

## State News.

The Methodist Protestants of Winston-Salem are planning to build a \$15,000 church in that city.

A blockade distillery was captured about two and one-half miles northwest of Pittsboro by revenue officers last Sunday morning.

R. C. Pitts, of Winston-Salem, was killed Monday night while attempting to board a freight train in New Orleans.

Dr. M. E. Teague, a well-known citizen of Forsyth County, died Tuesday afternoon at his home in Winston. Dr. Teague was formerly sheriff of the county, and had been prominent in local Republican politics.

Mr. W. L. Lloyd, an engineer on the Southern Railway, was fatally injured at Spencer by the ash-pan of his engine. His skull was crushed and the injured man was carried to a Salisbury hospital for treatment. His family live in Greensboro.

The following item is from the Wilkesboro Patriot: "The largest illicit whiskey plant that has been known to operate in the county at any time, was found by Officers Pritchard, Haynes and Shepherd, a few days ago, in New Castle Township, near the Yadkin line. The copper still of the plant held no less than 300 gallons. It took two hours to cut it up. There was on hand about 800 gallons of mash, which would have made 2,500 gallons of beer."

## Goldsboro Negro Falls Into Tank of Boiling Water.

Goldsboro, N. C., Jan. 16.—Will Simmons, a colored employee of the Empire Manufacturing Company of this city, was so badly scalded late Saturday afternoon that his chances for recovery are very slim. He was engaged at some work near a large tank of boiling water used by the company to steam lumber, when in some way he lost his balance and fell into the tank backwards, which was waist deep. His screams of agony attracted the attention of several of the other hands working nearby, who came to the rescue and assisted him to get out with the aid of a long pole. So badly was he scalded that when his clothing was removed his skin peeled off with ease.

## Wadesboro Man Had His Wife Arrested; Then Paid Her Fine.

Wadesboro, N. C., Jan. 13.—A peculiar instance of "law enforcement" came to light yesterday in the mayor's court when a man asked for a warrant for the arrest of his wife on the charge of "cursing him on the public highway. The warrant was issued and the woman arrested, and she pleaded guilty and the husband paid the fine. When asked for an explanation the man and woman both made many explanations of "family troubles." The mayor took each in hand and urged them to settle their troubles, and finally they agreed to "do better" in the future.

## Seven-Year-Old Boy Kills His Baby Brother.

Wadesboro, N. C., Jan. 12.—A very sad accident occurred yesterday South of here when Walter Little, the seven-year-old son of Samuel Little, shot and killed his three-year-old brother Daniel. The boys were playing alone in the house while the mother was out in the field.

Walter went to the dresser, and taking out his father's pistol, shot the baby brother. The ball went through the body of the child and death was instantaneous. Walter said he did not know the gun would shoot.

## Salisbury Merchant Charged With Embezzlement.

Salisbury, N. C., Jan. 13.—J. A. Stokes, a merchant taylor who did business in Salisbury during the past year, was arrested in Baltimore this week and brought back to Rowan for trial on the charge of embezzlement. He was in the employ of a Winston concern and left for a trip to Florida and other points. Soon after leaving Salisbury his employers brought the charge and caused his apprehension in Baltimore. He has employed able counsel and it is said will plead not guilty.

## A Grandfather at Thirty-Three.

Spencer, N. C., Jan. 13.—Mr. V. H. Bryson, of Spencer, it is believed, holds the record as the youngest grandfather in the world, his age being only thirty-three years. He was married when fourteen years of age, his wife being only thirteen and one-half. His oldest son was married at the age of seventeen, and who at the age of eighteen years presented to the elder Bryson a grandson, the grandfather being less than thirty-three years of age.

## PARSON'S POEM A GEM.

From Rev. H. Stubenvoll, Allison, Ia., in praise of Dr. King's New Life Pills: "They're such a health necessity—In every home these pills should be. If other kinds you've tried in vain, USE DR. KING'S And be well again."

## URGES FORTIFICATION OF CANAL

President Taft Sends a Special Message to Congress—Should Defend the Big Ditch.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 12.—President Taft to-day sent the Congress a special message urging the fortification of the Panama Canal and recommending that appropriation of \$5,000,000 for the initiation of the work on the proposed defenses be made at the present session of Congress.

