PRICE FIVE CENTS

ASHEVILLE, N. C., TUESDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 14, 1911

## FAMINE THREATENS TO ADD TO HORROR IN CHINESE EMPIRE

Greater Sufferings Than Yet Endured Seem to be in Store For Nation

GEN. YUAN SHI KAI HAS REACHED PEKING

Last Prop of Throne, But Not Decided Yet as to Prem-

PEKING, Nov. 13. Yuan Shi Kai, the last prop of the throne, has reached Peking at last. He came today accompanied by 2,000 troops and was Methodist and Haywood tion. In honor of his arrival an edict was issued appointing him commandthe capital. Great efforts are being made to induce him to accept the finite answer as yet.

The national assembly today discussed the immediate opening of parliament but decided it would be inadvisable. The matter was referred to a committee, which will consult wit. Yuan Shi Kai.

Greater Sufferings The opinion is held at the legations that there are serious complication in store for China, And greater sufferings than she has yet endured. The prospects of foreign intervention by others powers than Russia and Japan are beginning to be discussed, Winter is expected to terminate the massed movements of troops, but there will greater death rolls through famine, even in Chi-Li. The people in the central sections are already supplementing their food with the bark

Imperialists Join Rebeis A report reached here today that ,000 imperialsist at Hankow have remaining imperial gunboats at that post have gone over to the rebels. According to a consular report the Hankow consuls, with one exception, at a recent meeting agreed that it is funcatible for the describility to capture Han-Yang or Wu-Chang. They therefore discussed the question of asking the government to withdraw the imperial troops to the north, beempty they are likely to commit depredations and endanger the for-

Indemnity Not Paid The November Boxer indemnity has not been paid and the December in demnity likewise will be defaulted. Even should the government be able to recover the five provinces immediately surrounding the capital, the Bare Possibility That Gov. Announced That Tariff Legfinancial administration cannot organized before defaults of other debts besides the indemnities occur and it is feared that intervention for

## REV. C.V.T. RIGHESON TO BE PLACED ON TRIAL FOR HIS LIFE JAN. 15, 1912

Minister Pleaded "Not Guilty" Without Emotion and in Clear Voice

#### CALM, CONFIDENT

Rev. Clarence V, T. Richeson will be placed on trial oh the charge of murdering Miss Avis Linnell on January 15, 1912. This date was set late today when Richeson was arraigned. reasons for not allowing an appeal. Without emotion and in a clear voice in the presence of the entire court. the preacher pleaded 'not guilty." He was then returned to the Charles official statement to the clerk: Street jail to await, trial.

The date of January 15, proposed by District Attorney Pellitier, was of the lower court is plainly right, ma, chairman of the judiciary comstrenuously opposed by W. A. Morse, the pastor's counsel. He declared that the defendant's counsel had not been able to held a single meeting and asked a continuance of six

Mr. Morse said that John L. Lee. of Lynchburg, Va., who is to be the until the latter part of this month at the earliest. Considering that Mr. Lee represents the accused man's family, he felt that the council should confer before the date of the trial was set. District Attorney Pellitier urged an early trial and Judge Sanderson, who presided, sided with him. the court said that two months was feel or comprehend its meaning, but ample time or the defense to prepare

Escorted by a court officer, the accused minister came into court today calm and confident. His month in iail had affected wim but little. He showed no signs of nervousness and heard distinctly in all parts of the

## **BISHOP ANNOUNCES** APPOINTMENTS TO **VARIOUS CHARGES**

Rev. G. G. Harley Goes to Concord. Rev. W.E. Poovey Being His Successor-Dr. Byrd and Rev. W. A. Newell Will Remain Here.

STATESVILLE, N. C., Nov. 13.- nethy, J. W. Moore and L. F. Cor-Rev. G. G. Harley, who has been the dell. pastor of the North Asheville Methodist church, as a result of the ap-pointments of the bishop this afternoon, is transferred to Epworth church at Concord, and his pulpit is filled for the coming year by Rev. W. E. Poovey. Rev. J. J. Barker suc-ceeds Rev. G. H. Christenberry at Biltmore, the latter having served that church for four years and having been transferred to church and Caraway memorial, at Greensboro. . The pastors of Central warmly greeted by the administra- churches are returned for another year's work here. Rev. D. Atkins remaining presiding elder of the Asheville district.

