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# DEMOCRATS FEE

Chairman Cordell Hull Will Deliver Keynote Address Tonight

PLENTY OF FIGHT LEFT IN PARTY YET

Democratic Whip Optimistic Over Outlook and Thinks Republicans Have Nothing of Which to Be Proud Ex cept Legislation Forced by Farmers' Bloc

The News and Observer Bureau, By EDWARD E. BRITTON

(By Special Leased Wire) Washington, Dec. 27 .- Democrati prospects throughout the country are now considered so bright that there are members of the Democratic minority in Congress who not alone express confidence that the Republican majority will be cut down to a alim edge, but that the Republican majority will become the Republican minority after the election in 1922. dents of the situation point out that the majorities of many Republi-can members in 1918 and in 1920 were scant majorities in their dis-triefs, and that with a "pull all together" in the 1922 election these districts can be redeemed.

districts can be redeemed.

And these Democrats are taking good cheer in the selection of Representative Bouse as chairman of the Democratic Congressional campaign committee, and in the will to win that is being shown by Chairman Cordell Hull, of the Democratic National committee. Mr. Hull will make his first public address since his election at a dinner to be given in his honor by the Democratic State committee of Tennessee at Nashville on Wednesday night, the cinner to be attended by leading Democratic men and women from all parts of the Tennessee, and his first address as National chairman is expected to be a clarion call to the Democracy to be up and doing.

Democrats To Push Fight.

The Democratic members of Congress are counting on making heavy gains in Now England states, Now York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indians, and Oklahoma with gains also in Illinois, Maryland, Missouri, Michigan as well as other midwest and far west states. The Democratic Congressional committee are planning to collaborate with the various district organizations and will press the fight? And these Democrats are taking

trict organizations, and will press They hold thus ammunition furnished by the me-ammunition furnished by the me-in Congress that can be that have been enacted. It is to be a militant Democracy that goes into the campaign and party leaders are in fine fettle over the outlook for

big gains.
Representative William A. Old-field, of Arkanass, Democratic whip of the House, is most optimistic over aried today in talking over the littical situation, going on to say:
With Secretary of War Weeks manding a return to Cannonism the House and Congressman Andemanding a return to Cannonism by the House and Congressman Antorge, of New York, condemning and seeking to fine as felons members of the House and Senate who come from the agricultural districts and supported legislation to aid the farmers, it is reasonable to expect the body of voters to oppose and rebuike such suggestions. The D. no-cratic whip holds that these blocs have done much towards legislation

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### KENTUCKIAN TO AID IN WIND-UP DRIVE

CAPTAIN WILLIAM COLLINE,

Captain William Collins, of Young Paris, Kentucky, ex-service man, i one of the speakers from Kentucky in North Carolina this week to aid in the wird-up drive of the Tobacco Growers Cooperative Marketing As-accintion. Captain Collins is a son of the late John T. Collins, one of the leaders of the Burley Tobacco Growers Co-operative Associations in Kentucky, who died before the burley association signed up the burley crop and who passed the work on to his son. Captain Collins has fulfilled wish, not only aiding in the Kentucky campaign but doing work in other states.

State Democratic Executive Committee in Session Tonight at 8

tion of Thomas D. Warren as chairman of the State Democratic Execu-J. D. Norwood, of Salisbury as his successor will take place when the Committee gathers in ession in the Hall of the House of Representatives at 8 o'clock tonight. Election of Mr. Norwood appeared to be with-

State after a tutelage of eight year as a member from the Eeghth Con

for him a very successful chairman ship.

