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TAR HEEL TOPICS

Items Gathered From All Sections of the State

Threatening the State.

Raleigh, Special.—Governor Glenn has received a letter from Edward L. Andrews, representing what is known as the committee of North Carolina bondholders, with headquarters at New York, these people holding the notorious special tax bond which the people of North Carolina in convention 1875 and by popular vote repudiated. These bonds have been offered by the bondholders' committee to every other State, but the various other governors have refused to have anything to do with them. The object of the bondholders is to make a gift to any State or country which will bring suit against North Carolina for these bonds and their interest. It is very safe to say that no foreign country will take such a step or that the United States would countenance such a proceeding.

Mr. Andrews' letter follows:

"In view of the announcement that your excellency is about to call an extra session of the general assembly of North Carolina to legislate in reference to the railway rates, we desire respectfully to invite your attention to the following matters. This committee represents the holders of North Carolina bonds and has made arrangements to donate bonds and coupons of your State to the amount of three millions of dollars to a foreign government. Such a donation will result in subjecting your State to heavy judgments and will still leave liabilities outstanding against the State to a much larger amount. No corresponding benefit would accrue therefrom to individual bondholders, but a burdensome element would be introduced against the State in effecting an adjustment. Therefore we desire to involve your action under the provisions of the constitution of North Carolina. We urge upon you as a creditable resort in the present exigency for both parties in interest the passage of the proper legislative measures for submission to the people, in accordance with the provision of your constitutional amendment concerning the bonds in question. The holders of these securities fully appreciate the position which has been urged on behalf of North Carolina and only desire a similar recognition of their equities by the people of the State. In that event the bondholders now resort through you and the general assembly to the explicit provisions of the constitution. In any event they respectfully submit that the circumstances above set forth render it opportune to include this subject in your call for a special session, if such inclusion be necessary to enable the general assembly to act upon the measure."

The governor replied that North Carolina had paid all its just debts, and even debts which it could not have been made to pay and that the people by their voice had declared the special tax bond repudiated, and that the legislature had done the same thing twice, and that no payment or settlement would be made regarding these fraudulent bonds. This whole matter is in point of fact a bluff, but North Carolina is on to it, and the so-called bondholders' association can exist as long as it pleases without getting a penny

A Farmer 60 Years Old Kills Himself

Reidsville, Special.—John Hagood, a farmer living near Ruffin, aged about 60 years, killed himself with a gun which he placed against his breast and discharged with a fire poker. His mind is thought to have been unbalanced for the past few weeks.

A Pistol and the Same Old Story.

Winston-Salem, Special. — George Van Landingham, colored, shot and perhaps fatally wounded William Perry, also colored, on Linden street Thursday afternoon. Van Landingham, who was immediately placed under arrest, claims that the shooting was accidental. Perry was removed to the Slater hospital, where an operation was performed at 9 o'clock. Perry was shot with a pistol and the ball entered the lower part of the abdomen. There is little hope for his recovery.

Firecracker Casualty at Greensboro.

Greensboro, Special.—Earl Smith, one of the Daily Record's carriers, was seriously burned by an explosion. He accidentally dropped a firecracker into a box containing a quantity of powder and immediately there was an explosion. His face and hands were badly burned and the attending physician thinks he will lose the sight of one eye. The little boy is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Smith.

Will Ask That Death Sentence Be Commuted.

Greensboro, Special.—A petition is being circulated here and it will be sent to Governor Glenn asking him to commute to life imprisonment the death sentence of Frazier Jones, the Gibsonville negro who is to be hanged January 23d for the murder of his wife. It is learned here that a counter petition is being circulated at Gibsonville asking the Governor to let the law take its course.

Shot While Out Hunting.

Barber, Special.—Claude Barber, the eldest son of William P. Barber, a prominent farmer here, while out hunting with some friends was seriously and accidently shot with a 12-bore-gun. Their dog pointed a covey of quail and while walking up to flush the birds the gun carried by a friend at a distance of about nine feet was accidentally discharged by the trigger's coming in contact with a button on his coat, the charge entering Mr. Barber's right breast tearing a large hole and passing through his right lung about two inches below his heart, finally lodging in his left side. He was removed to his home and Dr. Chenault, of Cleveland, O., summoned by telephone. The doctor decided to take him to the hospital in Salisbury and telephoned Dr. Stokes to be ready to operate upon Mr. Barber's arrival there. Mr. Barber at this writing is resting easy and his pulse is good and the doctor says unless pneumonia or blood poisoning sets in he has a chance for recovery.

