

CITIZENS TO HAVE HEARING

Open Meeting Will be Held Monday Night on Charter Question.

CONFERENCE WAS NOT HELD LAST NIGHT

Ten Members of the Board of Aldermen and Charter Committee of Ten Decide Not to Confer Until Next Meeting.

The committee of ten came to the meeting at the invitation and suggestion of the board of aldermen, but the meeting had scarce been called to order before Mr. L. H. Weddington, of the committee, stated he wanted to know for what purpose the conference was called together.

Mr. Weddington attempted to throw light on the question by stating that the board wanted to make a change in the charter.

Mr. Henderson: "I want to know if anything can be agreed upon at this meeting."

Mr. Guthrie: "I want to know what the meeting can do. What are we accomplishing by being here to-night?"

Mr. Weddington: "You aldermen have our meeting and our committee can have ours, and then we can come together to see if we can agree."

Alderman Chambers: "I think the mayor is right."

Alderman Bland: "The mayor is absolutely right as far as we can see. I thought that the committee of ten was opposed to having a mass meeting to hear complaints from the people."

Chairman McDowell, of the committee of ten, next arose and said: "We objected to another mass meeting to override the work of the committee. When we drew the proposed charter as requested, we had full faith in the committee of ten."

Mr. McDowell: "We want to have the aldermen and the ten get together and fix up a charter to send to the Legislature."

Mr. Candler: "I have heard something said about hurt feelings. I don't think there has been anything to hurt anybody's feelings. We are business men met for a practical purpose and we understand that in order to transact business there must be discussion and debate."

Alderman Kirkpatrick wanted to extend Mr. Guthrie's motion so that the people should be called to meet Monday night and that the board of aldermen and the committee be called to meet on Tuesday night.

CYCLONE KILLS 30; LOSS IS \$2,000,000

Storm That Swept Southern States Disastrous to Life and Property—Many Towns and Cities Suffer—Loss Heavy at Muskogee, Okla.

MEMPHIS, TENN., FEB. 6.—Between 25 and 30 persons dead, a dozen small towns in partial ruins with a property loss of \$2,000,000 is the news coming to-day from the wake of the cyclone sweeping the Southern States yesterday.

Most of the tricker towns are out of the way of direct communication at Rolling Fork six negroes were killed at Booth, Miss., six negroes. Friars Point, Miss., had a heavy loss. At Postville, Ark., the white and colored school houses were destroyed. At Stuttgart, Ark., Mr. Canfield and a child of W. A. Shorey were killed. At Muskogee, Okla., the property loss was \$5,000 and eight were killed.

EDUCATIONAL RALLY A GREAT SUCCESS

Forty-One Schools of Anson Represented by 1,200 Pupils and Their Parents—Several Prizes Awarded. Special to The Chronicle.

WADESBORO, FEB. 6.—The educational rally yesterday was a tremendous success. Forty-one schools were in attendance. The day opened with a street parade led by twenty young men and women on horseback, followed by the reception committee and speakers in carriages and the school children of the county in decorated floats.

THE TEUTONS FEAR RUSSIA

Germany and Austria on the Balkan Settlement. LONDON, FEB. 6.—Turkey, Austria-Hungary and Germany appear reluctant to express approval of the Russian financial scheme to settle the Balkan question, because it is feared that it will lead to a return of Russian influence in the Balkans.

SIXTH MURDER AND OUTRAGE

Police Dayton Trying to Unravel Mystery of Crime. DAYTON, FEB. 6.—All that the police force can do is being done to unravel the mystery surrounding the murder of Miss Elizabeth C. Smith, sixth in line of women murdered and ravished here in two years.

NATURAL GAS FOR NEW ORLEANS

Gulf Coast Gas and Oil Co. Organized to Sink Wells and Build Pipe-Line. NEW ORLEANS, FEB. 6.—With a capital of \$500,000 the Gulf Coast Gas and Oil Company has been organized with offices at Shreveport and Gibsland, La., to sink eight wells in Bossier, Webster, Bienville and Jackson Parishes, La., where the company owns and controls by lease 500,000 acres. Natural gas is already being obtained by competitive companies on adjacent lands, and a network of pipe lines is operated as far west as Marshall, Texas, where fuel and light is supplied for both domestic and commercial purposes.

