO GATHER IN RALEIGH TODAY

William Jennings Bryan Will Speak at First Baptist Church This Afternoon

JUDGE WEAKLEY TO MAKE ADDRESS TONIGHT

North Carolina Anti-Saloon League Convention Will Be Called To Order At 1:30 p. m.; Promise Is for Statewide Representation To Discuss Liquor Legislation

With the arrival at five o'clock this morning of former Secretary of State William Jennings Bryan and the arrival yesterday of Judge Weakley, of Alabama, the principal figures for the Anti-Saloon League Convention program are assured.

Hon. William Jennings Bryan's address is scheduled for two o'clock this afternoon, while Judge Weakley of Alabama will speak tonight. Judge Weakley is the framer of the bill adopted by the Anti-Saloon forces of the State for submission to the General Assembly and he has had a part in drawing the prohibition bills of many of the Southern States.

There is no doubt of the fact that many people are anxious to hear the Commoner. William Jennings Bryan speak on the live American issue—Prohibition—and there is no doubt that he will have a capacity audience in the main auditorium of the First Baptist church tomorrow at 2:00 o'clock.

Superintendent Davis has just received a letter from Mr. Wayne B. Wheeler, attorney and general counselor for the Anti-Saloon League of America, written at Washington, D. C. January 12, in which he encloses copy of the opinion of the Supreme Court of the United States on the Webb-Kenyon law.

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KAISER TO CELEBRATE HIS 58TH BIRTHDAY

London, Jan. 14.—It is reported by the Amsterdam correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Company that on the occasion of Emperor William's forthcoming birthday (he will be 58 years old on January 27), Emperor Charles of Austria-Hungary, King Ferdinand of Bulgaria and the Turkish heir apparent will go to Berlin to attend the birthday celebration and that while they are there the three rulers and the Turkish representative will issue a manifesto to the world placing responsibility on the entente for continuation of the war.

Tar Heels in Washington. (Special Leased Wire.) Washington, Jan. 14.—The North Carolina officials registered at Washington hotels today are R. O. Alexander, Charlotte; S. G. Mason, Raleigh; O. W. Loving, Charlotte; W. L. Adams, Dunn; Miss Sally Dorth, Raleigh; Mr. and Mrs. Husk T. Wray, Charlotte; Edward F. Taylor, Charlotte.

Norwegian Steamer Sunk. (By The Associated Press.) London, Jan. 14.—Lloyds reports the sinking of the Norwegian steamship Vestfold, 1,883 tons gross.

SPEAKS THIS AFTERNOON TO STATE ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE



HON. WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN

RESTED BY LAY OFF SOLONS GO BACK TO BIG BATTLE TODAY

Will Probably Start Debate On Whiskey Question Early This Week

LITTLE IMPORTANT LEGISLATION SO FAR

Road, Pension and Other Bills Introduced Last Week May Be Considered Today; Whiskey And Patent Medicine Bills Will Have Much Attention During Session

Fully rested by almost three full days of idleness, North Carolina legislators return today to their duties in the two halls of the General Assembly.

There was very little of more than ordinary interest in either branch of the Assembly during the final days of last week. Clark of Pitt, started a movement for State aid in road construction and meddled a little with usury and other laws; Hooker began the first skirmish of the expected big fisheries battle; Ray, of MacB, registered a protest against the Board of Internal Improvements and introduced its abolition; both Ray and Brummett made moves for more and better pensions for the Vets, and several others unloaded bills of a State-wide nature.

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WEST PAYS HONOR TO THE MEMORY OF "BUFFALO BILL"

Body of Colonel Lay In State Beneath Dome of Colorado's Capitol

GOVERNORS, CITIZENS, CHILDREN VIEW BODY

Guard of Honor At Casket Included Delegations from National Guard, Pioneers Society, The Elks and Grand Army of The Republic

Denver, Col., Jan. 14.—The West today paid honor to the memory of Col. Wm. F. Cody, (Buffalo Bill) while his body lay in state beneath the huge dome of the capitol, from which the stars and stripes floated at half mast. Troopers from Fort Logan formed lines in the rotunda of the capitol through which passed the governors of two states, delegations from their legislatures, officers of the U. S. army, members of fraternal organizations, of which the famous scout and plainsman was a member, veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic, women and thousands of children.