"The Canal when completed," said the President, "will afford the only route for water communication between our Atlantic and Pacific Coasts and virtually will be a part of the coast line of the United States. Its assured possession and control will contribute to our peace, safety and prosperity as a nation. In my judgment it is the right and the duty of the United States to fortify and make capable of defense the work that will bear so vital a relation to its welfare, and that is being created solely by it and at an expenditure of enormous sums."

The President forwarded to Congress with his message a modified report of the special Army and Navy Board which reduces the estimate of the cost of fortification of the Canal from \$19,546,843 to \$12,475,328.

As modified, the Board recommends that the armament at Panama shall consist of eight 14-inch rifles; twelve 6-inch rifles, and twenty-four 12-inch mortars.

It is recommended that the permanent garrison in time of peace on the isthmus shall consist of twelve companies of coast artillery, four regiments of coast artillery, four of field artillery and one squadron of cavalry.

## DISASTROUS FIRE AT SANFORD.

Three Buildings Destroyed Monday—Loss About \$23,000.

Sanford, N. C., Jan. 16.—Fire broke out on the second floor and in the rear of the new Cunningham building, near the center of the town this morning at 3 o'clock, and from that time until 8 o'clock this morning Sanford experienced one of her most destructive fires.

The new Cunningham building, consisting of large rooms below, had not been fully completed, in fact, the finishing touches were just being applied, and as it was one of the most up-to-date buildings in the town, the loss is a sore one to the town, as well as to the owners. Only one of the new store-rooms had been occupied, and that was by the Lambeth Baldwin Company. They saved practically all their goods, but they were badly damaged by being carried from the building. A list of the buildings, etc., follows:

Cunningham building, loss about \$12,000; insurance, \$6,500.

W. T. Buchanan, general merchandise, large two story frame building. Loss, \$10,000 or more; no insurance.

Warehouse of W. T. Buchanan, filled with feed stuffs. Value unobtainable; no insurance.

J. F. Morgan, grocery store. Loss about \$750; no insurance on goods. The building belonged to W. T. Buchanan; no insurance.

Dr. I. H. Lutterloh, old building, formerly occupied by him as drug store, but recently by a Chinese laundry. The building and contents were destroyed. Value, about \$500; no insurance.

## THE METHODIST CHAUTAUQUA.

Will Be Established at Waynesville—Southern Assembly Company Elect Officers.

Asheville, N. C., Jan. 14.—What may be regarded as the first definite step toward the establishment of the Methodist Chautauqua at Waynesville in this State as authorized by general Conference of the M. E. Church, South, was taken today at Waynesville when the incorporators of the Southern Assembly Company met and organized with the election of the following officers: Bishop, Jas. Atkinson; Vice President, John R. Pepper, Memphis, Tenn.; Secretary, C. S. Satterthwait, Waynesville, N. C.; Treasurer, B. J. Sloan, Waynesville, N. C.; General Superintendent, Dr. Jas. Cannon, Blackstone, Va.; Superintendent Bible Conference, Dr. F. W. Tillett, Vanderbilt University; Superintendent Evangelistic Work, Dr. Geo. E. Stewart, Cleveland, Tenn.; Superintendent Missionary Training School, Rev. J. E. McCulloch, Nashville, Tenn.

The Assembly has purchased 1,000 acres of land near Waynesville, at an elevation of 2,000 feet, and plans have been formulated to develop and beautify the property at once.

## Iredell Farmer Meets Death by Jumping From Train.

Asheville, N. C., Jan. 12.—R. E. Rudacil, aged 40, a prosperous farmer of Iredell County, was instantly killed to-day in attempting to get off the rapidly moving Southern Railway passenger train at Elmwood, his home, where the train makes no stop. Mr. Rudacil got on the train at Hickory, N. C. His head struck the rail, breaking his neck, and death was instantaneous.

## Killed By a Coast Line Train.

Parme, N. C., Jan. 13.—Brinkley Allsbrook was killed here by being run over by an Atlantic Coast Line passenger train. The body was crushed almost beyond recognition.

## General News.

Woodrow Wilson was inaugurated Governor of New Jersey Tuesday. In his inaugural address he promises many reforms.

The Republican caucus of members of the Delaware Legislature have named Hon. Henry A. Dupont for reelection to the United States Senate.

The post-office at Windsor, Va., was broken open Sunday night and the safe blown open. The robbers got \$1,000 worth of stamps and about \$200 in cash.

The United States Supreme Court has upheld the constitutionality of the Alabama law which prevents insurance companies pooling their interests.

The post-office appropriation bill aggregating \$253,000,000, an increase of more than \$9,000,000 over the current appropriation, was reported to Congress Monday by the Post-office Committee.

