

WORLD EVENTS TOLD BRIEFLY

Current News Of Interest In Paragraph By Telegraph And Cable

LONDON, Dec. 18.—Another militant suffragette, Norah Lasky, 22 years of age, was sent to jail for three months today for giving false fire alarms.

NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 19.—The Newark International League club today announced the choice of Albany, Ga., for its training grounds next Spring. The team will go there about the middle of March.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 19.—Leo Temple, 17, the negro charged with attempting to criminally assault Clara Queen, 7-year-old daughter of his employer, T. F. Queen, in Shelby County, was hanged at the State prison here today.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The Argentine Republic is now the largest purchaser from the United States of agricultural machinery and wooden furniture, according to consul reports received at the State Department. Argentina is also this country's third largest customer for wire, and the sixth largest for boots and shoes.

NATCHEZ, Miss., Dec. 19.—Russ Harris, a famous ante-bellum jockey, died here yesterday at the age of 80 years. He had ridden in many races for big purses before the war and at that time was known throughout the South and Mississippi Valley. He trained and raced horses until January, 1912.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—President Taft today pardoned Henry Nelson of Owensboro, Ky., recently sentenced to the penitentiary for moonshine distilling in the mountains of Kentucky. The reason for the pardon was that Nelson is expected to live but a short time and he wanted to spend his last Christmas on earth at home.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—More testimony in defense of Judge Robert W. Archbald of the Commerce Court under impeachment charges of having commercialized his influence as a judge, was to be given in the Senate today. It was not expected that Judge Archbald would take the stand in his behalf.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Mrs. Wilson, wife of the President-Elect, and her daughters will be greeted by over a thousand women at a reception and luncheon here next Saturday. Twenty-two little girls have been drilled by the Women's Democratic Club to make the proper courtesies before the next first lady of the land, and each will present to Mrs. Wilson an American Beauty rose.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 19.—Contract has been let for the \$600,000 canal to run from West Palm Beach to Lake Okechobee in the interior of the State to the National Construction Company of Birmingham, Ala., for excavating. The ditch will be 47 1/2 miles long, eleven feet deep and 75 feet wide and will open up man thousands of acres of land. It is to be completed by July 1.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 19.—The Author's League of America has been incorporated here "to protect the rights and property of all authors." The principal office is in New York City and the directors include Rupert Hughes, Rex Beach, Gillette Thomas, Arthur C. Train, Augustus Burgess, Gertrude Atherton, Ellen Glasgow, Carolyn Wells, Hamlin Garland, Jesse Lynch Williams, Robert Grant and Winston Churchill.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Equalizing and perhaps exceeding the rush of immigration to America a quarter of a century ago, is the tremendous flood of Europeans now pouring into the Argentine Republic to develop its vast resources. Figures received at the State Department shows that in ten days from November 1 to 10 last, no less than 17,500 European immigrants landed in the Southern Republic, of whom 80 per cent were Italians and Spaniards.

WILSON'S BIRTHDAY

Will be Spent by President-Elect in the House He Was Born in at Staunton. PRINCETON, N. J., Dec. 19.—When Woodrow Wilson wakes up on the morning of December 28, he expects to find himself in the same house in Staunton, Va., in which he was born just 56 years ago that day. The President-Elect said today he would leave here on December 27 and reach his birthplace that night so as to sleep in the Presbyterian parsonage where he was born. He will spend the next day, his birthday, in Staunton, where a jubilee celebration has been arranged in his honor.

MORGAN TELLS OF MONEY TRUST

Financier Is Principal Witness Today Before The Pujo Committee

DESCRIBES CONTRACTS OF FIRM AS FISCAL AGENTS

J. P. Morgan and Company Acted as Fiscal Agents for Various Corporations—With Some It Had Written Contracts, With Others Merely Tacit Understandings—Mr. Morgan Approved Directorate of United States Steel Corporation.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—J. P. Morgan resumed the witness stand today before the money trust investigating committee.

The financier's lawyer, R. V. Lindabury, Joseph A. Choate, Delancey Nicol and John C. Spooner held a whispered conference as Mr. Morgan took the stand and Mr. Untermyer, counsel for the committee, began the examination.

"Can't you give the committee a statement of the deposits of your banking firm in New York as of November 1?" asked Mr. Untermyer.