THE COMING WEEK FROM DAY TO DAY

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Among the important news events scheduled for the coming week are the following:

Sunday. National Federation of State, City and Town Employes Unions convenes in Fall River, Mass. Ninety-seventh anniversary of the birth of Charles Dickens will be observed by literary societies in England and the United States.

Monday. International Skating Association will hold indoor championship races in St. Nicholas Rink, New York. National Association of Plumbers will begin its annual convention in Omaha.

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Friday. Centennial of the birth of Abraham Lincoln will be observed as a holiday, with impressive exercises, in many parts of the country.

Saturday. United States National Lawn Tennis Association will hold twenty-eighth annual session in New York.

Sunday. William H. Taft is scheduled to arrive at New Orleans, on his return trip from Panama, and will be given an enthusiastic reception.

Monday. New York Sun Alumni Association will hold its annual dinner at Hotel Brevoort, with many men of prominence in attendance.

Tuesday. Leading universities of the East will participate in the annual games of Columbia University at Madison Square Garden, New York.

Wednesday. English Runner the Best in the World Up to 20 Miles However. NEW YORK, FEB. 6.—Despite his collapse in the 25th mile in his Marathon race with Tom Longboat, at Madison Square Garden last night, Shrub, the English runner, is given credit for being the greatest runner in the world up to 20 miles.

Thursday. Man and Woman Registered at Hotel Under Assumed Name, Then Killed. PHILADELPHIA, FEB. 6.—Lying across a bed, fully dressed, a man believed to be Maurice P. Patterson, of this city, and a woman whose name is said to be Margaret Lomax, were found early Wednesday, asphyxiated in a hotel in this city.

Friday. Irish Cabinet in Deadlock Over Battleships. LONDON, FEB. 6.—The question whether England shall have six new Dreadnaughts costing \$53,000,000 or but two costing \$11,000,000 resulted in a fierce fight in the British Cabinet which to-day deadlocked on the proposition. The six ship advocates are led by Premier Asquith.



This freak machine is the invention of a Frechman, and is called the amphibicycle. Owing to its construction, it can be used on either land or water.

ON ARSON CHARGE COL. CLINKSCALES AT THE Y. M. C. A.

Member of the Faculty of Wofford College Speaks at Meeting for Men To-Morrow Afternoon. Col. John G. Clinkscales, of the faculty of Wofford College, Spartanburg, S. C., will be the speaker at the meeting for men not the Young Men's Christian Association to-morrow afternoon at 5 o'clock.

It will be remembered that Colonel Clinkscales addressed a great meeting at the Academy of Music about three years ago under the auspices of the Young Men's Christian Association on the subject, "The Faithfulness With Which Sin Keeps Its Record."

SEAWELL WILL NOT BE CONFIRMED

Appointment Pigeonholed—Both Senators Oppose Him and It Will Be Up to Taft. WASHINGTON, FEB. 6.—The appointment of H. F. Seawell as judge of the eastern district of North Carolina is lying quietly in a pigeon hole and it will stay there until Taft goes in. Then he will make another appointment and the Seawell appointment will not be resurrected.

FLEET LEAVES ON HOMEWARD CRUISE

British Cousins Give the Boys a Tumultuous Farewell—Efficiency of the Fleet Has Been Doubled Says Sperry. GIBRALFAR, FEB. 6.—The American Pacific fleet left to-day on the 3,000-mile homeward cruise amid tumultuous farewells from the shore and land.

JUDGE TAFT OFFERS LOEB APPOINTMENT

Roosevelt's Secretary Will Be Collector of the Port of New York. WASHINGTON, FEB. 6.—Friends of William Loeb, Jr., secretary to the President, made the definite statement to-day that he is to become collector of the port of New York at the beginning of the next administration.

THE DELAWARE IS LAUNCHED TO-DAY

New Battleship the Biggest and Heaviest in the World. NEWPORT NEWS, VA., FEB. 6.—Miss Anne Cahill to-day christened the battleship Delaware as the giant vessel slid down the ways into the James river this afternoon.

LONGBOAT WINS OUT OVER SHRUBB

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Friday. Persian Royalists Win a Battle. VIENNA, FEB. 6.—The Persian Royalist forces under Alin-Ed-Dowleh, defeated the rebels in a battle at Chatbi, a village close to Tabriz. The rebels are reported a losing 190 men.