Tonight's session promises to be perfunctory, expect for some tribute from to Mr. Warren as he retires from active leadership of the party or ganization in the State. No other business had come within sight last the committee had arrived in the lity, and no hint of out-of-the-ordioptimistic over nary developments was to be heard should we not in the lobbies where they congre

no surprise to the people of the State. He indicated shortly after the 1939 election that it would be

MISSING RADIUM IS LOCATED IN ASHES

Aaron Spario Sees Hope for No Headway Made Toward Washington Conference Un-Southern Farmer in Co-operation

**BRINGS MESSAGE TO** STATE FROM KENTUCKY

Leader in Co-operative Marketing Movement Declares Kentucky Has Gone Ahead of California: Rouses Goldsboro Audience to High Enthusiasm

Goldsboro, Dec. 27 .- Prophesying that within three years the crop lien will be extinct in North Carolina through the operation of co-spen tive marketing, Aaron Sapiro, of California, roused to appleuse an aulience of farmers and business men that overflowed the court house here

Mr. Sapiro came here direct from Kentucky for the first of a series of Sve mass meetings, which he will address this week, and brought a message from Judge R. W. Bing-ham, a Tar Heel, who is largely responsible for the remarkable sign-up the burley tobacco growers. Judge Bingham expected to help North Carolina in the final days of the ampaign, but has been ordered to rest by his doctors since he prac-tically were himself out in the Kenucky drive.

After a brief introduction by Dr. J. E. Person, president of the Wayne County Tobacco Growers' Co-opera-tive Association, Mr. Sapiro talked for an hour and forty-five minutes in an informal way that held the attention of his audience to the end. At the start he asked that any one who had any questions or wished to challenge any of his statements feel free to interrupt him at any time and declared that, if there 'h any-thing weak in this movement he wanted to know it.

Kontucky's Pine Record

a rotten industry or else something was wrong with the conduct of the industry of agriculture if a farmer couldn't get along without borrow-ing to make a new crop each year. Broke Market by Dumping "They studied the problem and

found out that growers were break-ing our market by dumping all their products on it within a short time, the very thing you growers are still

Mr Sapiro learned one trick of mer-chandising from big business firms and organized so that buyers compete against buyers instead of growers against growers. They also put their products on the market no faster and the market no faster an the market can absorb it and we one centrol office making all les with every grower getting the me price for the same quality and

ferring to the critics who say (Continued on Page Two)

U. S. FOREIGN TRADE

Exports to Europe in Novem ber Declined Heavily; Imports Larger

Washington, Dec. 27.-Americ Washington, Dec. 27.—American exports to Europe declined \$43, 500,000 in November as compared with the previous month, according to an official summary of foreign trade issued today by the Department of Commerce. Imports from Europe increased in the same period about \$3,500,000.

Only to Africa and Oceania was the outgoing trade of the United States greater in November than in Oclober, the increase in the case of

Apprehension of Highway Assassins

GOVERNOR OFFERS \$400 REWARD FOR DETECTION

Sheriff Harrison Details Three Deputies to Work On Case; Deputy Stell Finds No Bullet Holes in Car; Dead Man's Pistol Given to Officers

Inquest over the remains of R. H. Hamilton, who was shot to death half mile east of the city limits on the Allburnie road shortly after 8 o'clock Muburnie road shortly after 3 o'clock Monday night by two unidentified negroes, according to the story told by Miss Irene Guess, who was riding with him at the time, will begin this morning at 10 o'clock. A preliminary autopsy will be performed by Dr. J. M. Caviness, county physician. Painstaking investigation by Deputies Stell; Howard and Richardson, detailed to the case by Sheriff D. letailed to the case by Sheriff D. Bryant Harrison yesterday, devel-oped nothing in the nature of a clue to the identity of the assassime. to the theory that the shooting was done by two negroes, although he has not rejected that hypothesis. The deputies in charge of the case have collected a mass of details to be pre-

sented to the coroner's jury. May Increase Reward. Reward in the sum of \$400 for each of the assassins was authorized by a conference would be a logical de-the Governor yesterday, and a simi-lar reward for their capture will likely be offered by the County Com-missioners within the next day or two. Sheriff Harrison said yesterday that he thought the read yesterday gation. that he thought jhe reward ought to be increased, and that no measures that might lead to the apprehension of the slayers of Hamilton should be left untried.

thing weak in this movement he wanted to know it.

Kontacky's Fine Record

There no pride left in California since the Kentucky growers have shown us how by organizing ready for business in less than six months with over 55,000 members in the burley association," declared Mr. Sapiro, "Co-operative marketing has been successful on every type of agricultural commodity known either in Europe or the United States.