Closing Day
The closing day of the twenty-second annual western North Carolina conference was featured by the reading of the appointments by Bishop Hoss just after noon. The reading of assignments of the different preachers for the coming year consumed the greater part of the afternoon, and after Bishop Hoss had finished reading the conference adjourn-

ed to meet next year at High Point. At the morning session today, maters of a routine nature demanding the attention of the conference were of committees were adopted and discussed. The report of the committee on temperance recommended that the preachers withdraw their personal support from all papers, which carry whiskey advertisements. This question was the cause of no little discus sion and an amendment was offered to the effect that all papers carrying continue that practice when their con-tracts with distilleries expire. The

amendment finally passed.

Another report which called for a spirited discussion was that of the sionary to Japan, S. A. Stewar; con-committee on the spiritual state of ference missionary secretary, H. K. the church. The report was a most interesting one and was adopted. It recommended that a committee be appointed to promote evangelism in the church. Following are the mem-bers of the committee: J. E. Aber- (Continued on Page Six)

Following are the appointments: Asheville District

Presiding elder, D. Atkins; ville Bethel, H. H. Robbins; Asheville Central, C. W. Byrd; Asheville Haywood street, W. A. Newell; Asheville and North Asheville; W. E. Poevey; Bald Creek and Huntdale, W. L. Ed wards; Biltmore and Mt. Pleasant, J. J. Barker; Black Mountain station W. G. Mallonee; Burnsville station, J. O. Erwin; Fairview, J. A. Fry; Hen Rock and Tuxedo, W. R. Shelton; Hendersonville station, A. L. Stand ford; Hot Springs to be Marshall, E. B. Stabler; Mars Hill, L. H. Griffith; Micaville, O. Swannanca circuit, R. F. Hunnleutt; Tryon and Saluda, E. O. Smithdeal; Weaverville station, F. A. Hawley, E. C. Gibbs: Weaverville circuit, J. R. Warren; supply missionary to Cuba, R. J. Parker.

Charlotte District Presiding elder, J. R. Scroggs; Ansonville, W. F. Sanford; Charlotte Belmont park, L. A. Falls; Charlotte Prevard street, W. O. Goode; Char-lotte Calvary, W. P. McGee; Chad-Derita, P. L.Terrell; Dilworth, W. C. Jones: Duncan memorial, to be supplied: North Charlotte, J. A. Farring ton; Trinity, T. F. Marr; Tryon street G. T. Rowe; supernumerary, W. L. Nicholson; Lilesville, J. W. Ingle; Marshville, J. H. Bradley; Mathews, L. P. Bogle; Monroe station, J. H. Weave; North Monroe, M. T. Steele; A. Wood; Pineville, W. L. Sherrill; Polkten, G. C. Brinkman; Prespect, S. E. Richardson; Unionville, C. R. Allison; Wadesboro, G. D. Herman; Waxhaw, C. F. Sherrill; Weddington Seymour Taylor; principal Piedmont industrial school, J. A. Baldwin; mis-

Presiding elder, J. E. Gay; Andrews station, J. W. Long; Bryson and

## LAST HOPE OF BEATTIE SHATTERED WHEN COURT DENIES HIM NEW TRIAL

Mann Will Grant Him a Brief Respite

ORAL OPINION

RICHMOND, Va., Nov. 13 .- By re-September 8 for the murder of his crats of the house, according to a takes away from the condemned man the committee on judiclary. his last hope of escaping execution court's ruling Governor Mann an- trust legislation. Beattle's lawyers who are still fight-, determination in the matter, ing desperately in his behalf. There is a bare possibility that the governor will grant a brief respite, although this is by no means certain. Contrary to the expectation of the rect contempt cases. Chief Justice James Keith made this

"In the Beattle case, the court being of the opinion that the judgment

Seventeen bills of exceptions were filed with the higher court by Beat- Washington within a few weeks. tie's counsel. Cases were cited in an when work, aiready begun, on the attempt to show that in the closing bill amending the Sherman law, will address to the jury Prosecutor Wen- he resumed. Efforts of the commitdenburg had erred in his demand that tee will be directed chiefly toward chief counsel for the defendant, would Virginia should open the graves of all elimination from the statute of the be unable to meet the other lawyers murderers manged heretofore and "rule of reason," as interpreted by apologize to their bones if Beattle the supreme court, should be permitted to go free.