TO-DAY IN THE LEGISLATURE

House Adjourns in Memory of Representative T. N. Hayes.

STATE WILL PAY FUNERAL EXPENSES OF MEMBER. Senate Passes Substitute for Starbuck and Parham Bills Giving State 12 and 18 Peremptory Challenges in Capital Cases—Child Labor Bill Up Tuesday—Educational Committee Submits Estimate for Appropriation for State Schools—Other Measures Up.

THE SENATE PASSED THE SUBSTITUTE FOR THE STARBUCK AND PARHAM BILLS ALLOWING THE STATE 12 AND THE DEFENDANT 18 PEREMPTORY CHALLENGES IN CAPITAL TRIALS AND ABOLISHING THE RIGHT OF THE STATE TO STAND JURORS AT THE FOOT OF THE PANEL; ALSO THE HOUSE BILL TO ALLOW ASHEVILLE TO EXPEND A CERTAIN PER CENT. OF CITY TAXES FOR ADVERTISING THE CITY; TO INCORPORATE THE TOWN OF LENOIR, AND REVISE THE CHARTER OF SALEM.

PHARR (BY REQUEST): TO CONFER CERTAIN POWERS ON THE DIRECTORS OF STATE INSTITUTIONS. ELLIOTT: TO ALLOW HICKORY TO WAIVE THE COLLECTION OF CERTAIN TAXES.

BRITT: TO EXEMPT FROM JURY SERVICE RAILWAY MAIL CLERKS AND MAIL CARRIERS. THE SENATE TABLED THE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE FINANCE COMMITTEE TO REPORT THE REVENUE AND MACHINERY BILL BY FEBRUARY 15TH AND PREVENTING THE INTRODUCTION OF NEW BILLS AFTER THAT DATE.

THE HOUSE ADOPTED A RESOLUTION IN MEMORY OF THOMAS N. HAYES, OF WILKES, A MINORITY MEMBER OF THE HOUSE WHO HAD NEVER BEEN ABLE TO ATTEND THE SESSIONS. IT PROVIDED FOR A COMMITTEE TO ATTEND THE FUNERAL AND THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE HOUSE AT NOON IN HIS MEMORY. A RESOLUTION BY MORTON THAT THE STATE PAY THE EXPENSES OF THE FUNERAL WAS ADOPTED.

THE MEDICAL BILL, INVOLVING HIGHER EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS FOR APPLICANTS FOR LICENSE WAS THE SPECIAL ORDER FOR NEXT SATURDAY. AMONG THE BILLS INTRODUCED WERE: MARTIN: TO EXCEPT LAUDANUM FROM THE NARCOTIC LAW. GORDON: TO ENLARGE THE POWERS OF THE STATE BOARD OF HEALTH AND INCREASE THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION FROM \$2,000 TO \$10,000 TO PAY THE SECRETARY FOR ALL OF HIS TIME AND PROVIDE FOR ASSISTANTS AND ACTIVE WORK.

SCHOOL APPROPRIATIONS. THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION PASSED FAVORABLY ON THE APPROPRIATIONS ASKED BY THE STATE NORMAL AND INDUSTRIAL COLLEGE AT GREENSBORO AND THE EASTERN CAROLINA TEACHERS' TRAINING SCHOOL AT GREENVILLE. THE STATE NORMAL CALLS FOR \$100,000 ANNUALLY AND AN ADDITIONAL \$50,000 EACH YEAR FOR THE NEXT TWO YEARS FOR ERECTING AND EQUIPPING AN INFIRMARY AND INCREASING THE DORMITORY ROOMS. THE NEW SCHOOL AT GREENVILLE WANTS \$50,000 FOR A CENTRAL POWER HOUSE AND PLANT FOR HEATING AND LIGHTING ALL THE BUILDINGS AND FOR AN INFIRMARY. BESIDES \$25,000 ANNUALLY FOR MAINTENANCE. THESE BILLS WILL HAVE TO GO TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS BEFORE PASSAGE.