Col. Cody's body was brought into the capitol at 9:50 o'clock this morning. When the doors of the building were thrown open the crowd poured in and at 12 o'clock the hour set for the closing of the casket, the crowd still was coming.

The public was held back while the family bade the Colonel farewell. In the family was "Johnny" Baker, of New Rochelle, N. Y., who was with Colonel Cody in his adventurous enterprises for many years.

Following the family a delegation of Knights Templar, from North Platte, Neb., passed the bier. Afterwards marched a delegation of former cowboys.

The guard of honor at the casket included delegations from the Colorado National Guard, the Pioneers Society,

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NEW YORK DISTRICT ATTORNEY UNDER FIRE

(By The Associated Press.) New York, Jan. 14.—Formal charges of "misconduct in office" and "incompetency, neglect and violation of law in the administration of his office during the year 1916 and a portion of the year 1917" have been filed by the City Club with Governor Whitman against Edward Swann, district attorney of New York county, it was announced tonight by Nelson S. Spencer, president of the organization.

The Governor is requested to order an investigation, and if the allegations are sustained, to remove the district attorney.

FARM LOAN MAN CALLS BONDING COMPANY DOWN

Norris Characterizes Letter To Agents As "A Sordid Appeal To Cupidity"

ALLEGED SCHEME TO CONTROL BUSINESS

Letter Attributed To Company Suggests That Their Representatives Secure Position of Secretary-Treasurer of Farm Loan Associations To Be Organized In Various Counties

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Jan. 14.—A circular alleged to have been sent by the National Surety Company, of New York to all its agents, suggesting that they could secure the positions of secretary-treasurer of farm loan associations to be organized to obtain loans from Federal farm loan banks and thereby "secure control of the bonding business," was made public today by the Federal Farm Loan Board with a reply thereto by Gen. W. Norris of the board, to W. H. Joyce, president of the company. In his reply Mr. Norris characterizes the circular as "a sordid appeal to the cupidity" of its recipients amounting to "an attempt to prostitute the act to purposes of personal gain, and expresses the hope that Mr. Joyce will disown it.

The circular, issued under date of January 5, and purporting to be signed by the superintendent of the Federal Farm Loan Department of the company reads as follows:

"We learn today that one man is to be selected as secretary-treasurer of all the farm loan associations in each county.

"This being true it will create an office of great value to the holder of it. If this proposition attracts you, there is little doubt but what you can secure the position if you organize immediately and ask your friends in the banks to recommend you to the farm loan board at Washington. You could then surely control all the bonding business."

The bonding business to be transacted, board officials said, would involve the bonding of officials of the various banks and officials of thousands of farm loan associations—groups of former borrowers—to be organized throughout the United States.

Norris Letter To Joyce. Mr. Norris' letter to President Joyce, of the company, under date of January 13, follows:

"I enclose herewith a circular letter under date of Jan. 5, purporting to be issued by the superintendent of a department of your company. As it has been received by several of your agents, whose astonishment at its contents has led them to call it to the attention of this board, I suppose that there can be no doubt of its authenticity.

"I would call your attention to the following points:

"The statement of fact in the first paragraph is incorrect. While the board has under consideration the advisability of making such a suggestion to farm loan associations, no decision has been reached. Your publication of it as a fact is likely to lead to misapprehensions and much unnecessary correspondence.