"Our growers in California like

The Ford touring car in which Mr.

Deputy Stell is of the opinion that blood, was removed and placed is keeping of the sheriff,

A more detailed story of the trag-edy was related by Miss Guess yes-terday, after she had recovered somewhat from the shock. According to her story, the two negrees, one of them tall and slender, and the other short and thick-set, were observed at some little distance shead of the car, as they drove into the city. One of the negroes, she said, had a pistol in his hand when he was first observed as he came within the range of the lights of the car. Mr. Hamilton, who was driving, seing the possibility of a holdup,

increased the speed of the car, according to Miss Guess, endeavoring ush past them. As the car ed, the negro with the pisto passed, the bullet passing over the en-gine of the car, and just a few yards further, two more shots were fired, both of which took effect just behind both of which took effect just behind the left car of the deceased. Mins Guess then endeavored to right the car, which had plunged to one side of the road when Mr. Hamilton col-

Find Hamilton's Pictol. The dead man's revolver was turned over to the officers by Miss Guess yesterday, with the statemen that it had been lying in the sent be

that it had been lying in the seat beside him as a precautionary measure
against hold ups. None of the cartridges had been fired, Coroner Owen
stated. Miss Guess will appear hefore the coroner's jury, and relate
her story of the killing of Mr.
Hamilton in detail.

Coroner Owen's inquiry into the
tragedy will begin at Brown's undertaking establishment where the body
was taken Monday night after death
ansued at Rex hospital. After the
autopay, and the examination by the
jury, the body will be turned over
to relatives for burial. Funeral services will be held at 2:30 this aftermoon at Asbury church, near Cary,
with interment, following in the
church semetery.

ADMIRAL C. H. DAVIS

able to Reach Settlement of Controversy

POSTPONEMENT PLAN MAY BE SUBMITTED

Shantung Megotiations Take On Serious Aspect; Four-Power Treaty Pops Up in Conference Again; French Have Suggested Similar Treaty for Europe

Washington, Dec. 27 .- (By the Asciated Press).-The submarine controversy has revealed so wide a dif-ference of opinion umong the powers that the arms delegates are seriously discussing a plan to leave the whole question of auxiliary warship ton-

Bo far consideration of the project has been entirely informal with conference leaders outwardly reflecting a hope that the present negotiations may yet bring the submarine prob-lem to a solution. In many quarters, however, there are growing signs of clue to the identity of the assassias. discouragement over the prospect, Sheriff Havrison declared that his and an accompanying tendency to investigation is not confined entirely examine carefully the possibilities of

proposal for a future conference might he laid before the arms delegates within a few days. President Hardiag was said to feel that such

Mr. Norwood appeared to be without appeared to be with recent part and the soft ground, wet with recent the appeared to the appeared to the appeared to the being their objections to the soft ground, wet with recent pains. No other indications of a clue the soft ground, wet with recent part appeared to the soft ground, wet with recent part and the soft ground, wet with recent part appeared to of the Tsingt-Tes-Tsinanfu Railroad The Chinese already have declared they can' go no further toward a compromise, but in some conference circles there still is hope that the two groups may be brought together.

Meantime, the new four-power Pacific treaty, already signed by the United States, Great Britain and Japan, got back into conference discussions the conference discussions and conference discussions are conference discussions are conference discussions and conference discussions are conference discussions and conference discussions are conference discussions are conference discussions and conference discussions are conference discussions are conference discussions are conference discussions and conference discussions are conference discussions and conference discussions are conference discussions are conference discussions and conference discussions are conference discussions and conference discussions are confere

one through a suggestion from new quarters that the four pow Japanese quarters that the four powers agree not to apply the terms of the part to the principal islands of the Japanese empire. In view of differences of view developing in the United States and Japan as to the meaning of the treaty, the Japanese were said to be considering the suggestion of such an interpretative agreement.