Mr. Morgan approximated it about \$100,000,000.

He said he would furnish a statement showing the figures.

Mr. Morgan said he and his partners were directors in some of the interstate corporations that "have accounts with J. P. Morgan & Co. His counsel agreed to furnish a list of those directorships.

Mr. Morgan produced, in response to a question, copies of the fiscal agreements between J. P. Morgan & Co. and the New York Central and the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Companies.

Acted as Fiscal Agents.

Mr. Morgan said that there were no other such agreements made by his house. He said the firm acted as fiscal agent for other companies "by tacit agreements."

"You are acting for a number of other corporations, are you not, including the United States Steel Corporation?" suggested Mr. Untermyer.

"Yes, but that is by a resolution of the board of directors of the steel corporation," said Mr. Morgan.

As to other agreements whereby the Morgan house became fiscal agents for corporations, he said, they were "by word of mouth or by correspondence."

Mr. Untermyer read part of the New York Central fiscal agreement by which Morgan & Co. were made sole bankers for the railroad. Mr. Morgan said he had been a director of the New York Central about 35 years.

Included in the fiscal arrangement of the New York Central lines were the Michigan Central, the Lake Shore and the Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis Railroads. Mr. Morgan said some issues of New York Central securities had been made in the last ten years through other bankers than this house.

"I can't recall any but I think there were some," he said.

"In the last five years?"

"I don't remember of any. None that I can recall just now."

New York Central Securities.

His firm would furnish information on that point. Mr. Morgan said the firm handled several hundred million dollars worth of New York Central securities and he thought that in the last ten years those securities had all been handled on a commission basis.

Mr. Morgan thought the New Haven, too, had issued securities not handled by Morgan & Co. in the last ten years.

Mr. Untermyer read from the papers furnished by Mr. Morgan the proposal from the Morgan house accepted by the New Haven.

Morgan & Co. proposed in return for being made sole fiscal agents for the New Haven lines to lend the New Haven road 90 per cent of the agreed sale price of its securities, at a "reasonable rate of interest and to give the road the benefits of counsel of advance."

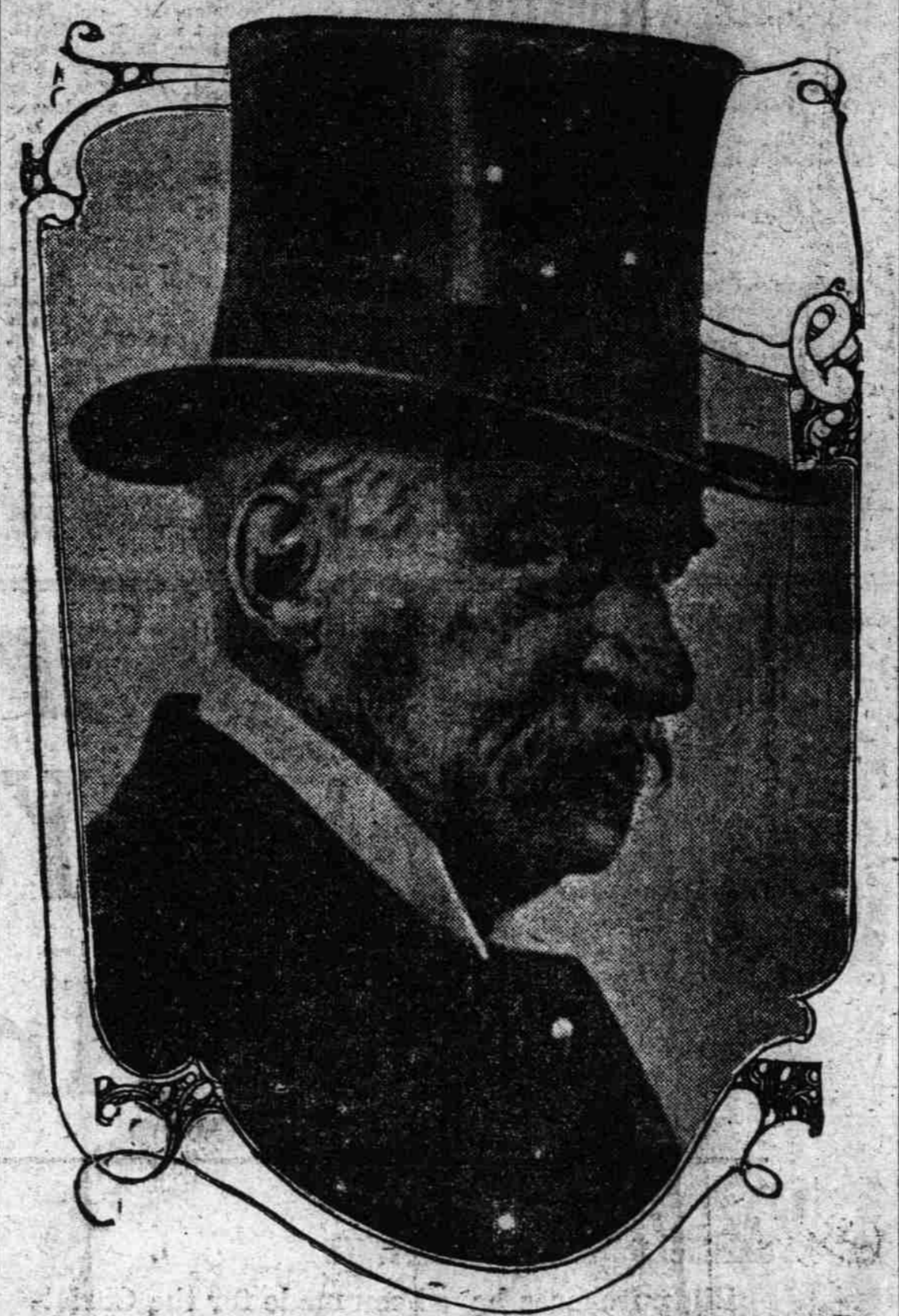
The proposal was accepted January 11, 1911, by the Maine Central, December 28, 1911, by the Boston & Maine, and December 19, 1910, by the New York, New Haven & Hartford.

