DEMANDS DIVORCE

BEGAUSE HIS WIFE

EDUCATORS FOLD THEIR TENTS AND LEAVE CHIRLOTTE

Hear President Blot Speak and Elect Offiers For The Yea

DR. D. B. JOHNSN NEWPRESIDENT

Choice of Place For Next Meeting Left With Executive Comittee

CHARLOTTE, N. Dec. 30 -With the election of office this afternoon and a scholarly adds from President Emeritus Eliot Harvard, this evening, the South Educational association adjournmente die, the place of the next nting being left with the executive amittee. Chat-Jacksonvi Birmingham and other cities presed invitations The following offis were elected:

President, Dr. D. Johnson, of Winthrop college, S.: first vice president, Chancello, H. Kirkland of Vanderbilt univery; second vice president, C. E. Gh. of Birmingsident, J. S. Grabbe, of Kentuckycasurer, E. P. Burns, of Atlanta.

The elective dirers chosen b the association this rning are: Alabama, Prof. C. Thacher, Polytechnic Institute, Arn. Arkansas-J. J. De

Florida-W. M. Hway Georgia—J. M. Pd. Atlanta. Kentucky—M. A. saidy, Lexing-

Louisiana—T. H. ris, Maryland—F. E. kner, Balti-Missouri-E. E. T. Mississippi, L. H. itfield.

North Carolina- C. Trinity college, Oklahoma-E, D. jeron. South Carolina-HN

resident Wofford de. Tennessee-J. P. Texas-R. B. Couis Virginia-J. L. Jan

District of Columbia J. Crosby Dr. Charles W. Elhadresed the association on the suct "Est Di-rections for Immedia Eductional Effort" and he was fowed t President Judson of the Ceristyl Chi-

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Coldest on Record. cities where coal is used as fuel. this morning, two negroes were frozen to death, and near Decatur, Ala.,

Orange Crop Safe,

west hall with delight the severe cold, wees il have been destroyed and a further spread of this insect to new territory retarded.

Freezing temperatures will continue tonight over most of the southern states, according to the local fore-

NORTH AND SOUTH ALIKE SUFFERING IN INTENSE COLD

Freeze-up in Florida, and Zero Weather Throughout North and East Cause Death and Great Damage And Loss.

rific cold wave gripped the entire south today, not even the orange belt of far southern Florida being exempted from the freezing temperature This morning the mercury ranged from four degrees above zero at Asheville, N. C. to thirty-two degrees at Elpaso with twenty above registered at Jacksonville, Fla., and (wen-ty-eight at Tampa. A few Texas points and the extreme southern portion of the Florida peninsula alone escaped the freezing blast.

This, according to the local weath-er bureau was the coldest day of the coldest December the south has ever experienced. At eight o'clock this morning the thermometer registered ten degrees above in Atlanta and for twenty days past freezing weather has been experienced here. The long duration of cold has prevailed over the greater portion of the south and there has been much suffering among the people, especially the negroes in Birmingham, Ala., where the minimum was twelve degrees above zero the thermometer hovering around five above zero, a family of six were rescued this morning more dead than alive, with one of the children expected to die as a result of of exposure from the cold.

For the first time since 1886 there was ice today in the Chattahoochee river at Atlanta, similar conditions prevailing in the rivers of Tennessee, North Alabama and the western part of North Carolina.

tion and from other parts of Florida were resorted to last night to protect have been reported to the coroner. the trees.

Catton planters of the far south-

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec., 30,-A ter- caster, followed by warmer weather The present cold snap has been ac-

companied by little snow in the south and yesterday and today there was practically no rainfall reported from any of the southern states. The wind, however, has been strong.