Policeman Shoots Boy.

Charlotte, Special—A case in which a deputized policeman overstepped the bounds of his rights is reported from Belmont, when Rush Moore, a village blacksmith, fired two shots at John Rhyne Tuesday night, merely because he had exploded a firecracker, injuring the boy to such an extent that his recovery has since that time been a matter of grave fear. Moore was acting as deputy policeman, according to reports, and when the Rhyne boy exploded the firecracker, he pulled his pistol and sent a bullet within an inch of his heart, straight through the body, the second shot making a flesh wound.

Got a $30,000 Present.

Durham, Special.—Some splendid presents were exchanged here during the Christmas occasion. There was filed in the office of the register of deeds to be recorded a deed for the elegant Loughlin building, this being the gift from Mr. R. H. Wright to his niece, Miss Lila Wright. This gift is absolute and in fee simple. The property is well worth $30,000 now and is so located that it will be worth much more than that amount in a few years. It is on the corner of East Main and Church streets, immediately in front of the union station.

Raleigh Votes Prohibition.

Raleigh, Special.—The anti-dispensary people swept the deck in the elections here. The total vote registered was 1,982; that cast was 1,309, of which 928 were for prohibition and 385 for dispensary. The dispensary did not carry a single precinct. The nearest was in the second division of the Fourth ward, where the vote was 65 to 57. In that precinct every negro vote, 21 in all, was cast against dispensary. Every ex-barkeeper voted for prohibition, except two, who voted for saloons.

Patents to North Carolinians.

R. W. Bishop, patent attorney, Washington, D. C., reports the issue of the following patents on the 24th instant to residents of North Carolina: 874,468, shutter stay and adjuster, T. A. Weston, Arden; 874,614, spindle-driving mechanism, W. T. Noah, Elon College; 874,740, lubricating axle, W. E. Dalby, Hester; 874,790, printing device, A. L. Patterson, Albemarle; 874,873, Toy, Van Sumerlin, Pinetops.

Current Events.

The Feld Museum in Chicago, will send out several expenditions to study unknown peoples.

Police from Pittsburg and other cities raided the supposed headquarters of the Blackhand in the Smoky City, and arrested 17 Italians who were being instructed in the art of murder.

Slayer of William Christopher Still at Large.

Winston-Salem, Special. — From parties arriving here over the Norfolk and Western it was learned that Hardin Moore, the negro who shot and killed William Christopher at Pine Hall had not yet been captured. A posse has been scouring the country around Pine Hall ever since the murder, but have so far failed to get any trace of the murderer. The community is very much excited over the homicide and a desperate effort is being made to apprehend the murderer.

Dies as Result of a Serious Operation.

Durham, Special.—John P. Allison, who underwent such a serious operation at Watts Hospital on Monday when a tumor was removed from his sweetbreads and who at one time it was thought might recover, died Thursday night. He was 35 years of age. He came here from Orange county for the operation and his body was taken back home.

Gave No Whiff; Was Killed.

Burlington, Special.—Murder for the refusal of a "draw" from a cigarette is the charge which will be brought against John Sellars, colored, for the killing of June Nash, his friend. The two boys, in company with others, were returning from a Christmas entertainment when Sellars asked Nash to give him a whiff from his cigarette. This being refused, Sellars drew his gun and sent a ball through Nash's head.

A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

AT THE YEAR'S END.

By Clinton Scollard.

At the year's end one saw before him rise
Phantasmal presences. The first outcried,
"I am the love that once you deified!"
"And I," the second said, with mocking sighs,
"Am that ambition which, in splendid guise,
Both day and night was ever by your side."
"And I," a third exclaimed, reproachful-eyed,
"Am that fair faith you cherished, precious wise."

He met their glances, levelly, aware
That each had uttered naught save truth, and yet
He felt no smarting of remorse's stings.
'Tis thus with those brave souls who, stair by stair,
Ascend the years, above all vain regret,
To the trumphant heights of better things.