Mr. Morgan said his firm has supplied the committee with data on that point.

Mr. Untermyer replied that such data included only those corporations

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Money King Testifies Today Before The House Investigating Committee



J. Pierpont Morgan, who is testifying before the Pujo money trust investigating committee of the House, in regard to the so-called interlocking system of directorates of big corporations in New York and elsewhere.

EXPECT END OF PEACE CONFERENCE IN THE NEXT 48 HOURS

LONDON, Dec. 19.—Whether peace is to be negotiated between Turkey and the Balkan allies or whether the war is to be continued is expected to be settled within 48 hours. In diplomatic circles in London the opinion prevails that if the obstacles which are likely to present themselves at the sessions of the peace conference in St. James Palace today and tomorrow can be surmounted or circumvented, peace will be assured.

The revivification of the Turkish fortresses of Adrianople on which the Turks are reported to insist as a condition to the waiving of their demands that Greece should sign the armistice, is a most troublesome point.

As soon as the question of Greek participation in the peace conference shall have been settled, if that is possible, the demands of the allies will have been reached when the good offices of the powers may be needed.

Without outside mediation it appears possible now to bridge the gulf dividing the minimum demands of the allied Balkan Nations and the maximum offer of the Turks, if these demands and this offer are to be accepted at their face values.

ARRANGE FOR SCHOOL

Y. M. C. A. Committee Making Plans for Big Gathering at Black Mountain Next Summer.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Dec. 19.—The committee on arrangements of the Young Men's Christian Association is meeting here today, preparing a program for the meeting of the association on July 9-23, 1913, on the grounds of the Blue Ridge Association near Black Mountain, N. C. Prominent Y. M. C. A. men from Southern and Eastern States are in attendance upon the meeting.

This summer school for Y. M. C. A. workers is one of the five schools held in North America every summer. The other four are held at Lake George, N. Y., Lake Geneva, Wis., Lake Canachiching in Canada, and Estes Park, Colorado.

TEMPERANCE WORKERS GO TO START GREAT CAMPAIGN

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Nearly 400 temperance workers from throughout the United States who have been here to urge the passage of legislation prohibiting shipments of liquor into "dry" territory, scattered for their homes today to work toward the raising of a fund of \$500,000 in yearly installments of \$100,000 for the inauguration of a nationwide crusade.