The building occupied by the Empire Skirt Company at Atlanta, Ga., was destroyed by fire Tuesday. One hundred girls were at work in the building when it caught on fire, but all were rescued without receiving serious injury. The fire loss amounts to \$35,000.

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## Senator Borah Will Ask for a Vote on the Thirty-First.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 16.—In the Senate to-day Senator Borah announced that on Thursday he would ask for unanimous consent to take up his resolution for the direct election of United States Senators for a final vote on January 31st.

A bill was passed authorizing the Secretary of War to drop from the roles the names of officers convicted of crime or absent without leave exceeding three months. The bill applies particularly to the case of Captain Peter Hains, who is now serving a term in Sing Sing for the murder of William E. Annis. The same messages were received by the House from the President as by the Senate.

## Farmers Will Establish Stock Company to Handle Farm Supplies.

Winston-Salem, N. C., Jan. 16.—At a meeting of the Forsyth County Council of the Farmers' Union, plans have been adopted looking to the establishment of a joint-stock company to handle general farm supplies. About one hundred delegates were present at the meeting and it was their vote to have the Sec'y of the Union, J. R. Snyder, devote his entire time to the work. The idea is not to run a retail establishment, but to handle almost at wholesale prices farm machinery and fertilizers. Stock will be sold among the members of the Union, no member being permitted to own more than one share.

## Preacher Wants \$100,000 for Being Ejected From a Southern Train.

Asheville, No. C., Jan. 11.—The Rev. George Cates, the Baptist evangelist, of Louisville, Ky., who last week was ejected from a Southern Railway train at Arden, this State, to-day filed suit against the Southern for \$100,000 damages. Mr. Cates alleges that he sustained internal injuries and suffered great humiliation by being forcibly ejected from the train after he had offered a mileage book for transportation which the conductor refused to accept.

## A Washington Woman Tried by Women Jury.

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 16.—When Mrs. Ida M. Anderson was arraigned before Justice of the Peace Brown Saturday charged with having interfered with a public utility service device, namely, a gas meter, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, Miss Reah Whitehead, appeared to conduct the case against her. Counsel for Mrs. Anderson demanded a woman jury, and the request was granted.

## Three Lynched at Shelbyville, Ken.

Shelbyville, Ky., Jan. 16.—Storming the Shelby County jail here early yesterday morning, a mob composed of less than one hundred men seized and lynched three negroes, two of whom were charged with assaulting white girls and the third sentenced to hang for the murder of his wife and held in jail here until the day of his execution could be set. The three were lynched in different places.

## WORK BROUGHT EXHAUSTION.

Adel, Ga.—"For three years," writes Mrs. C. J. Rentz, "I suffered with female troubles. When I would lie down, I could hardly breathe. I could not do any work without being exhausted. I took Cardui according to directions, and now I can do all my work, and do not suffer at all. Cardui has brought health and happiness to thousands of weak women. It acts on the cause of women's backaches, headaches, nervousness, dragging sensations, weakness and misery. It relieves. It cures. Try it."

## MEASURES MUST PASS.

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Congress or out has so emphasized the fact that that party is entirely wanting in convictions on any subject, and that it is ever ready and willing to trade, dicker and play to the winds for partisan advantage."

This will no doubt be the verdict of the country when the average voter has all of the facts before him and calmly passes upon this new evidence of Democratic incompetency, incapacity and want of conviction.

## The Simmons Compact.

A prominent Republican from the State, who was here on last Monday, said that there was general comment in the State, especially in the eastern part of the State, to the effect that Senator Simmons was in a compact with those Republicans who were fighting Chairman Morehead and the Republican State organization. He said the general opinion as he found it was that Senator Simmons was the spokesman and agent of that element of defeated and disgruntled Republican in Washington.

Commenting further, this party said that he could not blame Senator Simmons for the part he was playing, because he was clearly doing what he could to embarrass Chairman Morehead and the State organization in order to hurt the Republican party and to help the Democratic party. But he further observed that he did not believe that even a man of Mr. Simmons' political standards could have any respect for the kind of Republicans who were thus trying to play into the hands of the Simmons Democratic machine, at the expense of the Republican party and its future growth and success.

## The Free-Traders in Charge.

While very little has appeared in the Democratic press of the State as to what has been going on here in Democratic inside circles, yet it is known that there has been a lively fight waged, especially among the North Carolina delegation.