ASTRONOMICAL CALCULATIONS FOR 1908

Being until July 4th, the 132d year of the independence of the United States of America, and corresponding nearly to
The year 1326 of the Mohammedan era, beginning Feb. 4th.
The year A. M. 8017 of the Greek Church, beginning Jan. 14 (O. S.)
The year 4605 of the Chinese era, beginning Feb. 2.
The year 5668-9 of the Jewish era, Sept 26 or at sunset Sept. 25.
The year 2568 of the Japanese era, beginning Feb. 2.
The year 5908 A. L. (Masonic).
The year 2661 A. U. C. (of Rome).
The year 5912 of the World (Usher).
The year 7416 of the World (Septuagint).

1908 IS A BISSEXTILE OR LEAP YEAR.

Moon is the Reigning Planet This Year.

CARDINAL POINTS.

Vernal Equinox, entrance of the Sun into Aries, March 20th, at 7 o'clock in the evening.
Summer Solstice, entrance of the Sun into Cancer, June 21st, at 3 o'clock in the evening.
Autumnal Equinox, entrance of the Sun into Libra, September 23d, at 6 o'clock in the morning.
Winter Solstice, entrance of the Sun into Capricorn, December 22d, at 1 o'clock in the morning.

THE SEASONS.

Washington Mean Time.

	D.	H.	M.		D.	H.	M.
December	22—	6—36	p. m.	Winter begins and lasts..	89—	0—35	
March	20—	7—11	p. m.	Spring begins and lasts..	92—	19—52	
June	21—	3— 3	p. m.	Summer begins and lasts.	93—	14—39	
September	23—	5—42	a. m.	Autumn begins and lasts.	89—	18—35	
December	22—	0—17	a. m.	Winter beg. Trop. Year.	365—	5—41	

ECLIPSES FOR THE YEAR 1908.

There will be three eclipses of the Sun this year and one Luna Apulse.

I. The first will be a total eclipse of the Sun on the 3d of January, invisible in America, visible on the Pacific Ocean.

II. The second will be an annular or ringform eclipse of the Sun on the 28th of June, visible, in part, in the United States. The eclipse will be annular in Tampa, Florida, and on the Bermuda Islands. The beginning will be at 9 o'clock 27 minutes in the forenoon; the end at 12 o'clock 41 minutes at noon. (Washington time.)

III. The third is an eclipse of the Sun on the 22d and 23d of December, invisible in North America, visible on the Atlantic Ocean and in the eastern part of South America.

MORNING AND EVENING STARS.

Morning Stars.	Evening Stars.
Venus after July.	Venus until July 5.
Mars after August 22.	Mars until August 22.
Jupiter until January 29, after August 17.	Jupiter after January 29, until August 17.
Saturn after February 29, until September 30.	Saturn until February 29, after September 30.
Mercury until January 14; February 28 until May 7; July 4 until August 20; October 28 until December 11.	Mercury, January 14 until February 28; May 7 until July 4; August 20 until October 28; after December 11.

PLANETS' GREATEST BRILLIANCY.

Mercury—February 13, June 7, October 4, sets in the evening after the Sun and rises in the morning before the Sun, March 27, July 25, November 13. Jupiter—January 29. Venus—May 29, August 7. Saturn—September 30.

MOVABLE FEASTS AND CHURCH DAYS.

Septuagesima Sunday, February 16.
Sexagesima Sunday, February 23.
Quinquagesima Sunday, March 1.
Shrove Tuesday, March 3.
Ash Wednesday, or first day of Lent, March 4.
Quadragesima Sunday, March 8.
Mid Lent, March 25.
Palm Sunday, April 12.
Maundy Thursday, April 16.
Good Friday, April 17.
Easter Sunday, April 19.
Low Sunday, April 26.
Rogation Sunday, May 21.
Ascension Day, May 28.
Whit Sunday, June 7.
Trinity Sunday, June 14.
Corpus Christi, June 18.
Thanksgiving Day, on fourth or last Thursday in November, as President may appoint.
First Sunday in Advent, November 29.
Sundays after Trinity are 23 this year.

Quatember or Ember Days.