An Attempt at Abuse. "The suggestion in the second paragraph that this will create an office of great value to the holder is not only false in fact, but most mischievous in its implication. It is a sordid appeal to the cupidity of the recipient of your letter, and taken in conjunction with

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MASONIC EVENT FOR HIRAM LODGE

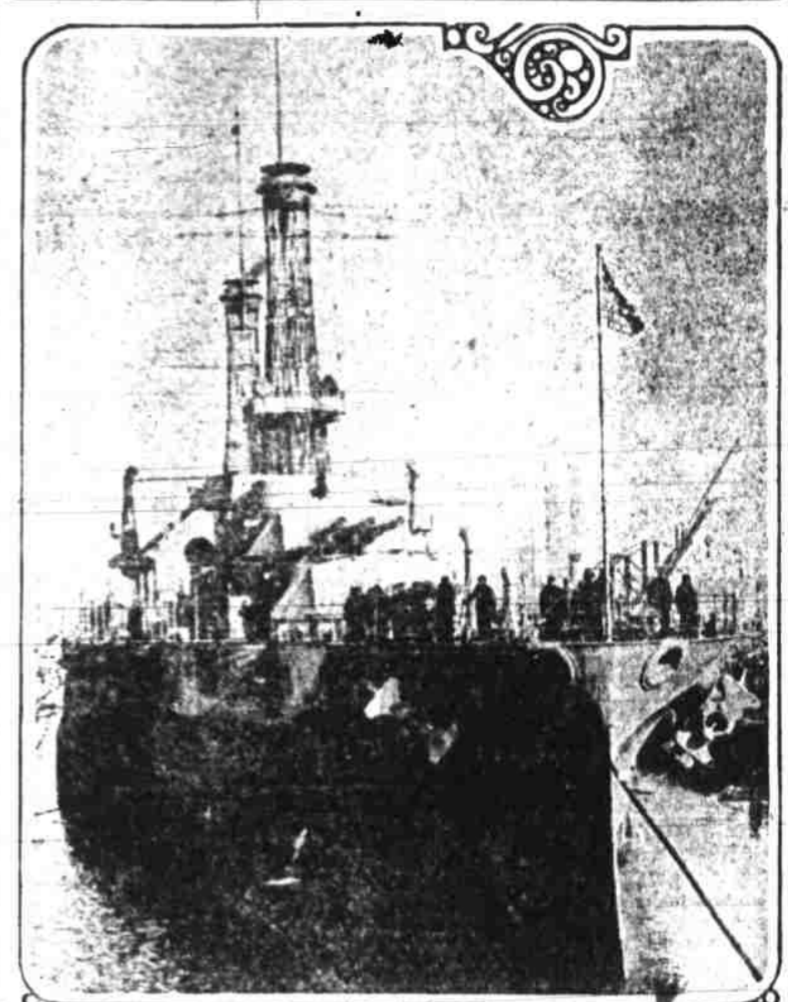
Col. John Nichols To Close Communication After Lapse of Half Century

After a lapse of a half century, Hiram Lodge No. 40 A. E. and A. M. of this city, will be officially re-opened following a communication on the evening of April 17, 1865, at a meeting of the lodge to-night in the Masonic Temple. Col. John Nichols, Past Grand Master, who opened the lodge and failed to close it in 1865, will be in charge tonight.

Hiram Lodge was opened in stated communication on April 17, 1865 when news reached Raleigh that President Lincoln had been assassinated. At the time the city was occupied by Kilpatrick's division of Sherman's army. The news of Lincoln's death spread and threats to destroy Raleigh were made. An officer of a Maine regiment, who was a Mason, went to the Masonic Hall, called Brother Nichols out and warned him that any sort of gathering might inflame the unruly soldiers and advised him to close the lodge and send the members home. Brother Nichols, in his excitement, got the instructions backward and sent the brethren home without closing the lodge. Now he has asked the members to assist him in closing the lodge.

The exercises tonight will form an event in the Masonic history of North Carolina and an interesting program has been arranged. Talks will be made by Hon. Walter Clark, Chief Justice of North Carolina; Hon. W. W. Kitchin, former Governor of the State; Governor Thomas W. Bickett, and Past Grand Master John Nichols.