An interpretation not applying the treaty to the major Japanese islands would be a reversal of the understanding said to have existed among the delegations when the treaty was signed. It would be adverse also to the interpretation announced by the American delegation, but in har-

(Continued on Page Two.) HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR THEATRE FIRE

Burning of Incense On Stage Caused Tragedy at New Haven Recently

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 27 .-

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 27.—City Building Inspector Joseph E. Anetin, Lawrence B. Carrell, manager of the Rialto Thesire, and Alfred E. Elnek, president of the Connecticut Phonires Carporation, which owned the theore, are held criminally responsible for the deaths of nine persons in the Risite Thesire fire of November 17, in a fading by Corostor Ell Min today.

The coroner mays that the direct cause of the fire was the hurning of incense to give almosphere to a matter picture, filmsy stage drapactes being ignited from the incense.

## FORMER GOVERNOR BICKETT SUFFERS STROKE PARALYSIS; LITTLE HOPE FOR RECOVERY

## POLITICS BEHIND LATEST DEADLOCK

Agreement Between George and Briand Would Clear **Up Situation** 

FRENCH DESIRE TO REACH SETTLEMENT

British Really in Earnest in Effort to Eliminate Submarines; No Apparent Way in Which America Can Influence France to Change Course

(By FRANK H. SIMONDS)

Washington, Dec. 27.-The go ship Conference is tonight hard aground on the bar of European lities. It can be released only by assistance coming from the other side of the Atlantic. To put the thing very simply, the single chance of Prance yielding, which would make a compormise over the 'submarine question possible, lies in the ssibility of a speedy agreement between Lloyd George and Briand over European question

The French position here has at last been outlined with crystal clearness. The French desire a European agreement, a political agreement corresponding in character to the four-power agreement covering the Pacific situation. They do not necessarily ask that the United States be a party to it, although obviously America would be welcome but what they do ask is that a general Anglo-British agreement precede any specific agreement

the question of naval armament, British Really In Earness All of which is another way aire to actile the question of sub-marines, actually want to eliminate any real or imaginary menace to themselves discoverable in retenaction is the field of naval arma-ment outside of battleships, then the way to obtain it is to meet French

dertook to deal with the naval ques-tion, before Japan or Great Britain would deal with it, all three nego-tiated a treaty of political settle-ment, to which France was made a party in the final moment. pay the French, was logical and nat-hral. One must always deal with

political conditions first. there are political questions in Eqrope, most intimately concerning France and Britain, but not without nterest to other countries. There is the question of the German reparations, in fact, the whole German question. There is the question of and she knew nothing except that the Near East, with one phase at he would be gone until Wednesday Constantinople and another at An or Thursday. At the time she gors. There is the question of a thought nothing strange of his leavguarantee for France against German attack in the future. All of these questions, insist the French, are as pressing and vital as the questions, the political questions of the Pacific. What more natural then, that following the Pacific precedent, there should be a political agreement in advance of any agreement covering actual strength real

George meeting at Cannes are able to thresh out the political questions, which is polite for saying if they can reach a bargain which satisfies French conditions, then nothing could be easier or simpler than a if they arine strength and naval strength merally. But the reduction or

limitation of French naval strength is conditional upon the position the British take upon other problems of vital interest to France.

May Expect An Agreement
There you have the situation as it exists tonight. The French mission here expects a message from their own foverament which will cover their course tomorrow. They do not believe that the general liquidation of Austo-French matters can be

State's War Governor Who is Stricken Down

# Thomas Walter Bickett

Miss Lila Dale Russell. Albemarle, Disappeared While in Baltimore

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 27-Miss Lile Dale Russell, 23, of Albermarle, N C. who disappeared from the South Branch of the Young Women's this afternoon at a local hospital. where she was admitted shortly after her disappearance on Christmas night. The girl's condition is not

thought to be serious. Hospital officials were puzzled over the girl's identity until today, when

DISAPPEARANCE MYSTERY TO ALBERMARLE PEOPLE

way to obtain it is to meet French conditions.