1st. On 11, 13 and 14 of March.
2d. On 10, 12 and 13 of June.
3d. On 16, 18 and 19 of September.
4th. On 16, 18 and 19 of December.

Some of the New Records Made During the Year

Automobile record for mile on circular track, by Walter Christie, 52 seconds.

Swimming record for 100 yards, by Charles Daniels, 55 2-5 seconds.

Horse running record, one mile and an eighth, by Charles Edward, at Brighton Beach, 1.50 3-5.

Shooting record, by Captain Hardy, who broke 13,066 flying targets.

Homing pigeon makes average speed of 1612 yards per minute for 600 miles.

Thompson's Colts bowling team (five men) rolled a 2853 score for three games.

Ralph Rose, John Flanagan, Martin Sheridan, George Bonhag and Melvin Sheppard all broke athletic records.

Fastest time on snow shoes, 47m. 20s.

75 Lives Lost in the Alps and 350 Other Mishaps in 1907.

London.—Official statistics just issued supply the death rate in 1907 due to misadventure in the Italian, Swiss and Austrian Alps. The number of lives lost was seventy-five, the majority being Swiss and Germans. Next came the British and after them the Italians. There were 350 serious accidents.

The chief cause of the fatality was cool-hardiness, which is becoming more prevalent every year, in attempting ascents without a guide.

Seventy-one Hunters Killed During Season of 1907.

Chicago. — Seventy-one persons were killed—most of them by carelessness—during the hunting season of 1907. This is slightly below the record for 1906.

The number of injured in 1907, however, is in excess of that of the season before, eighty-one hunters having been hurt in 1907, compared with only seventy during 1906.

In Wisconsin, Michigan and Minnesota fifty persons lost their lives in 1907.

The Field of Labor.

Bridge builders in San Francisco are paid $5 a day.

A roofers' union was recently organized in Lynn, Mass.

Brickmakers in New South Wales earn about $10 a week.

Furniture making in Canada gives employment to over 8000 people.

Ten women in the United States earn their living in the capacity of baggagemen.

Among the organized women workers in Germany, 14,972 belong to the metal trades.

The World of Sport.

The Fizer stable continues to be the sensation of the racing season.

Yale's weakness in punting was apparent in the game with Holy Cross.

The Brooklyn Yacht Club has offered a trophy for an international race.

Herman Radtke, jockey, has accepted an engagement to ride in Russia.

It has been figured out that the racehorses owned by Harry Payne Whitney and trained by John W. Rogers won a total of $135,038 in stakes and purses this year.

TAFT HEARD FROM

The Secretary Gives Views On Public Questions

NO MENTION OF HIS CANDIDACY

Secretary of War Delivers His First Speech Since Returning From Tour of World Before Notable Gathering in Boston.

Boston, Special.—Greeted with cheers as "the next President of the United States," a topic which he carefully avoided in his own remarks, however, Secretary of War William H. Taft, delivered his first public speech since his world-circling tour, at the annual banquet of the Boston merchants' association at the Hotel Somerset.

The banquet closed a long and strenuous day for the Secretary of War, during which he delivered a brief address before 400 ministers in the morning and attended a reception and spoke before a large gathering of the Jews of the city at the Elysium Club in the afternoon. During his visit to Boston, which ended Tuesday morning, Secretary Taft is the guest of Samuel Carr, a Boston banker, and a relative of Mrs. Taft.

As Mr. Taft rose all the guests stood up with him and filled the air with long-continued cheers.

Secretary Taft read his speech from manuscript throughout, [illegible] no somment relative to his ov[illegible] dacy for the presidency.

Mr. Taft's speech was [illegible] a broad defense of Presi[illegible] velt and the administrati[illegible] ing with the trusts and w[illegible] cent financial crisis. Tho[illegible] sible for the panic he said, "guilty managers of some [illegible] large railroad and financi[illegible] prises," and not those who [illegible] course of their official duty, [illegible] made known to the business [illegible] the facts and commented on the [illegible] denied that the administration [illegible] arraigned the whole business wo[illegible] as dishonest. The President had co[illegible] demned the law breakers, and co[illegible] vinced those who had unlawfully [illegible] cumulated enormous power and ca[illegible] tul, that they were not immune. T[illegible] President, he declared, had never otherwise than that the [illegible] of the country as a whole [illegible] and their methods sound. [illegible] said Mr. Taft, "it is chiefly in[illegible] interest of the great body of honest business men that he has made his great fight for lawful business methods."