ARIZONA GOES INTO DRYDOCK FOR REPAIRS TO HER TURBINE



ARIZONA GOING INTO DRYDOCK.

The dreadnaught Arizona has been placed in drydock in the New York navy yard for repairs to one of her turbines, damaged during her recent cruise off the southern coast. Before going to the navy yard the Arizona was at Tangier sound, engaged in preliminary target practice. From Tangier sound she was sent to the New York navy yard for repairs to the damaged turbine. It will require fully two months

to make the repairs, it was reported in one account, but others asserted that a much longer time would be required. The Arizona and the Pennsylvania are the latest and largest of American dreadnaughts, and each has a displacement of 31,900 tons, three times as great as that of the Oregon, the "pride of the navy," in the Spanish-American war. Captain J. D. McDougal commands the Arizona. The vessel is seen in the picture entering the drydock.

"LEAK" INQUIRY IS STILL CENTER OF STAGE IN CONGRESS

Members In Both Houses Work Hard In Effort To Avoid An Extra Session

WATER POWER MEASURE MAY BE SIDETRACKED

Senator LaFollette Will Protest Against Shipping Ideas of Bernard H. Baker, the Baltimore Nominee; Favor Referendum Vote on District Prohibition

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Jan. 14.—While public interest in Congress is centered upon the so-called "leak" investigation, the legislative machinery of both houses is grinding away and members have set their minds to hard work in an earnest effort to clear the decks and avoid an extra session.

The Senate still is considering the public lands waterpower leasing bill, but it may be sidetracked any day for either the legislative or Indian appropriation bill.

Hearings on the nominees for the shipping board continues before the commerce committee. J. B. White of Kansas City, one of the nominees, will appear before the committee Tuesday. When the nominations reach the floor Senator LaFollette will protest against some of the shipping ideas of Bernard H. Baker, the Baltimore nominee.

The interstate commerce committee is preparing to report on the President's railway legislation program after holding extensive hearings. The so-called "compulsory arbitration" feature of the bills will be modified if it is reported at all, it is understood.

The Senate bill for prohibition in the District of Columbia passed recently.

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VILLA CHIEF AND 60 FOLLOWERS KILLED

(By the Associated Press.) Chihuahua City, Mex., Jan. 14.—The Villa chief, Zeferino Moreno, and sixty followers were killed in the fight on Jan. 10 at Pilar De Conchos forty miles north of Parral, according to details of that action received from Gen. Pablo Gonzalez, commanding the government troops in the field. The Carranza troops lost Col. Lozano and three officers and eight men killed besides a number of wounded. They captured a small number of prisoners.

Millions of Bulletins Distributed. Washington, Jan. 14.—Free distribution of 39,098,239 bulletins, pamphlets, circulars, reports and documents by the Department of Agriculture was made last year and the government's superintendent of documents sold \$22,277 worth of the department's publications.

NO REAL PROGRESS IN SUPPLEMENTING EIGHT-HOUR LAW

Senator Newlands Far From Agreement with Other Members of Committee on Bill

LACK OF UNITY ALSO ON RAILROAD MEASURE

Union Labor Forces Lobbying Against Proposition For Arbitration That Will Stop a Lock-Out or Strike For Certain Period Until the Government Can Probe

(By the Associated Press.) News and Observer Bureau, 466 District National Bank Building, By H. E. C. BRYANT.

Washington, Jan. 14.—The President part of his legislative program is badly muddled in Congress. With the day of adjournment just six weeks off, no real progress has been made toward enacting the measures supplemental to the Adamson eight-hour law. There is confusion in the Senate committee on interstate commerce, where the first step to carry out the President's recommendation is expected. Senator Newlands has held hearings but he is far from an agreement with the other members of the committee on a bill that will meet the demands of the situation.

Representative Adams, author of the 8 hour act, in order to get the House in time for quick action on the railroad legislation if it is urged further by the President, has introduced a bill and is now considering it in the House committee on interstate and foreign commerce. A lack of harmony among Democrats in Congress on the proposed railroad laws has retarded the progress of the Newlands bill.

