

IF NO. MR. SETTLE THEN A DEMOCRAT WILL GET PLUM

Federal Judgeship Race Wax- es Warm With Asheville Lawyer In Lead

FRIENDS WORKING AT EVERY POINT

Talk of Democrat For the Place Is Alarming the Organization.

(By "TAV.") WASHINGTON, April 17.—WHI President Taft ignore the Roosevelt ultimatum that the new federal judge for North Carolina must come from the eastern district? If he does, the Hon. Thos. Settle will probably be the man. If not Settle, then it will be a democrat. That is the situation in a nutshell as it appears today.

Mr. Settle Active. The Hon. Thos. Settle is here and active. He is in close touch with the president and will see him again Monday. Representative Moorehead, who is working for Settle, is well thought of as a candidate himself. He refused to discuss the situation today, saying that there was little or no change. But he doesn't seem to be worried about Settle's chances.

Cox Is There. J. Elwood Cox, who has political prominence by offering himself as a burnt offering in the Tar Heel gubernatorial race, is working tooth and toenail for the Asheville lawyer. So is J. G. Gaskins. If strong backing counts for anything, Settle has friends to burn, and the year not idle.

They Were Alarmed. North Carolina republicans were alarmed today by the announcement that there was a possibility of a democrat being appointed to the federal judgeship, and Representatives Grant and Moorehead, and several North Carolina politicians of the same faith, called on President Taft and urged him to give the plea to a republican. All of which puts grit in the Settle mill, and the betting is even now on his appointment.

A special to The Charlotte Observer yesterday says: "The chances for the appointment of Thomas Settle are improving. His friends believe that Mr. Taft would cut the Gordian knot by naming him if the republicans would agree on him. J. G. Gaskins, a prominent republican of Tarboro, is here to speak a word for Mr. Settle. Representative Moorehead will take a Settle party to the white house tomorrow or Monday. J. Elwood Cox, who is here, will accompany him."

CAROLINA WOMEN FORM COMMITTEE FOR SPRAY

Branch of Federation Holds Meeting, Form Local Organization.

SPRAY, N. C., April 17.—A meeting of the North and South Carolina sections of the Woman's department of the National Civic Federation was held today and a Spray committee was formed. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Mebane, chairman of the section, and the following officers were elected: Chairman of the Spray committee, Mrs. W. R. Walker; first vice-chairman, Mrs. McKissick; second vice-chairman, Mrs. D. McIver; Greensboro, N. C., third vice-chairman, Mrs. Lindsay Patterson; Winston-Salem, N. C., secretary, Mrs. Pitcher; Spray, treasurer, Mrs. Fraker; Spray.



IMPERIAL GATE, CONSTANTINOPLE



DEUTY, FAVORITE HORSE of the SUZAN.

ROBBERS SHOOT DOWN VICTIM AND ROB HIM IN OWN PRIVATE OFFICE

Secure Over Three Thousand Booty With Which One Escapes

OTHER IS CAPTURED.

(By Associated Press.) SAN FRANCISCO, April 17.—James M. Thompson, vice-president of the Thompson Bridge company, on entering his office today with a sack containing \$3,200, was confronted by two masked men, one of whom shot him through the chest, inflicting a serious wound. The men escaped with the money, but were captured.

TEACHER A COUNTERFEITER.

CINCINNATI, O., April 17.—Pleading guilty to having molds and dies for making counterfeit money in his possession and confessing that he had made hundreds of dollars of spurious coin, William B. Pettus, a former school teacher of Olive Hill, Ky., was held to the federal grand jury by United States Commissioner Alder this afternoon. Pettus says he came here from Williamsburg, Va.

JUDGE SHEPPARD HOLDS INDICTMENTS GOOD

Turpentine Trust Men Must Answer Criminally the Sherman Law.

SAVANNAH, Ga., April 17.—Judge Shepard, in the United States court today sustained the demurrer of the American Naval Stores company, in the so-called turpentine trust case on one count and overruled it on two others. This will result in the case being tried on its merits. The trial will begin on Monday next.