That the railroad rate law was responsible for the financial panic, Mr. Taft characterized as absurd, and as for the shrinkage in the value of railroad stocks, he said that neither Mr. Roosevelt nor his administration were responsible for State legislation against railroads. "Instead of making a panic," he said, "the national policy of ending the lawlessness of corporations in inter-State commerce and of taking away their power of issuing, without supervision, stock and bonds, will produce a change in their management and remove one fruitful cause for loss of public confidence."

The action of the State Legislatures against railroads, he declares, was occasioned by the same revelations of lawlessness and discrimination in railway management that made the Federal rate bill a necessity, but, he said, "if the State measures have been too drastic the cause of the injustice is not with the national government."

Mr. Taft launched upon the sea of government ownership of railroads and declared that he was opposed to the idea, because it meant State socialism and an increase in the power of the central government that would be dangerous.

On the subject of the United States currency system Mr. Taft commented upon the fact that it was not so arranged as to permit its volume to be increased temporarily. He believed that had there been such a currency the money stringency might, in part, have been alleviated.

Cut Through Heart With Knife.

Roanoke, Va., Special.—A dispatch from Floyd, Va., says: James W. Rierson, of near Locust Grove, Floyd county, was cut through the heart with a knife and killed Saturday night. Rierson, two men named Aldridge and another named Boyd, were drinking when they got into a row. When the men separated Rierson was on the ground dying. Other parties nearby said they could not tell who struck the fatal blow. Boyd and the Aldridges have disappeared.

Druce Coffin Is Opened.

London, By Cable.—The body of Thomas Charles Druce, in Highgate Cemetery, was exhumed Monday morning, just 43 years to a day after its burial. The coffin was found to contain the remains of a human body, thus exploding the romantic tale told by Robert C. Caldwell and others during the recent hearing of the Druce perjury case that it contained a roll of lead.

Double Tragedy in Alabama.

Hartselle, Ala., Special.—Meagre details have just reached here of a double tragedy at Bluff City, on the Tennessee river in which Rube Wasster and Sam McClare shot and killed each other. The two met and passed hot words when the firing began. It appears that both men had been good friends heretofore but one of them objected to attentions which the other was paying to his sister.

ALL GEORGIA IS DRY

Dvery Saloon in the State Was Closed On January 1

THE NEW LAW WILL BE OBEYED

Georgia Enters Prohiition Column When January 1st Rings Its Bell on Sale of Ixtoxicating Liquors—Law Very Drastic in Its Prohibition and Prevents Keeping or Giving Away of Liquors:

Atlanta, Ga., Special.—With the advent of the new year the law preventing the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquor passed by the last session of the Legislature becomes effective, making Georgia the first of the Southern States to be placed in the prohibition column. The law is very drastic in its prohibition and prevents the keeping or giving away of liquors in public places and imposes a tax of $500 on clubs whose members are allowed to keep drinks of an intoxicating nature in their individual lockers.

To Test Legislative Act.

Notwithstanding the some agitation of this law there is no unconstitutionality, we have it declared that a prominent firm, it is known has been asked to test the lawyers of the legislation. This action merits be brought in the United States courts in the course of the next [illegible] and it is asserted will be [illegible] on the fact that the constitution [illegible] Georgia specifically provides [illegible] from liquor license [illegible] the school fund. [illegible] under consid[illegible]

[illegible] Will Be Men[illegible]

[illegible] prohibition law will be enforced, there is no question. This is not the country of the speak-easy, and when the police have their laws they enforce them to the limit. Governor Smith and the city court officials have been frank in their statements that they intend to enforce the law and that no fines would be imposed for the illegal sale of liquor, but that prison sentences would follow the violation of any part of the prohibition act. One peculiar feature of the law is that even the incorporated clubs are allowed to provide intoxicating drinks for their members, either with or without food. A man may have a locker in a club and keep whatever he pleases in this locker, but a club having such lockers is subject to an excise tax of $500 a year. Another feature of the law is that a man may not even in his club invite a friend to join him in a drink. The only way he can evade this is by leaving his locker open that an acquaintance may have access. Several of the clubs in Georgia have taken out their excise tax license and are providing lockers in their rooms, but many of the more prominent have declared that they will go one better than the law and prohibit the keeping of liquor within their doors.