The argument of the French is simple. They say:
In the case of the United States the field of interest as far as naval strength went, was in the Pacific. Thus, before the United States unordinary is known to have happened to belief that he would rally no one in Albermarle who knows

what. marle, mother of the young woman, known apparently nothing except that marle, mother of the young woman, knows, apparently nothing except that she has been informed that her daughter is missing. When seen this afternoon by the News and Observer correspondent, she stated that two of her some in-law, Frank Criscoe, member of the pelice force bere and Eugene Martin, of Concord, left last gene Martin, of Concord, left last Tidires of the Former Governors. gene Martin, of Concord, left last night for some point without telling

what purpose.
Mr. Criscoe's wife was questioned ing, but since the report that Miss Russell is missing she feels sure that he received some message and

gone to Baltimore.
Mr. Russell said this evening that her son had received a message stating that Miss Russell, Messrs. Criscoe and Martin would be in Albemarle on train Number 3 tonight The train has run, however, and the parties did not show up. Much in-terest is being manifested here, as Miss Russell was well known, having worked for sometime in one of the leading stores as a clerk. She is said to be a girl of good character and

very pretty.
What connection Raymond Morris has with the mystery is not known. There were formerly two young

to all wher to see the form within the coffin because, she declared, her slain son had appeared in a vision

ls Stricken Down Shortly Before Nine O'clock Tuesday Night While Ministering to His Wife Who Was III

HE WAS APPARENTLY IN BEST OF HEALTH FOR LAST FEW DAYS

With Complete Paralysis of Right Side He Shows Slight Reaction to Powerful Restoratives: Friends and Relatives Gather at Bedside, While Scores of Admirers Assemble Outside Bickett Residence

Former Governor T. W. Bickett uffered a stroke of paralysis at his ome here last night shortly before o'clock, and at a late hour had ot rallied perceptibly under powerful restoratives administered by attending physicians. Little or no hope was held out and his death is nomentairly expected. Members of the faimly have been summoned. Seemingly in the best of health and spirits, Governor Bickett with his own hands prepared supper for Mrs. Bickett, who is confined to her roo by illness, had eaten his own supper and returned to Mrs. Bicks ett's room. Sitting beside her bed,

he developed a head ache. A moments later he went to his oom to lie down for a few mins Within five minutes Mrs. Bickett heard him scream that his head was almost killing him. He returned to her room, fell across the bed, and lapsed into unconsciousness. Mrs. Bickett telephoned her cousin, Miss Penelope Davis, who, with Dr. A. C. Campbell, Dr. James B. Rogers, and Bev. W. W. Peele, hurried to the Bickett home. Hasty examination revealed no signs of life, but herois work developed a slight pulse, and he began breathing perceptibly after half an hour.

The entire right side is paralyzed. Physicians exhausting every resource

Physicians exhausting every resou at their command saw little couragement in the slight rally

fice in the early days of 1921 much better physical condition th when he went into office four yes before, it was the general

Tidings of the Former

illness spread through the city with stunning swiftness, and within half an hour, scores of citizens stood without the residence, silent prayerfully hopeful that the wor would not come. A few friends who called found the house hushed and still, with no sounds save whispered consultations of physicians, and multied answers to the telephone that rang ronstantly with inquiries after the stricken War Governor. Bickett's chamber found her prayisilently. A physician entered t room for a moment and to him a said "Pray for him, Doctor, I lo him so." The Governor appeared be sinking then, and she went to l side, and remained there, calm collected, though evidently tern his illness, up until midnight, sho

did not leave him. Thousands of the friends who have seen him about the There were formerly two young men who resided here by the name of Raymond Morris, but both of them have been gone from Albemarle for some months. Mrs. Russell told her daughter was acquainted with one of the young men. The young woman-had been in Baltimore about four menths. She was taking a course in decorating. streets during the past few days,

Rome, Dec. 27.—A dramatic ineladent of the funeral of the Unknown Warrior in Rome has just become known. On the last night when the coffin was exposed is the Church of Sant Maria Degli Angeli a paor old woman came from Venice and passionstrily implored those in authority to allw her to see the form within the coffin because, she declared, her the coffin because, she declared her the coffin because, she declared her the coffin because, she declared her the propared suppus, the three sat down together, with