ATTORNEYS ASK FOR COURT INSTRUCTIONS

Union, Pacific-Southern Pacific Merger Case Is Again Called Before Court

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Dissolution of the Union Pacific-Southern Pacific merger again came before the Supreme Court today when attorneys for the Union Pacific and the Government joined in a request that the court determine at once what rights the Union Pacific stockholders should have in the disposal of the Southern Pacific stock held by the Union Pacific in violation of the Sherman anti-trust law.

The railroad attorneys explained to the court they considered the only practicable method for the stock to be distributed without irreparable injury would be for the Union Pacific Company to offer the shares to its own shareholders, pro rata, according to the amount of their holdings for purchases at a fair price or to distribute the same as a dividend to the holders of its stock entitled to a dividend.

The offering for sale upon the open market of the Union Pacific's holding of the Southern Pacific's shares aggregating \$126,650,000 would not only inflict great injustice and irreparable damage on the Union Pacific and its shareholders, but also would cause a serious financial disturbance by oversupplying the market demand for securities of this character and consequently depressing the price not merely of the Southern Pacific's shares owned by the Union Pacific but also of the shares of Southern Pacific held by others and even of the securities of other corporations dealt in on the market during and for a long period after the offering of these Southern Pacific shares for sale, declared the attorneys.

The railroad attorneys argued that if the Southern Pacific stock owned by the Union Pacific were distributed among all Union Pacific shareholders, the so-called "controlling interests" would get only 6 per cent of the total capitalization of the Southern Pacific Company or an "infinitesimal portion."

It has been learned that the old hand fire engine, Neptune, No. 2, which served the Charlotte department from 1856 to 1901, was destroyed in a fire at Westfield, Mass., December 18. The Neptune was made for Charlotte by William Jeffers of Pawtucket, R. I., in 1866. It was sold in 1901 to Marblehead, Mass., and in 1909 to the Westfield Velocity Association. It has been used in the North solely for tournament purposes, and in 13 contests it has won six prizes, aggregating \$575, since it has been in Westfield.

SOUTHERN BRANCH ESTABLISHED HERE

Marion Motor Company Selects Charlotte For Southern Headquarters

Charlotte has been selected as Southern headquarters for the Marion Motor Company of Minneapolis, Minn., and Mr. C. M. Barker will open offices here January 1, having just made arrangements with local agencies for this important move. Mr. Barker is the Eastern representative and manager of the sales for this large motor company. The United States is covered by four men of his rating in the official standing of the concern, and he is one of the four who have charge of the concern, and he is one of the four who have charge of the sales and instruction and management in this country. This affords some idea of the largeness of the office which will be opened in Charlotte.

In company with Dr. M. D. McNab, vice president of the Marion Motor Car Company, Mr. Barker spent last night in the city and the two officials were entertained at dinner at the Southern Manufacturers' Club by Messrs. J. H. Ham and J. H. Ross, who have been at the head of the business of the United States Motor Company. Dr. McNab, who is a practicing physician, was formerly in charge of the Detroit office of the United States Motor Company, having recently accepted the vice presidency of the Marion Company. He holds the position, further, of general sales instructor for the concern, having general oversight of all the sales business negotiated in the United States. He is making an extensive trip over the South and other sections of the United States in the interest of the Marion factory, getting a general line on the character of the territory which the company will occupy.

The assignment of Mr. Barker to Charlotte to open headquarters for the South witnesses to the development of the city as an automobile center as well as a point affording easy access to surrounding territory. From the local office Mr. Barker will cover all the territory as far North as the District of Columbia and as far South as Louisiana. He will have a sizeable office force at his command and directly that he has opened headquarters here, he will begin the work of organization throughout the Southern territory for the Marion Company.

SOURCE OF PROFIT

Can be Made of Vocational Training in Public Schools According to Commissioner Claxton.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Vocational training in the public schools can be undertaken not only without cost to the tax-payers, but may be made a source of actual profit, according to Commissioner Claxton of the Federal Bureau of Education today. In making a plea for the extension of industrial education, Dr. Claxton cited the experience of the industrial classes in Gary, Ind., in the present year. They showed a net profit through the work turned out by the pupils of \$875,43 over all expenses.

"This is real value, too," said Dr. Claxton, "for the pupils made articles that were needed in the school. If they had not made them in the school shops the authorities would have had to purchase them in open market at a total price of seven or eight thousand dollars."

The profits returned were divided among three classes. That in printing earned for the school \$175,43; the cabinet workers made \$453,48 and the painting department \$246,52.