Tax Rate May Increase.

The constitutional law of Georgia in its provision for school maintenance is very specific, according to one Atlanta lawyer. The question now arises where the funds for the maintenance of the public schools will come from, and it is said that a considerale increase in the tax rate may result.

Miss Kinner's Body Found on Bank of Creek.

Michigan City, Ind., Special.—The body of Miss Emogene Kinner, of Penn Yan, N. Y., who disappeared from Michigan City on December 11th was found on the bank of a creek in a wild and unfrequented place. She had taught school at Yonkers and at Nyack, N. Y. Overstudy had caused nervous prostration and she came here a month ago to recuperate her health. It is supposed that she lost her way while out for a walk and perished of cold.

Big Fire at Lexington, Miss.

Jackson, Miss., Special—A dispatch from Lexington says that fire broke out at 4:30 Sunday morning in the business district and destroyed property valued at $75,000. The fire started in Sargent's Hall, and after destroying that building burned up the store of Swiney & Stigler, the American Express office, the Masonic Building, Calla Hardware Company and the offices of several lawyers and doctors.

Killed Over Mess of Chops.

New Orleans, Special.—Edgar Prados was shot and killed by his brother, Milton, after a quarrel over a mess of chops which the mother of the young men was frying for Milton. Edgar threw the chops through the window. Later Milton shot him, claiming self-defense. A knife with the blade open was found in the hand of the dead man.

MURDERER IS CAPTURED

One of the Men Believed to Be Guilty of the Assassination of Revenue Officer Hendricks, For Whom a Reward of $1,000 Was Offered by Uncle Sam, is Taken Into Custody Near Smithtown by Two Brothers and Turned Over to Sheriff Petree.

Greensboro, N. C., Special—Oscar Sisk, the man accused of shooting and killing Revenue Officer J. W. Hendricks at Smithtown, Stokes county, last Friday and for whom a reward of $1,000 was offered, was captured in Stokes county and is now in jail at Danbury. A long distance telephone message from that place to the office of United States Marshal J. M. Millikin conveyed this information, and Sisk will be brought here and turned over to Marshal Millikin, who will commit him to jail in this city to await trial before Judge James E. Boyd in United States Court in Greensboro will not be held until April, but a special term may be held earlier to try Sisk. There is also a reward of $1,000 for Jim Smith, a notorious moonshiner of Smithtown, and a reward of $500 for John Hill, also of Smithtown, both of whom are thought to be accomplices of Sisk. The particulars of the killing of Mr. Hendricks are well known, it having occurred during a raid by a posse of revenue officers on moonshiners at Smithtown.

Winston, Salem, N. C., Sp[illegible] Oscar Sisk was delivere[illegible] Petree of Stokes Co., by [illegible] named Nelson. Sheriff P[illegible] dinner when he receive[illegible] message [illegible] the effect [illegible] br[illegible] Oscar [illegible]

[illegible] the pa[illegible] a baby, wh[illegible] by being throw[illegible] arms and over a [illegible] crashed.

Dewey 70 Years Old.

Washington, Special. — Admiral George Dewey is 70 years old. He is in splendid health and robust in physique. As is his custom, he spent the morning at his office, with the exception of an hour, when he attended a meeting of the naval relief association, of which he is president. Numerous officers of the navy and army and other friends called upon him at his office and later at his home.

No Date For Curtailment.

New Bedford, Mass., Special.—Otis N. Pearce, president of the New Bedford Cotton Manufacturers' Association, in an interview said that in his opinion New Bedford would be affected by the 25 per cent. curtailment in production inaugurated by the manufacturers of New England. Mr. Pearce said that no date had been fixed for the curtailment, but that it was to be left optional with the several manufacturers.

Deposits Offset Withdrawals.