COLDEST IN SEVERAL YEARS. JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 30.-Florida today experienced the coldest weather that has visited this section in several years, the thermometer in Jacksonville registering twenty de-grees this morning and freezing weather has prevailed all day. Freezing temperatures extended down into the orange belt, but up to tonight no reports have been received of any damage to the trees. It has been cold in the state for several days, which has driven the sap down in the grange trees, and it is believed that they will not be killed or damaged by the freeze. Arcadia, on the west coast reports a temperature of 26 degrees while other towns in that section report temperatures ranging from that figure up to 30 and 32 degrees. The local weather bureau predicts a tem perature of between 18 and 20 degree tonight as low as the twenty-sixting parafiet.

in Jacksonville water pipes has burst all over the city, causing the water pressure in the mains to bepartment has ordered all steamers in the fire service to be kept steamed up in case of emergency.

SUFFERING IN PITTSBURG. PITTSBURG, Dec. 30.-With the thermometer registering zero and at some places from 3 to 7 degrees below that point, Western Pennsylvania Orange Crop Safe.

While it is believed that no serious amage has been done to be serious bilizzard accompanied by snow flurries damage has been done the Florida and high winds. From the outlying orange crop, Fernandenia reports and mountain districts reports of that oranges were frozen in that sec- deaths and suffering due to exposure to the elements are coming in. In come reports that fires in the groves areater Pittsburg alone seven deaths

At I main, Ba., the temperature re istered was the coldest December 30 believing that millions of the boll ping to 2 degrees below zero. Electric lines interurban to and from Ir win have been discontinued. Connellsville, John Wallace,

laborer, was severely frozen last night

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PRISONERS IN ATLANTA STOCKADE SUBJECTED TO INCREDIBLE CRUELTY

Kept in Filthy Quarters and Treated Worse Than Beasts. Young Girls Hung Up By Their Hands and Beaten in Whipping Chair Invented by Superintendent

tion of the city prison, known as the infraction of rules.
"Mr. Vining grabbed me," she said, Charges that the city prison. to which men and women convicted of misdemeanors and unable to pay a dragged me to the wall in the cell money fine are committed, is a fifthy place unworthy of holding even ani-

Girl Tells of Punishment. Ruby Gaither, a country girl, who said she was nineteen years old, was

EMPLOYE STOLE SECRETS

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 20.—That white women were hung up on the wall of a cell room, as though crucified with extended arms, that at least one attempt was made to whip a woman, and that prisoners were used to do work for private citizens, were some of the things testified to today, in the city council investigatoday, in the city council investiga- perintendent Vining and reported her

room and hooked my arm to a ring in the wall. The ring was so high cruelty, and made public a scathing agony before I fainted. I do not know report which resulted in this investi- how long I was hanging, but I was to me when I recovered conscious-

the star witness of the day. After the grand jurors had described the pris- girl, also white, hanging by both Invented Whipping Machine. on as "the dirtiest, foulest place on wrist. A third girl was hung up, es have been summoned.

cation of the lash. The lash is heavy leather strap with large metal rivets studded in its surface. This "and snapped a handcuff around my girl, Pearl Ryan, was so small how-right wrist. He and another guard ever, that she slipped through the chair, and the guards gave up the attempt to beat her.

mais, that there has been graft, and that barbarous crueltes are practiced there have been made. The grand value of the guards for was hung there for nearly and two of the guards for was hung there for nearly an hour in the guards for was hung there for nearly an hour in the grand cruelty and made nublic a scathing around had to stand on my tip toes. I told the standard or my tip toes. I The superintendent and the guards ting into the flesh. When prisoners arrived at the stockade shackles were riveted on over their clothing and no down and the doctor was attending matter how long they were held, they could not remove their clothing. Only lye soap was furnished the prisoner and they got no towels.

The investigation will continue tomorrow and over a hundred witness-

JACKIES USED Y.M.C.A.

HAS NEGRO BLOOD Couple Were Married Last March and he Thought her White WILL MAKE TEST GASE IN NEW YORK COURTS

When Asked as to her " aint of Blood Declared Sno Did Not Enow

NEW YORK, Dec. 20,-William S. Horton of No. 11 Radford street, Yonkers, a well to do contractor at No. 204 West One Hundredth street. Manhattan, has sued to danul his marriage to Edith May De W. Horton, on the ground she fild not tell him before the wedding she has negro blood in her veins. The mir will be watched with interest by lawyers because it raises the question whether a woman is bound to tell her flance all about her origin and the question whether negro blood in a wife's vein is a valid ground for volding the marriage.