SAN FRANCISCO CHINESE SCHOOL

Imperial Government Will Establish Institution in That City. SAN FRANCISCO, FEB. 6.—A Chinese school will be established in this city next week by the Imperial government, for the education of Chinese children in California. Leong Ping Kwal, who will have charge of the new school, was appointed a commissioner of education to the Emperor or China to look into the necessities of the children of Chinese parents in this country, and on his report it was decided to establish the school. The methods used in the Chinese schools conducted by the local school department are favored by the commissioner, and will be used in the new institution. Most of the Chinese children know the language of their parents' native land, but many of them cannot write it. Special steps will be laid on a collection of this fact and the teaching of the history and customs of China. English will also be taught in the school.

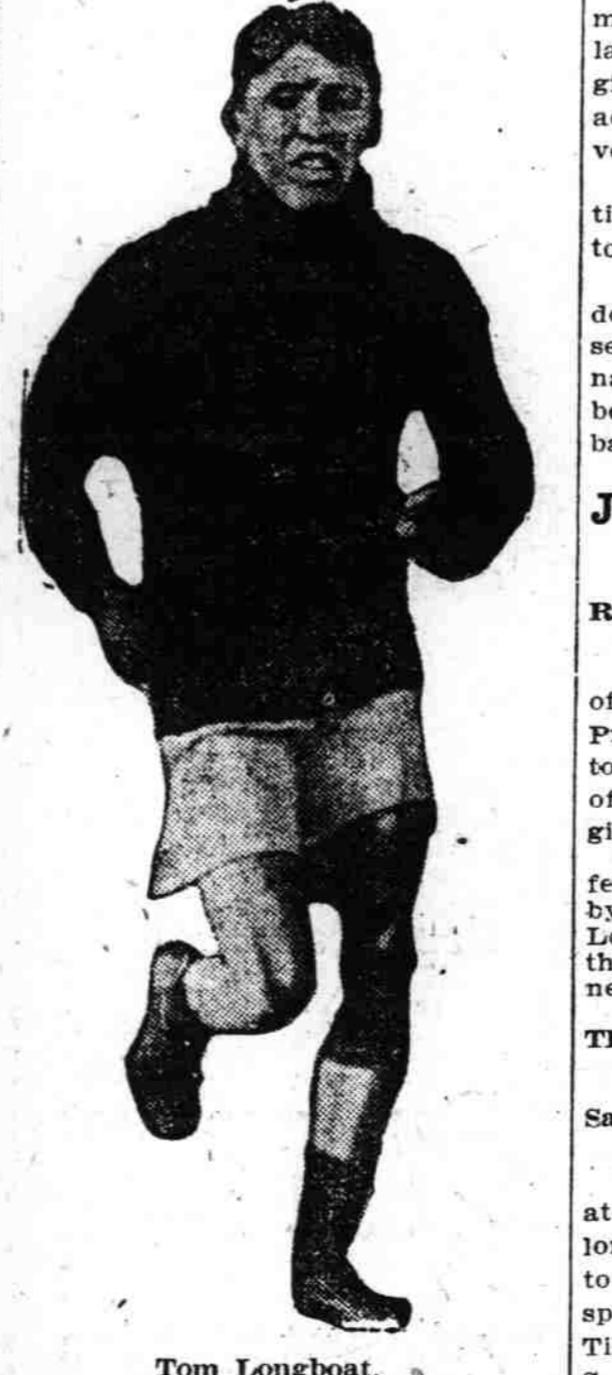
DE NAVARRO DEAD; BUILT FIRST IRON BOAT.

Was Last Surviving Original Director of Equitable Life and Father-in-Law of Mary Anderson. NEW YORK, FEB. 6.—Jose Francisco de Navarro, the last surviving original director of the Equitable Life Assurance society, the father of Antonio de Navarro, husband of Mary Anderson, the former actress, is dead at his home in Forty-sixth street, after a four weeks illness. He was 85 years of age and was born at San Sebastian, Spain.

Mr. de Navarro built the first iron seagoing steamship constructed in the United States, and brought about the construction of the first elevated railway line in this city. Mr. de Navarro created the Portland cement industry in this country. Mr. de Navarro left Spain and came to New York in 1855.

Roosevelt Taft's Secretary of War? WASHINGTON, FEB. 6.—At the White House a report that Roosevelt might take the portfolio of Secretary of War in the Taft Cabinet instead of going to Africa is treated with derision.

Will Participate in Mardi Gras. WASHINGTON, FEB. 6.—The third torpedo flotilla now at Pensacola, Fla., has been ordered to mobilize and participate in the Mardi Gras celebration there February 15th to 23d.



Tom Longboat.