New York, Special.—Thursday was the date of the expiration of most of the 60-day withdrawal notices required by savings banks at the height of the panic in October, but scarcely a depositor called for his money. The banks expected few demands, as they were convinced the feeling of financial unrest was practically over. In most cases withdrawals were more than offset by deposits.

Records-Breaking Dividends to New Bedford Mill Stockholders.

New Bedford, Mass., Special.—Statistics just completed show that the dividends paid to stockholders of New Bedford cotton mills in 1907 have been the largest in the history of the city. The total dividends of 18 corporations is $2,578,250 on a capital stock of $18,770,000, an average of 13.73 per cent.

Two Injured in Explosion at Powder Mills.

Dayton, O., Special.—The third explosion in as many weeks at the Kings Powder Mills fatally injured two employes. The injured: Alonzo Young and Andrew Sears. Young was shaking primers when the caps exploded, demolishing the battery-shop. His left arm was torn off and Sears, who was working nearby, received terrible burns. The loss to the plant is estimated at $1,000.

Three Die in Collision.

Camden, N. J., Special.—Three persons were killed and eighteen injured in a collision on the elevated tracks of the Pennsylvania Railroad just outside the station here when Pemberton accommodation train into the rear of an Atlantic City express. A heavy fog was the principal contributory cause of the accident.

Late News In Brief

MINOR MATTERS OF INTEREST

The second trial of Harry Thaw for the murder of Stanford White will begin next week in New York.

President Roosevelt refuses to allow the federal troops to remain at Goldfield unless the governor will call a special session of the Nevada legislature.

The higher officers of the big American squadron were the guests of the Governor of Trinidad and attended the races.

Mrs. Kira Heyl, who inherited $5,000,000 from her mother, Mrs. Schandlein, of Milwaukee, will marry a Berlin artist.

The Japanese Consul to Canada is going home, evidently as the result of differences over the immigration question.

Rear-Admiral Brownson's friends think the President is doing him an injustice by keeping secret his letter explaining his resignation, while at the same time he allows Surgeon-General Rixey to present his side of the case to the public.

Admiral Dewey received congratulations and many gifts on his seventieth birthday.

[illegible] was a [illegible] Oscar W. Reid, a soldier [illegible] in the Brownsville riot, sued Government for wages due since his discharge.

Raleigh, N. C., voted to abolish the dispensary, which gave $75,000 a year revenue.

Rear-Admiral Willard H. Brownson caused a surprise by resigning as chief of the Bureau of Navigation.

The Interstate Comerce Commission issued an order to prevent railroads from evading its rulings by discontinuing a rate at short notice.

Surgeon-General Rixey defended the policy of placing surgeons in command of hospital ships and asserted that Rear-Admiral Brownson had "interfered" with the medical bureau.

Line officers to a man uphold Admiral Brownson in his protest against the President's new naval policy.

President Roosevelt and his family spent a quiet Christmas in the White House.

The men of the battleship fleet had a gala day at Trinidad.

The Dutch Cabinet resigned and the dissolution of Parliament may follow.

A new conspiracy to overthrow the Kondorean government was discovered.

Lee J. Spangler, the York (Pa.) prophet, predicted the end of the world in [illegible]

The [illegible]-Canadian emigration problem is thought to be solved.

Christmas was generally observed with the usual holiday spirit, but a number of murders and other tragedies were reported.

William Jennings Bryan was appointed United States Senator from Florida to succeed the late Senator Mallory.

The award of the Ashokan dam contract has caused a scandal in New York.

The ship Atlas, 27 days out from Baltimore, ended an ill-fated voyage at San Francisco.

George A. Green, [illegible], perhaps fatally wounded Miss [illegible] Wonder and himself in Philadelphia, leaving a letter saying they died for love.

The Sultan of Morocco won two battles against the forces of Mulai Hafid.

The American Federation of Labor contends that Justice Gould's anti boycott order is in violation of the constitutional guarantee of free speech.

Killed by 8-Year-Old Son.

Stroudsburg, Pa., Special.—Mrs. George Heonshilt, of Scranton, was accidentally shot and killed here by her 8-year-old son, Lewis. Mrs. Heonshilt, who was visiting her father, Samuel Edinger, was talking to a friend over the telephone when [illegible] son, who [illegible] rk with [illegible]