Early this afternoon H. C. Beattie, sr., went to the penitentiary and and modification of the injunction rewas escorted to the death chamber strictions are regarded by the demowhere he, in a faltering voice, notified cratic leaders as essential to fulfillhis son that the appeal had been de-In fixing January 15 as the date, not desert him. He did not seem to vention. endeavored manfully to comfort his old father whose grief was intense.

WILL CONFER SECOND RANK

Pingah lodge No. 32. Knights of Pythias, will confer the second rank tonight at 8 o'clock. Members are requested to be present and visiting

## DEMOCRATS WILL MAKE DETERMINED EFFORTS TO AMEND TRUSTS LAW

islation Will Not Overshadow Session

OTHER QUESTIONS

WASHINGTON, Nov. 13 .- Amendfusing today to grant an appeal in ment of the Sherman anti-trust law the case of Henry Clay Beattle, jr., at the coming session of congress is convicted in Chesterfield county on to be undertaken in earnest by demowife, the Virginia Supreme court declaration today by Representative Henry, of Texas, ranking member of

Representative Henry's announceon November 24 unless Governor ment came while President Taft and Mann should interfere. While declining tonight to comment on the the advisability of supplemental anti-The house demonounced that he will issue a statement crats, it was declared at the capitol, will push legislation along this line tomorrow after a conference with whatever may be the administration's

In addition to anti-trust legislation the judiciary committee also has decided upon revision of the injunction statutes and the laws regulating indi-

lawyers generally the Supreme court by no means to be over-shadowed by filed no written opinion giving its tariff legislation," said Representative "The coming session of congress is Henry in speaking of the plans of the judiciary committee. "Of course the tariff revision will be of great importance, but will not minimise other problems before the house."

Representative Cinyton, of Alabadoth refuse the petition for a writ of mittee, who has been conferring with Representative Henry and other members during the recess, is expected in

A law providing trial by jury fr ment of the party pledges as express The prisoner's iron nerve did ed in the platform of the Denver con-

WILL TELL OF SUCCESS

ATLANTA, Ga., Nov. 13 .- J. D. Cannon, of New York city, chairman of the National Executive committee of the "Men and Religion Forward Movement," is expected to arrive in cast: North Carolina, fair and Atlanta tomorrow and is scheduled warmer Tuesday: Wednesday unsetto address the local executive and tied; Pythians will be cerdially welcomed, general committees tomorrow night

A New Member.



### WITH CHATTERING TEETH DELEGATES HEARD ANNUAL REPORTS OF A. F. OF L.

Alluring Promises of Flowers and Sunshine Were Not Carried Out at Atlanta, Speakers Offering Apologies-Opening Day Given Over to Hearing Reports-President Gompers Reviews Labor Conditions.

ATLANTA. Go. Nov. 18.—Labor subjects untouched or inadequately hosts, gathered here today for the thirty-first annual convention of the labor presented.

In the main, the report declares for, American Federation of Labor, met with a chilly reception. The coldest weather in years made it impossible to heat the big convention hall to the point of comfort and with chattering point of comfort and with chattering teeth the local speakers prefaced their addresses of welcome to the visiting delegates with an apology for failing to make good on their alluring promises of flowers and sunshine, last year at St. Louis.

President Gompers read his annual report at the afternoon session which was given over airpost entirely to the reception of the reports of the executive officers.

He predicted great changes in American methods of government, particularly with regard to political parties. He gave to the referendum, initistive and the recall the unqualified endorsement of organized labor and declared that a real, representative democracy never had been known in the United States because of the gen-

eral absence of those provisions.
"This semi-defication of judges," he said in defense of his endorsement, "this sanctimonious cant about 'mob rule' some of which was in President Taft's message vetoing the Arizona statehood bill, is mere drivel.

would make more than thirty columns in a newspaper, says it leaves many holds within its grasp is understood

and says organized labor demands:
The referendum, the initiative and the recall. Passages of the so-called anti-injunction bills at the next session of

Restriction of immigration, Further restriction of convict labor Legislation to relieve civil service mpolyes from the executive orders ohibiting them to petition congre Uniform laws for protection of life

and health in factory buildings.