Congressman Pou is now, and has been for some time, a member of the powerful Ways and Means Committee. This committee is the one that will frame any Democratic tariff bill that is drawn, and besides, according to the present program, this committee will act as the committee on committees to select all other committees if the Speaker shall be shorn of his power. This will make the Ways and Means Committee one of more than twice as much importance now and in the future than ever before.

Early in the fight Congressman Kitchin announced himself as a candidate for a place on this committee to succeed Congressman Pou. The war was bitterly waged on Pou that he should not be retained because he was not true to the Democratic platform, in that he voted for protection in the present Republican tariff bill, and that he violated specifically the pledge in the Democratic platform in favor of free lumber. The protection Democrats and the interests which Congressman Pou's vote was cast to support rallied vigorously to his defense; but this caused the Kitchin fight to wax even stronger and more bitter. In the background, behind this fight, also loomed up the fact that Governor Kitchin, a brother of Congressman Kitchin, is an open and avowed candidate for the United States to beat Senator Simmons.

Senator Simmons rallied all of his forces, but he and Congressman Pou have gone down into the dust of defeat before Governor Kitchin and Congressman Kitchin and their free trade cohorts. It is now announced, however, that there has been a peaceful settlement between Pou and Kitchin, but it is the peace that comes after the vanquished has called for "calf rope." It is settled by Kitchin winning and Pou being bowled completely.

It is announced further, however, that as a kind of sop to Pou that he has been given the chairmanship of some little Democratic committee that is to have a bath-tub perquisite so that he can get a free bath.

## SALARY WILL NOT BE INCREASED.

Alabama's Retiring Governor Refuses to Sign Bill.

Montgomery, Ala., Jan. 14.—The Governor's salary bill, increasing the Chief Executive's salary from \$5,000 to \$7,000, as far as it applies to Emmet O'Neal, who, on Monday, will take the oath of office, is dead.

Gov. Comer, who will turn over the reins of office Monday to Governor O'Neal, failed to sign the bill and Governor Emmet O'Neal will have to serve on a compensation of \$5,000 a year.

## Dropped Dead on Postoffice Steps.

Wilmington, N. C., Jan. 13.—Mr. Julius Hahn, aged 55 years, a well-known Jewish citizen of this city, died from heart failure this morning as he was in the act of entering the postoffice. He was stricken as he was walking up the steps of the building and fell to the pavement, and died almost instantly.

## Before and Since the Election.

Those Democrats who last year voted to overrule Speaker Cannon on a question of floor privilege and the other day voted to sustain him on a similar ruling, evidently believed that consistency is the bugbear of little minds.

## FATAL BOILER EXPLOSION.

Eight Men Meet Death on the Battleship Delaware While One Hundred Miles at Sea—News Reaches Washington by Wireless.

Washington, Jan. 17.—Eight men met instant death and one man was so horribly burned that he probably will die as a result of a boiler explosion aboard the battleship Delaware at 9.20 o'clock this morning, the cause of which is yet unexplained, according to a wireless message to-night to the Navy Department from Captain Gove.

The Delaware was on her way to Hampton Roads from Guantanamo, Cuba, and had been designated to transport the body of Senor Cruz, late Chilean minister to the United States, back to Chile, instead of the South Carolina, whose propellers met with a mishap.

The nine victims were on duty in the boiler-room when the accident occurred. A terrific shock sent the crew scurrying below, and nine bodies were dragged from the cloud of hot steam that hissed through the hold. Captain Gove wired the Navy Department the names of the eight men who were killed, but the ninth victim who was carried from the boiler-room with traces of life in him was designated as "unknown" in Captain Gove's message.

A board of officers of the vessel was appointed by Captain Gove to investigate the cause of the accident.

Captain Gove's message to the Navy Department to-night follows: "At 9.20 a. m., January 17, three backheaders, Nos. 8, 9 and 10 of boiler 'O' in fire-room four, blew out explosively, killing eight and injuring one who will probably die, these being all the men on duty in the fire-room. Board of officers appointed immediately to investigate and report. Not yet reported. Extent of damage is ten backheaders injured in boiler 'O.' Cause not yet placed."

The dead are: Charles Henry Harp, William Morris White, Columbus Porter Watts and Herbert Anderson Brewer, all firemen; Lewis Addison White and Clarence Dewitt, coal passers; and Christian Jensen, water tender, and an unknown man.

Eugene Phillips, a fireman, was badly injured.