BLAIR CASE IS NEAR ITS CLOSE

(Special to The Chronicle.) GREENSBORO, Dec. 19.—When court adjourned at noon today there remained to be made but one speech and the charge of Judge Wiedebach. By 1 o'clock it is believed the case of the State against W. F. Blair for the murder of George Thompson will be in the hands of the jury.

W. W. Barbee and E. J. Justice spoke for the defense this morning and Solicitor Gattis for the State. Former Solicitor A. L. Brooks will have the final word with the jury this afternoon.

DESPERADO KILLED BY MEMPHIS CITY DETECTIVES

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 19.—Adam J. Boehler, who held a squad of 50 policemen and detectives at bay for eight hours this morning, was shot and killed before noon by city detectives who forced their way into Boehler's stronghold in a downtown rooming house after the man had been partially overcome by the fumes of formaldehyde forced into the room through holes cut in the walls and floors.

CLUB REMOVAL YET UNSETTLED

Lengthy Session Of Stockholders Was Not Productive Of Results

ISSUE IS POSTPONED UNTIL JANUARY DATE

Adoption of Resolution to Leave Two Proposals, That of Stephens Company and Chatham Interests, to a Committee, Prevailed After a Session Lasting Until Past Midnight—Interesting Discussions Arose During the Meeting.

The proposition to move the Mecklenburg Country Club to Myers Park was the theme of a four-hour session of the stockholders last night, attended by 94 members and 72 proxies, and following a discussion that seemed interminable, postponement to the January meeting was agreed upon and a committee appointed to take the entire matter under advisement. This committee is composed of Messrs. W. E. Chambers, John M. Scott, J. R. Van Ness, R. L. Gibbon, J. H. Little, C. B. Bryant and George P. Wadsworth.

Mr. Stephens is Heard.

Despite the expectation that vitriol and invective would be employed in the discussions, the meeting was featured by a splendid spirit of harmony and co-operation. Nothing unkind was said and those who took the floor and led the forefront of the fighting were calm and deliberate, free from the use of harsh expressions and inspired, apparently, purely by a spirit that sought the best interests of the institution. The discussions were infrequent. Motions, however, were numerous. A good part of the time was used by Mr. George Stephens in explaining the proposition of the Stephens Company. Armed with maps and blackboard and chalk, in addition to his own convincing power of speech and logic, he commanded the attention of the stockholders while he traced the proposition offered by the Stephens Company from its infancy. He pointed out the financial distinctions which the club would enjoy in Myers Park over its present location. He compared the real estate values of the two tracts of land; he cited instances wherein the club could count on improvements and developments at Myers Park in the way of a more elaborate building, more extensive golf grounds, better club house, more imposing appearance and, superior to all, better financial rating. He contrasted the two propositions from every angle of consideration and presented formally the offer which his company had agreed to make.

The Chatham Offer.

After Mr. Stephens had finished, Mr. W. M. Paul presented the offer of the Chatham interests which he turned over to the meeting practically without elaboration. He read the agreement which Mr. Chatham was willing to enter into, the provision of street car and paved street facilities, the building of the additional nine holes of golf, and practically every other point of improvement raised in the written proposition of the Stephens Company. The following are the terms of the overture coming from the Chatham interests presented to the meeting along with that of the Stephens Company: "To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of the Mecklenburg Country Club: "Gentlemen: We hereby beg to submit for your consideration, the following proposition, the conditions as herein stated to be binding upon ourselves, heirs and assigns provided the Mecklenburg Country Club is not removed from its present location. "First: We agree to construct a trolley line as per specifications furnished us by the Charlotte Electric Railway Company from Heath's corner on Central avenue through Chatham Estates and Club Acres to the Mecklenburg Country Club and to have same completed and ready for operation on or before April 30, 1913; bond for which will be given to the Country Club by Tucker & Laxton who have accepted contract for construction of above line. "We agree to operate said line on a 20-minute, through schedule from Tryon street in the city of Charlotte to the Country Club for a five-cent fare, and agree to give a good and sufficient surety bond in the sum of \$10,000 as a guarantee that the aforesaid service will be maintained for a period of five years. "Second: We agree to construct a driveway built of a bituminous material from the Plaza in Chatham Estates through Club Acres to the present club house, location of street in the club property to be designated by the board of directors. And further agree to furnish a good and sufficient surety bond in the sum of \$5,000 for the completion of said street by or before May 30, 1913. "Third: We agree to furnish at our expense, the services of some expert to be named by the board of directors in laying out the last nine

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TODAY'S NEWS OF CHARLOTTE

Happenings Of The City Sketched In Brief As Seen By The Chronicle Reporters

—Rev. W. W. Orr, D. D., who has been away from the city for the past three months, conducting evangelistic services at several points in Pennsylvania, returned home last night and will spend the Christmas holidays here with his family.