A department of tabor in the federal government.

called scientific management or effi-

clency systems. than 1,700,000, the greatest in its history and its financial condition excellent, the organization often called the greatest altruistic institution of the times, enters the thirty-first year

of its work. "Despite all opposition of the most relentless kind the American labor movement grows and thrives; its beneficient influence for the common atchood bill, is mere drivel."

uplift of labor and of all our people vent the seating of the delegates of President Compers' report, which extends to all fields of useful active the Brotherhood of Railway Carmen. covers sixty closely printed pages and ity and is becoming more generally a rival organization. An attempt to recognized. The power which labor

The McNamara case, however, taken up at some length and fully reviewed. President Gompers expressed his faith in the innocence of the men now on trial at Los Angeles alleged dynamiting outrages and denounces in unmeasured terms their re-moval from Indians to California. His report included many other questions of interest to the laboring man,

"Ready to go to Jail" Most significant of all the day's utterances was that of Mr. Gompers, in responding to the addresses of wel-come of Governor Hoke Smith, Mayor come of Gevernor Hoke Smith, Mayor Courtland S. Winn and others, when he declared that he Secretary Morrison and Vice-President John Mitchell compensation acts throughout the states.

Severe arraignment is made of socialled scientific management or efficiency systems.

With its membership now more than 1,700,000, the greatest in its history and its financial condition exception, the organization often called

tinue to grow and aid in the uplift of

All the contested delegates to the convention were seated on recom-mendation of the credentials committee. The delegation representing the International Association International Association of Car Workers made a futile effort to pre-

(Continued on Page Six)

## LAST OF FOUR BROTHERS

#### Southbound N. Y., A. & N. Says Western Union Tele-O. Limited Train Derailed Near Greensboro

GREENSBORO, N. C., Nov. 13 .trainment and passengers were slightcars were of steel construction.

train was running about 65 miles an it over to the Western Union for final hour and was caused by a spreading transmission. The Western Union has ward an embankment. Had they turn- be added to the messages and that ed to the other side they would have the Postal pay for the transmission toppled into a ravine and the loss of these additional words. The pubof life undoubtedly would have been lic service commission now decides

are Ed. Towns, fireman of Spencer, tinue it. N. C.; A. M. Shaw, Charlotte; R. F. Arrington, negro porter; D. Line, service corporation must extend pre-Baltimore, and Henry Mowyer, cisely the same facilities to a com-Baltimore, and These with the passengers were brought here on a special



WASHINGTON, Nov. 18 .- Fore-

## COMMISSION DECIDES IN KILLED IN BY. WRECKS FAVOR OF THE POSTAL CO

## graph Company Must Not Discriminate

NEW YORK, Nov. 13 .- The public Engineer A. W. Kinney, the last of service commission of New York four brothers to be claimed in rail- state decided today a fight which has fay wrecks, was killed and several been going on before that commission between the Postal Telegraph comsouth bound New York, Atlanta and that the Western Union has been New Orleans limited on the South-ern railway was derailed. Seven cars

Postal and has ordered that it be left the track and turned on their stopped. It appears that where the The escape of the passengers Postal company has messages destined is attributed to the fact that all the to points not reached by the Postal lines, the Postal company has carried The accident occurred while the it as far as it could and then turned Fortunately the cars turned to- insisted that from three to five words Among the most seriously injured ders the Western Union to discon-

The decree says: "Clearly a public Mowyer, cisely the same facilities to a competitor as it does to the entire world. It can make no distinction between those offering business. It must charge them alike and serve them

This decision may have an important bearing on the demand of the independent telephone companies that the Bell companies shall furnish the former with the same facilities which are furnished to the public. It means a large saving of money to the Pos-

CARL MORRIS WON

NEW YORK, Nov. 13 .- The bout Denver, was stopped by Referee White in the ninth round tonight. Morrie easily outpointed the Denver heavyweight throughout.

# ANOTHER AUTHOR GIVES

## Enter Resistance to Suit Brought by Wife

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Nov. 13,-A decree of absolute divorce today was granted in the superior court of this county to Mrs. Louisa Fletcher One Million Goes to Colum-Tarkington, wife of Booth Tarkingtrainment and passengers were slight-ly injured near here today, when the year and a half. The decision decided ton, the novelist and playwright. Mrs. Tarkington had not asked for allmony.

In its decree the court said the matter of compensation to Mrs. Tarkington had been satisfactorily ar ranged in a private agreement. Mrs Tarkington in her complaint alleged that the defendant treated her with cruelty and that they had lived apart for the last several months. Mr. Tarkington did not enter resistance to the suit. Mrs. Tarkington later made public this signed statement: "In justice to both of us, I will say

that I fully acquit Mr. Tarkington of any intentional unkindness to me. The differences between us are of temperament and habit and after nine years of effort it is apparent to both of us that we cannot reconcile our amount is paid over, will result in the views of life. The fact that we have sum going to Harvard university, onenot been able to come to the same viewpoint does not mean that either of us approves of divorce for any light

Mrs. Tarkington is the daughter of the late Stoughton J. Fletcher, a wealthy banker and capitalist of this has contributed to the magazines.