GIRLS KISS BOY WHO SAVED THEIR LIVES.

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, April 17.—Fire in the Empire building at Broadway and Hopper street today entrapped 150 girls working on one of the upper floors. All were rescued, however, the elevator boy in the building running the car repeatedly through the smoke and flames and carrying fifty of the young women down, while the others fled down the fire escapes, reaching the streets unharmed. The fire was quickly extinguished and did little damage. Breadstays was jammed by a dense crowd that saw the girls whom Tony Sarino, the elevator boy had rescued, surround and kiss and hug him for saving them.

ALIBI IS THE DEFENSE RUSS' LIFE HANGS ON

Successfully Accounts For All Time On Night of Murder Except One Hour Which is Still Unexplained.

(By Associated Press.) WHITEVILLE, N. C., April 17.—After the evidence yesterday afternoon that the defendant had been seen at Bigford's store the evening before Bigford was killed, and of Miss Spicers that she was to have been married to Bigford the night following his assassination, and that the prisoner was a rival suitor for her hand, Jeremy being assigned as a motive, the taking of testimony for the prosecution in the case of Cleveland Russ charged with the murder of Jerry Bigford was resumed in the Superior court here today. The purpose of today's testimony was to show Russ had made threats against Bigford, with corroborative evidence as to Russ' presence at the store the day before the murder.

HARVARD ROWS AWAY FROM COLUMBIA CREW

Won by Six Lengths in Milk and Seven Eights Race on Charles River.

(By Associated Press.) CAMBRIDGE, MASS., April 17.—With a powerful and finished stroke, the Harvard varsity crew defeated a weaker and less expert crew from Columbia on the Charles river today, by six feet length, in a race of a mile and seven eights. After the first few dashes strokes which followed the referee's pistol shot, there was never any question regarding the outcome. Despite the most perfect river conditions, the Columbia boat rolled like a knockabout in a heavy sea, and it was with difficulty that Coxswain Rockwood kept the nose of his boat heading down the course. Harvard's veteran crew showed all the dash and force which were out Yale at New London last year, while the exhibition of Columbia, even to Coach Richey, was disappointing.

"LOST HIS GRIP"—QUIT.

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, April 17.—Alvin S. Jacobs, said to be one of the best known and until recently most successful cigar salesmen in the country, shot and killed himself in a room at the Park Avenue hotel here today, because he feared he had "lost his grip" as a salesman. The failure of his last long trip through the South caused him to believe he could no longer sell cigars successfully. Jacobs was forty-eight years old.

TWIN CITY WINS FIGHT AGAINST THE RAILROADS

Commerce Commission Declines Rates on Coal Unreasonable.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, April 17.—Unreasonable rates on bituminous coal shipped to Winston-Salem, N. C., were corrected by the Interstate Commerce commission in a decision rendered today by Chairman Knapp, in the case of the board of trade, of Winston-Salem against the Norfolk and Western railway company.



WASHINGTON, April 17.—Forecast for North Carolina: Fair Sunday and Monday. Light to moderate southerly winds.

TROOPS ASSEMBLE IN FORCE NEAR TURKISH CAPITAL

Young Turks Determined to See That Their Constitution Is Not Infringed

SITUATION GRAVE.—SPARK MEANS FLAME

New Government May Be Forced To Make Concessions.

(By Associated Press.) CONSTANTINOPLE, April 17.—The committee of Union and Progress has given convincing proof of its power and influence over the third army corps. Two military trains, each containing 500 infantry arrived this morning at Tophatajao, about sixty-seven miles from the capital and four other trains are expected to reach that point within the next twenty-four hours. Preparations also are being made at Saloniki for the despatch of a number of additional trains for Constantinople.

Public Is Alarmed. The advance of the soldiers has greatly impressed the public, and it is expected that some quick changes will be made among the government officials. A special mission composed of two Pashas, three Eimas and three Deputies has been sent to Tophatajao, to persuade the troops that the constitution is being maintained and to explain also the real meaning of the rising on last Tuesday.