The union labor forces are lobbying against the proposition for arbitration that will stop a lockout or a strike for a certain period of time until the government can make an investigation.

Members of Congress have manifested but little interest in the railroad propositions; Senator Newlands has not succeeded in getting a quorum of his committee together to consider his bill.

Democratic members of the Senate committee admit that the prospect for definite or satisfactory action of any sort is very gloomy.

There is talk of a compromise measure to enlarge the powers of the Federal Board of Mediation and Conciliation, so as to enable it to initiate an investigation of any labor dispute threatening a strike without having to wait until asked to take a hand.

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EMERGENCY PLAN IN CASE LAWSON RESORTS TO WRIT

Care Being Used To Prevent Foreign Complication In Investigation

QUESTIONS PREPARED FOR LAWSON TO ANSWER

Failure To Answer will Be Followed Immediately By the Inauguration of Contempt Proceedings in the House; Several Other Witnesses To Be On Hand Tomorrow

(By The Associated Press.) Washington, Jan. 14.—Refusal to recognize a writ of habeas corpus in case of Thomas W. Lawson should obtain one in possible contempt proceedings against him, and great care to prevent the name of any representative of a foreign government being publicly dragged into the investigation of a "leak" on President Wilson's recent peace note are among the plans laid today by subcommittees of the Rules Committee in preparing for resumption tomorrow of the alleged "leak" inquiry. The whole committee will pass on the plans at an executive meeting before hearings begin.

Mr. Lawson will be called before the committee and questioned with the list of written questions a subcommittee has drafted for his reply. Failure to answer will be followed immediately by the inauguration of contempt proceedings in the House.

In substance, the chief questions of a dozen or more to be asked are these: "Who is the Congressman that told you he had heard a Cabinet officer, a banker and a member of Congress were engaged in a stock market partnership and had profited by a 'leak'?"

"What are the names of the Cabinet member, the member of Congress and the banker?"

"If a citizen of this country, who is the 'high official' whose name you formerly testified might be brought into the case if the name of the Cabinet officer was mentioned?"

Committees have no clue to the identity of the "high official," but as rumor and gossip have mentioned the name of a representative of the foreign government with it, they will take no chances of involving him in a public hearing.

Representative Campbell, of Kansas, who was appointed to draft a resolution touching on this possible habeas corpus phase of the case, made a careful study of precedents today and prepared a tentative resolution to charge that Lawson, by his refusal to answer, has obstructed the business of the House and therefore should be remanded to the custody of the Sergeant-at-Arms until he agrees to answer.

While Mr. Campbell expects the committee to adopt his resolution he said tonight that an adverse decision in the contempt case of United States Attorney Marshall, of New York, which may be decided by the Supreme Court tomorrow, might change the situation. A victory for the House in the Marshall case, however, he declared, certainly would be followed by adoption of his resolution as he has prepared it.

Representative Campbell said he had found two cases which would warrant the House in following such a course as he plans. One was the Kilbourne case in which a man who declined to testify in the Jay Cooke failure was sent to jail. Eventually, Kilbourne sued and recovered damages from the Sergeant-at-Arms, but this, according to the records, was due to treatment he received in jail and in no way involved the right of Congress to imprison him.

The other precedent is found, Mr. Campbell says, in the case of Henry Wilcox, who declined to testify in the famous 1873 "leak" case when news of the contents of a President's message became public prematurely through Wilcox. He capitulated after a few days in jail and was released.

Mr. Lawson will be given two chances to answer the committee's questions before

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ITALIANS CAPTURE TWO SUBMARINES

Rome, Jan. 14.—Via Paris.—The capture of two submarines is reported in an announcement today from the war office. The statement follows:

"The enemy submarine V. G. 12, which the German navy ceded to Austria-Hungary, has fallen into our hands and become a unit of our torpedo squadrons. Another enemy submarine, the V. T. 12, belonging to the Austro-Hungarian navy, also is in our possession.