Horton's attorney, Jeremiah D. Toomey of Mount Vernon, obtained yesterday from Supreme Court Juntice Dowling an order appointing John J. Phelan of Bridgeport, Conn. a commissioner to take the testimony regarding the wife's ancestry of Gladys E. De Val and Mrs. Bertaell. Burke, aunts of Mrs. Horton, and Mrs. Ella De Williams, said to be her grandmother.

Married Last March.

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Horton says that he married hir wife, who is twenty, last March and did not learn of the alleged taint in her blood until several months later. Then he made an investigation and learned, he says, that his wife's father and mother were mulatines. If not full blood negroes. His wife denical this and represented herself to be of Spanish and French sateaction.

One month after Mrs. Horton's marriage, it is charged, a woman resembling her contracted with John's sembling her contracted with John's sembling her contracted with John's walk about two years ago. Horton walk about two years ago. Horton with a woman, said to be Elia De Williams, her grandmother, taken before her

her grandmother, taken before her marriage.

She Did Not Know.

Armed with this evidence, Horton obtained an order from the Supreme court, directing his wife to appear for examination before trial. At this examination she said her mother's name was not Mary De Williams and her father's Henry De Williams; that her mother died about two years ago and that her father died on an ocean voyage many years before. She supposed he was buried at sea. When shown the contract with the

Norwalk monument man she said it did not bear her signature. When shown the picture of herself and fills De Williams she admitted it was her picture, but said she did not know the other woman. When asked point blank whether

her father and mother were not mu-lattoes and whether she did not know this when she married Horton, she answered that she did not know. Her aftention was called to the marriage license, in which she swore and was white. She said she was as white as a great many of darker skin who called themselves white.

SOUTHERN GIRL NILL **DESIGN** THE MANORS | HE CLUNG TO STEPS OF TO DIXIE'S AIR ES

Miss Belle Kinney, of 1- Young Davidson County ville, Tenn. Submits Design Accepted

WINNER OVER EIGH

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 30.-A ern girl will have the honor of d Passengers who arrived here yestering the memorial to her sex day on northbound train No. 36 -will be erected in all the Soi ported that Mr. L. D. Surratt, a school states by the veterans of the C bacher and farmer of Davidson couneracy in honor of the women to, froze to death on the steps of suffered during the days of 18 northbound train No. 44, which ar-A design submitted by Miss Pella rives here at 9.05 a. m.

ney of Nashville, Tenn, was c. He marded the train at Lexington by the committee of veterans rand flost before the train pulled out senting twelve of thirteen Southe jumped off and ran to his buggs states who met here yesterday to get a package which he had for bronze shafts will be east and gotten. Running back to eatch the ed as soon as the necessary moving train he jumped upon the steps of one of the platforms, but are available. The memorial will show a the vestibule door was closed and he

of three figures. Fame sitting it ould not open it. center, with a dying Confed No one on the train saw him and soldier and a weeping woman on the unfortunate man, hanging on to er side. The central figure with railing in the biting cold, with eight feet in height and the othethe train running at a high rate of seven feet. The statutes will be peed, simply froze to death and

feet by five and a half at the bathen the train arrived at a point a Miss Kinney was awarded the ew miles this side of Lexington he after eighty designs submitted thropped to the ground, his nead strikcommittee had been carefully inshe a cross tie. An ugly gash was cut ed. She already has won consider the top of his head, but it is said fame for her design of the Carne wound was not severe enough to

tenn, and a group of twenty. He was picked up by the crew of ; rotes figures placed in the Chbuthbound freight train a short time fterwards and taken to Lexington, | here he was identified as Mr. Sur-

PLUNGED SIXTY FEItt. The victim was an unmarried man TO DEATH BY FLour twenty-four years of age.

