

EMPEROR OF JAPAN IS CRITICALLY ILL

Members Of Cabinet And Imperial Family Summoned To Palace--Death Hovers Near
TOKYO, July 20.—Mutsuhito, the Emperor of Japan, is critically ill. The members of the Japanese Cabinet and the princes of the Imperial family have been summoned to the Palace and it is generally believed that His Majesty is sinking.

CHRONICLE SCOUT CAR LEAVES FOR ASHEVILLE

In Charge of Mr. O. L. Barringer Will Attend Rutherfordton Conference on Asheville Highway, and Proceed to Lenoir City--Representative Will Secure Facts About the New Route.
The Chronicle-Observer scout car left here this morning at 3 o'clock for the Rutherfordton conference on the Charlotte-Asheville-Knoxville highway.

WILL TRAIN Y. M. C. A. SECRETARIES HERE

First School Of Its Kind In South To Begin Work In September
The first training school in the South for Y. M. C. A. secretaries will be opened September 9 at the Southern Industrial Institute under the direction of President J. A. Baldwin and other Y. M. C. A. workers.

ALL SIGNS POINT TO POLICE SYSTEM

Private Detectives Employed By District Attorney To Work On Rosenthal Case
NEW YORK, July 20.—The gang of gun-men and black jacks that riddled Herman Rosenthal, the gambler, with bullets is believed by detectives today to have been procured by "Bald Jack" Rose under pressure of the "police system," which was seeking to effectually close the mouth of Rosenthal against further charges that gamblers had to divide their gains with the police.

REPORTED ATTACK UPON DARDANELLES IS DOUBTED

LONDON, July 20.—The mystery surrounding the attack upon the Dardanelles by Italian torpedo boats and their repulse with the loss of two vessels and the damage of six others, coupled with the proclamation of the Sultan of Turkey exhorting the troops to remain loyal, suggesting the possibility and that revolution is brewing in Constantinople.

GOOD ROADS ENTHUSIASTS MEETING AT RUTHERFORDTON

By Staff Correspondent. RUTHERFORDTON, July 20.—The long-looked-for convention of good roads enthusiasts is in session at Rutherfordton. The people of this section, enthusiastic over the prospect of the building of the Charlotte-Asheville highway, are gathered in the court house and there is no standing in the showers of this morning.

MICHIGAN PROGRESSIVES PUT OUT BRAND NEW TICKET

JACKSON, Mich., July 20.—A complete ticket, embracing presidential electors, State and congressional and legislative candidates, will be placed in the field by the first State Progressive convention here today.

REBEL FORCES ALONG BORDER ARE BEING DISINTEGRATED

WASHINGTON, July 20.—Rebel forces along the Mexican border line are being disintegrated, according to War Department reports. However, shipments of several thousand rifles and approximately 100,000 rounds of ammunition recently have gone into El Paso and that has caused a belief that further trouble may be brewing.

DEMOCRATIC FUND TOTALED \$620,644.77

Ryan And Belmont Not Among Contributors To Bryan's Last Campaign
WASHINGTON, July 20.—Herman Ridder, treasurer of the Democratic national committee in 1908, today produced for the inspection of the Senate committee investigating campaign contributions the official reports of the committee's receipts and expenditures he had filed with Secretary of State in New York in 1908.

NO TAINED CASH

Replied Mr. Ridder. "But after Mr. Bryan's denunciation at Baltimore, it seems necessary to explain the qualifications of Tammany men. I collected the money in 1908," he added, "and I am sure no dollar of it was tainted."

DRIVEN TO SUICIDE BY HUSBAND'S ILL TREATMENT

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE. ROCK HILL, S. C., July 20.—Dependent because of ill treatment at the hands of her husband, who had threatened to take their children, Mrs. Parks Walker, aged 22, committed suicide this morning at 6 o'clock by cutting her throat with a razor.

SNOW IN MICHIGAN

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., July 20.—A dispatch from Garp Lake, 23 miles northeast of Petoskey, says that a light sprinkle of snow fell there last night. Crops were damaged by the cold.

McNAB CHECK-FLASHER ARRESTED IN THE WEST

Charlotte Automobile School Instructor Who Worked Local Firms for Several Hundred Dollars, and Also Several Students in the School, Will Be Brought Here for Trial.
As soon as the requisition papers are secured from Governor Kitchin for W. C. McNab, the well-known check flasher who once lived in Charlotte, and who was captured by the police of Kansas City, a few days ago, an officer from here will be sent to bring him back to his former home.

SOCIAL CLUBS MAY OPEN OUTSIDE CITY

Movement On Foot Looking Toward An Interesting Development In The Liquor Situation
Perhaps Charlotte will soon have a suburb devoted to social clubs that have been excoriated and deprived of living room in the city limits because of stringent aldermanic ordinance and head of \$5,000 required from any club operating in the city.

GOVERNOR KITCHIN WILL ADDRESS THE FARMERS

Annual Picnic, July 30-August 2 at Lakewood Park, Will Prove Big Attraction This Year--Other Prominent Speakers to Be Invited For the Occasion.
One of the very interesting features of the farmers' picnic which will be held at Lakewood Park, July 30 to August 2, inclusive, will be the address by Governor Kitchin, who is one of the most brilliant and pleasing orators in the South.

TART'S CAMPAIGN IN THE HANDS OF HIS FRIENDS

WASHINGTON, July 20.—President Taft told callers today he did not intend to influence the subcommittee of the Republican national committee in its selection of a campaign advisory committee and a treasurer and that whatever selections were made by Chairman Hill and the committeemen would be satisfactory to him.

TODAY'S NEWS OF CHARLOTTE

Happenings Of The City Sketched In Brief As Seen By The Chronicle Reporters
THINGS INTERESTING TO ALL PEOPLE IN THE CITY
The same brand of weather is forecasted for tonight and Sunday. Mr. W. L. Palmer has accepted a position with the Ed Mellon Company. Mr. Palmer is from Salisbury and was employed at the Brown Clothing Company.