MYSTERY IN BURNING ON OPEN SEA OF SCHOONER ABANDONED BY HER CREW

Fishermen Boarded Vessel Left Everything Smug, in Flames on Return.

LEFT NOBODY ON BOAT

PENSACOLA, Fla., April 17.—News reached here tonight that the schooner James C. Clifford which was found deserted in the Gulf of Mexico has been set on fire and burned by unknown persons. The schooner built from Mobile, Ala.

SCRIBES REVENGE ON PHARISEES IS SEVERE BUT FUNNY

Dinner at Gridiron Club Gives Journalists Chance to Roast High And Mighty.

PRESIDENT TAFT GUEST OF HONOR

Usual Quips And Thrusts at the Great And Near-Great Make Occasion Notable.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, April 17.—The broiler of the Gridiron club, the famous organization of newspaper men, was kept busy tonight serving up wit and humor at a special dinner complimentary to the new administration given in the banquet hall of the New Willard. Care was taken that men prominently known in the public eye got all that was coming to them in the way of thrusts and jibes that kept the great assemblage in a constant state of uproar. And then too, there were some slyly by an aggregation of scintillating stars that would have put to blush many who count themselves in the class of professionals.

Dinner Bell Rang. The onslaught on the banquet room began with the club's big old fashioned dinner bell announced that everything was ready. As soon as the diners were seated the room was thrown into darkness while a musical welcome was extended to the distinguished guests. Then the mammoth electric gridiron flashed into view, the lights were turned on throughout the room and the fun commenced. Almost the first thing to greet the guests was a hand bill distributed by some speedy messenger boys announcing that there would be a great minstrel show by allstar performers, including "Vocalists, comedians and cabinet officers."

PATTEN SEVERAL MILLIONS AHEAD ON WHEAT CORNER

Leaves Market to Take Care of Itself And It Promptly Makes Him Money

DECLARES WILSON'S ESTIMATE WRONG

Fight Between Bulls And Bears In Pit Will Be Tremendous One In End.

(By Associated Press.) CHICAGO, April 17.—After a memorable speculative week, the ticker's "good night" was received at noon today with a deep sigh of relief from board of trade men, not to mention an army of laymen drawn into the vortex of the wheat pit by the publicity given James A. Patten, the bull leader, and his following.

Time Will Tell. July, which went to 114 under tremendous pressure on Thursday, closed today within a shade of the best price of the week at 115 1/2. Whether this price is too high or too low cannot of course be known until the time for delivery on contracts. Both Secretary Wilson and Mr. Patten have remarked that "time will tell" and "time" in the present instance means two months and a half from the present.

DAUGHTERS GETTING OUT THEIR HATCHETS FOR COMING ELECTION

Mrs. McLean's, Partisans Decline Mrs. Sherman's Invitation.

TO BE GREAT DOINGS

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, April 17.—A reception was tendered this afternoon by Mrs. Sherman, wife of the vice-president of the United States, in honor of Mrs. William Manning Storer, state regent of New York, the anti-administration candidate for presidential general of the D. A. P. About 1,200 daughters attended and the affair was a brilliant one.

MORAL CRUSADERS GET SEVERE JOLT FROM THE WOMEN THEY CONDEMN

Ladies Who Have Nothing Else to do Accuse Government Clerks.

THERE WAS A HOWL.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, April 17.—Nearly all of the twenty-four hundred women employed in the bureau of engraving and printing in this city held a mass meeting today to protest against the published statement that the National Civic Federation, through its women members, had appointed a committee to investigate the morality of the employees of the executive departments in Washington, and that the committee had determined to demand the dismissal of at least fifty women employed in the bureau of engraving and printing. A committee of the women employees was appointed to take the matter up with the newspaper printing the story. Director Ralph of the bureau, gave permission for the meeting and later said: