

COLDER ESTABLISHED 1908. DEEP DELECTANT GROWING HORSE

Mental Faculties Showing Signs of Decline Early Today. EXTREME UNCTION IS ADMINISTERED

Cardinal Gasparri May Be Successor if Benedict Fails to Survive. ROME, Jan. 21.—(4:30 a. m.)—The condition of Pope Benedict is slowly growing worse and is now extremely grave.

Fresh cases of pneumonic infection have developed in the lungs of the patient and catarrh from which he suffers still persists. His temperature shortly after midnight was 101 degrees. Breathing was hard and difficult.

Through all his sufferings the mind of the pontiff remains bright and he is described as being cheerfully and unafraid of death. "If it pleases the Lord that I shall work again for his church, I am ready; if he says it is enough, let his will be done," the pontiff said early Friday evening as the cardinals were withdrawing from the chamber after having paid him a visit.

During the day the holy father received extreme unction and the holy sacrifice was administered in the large chamber of the cardinals and members of the diplomatic corps attached to the vatican, many of them with tears in their eyes, watched the solemn ceremony through the doorway leading from the sick chamber into the ante-chamber.

All the cardinals of the curia remained at the vatican throughout the afternoon and this evening. The corner room, now the sick chamber, is the death chamber of Pope X. The room was furnished with a bed, a chair, a table, a desk and a crucifix above the bed. It contains gold framed chairs, upholstered in red damask, and a small table near the bed.

When the great specialist, Dr. Marchalava proclaimed that there still was a thread of hope for the recovery of the pope, an humble and other members of the curia who had been attending the pope throughout his illness were even more sanguine, saying: "I accept this as a happy augury."

Mysterious Death of Harsell Believed Solved in Mitchell

"Bill" Rainwater, Alleged Slayer, Placed in Jail; Warrants for Five Others

POELING has been running high in Mitchell county ever since the death of Harsell and the subsequent charge that he was brought to an untimely end by lawless people in the Unaka mountains on the head of Pigeon Roost creek.

Citizens have been expressing a strong belief that the guilty persons were brought to justice. "Charles E. Grege, attorney of this place, has been retained by relatives of the deceased to assist the solicitor in the prosecution. Mr. Grege refuses to disclose the names of those for whom warrants have been issued in this case, but he admitted that five fugitive warrants were taken out, one of which was for Rainwater."

WANTS CONGRESS TO ACT SPEEDILY ON OFFER TO LEASE POWER PLANTS. FLORENCE, Ala., Jan. 20.—Henry Ford hopes for speedy action by congress on his proposal to lease and operate the power and nitrate plants at Muscle Shoals and is "prepared to formulate a definite plan for the great fertilizer question of the future."

The telegram was read tonight at a banquet here in honor of the delegates and came at the close of a day in which the conference had declared immediate resumption of construction work on the government property at Muscle Shoals necessary for providing ample fertilizer for American farms. The telegram follows:

"I wish to acknowledge receipt of the large volume of letters and telegrams urging me to accept your invitation to the conference of the farm bureau at Muscle Shoals. These letters from farmers of many states are sufficient of the tremendous possibilities for public benefit which center around Muscle Shoals. After careful consideration I have reached the conclusion that the interests of the conference and that for which it stands can be served best by accepting your invitation. I am hoping for speedy action by congress on the proposal. I am hoping for speedy action by congress on the proposal."

Two Bridges Are Washed Away By Flood At Murphy. HIWASSEE REACHES HIGHEST STAGE IN SIXTEEN YEARS, SAY REPORTS. MEMPHIS, Tenn., Jan. 20.—Tampa, Fla., was selected as the next meeting place of the church-wide conference of executive officers of the Epworth league of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, at the closing session of the conference here today.

PLAN TO PUBLISH COMMUNIST TREATIES MEETS SETBACK

Root Would Leave Revision Warfare Rules to Next Conference. WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—The American proposal to lay open the public health service, is going to make out of Oteen, the soldiers hospital at Asheville, one of the most up to date institutions of the kind in the United States.

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WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—Farm financing came prominently to the front today with the announcement by Secretary Wallace that he would lay before the national agricultural conference next week charges that certain companies were taking advantage of the present crisis to charge "extortionate" interest rates.

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AMERICAN LEGION ASKS TO PASS EX-SERVICE MEN

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Weaver Asserts He Will Enter Primary To Succeed Himself. Representative From Tenth N. C. District Said To Have Served Well. WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 20.—"There is no need for a secret law and order society, Judge Shaw said in ruling that there is no doubt about the need of a law-enforcing organization in this town."

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