FLOYDADA. Texas. Dec., ITY ORDINANCES TO GOVERN. to the bottom of Blanco Canyon, to the bottomofBlanco Canyon, BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec., 30,-S. R. Beck, thirty-five years oldie city council of Birmingham by her ten year old son, burned to danimous vote, adopted the statevesters year old son, but the series prohibition laws as regular city injured. The family was drlinances, Heretofore the city acalong the narrow trail when par with the state laws but decision of the harness broke and the rest Supreme court knocked out all delphia, New York and many other team carried the outil over the hylctions. Many men working on specified places. It is also asserted A small stove in the wagon set fit city chain gang will have to be eased from arrest.

FROZE TO DEATH WHILE INDICTMENT AGAINST STILL MORE SWEEPING

Attorney General Demands School Teacher Has Hor-That Other Concerns be rible Experience Brought to Bar

WAS LOCKED OUT UNFAIR METHODS

GREENSBORD, N. C., Dec. 50 -WASHINGTON, Dec. 30:-In a printed brief of 268 pages Attornesented to the Supreme court the tobacco trust cases, which will be

argued next week in that court. ation that these findings, sweeping their scope as to take in the foreign companies and some individuals who

After showing that in 1896 compe tition was free the various coalitims are traced in the document and facts are given to show that the combine - tically fruitless, tion has grown until its combined assels amount to \$400,000,000. It i esserted that the combination manufactures all of the eigarettes for exsmoking tobacco and cigarettes for domestic sale, more than threefourths of the plug and twist and fine cut tobacco and almost all of the snuff and cigars that are mad-It is asserted that the "defendants have persistently exercised duress. have practiced wicked and unfair methods, and used their great power in oppressive ways." Further it is asserted that they have been actuated by a fixed purpose to destroy com petition and obtain monopolies. "Competitors have gradually disagpeared and the combination now strongly entrenched, unduly restricts the business of those in the trade and prevents others from entering. Coming to specific instances rela tive to the operations of the trust, it

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is declared that substantially all es tablished jobbers in New England were induced to throw out independent products, as were those of Phila-

PRESIDENT TAFT ATTENDS OF THE WIRELESS PLANS WEDDING OF HIS NIECE

Taking Models From Son, Robert, Honors Nup-British Navy tials of Miss Louise Tafti

service of the British navy is charged to George W. Snowden of Scattle, against Richard Knowlden, who was Washington Invitations to the cereplaced on trial at Portsmouth today General Wickersham and his special Knowlden is a deaughtsman a tached cent death of Mrs. Horace D. Taft, an in the torpedo schoolship Vernon. In aunt of the bride. sented to the Supreme court the his room were found to less than ease of the government in the famous sighty plans for wireless iniproved incton to attend the wedding. The ments and certain books of the most daughter, Miss Helen Taft, and his confidential character which are is- sons Robert and Charles, sued to officers only. The authorias they seem to have been, were not the arrest of the accused man as they bride was attended only by Miss Mary contend that if the documents ab- Margaret Lowe, her school chum, as stracted from the Verron had reached maid of honor. The ushers included were relieved from the operation of foreign governments all the labor of her brothers. The Rev. Dr. L. G. H. recent years given to the perfection Barry, rector of the church of Bi of a wireless system for the British Mary the Virgin performed the core-

COSTLY BLAZE.

GALVESTON, Texas, Dec. 10 port and almost three-fourths of the Fire here today destroyed the north compartment of one of the concrete wharves on pier No. 12, causing damage estimated at \$100,000. The prinipal loss is on cotton awaiting shipcovered by insurance.