—The funeral services over the remains of Mrs. Ernesta J. Neal were held this afternoon, the burial taking place at Sardis church in the county. Rev. R. G. Miller, D. D., and Rev. J. G. Kennedy, D. D., had charge of the funeral exercises.

—In a letter to officials of the local baseball club, President Stein of the Buffalo Club in the International League, states that his team will reach the city early in March for Spring training. Arrangements have been made for the accommodation of the team and Wearn Field will undergo marked improvements prior to the coming of this team for the Spring period of practice.

—The vesper service hour at the Young Women's Christian Association this coming Sunday will not be the regular set service it generally is, but has been planned to give those young women who are away from home a cozy and delightful twilight hour with Christmas carols, Christmas stories and a cup of tea. This is not a new plan or an experiment, but was tried in the Charlotte association last year and is used at all the year in other associations throughout the country.

—Today is the first one of the "shortest days" in the year, there being seven instead of one such day, when the difference in the length of the seven days is from start to finish less than 60 seconds. The length of the day is 8 hours and 43 minutes today, and each day up to Christmas will be of the same length. On Christmas Day the lengthening of the day begins by the addition of one minute more of sunlight on December 23 than on the days just preceding.

—At a called meeting of the board of trustees of the Chatham Conference held here yesterday, Mr. H. A. Hayes, superintendent, tendered his resignation, advising the members of the board that on account of the complexity of his health, he could not attend to these duties further. It was stated that the successor of Mr. Hayes would be announced at some later date. The board of trustees was represented by Rev. Dr. Marr of this city, chairman; Messrs. S. L. Rogers of Franklin, George Ivey of Hickory, J. A. Glenn of Gastonia, George H. Hockney of Lexington, Rev. Harold Turner of Salisbury, and Rev. H. K. Boyer of Charlotte.

—At a "business men's" luncheon given yesterday at the Southern Manufacturers' Club in compliment to the South Atlantic Field Committee of the Y. W. C. A., the following members were elected to the committee for the new year: For three years to December, 1915, Mrs. Walter Davidson, Mrs. R. L. Gibbon, Mrs. Robert Glasgow, Mrs. J. Lindsay Patterson, Winston-Salem, Mrs. J. C. Patton, Miss Florence Stephenson, Asheville, Mrs. C. P. Shaw, Norfolk, Mrs. Frank I. Bentley, Tampa, Fla., to fill unexpired terms: To December, 1913, Miss Mildred Rutherford of Atlanta, Ga.; to December, 1914, Mrs. Charles H. Hinley, Augusta, Ga., Mrs. Joseph Garibaldi.

DENEEN'S PREDICTION

Illinois Executive Says Republicans and Progressives Are But a Little Way Apart and Will Soon Get Together.

CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—Gov. Charles S. Deneen declared yesterday at a Republican State rally that reunion of the Republican party and Progressive party was near at hand. He said their fundamental policies differed only slightly. The Governor, who supported Colonel Roosevelt at the Republican National convention, said that the method of making presidential nominations was the chief cause of the division.

Governor Deneen made possible the primaries in Illinois that gave the State's delegates to Roosevelt, by the Governor refused to bolt the Republican party. "It is not necessary for the Republican party to seek everywhere for new material for its party platform," he said. "It is only necessary to rally around the old standards to march forward to new victories."

TODAY IN CONGRESS

SENATE. Convened at noon. Went into executive session to consider confirmation of presidential nominations. HOUSE. Convened at noon and adjourned at 12:17 p. m., going to lunch of quorum, until again January 2. J. P. Morgan continued his testimony before money trust investigating committee. Interior Department adopted report censuring Robert G. Valentine, former commissioner of Indian Affairs, for his conduct prior to his resignation.