## ALBEMARLE PROMOTERS IN JAIL.

Sibley and Masters Arrested in Mississippi and Will Be Brought to North Carolina for Trial.

Jackson, Miss., Jan. 14.—In default of bail in the sum of \$5,000 each, I. C. Sibley and H. C. Masters, who were arrested here on charges of using the mails with intent to defraud in connection with the promotion of a concern known as the Albemarle Development Company, were remanded to jail here today to await orders of Federal Judge Niles for transfer of the cases to the jurisdiction of the United States Court for the Western District of North Carolina.

Postoffice Inspector J. W. Bulla, of North Carolina, had presented documentary evidence in support of the contention that the development company was being promoted in a manner fraudulent.

Order for the transfer of the case to the United States District Court, west Division, North Carolina, will be made next week.

Inspector Bulla testified that on an investment of \$1,000 to 100 acres of land near Albemarle, the promoters had realized about \$250,000. It was stated that Sibley had been connected with the operation of a similar scheme at Whiteboro, Tex., about 5 years ago.

## Texas May Bring Suit Against Fifty Railroads.

Austin, Texas, Jan. 14.—On the eve of his retirement Governor T. M. Campbell to-day directed Attorney-General Jewell P. Lightfoot to bring suit against the Missouri, Kansas and Texas and the International and Great Northern Railroad companies seeking the forfeiture of their charters. The suits are to be based on the insolvent corporation act enacted by the Legislature of 1906 and it is declared, are forerunners to similar suits against fifty other railway companies operating in this State.

## LAUNCHING OF BATTLESHIP ARKANSAS.

Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 14.—With the traditional bottle of champagne broken on her bow, the battleship Arkansas, the largest warship ever constructed in this country, was launched this afternoon from the yards of the New York Shipbuilding Company at Camden, N. J. Miss Mary Macon, daughter of Representative Robert B. Macon, of Helena, Ark., was the sponsor for the ship.

The principal dimensions of the latest and largest addition to the navy are: Length over all 562 feet; beam over armor, 95 feet; 2 5-8 inches; draft, 28 feet, 6 inches; displacement 26,000 tons.

The contract for the ship calls for a speed of 20 1/2 knots an hour.

When completed the Arkansas will have the greatest gun power in broadside of any ship afloat. The main armament will consist of twelve 12-inch breech-loading guns, mounted in six heavy armor-protected turrets. For defense against torpedo boat attacks there will be a battery of 21 5-inch rapid-fire guns. The total weight of broadside will be about 11,000 pounds. The armor belts will have an average thickness of 16 inches.

The Arkansas will be turbine-driven, and will have 28,000 horse power. The vessel will be fitted for a flagship and her complement will consist of 85 officers and 1,030 men.

The keel of the Arkansas was laid last January and at present the ship is about sixty per cent completed.

## Grant Says They Could Be Depended on to Play the Fool.

Greensboro Record (Dem.)

That matter of whose ox is gored is bobbing up in the halls of Congress. Last March the Democrats vied with the insurgent Republicans in seeing who could hit Speaker Cannon the hardest blow. Yesterday a ruling was made by the chair similar to that made last year when he was welled, but the great body of Democrats voted to sustain him, to the great discomfiture of the insurgents and to the delight of the Speaker. It was President Grant who said the Democrats could be depended on to play the fool. When they helped upset old man Cannon last year, they hardly expected to be in the saddle in the next Congress, but now, that they are in—now that their own ox is about to be gored—they are hedging. We may be wrong in the matter, but we are depending on the press reports of yesterday's proceedings in the House.

## Says Women's Suffrage Would Aid Polygamy.

New York, Jan. 16.—That woman's suffrage would give an impetus to polygamy in the East as she declares it has in the West is the substance of a letter written by Mrs. Elizabeth Goddard of Utah and read at an anti-suffragette conference this afternoon. She declares the curse of Utah is the attitude toward the marriage relation and the respect for women or children born out of these unhallowed unions.

## DOCTORS FAILED. RESTORED BY PERUNA.

Catarrh of the Lungs Threatened Her Life.

Miss Ninette Porter, Braintree, Vermont, writes: "I have been cured by Peruna."

"I had several hemorrhages of the lungs. The doctors did not help me much and would never have cured me. I saw a testimonial in a Peruna almanac of a case similar to mine, and I commenced using it."

"I was not able to wait on myself when I began using it. I gained very slowly at first, but I could see that it was helping me."

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