North Carolina: Pair slightly warmer Friday; Saturday fair light to moderate southwest to south winds

BIBLE ROOM FOR GRAPS Draughtsman on Trial for With Daughter, Helen, and Enjoyed Cots Ashore and

LONDON, Dec. 30.—The wholesole | NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Miss Louise theft of wireless plans, models and Wall bridge Taft, daughter of Mr. sketches, which in the hards of an and Mrs. Henry W. Taft, and niece of expert would reveal all the workings the president, was married this afand innermost secrets of the wireless termoon in the home of her parents

The ceremony was performed in a navy would have been rendered pract silve business interests in the Northwest was graduated from the Shetfield Scientific school in 1895. He and his bride had been acquainted since they were children

FORMER JUSTICE BYNUM DEAD

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Dec., 30 .ment to Liverpool. About 2.800 bales, William Preston Bynum, associate of nickels and dimes. In the centre of cotton was damaged to probably justice of the Supreme court from of the group was a pair of dice. Then one third of its value. All losses are 1873 to 1881 and one of the state's the awful realization of what they most prominent citizens, passed away at his home in this city this afternoon at the age of ninety. Since his retirement from the bench Judge Bynum has lived quietly here. amassed a fortune at his law practice and has given lavishly of his means to the cause of education in the state.

ELKS' HOME DESTROYED.

JOHNSON CITY, Tenn., Dec. 20 .-'ire today destroyed the Amburst-Smith building here, entailing a loss lights. of probably \$5,000, partially covered by insurance. The Elks' nome and many offices were located in the build-The fire required strennous Later, in the Adams street court, they fighting to prevent a conflagration as pleaded guilty to a charge of disorthe building was in the heart of the derly conduct, business district. business district.

Had Quiet Little Game Before Retiring

NEW YORK, Dec. 30 .- Since the arrival of the Atlantic fleet the naval branch of the Y. M. C. A., on Sands street, Brooklyn, has accommodated several hundred sailors. The big dormitories have been well filled each night and every cot was taken. About 2 a. m., yesterday the night

watchman was awakened by the ringing of the door bell. Outside he found half a dozen sallors whose cots SEABOARD AIR LINE SUED had been reserved for them. They went to their respective dormitories but returned in a few minutes with twenty-five of their companions.

"We want to read scripture," said one to the watchman, 'Show us where the Bible room is." The room was thrown open and the

watchmen went back to his goom well pleased with the spiritual ardor of the inckies. A little later he heard something

that did not sound exactly like scrip-He listened. Then he distinguished these words; "Come seven. Baby need new shoes."

The watchman made up his mind to investigate. Entering the Bible Y. M. C. A. institution met his eyes The sailors were all squatted on the were doing struck the watchman full force. They were shooting craps.

"Chase yerself," said one of the players as the watchman ordered them to stop. "Where do you think you are? In Heaven? The watchman went to the street where he found Policeman George B. Patton. When Patton 'encered building the sailors ran up the stairs

and were safe in their cots before the watchman and bluecost had time to mount the stairs and turn on the That is, all were safe except Rene Coward and Henry Willis, both attached to the battleship Connecticut.

Sentence was

FOR ITS BAD SERVICE

Plaintiffs Allege Cold, Mental Anguish, and General Inconvenience in Suit

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 30.—E. G. Richardson and B. B. Whitiey of Selma have sued the Seaboard Air Line in Wake Superior court for \$5,000 damages each because the Seaboard failed to furnish the plaintiffs with seats on a train from Portsmouth to Raleigh, forcing them to stand for several hours. Colds contracted, severe pain, mental anguish and inconvenience suffered through the negli-gence of the railroad authorities, are the grounds of the suit. The Pullmar company is included as a defendant for the reason that exorbitant charges were demanded for betthe, \$6.95 in-stead of \$2. This is the first suit of this kind ever brought in this

WATER HEATER EXPLODES.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 30 .- One woman was seriously injured and another painfully injured when a water heater exploded in the home of Mrs. Minnie Lotspiech here today. Mrs. Minnie Louspiech was the more seriously injured of the two. She was
badly scalded and probably will losher eyesight if she recovers. Mrs.
Jessie Louspiech, her sister-in-law, was
struck by flying fragments of the
heater and sustained a painful inhery in the side. jury in the side.