#### RACES FOR COLUMBIA

COLUMBIA, S. C., Nov. 13 .- Begin-COLUMBIA. S. C., Nov. 13.—Begin-ning November 30, a thirty day's \$100,000 to be distributed by the exe-racing meet will be held in Columbia. A string of horses which assembled is, readers and companions and cerbetween Carl Morris, the Oklahoma in Washington from various tracks tain editorial writers employed heavy weight, and Jack Jeyer, of now in operation and will be brought the World; \$560,000 for the area

> After the Columbia meet the horses will be taken to Charleston for the 100 days meet there.

## COMBINATION FOR 'BEARING' COTTON PRICES CHARGED

Attorney Gen. Wickersham Frankly Says he Doesn't Know What Bear Pool is

S. C. REPRESENTATIVE **BRINGS UP QUESTION** 

Aitkin Claims That Holding Down Price is as Illegal as Keeping it up

WASHINGTON, Nov. 12. - Responding to a request by Representative Aitkin, of South Carolina that the federal government undertake the prosecution of "bears," who, it is alleged, are engaged in depressing the price of cotton to the financial detriment of the southern producer, Attorney-General Wickersham frankly admits that he does not understand the workings of a "bear pool" or how much a combination could operate in restraint of commerce.

in restraint of commerce.

In correspondence made public today it is stated by the attorney-general that he has no tangible evidence
of the existence of any such pool and
requests Mr. Aithin to furnish him
with any detailed information he may
have indicating a combination formed
for the purpose of depressing the
price of the south's great staple. The
government's future course in congovernment's future course in con-nection with all corners, Mr. Wickarsham intimates, will be governed largely by the decision of the supreme court of the United States in the pending case against alleged "bulls" charged with cornering cotton to increase its price. "If the

"bulla" charged with cornering cotton to increase its price. "If the court shall decide the essential question involved." he says, "and not let the case go off on a technical matter of pleading, we may have some light which will be of aid in the safercement of the law against other combinations of a like character."

Affilia" Contention

Mr. Aitkin declarse that if the government had the legal right to proceed against a combination of appealators whose purpose was to force in the price of cotton, it has the lamb legal right to proceed against a combination of appealators whose purpose was to force in the price of cotton, it has the lamb legal right to proceed a dominant associang to depress the price of the same commodity.

"It is certain," he adds, "that bear" pressure on Wall street has forced a decline of three cents per pound in the present market, thereby robbing the south of approximately \$105,000,000 and giving it to forcelyn spinners. This decline has been brought about by the bear element overselling the market, publishing take or misleading statemants and overselling the market, publis false or misleading statements. combining to keep buyers out of market."

The attorney-general Mr. Aitkin on the general that if cornering a product which is dealt in interstate commerce, for the purpose of increasing its price is il-legal, similar cornering for the pur-pose of depressing the price is like-

The formation and operation of a "built" corner to increase the price of a commodity, he adds, is clear, but he does not understand by what UP WOULD-BE LIFEMATE process a "bear pool" is organised and conducted.

## Booth Tarkington Did Not JOSEPH PULITLER LEAVES LARGE SUMS FOR VARIOUS PEOPLE AND INSTITUTIONS

bia for School of Journalism, More Later

REMEMBERS FAMILY

NEW YORK, Nov. 18.—The terms of the will of Jos. Pulitzer, which will be filed for probate tomorrow, were made public tonight. Its conspicuous features are the ratification of the gift of \$1,000,000 to Columbia university for the establishment of a school of journalism and also the ratification of an additional \$1,000,edo for the same purpose, subject to certain conditions which if not complied with by Columbia before the half of it for a school of journalism and one-half for many unusual prises and scholarships as set forth in the

The document also sets forth large number of interesting bequests not previously known. Among these is \$250,000 for a scholarship fund at Columbia university; \$500,000 to the Metropolitan museum of art; \$500,-000 to the Philharmonic society of New York; \$100,000 to Mr. Pulitar's of a fountain in Central park; \$25,00 for the erection of a statue of The Jefferson in New York city and e